

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board – 2017/2018 Local board agreement

Proposed advocacy initiatives

A key role of the local board is to advocate for initiatives that the local board may not have decision-making responsibilities or funding for this annual plan, but recognise the value it will add to the local community.

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
<p>Lake Road upgrade – budget prioritisation</p> <p><i>Local advocacy initiative</i></p>	<p>Proposal</p> <p>Request that Auckland Transport (AT) prioritise the budget for the Lake Road upgrade, to alleviate increasing congestion issues and meet future population growth.</p> <p>Overview of initiative</p> <p>Lake Road is one of the busiest arterials across the Auckland region, and as the only road both into and out of the peninsula, has a critical role in transporting commuters. The importance of the road is reflected in the Auckland Transport Alignment Project, where it has been identified a ‘primary arterial road’ in the proposed future strategic road network.</p> <p>Over the last five years, the road has become heavily congested and bottlenecking is being experienced by motorists on both weekdays and weekends. The congestion will only further increase significantly due to factors such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Unitary Plan permitting greater intensification in the area • major infrastructure developments such as the Ryman Retirement village and Ngati Whatua landholdings in Bayswater. • population growth projections. <p>In 2016, AT undertook a Corridor Management Plan (CMP), a 30 year strategic document for the management of the road and is currently preparing an Indicative Business Case to fund the project. Following the completion of the business case, the local board urge AT to budget, prioritise and deliver the outputs in the CMP.</p> <p>The importance of this project was recently highlighted in the 2017/2018 Annual Plan public consultation, where 25 percent of all submissions referenced the need to upgrade Lake Road.</p>	<p>Auckland Transport Governing Body</p>
<p>New Bayswater Ferry Terminal</p> <p><i>Local advocacy initiative</i></p>	<p>Proposal</p> <p>Request that AT bring forward the funding for a new ferry terminal at Bayswater.</p> <p>Overview of initiative</p> <p>In 2014, AT’s <i>Ferry Development Plan</i> outlined that there will be low growth in patronage for the Bayswater Ferry Terminal due to a lack of residential intensification, an ageing population, or a switch to using the Devonport Ferry Terminal. Subsequently the plan proposed it as a long-term project but recommended to bring forward funding for a new terminal.</p> <p>Since the adoption of the plan, a number of significant developments (as noted in the previous advocacy initiative) will result in greater demand than what was originally proposed. The local board believe that these aspects should trigger a review of the plan’s existing priorities, and inform budget reallocation towards a new ferry terminal.</p> <p>The new ferry terminal is a significant project because it is the shortest service that links downtown Auckland to the North Shore, and will also provide an effective alternative to alleviate traffic congestion on Lake Road.</p>	<p>Auckland Transport Governing Body</p>

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<p>Ongoing investment and provision for new open spaces</p> <p><i>Sub-regional / regional advocacy initiative</i></p>	<p>Proposal</p> <p>Request that the Governing Body ensure there is ongoing investment and provision for new open spaces across the North Shore, and greater Auckland Region.</p> <p>Overview of initiative</p> <p>It is critical that the Governing Body continues to invest and acquire new open spaces in both new and existing areas to meet population growth and greater intensification across the North Shore and greater Auckland. In addition, the scope of this work should include other mechanisms / approaches to land acquisition, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • repurposing existing land managed by council or CCOs (e.g. road ends managed by Auckland Transport) as local parks • upgrading existing, and investing in new sports fields and playing surfaces • providing innovative and flexible open spaces in metropolitan and village centers. 	<p>Governing Body</p>
<p>Pest and weed management</p> <p><i>Sub-regional / regional advocacy initiative</i></p>	<p>Proposal</p> <p>Request that the Governing Body consider funding local boards to enable locally-delivered approaches to pest and weed management.</p> <p>Overview of initiative</p> <p>The current Auckland Regional Pest Management Strategy is (2007-2012) outdated and a number of local boards have identified an opportunity to take a community-led approach to minimizing, and eliminating pest and weeds in their area. Funding a locally-delivered approach will enable local boards to focus on their priority areas, while linking and aligning to council's strategic objectives for weeds and pests.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>