

I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Franklin Local Board will be held on:

**Date:** Tuesday, 25 March 2014  
**Time:** 9.30am  
**Meeting Room:** Local Board Chambers  
**Venue:** Pukekohe Service Centre  
82 Manukau Road  
Pukekohe

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## Franklin Local Board

# OPEN ADDENDUM AGENDA

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## Franklin Local Board Local and Sports Parks 2013/2014 capital works programme alterations

File No.: CP2014/03096

### Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to reallocate and capital budgets previously programmed in the 2013/2014 financial year.

### Executive Summary

2. The Franklin Local Board Local and Sports Parks 2013/2014 capital works programme included the construction of a performance stage at Samuel Miller Reserve with \$74,000 remaining, a new carpark at Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve and a playground renewal at Hamilton Estate Recreation Reserve for \$15,000.
3. Due to construction and/or budget restrictions, Local and Sports Parks recommend to reallocate the remaining budget of \$74,000 for Samuel Miller Reserve towards Bledisloe Park carpark surveys, detailed design, consent applications and project management (\$55,000) and field realignment surveys (\$6,000). The remaining budget of \$13,000 can contribute towards these projects, should contingencies be required.
4. Furthermore, Local and Sports Parks recommend changing the scope of the Clevedon Showgrounds carpark into stabilising an overflow car park behind the new pony club arena with the remaining allocated budget.
5. The Hamilton Estate Recreation Reserve playground upgrade (\$15,000) is recommended to be deferred project until the Franklin-wide playground assessment is completed.

### Recommendation/s

That the Franklin Local Board approves the following changes to the Local and Sports Parks 2013/2014 capital works projects.

- a) Replace the construction of the performance stage at Samuel Miller Reserve and reallocating the remaining \$74,000 towards:
  - i) \$55,000 for Bledisloe Park multi-sports facility carpark preliminary survey works, detailed design and consents and project management.
  - ii) \$6,000 for Bledisloe Park sport fields survey to reconfigure fields.
  - iii) \$13,000 to cover any contingencies.
- b) Change the scope for the carpark at Clevedon Showgrounds into stabilising an overflow car park behind the new pony club arena.
- c) Defer \$15,000 allocated towards the Hamilton Estate Recreation Reserve playground project until the results of the Franklin-wide playground assessment highlight the priorities of the Franklin Local Board.

### Discussion

6. The capital works programme for 2013/2014 included the construction of a stage at Samuel Miller Reserve (with \$74,000 remaining), the construction of a carpark at the Clevedon Showgrounds (with \$53,000 remaining) and the playground renewal at Hamilton Estate Recreation Reserve (\$15,000).

### Samuel Miller Reserve

7. Preliminary works were undertaken to investigate the ground conditions for a performance stage at Samuel Miller Reserve. Geotechnical survey results outline that the reserve was once used as a refuse transfer station and developed into the existing park in 2006. Drillings and soil tests confirmed uncertified filling ground material that may be prone to unacceptable vertical and/or lateral movements under applied building loads.

8. The construction of a natural stage instead of a structure has been discussed. Due to the nature of the partly shallow depth of uncertified fill, extensive excavation work for any kind of terraced seating or platform would be required. Additionally, extensive consultation with the neighbouring residents and the type of events planned in the reserve would need to be conducted prior to any works. Holding medium to large events on the reserve will also trigger the need to establish a traffic control plan and the requirement of sufficient parking.
9. Local and Sports Parks South (LSPS) are recommending to not conduct the project due to consent constraints and the unknown risk of the uncertified fill and the remaining budget to be reallocated to other projects.

