

TE MAHERE Ā-ROHE O PUKETĀPAPA 2020

Puketāpapa Local Board Plan 2020



Mihi

Tēnei au te noho atu nei
i te kāhiwi o Waikōwhai ki te uru.
Ka mihi iho au ki raro ki te ākau o Manukau moana,
he taunga kawau tiketike, te eke ki te tāhuna tōrea.
Ka huri whakateraki aku kamo,
ka kite atu au i te ara hou e kokoti mai rā i taku manawa
me te Ahikāroa o Rakataura,
kia tae au ki Te Tāpapakanga a Hape
ka hoki mai anō taku hā,
kei reira nei hoki kō Pukewīwī.
Ka kite kau atu au i te remu o Ōwairaka,
ka hoki whakararo ano ōku whakaaro
ki Te Tātua o Riu ki Uta
e tu ārai mai rā mōku i te whitinga mai o te rā.
Kei tua ki te raki, ko te Puku o te Tipua nei o Tāmaki Makaurau,
kei raro ko te Onehunga.
Kātahi au ka hoki mā te Kāhiwi Pūpuke
kia ū atu anō au ki a koe Waikōwhai.
I kona ka tau aku mihi,
ka eke, kua eke, hui e, taiki e!

Here I sit
on the western ridge overlooking Waikōwhai.
I send my greetings below to the shores of the Manukau Harbour,
landing place of visiting cormorant on the domain of
the oystercatcher.
My gaze turns northward,
along the new path that cuts through the heart
of the ancient fire-line of Rakataura,
that takes me to Hape's repose,
to Pukewīwī
where I can catch my breath.

Hemmed in by Ōwairaka to the north,
my thoughts turn south
to Te Tātua o Riu ki Uta – Three Kings,
my boundary to the east.
Beyond lies the Central Business District
and to the south, Onehunga.
From here I follow the ridgeline that is Hillsborough
till I am back at Waikōwhai.
And, there my greetings rest,
we are bound, it is done!



Ngā upoko kōrero

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On the cover:
The Wesley Community Centre
and Roskill Youth Zone are well
loved places for our communities
to gather.



From the Chair

While preparing this local board plan the world changed.

At first, we feared the conversations we had in February and March with our community would no longer be relevant in a time of COVID-19, social distancing and lockdowns. The plans we had hoped to carry out had become less meaningful as normal life seemed to unravel.

However, in putting together our draft from that first round of consultation, we found that there were universal themes and aspirations that applied even more so in crisis. Ideas of inclusion, connection, the importance of nature and shared prosperity, opportunities to live locally, the need to seriously address climate change; all were woven into our first draft and all were supported in the second round of feedback, when pandemic alert levels had become a new framework for daily life.

You will see changes in the final plan that refine and clarify, to make the tapestry of our plan richer and more vibrant, and an accurate reflection of our community. Thank you for adding your threads and spotting holes to darn.

While the world has changed, in many ways what our community wants remains the same. We look forward to weaving Puketāpapa's future with you.



Julie Fairey
Chair, Puketāpapa Local Board

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Ideas of inclusion,
connection, the
importance of
nature and
shared prosperity.



He kōrero nō te Heamana

I te mahere nei e whakaritea ana, i huri te ao.

Tuatahi, i āwangawanga mātou kāore pea e hāngai tonu ngā whakawhitinga kōrero o te Huitanguru me te Poutūterangi i ngā rā o te MATE-KORONA, te tū tīrara me te noho taratahi. Kāore i tino tika ngā mahere i wawatia ai nā runga i ngā taumahatanga i tau mai ki runga i te katoa.

Heoi, i a mātou e whakatōpū ana i ngā kaupapa matua o ngā whakawhitinga kōrero tuatahi, i kitea ngā kaupapa e hāngai pū ana ahakoa ngā taumahatanga o te wā, nā, e kīia ai pea, he nui atu te hāngai i ngā rā o te taumahatanga. Te kotahitanga, te whanaungatanga, te whakahirahira o te taiao, te whai ngātahi i te houkura, te whai wāhi noho, te aro atu ki ngā raru āhuarangi; i tuia ēnei kaupapa katoa i te tuhinga tuatahi, i whakamārōhia i te tuhinga tuarua, whai muri i te titinga o ngā taumata-huaketo ki ngā rā o tēnā, o tēnā.

Ka kitea ngā panonitanga i te mahere whakamutunga e whakaarotahi ana, e whakahihiko ana, e whakakiko ana i te mahere, ā, he mahere i hua mai i ngā wawata o tō tātou hapori. Nei rā te mihi ki te hunga i tāpiri i ngā kōrero, i tohu i ngā whārua o te mahere hei whakakikī atu.

Ahakoa kua huri te ao, he āhua rite tonu ngā wawata o te hapori. Ka titiro whakamua mātou ki tō tāua tui ngātahi i te āpōpō o Puketāpapa.



Julie Fairey

Heamana,
Poari ā-rohe o Puketāpapa.

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Te kotahitanga,
te whanaungatanga,
te whakahirahira
o te taiao



He aronga poto i tā mātou mahere

Our plan at a glance

We will focus on six outcomes to guide our work and make Puketāpapa a better community for all. Our aspirations are outlined below.



