

Annual Plan 2017/2018 - Local Consultation Content

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board

Each year we review priorities and activities in your local board area to ensure we continue delivering the right outcomes. We're seeking your input for the 2017/2018 year.

Message from the chairperson

On reflection it seems we have achieved many improvements within our local board area and we expect to continue this trend through 2017/2018. The plans we have developed over the last couple of years now provide the opportunity to deliver actions which will be of wide benefit to our communities in terms of recreation and to our local economy.

We look forward to continuing to partner with our volunteers and other key community stakeholders for the betterment of our environment in addition to looking for new ways to enhance assets and services that are valued and enjoyed by locals and visitors alike. It's very pleasing to see our parks and playgrounds, community centres and libraries buzzing with activity as people enjoy their free time.

We will also continue to advocate for equitable operational funding to be provided for community houses, youth centres and arts centres.

What we have done

Since adoption of our local board plan, we have:

- upgraded the Sherwood Reserve destination playground
- completed the redevelopment of Stoney Homestead as a community hub for the Millwater community
- upgraded the stake park and toilets at Western Reserve including a landscaped connection to the new Estuary Arts Centre education wing
- completed a significant upgrade to the Stanmore Bay Leisure Centre
- upgraded Ashley Reserve with artificial turf as well as a new toilet and changing room facilities and carpark to service the area
- upgraded the toilet at Waiake beach
- rebuilt Murrays Bay wharf
- upgraded Orewa Beach toilets (next to the Orewa Surf Club)

Based on our 10 year budget, in 2017/2018 we plan to invest **\$7.8 million** to renew and develop assets in your local board area and **\$15.9 million** to maintain and operate these assets and provide other local initiatives. This includes:

- **Development at Long Bay reserve**
- **Renewal of existing assets**

What might change

Planning for a toilet at Red Beach Reserve is currently proposed for 2019/2020 with delivery to follow in 2020/2021, however we will endeavour to bring that project forward for planning to occur in 2017/218 followed by build in 2018/2019 or earlier.

What else we propose

In addition to what we have planned, we propose the following priorities for 2017/2018:

- continue to provide improvements to playground including all ability play equipment and sun smart options
- continue to upgrade old signage in the local board area
- begin to deliver actions from the Hibiscus and Bays Greenways Plan
- begin to deliver on actions identified in the Silverdale, Orewa and Browns Bay Centre Plans
- begin to implement the Mairangi Bay Reserves Management Plan
- continue to work with our volunteers on environmental initiatives
- develop a strategy for eco-tourism for the local board area
- develop a strategy for the review of reserve management plans within the local board area.

What do you think?

- Have we got our priorities right?
- Do you agree with us trying to plan and deliver the new toilet at Red Beach Reserve earlier than proposed?