#### **Bledisloe Park**

10. The Franklin Local Board allocated \$757,000 in the 2013/2014 financial year towards the construction of a multi-sports facility in Bledisloe Park by the Bledisloe Park Society. In order to apply for and obtain a building consent, detailed design for the adjacent carpark needs to be submitted. This is a separate project.
11. Preliminary works include geotechnical and contamination investigations, archaeological survey, topographical survey, traffic management and determination of required carpark numbers. Subsequent to the surveys and detailed design an application for resource consent needs to be lodged and the project will need project management.
12. There is currently no funding allocated in this financial year towards these works for the carpark, however \$55,000 are required to conduct the surveys, detailed design, consent application and project management. The multi-sports facility carpark is a Franklin Local Board project in the 2015/2016 financial year. However, in order to successfully build the multi-sports facility, work for the carpark needs to be conducted simultaneously to deliver the required documents for the building consent.
13. The location of the new multi-sports facility is described in the Bledisloe Park Reserve Management Plan. The new building will encroach onto the footprint of the existing playground and might require sport fields realignment. It is therefore recommended to conduct surveys of all affected areas of the reserve, which will require \$6,000.
14. Local and Sports Parks recommend to reallocate the remaining budget of \$74,000 for Samuel Miller Reserve towards Bledisloe Park carpark surveys, detailed design, consent applications and project management (\$55,000) and field realignment surveys (\$6,000). The remaining budget of \$13,000 can contribute towards these projects, should contingencies be required.

#### **Clevedon Showgrounds**

15. The Clevedon Showgrounds Reserve carpark project behind the A&P buildings had a tender offer of \$132,000, which was much higher than initially anticipated with \$80,500. This is due to higher rates associated with works carried out in a rural environment. Discussions with the Franklin Local Board lead to the conclusion that additional car parking at the Showgrounds could be solved with stabilising an overflow car park behind the new pony club arena, where currently the soil pile sits. The soil removal and stabilisation of the grounds can be completed within existing budgets for the project. This will be coordinated in conjunction with the Clevedon Showgrounds User group to achieve the best outcome for all users.

#### **Hamilton Estate Recreation Reserve**

16. The playground at Hamilton Estate Recreation Reserve is due for renewal and programmed with \$15,000 into the 2013/2014 capital works programme. However, funding would not be sufficient for renewal.
17. A Franklin wide playground assessment to identify areas in need and the condition and play value of existing playgrounds is currently being conducted by Local and Sports Parks. This survey will help to establish a Franklin wide renewals and capital works programme for all playgrounds.

18. It is recommended to defer the playground renewal at Hamilton Estate Recreation Reserve until the results of the playground survey highlight the priorities of the Franklin Local Board and schedule the renewals accordingly.

## Consideration

### Local Board Views

19. The Franklin Local Board is the decision maker.

### Maori Impact Statement

20. Consultation with Mana Whenua was undertaken as part of the set-up of the 2013/2014 capital works programme and is ongoing. As implementation plans are developed for each of the new projects a consultation plan will be developed and Mana Whenua will be engaged where appropriate.

### General

21. The Franklin Local Board will be provided with regular project updates via monthly Parks update workshops and the quarterly reporting process.

### Implementation Issues

22. Earth works could potentially be delayed by weather conditions. Potential issues are identified early by the Project Managers and all reasonable steps are taken to ensure full implementation of the programme.
23. Any variance to this programme will be reported to the Franklin Local Board via monthly Parks update workshops and the quarterly reporting process.

### Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

### Signatories

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## Allocation of Franklin Local Board operational budget for "mangrove and non-cultivated oyster removal"

File No.: CP2014/03950

### Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to allocate Local and Sports Parks operational budget "mangrove and non-cultivated oyster removal" towards beach clean-ups and the preparation of a restoration and development plan at Glenbrook Beach.

### Executive Summary

2. The board has \$19,627 of operational funding for 'mangrove/ non-cultivated oyster removal. Staff have identified that this funding is insufficient to sustain either a mangrove or non-cultivated oyster removal project. It is recommended that funding instead be reallocated towards the preparation of a restoration and development plan for Glenbrook Beach as well as supporting additional beach clean ups.

### Recommendation/s

- a) That the Franklin Local Board approves the allocation of \$17,500 of the operational budget "mangrove and non-cultivated oyster removal" for the preparation of a restoration and development plan at Glenbrook Beach.
- b) That the Franklin Local Board approves the volunteer beach clean-ups at Sergeants Beach and Glenbrook Beach with the remaining \$2,127 of the "mangrove and non-cultivated oyster removal" budget.