Auckland International Cultural Festival.

Outcome 1: Inclusive communities that are healthy, connected and thriving

We want to build lasting connections among the people of our communities and support each other to live more healthy lifestyles.



Puketāpapa Local Board's Community Forum.

Outcome 2: Our people speak up and help shape our future

Our people are active contributors to society and participate in many ways. They are confident their views have been considered when decisions are made.



Walmsley Park.

Outcome 3: Our environment is protected and enhanced for present and future generations

Communities are empowered to restore and care for our natural environment, and people are supported to adopt low-carbon lifestyles.



Wesley Market.

Outcome 4: Well-planned neighbourhoods and vibrant public spaces

Our neighbourhoods are attractive and well connected, they are designed to support safe and healthy lifestyles with great access to parks and facilities.



Mt Roskill Town Centre.

Outcome 5: Transport options that are reliable, accessible and less polluting

Our neighbourhoods are bustling with pedestrians and cyclists. There are great transport options that are accessible, safe and less polluting.



Wesley Community Centre.

Outcome 6: Thriving local economy with opportunities to learn, work and volunteer

We have thriving local businesses, social enterprises, not-for-profit organisations and opportunities for volunteering and learning. Our skilled workforce has good employment options and can work near home.



Te Rohe ā-Poari o Puketāpapa

Puketāpapa Local Board area



About 60,000 people call Puketāpapa home. Our community is one of the most ethnically diverse in Auckland, with half our residents born overseas.

This multi-ethnic mix of Asian¹, Pacific, Middle Eastern, Latin American and African people has added another strong seam to the rich heritage laid down by early Māori, then European settlement.

The Puketāpapa boundaries take in the suburbs of

Hillsborough, Lynfield, Mt Roskill, Roskill South, Three Kings, Waikōwhai and Wesley. As a local board, our three neighbours are Whau, Albert-Eden and Maungakiekie-Tāmaki.

The southern border on the Manukau Harbour follows the plunging, bush-clad Waikōwhai coast. Our natural environment also boasts the volcanic cones, Puketāpapa/Pukewiwi/Mt Roskill and Te Tātua o Riu-ki-uta/Three Kings. Together with areas like Monte Cecilia Park, Keith

Hay Park and Te Auaunga/Oakley Creek, they provide open space and recreational opportunities.

Throughout Puketāpapa is a growing green network of cycleways and walkways, while State Highway 20 runs through the board area and services the manufacturing and industrial areas of Stoddard and Carr Roads.

Puketāpapa is experiencing major housing development as Auckland gears up for growth. With this development comes the opportunity for agencies and communities to work together for healthy, affordable, well-connected housing.

¹ Puketāpapa has the largest proportion of Asian people in Auckland (49.1% in Puketāpapa compared to 28.2% Auckland). About a third of the Auckland Asian population identified as Chinese and a third as Indian. Smaller proportions identified as Filipino and Korean.



We have a population of about

60,000

or **3.8%**

of Auckland's total population

WE'RE EXPECTING
10,000

new homes in the next
10 to 15 years



49% of our residents identify as Asian

35% as European

13% as Pacific Peoples

5% as Māori

with growing Middle Eastern, African and Latin American communities

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mana whenua iwi/hapu have an interest in Puketāpapa



Unique landscape features include:



2 volcanic cones:
Puketāpapa / Pukewīwī / Mt Roskill
and Te Tātua o Rīu-kī-uta / Big King



Manukau Harbour



Te Auaunga / Oakley Creek

Puketāpapa is home to:



Almost 100 parks,
many linked by greenways



2 recreation centres



1 swimming pool



1 library



4 local or town centres



numerous community centres

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 councillors) 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 provide input into regional strategies, policies and plans.

Local boards make decisions on local matters such as:

- supporting local arts, culture, events and sport and recreation
- providing grants and partnering with 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.

About local board plans

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

- decisions on local activities, projects, and facilities
- 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.

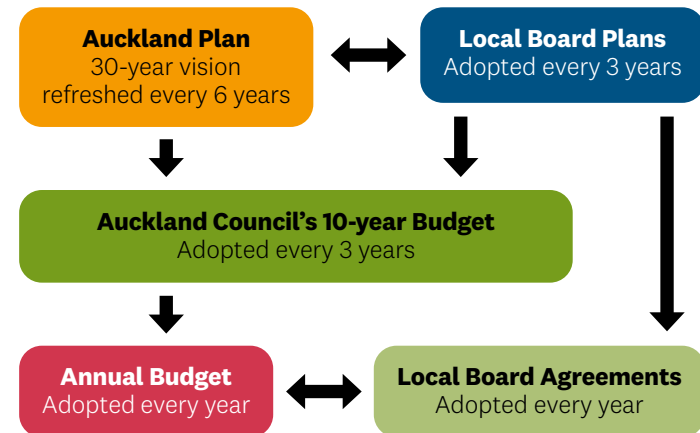
They support the following:

- the Auckland Plan 2050 – the 30-year vision for Auckland
- the council's 10-year budget (long-term plan) – planned spending and future investment priorities over the longer term, including local boards
- the council's annual budget (annual plan) – funding for the coming financial year of the 10-year budget, including local boards.

