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Summary of the draft Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2017

Help shape Devonport-Takapuna's future

FROM THE CHAIR

It's with pleasure we share with you this summary of our draft Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2017. It provides an overview of our key priorities in five outcome areas from the full draft plan.

Many of the ideas have come from what you have told us is important to you during previous consultations. Things such as continuing to grow our walking and cycling network, reducing traffic congestion and continuing to improve and upgrade our parks to meet our communities' growing and changing needs.

You have also told us you value clean and safe beaches, protection and celebration of our area's natural and built heritage, and a more vibrant and successful Takapuna town centre.

It's important we hear from you on what you value the most, so we can prioritise our focus and limited budgets accordingly.

Our final approved plan will guide our work programme for the next three years.

Please have a read of this summary and take the opportunity to tell us what you think.

Grant Gillon

Chair

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board

This summary is an overview of the statement of proposal for our draft Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2017. We encourage you to read the full draft plan, available online at shapeauckland.co.nz and 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 five outcomes we are proposing to focus on. Our plan is based on the feedback and ideas that our community has given to us over the years.

Outcome 1: Quality parks, beaches and open spaces that everyone can enjoy

We want our parks, beaches and open spaces to remain among the best in Auckland.

We plan to achieve this by improving signs, toilets, playgrounds, fitness equipment and paths to and through our parks and reserves and by assessing our open spaces to see how they could better suit your needs.

You have told us how much you value our beautiful coastlines, which is why we plan on partnering with relevant landowners to ensure our coastal and lakeside walkways are safe and accessible, supporting community-led initiatives to enhance and protect our beaches and coastlines, and partnering with Ngāti Whatua o Orakei to develop a coastal walkway in Devonport.

You have also told us that you want safe beaches that can be enjoyed by all, so we will be identifying and delivering a dog park in our area.

Outcome 2: A place of natural beauty and rich culture

Maintaining and improving our natural environment, built heritage and culturally important sites is important and requires effort from all of us.

We plan to do our part by developing heritage trails in Devonport, Milford and Takapuna, as well as supporting community-led heritage projects, programmes and initiatives, like the restoration of historic structures at Kennedy Park and partnering with the Tūpuna Maunga Authority and the Department of Conservation to protect and enhance Takarunga-Mt Victoria and Maungauika-North Head.

In the spirit of conservation and community development, we will be establishing an eco-neighbourhoods programme to encourage sustainable lifestyles and funding community-led streamside restoration, weeding and planting programmes. We will also provide funding to establish a community gardens network.

Outcome 3: Efficient public transport and roads that keep people moving

Our diverse and growing community requires a range of easy, safe and reliable public transport choices.

We plan to work with you and Auckland Transport to prioritise the upgrade of Lake Road as this continues to be a top priority in our Local Board Area. We will also advocate for bringing forward the planned upgrade of the Bayswater ferry terminal, and achieving better ferry and bus service alignment along with integrated ticketing.

Our transport hubs are in need of improving, which is why we will advocate for creating a better Takapuna bus station, identifying opportunities to alleviate over-capacity issues at Sunnynook bus station, and providing more bike racks and scooter parking at transport hubs.

We will also audit our major intersections to ensure they are safe for all modes of transport.

Outcome 4: Our communities are empowered, engaged and inclusive

Our communities flourish when their ideas are encouraged and they are supported to lead and deliver on local projects, programmes and events.

We plan to support our community by funding workshops and forums to provide capacity building skills to our community groups and partnering with local schools, churches and other organisations to increase the number of facilities for hire and

use. We will also partner with local gym operators to provide outdoor fitness classes for all ages in our parks and work with our community providers to ensure we are delivering the services our community is asking for. Funding and delivering more art that the community can enjoy is another way that we plan on encouraging vibrant public space.

We fully support the Devonport-Takapuna Youth Board to be a strong voice in our community and our Youth Board, Younite, as it embarks on creating the Youth Innovation Centre and meeting youth needs in our area.

Outcome 5: Our area has a thriving local economy and vibrant, unique town centres

We want vibrant and attractive town centres that are well designed and meet the aspirations of our community.

