

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Workshop Programme

Date of Workshop: Tuesday 17 October 2023
 Time: 1.45pm – 4.15pm
 Venue: Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Office, Ground Floor, 1 The Strand, Takapuna and MS Teams
 Apologies:

Time	Workshop Item	Presenter	Governance role	Proposed Outcome(s)
1.45 – 2.45	1. Infrastructure & Environmental Services - Restoring Takarunga Hauraki and Pupuke Birdsong updates Attachments: 2.1 Pupuke Birdsong and Restoring Takarunga Hauraki local board update	Mallika Krishnamurthy Relationship Advisor Michelle Brinsden Senior Conservation Advisor	Keeping informed	Receive update on progress
2.45 – 3.45	2. Connected Communities - Monthly Update Attachments: 1.1 Connected Communities Oct 2023 update 1.2 Quarterly 1 Demographics	Deb Doyle Community Broker	Keeping informed	Receive update on progress
3.45 – 4.15	3. Local Board Services - Local Board Plan final review Attachments: 3.1 Draft DT LBP post peer review 3.2 Suggested changes to LBP post peer review	Rhiannon Guinness Local Board Advisor	Setting direction	Receive update on progress / confirm priorities

Next workshop: 24 October 2023

Role of Workshop:

- Workshops do not have decision-making authority.
- Workshops are used to canvass issues, prepare local board members for upcoming decisions and to enable discussion between elected members and staff.
- Members are respectfully reminded of their Code of Conduct obligations with respect to conflicts of interest and confidentiality.
- Workshops for groups of local boards can be held giving local boards the chance to work together on common interests or topics.

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Workshop Record

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Time: 1.45pm – 3.44pm
Venue: Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Office, Ground Floor, 1 The Strand, Takapuna and MS Teams

Attendees

Chairperson: Toni van Tonder

Deputy Chairperson: Terence Harpur

Members: Peter Allen
Melissa Powell
George Wood, CNZM

Staff: Trina Thompson – Local Area Manager
Maureen Buchanan – Senior Local Board Advisor
Rhiannon Guinness – Local Board Advisor
Henare King – Democracy Advisor

Apologies

Gavin Busch

Workshop item	Presenters	Governance role	Summary of discussion and Action points
<p>1. Infrastructure & Environmental Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Restoring Takarunga Hauraki and Pupuke Birdsong updates 	<p>Mallika Krishnamurthy Relationship Advisor</p> <p>Michelle Brinsden Senior Conservation Advisor</p>	<p>Keeping informed</p>	<p>The local board was provided with an update from staff regarding Restoring Takarunga Hauraki and Pupuke Birdsong.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member G Wood was not present at the start of this workshop. <p>The local board raised the following points and questions in response to the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impressed with the Lake Pupuke graphic provided by Pupuke Birdsong Project, this would be good as a lakefront sign; staff noted it was done by Shaun Lee who also does designs for the Department of Conservation. • Wanted to better understand how Council supports these groups other than funding. Staff noted that Rangers give support with resources and tools for public land. Clarified that there are grants avenues available that are being utilised, and funding streams through private companies. • Concern that Pupuke Birdsong may need a new umbrella organisation going forward, or become independent, but are constrained until this is resolved. • Congratulated both groups on the positive environmental and social impact they have made on the local community, encourage them to apply for the February 2024 Grants round, particularly regarding signage. • Suggested collaboration with other environmental groups in neighbouring Local Board areas, citing a collaboration between the Kaipataki and Upper Harbour Local Board. • Would like to see a funding sources breakdown for Pupuke Birdsong similar to the one presented by Restoring Takarunga Hauraki.

<p>2. Connected Communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monthly Update 	<p>Deb Doyle Community Broker</p>	<p>Keeping informed</p>	<p>The local board was provided with a monthly update for October 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member G Wood joined the workshop during this item. • Staff noted that the item would include discussion of Waiwharariki Anzac square activations. Member T Hapur left the room during this discussion. <p>The local board raised the following points and questions in response to the presentation:</p> <p><u>Maori Outcomes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarified no other contributors to the Te Mauri o te Moana event. Advised deferring until Healthy Waters and Watercare can confirm attendance. • Clarified the visual storytelling project was a Takapuna Library initiative and not regional. <p><u>Waiwharariki Anzac Square activations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wanted to understand difficulties getting foodtrucks into the Square, noting that there was some trouble with getting vehicles into the Square for the Markets. Staff understanding is that food trucks will be parked in the parking lot area bordering the Square, with the Local Board funding staging, tables and chairs, and entertainment. • Curious to understand the thoughts of local business owners in regards to the food trucks. Staff noted the responses varied, with some seeing it as a good way to drive foot traffic and others seeing them as competition. • Concern raised regarding the issue of installations in the Square being limited to a six day period. Staff note that solutions are still being investigated by Eke Panuku. • Clarified the Council Events team manages bookings for the Square. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertisement of the Activator roles launching soon • Staff to provide one-off events snapshots each quarter • Staff to provide review/snapshot of grants applications and approvals
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<p>3. Local Board Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local Board Plan final review 	<p>Rhiannon Guinness Local Board Advisor</p>	<p>Setting direction</p>	<p>The local board was provided with an update on the Local Board Plan development.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This was the final review of the Local Board Plan before formal adoption on 31 October. <p>The local board raised the following points and questions in response to the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questioned if Unlock Takapuna project was nearing completion, noting that Waiwharariki Anzac Square has been delivered but other urban regeneration projects, such as the Northcroft and Huron Street upgrades, are still pending. • Reiterated specific mention of Tataki Auckland Unlimited in the Local Board Plan, as the Board are keen to work with them this term. • Ensure consistent language in the plan when referring to Waiwharariki Anzac Square. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of the Local Board Plan at 31 October Community Forum.
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The workshop concluded at 3.44pm

Connected Communities Monthly Update

Oct 2023



Community Delivery Key Updates Oct 2023

- Grants Update
- Māori Outcomes
- Waiwharariki/ANZAC activations
- Q1 demographic breakdown





Project Employ

7 August · 🌐



Thanks so much to the [Devonport-Takapuna Local Board](#) for acknowledging the impact our training cafe, [Flourish Cafe](#), is having on young adults with intellectual disabilities, and the community as a whole, by awarding us a grant to help buy a new freezer.



Grants Updates





Milford Marina

23 August · 🌐



Yesterday our wonderful helpers managed to clear all this rubbish from up stream this would have all ended up in the marina or on the beach this is all the money spent from our grant - hopefully we can get some more 😊👉 Massine thanks to the [Devonport-Takapuna Local Board](#) ❤️🇺🇲🇵🇰🇵🇵



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The PumpHouse Theatre

7 September at 14:50 · 🌐



Sending a MASSIVE thank you to the [Devonport-Takapuna Local Board](#) for the new heat pumps in our Box Office and Coal Bunker Studio!

They're already working their magic to keep our staff, cast, and crew toasty warm in our chilly heritage building. 🗜️🗜️

THANK YOU

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Māori Outcomes





Māori Outcomes- \$15k

Project Allocation :

- Te Mauri o te Wai Workshop
- Quarterly Māori led Conversation Series
- Visual Storytelling using Takapuna Library Archives
- Te Hau Kapua Devonport Matariki

There are no current updates on Te Rohapara Pa.



Te Mauri o te Moana / The Well-being of our Oceans Workshop



- Led by Bill Kapea, hosted at Takapuna Boating Club
- 4th November, ~50 people in attendance
- Healthy Waters, Watercare, Iwi in attendance
- Description from the organisers:

“Te Mauri o Te Wai workshop will bring leaders from local Iwi, Watercare, Healthy Waters, local boards and community groups to learn and discuss how we can work collectively to regenerate the mauri of our local streams and waterways, the arteries. 'From the puna to the moana'. The outcome we are wanting to achieve is to select a stream that collectively we can work on to regenerate and then replicate this across the North Shore, including Kaipatiki. This mahi, in itself will help build a more resilient community in the face of our warming oceans and more extreme weather events (rain, drought and winds). After the hui we plan to go onto and into the moana, with a wakarama, paddle boards, perhaps if it is nice weather and a low tide we can build some sandcastles. If the weather is fine we anticipate wrapping up at 1pm.”





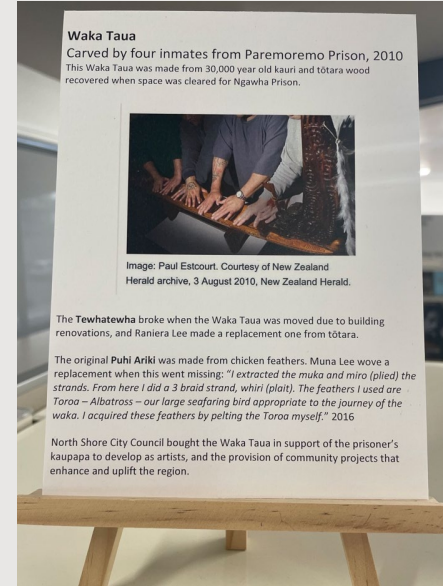
Quarterly Māori-led Conversation Series

- Set up quarterly, Māori-led conversation series
- Mana whenua and mātāwaka set the topics
- Local Board members have a recurring slot to give general updates
- Will rotate around the board area
- Trial for 2024 to understand if it's something to keep going long term



Other projects we're investigating:

- Visual Storytelling using Takapuna Library Archives:
 - Creating videos telling the story some of the taonga at Takapuna Library
 - Māori outcomes team supporting finding appropriate mana whenua to tell the stories
- Devonport Matariki
 - Terehia Walker organising Matariki 2024
 - Funding to support a collaborative approach to delivery
 - Budget to be developed in partnership with community organisations before funds go out





Waiwharariki/ANZAC Square Activations


 Conscious Kids NZ
30 September at 18:14 · 🌐

♻️ The first JUNK PLAY EVENT @ Waiwharariki ANZAC Square was AMAZING! 🎉
The weather was wild, and so was the children's imagination!
We cannot thank the [Devonport-Takapuna Local Board](#) and all the families that joined us enough!
Bring on the next ones:
Friday, 3rd November / 10 am - 2 pm
Tuesday, 7th November / 3 pm - 7 pm
Thursday, 9th November / 3 pm - 7 pm
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 Hungerball
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Can't beat Auckland on a sunny day! Lots of kids & some parents too had fun in the Hungerball arena yesterday at Anzac Square. Thanks to [Out and About Auckland - Tāmaki Makaurau](#) & the [Devonport-Takapuna Local Board](#) for making this and many other events possible, free for all to enjoy !!!
Thanks also to our coaches Hannah and Harsh for bringing on the fun! We'll be back on Friday & Saturday this week. events found on the Hungerball Events Page! 🙌
Can't wait to see you all there [#hungerball](#) [#neverstopplaying](#) [#FindYourGame](#) 🔥



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Waiwharariki/ANZAC Square Activations

Out and About activation schedule

Date	Activation	Location	Time	Delivered By	Notes
Friday, 29 September 2023	Junk Play	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	10am-2pm	Conscious Kids	school holidays
Wednesday, 4 October 2023	Hungerball	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	10am-1pm	Hungerball	school holidays
Friday, 6 October 2023	Hungerball	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	10am-1pm	Hungerball	school holidays
Saturday, 7 October 2023	Hungerball	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	2-5pm	Hungerball	school holidays
Saturday, 14 October 2023	Hungerball	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	10am-1pm	Hungerball	
Friday, 3 November 2023	Junk Play	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	10am-2pm	Conscious Kids	
Saturday, 4 November 2023	Hungerball	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	2-5pm	Hungerball	
Tuesday, 7 November 2023	Junk Play	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	3-7pm	Conscious Kids	Play Week
Thursday, 9 November 2023	Junk Play	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	3-7pm	Conscious Kids	Play Week
Sunday, 12 November 2023	Circus in the Square	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	3-5pm	Circability	Play Week
Saturday, 18 November 2023	Hungerball	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	10am-1pm	Hungerball	
Sunday, 19 November 2023	Circus in the Square	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	3-5pm	Circability	
Sunday, 26 November 2023	Circus in the Square	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	3-5pm	Circability	
Sunday, 3 December 2023	Circus in the Square	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	3-5pm	Circability	
Sunday, 3 December 2023	Hungerball	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	2-5pm	Hungerball	TBC
Sunday, 10 December 2023	Circus in the Square	Waiwharariki ANZAC Square	3-5pm	Circability	