Every year the board makes what is called a local board agreement with the Governing Body.

This sets out how the local board will reflect its local board plan priorities in the upcoming year's local activities. For these activities, it also sets out levels of service, performance measures and targets, as well as funding allocations and a funding impact statement for the year.

Based on the funding allocations in this agreement, the board then develops its own annual work programme, which is a list of projects that have budgets and timelines. Progress is reported quarterly and communicated to the community.



He kōrero mō ngā poari ā-rohe

About local boards

Working with Māori

Māori culture and identity is celebrated by Aucklanders and is our point of difference in the world.

Te Tiriti o Waitangi recognises the rangatiratanga of Auckland's hapū and iwi, and the inseparable bond between Tāmaki Makaurau the people and Tāmaki Makaurau the place.

Local boards play a vital role in representing the interests of all Aucklanders. We're committed to our treaty-based obligations and to Māori participation and development.

We have worked with Māori to develop initiatives that respond to Māori aspirations.



Performance by local school children at the Puketāpapa Local Board's inauguration Ceremony 2019 at the Fickling Centre.



Te whakawhanake i tā mātou mahere

Developing our plan

Our plan comprises aspirational outcomes, objectives we want to achieve and some of the key initiatives we will carry out to achieve them.

A draft plan was developed using feedback received from public engagement carried out between November 2019 and April 2020.

The draft was also developed by considering what we know about our community, having worked closely with you and heard your views on a wide range of topics.

During July and August 2020, we consulted on the draft plan so we could better understand your views. To help with this and

ensure we reflected your needs and desires, we engaged with our community at a range of events and activities across the board area.

The issues and priorities you raised with us through these interactions helped us finalise this plan.

The social and economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic mean some of our aspirations have been modified. Our response is delivered via the annual budgeting process but the decisions we make will focus on ensuring the benefits for our community.

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 against the outcomes in the local board plans, we will:

- prioritise budget to focus on the initiatives in the plans

- make the best use of local assets such as community centres 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.

Sometimes, important projects in local areas are beyond the funding available to local boards or our authority to make decisions. In those cases, the role of local boards is to advocate to decision-makers to ensure they are aware of community views and the boards support for them.



He hapori manaaki e hauora ana,
e honohono ana, e taurikura ana

Outcome 1: Inclusive communities that are healthy, connected and thriving

We want to build lasting connections among the people of our communities and support each other to live more healthy lifestyles.

Strength in diversity.

We welcome everyone who calls Puketāpapa home. Our cultural diversity is what makes us unique and is something we are all proud of.

Māori were the first people in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland, and the board acknowledges their role as kaitiaki (guardian). We have a formal relationship with Ngati Tamaoho and welcome formalising our working relationships with other iwi too.

We would like te ao Māori (the Māori world) to be well understood and respected in our communities and for te reo Māori to be seen, spoken and heard. The board can help this by including Māori tikanga (customary practices) in local events and including Māori design in our streets and public art installations and stories in the landscape.

Today Puketāpapa is the most culturally diverse area of Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland. Most of our people are of European, Indian and Chinese descent, but there are many other cultures too. Half of our residents were born overseas and a quarter have lived in New Zealand for less than five years. We will work with our communities to better understand what an inclusive society means to them.

“ We know that healthy lifestyles are a balance of physical, spiritual, family and mental health. ”



Auckland International Cultural Festival.



WHAT YOU HAVE TOLD US

- “Local board could support more health and wellbeing initiatives (especially mental health).”
- “Have more interactive, all community events so that people of all ages and cultures can learn, bond and interact with each other.”
- “More funding for music, languages and arts generally.”

This brings a richness to our area that we celebrate. It also brings a great responsibility to awhi (welcome) people here and ensure that they can settle in. We will benefit from learning about their experiences and cultures.

Changing times

With strong and connected communities, we will be able to support each other through changing times. The increase in Auckland’s population is affecting Puketāpapa too. Some of our neighbourhoods will be affected by large-scale housing redevelopments. The board will do what we can to support people through this temporary disruption.

We also need to respond to the climate change emergency. This will require a change in our lifestyles as we make choices that reduce our carbon emissions. We need to think about how we move around, and where all our goods come from, in order to make a significant change.

We are currently living through difficult times as we respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our strength and adaptability will see us through. We will respond together, supporting our community groups to keep doing the great work that they do to speed recovery.

Healthy, active lives

We want our people to have a great quality of life. Healthy eating and exercise are a big part of this.

Last term the board created the Healthy Puketāpapa framework and action plan. From this, we know that healthy lifestyles are a balance of physical, spiritual, family and mental health. The health action plan identifies ways to increase access to drinking water, healthy food, physical activity, healthy housing and decrease the use of harmful substances (such as alcohol). We are working with our partners and communities to achieve this.

We also need to provide community services that promote wellbeing. This comes in many forms, such as libraries, community development, sport, recreation and arts e.g. Pah Homestead, in Monte Cecilia Park.

We will do what we can to support communities that have the greatest need.