### Discussion

3. The Franklin Local Board has \$19,627 operational budget in the 2013/2014 financial year for "mangrove and non-cultivated oyster removal". In July 2013 staff collaborated on the best way to spend this budget. It was agreed that Sergeants Beach and Glenbrook Beach were suitable sites to run community clean-up days of pacific oyster shells, however, running these events would require only a minimal amount of funding. Therefore, staff investigated alternative projects that meet the board's priority of protecting and enhancing our natural environment, in particular projects that improve quality of the Manukau Harbour and its environs.
4. Glenbrook Beach was identified in the 2013 Manukau Harbour shoreline monitoring report as a high priority site that requires urgent action because of major regulatory non-compliance issues with the existing seawall and erosion issues along the beach. The seawall was constructed from a series of concrete power pole groynes adjacent to concrete seawall, damaged steps and rubble armouring along reserve to the south.
5. The latest shoreline monitoring in summer 2013 identified scouring and loss of material from behind the concrete seawall adjacent to road reserve at Beach Road and the development of pot holes near the coastal edge. Inadequately sized rocks and concrete material from ad hoc armouring of the central beach area have been displaced and are redistributed over the intertidal area.
6. Under the Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan and Franklin District Plan, maintenance of unconsented coastal structures is not permitted. Careful consideration needs to be applied about how to replace the non-compliant structures.

7. It is recommended that a portion of the “mangrove and non-cultivated oyster removal” budget be used to prepare a restoration and development plan for Glenbrook Beach. As a partnership with the Glenbrook community, this plan will outline the long term vision for the coastal edge, how to improve public amenity and public access and restore natural character and landscape values. The plan will also address best practice to manage coastal erosion hazard risks to the esplanade and road reserve.
8. The preparation of a restoration and development plan at Glenbrook Beach will require operational budget of \$17,500. It is recommended to fund this from the operational budget for “mangrove and non-cultivated oyster removal”.
9. Volunteer oyster shell beach clean-ups are organised by the Local and Sports Parks Volunteer and Biodiversity Coordinator and the remaining \$2,127 of the mangrove and non-cultivated oyster removal will be sufficient for beach clean-ups at Glenbrook Beach and Sergeants Beach.

## Consideration

### Local Board Views

10. The Franklin Local Board has identified ‘mangrove proliferation and non-cultivated oyster beds’ as an issue needing to be addressed.
11. The Franklin Local Board is the decision maker.

### Maori Impact Statement

12. Contact with Mana Whenua has been initiated to provide input into the preparation of a restoration and development plan at Glenbrook Beach.

## Implementation Issues

13. There are no implementation issues arising from this report. Regular reporting on project implementation will be through the quarterly report from the Local and Sports Parks team.

## Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

## Signatories

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## Franklin Local Board - Discretionary Operational and Capital Budget 2013/2014

File No.: CP2014/04354

### Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is for the Franklin Local Board to consider allocating some of their 2013/2014 discretionary operational and capital budget to identified projects.

### Executive Summary

2. Franklin Local Board has discretionary capital budget of \$79,395 and remaining operational budget of \$169,952 to allocate this financial year.
3. A number of projects have been identified which could be funded by the discretionary budgets including cleanup of 126 Queen Street Pukekohe \$10,500; Waiuku Mangrove removal \$50,000; Waiuku Rugby Football Club Rates \$2,500 and Art Gallery improvements of approximately \$30,000 (capital).

### Recommendation/s

- a) That the Franklin Local Board allocates funding from its discretionary 2013/2014 operational budget to the following projects:
  - i) Cleanup of property at 126 Queen Street, Pukekohe \$10,500
  - ii) Removal of mangroves at Waiuku at site 4 under the current resource consent \$50,000
  - iii) Waiuku District Rugby Football Club for 50% contribution to rates in recognition of the community use of the grounds owned by the club (noting that 50% remission is already granted by Auckland Council under Council's rates remission policy) \$2510.16
- b) That the Franklin Local Board allocates funding from its discretionary 2013/2014 capital budget to the following projects:
  - i) Franklin Art Gallery upgrades and furniture \$30,000

### Discussion

4. Franklin Local Board has discretionary operational and capital budgets in its 2013/2014 budget. The operational budget is \$195,823 and the capital budget is \$79,395 for the year.
5. The following has already been allocated from the operational budget:

Manukau Harbour Forum	\$ 5,373
Movies in Parks (Waiuku)	\$ 6,250
School Pool Grants topup	\$10,046
Event Support Fund topup	<u>\$ 4,202</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$25,871</u></b>