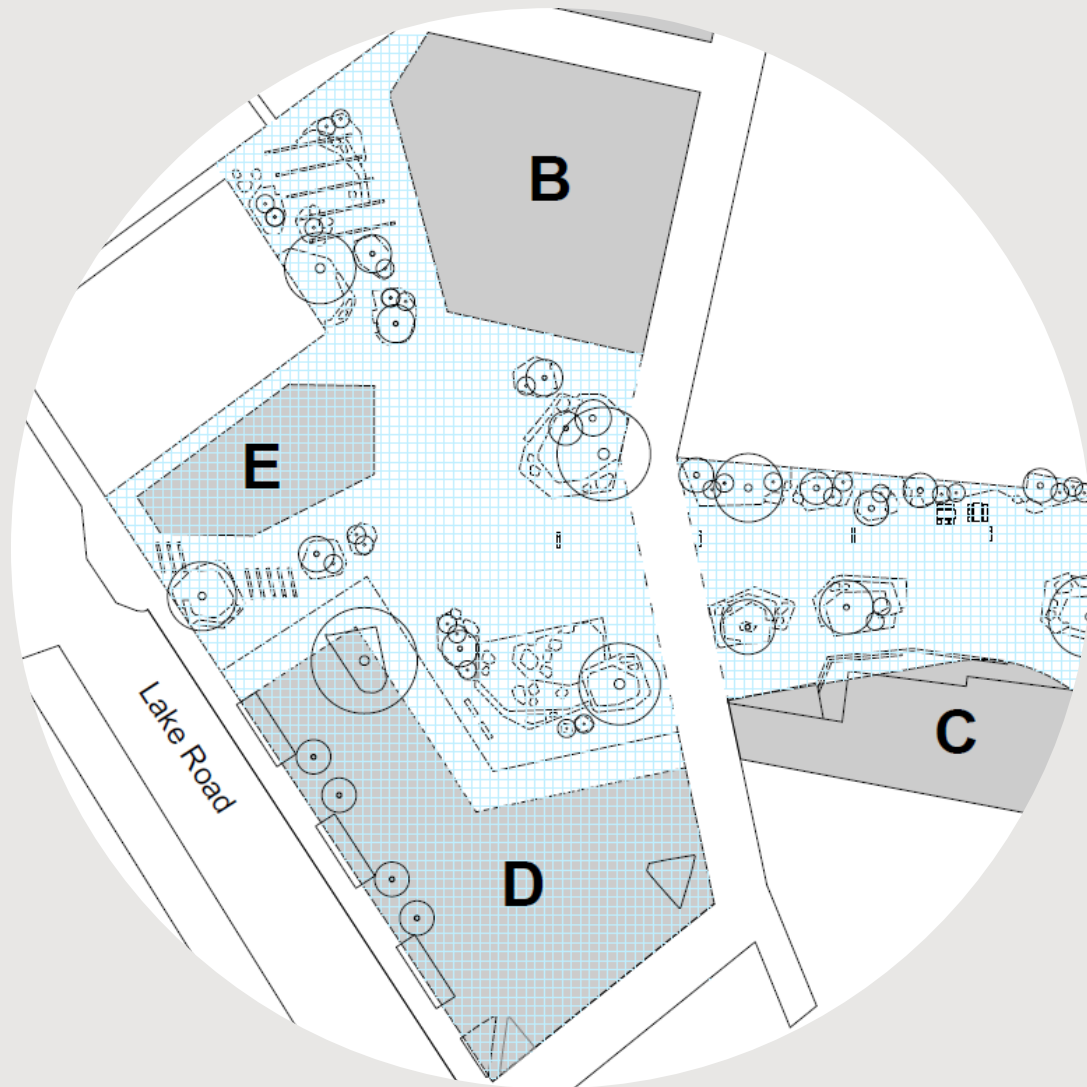


TBBA Activations

- ~\$20,000, activation examples in discussion
 - Food Truck Thursdays
 - Christmas Carols by local choirs
- Question of events v. community activations
 - Ie: Turkiye Festival and Dog Show vs Movie Nights



Art Installation



Obstacles around permitting still being worked through

- Most of the square is run as a Metro Town Centre and therefore anything longer than 6 days would need resource consent
- Block D (where the pump track is) is managed by Eke Panuku and can hold things for longer periods
- Long term questions around art/installations in Square once Eke Panuku is no longer involved



Lake House Pike e te Tūārā – Ascend the Threshold Sculpture Symposium in the Square:



- ~\$10,000
- Would commission artists to create pieces that match the Kaupapa of the Square design
- Install in February after the Symposium at Lake House is complete
- Funding would include artists on site to run workshops, talk about their designs and engage with community
- Could have each artist there for 6 days each to stretch it or all artists at the same time.





Quarter 1 Demographic snapshot





Parameters

- Only things delivered/supported in Q1 July to Sept 2023
- Anything supported by DTLB through
 - Grants
 - Operational funding
 - Community Leases
- Demographics:
 - Seniors
 - Tamariki/Whanau Friendly
 - Rangatahi/Youth
 - Ethnic Communities
 - Disabled Communities



Leases, Community Facilities and Playgrounds

With 35 playgrounds:

	Senior Community	Tamariki	Rangatahi	Ethnic and Migrant Communities	People with disabilities
Total number	9	51	5	1	2

Without playgrounds:

	Senior Community	Tamariki	Rangatahi	Ethnic and Migrant Communities	People with disabilities
Total number	8	16	5	1	4

Reflections:

- Support for Ethnic and Migrant communities is more indirect via subsidised venue hire and not as immediately visible
- Seniors are well supported through leases and ongoing programming, though have fewer one-off events targeted to them



One-off events and activations

	Senior Community	Tamariki	Rangatahi	Ethnic and Migrant Communities	People with disabilities
Total number	4	25	7	20	4

Reflections:

- This is heavily skewed by Matariki events. 13 of the 20 Ethnic/Migrant Community events were Matariki, with only 7 non-Matariki events
- Just over half of the one-off events for Migrant and Ethnic Communities happened in Devonport and Belmont, when most of our Ethnic Communities live North of Esmonde Road.
- PHAB and New Dawn both operate as great community organisations in the disability space and offer more than can be clearly pulled out in this exercise



Ongoing events and activations

	Senior Community	Tamariki	Rangatahi	Ethnic and Migrant Communities	People with disabilities
Total number	11	11	6	3	2

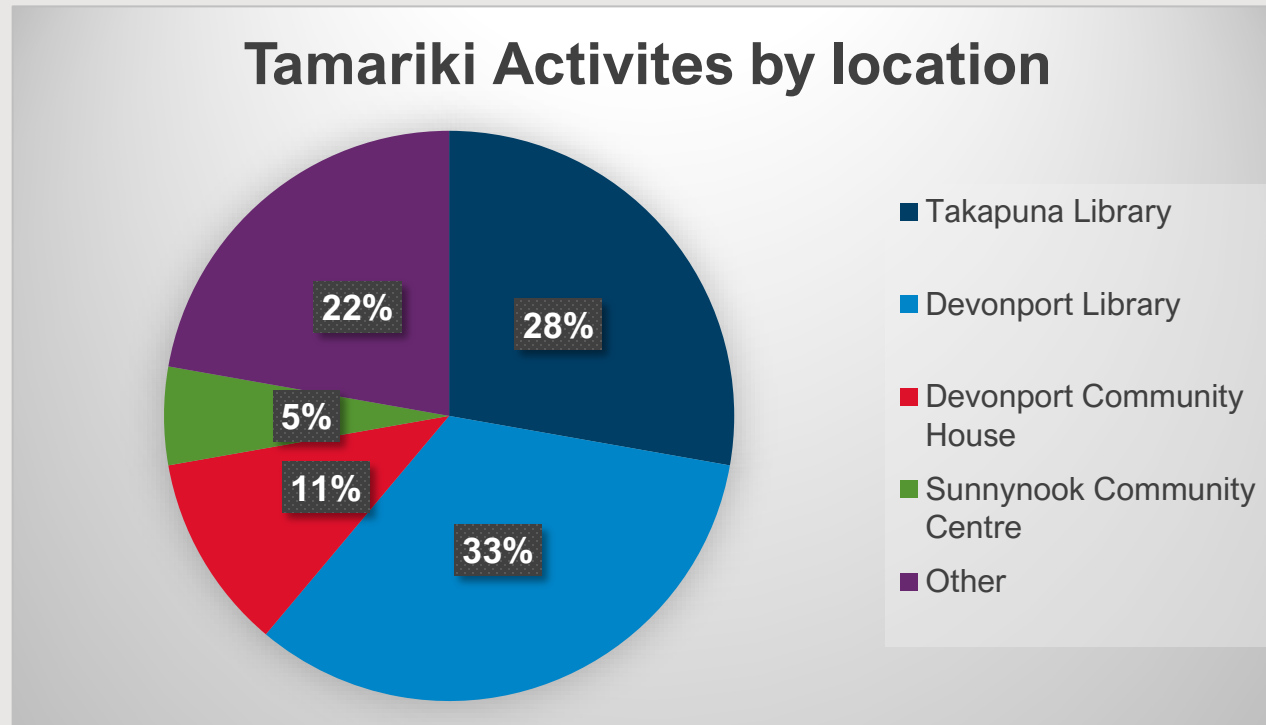
Reflections:

- There is a huge gap in ongoing events for Ethnic and Migrant communities.
- Shore Junction is really the only ongoing successful provider of support for Rangatahi, but it's a notoriously hard demographic to engage
- PHAB and New Dawn offer great ongoing events activations for those with disabilities. PHAB sometimes comes in for grants to support their ongoing activities but mostly aren't funded from DTLB



Reflections

- Our Libraries and Community House programming is incredible, captures a wide audience and provides bulk of funded one off and ongoing Tamariki activities





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Purpose:

This report provides a demographic breakdown of activities that are funded or supported by the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board that over Quarter 1 2023.

Demographics that were looked at were: Seniors, Tamariki (children), Rangatahi (Youth 12-24), Ethnic and Migrant Communities and Disabled Communities.

Methodology:

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board's reach is massive and providing an exhaustive analysis would probably require investment from the board.

This snapshot is only for Quarter 1 2023, which is July to Sept inclusive.

Activities and events are only listed if they are free, subsidised by board funding (grants, leases, operational costs) or below private market value due to DTLB's support.

To get the best estimation I pulled information from:

- Approved 23/24 Local Board Work Programme
- Grants Rounds one and two 22/23 (with delivery dates in Q1 23)
 - Applications and acquittal reports
- Community Partner's social media and Events Calendars
- Community Partner's Websites
- Local Media (Flagstaff, Observer, Channel Magazine)

Demographics are broken down under three categories of services:

- Leases, Community Facilities, and playgrounds
- One off events or activations
- Ongoing programming

What I did not include:

- Leases for sports facilities as they cater to overlapping demographics
- Public spaces that are used by the general population (beaches/parks without playgrounds)
- Activities where groups hired Council owned, community led facilities (ie Takapuna Seniors Citizens hall) that were not directly financially supported by DTLB
- Private market options (ie Jumping Beans baby gymnastics renting Tahoroto Hall to run for profit programming)
- Breakdown by location. The skew in distribution in activities across the board area is a more detailed reporting exercise.

Context: Demographics 2018

Unfortunately, the 2023 Census Report won't be finalised until May 2024, so this is not the most up to date information.

For the purposes of this report, I compared ages and ethnic demographics side by side, so no meaningful comparisons to relative population data can be made. To do that, I would have to pull out numbers of leases and events that also targeted the 15-64 population, which would be nearly impossible. However, the information below is presented for additional context.

Age breakdown

	Age 0 - 14		Age 15 - 64		Age 65 +	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Devonport-Takapuna	10,389	17.9	38,154	65.8	9,426	16.3

Devonport-Takapuna as a stand-alone board area has more people under 14 than those over 65. However, compared to other board areas, the under 15 population is less than the 20% average across Auckland and the 65+ population is higher than the Auckland average of 12%.

Ethnic Breakdown

Though the board area is primarily Pakeha, 44% of DT was board overseas and the Asian population is projected to grow by 50% in the next 30 years.

	Pakeha	Asian	Māori	Pacific	MELAA*
Devonport-Takapuna	69.30%	26.30%	5.50%	2.50%	2.60%

*MELAA refers to Middle Easter, Latin American, African

Observations

In terms of demographics, these groups aren't directly comparable to each other. Any comparisons are illustrative only and highlight general trends or support.

While compiling data on events and lease, it's clear that there are overlapping layers of support that subsidise countless activities across the board area. It would be almost impossible to quantify the amount of support DTLB provides to these groups. The way DTLB subsidised groups interact with each other and provide layers of support to our communities is endless.

For a more detailed analysis, this report could've pulled together every single event from Depot Art Space or the Lake House or looked at every group that hires venues such as the Sunnynook Scout Den, Tahoroto Hall or Harmony Hall to show how much subsidised support the community receives compared to commercial rates. Without DTLB support the community would pay more for these services or activities or they wouldn't exist at all.

That kind of analysis may well come out in Service Optimisation conversations in the future. This kind of informal analysis wouldn't do that level of investigation justice.

This exercise does highlight some key points of conversation and consideration:

1. Seniors are well supported through leases and ongoing programming, though have fewer one-off events targeted to them
2. Libraries provide an enormous amount of programming for Tamariki and Ethnic communities
3. Support for Ethnic Communities happens more in the background via subsidised hall hire than it does through direct visible support via grants, leases, or operational funding. To know the level of support they're receiving is to know the community deeply instead of what is promoted or immediately visible.
4. Just over half of the one-off events for Migrant and Ethnic Communities happened in Devonport and Belmont when most of our Ethnic Communities live North of Esmonde Road.

Seniors

The Senior community receives a strong amount of direct support from the board. It's worth noting that Tamariki have more one-off programming, but Seniors have more ongoing programming offered. This is probably due to school holidays skewing the data a little bit. This does show that one-off events tend to be targeted to families whereas ongoing programming is accessible to Seniors.

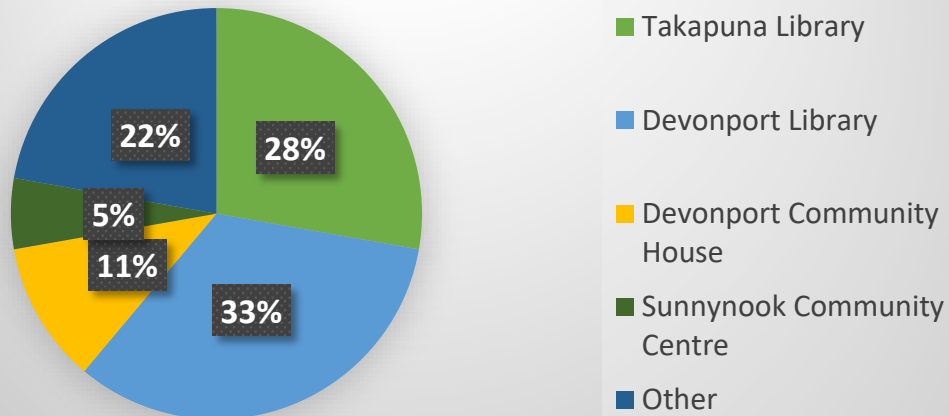
There are several groups in the board area that support Seniors that aren't necessarily funded by DTLB (ie. Milford Seniors Citizens) but benefit from DTLB maintained buildings (ie U3A).

Tamariki and Rangatahi

Tamariki/Young Children are the most well catered towards group across leases and one-off programming. The number of leases with or without playgrounds included exceeds all the other groups looked at. This number would undoubtedly grow if sports leases were considered as well.

Our libraries provide the bulk of free activities both one off and ongoing towards this age group.

Tamariki Activities by location



For Rangatahi, there isn't a whole lot on offer outside of Shore Junction, Sports and Schools. However, that's not for lack of trying. This is a notoriously difficult age group to meet the needs of. A few organisations have attempted to offer something different with limited success (YMCA Raise Up) and others are making their way into the area (Youthtown). The new Youth specialist could work with Shore Junction to identify other groups or opportunities to build up more support.

Ethnic and Migrant Communities:

There is currently only one community lease that supports Ethnic and Migrant communities.

