





## Key initiatives omitted from the Local Board Services Quarter Four 2015/16 report

### Green open spaces and environments that enable active and healthy lifestyles and protect our natural heritage

-  Provide support to Kaipātiki Project and other environmental groups
  1. Kaipātiki project has a funding agreement with the local board the operation of the environment centre and delivery of environmental volunteer programmes and courses. The local board funds Kaipātiki Project annually from its locally driven initiatives (LDI) budget. The grant amount has been increased by \$10,000 for the 2016/2017 financial year, to an amount of \$45,000.
  2. The local board supports other community environmental groups involved in the Kaipātiki Restoration Network (KRN). The KRN and other groups are supported through funding of \$75,000 from the board's LDI budget for parks volunteers and a recent funding allocation of \$20,000 for a small grants programme to be administered by the KRN.
-  Work in partnership with mana whenua to improve the water quality in our streams through targeted community programmes
  3. One of the board's most significant projects in the local board plan is the development of the look out over Le Roys bush called Kaimataara o Wai Manawa. Mana whenua were engaged through the development of the project and inspired the reusable storm water system. This system catches water from the cafe roof into a storage tank beneath the public deck, for reuse in the café bathrooms. This sustainability initiative will significantly reduce the volume of water released into both the local storm water system and the wider catchment. The reuse system is expected to reduce the water supply required for the site by approximately 77% or 105,000 litres per year.
-  Provide waste minimisation initiatives and community gardens/food forests
  4. Funding of \$8000 per annum for waste minimisation initiatives is provided from the board's LDI budget. The Kaipātiki Community Facilities Trust (KCFT) delivers the initiatives as the board's key partner. KCFT has a Zero Waste programme that is active at a number of their local community events.
  5. The recent development of Opaketai Beach Haven Gardens includes a community garden. The local board has entered into a memorandum of understanding with the Beach Haven Birkdale Residents Association and Beach Haven placemaking group for the ongoing care and management of the garden.
  6. The aspirational masterplan for 136 Birkdale Road was adopted by the local board and includes community gardens and a food forest at the rear of the site.
-  Work in partnership with Fern Glen Gardens to develop education for sustainability initiatives
  7. The local board allocated \$100,000 in 2014 for the development of Fern Glen gardens. The main objective was to create a development plan, underpinned by the vision to commemorate Muriel Fisher's life and work. Creating additional space to expand the plant collections and cater for larger educational groups were important outcomes advocated for by the Fern Glen Committee. The draft development plan has been work shopped with the board however has not been formally adopted due to the board requiring additional detail to be included in the plan.