**Balance remaining** **\$169,952**

6. A number of projects have been proposed to be funded from within the remaining budgets and the local board is requested to consider allocating funding for the following:
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**126 Queen Street, Pukekohe:**

8. 126 Queen Street was acquired by Auckland Council to extend the netball carpark in Bledisloe Park. The property has been undeveloped and unmaintained. Council has received several complaints from the community and park users that the property attracts undesirable behaviour and vandalism of the boundary fences and the unmaintained grass has become a fire hazard.
9. The development of this site as a carpark is currently funded in 2014/2015 budget however it recommended that the site be cleared this financial year in order to address the issues above. Budget of \$10,500 operational would enable the removal and trimming of vegetation, dismantling the boundary fences, removing debris from site and preparing the area to be regularly mowed and maintained by the full facility contractor.

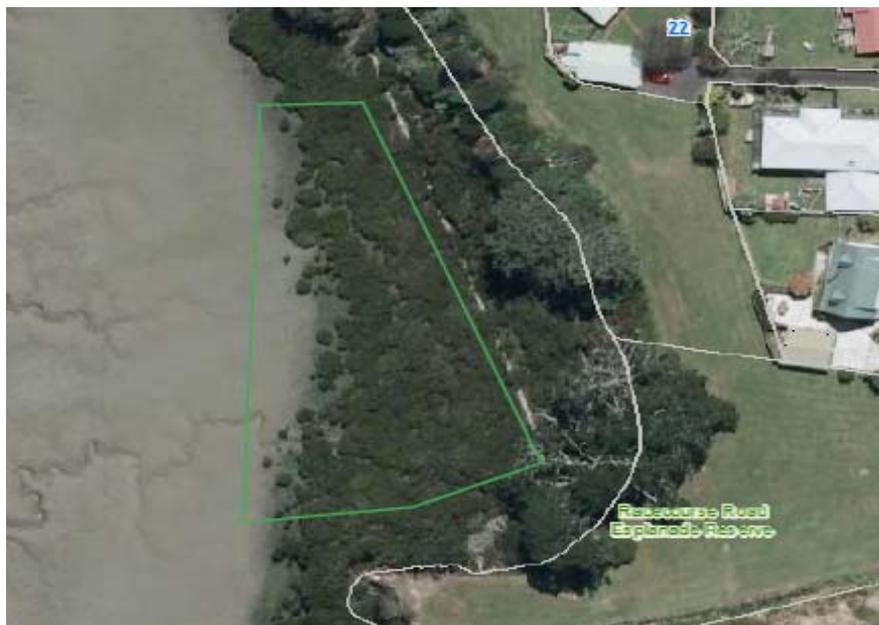
**Recommendation: \$10,500 operational funding**

**Waiuku Mangrove Removal:**

10. An operations plan to remove mangroves in Waiuku by volunteers (the Mudlarks) is near completion. The Mudlarks have received comprehensive health and safety training to ensure they work safely in the estuary environment. Under the current resource consent, further removal of mangroves is permitted at "site 4" (see below).
11. This removal is not currently funded and operational budget of \$50,000 is required to undertake this work.

**Recommendation: \$50,000 operational funding**

12. Under the current resource consent (No. 37547) the removal of site 4 is permitted.



**Waiuku Rugby Football Club Rates:**

13. The Waiuku District Rugby Football Club Inc has written to the Chair of the local board (Attachment A) requesting that the board assist the club with a grant to cover the rates payable on the land owned by the club at 34 King Street, Waiuku.
14. The rates for 2013/2014 are \$5020.32. The club is eligible for a 50% remission under current Auckland Council policy (Attachment B). They are not eligible for full remission as there is a bar on site. The local board allocated 50% towards rates in February 2013 and the club is now asking the board to consider this for the current financial year.

15. The local board is currently in discussions with the club about the future development of the Waiuku Sports Park, and the roles of Council and the club.

