

Summary of the draft Waiheke Local Board Plan 2017

Help Shape Waiheke's future

FROM THE CHAIR

It is my privilege to present the draft Waiheke Local Board Plan 2017. We live in a very special place and this plan presents us with an opportunity to ensure it remains this way. We want to hear whether you think we've got it right.

Our focus over the coming three years revolves around protecting and preserving the character of Waiheke. This includes environmental, cultural, recreational and economic priorities. We also want to make sure our community voice is heard in planning and strategy development. You've told us our roading infrastructure needs to improve. We will also be advocating for a focus on water sensitive design and stormwater management.

Waiheke has an amazing community and supportive networks. We will continue to support you to deliver your local projects.

This draft plan contains six outcomes to work towards and a number of key initiatives under each to help achieve them. Firstly we seek your feedback on these priorities, and then, to successfully deliver on this plan, we all need to work together – the council, central government, businesses, community organisations and residents.

We look forward to receiving your feedback.

Paul Walden
Local Board Chair,
Waiheke Local Board



This summary is an overview of the statement of proposal for our draft 2017 Waiheke Local Board Plan. We encourage you to read the full draft plan, available online at www.shapeauckland.co.nz, at public libraries, council service centres and local board offices and tell us what you think by **Friday 30 June, 2017**. Or tell us what you think in person – see page 4 for details of local meetings.

WHAT WE PROPOSE TO FOCUS ON

Below is an overview of the six outcomes we are proposing to focus on. Our draft plan is based on feedback and ideas our community has given us through consultation, community discussions and surveys.

1. Inclusive planning and place-making

To ensure the character of Waiheke is protected and enhanced, we will:

- ensure the principles of Essentially Waiheke are acknowledged and incorporated in the council's plans, strategies and policies
- investigate initiatives that minimise stormwater run-off and encourage permeable options
- monitor the performance of septic systems and provide retrofit options
- progress the Matiatia Strategic Plan.

2. A sustainable economy and respectful visitor approach

To maintain the island's social, cultural and environmental character, any economic activity on Waiheke must balance development with environmental and infrastructural impact. To support this, we plan to:

- investigate a visitor levy and advocate to the council's governing body for visitor growth funding
- support and advocate to the council's governing body for infrastructure and services which address the impacts of tourism while also providing local benefit
- work with Waiheke's tourism industry to promote activities that retain and enhance our natural environment
- advocate to the council's governing body for local decision-making for trading on public spaces including beaches and road reserves.

3. Waiheke's environment is treasured

We want to protect, maintain and enhance our precious islands, land, coastline, wetland and marine environments for future generations. We will:

- support educational programmes that help people understand and support the health of the aquatic environment
- progress the development of an environmental and marine education centre
- develop and deliver animal and plant pest management plans
- deliver wetland restoration and regeneration projects
- monitor and help regenerate freshwater ecology
- pursue the establishment of Marine Protected Areas
- develop and deliver management plans for our Esplanade Reserves
- progress remediation of the Little Oneroa Stream water catchment.

4. Thriving, strong and engaged communities

Waiheke residents have a strong sense of identity and wellbeing, which is enhanced through active community participation. We will support this by:

- developing a Housing Strategy to support sustainable living and healthy homes
- developing a civil defence and emergency management plan for Waiheke and Rākino islands
- using community grants and partnerships to support community-led activities
- carrying out a needs assessment to inform any development of the Artworks complex
- developing a forum for dialogue with mana whenua and mataawaka to improve collaboration with Māori.

5. Vibrant places for people

Our parks, reserves and beaches, along with our community, arts and cultural facilities, are enjoyed by our residents and visitors. To ensure this continues, we plan to:

- develop reserve management plans for the island's reserves and parks
- carry out concept plans for Alison Park, Little Oneroa Reserve and Tawaipareira Reserve (the skatepark), as funding allows
- support the growth of a flourishing arts community on Waiheke
- continue to progress development of a community swimming pool, noting this may require considering a targeted rate and/or partnership opportunities as a means of funding
- identify ways to protect ngā taonga tuku iho nō ngā tūpuna (treasures handed down by our ancestors).

6. Transport and infrastructure

Well-designed, good-quality, safe and connected networks between our beaches, ferries, schools, recreation hubs and villages are a priority for our community. We will support this by:

- advocating for quality infrastructure that supports Waiheke's character and water management needs
- carrying out watershed/catchment management plans
- scoping and delivering Pathways Plan (Greenways) initiatives, including a separate eastern-end loop pathway
- increasing active and safe transport options and facilities
- advocating to Auckland Transport for public transport that is timely and accessible for all.