Opportunities

- Puketāpapa has strong and adaptable community groups and leaders that can support others.
- The Healthy Puketāpapa framework and partners will influence decision-making at all levels.

Challenges

- Large new housing developments will bring major change to neighbourhoods, requiring better facilities.
- There are different needs and desires within this very diverse community.



Wesley Community Centre.





Roskill Youth Zone.

Outcome 1: Inclusive communities that are healthy, connected and thriving

Objective

Key initiatives

Improved community understanding of te ao Māori

Work with mana whenua and mataawaka on shared goals, such as signage that shares Māori stories and history

Ensure Māori tikanga (customary practices) and te reo are included in local events, such as Matariki, and visible in Puketāpapa

Our people have the support they need to thrive

Support initiatives that celebrate our many cultures.

Fund events and programmes that support children, young people and people from culturally diverse communities

Support community networks that foster community cohesion

Communities with a sense of belonging and identity, and pride in our diversity

Support initiatives, such as artworks and signage, that share our multicultural stories and vision for the future

Support and encourage programmes that help develop neighbourhood identity and pride through creative arts activities

Inclusive, interconnected and supportive neighbourhoods

Provide services that take into account a range of languages, cultures and abilities

Help people become aware of groups, programmes and events in the area

Fund neighbourhood groups that foster social inclusion and improve neighbourhood safety





Lynfield Cove.

Outcome 1: Inclusive communities that are healthy, connected and thriving

Objective	Key initiatives
Places that we live, learn, work and play support us to have healthier, more active lifestyles	<p>Promote the availability of healthy food and food sustainability in our communities, schools, shops and in other local settings</p> <p>Encourage compliance with the existing alcohol bylaws, including signage, and advocate for increased restrictions where appropriate</p> <p>Investigate providing more food-producing trees and gardens</p> <p>Provide recreation facilities and services that are easy for people to use in ways that work for them</p> <p>Continue to enhance outdoor spaces where people can relax, connect and feel a sense of wellbeing</p>
Communities that can adapt to extreme weather events, community health challenges and limited resources	<p>Support and promote local initiatives that encourage emergency preparedness and social connection</p> <p>Encourage programmes that improve the health and energy efficiency of local homes</p>





Puketāpapa Local Board's Community Forum.

Ka whakapuaki kōrero o tātou tāngata, me te whai wāhi ki te waihanga i tō tātou anamata

Outcome 2: Our people speak up and help shape our future

Our people are active contributors to society and participate in many ways. They are confident their views have been considered when decisions are made.

Reaching everyone

The board will work hard to support leaders in our communities. Our goal is to understand the views of all our communities and consider this when making decisions. We are committed to working with the hapū and iwi of Puketāpapa. We want to reflect the range of voices in our community, from many cultures, ages and communities of interest.

For the local board to represent its communities, we need to understand what matters to you, particularly as we look for ways to build a stronger Puketāpapa during changing times.

The board gets assistance from local groups and networks to reach their communities. One example of this is the Puketāpapa Youth Foundation. This is a dedicated group of volunteers whose mission is to inspire young people to be strong and believe in themselves. They provide an invaluable link between the board and the younger members of the community. We hope that our work with Children's Panels will support the youth groups of the future.

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We also want to reach those individuals who may not be connected to community organisations. For some people there are barriers to participation, such as language and physical access, which we need to address. However, we know that one of the biggest barriers for people is understanding what our role is. We need to step forward and make people aware of the decisions that we make that could affect them.

The value of participation

We have heard that there is a lack of understanding about what the local board does. We need people to understand that we are making decisions that affect their lives.

This civic participation has dual benefits. It allows us to consider the views of our people when we make decisions. It also empowers people to know that their views have shaped their neighbourhoods, and their future.

This also extends beyond the work of the local board. We would like our people to

contribute to other agencies' processes and to each other. We would like to see a fully engaged community.

Opportunities

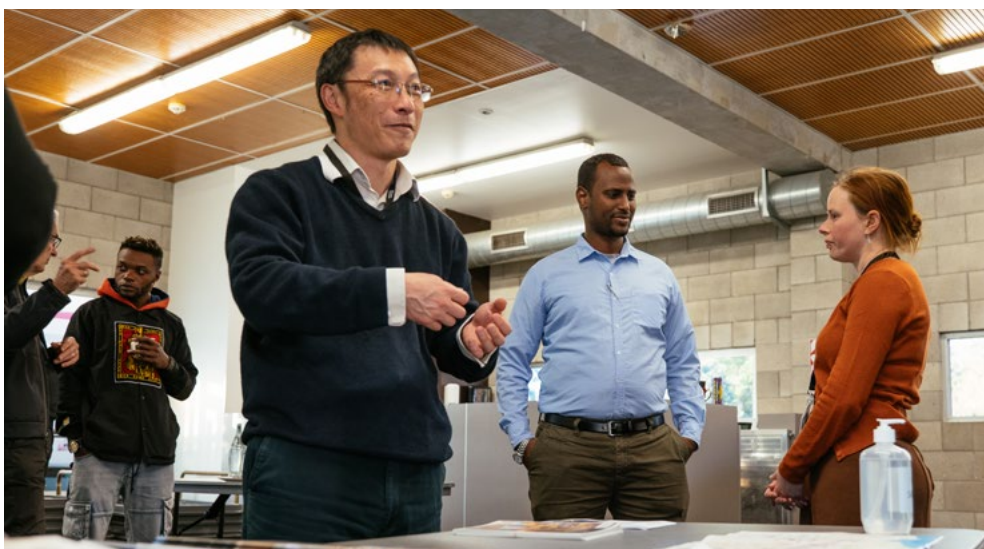
- The board has relationships with mana whenua, mataawaka and other local boards.
- Existing structures, such as the local board community forum and Puketāpapa Youth Foundation, increase the board's connection to community.