**Recommendation: Consideration of annual contribution of 50% of rates payable \$2510.16**

### Franklin Art Gallery Improvements

16. In order to improve the level of service currently provided at the Franklin Art Gallery, a number of small capital improvements have been identified by staff. These are currently un-budgeted and could be considered for funding through the local board's discretionary capital budget in 2013/2014:

Lighting and track upgrades in the art gallery to ensure they meet public safety standards and minimise current short circuiting	\$17,000 capital
Provision of seating in gallery exhibition space. Recommended 3 ottomans required and a 3 seater bench	\$4200 capital
Retail display units for the gallery shop	\$5000 capital
Music system for the gallery to enhance the audience experience	\$500 capital
Upgrade of Weta Workshop. The current space is limited in its use. An upgrade to maximise use of the workshop and allow for multi-disciplinary uses would maximise usage	\$3000 capital
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$30,000 capital maximum</b>

**Recommendation: \$30,000 capital funding**

## Consideration

### Local Board Views

17. The Franklin Local Board is the decision maker.

### Maori Impact Statement

18. No significant impact on Maori has been identified.

### General

19. Other projects are being considered for funding as part of the discretionary operational and capital budgets and these will be considered at future meetings.

## Implementation Issues

20. There are no implementation issues.

## Attachments

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## Signatories

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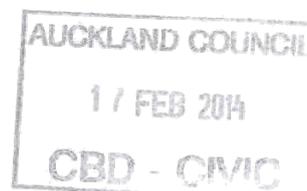
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# Waiuku District Rugby Football Club Inc.

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13<sup>th</sup> February 2014

The Chairman  
Franklin Local Board  
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Attention Mr Andrew Baker

Dear Andy,

Thank you for your assistance over the last 12 months with our rates payments, we certainly are very grateful for this.

As you are very aware we are in on-going discussions with Auckland over our involvement in the Sports Park and how this finally takes shape remains to be seen.

What we do know is that WDRFC will be an integral part of the sports complex in some way and our land will continue to be used by the public more and more.

Just to refresh you our current facilities are used on a daily basis by the public (and organised bodies) at no charge. Over a 12 month period the land could be used for:

- Christmas Parade assembly point
- calf club days
- Waiuku College sports and training
- junior touch
- Maori rugby training and playing
- Otatau Athletics store their gear in our facilities
- Waiuku Volunteer Fire Brigade training
- combined school sports days

This list is not exhaustive and there are many other occasions when the grounds are used for other events at minimal cost.

Every day the grounds are used for recreational events like walking dogs, practising golf, jogging, etc by the public.

Additionally the grounds are used as a college access by the pupils in the western/north western area of Waiuku.

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We believe we have a special case for an on-going 100% rate reduction as we are very different from most "one code" sporting bodies who own their own grounds in the Auckland Council area. Most of these sports, like tennis, bowls and netball, do not have free public use like we provide.

We would like to formalise the 100% rate reduction that we currently get, so we do not need to contact you each time the rates come up for payment.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Faithfully



Tracy Bedford  
Secretary

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Attachment A

## Remission of rates for community, sporting and other organisations providing community services in the district of the former Franklin District Council

The purpose of this policy is to:

- Facilitate the ongoing provision of non-business community services that meet the needs of Franklin district residents
- Facilitate the ongoing provision of non-business recreational opportunities for Franklin district residents
- Assist the survival of sporting, recreation and other community organisations
- Make membership of sporting, recreational and community organisations more accessible to the general public, particularly disadvantaged groups. These include children, youth, young families, aged people, and economically disadvantaged people.

### Conditions and criteria

1. The policy will apply to land owned by the council or owned and occupied by a charitable organisation, which is used exclusively or principally for sporting, recreation, or community purposes
2. The policy will not apply to organisations operated for private pecuniary profit, or which charge tuition fees
3. The policy will not apply to groups or organisations whose primary purpose is to address the needs of adult members (over 18 years) for entertainment or social interaction, or who engage in recreational, sporting, or community services as a secondary purpose only
4. The application for rate remission must be made to the council prior to the commencement of the rating year (including providing any additional information requested by the council). Applications received during a rating year will not be applicable until the commencement of the following rating year
5. Organisations making application should include the following documents in support of their application:
  - statement of objectives
  - full financial accounts
  - information on activities and programmes
  - details of membership or clients. The council may also request other information required to support the application, e.g. proof of registration as a charity with the Charities Commission.
6. This sub-scheme shall apply to such organisations as approved council officers as meeting the relevant criteria
7. The extent of any remission to any qualifying organisation shall be as determined by the council officers. A maximum of 50 per cent remission will apply to organisations that hold a liquor licence. No remission will be granted in respect of rates for waste management services.