However, the amount of support provided to Ethnic and Migrant communities through subsidised hiring of public spaces is massive. For example, the Age Concern Takapuna space is frequently used by Migrant and Ethnic groups at rates far below those in the commercial market.

There is a conversation to be had about what funding and support visibly goes towards these different populations versus what is happening in the background. It is very easy to see what support the board provides to Seniors, Tamariki, Arts, Sports, etc. It's less clear how our Ethnic and Migrant communities are supported and requires knowledge of venue hire practises to see the benefits.

One-off events and activations are skewed by Matariki with a split of 13 Matariki events and 7 non-Matariki events. Keeping in mind that not all Matariki events in the Board area were directly supported by DTLB. This represents events that were directly funded by the board. It would be beneficial to look at events supported outside Matariki season to get a more accurate idea of support.

We Meet run by Open and Connect is the only DTLB funded series of events that provides ongoing opportunities the same way Seniors have Shopper's Run or Tamariki have Wriggle and Rhyme.

Disabled Communities

For the purposes of this exercise, disabled communities were those with intellectual disabilities or physical disabilities not necessarily due to age. Population estimates of those living with intellectual

disabilities vary, ranging from 1-2.5%. Population of those living with physical disabilities is hard to distinguish from physical limitations brought that grow by age bracket.

A Stats NZ report of those living with disabilities hasn't been done since 2013 and the population level data is no longer relevant. A new Census has been done this year and the report will be released next year.

The leases provided to PHAB and New Dawn provide immense value. Both PHAB and New Dawn have daily and weekly programming that supports their client bases. PHAB has put in grants requests to support their events-based programming that the board has supported.

There hasn't been as much community engagement with this cohort as there has been with Seniors and Ethnic Communities so it's hard to gauge what meaningful reflections can come from this data. Looking at support provided to this cohort might be more meaningful looking at the whole year instead of just one quarter.

Delivery Breakdown

Leases, Community Facilities and Playgrounds

A list of which building/ground leases and facilities are included below. There are 35 playgrounds in the board area that aren't individually listed but included in the Tamariki count as that's the population that uses them the most. One in Sunnynook has equipment specifically for adults, so is included in the Senior Community count.

	Senior Community	Tamariki	Rangatahi	Ethnic and Migrant Communities	People with disabilities
Total number	9	51	5	1	2

Without playgrounds:

	Senior Community	Tamariki	Rangatahi	Ethnic and Migrant Communities	People with disabilities
Total number	8	16	5	1	4

<p>Seniors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grey Power • Devonport Seniors Citizens • Lions Club of Devonport • Takapuna Senior Citizens • Age Concern Positive Ageing Centre • Centres of Mutual Aid Takapuna • Citizens Advice Bureau Takapuna • North Shore Budget Service • Exercise Equipment for adults in Sunnynook Park 	<p>Tamariki:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auckland Kindergarten Association – Devonport • Auckland Kindergarten Association - Forrest Hill • Auckland Kindergarten Association – Milford • Auckland Kindergarten Association – Sunny nook • Royal New Zealand Plunket Trust – Sunnynook • Royal New Zealand Plunket Trust – Takapuna • Auburn Street Reserve: Te Whānau Tupu Ngātahi o Aotearoa/Playcentre Aotearoa – Takapuna • Narrowneck Play Centre • The Rose Centre Community Creche • Sunnynook Community Creche • Devonport Community Creche Incorporated • The Scout Association of New Zealand - 1st Devonport Scout Group • The Scout Association of New Zealand - Sunnynook Scout Group • The Scout Association of New Zealand - Milford Sea Scout Group
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Scout Association of New Zealand - Forrest Hill Scout Group • The Girl Guides Association New Zealand Incorporated – Hauraki • 35 playgrounds
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<p>Rangatahi</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young Mariners of New Zealand Incorporated – Awataha • The Scout Association of New Zealand- Takapuna • The Girl Guides Association New Zealand Incorporated – Taitamariki • Shore Junction and 2 Mary Poynton Crescent • Achilles Crescent Reserve: The Air Training Corps Association of New Zealand Incorporated 	<p>People with disabilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 22 Seabreeze Road, Narrow Neck: IHC New Zealand Incorporated • Phab Youth Space • New Dawn • Multiple Sclerosis Takapuna 	<p>Ethnic and Migrant Communities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Korean Garden Trust
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One off events, activations or support

This includes any events, activations or support that occurred during Q1 that were free or subsidised by board funding, grants or leases.

Within quarter one there was Matariki and School holidays, which are reflected in the number of one off events in the Tamariki and Ethnic and Migrant Community columns.

	Senior Community	Tamariki	Rangatahi	Ethnic and Migrant Communities	People with disabilities
Total number	4	25	7	20	4

Seniors:

Parakai Seniors Trip	Devonport community House
Seniors Get Fit with Sarah	Devonport Community House
Fall prevention workshop	Devonport Library
Fall prevention workshop	Takapuna Library

Tamariki:

Dungeons and Dragons	Takapuna Library
Children's Writers Festival	Takapuna Library
Movie Magic	Takapuna Library
Poi Making	Takapuna Library
Escape Room	Takapuna Library
Treasure Island: The Pantomime	Takapuna Library
Map Making	Takapuna Library
Japanese Storytime	Takapuna Library
Bilingual Storytime	Takapuna Library
Movie Monday	Devonport Library
Kids clothes swap	Devonport Library
worm farms for kids	Devonport Library
pirate crafts	Devonport Library
treasure island play	Devonport Library
escape room	Devonport Library
Tupuanuku Planting	Devonport Library
Auckland Zoo visit	Devonport Library
Junk Play	Waiwharariki
Matariki Tamariki Day	Devonport Community House
Matariki Lantern Making	Devonport Community House
Kids session Pupuke Birdsong	Open and Connect
Twilight Waiata Family Gathering and Potluck	Sunnynook Community Centre

Bayswater School Matariki Festival	Bayswater
Winter Lights Festival	Takapuna Beach Business Association
Lake House Arts Open Day	Lake House

Rangatahi:

Slam Poetry	Lake House Arts
Rangatahi Arts Exhibition	Lake House Arts
Youth Thrift Gala	Devonport
3 x 3 Basketball tournament	Takapuna North Community Trust
Creative Youth Gala	Takapuna North Community Trust
Sea Cadets training equipment	Narrowneck
Scout Den Upgrade	Sunnynook

Ethnic and Migrant Communities:

Dragon Boat Festival celebration	Westlake Boys and Girls combined
Ji Ben Ou: Suspended Ink	Depot Artspace
.co.nz Matariki play	PumpHouse
Hau Ora Matariki Events	Lake House
Lantern Making Matariki	Devonport Community House
Matariki Hikoi x 2	Devonport
Stories from the Peninsula	Te Manu Hopukia Marae
Matariki Windsor Reserve Community Day	Devonport
Matariki Weaving Workshops	Devonport
Maori Language Week	Takapuna Library
Reflections on being a Māori Creator event	Takapuna Library
Tanabata Celebration	Takapuna Library
Matariki Community Kapa Haka	Devonport Peninsula Trust
Matariki 2023 Ahuru Mowai	Depot Artspace
Matariki Stories at Dawn	Takapuna North Community Trust
Introduction to Matauranga for Artists	Lake House
Kapa Haka performance	Devonport library
Matariki Feast	Kai 4 Communities
Dancheong Exhibition	Lake House

People with disabilities:

New freezer	Project Employ
Sensory Relaxed Performance of Roald Dahl's The Twits	Pumphouse Theatre
Matariki	PHAB NZ
Girls Club Events	PHAB NZ

Ongoing programming

Ongoing programming includes anything delivered in the community on a regular basis that is free or subsidized by board support.

Level of support is difficult to gauge as there are so many competing factors. For example, I've included Shore Junction's whole programming under Ongoing for Rangatahi, but have included events that Phab has come in for under one off, though both organisations have leases with the board. This is because Shore Junction receives a significant chunk of LDI operational funding towards regular programming whereas PHAB comes in for grants for specific events.

	Senior Community	Tamariki	Rangatahi	Ethnic and Migrant Communities	People with disabilities
Total number	11	11	6	3	2

Seniors:

Digital Seniors	Devonport Community House
Library Run	Devonport Community House
Shopper's Runs	Devonport Community House
Active Aging	Devonport Community House
Tea and Board games for Seniors	Devonport Community House
Digital Seniors	Takapuna Library
North Shore CMA Meetings	The Rose Centre
North Shore CMA Meetings	Sunnynook Community Centre
Milford Combined Probus Club	Sunnynook Community Centre
North Shore Budget Service	North Shore
Aqua aerobics	Takapuna Leisure Centre

Tamariki:

Winter Play	Devonport Peninsula Trust
Winter Play	Takapuna North Community Trust
Bells & Whistles Playgroup	Devonport Community House
Toy Library	Devonport Community House
Storytime	Devonport Library
Rhymetime	Devonport Library
Lego Club	Takapuna Library
Lego Club	Devonport Library
Wriggle and Rhyme	Devonport Library

Learn to Swim Classes	Takapuna Pool and Leisure Centre
Chinese Language Classes	Sunnynook Community Centre

Rangatahi:

Youth Enterprise Scheme	whole board area
Ongoing support	Youthline
Youth Club	Devonport Community House
Shore Junction	Shore Junction
North Shore Brass	Takapuna
Michael King Writer's Centre Young Writer's Programme	Devonport

Ethnic and Migrant:

Citizenship Ceremony	Local Board area
We Meet NZ	Open and Connect
Sunnynook Chinese Association	Sunnynook Community Centre

People with disabilities:

Sense weekly sensory friendly social group	Shore Junction
Music therapy	Wilson School

Pupuke Birdsong & Restoring Takarunga Hauraki local board update

Michelle Brinsden – Senior Conservation Advisor, Natural Environment Delivery - Central/ West

October 2023

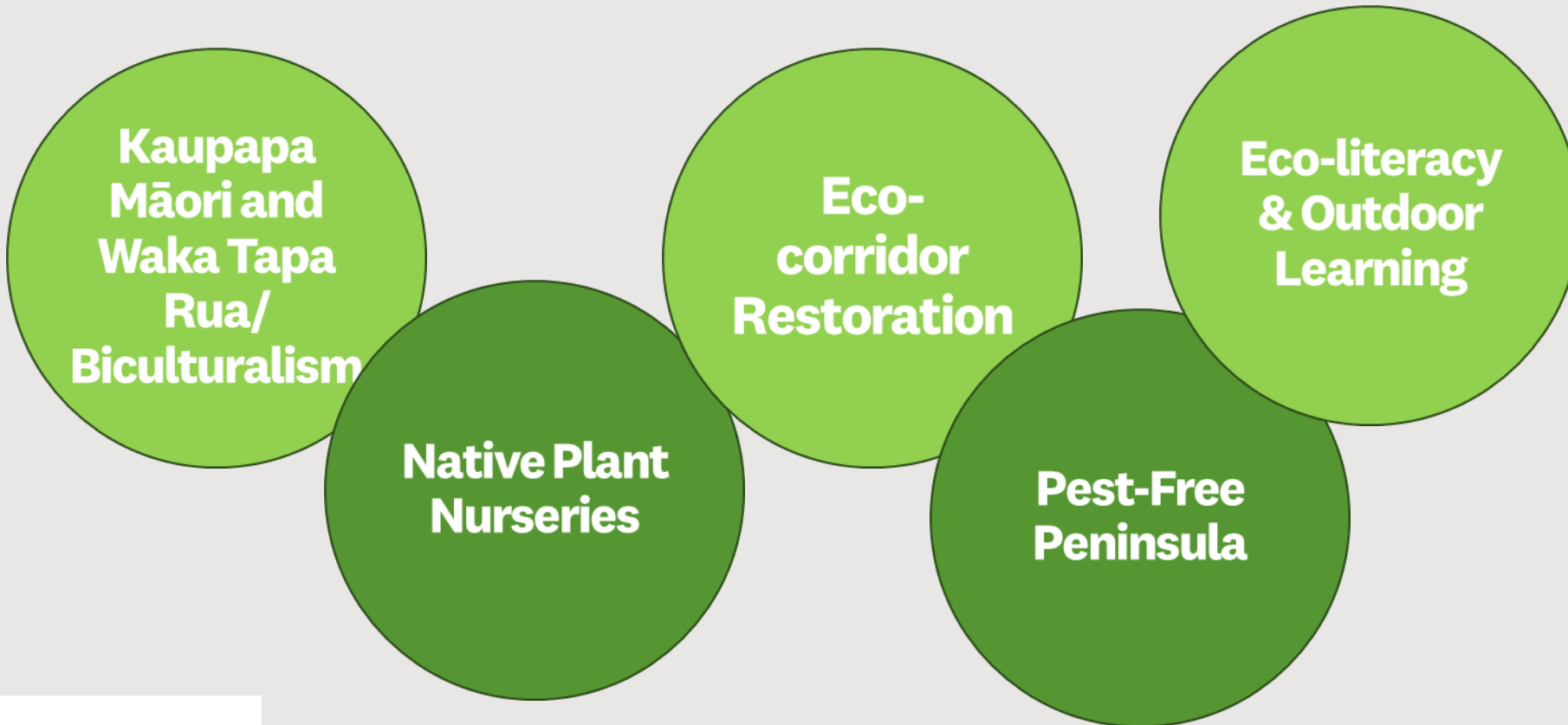




A community-led ecological restoration and outdoor learning programme for Takarunga Hauraki (Devonport Peninsula)



Restoring Takarunga Hauraki operate under five key areas



Kaupapa Māori and Waka Tapa Rua/ Biculturalism

- **Tikanga, karakia, waiata entrenched in all activities, events, gatherings**
- **Strong ties with Te Taua Moana Marae & He Manu Hopukia Marae**
- **Work closely with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei**
- **Developed relationship with Ngāi Tai Kī Tāmaki**
- **Work with Tūpuna Maunga Authority**

Eco-literacy & Outdoor Learning

- **Weekly workshops weeding planting**
- **Work with schools, early childhood centres, corporate companies, Ryman Village**