Challenges

- It can be challenging to reach and reflect the needs of all of our communities.
- Barriers of culture, language and personal circumstances can make it hard for people to understand the relevance of local government.

WHAT YOU HAVE TOLD US

- "I think it's amazing that changes are being made and that everyone's being heard!"
- "Supporting diversity and help amplify Māori voices."
- "More opportunities for young people to speak up and have a say."



Puketāpapa Local Board's Community Forum.



Roskill Youth Zone.

Outcome 2: Our people speak up and help shape our future

Objective	Key initiatives
More input by Māori into local decision-making	<p>Work with mana whenua on key projects, such as te reo Māori names for parks.</p> <p>Support Māori organisations to reach out to their communities for input into key local board proposals</p>
Strong local youth voice and leadership	<p>Support the Puketāpapa Youth Foundation to connect with local youth and understand their aspirations</p> <p>Work with schools to engage children and young people in decisions that affect them</p>
People are willing and able to take part in local decision-making	<p>Ensure people are aware of opportunities and encouraged to share their opinions when we are making decisions</p> <p>Work with our communities to develop a range of consultation approaches that enable our people to participate in decision-making</p> <p>Support children, young people and culturally diverse communities so they can contribute to local decision-making and leadership</p> <p>Work with community partners and advisory groups to get their communities' views on key local board decisions</p> <p>Support community advocacy to shape neighbourhoods our people want e.g. to limit the number of bottle stores in the area</p>



E tiakina ana, e whakapaitia ake ana
anō hoki tō tātou taiao mō ngā reanga
whakatupu o nāianeī me āpōpō

Outcome 3: Our environment is protected and enhanced for present and future generations

Communities are empowered to restore and care for our natural environment, and people are supported to adopt low-carbon lifestyles.

Caring for our environment

Our natural environment is a core part of our identity and our legacy to the next generation. It supports life. It's where we go to exercise, connect and relax. Water (wai) is something that is particularly important to mana whenua. It is essential that the life force of the awa (river) and harbour is restored. We keep this in mind as we work with mana whenua on restoring Te Auaunga / Oakley Creek and other waterways.

The board will continue to participate in the Manukau Harbour Forum, jointly with the eight other local boards, iwi and other interested parties, with the vision that the Manukau Harbour is recognised as a significant cultural, ecological, social and economic taonga.

“ The board would like to encourage everyone to be caretakers of the natural environment. ”



Walmsley Park.

WHAT YOU HAVE TOLD US

- “Went to Oakley Creek almost every day in lockdown.”
- “Making sure environment is maintained even through development.”
- “Really pleased to see the natural environment and climate change action has been prioritised.”

The board would like to encourage everyone to be caretakers of the natural environment. This starts with connection to the environment, so we need to ensure there are places where people can go to appreciate nature. This needs to be throughout the area, from beautiful and bountiful trees in urban areas through to the more remote coastal bush areas.

Climate change

We acknowledge that historical developments have damaged our environment, draining pollutants into the awa and harbour. We also know that our lifestyles are contributing to climate change.

The climate in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland is changing, with extreme weather events becoming more common and severe. We know we can slow this change by reducing our carbon emissions, and we can prepare for the impacts of climate change by strengthening our communities. By reducing the rate of climate change, we can contribute to reducing sea level rise and extreme weather events.

Auckland has a climate plan (Te Tāruke-ā-Tāwhiri) and we need to contribute to this locally. Our low carbon plan will help guide our work in this area. We all need to think about what we buy and how much we waste and also change the way we travel.

Our Urban Ngahere Action Plan will help us increase our tree cover, increasing our capacity to ‘soak up’ the carbon in the atmosphere, to help address climate change.

We have heard that our people want more environmentally friendly lifestyles. This is not always easy so we will do what we can to make sustainable choices accessible. We can help by providing education, renovating facilities and encouraging businesses to do things like reduce and reuse. We will support community networks to educate and build awareness about the need to move to a low carbon future.



Waikowhai Bay.

Opportunities

- Great progress has been made in restoring and protecting our natural environment, such as awa and biodiversity, coupled with an increase in people volunteering.
- Auckland's resource recovery network is progressing, with recycling drop-off sites planned for nearby Western Springs and Onehunga.

Challenges

- Climate change issues are urgent, with significant change in behaviour needed.
- Problems have built up over decades of environmental degradation and underinvestment, and housing intensification can increase pressure on the local environment.



Underwood Park.



Underwood Park.

