

## Upper Harbour Local Board

### Message from the Chair

The coming year will see the long awaited opening of our Albany Community Hub, and the refit of the headquarters building for community purposes at Hobsonville Point. These facilities will help plug a gap in the network of facilities for hire in Upper Harbour and the wider region.

We will also see the installation of some exciting public art at the Albany Stadium Pool. This will add something special to the landscape around the facility, which we hope will inspire and delight the tens of thousands of visitors we get to the pool and gym each month.

We will continue to contribute funding to assist delivery of events that help shape our place, including the Tennis Nationals, Albany Lakes run/walk series, Anzac services, Movies in Parks, and many community initiatives via our grants programme. To the extent that our limited funding allows, we believe in enabling and empowering our highly valued sporting, environmental and community groups to do what they do best.

We are committed to funding local community development via partnerships with our trusts in Albany, Greenhithe and Hobsonville, and supporting our community houses in Meadowood and Greenhithe. We are pleased to support a growing volunteer network around Upper Harbour.

Upper Harbour is geographically and ethnically diverse. We have a majority of residents who were born elsewhere, more than 50 % outside of New Zealand, according to the last census, and we know that our population has grown significantly since then. This adds to the challenges we face in a rapidly changing environment, and our goal is to be as inclusive as practicable, to ensure our residents feel well served. We have challenges in the transport space and we will continue to advocate for solutions with our wider council family.

Our door is open, and your ideas are welcomed at our monthly community forums or directly to board members via the contact details provided.

### Introduction

Auckland Council's shared governance model means local boards make decisions on local issues, activities and the use of local facilities within their decision-making allocation responsibilities. Local boards develop a three-year local board plan as the basis of their annual funding agreement with Auckland Council's governing body (the mayor and councillors). Local boards also advocate to the governing body on larger scale investments, regional programmes and policy issues such as rates proposals, which are outside local board decision-making responsibilities.

This document provides information on local activities that have been agreed for delivery in 2017/2018 between the governing body and the local board.

It outlines a local board agreement for 2017/2018 including local funding priorities, budgets and performance targets. This document also outlines supporting material to the agreement including a message from the Chair and key advocacy areas.

## About this area

Upper Harbour's population is one of the fastest growing in Auckland, due to the extensive and exciting new developments that are well underway at Hobsonville, Whenuapai and Scott Point. Based on the most recent census data, 53,670 people call Upper Harbour home, which is roughly a 25.2 per cent increase from the 2006 census figure.

Upper Harbour is a vibrant area with a sports precinct that is home to the QBE Stadium, the Tennis Centre and Albany Stadium Pool. We are fortunate to have world-class sports training opportunities at the AUT Millennium Institute of Sport and Health, as well as international standard softball and hockey facilities in Rosedale Park.

Students come from all over the world for the excellent tertiary education on offer at Massey University and AUT. We feel that all of this makes Upper Harbour one of the best places in Auckland to live and work.

## Local Board Plan outcomes

The Upper Harbour Local Board Plan sets out the aspirations the local board has for the area and how the board works towards creating the world's most liveable city (the vision of the Auckland Plan) at a local level.

The Upper Harbour Local Board Plan outcomes are:

- **An attractive built environment** - we have well-developed neighbourhoods that are connected to education facilities, transport networks, business parks and quality community and sports amenities. Our access to well-designed suburbs such as Hobsonville Point, shops and businesses, creates a sense of belonging and makes Upper Harbour the best place in Auckland to live and work.
- **A healthy, active community that values its sport and recreation facilities** - we have well-maintained, high-quality sports and recreation facilities at Rosedale and the QBE Stadium. Our facilities provide us with opportunities to participate in a range of activities to keep us active and healthy.
- **An expansive business environment** - Upper Harbour enjoys strong economic growth. Our businesses are able to prosper and create job opportunities.
- **A protected natural environment** - we have easy access to safe and beautiful reserves, parks and beaches, where we can relax and enjoy ourselves.
- **A well-connected and accessible Upper Harbour** - we have a well-designed road network with connected bus services, walkways and cycleways across the North Shore. We are well connected to Westgate in the west and our central city, giving us choices as to where we work, study and play.

- **Accountable and transparent reporting** - we are honest, open and careful about how and where we spend our money.

The local board agreement outlined in this document reflects how we plan to support these outcomes through agreed activities in the 2017/2018 financial year. In addition each local board carries out responsibilities delegated by the governing body in accordance with the delegated power, and with the general priorities and preferences in the local board plan.

### **Māori transformational shift outcomes**

Auckland Council is committed to meeting its responsibilities under Te Tiriti o Waitangi/ the Treaty of Waitangi and its broader statutory obligations to Māori. As part of this commitment, our local board will continue to build and formalise its relationship with mana whenua. Engaging rangatira ki te rangatira or 'chief to chief' is the mechanism by which we will work and share information.

