

# WHAU Local Board Workshop Record

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Record of the Whau Local Board workshop held 5 April 2017 at Whau Local Board boardroom, 31 Totara Avenue, New Lynn, Auckland 0600

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## PRESENT

**Chairperson:** Tracy Mulholland

**Members:** Catherine Farmer  
 David Whitley (from 10.27am, item 2)  
 Duncan Macdonald, JP  
 Te'eva Matafai  
 Susan Zhu  
 Derek Battersby

## Apologies:

**Also present:** AC Officers: Mark Allen; Riya Seth; Rodica Chelaru; Pepe Sapolu-Reweti

Notes: Meeting opened by Chair at 10.07am.

Workshop Item	Summary of Discussions
<p><b>1. Community Development projects - six monthly reports</b></p> <p><u>Governance Role:</u>  <b>Keeping Informed</b></p>	<p>Waitakere Ethnic Board presented six monthly report to the board.</p> <p>Presenters: Pepe Sapolu-Reweti, Baljit Singh, Naveen , Malvindar Pal Singh, Zara Fazelnia, Sangeeta Padmaker, Shirley Freeman</p>
<p><b>2. 17/18 Annual Plan - workshop 3</b></p> <p><u>Governance Role – setting direction/priorities/ budget</u></p>	<p><b>Community Facilities</b></p> <p><b>Presenters: Helen Biffin &amp; Donna Cooper</b></p> <p>Members accepted proposed activity plan from community facilities.</p> <p>Issues raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• St Ninian's Church – Roof currently leaking. Asked that this be addressed</li> <li>• ID 8 - Painting NL Library exterior – members asked for breakdown</li> <li>• ID 9 Clarification – Avondale Library - Budget identified does not relate to building but to modernisation of furniture eg seats and shelving within libraries.</li> <li>• ID 21 &amp; 22 – Dickey Reserve – asked that path renewals be done to meet required standards of the wider shared paths as this is a key connector and in Greenways Plan</li> <li>• Avondale CAB – currently located in prefabs in parking lot of Avondale Library. Lease of prefabs expire Jan 2018. Team looking into alternative accommodation options. Keep Board updated</li> <li>• 13 Crown Lynn Place. Chair gave signal to Comm Facilities that this board is keen to retain this space as green space and not to divest.</li> </ul>

<p><b>2. Continued...</b></p>	<p><b>ACE</b></p> <p><b>Presenters: Barbara Cade, Cicilia Dwe, Pepe Sapolu-Reweti, Dom Leauga, Philippa Wilkinson, Gail Fotheringham, Michael Alofa</b></p> <p>Work Programme items raised for discussion. Proposals tabled but finalisation to be reached at next week’s budgetary workshop:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ID 259 – LDI Opex: Members in favour of moving from annual to biannual contract for Community Arts Broker. Chair to lobby at appropriate time to GB to consider ongoing staffing for these roles.</li> <li>• ID 57 – remove from the work programme;</li> <li>• ID 56 – Delete separate funding –explore working with Kelston Deaf Education Centre using new Popup events budget.</li> <li>• ID 53 – members will like to see more support towards ANZAC day. In some areas Police provide road closure on the day of the event. Chair to work with Barbara Cade to advocate to Area Police leaders for common service across Whau.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ID 55 - partnership funding programme [Member Zhu declared conflict of interest with Chinese Festival event ID. ] Board considered a new budget allocation for events.</li> <li>• ID 767 – members questioned the lack of any budget for Community safety Noted it had been included in ID 601.</li> <li>• ID 601 – requested to replace specific programme “Night Market” with wider “Town Centre Activation” (same total budget).</li> <li>• ID 688 – Common Maori Responsiveness put in for all local boards. Supported by Board</li> <li>• ID 599 – Increase Diverse participation Maori, Pacific &amp; Ethnic Voices – commented that multi board approach can be looked as an option to maximise the impact.</li> <li>• Separate ID for safety – LBS and EC staff to develop separate work programme line and bring it to future workshop.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>I &amp; ES</b></p> <p><b>Presenters: Jaimee Maha, Robbie Sutherland, Dot Dalziell, Candice Ho, Shelley Hackett</b></p> <p>The following feedback was provided on the proposed draft I and ES work programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ID 75 New proposal – Bus Subsidies for increased school participation in sustainability programmes. Full approval given by board.</li> <li>• ID 37 New proposal – address industrial pollution in the Whau River. Members approved in principal and requested further discussions with officers re locations.</li> <li>• ID 131 – Greening the markets - Members signalled reluctance to continue funding if market does not continue after current review.</li> <li>• ID 524 - Landcare Report – members supported but requested further consideration</li> <li>• ID 79 - Healthy Rentals. Retain but note review in next year.</li> </ul>

	<p><b>ATEED</b>  <b>Presenters: Jonathan Sudworth, Anthony Gibbons</b></p> <p>The following feedback was provided on the proposed draft ATEED work programme:</p> <p>ID 950 – Board supports creation of a new Whau Local Economic Development Action Plan [current plan is outdated at 4 years old]  ID 1060 – no support for work programme  ID 617 – no support for work programme  ID 1113 – support for \$1k</p>
	<p><b>Other matters raised re current flooding in NL:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The chair updated board on recent Infrastructure &amp; Environ Services, - Healthy Waters direction .</li> <li>• Chair extended invitation to all board members to New Lynn Business Community meeting re floods: 5.30 pm, April 12 @ NL RSA, Veronica Street.</li> </ul>
<p><b>3. Board Communications Session</b>  Presenters: Justin Kary</p> <p><b><u>Governance Role: Engagement</u></b></p>	<p>The general communications activities for the Board were discussed with the members. It was noted that there recently been a change in the local board communication team – it is now called the local communication team – confirming that they work with local boards and also ward councillors to help communicate how local board and governing body decisions affect local areas.</p> <p>The aims of the local communications initiative are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Generate more locally relevant content</li> <li>• Strengthen the role of elected members in telling the council story and improving trust and confidence in council</li> <li>• Make regional decisions and initiatives more relevant and meaningful locally</li> <li>• Highlight collaboration between governing body members and local boards</li> <li>• Increase understanding of council’s governance model</li> </ul> <p>It was noted that it has been agreed that the Western Leader can stream board meetings on Facebook from April with the agreement that the camera focus’s on speakers only and there is no editing.</p> <p>There was a discussion on linking Board member postings and live crosses (E.g. recent flooding items). Friending the Board members was needed for this to be automated and it was also noted that two Whau board members can be given access to Whau LB Facebook page – staff to look into this.</p> <p>Staff will also look into possibility of including other ethnic media and local news letters in communications.</p> <p>Members were reminded that Our Auckland on line is a good source of general information.</p>

The workshop concluded at 12.55pm