

June 2017 Local Board Member Report

This report covers my Kaipatiki Local Board Activities during June 2017.

Executive Summary

Aside from our usual monthly business meeting, workshops and community forum, I attended the following other activities:

- 2 June: Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) Zone One Meeting at Whangarei District Council with focus on water issues
- 8 June: Tree planting at Tuff Crater with Forest and Bird North Shore
- 15 June: Consultation on local board plan at Birkenhead Library
- 18 June: Consultation on local board plan at Takapuna Markets
- 21 June: Blue-Green walkover with Panuku in relation to the Northcote Centre redevelopment
- 24 June: Festival – inaugural event in collaboration with Predator Free NZ Trust and the Department of Conservation

Comments

Reserve Management Plans (RMPs)

Following discussions on issues impacting some of our reserves (flooding, stormwater and wastewater issues) as well as discussions around what activities should be permitted on our reserves, I was prompted to seek out the reserve management plans. To my surprise, I found that the existing reserve management plans are not publically available, and many date back to over 20 years ago. Every administering body is required under the Reserves Act to prepare a RMP under its control. Their purpose is to provide for the use, enjoyment, protection, maintenance and development of the reserve.

On a separate note, I was surprised to learn that Auckland Council does not have a Reserves Bylaw.

I would like to look into whether there is scope for having some reserve management plans for Kaipatiki reviewed and updated.

Below is a list of the RMPs for Kaipatiki and their dates of publication:

A.F Thomas Park 1991
Birkenhead City Council – Foreshore Esplanade Reserves Management Plans 1989
Birkenhead City Council – Neighbourhood Park Management Plan (date unknown)
Birkenhead War Memorial Park 2003
Cadness Loop Reserve 1982
Cadness Street Reserve 1982
Chatswood and Homewood Reserves 1998
Downing Street Reserve 1998
Drome View Place 1989
Elliott Reserve 1981
Eskdale Reserve 2000
Ferglen Native Plant Garden 1992
Greenslade Reserve 1982 (draft)
Hilders Park 1989
Hinemoa Park 1989
Inwards Reserve 1997
Jessie Tonar (Kaka Street Reserve) 1982 (draft)
Kahika Point Reserve 1989

Kaipatiki Park 1993
Kauri Glen Reserve 1999 (draft)
Kauri Point Centennial Park 1989
Kauri Point Domain 1999 (draft)
Lenihan Street Reserve 1982 (draft)
Little Shoal Bay – Le Roys Bush 1997 (amended 1999)
Marlborough Park 1993
McFetridge Park 1993
Nell Fisher Reserve 1990
Onepoto Domain 1997
Onewa Domain and Smith’s Bush Scenic Reserve 1993
Oruamo Domain 1995
Rangatira Reserve 1989
Rewi Alley Park and Trias Reserve 1998
Sherpherds Park 1989
Sispara Place Reserve 1989
Spinella and Bonito Reserves 1997
Stancich Reserve 2000
Stokes Point – Te Onewa 2005
Sunnyhaven Avenue Reserve 1989
Sunnynook Park 1997
Tui Park 1989
Verran Road Gully Reserve 1989

New official advice on sea levels

On 4 June, it was announced that Councils are going to be told not to build or approve structures lower than 1.9m above the high tide mark under new advice on rising sea levels. This is a significant change, and recognition of the dramatic impact of climate change on our towns and cities.

New official advice on sea levels - no consents to build until two metres above high tide

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Coastal New Zealand is facing major change with with a sharp rise in predictions of sea levels rising.



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Pestival

A highlight for this month was the inaugural Pestival event, hosted by Auckland Biodiversity and Predator Free NZ, bringing together communities, organisations, local government and businesses, to discuss Predator Free NZ by 2050 and Pest Free Auckland.

Have Your Say Community Consultation at Takapuna Markets

Board members from Kaipatiki, Devonport-Takapuna and Upper Harbour held stalls at Takapuna Markets to consult on the Local Board Plan. Many discussions were had, concerns and raised and it was especially great to hear lots of positive feedback about the Kaipatiki Local Board itself.