In particular, we will work in partnership with mana whenua with interests in the area to deliver on treaty settlement outcomes.

## Upper Harbour Local Board Agreement 2017/2018

### Priorities by activity area

Auckland Council's 2017/2018 funding priorities for local activities and which have contributed to key community outcomes in the Upper Harbour local board area are as follows under each local activity.

#### Local Parks, Sport and Recreation

This group of activities covers management and provision of local parks and open space and recreation activities for both passive and active recreation.

These activities include swimming pools and leisure centres servicing communities in the local area.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$7,386,000 and capital investment of \$2,690,000.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2017/2018 include:

- Concept and feasibility study for Rosedale Closed Landfill
- Concept and feasibility study for Hosking Reserve
- Volunteer support
- Maintenance of artwork in reserves
- Additional maintenance of reserve planting

#### Levels of Service

We measure our performance against the following measures for each local priority.

Level of service	Performance measure	Actual 2015/16	LTP Target 2016/17	AP Target 2017/18
Provide a range of recreational opportunities catering for community needs on local parks, reserves and beaches	Percentage of residents satisfied with the provision (quality, location and distribution) of local parks and reserves	67%	75%	75%
	Percentage of residents who visited a local park or reserve in the last 12 months	73%	90%	90%
Provide sports fields that are fit for purpose and cater for community needs.	Percentage of residents satisfied with the provision (quality, location and distribution) of sports fields	70%	75%	80%
Provide programmes and facilities that ensure more Aucklanders are more active more often	Customers Net Promoter Score for Pool and Leisure Centres	No result	20%	20%

#### Local Community Services

This group of activities contributes to improved community outcomes by providing places and spaces for the community to learn and recreate and by integrating arts and culture into the

everyday lives of Aucklanders. Key activities include locally delivered Libraries and Information (Libraries) and Arts, Community and Events services.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$3,353,000 and capital investment of \$3,147,000.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2017/2018 include:

- Community led placemaking
- Youth programmes
- Local discretionary community grants

## Levels of Service

We measure our performance against the following measures for each local priority.

Level of service	Performance measure	Actual 2015/16	LTP Target 2016/17	AP Target 2017/18
Provide safe, accessible, welcoming library facilities that support the delivery of quality learning programmes and services relevant to local communities	Use of libraries as digital community hubs: Number of internet sessions per capita (PC & WiFi)	1.2	0.7	1.5
	Number of visits to library facilities per capita	2.6	2.5	2.5
	Percentage of customers satisfied with the quality of library service delivery	87%	85%	85%
	Percentage of visitors satisfied with the library environment	87%	85%	85%
Enable Aucklanders and communities to express themselves and improve their wellbeing through customer centric advice, funding, facilitation and permitting	Percentage of funding/grant applicants satisfied with information, assistance and advice provided	85%	76%	78%
Deliver a variety of events, programmes and projects that improve safety, connect Aucklanders and engage them in their city and communities	Percentage of participants satisfied with council delivered local arts activities.	No result	85%	85%
	Percentage of Aucklanders that feel connected to their neighbourhood and local community	41%	77%	41%
	Percentage of attendees satisfied with council delivered and funded local events	83%	85%	85%
Provide safe, reliable and accessible social infrastructure for Aucklanders that contributes to placemaking and thriving communities	Percentage of Aucklanders that feel their local town centre is safe	Day: 78% Night: 42%	Day: 89% Night: 48%	Day: 89% Night: 49%
	Facility Utilisation - utilisation at peak times and off-peak times for council managed community centres and venues for hire	Peak: 26% Off peak:	Peak: 20% Off peak:	Peak: 20% Off peak:

Level of service	Performance measure	Actual 2015/16	LTP Target 2016/17	AP Target 2017/18
		3%	10%	10%
	Percentage of community facilities bookings used for health and wellbeing related activity	31%	20%	20%
	Number of visitors to community centres and venues for hire	46,105	47,968	60,093

### Local Planning and Development

This group of activities covers local business area planning, local street environment and town centres, and local environment and heritage protection.

These activities include economic, environmental, heritage and spatial projects, and enable, plan for and deliver great local places.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$808,000 and capital investment of \$0.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2017/2018 include:

- Local economic planning and development
- Young Enterprise Scheme
- Support for international education providers

### Levels of Service

We measure our performance against the following measures for each local priority.