We plan to do this by supporting the Unlock Takapuna project by providing community place-making opportunities, working with the Milford Business Association to achieve small infrastructure improvements to deliver on the Milford Centre Plan, developing a town centre plan for Belmont, and funding the upgrade of Clarence Street in Devonport.

We will partner with our Business Improvement Districts to understand their priorities and identify opportunities as well as partnering with the Tūpuna Maunga Authority and key stakeholders to maximise economic development, tourism and cultural opportunities for our two maunga.

Supporting our community-led economic development initiatives through funding is a priority as well as working to find a suitable replacement site in Takapuna for the Sunday markets.

DELIVERING OUR LOCAL BOARD PLAN

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

HAVE YOUR SAY ON DEVONPORT-TAKAPUNA'S DRAFT LOCAL BOARD PLAN

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

Your feedback will go to elected members of Devonport-Takapuna 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 feedback form 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:

- 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 Facebook will be considered.

- Write something on the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Facebook page - Facebook.com\DevonportTakapuna and include “Local Board Plan feedback”
- Send a private message using Facebook Messenger to @DevonportTakapuna and include “Local Board Plan feedback”.

In person

Come and talk to us at one of the pop-up events below. This is an opportunity for you to find out more about our ideas and provide feedback to board members.

- **Drop-in session 1** – Sunnynook Community Centre, 148 Sycamore Dr, Sunnynook, Thursday 25 May, 11am-1pm
- **Drop-in session 2** – Takapuna Sunday Market (17 Anzac St) and Hurstmere Green, Takapuna, Sunday 18 June, 8am-1pm

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

First name: _____

Last name: _____

Email or postal address: _____

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) _____

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. What topic in the local board plan is most important to you? Please rank from most (1) to least important (5)

- Parks and beaches
- Environment and heritage
- Transport
- Community development (arts and events)
- Town centres and economic development

Please tell us about your #1 choice – why is this most important to you? Are there any projects within these areas that you would like to see done?

Q2. For some key projects in our plan, we need to advocate and partner with the wider council organisation (e.g. the governing body and Auckland Transport) to get these projects moving, as we not the decision-maker. Therefore, we need to prioritise these key projects so we can champion what's important to you. Which of the following key projects are the most important to you? Please rank from most (1) to least important (5).

- Bayswater Ferry Terminal upgrade to be brought forward to meet increasing demand
- Ferry and bus services are aligned, run on-time and more frequently, and have an integrated pricing structure
- Improve the Milford to Takapuna walkway
- Improve water quality at Lake Pupuke
- Prioritise the budget to upgrade Lake Road

Please tell us about your #1 choice – why is this most important to you?

Q3. Which topics would you like to see prioritised in Takapuna? Please rank from your most desired (1) to least desired (7)

- Parking solutions
- Improved linkages to and from the beach
- Directional signage to popular spaces (e.g. Lake Pupuke, Takapuna Beach)
- Better civic and open spaces
- Hurstmere Road as a shared space
- Improved footpath and street amenities
- More arts and culture throughout the town centre

Please tell us about your #1 choice – why is this most important to you?

Q4. Which local project which you like to see done first? Please rank from your most desired (1) to least desired (5)

- Improving Takapuna Beach Reserve
- Improving pathways and linkages to and around Lake Pupuke
- Developing and implementing a pest-free strategy for Devonport-Takapuna
- Identifying and delivering a dog park in our area
- Support the establishment of an arts broker to deliver place-shaping and activation of spaces to promote arts, culture and heritage

Please tell us about your #1 choice – why is this most important to you?

Q5. Which economic development projects would you like to see prioritised?

Please rank from your most desired (1) to least desired (6)

- Fund and deliver the Clarence Street upgrade
- Deliver new connections, wayfinding and laneways based on the community-led Milford Centre Plan
- Partner with the Tūpuna Maunga Authority and key stakeholders to leverage economic development, tourism and cultural opportunities for our two maunga
- Encourage more technology companies to base themselves in Takapuna
- Develop a town centre plan for Belmont and review the Devonport Masterplan.
- Fund community-led economic development initiatives.

Please tell us about your #1 choice – why is this most important to you?

Need more room? This spare page is all yours for extra comments.

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

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