

Report Name: Board Member Julie Fairey's report

Report covering the period 15th November 2016 to 6th February 2017

Auckland Council workshops, meetings and briefings

16 th Nov	Regular Board workshop – attended 10.10am to 2.40pm – all members present
17 th Nov	Deputising for Chair at Chair's meeting on Board structures
17 th Nov	Deputising for Chair at joint Governing Body and Local Board Chairs meeting, until 2.30pm
18 th Nov	Attended part of the agenda run-through with Chair Doig, Members Kaushal and Holm
23 rd Nov	Attended May Road School Children's Panel feedback session with officers and contractor
24 th Nov	Attended Health and Safety legislation training, with Members Holm and Chair Doig, and Member Kumar from 10.30am, as well as other elected members
24 th Nov	Attended regular business meeting of the Board with all members present
30 th Nov	Attended regular board workshop from 10.20am, along with Chair Doig, Members Holm, Coury and Kaushal, and Member Kumar from 10.30am
1 st Dec	Chair and Deputy Chair catch-up
2 nd Dec	Attended Agenda run-through from 9.55am, with Chair Doig, Members Kaushal, Holm and Coury
14 th Dec	Attended regular board workshop, along with all other board members
21 st Dec	Attended "Fit For Future" briefing with all other board members, and Member Henry from Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board
21 st Dec	Meeting with Chair and officers regarding shape of future community forum events for the board
22 nd Dec	Attended monthly Comms meeting with Chair and officers
25 th Jan	Attended part of Low Carbon Action Plan preparation meeting with other board members
2 nd Feb	Attended regular Board workshop, with Chair Doig, Members Holm and Kaushal, and Member Kumar from 10.15am
2 nd Feb	Attended most of site visit to Te Auaunga Awa restoration work at Underwood Reserve, with Chair Doig, Members Holm and Kaushal, and elected members from Albert-Eden and Whau Local Boards (photo➔)



Other meetings, events

- 18th Nov Attended Citizenship Ceremony with Chair Doig, Members Holm, Kumar and Kaushal
- 19th Nov Dropped in to Wai-O-Rea Open Day at Western Springs (photo →)
- 20th Nov Attended Mt Roskill by-election education debate, with Member Holm
- 23rd Nov Deputising for Chair, spoke at opening of the Mt Roskill Safer Routes scheme, Members Holm, Kaushal, Kumar and Coury also in attendance, along with MPs Parmjeet Parmar and Mark Mitchell, Mayor Phil Goff and Minister Simon Bridges.
- 1st Dec Attended presentations from AUT Design & Ecology students on four project ideas for Puketapapa, with Chair Doig, Members Coury, Holm and Kaushal
- 8th Dec Dropped in to end of Roskill Community Network meeting
- 8th Dec Attended part of May Road School's helpers thank you morning tea
- 15th Dec Checked on progress of the building work at 143 White Swan Rd (photo→) (heritage building being turned into an early childhood education centre)
- 20th Dec Checked on progress with the refurbishment of the former Mt Roskill Borough Council building
- 29th Dec Visited Maungawhau / Mt Eden to see how vehicle-free summit system works (photo→)
- 31st Dec Walk up Puketapapa / Pukewiwi / Mt Roskill to see how vehicle-free summit system could work
- 1st Jan Visited new playground at Arthur S Richards Reserve (photo→)
- 5th Jan Checked out new Britomart entrance
- 21st Jan Attended Auckland Women's March along with many other elected members



27th Jan

Attended dawn blessing of Phase 1 of Waikowhai Coastal Walkway, along with Chair Doig, Member Kaushal (photo➔)



27th Jan

Attended official opening of Phase 1 of Waikowhai Coastal Walkway, with Chair Doig, Members Holm, Kaushal and Kumar, Councillor Denise Lee, Michael Wood MP, and many others.

30th Jan

Visited new playground at Onehunga Bay Reserve

31st Jan

Checked on progress with Special Housing Areas at Mt Eden Rd and Morrie Laing Ave.

4th Feb

Dropped in to Art in the Park at West Reserve (photo➔)



4th Feb

Deputising for the Chair, spoke at the Movies in the Park at Monte Cecilia Park, and staffed

Board stall. Due to a last minute cancellation from the booked MC I ended up MCing as well (photo➔)

5th Feb

Visited Noton Rd carpark to take before photos



6th Feb

Checked on progress with the refurbishment of the former Mt Roskill Borough Council building (photo below⚡)



Other issues/challenges

Over the reporting period I have worked on issues in response to constituent queries or my own observations in regard to the following list of areas. This has usually involved seeking and supplying information, a request for service, and/or forwarding to relevant Board members/officers for their action/information.

- Illegal dumping
- Local resource consent applications
- Future of Liston Village and Monte Cecilia concept plan – including promoting the playground survey at the Monte Cecilia Movies in the Park
- Special Housing Areas
- Mt Roskill Safe Routes cycling and walking project
- Reporting potholes
- Community garden queries
- Overgrown footpath
- Bus lane expansions
- Alcohol bans for local parks
- Double decker buses
- Auckland Rocks – a community activity involving decorating rocks and hiding them in local parks for others to find and re-hide elsewhere

- Reuse of construction barriers as seats and play equipment for children (photo→)



Thank you to our PA Liaison and other officers, including AT, for their assistance with these and other matters

During the reporting period I have had some significant challenges with my emails, and am concerned that some sent to me may not have been received. I am hopeful this is now resolved.

I have also used a lot of public transport in Auckland over the summer – buses, in particular the 277, Outer and City Links, trains especially the Western and Eastern lines, and the ferry to Waiheke. My reflection is that we are improving a lot, although there is still a long way to go, and it is certainly now very possible to have a fun, cheap family outing using public transport and public facilities and amenities, particularly in the central city.

Disclosures

I am an individual member of the Auckland branch of the National Council of Women, I have not attended any meetings for this during the reporting period. I will be assisting with fundraising and the annual speech competition this year. www.ncwnz.org.nz

I am becoming a trustee for The Aunties, a charity being established to expand and make sustainable work done to meet the needs of families in women’s refuges in particular Te Marama O Mangere Refuge. www.aunties.co.nz

I am also a trustee on the HE Fairey Family Trust, which gives grants to people with disabilities through CCS/Disability Action, but I am not currently one of the two “active” trustees.

In the reporting period my husband, Michael Wood, became the Member of Parliament for Mt Roskill, and to that purpose I will from time to time be travelling to Wellington and other places to support his role, paid for by the Parliamentary Service. In the reporting period I travelled from Auckland to Wellington to assist with setting up his Wellington flat, from Wellington to Martinborough to attend the annual caucus retreat, and from Martinborough to Auckland via Taupo and Rotorua. This was mostly paid for personally, with a small portion paid for by the Parliamentary Service. This week I will also be travelling to and from Wellington to attend Michael’s swearing in and maiden speech, which will be paid for by the Parliamentary Service.

Recommendation/s

- a) That the report be received.

Signatories

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