Level of service	Performance measure	Actual 2015/16	LTP Target 2016/17	AP Target 2017/18
Develop local business precincts and town centres as great places to do business	Percentage of Business Associations meeting their Business Improvement District (BID) Partnership Programme obligations	100%	100%	100%

### Local Environmental Management

Local environmental management activities work in partnership with locally based communities and iwi to deliver enhanced environmental outcomes (with a focus in indigenous biodiversity, healthy waterways and sustainable living) that contribute to Māori, community wellbeing and economy.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$195,000 and capital investment of \$0.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2017/2018 include:

- Sustainable Schools Project - local streams
- North-West Wildlink Assistance Programme
- Industrial Pollution Prevention Programme Waste Minimisation (Albany / Rosedale)

### Levels of Service

We measure our performance against the following measures for each local priority.

Level of service	Performance measure	Actual 2015/16	LTP Target 2016/17	AP Target 2017/18
Provide leadership & support to protect and conserve the region's natural environment, historic heritage and Māori cultural heritage	Proportion of local programmes that deliver intended environmental actions and/or outcomes	50%	85%	90%

### Local Governance

Activities in this group support our 21 local boards to engage with and represent their communities, and make decisions on local activities. This support includes providing strategic advice, leadership of the preparation of local board plans, support in developing Local Board Agreements, community engagement including relationships with mana whenua and Māori communities, and democracy and administrative support.

The measures for this group of activities are covered under the Regional Governance group of activities in the Long-term Plan 2015-2025 where the survey measures determine participation with Auckland Council decision-making in general. This includes local decision-making. There are no significant changes to the measures or targets for 2017/2018.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$1,065,000 and capital investment of \$0.

## Local Funding

Auckland Council has a shared governance model for making decisions on local activities. Under the Local Board Funding Policy adopted in August 2014, funding is allocated to local boards to deliver local services, through the following methods:

1. **Asset based services** - the governing body allocates funds to deliver local activities based on decisions about region-wide service levels. This includes allocation of funds for local asset based services, such as building a new swimming pool or library.
2. **Locally driven initiatives** – an allocation is based on a formula applied to each local board, with the exception of Great Barrier and Waiheke Local Boards who agree funding requirements with the governing body on an annual basis.
3. **Governance services** – an allocation is based on the number of elected members and associated administrative costs for each local board.

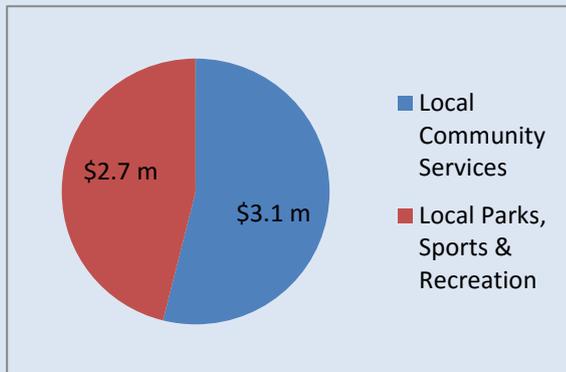
As part of the Long-term Plan 2015-2025, the governing body approved a new discretionary capital expenditure fund for local boards. This incorporates a total fund of \$10 million per annum across all 21 local boards, to be managed in three-year periods.

The total planned expenditure for local activities across all 21 local boards over the 2017/2018 financial year is shown in the table below. The budgets for each local board are listed within the individual local board agreements in this volume.

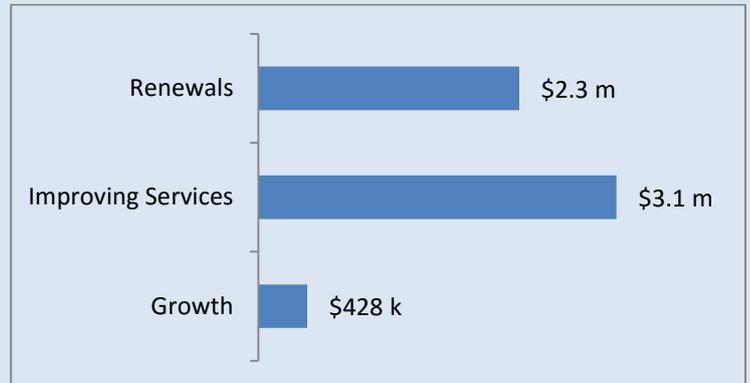
## Funding priorities for local activities