Connecting spaces and species through Eco-corridors

Eco-corridor Restoration

Three main Eco-corridors

1. Oneoneroa/ Shoal Bay Eco-corridor
2. Ngau-te-ringaringa Eco-corridor
3. Ngā Maunga Eco-corridor



Ngau-te-ringaringa Community Nursery

Native Plant Nurseries

- Officially opened October 2023
- Many volunteers contributed time and materials
- Aiming to produce 15,000 plants per year
- Funding from many sources



**RESTORING
TAKARUNGA HAURAKI**
mātauranga mō te taiao

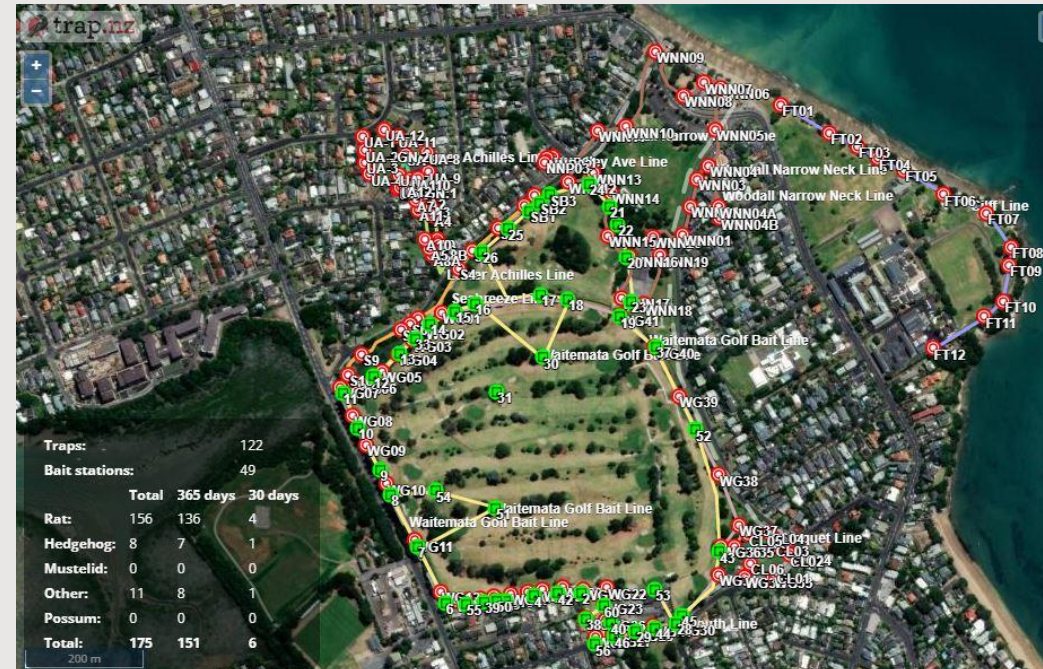


Pest-Free Peninsula

Targeted pest control in key areas

Many neighbourhood halo projects

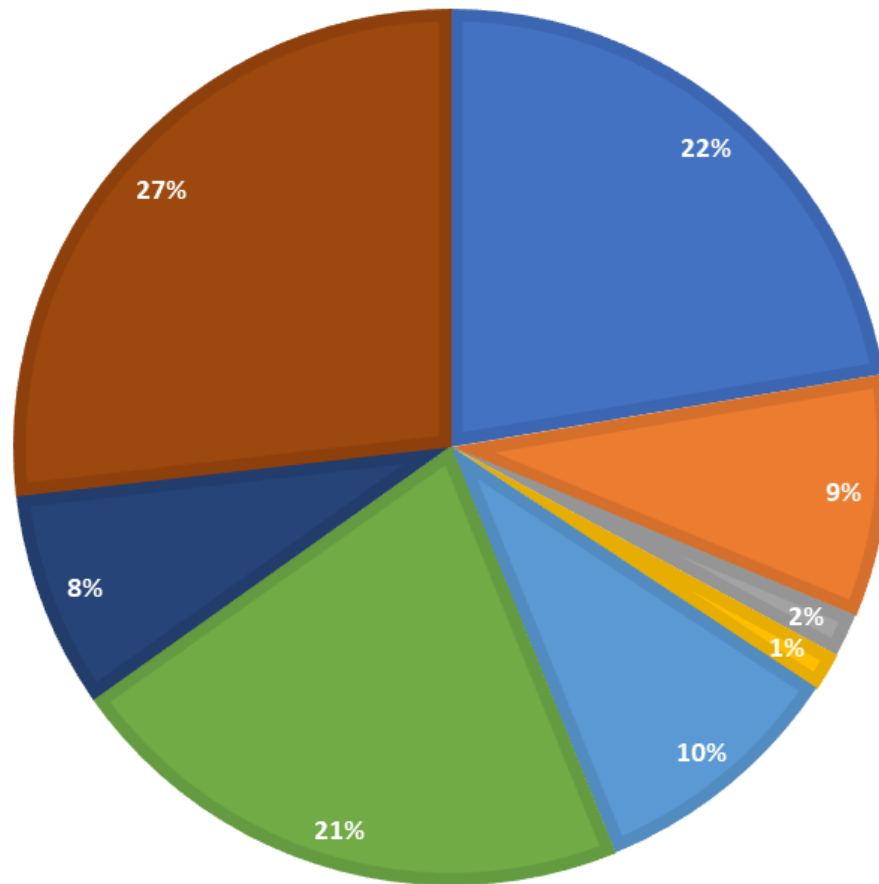
- 22 Trap and bait lines now set up
- All mapped in Trap.nz
- Can now monitor catches
- Setting up pest monitoring



Many different funding streams

FUNDING SOURCES

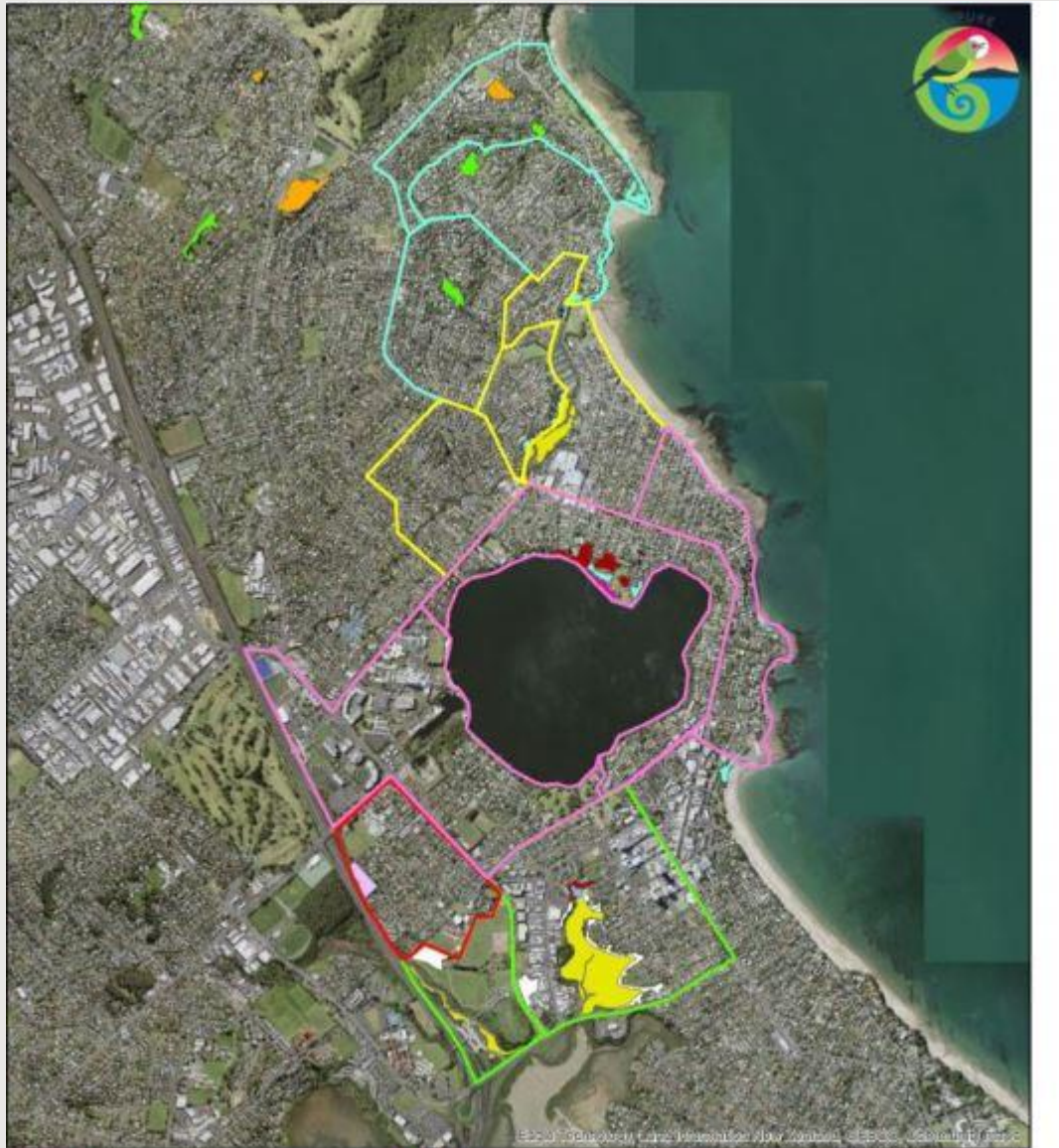
- Local Board
- NETR CCF
- Auckland Climate
- NETR Tools & Resources
- AC Ecosystem & Species
- Healthy waters
- Iwi & Community Nursery
- Donations, sales, fundraising











a community-led initiative, that aims to bring together, support and grow the network of volunteer groups, individuals, schools and organisations working to eradicate pests, help improve water quality and restore our local native habitats in the Northern suburbs of the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area.





 Castor Bay Halo (3 stages)	 Patunoe Halo (2 stages)	
 Milford Halo (3 stages)	 Smiths Bush East Halo (1 stage)	
 Pupukemoana Halo (3 stages)		

Ecological Halos

- **Five halo project set up**
- **All centred around remnant ecosystems**





Connecting through networks

- **Friends of Brian Byrnes Reserve**
- **Castor Bay Reserve**
- **Milford Residents Association**
- **Friends of Henderson Park**
- **Campbells Bay Urban Sanctuary**
- **Forest Hill Community Garden**



Regular Community Events

- 24 events this quarter alone
- Mix of education/ weeding/ planting / estuary clean-ups

August 2023



TREE PLANTING
SAT, AUG 19
Patuone Reserve Tree Planting
 4 Went - 4 Interested



JOIN US TO RESTORE THIS FOREST
SAT, AUG 19
Lyford Reserve Tree Planting
 2 Went - 2 Interested



Night Time
THU, AUG 17
August Guided Nature Night
 2a Manurewa Avenue, Takapuna
 4 Went - 31 Interested

September 2023



Sunrise Chorus: Experience a Concert Birdsong Tour
TUE, SEP 26
Dawn Chorus Experience: A Sunrise Birdsong Tour
 Kennedy Park
 2 Went - 19 Interested



TREE PLANTING
MON, SEP 25
Milford Primary Tree Planting - Lake side
 1 Went - 2 Interested



SAT, SEP 16
Lyford Reserve Tree Planting and Working Bee
 4 Went - 4 Interested



SAT, SEP 16
Patuone Reserve - Spring Clean
 Auburn Reserve
 2 interested - 1 went



July 2023




Night Time
TUE, JUL 25
July Guided Nature Night
 Pierce Road, Milford, Auckland
 3 Went - 34 Interested



SAT, JUL 8
Auburn Reserve Tree Planting
 2 Went - 1 Interested




Celebrate with us
Te Iwa O Matariki 2023
Maramataka Tree Planting
 2nd July 2023, 10am - 12pm
 1 Lake View Road, Takapuna, Auckland
 Register by Maramataka



MILFORD ESTUARY CLEAN UP
SUN, AUG 13
Milford Estuary Clean Up
 2 Went - 1 Interested



JOIN US TO RESTORE THIS FOREST
Auburn Reserve
SAT, AUG 12
Auburn Reserve Restoration
 1 Went - 2 Interested



We are Relocating!
WED, AUG 2
Moving working bee
 3 Gibbons Rd, Takapuna
 2 Went - 4 Interested



Working with Schools & Corporate groups



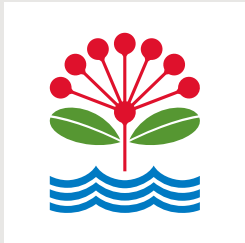
- Carmel College
- Rosmini College
- Milford Primary
- Takapuna Primary
- SKIDS Milford





Support predator control

- Give out traps / bait stations for backyards
- Support groups on parks and public spaces





Pupukemoana engagement and awareness



Pupukemoana / Lake Pupuke

Lake Pupuke was formed approximately 100,000 years ago by a volcanic eruption. The lake has a sulphide layer that forms at approximately 12-16m that is not commonly seen mid water. The lake water quality is often 'poor' and the ecology is in poor condition, with few native fish and plants remaining.

3m
Invasive Brazilian waterweed
Invasive watercress

7m
Plants stop growing
Native roitor / plankton bully

10m
Boulders and caves

20m
Black out

57m
Maximum depth

What goes in the lake?
When it rains a range of contaminants enter the lake, for example, fertilisers and pesticides from gardens, soap from car washing, litter and other contaminants from buildings and roads.

Life in the lake
There is evidence of historic life everywhere, you can see large kākahi / freshwater mussel beds from 7 to 25m deep.
Invasive aquatic plants have now displaced most of our natives. Although pest plants are never better than native vegetation removing them would become even more detrimental (due to how established they are). These species have altered the habitat so natives would not easily regenerate. The invasive plants are now providing important habitat and nutrient uptake.
There are some remaining native plants such as my chams australis and stonewort that can be seen scattered throughout the shallows.

Problems in the lake
Pest fish like perch eat small native fish decreasing the quantity of bulies and outcompeting other carnivorous natives like tuna / eels. Juveniles of pest fish often eat zooplankton leading to an increase in the amount of phytoplankton, this can lead to algal blooms.
Excess nutrients causes increased phytoplankton and plant growth leading to an increase in organic material. The decomposition of this organic material reduces the oxygen concentration, which can effect biodiversity.