Outcome 3: Our environment is protected and enhanced for present and future generations

Objective	Key initiatives
Improve the mauri of awa and the Manukau Harbour	Support environmental projects to draw on mātauranga Māori (Māori knowledge), promote te reo Māori and an understanding of te ao Māori
	Work with mana whenua, and mataawaka entities, the Tūpuna Maunga Authority, the Manukau Harbour Forum and the community to improve environmental health and people's connection to the natural environment
	Support projects that improve the health and amenity of waterways and seek funding in the 10-year Budget for further naturalisation of the upper catchment of Te Auaunga / Oakley Creek
	Support projects that support the health and amenity of the Manukau Harbour, such as the Waikowhai coastal boardwalk (stage two)
We all take care of waterways, parks and public spaces	Support schools and community volunteer groups to encourage people to become guardians of the environment
	Fund tree planting, including revegetation of native plants, and pest and weed control, to improve biodiversity and address climate change
	Advocate for and support tree protection measures
	Support local parks and waterways volunteers
Our people live more environmentally friendly lifestyles	Support projects that restore rivers and wetland to reduce floods and pests and create native biodiversity habitat and beautiful places for people to visit
	Use the low carbon action plan to ensure our activities are moving us towards a low carbon future
	Support and encourage businesses, community groups and households to adopt low carbon practices and reduce their waste, energy and water use



Whakaotinga 4: He takiwā pai
te whakamahere me ngā takiwā
tūmatanui ngangahau

Outcome 4: Well-planned neighbourhoods and vibrant public spaces

Our neighbourhoods are attractive and well connected, they are designed to support safe and healthy lifestyles with great access to parks and facilities.

Housing boom

Puketāpapa will be home to a lot more people over the next decade. The Unitary Plan and the Auckland Plan guide development in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland. There is a lot of construction underway by private developers and the government. Many of the old state housing areas in Puketāpapa are being redeveloped by Kāinga Ora, the government housing agency. They are removing existing state houses and replacing them with increased density housing.

This is currently underway in Roskill South and will then move to other areas. There is a great opportunity with this to have neighbourhoods that are well designed, interconnected and suit modern ways of living.

The board will work with community and housing developers to advocate for new housing that suits our communities and encourages active lifestyles. We are working with Albert-Eden Local Board on an Integrated Area Plan. This will respond to the work that Kāinga Ora is doing and will drive the council's investment in this area. We will ensure that our town centres are at the forefront when we do this planning.

It is important that old and new neighbourhoods connect harmoniously. People need to have spaces where they can meet and to be able to travel around on foot or by bike.

“ It is important that old and new
neighbourhoods connect harmoniously. ”



Wesley Market.



WHAT YOU HAVE TOLD US

- “More parks and more greenery.”
- “New developments need to be well planned.”
- “Connection and network of paths between key streets & dead-end streets (cyclists and walkers).”

Our identity

Our neighbourhoods need to reflect our identity as a community. We want to see the stories of our people in the landscape, to show who we all are and that we all belong.

Many of our parks will have dual, Māori and English, names. This is thanks to generous gifts of mātauranga Māori from mana whenua. The board also wants to show the stories of other communities, reflecting the more recent waves of migration to this area.

We need to ensure that our places and spaces reflect our local character and heritage.

Opportunities

- As neighbourhoods change with major housing developments, there will be an opportunity to develop infrastructure that suits our communities.
- Community connection will be enhanced as the parks and paths network improves around changing neighbourhoods.

Challenges

- Growth in the area and financial constraints from the COVID-19 pandemic will place pressure on the council’s resources.
- New and changed communities will need to adapt to their new environment.





Wesley Market.

Outcome 4: Well-planned neighbourhoods and vibrant public spaces

Objective	Key initiatives
Incorporate Māori design principles in the area	Work with mana whenua to tell stories of Māori cultural heritage throughout our parks and open space network
	Encourage housing developers to promote the visibility of Māori identity in the built environment of Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland
	Seek opportunities in council projects to use Māori design principles
Neighbourhoods are well designed and interconnected with healthy and affordable homes	Work closely with housing developers such as Kāinga Ora or private developers to ensure the delivery of community-centred housing and neighbourhoods
	Encourage local housing sustainability programmes to enable residents to live low carbon lifestyles
	Advocate for a comprehensive investigation into opportunities for the council to provide seniors' affordable housing in the Puketāpapa area
	Continue to advocate for the retention of affordable housing for seniors at Liston Village in Monte Cecilia Park
Provision of infrastructure that supports more housing and also protects the environment and responds to severe weather events	Support local projects that increase resilience to extreme weather events by restoring waterways and capturing stormwater.
	Investigate using energy/water efficient, low carbon and climate resilient infrastructure when improving facilities





Roskill Youth Zone.

Outcome 4: Well-planned neighbourhoods and vibrant public spaces

Objective

A well-used network of facilities and public spaces that are inviting, safe, and promote wellbeing

Key initiatives

Promote our parks network and develop these spaces to meet the needs of our communities, e.g. with a connected parks network that provides onsite drinking water

Improve access to indoor and outdoor spaces for everyone to play, socialise and be active, ensuring that these consider the needs of our diverse communities

Ensure local character, creativity and heritage are reflected in our places and spaces, including supporting new public art in the area

Complete feasibility study for further development of the Cameron Pool and Leisure Centre (Keith Hay Park)

Investigate the future of the building known as The Whare, in Monte Cecilia Park





Mt Roskill Town Centre.

