

Report of D-T LB member George Wood for the month of February 2017

It has been a busy period since our last meeting in December.

In looking through my diary I find that I have had a number of meetings and contacts. Whilst out and about I have noticed many defects in the roading street scape infrastructure and reported a number of individual calls for service to Auckland Transport's call centre. It is great to see how Auckland Transport, Auckland Council call centre and Watercare give excellent service in sorting these issues

Matters to report are:

- Attended monthly meeting of the Sunnynook Community Association at the Sunnynook Centre on 2 February. Canvassed a number of issues including:
 - Review of the governance of Auckland Council;
 - Lyford Bush restoration and their desire to develop the wet lands system;
 - Street lighting in Sunnynook especially on the roads connecting to the Sunnynook Busway Station;
 - Development of a colourful flower garden along the frontage of the Sunnynook Shopping Centre;
 - Sunnynook Centre framework plan; and
 - Arterial roading system between Sunnynook Rd to Constellation Drive along Sycamore Dive, Sunset Road, Ramp Road and Parkway Drive.
- Attended the monthly meeting of the Castor Bay Residents Association held at the Lookout Building in Kennedy Park on 1 February. I arrived late at this meeting and mentioned the Auckland Council's governance review. Certainly not a lot of appetite for another round of change in the organisation of the Council, at this time.
- Attended meeting at Auckland Transport with LBMs Jennifer McKenzie and Michael Sheehy to discuss ferry services. This meeting was with Gareth Willis, AT's ferry service manager and Marilyn Nicholls. It will be reported on by LBM Sheehy.
- Attended meeting along with LBM Jan O'Connor of about 60 dog owners and their dogs. Claims that Auckland Council does not deal with the errant dog owners who fail to control their dogs whilst legally on the beach. I have produced a Notice of Motion on this issue to be discussed at this meeting.
- Milford – Takapuna walkway: Good to see that the GM Community Facilities Rod Sheridan is taking an active role in this project. LBM Sheehy and I have a meeting with Mr Sheridan and his staff planned for early March. Let's hope we see some progress at the northern end of the walkway near Blackrock.