How you can help
Always CHECK CLEAN DRY equipment in any lake in Aotearoa / New Zealand.
Don't fertilise lawns especially when rain is forecast. Don't wash cars or boats on the lake shore. Picking up litter always helps.
Encourage riparian planting that will absorb nutrients and reduce the amount of sediment entering the lake.

Native trees provide valuable shade
The lake and birds are healthier when people don't feed birds

Native ākrahuhu / pied shag
Native tuna / eels
Peat perch
Pests in the lake become pests

Zooplankton are tiny organisms that feed on microscopic algae called phytoplankton
Dead kākahi / freshwater mussels
Sunken boat
Our native stonewort
Locally common kākahi beds

The Becroft Foundation
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board
PUPUKE BIRDSONG PROJECT
GREEN LAKES

- Held major event 'Discover Pupukemoana'
- Want Local Board approval for signs



Pātai/ questions?

October 2023



Te mahere ā-rohe o Devonport-Takapuna 2023

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2023





Mihi

E toko ake rā e te iti, whakatata mai rā e te rahi.

Kia mihi koutou ki ngā kupu whakarei a te hunga kua tīpokotia e te ringa o te wāhi ngaro.

Rātou, e kaikini tonu nei i ngā mahara i te ao, i te pō.

Ngā oha i mahue mai i tērā whakatupuranga kia āpitihia e tātou ki ngā tūmanako o tēnei reanga,

hei mounga waihotanga ki te ira whaimuri i a tātou.

Koinā te tangi a Ngākau Māhaki, a Wairua Hihiri me Hinengaro Tau.

Oho mai rā tātou ki te whakatairanga i ngā mahi e ekeina ai te pae tawhiti ka tō mai ai ki te pae tata.

Tēnei au te noho nei i runga i te puia moe o Takarunga –

kāinga o te tini tāngata i tōna wā, puna wai e ora ai ngā iwi.

Kei waho rā ko ngā tai piringa o Tīkapa Moana me Te Waitematā Ka rere whakarunga ngā kamo ki te Waiwharariki o mua,

Takapuna kāinga, Takapuna tupuna.

I reira ka heke iho ki te mātārae ki Ōperetū, Kia taka ki tua ko Maungaūika te tū hēteri mai rā i te pūwaha o Tāmaki Makaurau,

Tāmaki herehere waka.

E koutou mā ka ea, kua ea.

Kia ora huihui mai koutou katoa.

Welcome to you all.

Let me greet you with the eloquent words of those, lost long ago to the unseen hand of eternity.

Them, for whom we unendingly mourn. Let us enjoin the legacy they left to the hopes and aspirations of this generation as our gift to those who will follow us.

That is the pledge of the humble heart, the willing spirit, and the inspired mind.

Let us rise together and seek to do what is necessary to draw distant aspirations closer to realisation.

Here I sit upon the sleeping cone of Takarunga – home of many in its time spring of life for them all.

Out there are the watery havens of Tīkapa Moana and Te Waitematā.

My eyes gaze northward to former Waiwharariki, now Takapuna community, Takapuna the progenitor.

Then from there, I glance to the foreland of Ōperetū. Beyond stands Maungaūika sentinel of Tāmaki Makaurau and anchorage of many canoes.

It is done.

Greetings to you, one and all.

Ngā upoko kōrero

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He kōrero mai i te Heamana

From the Chair

Welcome to the 2023 Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan, which sets out our vision and priorities for Devonport-Takapuna over the next three years. This plan will guide development of our work programmes as we execute this vision for the following three years.



While developing this plan, we wanted to make sure it reflected the needs and aspirations of our community. So, we did not start from scratch but spent time considering your feedback on the previous local board plan, on priorities through previous annual budget consultations and other pieces of feedback such as results from the People's Panel surveys.

For the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board, we want to start with a vision. That vision is for a healthy, connected, safe community where every single resident feels a sense of belonging. We want our built environment to work in harmony with our natural environment; we want copious green space and healthy waters. We want opportunity for every resident, whether that be in business, training, volunteerism, or recreation. We want people to feel proud of the place they call home, and we want visitors to love spending time with us.

We know that there have been significant changes since the last local board plan was adopted. We face many more challenges such as extreme weather events and financial uncertainty. We are told time and again, in every consultation, that the environment and water quality are front of mind for all of you. We share this feeling. We believe that by investing in the priorities outlined in this plan we will be able to create a more resilient and sustainable community that can withstand future challenges whilst still working towards the vision we hold.

Our plan covers five key themes – Our Environment, Our People, Our Community and Facilities, Our Places and Transport, and Our Economy. It is an aspirational plan and not intended to be an exhaustive list of projects we propose to deliver, however we have noted some key objectives and initiatives under these five areas which we aim to deliver over the next three years.

There are several priorities you have raised with us that are not decisions for the local board to make. However, as your elected representatives we are committed to advocating on your behalf for these important outcomes. We have outlined these advocacy items throughout the plan.

I would like to acknowledge and thank those of you who have contributed to this plan by providing feedback through consultations, attending business meetings, or simply taking the time to reach out to board members. We appreciate you sharing your knowledge and aspirations for the area to shape our plan so we can get the most out of the next three years.

Our local board members hail from every part of the area and collectively, we understand the challenges and opportunities every corner of our community face. We're a collaborative, professional Board, and we're all proud to represent you.

Toni van Tonder

Chairperson, Devonport-Takapuna Local Board

He aronga poto ki tā mātou mahere

Our plan at a glance



Our Environment

Our natural and built spaces are cared for and we put water quality and the environment front and centre.



Our People

We value inclusivity, diversity, and resilience.



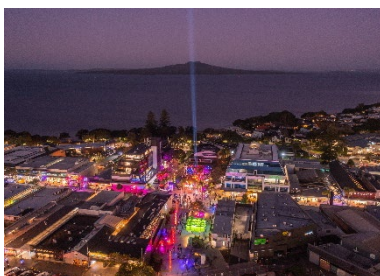
Our Community and Facilities

Our community has access to quality services in facilities that meet their needs.



Our Places and Transport

Our infrastructure supports growth, and our safe, efficient transport offers diverse travel options



Our Economy

Our economy is thriving, our town centres are vibrant, and there is opportunity for all.



He kōrero mō ngā poari ā-rohe

About local boards

Auckland Council has a unique model of local government in New Zealand, made up of the Governing Body (the mayor and 20 Governing Body members) and 21 local boards. The Governing Body focuses on Auckland-wide issues while local boards are responsible for decision-making on local matters, activities and services and for providing input into regional strategies, policies and plans.

We make decisions on local matters such as:

- supporting local arts, culture, events and sport and recreation
- supporting local organisations to deliver community services
- maintaining and upgrading town centres and facilities including parks, libraries and halls
- caring for the environment and preserving heritage.

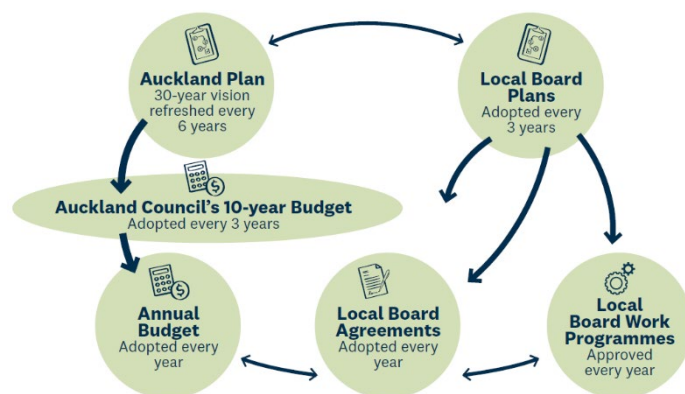
Local boards also have a role in representing the view of their communities on issues of local importance.

Higher inflation and the cost of borrowing money has pushed up the cost of providing these services. We will need to address these challenges in the local board plan, which means doing things differently and prioritising where we spend.

About local board plans

Local board plans are strategic three-year plans developed in consultation with the community. They set out the direction for the local area reflecting community aspirations and priorities, and guide:

- decisions on local activities, projects, and facilities
- local board input into the council's regional strategies and plans, including the Auckland Plan
- how local boards will work with other agencies, including community groups, central government agencies and council-controlled organisations that play key roles in the area.
- funding and investment decisions.



Local board plans are inclusive and connected; they don't operate in isolation. They support:

- the Auckland Plan 2050 – the 30-year vision for Auckland
- the council's 10-year budget – planned spending and future investment priorities over the longer term
- the council's annual budget – funding for the coming financial year of the 10-year budget.

Each local board adopts an agreement that sets local budgets, levels of service, performance measures and targets for each financial year. Details of projects, budgets and timelines are outlined in annual work programmes. Progress is reported quarterly and communicated to our communities.

Te whakawhanake i tā mātou mahere

Developing our plan

Our draft plan was developed with careful consideration of previous community feedback on the [2020](#) local board plan, feedback through annual budget consultations and other pieces of feedback such as results from the Peoples Panel Surveys.

During July and August 2023, we consulted on the draft plan to hear your thoughts [on how the plan reflected your needs and aspirations over the next three years, seek your feedback on which objectives were most important to you and to find out how we could better meet our Māori Outcome and climate action aspirations.](#)

We engaged with our communities across the local board area. The issues and priorities you raised with us through these interactions have helped us finalise this plan.



Te whakatutuki i tā mātou mahere

Carrying out our plan

Turning plans into reality takes many people working together – the community, the local board, and the wider council family such as Auckland Transport. To deliver on the local board plan, we will:

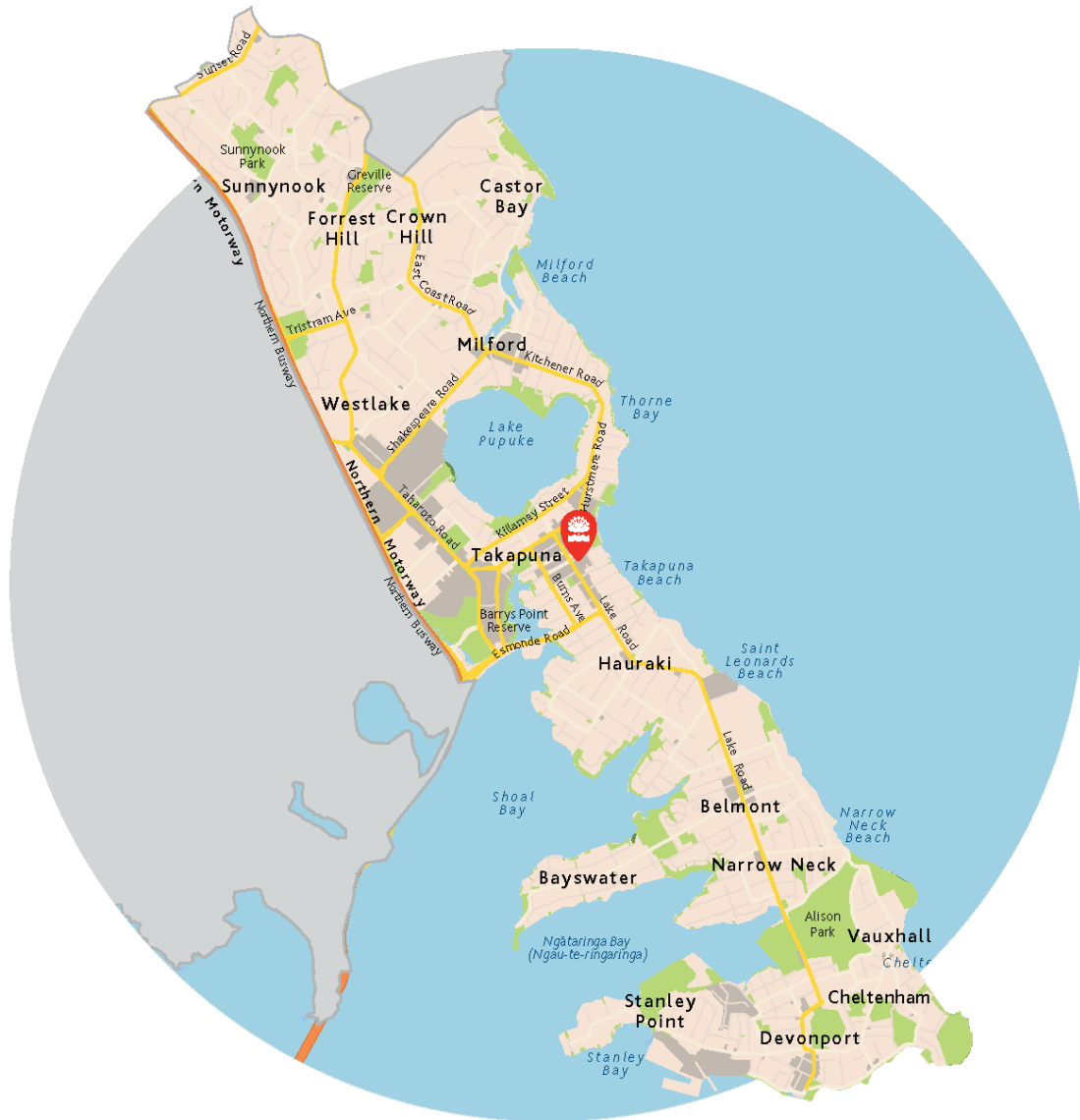
- prioritise budgets to focus on the initiatives in the plan.
- make the best use of local assets such as community centres, libraries, and parks.
- set direction for the council staff who deliver the projects and services.
- work with various community groups and partners, to deliver projects and services.
- make decisions that are in line with Auckland’s commitment to climate action and emissions reduction.

Where important projects in local areas are beyond available funding or decision making, our role is to advocate to other decision-makers to ensure they are aware of community views and the local board’s support for them.










Te Rohe ā-Poari o Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area



LEGEND

-  Local board office
-  Public open space (Unitary Plan)
-  Motorway
-  Major road
-  Arterial road
-  Medium road
-  Minor road

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area extends from Sunnynook and Castor Bay in the north to the Stanley Bay and Devonport suburbs in the south. Its western boundary is State Highway 1.



Castor Bay Beach

Te Tāruke-ā-Tāwhiri

Climate Action

In 2019 Auckland Council declared a climate emergency and in 2020 adopted Auckland’s climate plan, Te Tāruke-ā-Tāwhiri. Meeting the goals set out in this plan means taking ambitious action to reduce emissions and to adapt to a changing climate.