He kōwhiringa ikiiki e pono ana,
e haratau ana, e iti iho ai te poke taiao

Outcome five: Transport options that are reliable, accessible and less polluting

Our neighbourhoods are bustling with pedestrians and cyclists. There are great transport options that are accessible, safe and less polluting.

Transport options

With more people moving to Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland, our transport network is becoming stretched. We need to find ways to make use of the road network more efficiently. Double decker buses, carpooling and priority lanes can all help with this. The board will keep advocating for this work.

We also need to make the city's vehicles less polluting. Low emission vehicles can reduce carbon emissions, but we also need to be aware of other types of pollution, such as the disposal of batteries and e-waste.

We are mindful of the financial challenges from the COVID-19 pandemic, but with buses near capacity on Dominion Road we are keen to see light rail remain an option. Although the timeframes are uncertain, we will continue to advocate for it as a board.

Cycling and walking can offer a no-emission solution. We understand that many journeys use several transport modes, for example, walking or cycling to the bus or walking to a carpool meeting place. We want to make the transition points accessible, by advocating for things like shelters where you can wait for the bus, get dropped off or park your bike. We need to provide the motivation people need to change the way they travel.

“ The board recognises the need for transport options, so people can choose what suits them. ”



WHAT YOU HAVE TOLD US

- “Better walking and cycling access to shops and businesses.”
- “We need advocating for sustainable transport.”
- “Ensure that public transport that is provided works for the community.”
- “Shared roads and generally less cars around the city.”

Flexibility is key. The board recognises the need for transport options, so people can choose what suits them.

Travelling safely

People’s transport choices will be influenced by safety. Every travel mode will have unique safety issues and we need to look at all of these.

Space on our footpaths and cycleways is increasingly pressured, increasing the risk of conflict. We need more investment in our footpaths so that they are safe for all users.

Our cyclists need separated cycleways to avoid conflict with both pedestrians and cars. This is not always possible, so cycling education is key, particularly for very young cyclists and also for drivers.

We support Auckland Transport’s Vision Zero target, which has a goal of no deaths or serious injuries on our transport system by 2050.

Opportunities

- Demand is growing for local walking and cycling networks.
- Major transport corridors provide alternatives to car use.

Challenges

- Demand has increased for a range of transport options, with potential conflicts for space.
- Due to the financial challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, there may be delays to footpath and road maintenance.



Shared Path at Frost Road, Mt Roskill





Cycleway alongside SH20.

Outcome 5: Transport options that are reliable, accessible and less polluting

Objective	Key initiatives
A range of transport options that are less polluting	<p>Encourage initiatives that improve uptake of low emission vehicles</p> <hr/> <p>Support a shift towards carpooling, trip reduction, public transport, walking and cycling</p> <hr/> <p>Advocate for better facilities and signage at transition points so people can connect more easily between transport modes</p>
Making getting around safer	<p>Support a network of road safety improvements in priority areas, such as school neighbourhoods</p> <hr/> <p>Invest in cycling safety and education</p>
More walking, cycling and use of public transport	<p>Encourage and enable safe cycling and walking connections for commuting and leisure</p> <hr/> <p>Support initiatives which make public transport more accessible and affordable, and make it easier for people to move around</p> <hr/> <p>Seek additional funding in the 10-year Budget to upgrade footpaths and cycleways to promote walking and cycling</p>



He ohaoha taurikura ā-takiwā me ngā whai wāhitanga mō te ako, te mahi me te mahi tūao

Outcome 6: Thriving local economy with opportunities to learn, work and volunteer

We have thriving local businesses, social enterprises, not-for-profit organisations and opportunities for volunteering and learning. Our skilled workforce has good employment options and can work near home.

Our local economy

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected many businesses and their employees, across Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland. This may change the nature of the local economy.


Our local economy has been driven by wholesale trade and retail. Professional services and education also provide many local employment opportunities, which have increased in number recently.

Many of our businesses are small, employing an average of 2.6 employees each, smaller than the Auckland average of 4.5 employees. We have a recently established local group, which is working to link up small businesses so that they can support one another and provide a local voice for the business community.

“ We want to support people to succeed so that the growth in our area can bring new employment opportunities . ”



Roskill Youth Zone.



The Kāinga Ora-led development of Mt Roskill and other areas will provide employment opportunities in the construction sector. It will also increase local spending as the local population grows. Small local businesses rely on local community support. We can help maintain a thriving local economy by assisting where possible in the recovery from the pandemic.

Future of work in Puketāpapa

Employment in Puketāpapa is concentrated in a few town centres and key employment areas such as Stoddard Road, Wesley, Hillsborough and Royal Oak.

However, more than half of Puketāpapa's workforce travels to other parts of the city to work. We would like to see more of our people working locally. The pandemic has changed the way people work, with a major increase in people working remotely and flexibly, including from home.