### Capital spend

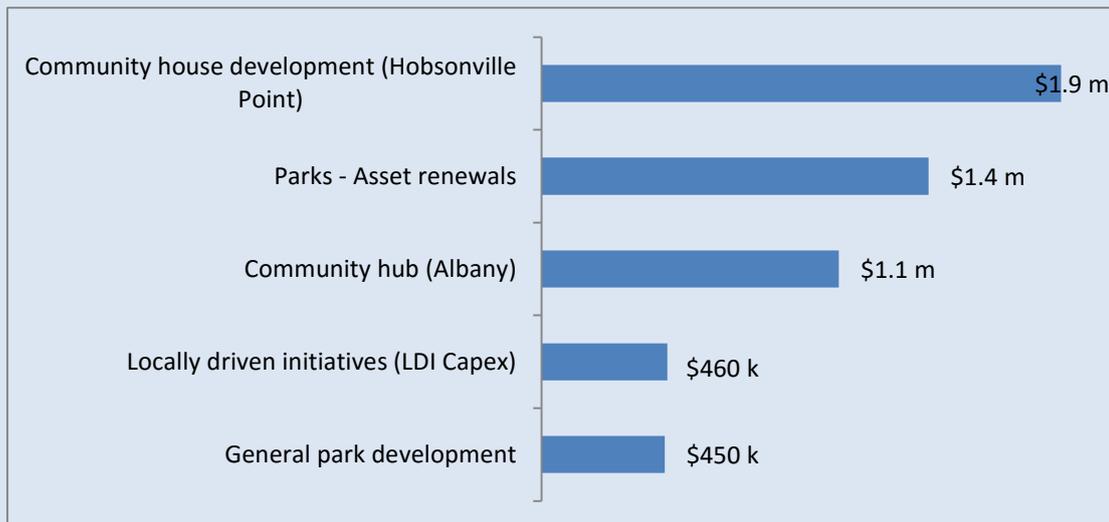
#### By activity area



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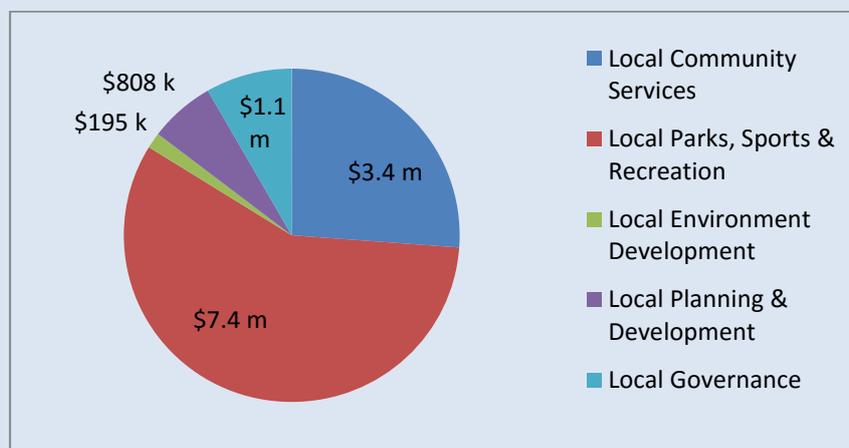


### Key projects



### Operating spend

#### By activity area



## Funding Impact Statement

This prospective funding impact statement has been prepared to meet the requirements of Section 21 (5) of the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009. It covers the year from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 and outlines the council's sources of funding for local activities in this local board area and our plan to apply them.

\$000	2017/2018
<b>Financial year ending 30 June</b>	
Sources of operating funding:	
General rates, UAGCs, rates penalties	11,069
Targeted rates	689
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	2,422
Fees and charges	12
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	32
<b>Total operating funding</b>	<b>14,224</b>
Applications of operating funding:	
Payment to staff and suppliers	10,983
Finance costs	1,212
Internal charges and overheads applied	1,972
Other operating funding applications	0
<b>Total applications of operating funding</b>	<b>14,167</b>
<b>Surplus (deficit) of operating funding</b>	<b>57</b>
Sources of capital funding:	
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0
Development and financial contributions*	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	5,780
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0
Lump sum contributions	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0
<b>Total sources of capital funding</b>	<b>5,780</b>
Application of capital funding:	
Capital expenditure:	
- to meet additional demand	428
- to improve the level of service	3,129
- to replace existing assets	2,280
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0
<b>Total applications of capital funding</b>	<b>5,837</b>
<b>Surplus (deficit) of capital funding</b>	<b>(57)</b>
<b>Funding balance</b>	<b>0</b>

## Appendix A: 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. Key advocacy areas for this local board include:

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Indoor multi-sport facility	Provision of indoor multi-sport facilities to address recognised short-falls in the Auckland-North region, e.g. Hobsonville Point and Albany	Governing Body
Open space and community facility provision	Secure adequate provision of open space and community facilities, e.g. securing a long-term library in Albany and enhancing greenway connections	Governing Body
Adequate roading and water infrastructure provision	Ensure adequate roading and 'three water' (stormwater, wastewater, and drinking water) infrastructure is in place to cater for growth and intensification, e.g. The Avenue intersection, Gills Road pedestrian bridge and footpath, capacity improvements at Albany Park and Ride, and water quality in Lucas and Brighams Creeks	Governing Body

## Appendix B: How to contact your Local Board

Local boards have been established to enable local representation and decision-making on behalf of local communities. You are encouraged to contact your elected members to have your say on matters that are important to your community.



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