Local Boards have an important role to play in leading and supporting Auckland’s response to the climate emergency, including supporting regional climate plan initiatives, integrating climate awareness into all decisions, including community investment.

Local context

Sea-level rise

We are a coastal community. With 26km of coastline, our community regularly engages with the sea, and we experience many benefits of living close to the coast. We are also vulnerable to sea level rise due to our location. As sea levels rise, the potential for flooding, erosion, and coastal inundation increases, which can cause damage to infrastructure, properties, and public spaces. This also affects the ecological health of our coastline and marine areas by filling it with urban pollutants and sediments. Development of a Shoreline Adaptation Plan which will cover the Devonport-Takapuna area is underway and will consider the risk that coastal hazards and catchment flooding pose to council-owned land and assets and will identify short, medium, and long-term strategies for managing risks.



Impacts of flooding and extreme weather events

With climate change comes more frequent and intense weather events, such as storms and heavy rainfall. In January 2023 the Auckland region received 769 per cent of its usual January rainfall. This rain event and then Cyclone Gabrielle caused extreme flooding, particularly in Sunnynook, Milford, and along the Wairau catchment, where many homes and businesses were made unliveable or severely damaged. The collective community response showed that a locally led approach works well but needs to be bolstered by Auckland Emergency Management. Managing and mitigating flooding risk at a local level is crucial, and we will look at opportunities to improve and maintain streams and infrastructure and contribute to community-led resilience, response, and recovery so we are better prepared for future events. As part of Auckland Council's Flood Recovery Programme, a Making Space for Water programme has been developed which aims to establish a practical and achievable programme of operational flood management works for the next six years by way of nine key operational initiatives, this is excellent news for the region and our area in particular.

Reducing our transport emissions

Transport emissions are Auckland's largest source of climate changing pollution. The increase in population and business activities has resulted in more vehicles on the road, which leads to increased transport emissions. To address this, we have implemented several initiatives aimed at reducing transport emissions, such as promoting public transport use, encouraging active transport modes like walking, and cycling, and improving infrastructure to support these modes. These initiatives are aligned with Auckland's Transport Emissions Reduction Plan which aims to reduce the city's transport emissions by 64 per cent by 2030.

Housing intensification and development

Like much of the city, the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area is experiencing significant growth and development with a particular focus on intensification of housing. This can create increased pressure on infrastructure, transport networks, and the natural environment when not planned correctly. Intensification of housing in the area has been driven by a combination of factors, including population growth, demand for housing, and the availability of suitable land.

The development of multi-storey apartment buildings and townhouses has increased the number of people living in the area and put pressure on local services and infrastructure. Effective planning and management of the built environment, along with efforts to promote sustainable lifestyles and behaviours, will be critical when addressing these challenges and ensuring a sustainable future for the area.

We recognise that climate change is a complex issue that will require collaborative effort from all of us. As a local board we are committed to doing our part to respond to this challenge and will continue working with our communities to achieve our climate goals. The key initiatives we propose to achieve these are outlined below:

- Work with the Kaipātiki Local Board and community partners to reduce litter, sediment, and industry pollutants to improve the water quality in the catchment of the Wairau Estuary
- Develop a Wairau Water Quality Action Plan to include riparian planting, regular clean-up, monitoring, and building site management for sediment control.



- Support community-led environmental groups in undertaking community-led conservation to manage the negative effects of plant and animal pests on both public and private land.
- Support the ongoing valuable work of our ecological and environmental volunteers in our local parks.
- Continue to work alongside the Tūpuna Maunga Authority by connecting them with volunteer groups to support efforts in planting and pest trapping.
- Support initiatives which provide whānau and communities with education on reducing their carbon footprint and living more sustainably.
- Support zero waste initiatives that promote a circular economy.
- Continue to support the delivery of the Devonport-Takapuna Urban Ngahere Strategy.
- Support focus on native and ecologically appropriate planting and the principle of having the right tree in the right place.
- Promote opportunities to build local resilience and support ideas and projects that encourage strong, positive, and cooperative social connections.
- Parks and facilities are developed, renewed, and maintained with the use of sustainable, long-lasting materials that reduce impervious surfaces.
- Advocate for appropriate attention and funding towards correcting poor stormwater infrastructure in and around our parks and reserves that have been severely impacted by flooding, particularly in Sunnynook, Braemar Reserve and Brian Byrnes reserve.
- ~~Advocate for and~~ Work with the Land & Coasts department to support the development of Shoreline Adaptation Plans to ensure a sustainable approach to the management of our shorelines.



Cheltenham Beach



Sunnynook Park

Ngā huanga Māori

Māori Outcomes

Māori identity and culture are Auckland’s unique point of difference in the world. Whānau, hapū, iwi and Māori communities aspire to have healthy and prosperous lives and have defined the outcomes that are most important to Māori. Māori outcomes are the way Auckland Council supports Māori aspirations.

Māori outcomes respond to the council’s legislative obligations and to extensive engagement with Auckland’s Māori communities.

The Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau framework outlines ten priority areas that support and progress these aspirations and has been adopted by the council as the way to deliver outcomes for Māori. These priority areas are:

- Kia ora te kāinga – Papakāinga and Māori housing
- Kia ora te marae – Marae development
- Kia ora te ahurea – Māori identity and culture
- Kia ora te rangatahi – Realising rangatahi potential
- Kia ora te hononga – Effective Māori participation

- Kia ora te whānau – Whānau and tamariki wellbeing
- Kia ora te reo – Te reo Māori
- Kia ora te umanga – Māori business, tourism, and employment
- Kia ora te taiao – Kaitiakitanga
- Kia hāngai te Kaunihera – An empowered organisation



Local board plans are an important way to deliver for Māori at a local level. This section outlines the Māori outcomes addressed in this plan.

The Devonport Takapuna Local Board area is culturally diverse. We are dedicated to celebrating our bicultural society and the opportunities this brings to learn about the cultural heritage and history of our people who live here. We acknowledge Māori as the first people of this area, and as a local board we cannot represent this area without first acknowledging their stake in this land.

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area has a rich Māori history dating back over 800 years. The area was traditionally inhabited by Ngāti Pāoa, Ngāti Tamaterā, Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki and Te Kawerau ā Maki iwi, who used the area's coastal and marine resources for sustenance and trade. The area is also home to several significant Māori sites, such as Ngāti Pāoa pā sites at Hauraki and the Devonport Naval Base area, and the Maungauika/North Head Historic Reserve, which was a strategic pā site and still contains numerous Māori archaeological features.

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board is committed to developing meaningful relationships with mana whenua and mataawaka and we welcome opportunities to work in partnership with Māori communities. Some of the key initiatives we propose to achieve this are highlighted below:

- We are partnered with mana whenua, mataawaka and community groups to restore te taiao, prepare for climate impacts and deliver initiatives that increase understanding of mātauranga Māori.
- Te Aranga Māori Design principles are reflected in our playgrounds, buildings, and street furniture.
- Develop and strengthen relationships between mana whenua and the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board to enable sustained open dialogue and input into local decisions.
- Māori language is promoted and visible in the programmes and services delivered, from libraries and community facilities to bilingual signage.
- Develop and strengthen relationships with mataawaka groups and the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board to enable open dialogue and input into local decisions.
- Continue to deliver Te Kete Rukuruku, the dual naming of parks and reserves, to celebrate and share stories that showcase our unique Māori identity and heritage.
- Restore and maintain the wahi tapu site, Te Uru Tapu/Sacred Grove.
- Matariki is promoted and celebrated.
- Communities are educated and prepared to follow tikanga when working with taonga and working on sacred land
- Partner with mana whenua and mataawaka to deliver initiatives that support sharing Māori cultural knowledge and practices through storytelling projects, celebrating te reo Māori and responding to Māori aspirations.



Wood carving at the Lakehouse Arts Centre's This is Us: Race Unity Day



Wairau Estuary

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our Environment

Our natural and built spaces are cared for and we put water quality and the environment front and centre.

Devonport-Takapuna has a mix of urban, coastal, and diverse natural landscapes, including a number of beautiful beaches, Takarunga/Mt Victoria and Maungauika/North Head, and the large volcanic crater of Lake Pupuke all of which call for a collaborative approach towards protecting our natural environment, improving water quality, and acting against the impacts of climate change. Our goal is to support our community to live sustainably, be equipped to identify and manage risks from natural hazards and climate change, and value the principle of kaitiakitanga.

We recognise that we are facing many environmental challenges, particularly the impacts of urban sprawling and managing our ageing infrastructure combined with a limited budget to fund initiatives that mitigate greenhouse gas emissions and build resilience to the impacts of climate change and support the protection and restoration of our natural environment.



- **We have 16% tree canopy cover with a long-term target of 30%**
- **Our Environment was the top priority to our residents in feedback received from the Annual Budget and the Local Board Plan Consultations**



Despite the challenges our community faces in protecting and enhancing our natural environment, we are fortunate to have passionate individuals and volunteer and community groups who are dedicated to these efforts. We will continue to collaborate with mana whenua and our communities to safeguard our special areas and empower our volunteers to lead protection and restoration efforts. We recognise the critical importance of protecting our waterways and marine environments, especially in areas of intensification, and our goal is to improve their health and biodiversity while reducing pollutants and sediment.

By partnering with mana whenua, we will actively incorporate Māori values and perspectives in environmental initiatives and promote the well-being of both our natural environment and our community. Together, we will work towards restoring Te Taiao and creating a more sustainable future for our community.

Challenges

- Significant cost implications in protection and restoration of our natural environment.
- Increased upfront costs to develop facilities and infrastructure that are sustainable, low carbon, and resilient to climate change.
- Ageing and unfit infrastructure which cannot manage increasing capacity and is impacting our environment.
- Pressure on the environment: loss of natural features due to urban development, degradation by pests, weeds and pathogens, road air pollutants, and water pollutants.
- Adapting to impacts of sea level rise such as the reclamation of coastal marine area.

Opportunities

- An engaged and energetic network of community groups and volunteers that works with us to look after our waterways, environment, heritage and cultural taonga.
- Invest in activities that minimise negative environmental impacts, avoid or reduce carbon emissions and build community resilience to the impacts of climate change.
- Learning from Maturanga Māori/Māori knowledge when protecting our environment.
- Working with our neighbouring local boards on joint environmental initiatives to increase the impacts.
- Development and implementation of the Making Space for Water Programme

Our Plan

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)	What success looks like (Measure of success)
Improve water quality in the Wairau Catchment, Lake Pupuke, and our marine environment.	Work with the Kaipātiki Local Board and community partners to reduce litter, sediment, and industry pollutants to improve the water quality in the catchment of the Wairau Estuary	The Devonport-Takapuna and Kaipātiki Local Boards are aligned in their support and advocacy for the improvement of the Wairau Catchment



	Develop a Wairau Water Quality Action Plan to include riparian planting, regular clean-up, monitoring, and building site management for sediment control.	A Wairau Water Quality Action Plan is in development.
Natural and built heritage are conserved and both colonial and Māori history and significant places are valued, promoted, and celebrated	Our communities practice te ao Māori guardianship (kaitiakitanga) principles led by mana whenua.	Communities are educated and prepared to follow tikanga when working with taonga and working on sacred land. We are partnered with mana whenua, mataawaka and community groups to restore te taiao, prepare for climate impacts and deliver initiatives that increase understanding of mātauranga Māori.
Empower the community to contribute to the control of plant and animal pests to allow native trees, birds and other biodiversity to thrive.	Support community-led environmental groups in undertaking community-led conservation to manage the negative effects of plant and animal pests on both public and private land.	Invasive plant and animal species in the targeted areas are reduced. Native plant and animal species in our parks are increased through planting.
	Support the ongoing valuable work of our ecological and environmental volunteers in our local parks.	
	Continue to work alongside the Tūpuna Maunga Authority by connecting them with volunteer groups to support efforts in planting and pest trapping.	
Communities live more sustainably	Support initiatives which provide whānau and communities with education on reducing their carbon footprint and living more sustainably e.g., <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - bike hubs and micro-mobility education - community gardens - composting workshops - regeneration and sustainability workshops - mode shift programmes for short journeys 	Our communities can access resources to help them reduce emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change. Waste generated by business and individuals is reduced. Increase in the number of materials diverted from landfills through waste avoidance, reuse, recycling, and composting.
	Support zero waste initiatives that promote a circular economy.	Increased number of low carbon and waste minimisation initiatives. Events supported by the local board provide zero waste initiatives.



	Support pātaka kai and food security initiatives	Food security and resilience is invested in.
Canopy coverage is increased.	Continue to support the delivery of the Devonport-Takapuna Urban Ngahere Strategy	Our existing trees are protected, and our canopy cover continues to increase.
	Support focus on appropriate planting and having the principle of having the right tree in the right place.	Community nurseries are supported to grow native and ecologically appropriate plants.

Advocacy

- Advocate to the Governing body for increased investment in the Wairau catchment to better manage stormwater and the impacts from extreme weather.
- Advocate for appropriate attention and funding towards correcting poor stormwater infrastructure in and around our parks and reserves that have been severely impacted by flooding, particularly in Sunnynook, Braemar Reserve and Brian Byrnes reserve.
- Advocate for appropriate land use planning and associated funding to improve stormwater and wastewater infrastructure in growth areas that supports Auckland’s climate goals and builds resilience to future climate impacts.
- Advocate for regional funding to reduce sediment and contaminants, using nature-based solutions where appropriate, from urban development and land use entering our waterways and for an increase in compliance staff to support this important work.
- Advocate to the Governing Body for continuation of the Natural environment targeted rate to tackle pests, weeds, and pathogens such Kauri Dieback disease.
- Advocate to the Governing Body for investment in the health of Lake Pupuke and the improvement of the lakes eco systems and water quality.
- Advocate to Watercare to inform the community about the importance of reporting faults in order to support the reactive maintenance programme for wastewater.
- Advocate to the responsible water entity for improvements in water quality and infrastructure.
- Advocate to the Governing Body for additional funding to renew our heritage asset portfolio and enable greater protection for our heritage assets.
- ~~Advocate for and~~ Work with the Land & Coasts department to support the development of Shoreline Adaptation Plans to ensure a sustainable approach to the management of our shorelines.