We have many successful social enterprises in Puketāpapa, groups that are in business so that they can deliver positive social, cultural or environmental outcomes.

In our diverse community, culture and language can be barriers to training and employment. We want to support people to succeed so that the growth in our area can bring new employment opportunities and help revitalise our town centres. The board will support education and training, which will increase the skills needed to work locally. We recognise that skill development can come in many forms, such as accredited courses, apprenticeships and work experience.

Our commitment to lifelong learning will help our communities to be nimble and respond to opportunities and challenges as they arise. We have a community full of dedicated volunteers, learning new skills as they help others.

WHAT YOU HAVE TOLD US

- “Create more opportunities for us to grow learn and give back to the community.”
- “More work opportunities in our community.”
- “Supporting local businesses, including home-based businesses.”

Opportunities

- Growth in the area will provide opportunities for local employment and drive business growth.
- There are successful social enterprises in the area that can support others.

Challenges

- The COVID-19 pandemic requires businesses to find new ways to support staff and transact with customers.
- More access to training and employment opportunities is needed, particularly for young people.



Roskill Youth Zone.



Mt Roskill War Memorial Park

Outcome 6: Thriving local economy with opportunities to learn, work and volunteer

Objective	Key initiatives
Wide range of local businesses, including social enterprises	Support local businesses to thrive, e.g. encouraging more opportunities to buy and sell locally
	Support social and creative businesses
	Support a 'buy local' approach to assist our town centres
Improve local skills so they match local opportunities	Support local networks that support businesses
	Advocate for local people to be employed in local projects
Our people enjoy lifelong learning and training	Fund and promote youth training programmes
	Support organisations that help people make the move into education, self-employment or the workforce, e.g. with community workshops where people can learn from each other
Our people are able to help their communities and others	Provide library services that suit the needs of our communities
	Support networks that help identify opportunities for people to volunteer in our communities
	Fund activities, such as volunteer planting days, that promote interaction, celebrate diversity, enable local action on climate change and remove barriers to participation in society





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 a 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 Long-term Plan 2018-28 and updated through subsequent annual plans (including the Emergency Budget 2020/2021). Updated financial information and levels of service will be adopted as part of the long-term plan which is due to be adopted in June 2021. The Long-term Plan 2021-2031 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 budget-setting process sets levels of service for local activities and corresponding performance targets. The table below describes the local activities and default level of service statements set out in the 2018-28 Long-term Plan. These level of service statements may change when they are reviewed as part of the Long-term Plan 2021-2031.

More information on local board budgets can be found in the Puketāpapa Local Board Agreement and Auckland Council's local board funding policy, which are available on the council website.

Local activities	Levels of service statements
Local community services	
<p>This is a broad activity area, which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• supporting local arts, culture, events, sport and recreation• providing grants and partnering with local organisations to deliver community services• maintaining facilities, including local parks, libraries and halls.	<p>We provide library services and programmes that support Aucklanders with reading and literacy, and opportunities to participate in community and civic life.</p> <p>We fund, enable and deliver community events and experiences that enhance identity and connect people.</p> <p>We fund, enable and deliver arts and culture experiences that enhance identity and connect people.</p> <p>Utilising the Empowered Communities Approach, we support Aucklanders to create thriving, connected and inclusive communities.</p> <p>Provide safe, reliable and accessible social infrastructure for Aucklanders that contributes to placemaking and thriving communities.</p> <p>We provide art facilities, community centres and hire venues that enable Aucklanders to run locally responsive activities, promoting participation, inclusion and connection.</p> <p>We provide recreation programmes, opportunities and facilities to get Aucklanders more active, more often.</p> <p>We provide safe and accessible parks, reserves and beaches.</p> <p>We showcase Auckland's Māori identity and vibrant Māori culture.</p>



Local activities	Levels of service statements
Local planning and development This group of activities covers improvements to town centres, the local street environment as well as local environment and heritage protection. These activities also include working with business and community associations to improve local economic development and employment initiatives.	We help attract investment, businesses and a skilled workforce to Auckland.
Local environmental management Local boards work in partnership with local communities and iwi to deliver projects and programmes to improve local environments. Our focus is on indigenous biodiversity, healthy waterways and sustainable living. These activities include stream restoration, waste minimisation programmes, supporting environmental volunteers and partnering with schools to provide a range of environmental initiatives.	We manage Auckland’s natural environment.
Local governance Activities in this group support our 21 local boards 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 2018-2028 which determine participation with Auckland Council decision-making in general. This includes local decision-making. There are no significant changes to the measures or targets for 2020/2021.

Tirohanga take pūtea whānui

Financial overview

Revenue, expenditure and capital investment by local activities for the Puketāpapa Local Board for the period 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021.

Annual Budget Financials	2020/2021 (\$000)
Operating revenue	
Local community services	389
Local planning and development	-
Local environmental services	-
Local governance	-
Total operating revenue	389
Operating expenditure	
Local community services	9,545
Local planning and development	41
Local environmental services	190
Local governance	1,021
Total operating expenditure	10,797
Net operating expenditure	10,408
Capital expenditure	
Local community services	2,407
Local planning and development	-
Local environmental services	-
Local governance	-
Total capital expenditure	2,407



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