DELIVERING OUR LOCAL BOARD PLAN

To deliver a successful plan, we need to focus our limited resources on what matters most to our community and what we can influence. Find out more in our draft local board plan, available online at shapeauckland.co.nz or at public libraries, council service centres or local board offices.

HAVE YOUR SAY ON WAIHEKE LOCAL BOARD'S DRAFT LOCAL BOARD PLAN

Feedback must be received by 4pm on Friday 30 June 2017.

All feedback will go to elected members of Waiheke Local Board to help inform their decisions.

We encourage you to read a full copy of our draft plan before providing your feedback. Copies of the full plan and forms are available:

- online at shapeauckland.co.nz
- at public libraries, council service centres and local board offices
- or phone us on 09 301 0101 and we will send a copy to you.

Or you can fill out this form and return it to us:

- by email – simply scan your completed form and email to localboardplans@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
- in person – drop it off at your local library, service centre or local board office
- by post – place your completed form in an envelope and send to this freepost address:

Local Board Plans
Auckland Council
Freepost Authority 232621
Private Bag 92 300, Auckland 1142

Social media

Comments made through the following channels will be considered.

- Write something on the Waiheke Local Board Facebook page – facebook.com/waihekeLB - and include "Local Board Plan feedback"
- Send a private message using Facebook messenger to @waihekeLB Waiheke Local Board and include "Local Board Plan feedback."

In person

Come and talk to us at one of the events below. This is an opportunity for you to give your feedback in person to Waiheke Local Board members.

- **Drop-in sessions**
Come along to find out more about local board plans, ask questions and give feedback.
 - Waiheke Library, Tuesday 30 May, 10am
 - Ostend Market, Saturday 3 June, 10am
 - Matiatia Ferry Terminal, Friday 2 June, all day
 - Sports Park, TBC, 5pm-6.30pm.
- **Have Your Say events**
This event includes a presentation and is facilitated.
 - Local Board Office, Wednesday 14 June, 5pm-7pm

Your name and feedback will be considered public documents. All other personal details will remain private.

First name: _____

Last name: _____

Email or postal address: _____

Local board/s you are providing feedback on: _____

If you want to feedback on more than one draft local board plan you can:

- complete a separate form for each draft plan. Additional forms are available by calling 09 301 0101 or online at shape.auckland.co.nz
- fill in one submission form and attach your comments, making it clear which draft local board plan they apply to.

The following information is optional.

Are you?

Female Male Gender diverse

What age group do you belong to?

<15 15-24 25-34 35-44
 45-54 55-64 65-74 75+

Which of the following describes your ethnicity? (Please select as many as apply)

- NZ European
 Māori
 Samoan
 Tongan
 Chinese
 Indian
 Other (please specify) _____

Would you like to speak in support of your draft Waiheke Local Board Plan 2017 submission at a public hearing, held between 31 July and 11 August ? Yes/ No

Is your feedback on behalf of an organisation?

- No, these are my personal views.
- Yes, I am the official spokesperson for my organisation.

If yes, what is the name of your organisation? _____

Q1. On a scale of 1 to 5, are we on the right track with our proposed local board plan?

- 5 = I strongly agree that the local board is on the right track
- 4 = I agree that the local board is on the right track
- 3 = I neither agree or disagree that the local board is on the right track
- 2 = I disagree that the local board is on the right track
- 1 = I strongly disagree that the local board is on the right track

Q2. Tell us what you like most about our proposed local board plan?

Q3. We will be advocating to the council's governing body and Auckland Transport for a number of projects. On a scale of 1 to 3 (with 1 being most important and 3 the least) which is most important to you?

- Delivering projects at Matiatia
- Developing an indoor community pool
- Progressing an upgrade of the Artworks Complex.

Q4. Do you support our proposal to investigate a visitor levy to support increased services, infrastructure maintenance or improvement projects?
Yes / No

Q5. Do you have any other comments about our proposed local board plan?

Need more room? You can attach extra pages, but please make sure they are A4 and include your name and contact details.

All personal information that you provide in this submission will be held and protected by Auckland Council in accordance with our privacy policy (available at aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/privacy and at our libraries and service centres) and with the Privacy Act 1993. Our privacy policy explains how we may use and share your personal information in relation to any interaction you have with the council, and how you can access and correct that information. We recommend you familiarise yourself with this policy.

- Yes, I want to be added to your mailing list to be kept informed about news and events in the Waiheke Local Board area.