Lake Pupuke



Lakehouse Arts Centre's This is Us: Race Unity Day

Ō Tātou Tāngata


Our People

We value inclusivity, diversity, and resilience.

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area is cosmopolitan, with the 2018 census showing that 43.8 per cent of our residents were born overseas. Our migrant people add cultural diversity and different life skills to our communities. Whilst our migrant communities bring cultural diversity and different life skills to our communities, it is important to recognise the unique place our indigenous Māori people play in New Zealand society. The local board has a responsibility to uphold our commitments to our founding document the Treaty of Waitangi (Te Tiriti o Waitangi).

We want Devonport-Takapuna to be a community where everyone feels seen, heard, included, and where diversity is celebrated. The local board aims to achieve this by supporting activities which enable community engagement and participation, foster inclusivity, support Māori communities and culture, support migrant communities, and build community resilience, such as the partnering with the Korean Garden Trust to develop and deliver a Korean Garden in Barry Point Reserve.

We aim to increase engagement and participation from all corners of the community, including children and youth, ethnic communities, people living with disabilities, rainbow communities, and particularly our senior community who make up more than 17 per cent of our population. To do this, we need to do our part



- **Over the next 30 years, our local population is projected to grow to 82,357 (up 42%).**
- **43.8% of our population was born overseas.**



in removing barriers to participation and promoting accessibility, as well as by building relationships with our Māori communities to promote cultural sharing and knowledge.

There are several challenges that the local board must address over the next three years, including language barriers, population growth, and climate change impacts. To help face these challenges, we are committed to being strong advocates for accessible engagement methods and supporting our community networks, so they are better equipped to respond to emergencies and climate change.

Our goal is to build strong, inclusive communities that can withstand challenges and promote growth and resilience. We want our residents to be able to engage with us on what matters most to them and provide input on the decisions we make. We are committed to our roles as elected members to support emergency management and to support emergency response and strive to act as a conduit for timely and accurate information.

Challenges

- 7 per cent of our residents cannot speak English.
- Our population has an overall projected growth of 42 per cent in the next 30 years.
- Relationships with mana whenua and mataawaka in our local board area need to be further developed.
- Low levels of participation and understanding of what local boards do, which weakens local democracy and decision making.
- Responding to the impact that climate change has on our people.

Opportunities

- Our Asian community is projected to grow by nearly 50 per cent in the next 30 years. We have the opportunity to create a sense of community and belonging for this increasing population.
- Provide more diverse initiatives to meet the changing community need.
- Promote inclusion, diversity, and expression of culture.
- Invest in and strengthen relationships with local iwi.
- We have strong and knowledgeable mataawaka groups in our community who we can build and develop relationships with.
- Established community organisations in our area that have existing safety programmes focusing on crime prevention and community reassurance that the local board can partner with to help to build a greater sense of safety, including North Harbour Community Patrol, Neighbourhood Support North Shore and Blue light North Shore.
- We have an active youth board in our area who are eager to input into decisions that impact them.
- All members of our community feel they are welcome to volunteer their time for the betterment of our society.



Our Plan

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)	What success looks like (Measure of success)
<p>All members of the community feel they can have a say in the decisions that affect them.</p>	<p>Community conversations – enabling communities we hear from less to engage more comfortably and on their terms.</p>	<p>Community are active participants at community conversations and the local board is reaching and hearing from all corners of the community.</p>
	<p>Continue to support Younite Youth Board who work with rangatahi from across Devonport-Takapuna. We want their aspirations to be included in local planning and decision making.</p>	<p>Increased support for youth involvement in the planning and decision-making process by having a youth representative at the table serving in an advisory capacity to offer youth perspective on decisions.</p>
<p>Devonport-Takapuna has inclusive communities that embrace and celebrate our diversity.</p>	<p>Support our growing Asian and ethnic communities by implementing the Devonport-Takapuna Ethnic Plan.</p>	<p>Ethnic communities have better access and understanding of local services, facilities, and programmes and their increased participation is reflected in participation demographics.</p> <p>Partner with service providers working with Asian families to celebrate Chinese and Korean culture, language and initiatives which support Asian families to achieve their aspirations.</p> <p>Increased involvement from ethnic and diverse communities is reflected in consultation statistics and civic participation.</p>
	<p>Partner with mana whenua and mataawaka to deliver initiatives that support sharing Māori cultural knowledge and practices through storytelling projects, celebrating te reo Māori and responding to Māori aspirations.</p>	<p>Programmes and activities are being delivered in collaboration with Māori for our Māori community and supported by the local board.</p>



	People with disabilities are actively engaged as key stakeholders.	Disabled people’s views are actively sought, referenced, and considered in local decision making.
	Our senior community are provided support and opportunity to navigate a rapidly changing world and enjoy a rewarding, safe and sustainable quality of life.	Community partners continue to deliver services that target and support our senior population through programmes and activities that enable wider participation and connection such as digital competency, Active Aging, and Elderly Shoppers Run.
	Explore opportunities and activities that bring together people of different ages, backgrounds, and cultures.	Intergenerational activities are supported and encouraged.
Māori are involved in decision making.	Develop and strengthen relationships between mana whenua and the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board to enable sustained open dialogue and input into local decisions.	Rangatira ki te Rangatira. Sustained leadership dialogue. Ongoing conversations take place with groups that have strong interests in our area. Mana whenua are engaged in the early stages of projects
	Develop and strengthen relationships with mataawaka groups and the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board to enable open dialogue and input into local decisions.	Opportunities are sought to establish relationships and work in partnership with the local board.
Provide opportunities to recognise and celebrate Māori heritage and culture.	Continue to deliver Te Kete Rukuruku, the dual naming of parks and reserves, to celebrate and share stories that showcase our unique Māori identity and heritage.	Our parks and reserves have names that reflect their Māori history.
	Restore and enhance the wahi tapu site, Te Uru Tapu/Sacred Grove.	Te Uru Tapu/Sacred grove is protected and restored.
	Matariki is promoted and celebrated.	Local board supports local Matariki events.
Our communities are thriving and empowered to support one another.	Promote opportunities to build local resilience and support ideas and projects that encourage strong, positive, and cooperative social connections.	Everyone in our community has access to information on how to prepare for emergencies and understands their risk of flooding and hazards and have opportunities to strengthen their connection and mutually support one another.



	We are partnered with community organisations in the delivery of community safety and crime prevention activities.	Our communities feel safe in their neighbourhoods.
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Advocacy

- Advocate for accessible and easy to use engagement methods that suit our residents for both local and regional consultations.
- Advocate to and work with Auckland Emergency Management and wider council departments to support community networks and connections that help people to fare better and respond to emergencies and the impacts of climate change.
- Advocate for improved communication by Auckland Council to ensure diverse representation, fostering an informed community and enhancing engagement.



Visitors at the Devonport Library



Devonport Library

Tō Tātou Hapori

Our Community and Facilities

Our community has access to quality services in facilities that meet their needs.

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board envisions a future where services are integrated, quality spaces are accessible to all, and sustainable practices are embraced. Our open spaces provide rich opportunities for play, activity, sport, exercise, recreation, and relaxation.

The challenges we face with limited budget to maintain our assets to a high-quality standard and increasing demand for services and amenities due to population changes needs to be addressed. We plan to investigate various opportunities for funding to respond to these challenges, such as reviewing underperforming assets, opportunities for business or community led partnerships and use of targeted rates.



- **93% of our residents live within a 15-minute walk to a park or community space.**
- **We have more than 110 sports grounds and parks in the area.**
- **There are 35 playgrounds in our area.**



Local boards now have an increased decision-making role over their local assets and services. This gives us the opportunity to assess how our buildings and spaces are used and how services are delivered, to ensure they reflect the evolving ways our community use services and to help manage rising costs.

The constraints on the council’s budgets mean we will have to carefully prioritise each year, but we will continue to maintain and develop fit-for-purpose local services and spaces to meet the needs of our diverse communities. We will look for opportunities to deliver services and events in new ways that maintain the health and wellbeing of our communities.

Challenges

- Cost of maintaining our community and recreational facilities in a reduced funding environment.
- Population growth could mean increased demand for services, facilities, and space, changing user expectations, conflicting uses, and unequal awareness and access to those services and facilities.
- Devonport-Takapuna has a large number of heritage-listed public assets that require protection which are very costly to maintain.

Opportunities

- Explore opportunities for service property optimisation for underperforming assets to prioritise investment in better use of our facilities that meet the needs of the community, including options for multi-use facilities.
- We have many established Arts and Sports Facilities in our area who are well placed to deliver great programming to our community.
- Utilisation of regional funding to retrofit assets and upgrade them with solar energy saving measures.
- Local boards have been given greater decision-making powers over local facilities, there is an opportunity to make funding more equitable across facilities and collaborate with other local boards.
- Supporting Māori storytelling and te reo in our programmes, services in community facilities and libraries.
- Consider how best to use our open space network to mitigate storm damage and impacts, such as the use of parks for flood mitigation.
- Support Takapuna’s regeneration by delivering a community hub and library in our metropolitan centre.

Our Plan

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)	What success looks like (Measure of success)
Services are integrated and streamlined	Investigate opportunities to connect and consolidate services and avoid duplication.	Our facilities are multi-use, sustainable, fit-for-purpose



	Optimise our spaces and facilities to better manage our asset portfolio with reduced funding whilst still supporting community activities.	and able to support our growing population.
	Continue the investigation into community service delivery in Takapuna and opportunities to fund a future proofed community hub and library.	
Provide a strong connected network of safe and quality spaces for all members of our community to enjoy now and in the future	Identify partnership opportunities with local schools, churches, and other organisations to make their spaces available for community use.	Community needs are better responded to by delivering projects in partnership with other organisations when opportunities arise.
	Work with our community houses, recreational facilities, sports clubs, arts partners, and leaseholders to ensure they are providing programming and initiatives that are coordinated to fill any gaps and to avoid duplication.	Initiatives that connect our communities and respond to their needs are prioritised and monitored. Activities that are in alignment with local board plan outcomes are increased and well attended.
Use of sustainable and locally sourced materials and practices are encouraged and supported.	Te Aranga Māori Design principles are reflected in our playgrounds, buildings, and street furniture.	Te Aranga Māori design principles have been reflected in our built environment.
	Parks and facilities are developed, renewed, and maintained with the use of sustainable, long-lasting materials that reduce impervious surfaces.	Sustainable design and materials have been prioritised and invested in.
Investment is targeted where the need is greatest.	Development of the Local Parks Management Plan.	Completion of an Operational Devonport-Takapuna Local Parks Management Plan
	Existing strategic assessments and parks management plans are used to identify gaps and duplication in the provision of open space and play equipment.	Our investment decisions are aligned with key strategic planning documents and deliver outcomes that respond to our community's needs.
Parks and facilities are accessible to people of all ages and abilities.	Māori language is promoted and visible in the programmes and services delivered, from libraries and community facilities to bilingual signage.	Signage is renewed using English and te reo Māori. Raised awareness of the Rahopara Pa site and promote the cultural and



		historical significance of this site in Castor Bay.
	Development of a Devonport-Takapuna walking guide to showcase our areas beautiful walkways and parks.	A Devonport-Takapuna walking guide is in development.
	Investigate the development of a Chinese themed and co-designed playground in the Sunnynook/Forrest Hill area.	Options are explored for different playground options.
	Safe and well-lit public spaces, in particular in the Sunnynook and Forrest Hill areas.	Investment has been made in making our public spaces safe and well lit.
	Barriers to participation are reduced and accessibility is a priority.	Capital work programme projects and decisions specifically consider accessibility.
Opportunities to participate in sport and active recreation are available and accessible.	Support participation in sport and recreation opportunities	Access to facilities and local reserves is continued and maintained and participation has increased.

Advocacy

- Advocate to the Governing Body for the support of active recreation by securing and increasing funding to Sport and Recreation Facility Investment Fund & Regional Sport and Recreation Facilities Operating Grant to enable communities to deliver facilities and lessen the burden on council.
- Advocate to the Governing Body for increased financial support and enhancement of Auckland’s creative industries.
- Advocate to the Governing Body for the establishment of a Regional Heritage Facilities Maintenance Fund to support local boards in maintaining, renewing, and preserving our costly heritage asset portfolio for our community.



World War II tunnels, Kennedy Park, Castor Bay



Victoria Road, Devonport

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our Places and Transport

Our infrastructure supports growth, and our safe, efficient transport offers diverse travel options.



- **39% of our residents get to work using public or active modes of transport.**

Devonport-Takapuna is a vibrant area of growth and opportunity. We want our transport network to be connected, multimodal, safe, and efficient. We want adequate housing for our growing population and for housing intensification and development to be carefully planned and managed with appropriate infrastructure to support it. Our goal is for our area to be a place where infrastructure keeps pace with the demands of our growing population and our residents can easily move around neighbourhoods, including by walking, cycling or public transport.

To achieve this, we need to address the challenges that come with growth, such as the pressure on our roading network, our limited funding and decision-making role, and the need for quality open spaces. We will continue to advocate on behalf of our communities for appropriate planning and investment to respond to growth and intensification.

With our limited budgets, we will target our investment to initiatives that improve wayfinding and deliver walking and cycling connections within our neighbourhoods, and we will be strong advocates for integrated and aligned public transport.



We are committed to advocating for our community and making your views heard through formal Local Board submissions on all significant developments and plan changes in our area.

Challenges

- High dependency on motor vehicles.
- Limited capacity for bikes on ferries, zero capacity for bikes on buses, and the absence of infrastructure for active travel modes on the harbour bridge is a constraint on reductions to transport emissions.
- Local boards have an advocacy role when it comes to many transport projects.
- Public transport needs to be efficient, affordable, and convenient to encourage greater uptake.
- Limited available funds to deliver the improvements signalled by our town centre plans.
- Transport accounts for nearly half of Auckland’s greenhouse gas emissions.
- Devonport-Takapuna is experiencing significant growth and development with a particular focus on intensification of housing.
- Increased pressure on infrastructure, transport networks, and the natural environment.

Opportunities

- Development and planning of an Additional Waitematā Harbour Connections to improve transport network and congestion.
- Input into planning and infrastructure projects that deliver efficient public transport, active modes of transport and roads for our area.
- Takapuna Metropolitan Centre has many valued qualities including a large business and retail offering and a major public transport hub (Akoranga). Appropriate planning could create a connected community and vibrant town centre.

