

WHAU Local Board Workshop Record

Record of the Whau Local Board workshop held 22 March 2017 at Whau Local Board boardroom, 31 Totara Avenue, New Lynn, Auckland 0600

PRESENT

Chairperson: Tracy Mulholland

Members: Catherine Farmer

David Whitley

Derek Battersby, QSM, JP (from 2.10pm, item 1)

Susan Zhu, Deputy Chair

Te'eva Matafai

Apologies: Duncan Macdonald

Also present: AC Officers: Antonina Georgetti; Glenn Boyd, Riya Seth

Notes: Meeting opened by Chair at 2.00pm.

Workshop Item	Governance role	Summary of Discussions
<p>1. Ways of working (PSR and CF)</p> <p>Presenter: Pippa Sommerville</p>	Engagement	<p>Staff provided clarification on parks post-restructure roles and responsibilities in the new Community Facilities team.</p>
<p>2. Chinese Gardens</p> <p>Presenters: Pippa Sommerville Thomas Dixon</p>	Engagement	<p>Members were given a brief update on early feasibility investigation into a Chinese Garden for the Whau. It was noted the higher cost for Chinese gardens, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dunedin – 2003 – Large traditional garden - \$10m • Wellington – current – Medium garden - \$5.5m • Auckland Fukuoka – current – Small garden - \$1.6m <p>The cost of maintenance is also relatively high, for example Fukuoka estimated to be \$75k annually.</p> <p>A report has been delivered to Mayoral office regarding potential sites and staff are waiting for response from Mayoral office.</p>
<p>3. Blockhouse Bay Shelter</p> <p>Presenters: Pippa Sommerville Thomas Dixon</p>	Engagement	<p>Request for a shelter was received by the board via a deputation and staff were asked to investigate. The board discussed the provision of a shelter within the Blockhouse Bay Recreation Reserve and requested that staff contact the group and explore alternative venues including Olympic park.</p>

<p>4. Mountain / BMX Bike Request</p> <p>Presenters: Pippa Sommerville Thomas Dixon</p>	<p>Engagement</p>	<p>Members discussed a project suggested by a member of the public to install bike facilities within Sister Renee Shadbolt, Archibald Park or Craigavon Park.</p> <p>It was noted that there is an existing pump track at Kowhai reserve (Glen Eden), a Velodrome at Olympic Park and the Avondale Central Reserve has a Learn to Ride Track (road).</p> <p>Members requested staff to keep it on the list as future project and requested this to be passed on to the requester.</p>
<p>5. Archibald Park Playground</p> <p>Presenters: Pippa Sommerville</p>	<p>Engagement</p>	<p>The board received an update on the status of the playground project at Archibald Park. Staff will come to a future board workshop after receiving consultant's geo-tech report, which is due next week.</p> <p>Community facilities will also bring options for play features for the park (this could be themed around imaginative play). There is also an opportunity to connect Te Whau Pathway project design with this project.</p>
<p>6. Te Auaunga Awa (Oakley Creek) catchment projects</p> <p>Presenters: Pippa Sommerville</p>	<p>Engagement</p>	<p>An introduction was provided regarding projects that neighbouring boards are undertaking in the Te Auaunga Awa (Oakley) catchment.</p> <p>Te Auaunga means swirling waters or whirlpool. Te Auaunga or Oakley creek is the longest urban stream in Auckland (15km) and the site is of great cultural significance to Māori. Its waters weave together a vast cultural landscape of diverse cultural sites including mahinga kai, pā taua, papakāinga, wāhi nohoanga and wāhi tapu. Much of the catchment is now degraded; extensively modified, channelled and polluted. Impacting the Waitemata Harbour.</p> <p>Joint meetings with representatives from Whau, Albert Eden and Puketapapa to discuss the Awa were suggested to support the board's involvement in the project.</p>
<p>7. Update on various issues as requested by member Farmer</p> <p>Pippa Sommerville Thomas Dixon</p>	<p>Keeping Informed</p>	<p>Status of pathway project at Sandy Lane development in Avondale – this project is now be progressed by community facilities staff and an update will be sought.</p> <p>Kurt Brehmer slip site - latest engineers report indicates that the slip is still active and a geo-tech report is required. Options for this site are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Close walkway completely (slight risk to board) ○ Undertake remedial works to fix slip (may cost \$1 million)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Undertake risk assessment and potentially open walkway with appropriate management (risk to board) <p>Blockhouse Bay Recreation Reserve Pine tree removals – all pines to be removed have been removed and the remaining pines have estimated 50 years of life left.</p>
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The workshop concluded at 3.00pm.