Our Plan

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)	What success looks like (Measure of success)
Our transport network is connected and provides multiple transport modes that are safe, efficient, reliable, and affordable.	Continue to work alongside the Governing Body, Auckland Transport and Waka Kotahi to progress the Lake Road project.	Local board feedback is represented and considered in planning and infrastructure projects to deliver efficient public transport, active modes of transport and roads. Increase in Public Transport patronage to and from the Devonport-Takapuna area.
	Work closely with the Governing Body and Waka Kotahi to encourage public transport initiatives that connect us and the wider North Shore with the North-South and East-West corridors.	
	Work with Auckland Transport and Waka Kotahi to secure funding and support for	



	routes that link to the proposed Northern Pathway.	
	Investigate implementing priority routes outlined in the refreshed Devonport-Takapuna Greenways Plan.	<p>People can safely use active transport modes at any time because walkways and cycleways are safe well lit.</p> <p>Increased uptake of active modes of transport is supported by safer and more accessible connections.</p>
	Further investigate opportunities to develop a walking and cycling link along the Wairau estuary.	Investigation into a Wairau Estuary walking link is being undertaken.
	Identify additional wayfinding signage opportunities in our area.	Clear and helpful way finding signage is installed.

Advocacy

- Advocate to Auckland Transport for greater integration and alignment of all public transport services and timetables.
- Advocate to Auckland Transport for a supercharged ferry service for the whole region, including a future proofed terminal at Bayswater Marina.
- Advocate for better active travel options between the local board area and the central city, including on designs of the additional Waitematā Harbour Connections.
- Advocate to Auckland Transport to deliver projects that contribute to Te Tāruke-a-Tāwhiri: Auckland Climate Plan's Key Transport priority to move to a low carbon, safe transport system.
- Advocate for any road corridor changes or new transport infrastructure options to include a high standard of stormwater management.
- Advocate to Governing Body for the retention, increase and long-term security of the Local Board Transport Capital Fund to support us to make strategic decisions towards projects that span multiple trienniums.
- Advocate to Auckland Transport for increased funding towards footpath renewals that meet a new wider standard.
- Advocate for funding to deliver the refreshed Devonport-Takapuna Greenways Plan to achieve fit-for-purpose, accessible, safe and well-lit network of pathways and cycleway connections, whilst also considering biodiversity and light pollution.
- Input into the development and planning of an Additional Waitematā Harbour Connections to improve transport connections and congestion.
- Advocate to Auckland Transport and Waka Kotahi to secure funding to progress the Lake Road Project.
- Advocate to Auckland Transport to secure funding to progress the Francis-Esmonde link.



- Advocate that all new developments are appropriately designed for our area and that infrastructure is upgraded to support growth and housing needs.



Bike rack at Devonport ferry terminal



Takapuna Winter Lights Festival

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our Economy

Our economy is thriving, our town centres are vibrant, and there is opportunity for all.

We envision vibrant, safe and attractive town centres and villages that cater to the needs of residents, businesses, and visitors. We want our people to be able to work and shop where they live and be a part of a diverse economy that practices environmental and social sustainability.

We acknowledge the complexities involved in creating sustainable employment opportunities that align with the skills of our residents. With the growing population of skilled workers, there is a pressing need to develop local job opportunities that reduce commuting. Additionally, we recognize the importance of preparing our rangatahi for meaningful employment prospects. These challenges extend beyond the scope of a three-year local board plan as they involve interconnected issues and often fall outside our decision-making authority and budget. However, we are dedicated to leveraging our resources by investing in initiatives that provide mentoring and work experience to empower young people and rangatahi, equipping them with the necessary tools and knowledge to thrive in the workforce. Despite limited funding, we remain committed to supporting our town centres and villages through our advocacy role.



- **There are 9855 business in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Area.**



Challenges

- Many of our residents are traveling outside of our area for work that matches their skillset.
- High dependency on vehicles and congestion on key roads makes it hard to move around.
- Keeping our town centres vibrant and attractive.
- Changes to the way people spend their money with online shopping often being favoured.
- Providing local skilled employment opportunities to a growing community of skilled workers in our area.
- Peoples working habits have changed; with more people being able to work from home, there are less people in our business districts during working hours.
- As the cost-of-living rises, individuals and businesses have less discretionary income to spend.
- “There is limited capacity within Tātaki Auckland Unlimited to deliver on local economic development initiatives”

Opportunities

- Devonport-Takapuna Local Board has large number of small local businesses and there is an opportunity to increase collaboration and support for them.
- Our Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) are well placed to promote local initiatives and encourage the attraction of the technology sector to support investment in the area and create jobs as a result.
- Planning of an additional Waitematā Harbour connections will make our area more accessible by rapid public transport.

Our Plan

What we want to achieve (Objectives)	What we will deliver in the next 3 years (Key initiatives)	What success looks like (Measure of success)
Our town centres and villages are vibrant, safe, and attractive for locals, businesses, and visitors.	Completion of urban regeneration projects such as Unlock Takapuna. <u>Partner with council departments and local businesses to deliver projects that support the urban regeneration of Takapuna.</u>	Delivery of a Waiwharariki Anzac Town Square. <u>Waiwharariki Anzac Town Square is thriving with a vibrant and bustling atmosphere.</u>
	As budget allows, we will continue to prioritise investment in village centres and our smaller precincts by delivering on key actions from the following planning documents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Devonport-Takapuna Area Plan - Sunnynook Centre Plan - Milford Centre Plan 	Our investment decisions are aligned with key strategic planning documents.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Belmont Centre Improvement Plan - Takapuna Centre Plan - Devonport Master Plan 	
	Promote and support accessible events and play activations that attract visitors and whanau to our town centres.	Events in our area are well promoted and attended.
Our local businesses and industry are resilient and sustainable.	Support environmentally sustainable social enterprise, by funding initiatives that promote a circular economy (particularly waste and pollution reduction).	More businesses have sustainable business practices and are resilient to the impacts of climate change.
	Work with Tātaki Auckland Unlimited , council departments and Business Improvement Districts to provide support to local businesses to engage in initiatives to reduce waste, to become carbon neutral and climate resilient.	Small businesses are engaged and supported by the local board.
	Work alongside businesses that sit outside of the Business Improvement Districts to enable stronger business collaboration.	
Opportunities for rangatahi in training and employment	Continue to partner with Shore Junction Innovation Centre to provide training, access to business mentoring and work experience opportunities for youth and rangatahi Māori.	Increased training and employment opportunities for youth.
	Support initiatives that provide access to business mentoring and work experience to youth, including CV writing and interview skills.	

Advocacy

- Advocate for appropriate public transport and active transport options that would reduce the need for private vehicle use to access employment opportunities.
- Advocate for changes to the procurement policy that allows for greater use of local businesses, and more consideration of local boards views in decision making over major sub regional contracts – such as the full facilities contracts.
- Advocate on behalf of Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) for support on environmental sustainability and business resilience and continuity.



View of Waiwharariki Anzac Square – a new public space in the heart of Takapuna.

Photo credit: Eke Panuku



He kōrero take pūtea

Funding information

The local board funding policy sets out how local boards are funded to meet the costs of providing local activities and administration support.

Local board funding is approved through the council's budget-setting process. This involves the council's Governing Body adopting 10-year budget (long-term plan) every three years and an annual budget every year. Local board agreements, in which the local board and the governing body agree the local board budget for each year, make up part of the annual budget.

The council's budget-setting process involves allocating funding gathered through revenue sources such as rates and user charges. It also involves setting levels of service for council activities and corresponding performance targets.

The financial and levels of service statements in this plan are based on the information included in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031 and updated through subsequent annual budget. Updated financial information and levels of service will be adopted as part of the 10-year Budget 2024-2034 which is due to be adopted in June 2024. The 10-year Budget 2024-2034 will be informed by the local board plans and may impact the initiatives in this local board plan.

Kaupapa ā-rohe me ngā paerewa ā-mahi

Local activities and levels of service

The current 10-year Budget 2021-2031 outlines local board responsibilities, provided for directly in legislation or allocated to boards, are summarised into local activities and levels of service statements. These are described in the table below.

More information regarding the most recent levels of services, including performance measures and performance targets, can be found in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Agreement 2023/2024 and in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031 (Vol 2 section 2.6). This is available on the council website.

The levels of services and performance measures for local activities will be reviewed as part of the 10-year budget 2024-2034 and targets reviewed subsequent Annual Budgets.



Local Activities	Level of service statements
Local Community Services	
We support strong, diverse, and vibrant communities through libraries and literacy, arts and culture, parks, sport and recreation, and events delivered by a mix of council services, community group partnerships and volunteers	<p>Provide safe, reliable, and accessible social infrastructure for Aucklanders that contributes to placemaking and thriving communities</p> <p>Utilising the Empowered Communities Approach, we support Aucklanders to create thriving, connected and inclusive communities</p> <p>We provide safe and accessible parks, reserves, beaches, recreation programmes, opportunities and facilitates to get Aucklanders more active, more often</p> <p>We showcase Auckland's Māori identity and vibrant Māori culture</p> <p>We fund, enable, and deliver services, programmes, and facilities (art facilities, community centres, hire venues, and libraries) that enhance identity, connect people, and support Aucklanders to participate in community and civic life</p>
Local Planning and Development	
We support local town centres and communities to thrive by developing town centre plans and development, supporting Business Improvement Districts (BIDs), heritage plans and initiatives	We help attract investment, businesses and a skilled workforce to Auckland
Local Environmental Management	
We support healthy ecosystems and sustainability through local board-funded initiatives such as planting, pest control, stream and water quality enhancements, healthy homes, and waste minimisation projects.	We work with Aucklanders to manage the natural environment and enable low carbon lifestyles to build resilience to the effects of climate change



Local Governance

Activities in this group support the local board to engage with and represent their communities, and make decisions on local activities. This support includes providing strategic advice, leadership of the preparation of local board plans, support in developing the local board agreements, community engagement including relationships with mana whenua and Māori communities, and democracy and administrative support.

The measures for this group of activities are covered under the Regional Governance group of activities in the Long-term Plan which determine participation with Auckland Council decision making in general. This includes local decision-making

Tirohanga take pūtea whānui

Financial overview

Revenue, expenditure and capital investment by local activities for the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024.



Annual Plan Financials	2023/2024 (\$000s)
Operating revenue	
Local community services	1,883
Local planning and development	0
Local environment management	0
Total operating revenue	1,883
Operating expenditure	
Local community services	12,480
Local planning and development	520
Local environment management	156
Local governance	910
Total operating expenditure	14,066
Net operating expenditure	12,183
Capital expenditure	
Local community services	5,039
Local planning and development	38
Local environment management	0
Local governance	0
Total capital expenditure	5,077



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Suggested changes to the draft Local Board Plan 2023

This document considers SME peer review feedback as well as changes required to be updated in the final version of the draft plan.

Procedural changes

Section of the plan	Page	Current wording	Suggested change
Developing our plan	6	<p>Our draft plan was developed with careful consideration of previous community feedback on the previous local board plan, feedback through previous annual budget consultations and other pieces of feedback such as results from the Peoples Panel Surveys.</p> <p>During July and August 2023, we consulted on the draft plan to hear your thoughts.</p> <p>We engaged with our community at a range of events and activities across the local board area. The issues and priorities you raised with us through these interactions helped us finalise this plan</p>	<p>Our draft plan was developed with careful consideration of previous community feedback on the <u>2020</u> local board plan, feedback through annual budget consultations and other pieces of feedback such as results from the Peoples Panel Surveys.</p> <p>During July and August 2023, we consulted on the draft plan to hear your thoughts <u>on how the plan reflected your needs and aspirations over the next three years, seek your feedback on which objectives were most important to you and to find out how we could better meet our Māori Outcome and climate action aspirations.</u></p> <p>We engaged with our communities across the local board area. The issues and priorities you raised with us through these interactions have helped us finalise this plan</p>
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Area	7	-	<p>Inclusion of an info box that states: <u>“The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area extends from Sunnynook and Castor Bay in the north to the Stanley Bay and Devonport suburbs in the south. Its western boundary is State Highway 1.”</u></p>

Climate Action and Māori Outcomes

Page	Current wording	Suggested change	Advice/Comments
10	Advocate for and work with the Land & Coasts department to support the development of Shoreline Adaptation Plans to ensure a sustainable approach to the management of our shorelines.	Advocate for and Work with the Resilient Land and Coasts department to support the development of Shoreline Adaptation Plans to ensure a sustainable approach to the management of our shorelines.	We don't advocate to staff. Only to the GB, CCOs or external entities.

Our Environment:

Our natural and built spaces are cared for and we put water quality and the environment front and centre.

Page	Current wording	Suggested change	Advice/Comments
16	Advocate for and work with the Land & Coasts department to support the development of Shoreline Adaptation Plans to ensure a sustainable approach to the management of our shorelines.	Advocate for and Work with the Resilient Land and Coasts department to support the development of Shoreline Adaptation Plans to ensure a sustainable approach to the management of our shorelines.	We don't advocate to staff. Only to the GB, CCOs or external entities.

Our Economy:

Our economy is thriving, or town centres are vibrant, and there is opportunity for all.

Page	Current wording	Suggested change	Advice/Comments
31	-	Additional Challenge: <u>"There is limited capacity within Tātaki Auckland Unlimited to deliver on local economic development initiatives"</u>	
31	Completion of urban regeneration projects such as Unlock Takapuna.	<u>Partner with council departments and local businesses to deliver projects that support the urban regeneration of Takapuna.</u>	Rather than speak to "completion and unlock takapuna" speak to the regeneration aspect and be specific about the "who"
31	Delivery of a Waiwharariki Anzac Town Square.	<u>Waiwharariki Anzac Town Square is thriving with a vibrant and bustling atmosphere.</u>	The town square is completed, better to speak to the boards desire to activate the square and support activities.
32	Work with Tātaki Auckland Unlimited, council departments and Business Improvement Districts to provide support to local businesses to engage in initiatives to reduce waste, to become carbon neutral and climate resilient.	Work with Tātaki Auckland Unlimited , council departments and Business Improvement Districts to provide support to local businesses to engage in initiatives to reduce waste, to become carbon neutral and climate resilient.	Tataki have very limited ability to be involved in local economic development. Thinks links to the additional challenge above as well.