

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board held in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Chamber, Takapuna Service Centre, Level 3, 1 The Strand, Takapuna on Tuesday, 1 August 2017 at 5.00pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Dr Grant Gillon
Members	Mike Cohen, QSM, JP
	Jennifer McKenzie
	Jan O'Connor
	Mike Sheehy

ABSENT

Deputy Chairperson	George Wood, CNZM
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1 Welcome

Chairperson Gillon, opened the meeting and welcomed those present.

2 Apologies

Resolution number DT/2017/170

MOVED by Chairperson G Gillon, seconded by Member J McKenzie:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

a) **accept the apology from Deputy Chairperson Wood for leave.**

CARRIED

3 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Leave of Absence

There were no leaves of absence.

5 Acknowledgements

There were no acknowledgements.

6 Petitions

There were no petitions.

7 Deputations

There were no deputations.

8 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

9 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

10 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

11 Devonport-Takapuna Local Board feedback on the Lake Road Improvements project

Marilyn Nicholls, Elected Member Relationship Manager, Tim Mueller - Principal Transport Planner and Daniel Newcombe - City Centre and Rapid Transport Network (RTN) Initiatives Manager from Auckland Transport were in attendance to speak to this report.

Resolution number DT/2017/171

MOVED by Chairperson G Gillon, seconded by Member M Cohen:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

Vision Statement

- a) recommends the implementation of bus and high-occupancy vehicle lanes along Lake Road from the Belmont town centre to Esmonde Road as soon as possible, via the high-level investment option as outlined in the Indicative Business Case (IBC).
- b) recommends that the high-level investment option be delivered within an urgent timeframe so that further congestion resulting from projected population growth and new developments in the area are mitigated and avoided.
- c) supports a new direct cycle commuter route along the western part of Devonport peninsula as soon as possible.

Detailed feedback on Indicative Business Case (IBC)

- d) recommends that the Lake Road corridor transport mode consist of four lanes in total, which is comprised of:
 - i. two lanes for single occupancy vehicles;
 - ii. two high-occupancy vehicle lanes that can accommodate buses, cyclists, and T2 / T3 vehicles; and
 - iii. upgraded footpaths that ensure safe and all abilities access.
- e) supports measures to underground powerlines on Lake Road.
- f) supports the following projects for improved walking and cycling connectivity and commuting along the Devonport peninsula:
 - i. a dedicated cycle and walkway along Seacliffe Avenue and Hamana Street to ensure a safe and accessible path along the eastern part of the Devonport peninsula; and
 - ii. a new bridge for cycling and walking that connects Francis Street and Esmonde Road for direct commuting to the Akoranga Bus station, and link the cycle and walkway to the proposed Seapath and Skypath routes.
- g) supports the realignment of the cycle and foot bridge that connects Francis and Lowe streets for direct commuting along the western part of the Devonport peninsula; and requests that staff scope a new cycle and foot bridge that connects Francis and Lowe streets for direct commuting along the western part of the Devonport peninsula
- h) requests that staff scope a review of all existing cycle and walking infrastructure along the western part of the peninsula to identify improvement projects (including renewals) to ensure these modes of transport are a safe and attractive alternative for commuters.
- i) notes that any removal of median strip between Takapuna Grammar School and

- the intersection at Lake Road, Bardia and Winscombe streets may cause congestion and safety issues due to vehicles turning off Lake Road and, therefore requests Auckland Transport investigate options to mitigate safety issues at the intersection of Lake Road / Bardia and Winscombe streets.
- j) proposes that the staging for delivering upgrades on Lake Road be undertaken as follows:
- i. stage one: the areas between Jutland and Hauraki roads to Eversleigh Road. Priority projects include implementing reconfigured lanes to provide for high occupancy vehicles, a dedicated bus lane to improve public transport services, undergrounding power lines and potential road widening;
 - ii. stage two: the areas between the intersection at Lake Road, Bardia and Winscombe streets and Belmont town centre. Priority projects include moving the centre line eastwards slightly to mitigate and reduce congestion and maintaining carparks on the western part of the town centre and reducing carparks on the eastern side of the current barrier; and
 - iii. stage three: the areas between Eversleigh Road and intersection at Lake Road, Bardia and Winscombe streets. Priority projects include implementing reconfigured lanes and undergrounding power lines.
- k) proposes that the following sections of Lake Road also be considered within the project scoping and staging:
- i. the intersection at Lake and Esmonde roads, in particular the congestion created from commuters travelling from Takapuna and the motorway towards Devonport .
 - ii. the left turn from Lake Road into Winscombe Street, the time often taken by motorists to turn left holds up commuters travelling to or towards Devonport.
- l) supports a dedicated high occupancy vehicle lane on Esmonde Road that can accommodate buses, cyclists, and T2 / T3 vehicles.
- m) review the functionality of Esmonde Road in particular vehicles turning right to Barry's Point Road and also vehicles travelling north via the motorway.
- n) request staff investigate potential safety improvement projects for the 'secondary route' which starts at Jutland Road continues along Northboro and Eversleigh road and finishes at Bardia Street during the construction phase of the Lake Road upgrade.
- o) support the implementation of new technology and travel information for the Lake Road upgrade.
- p) request staff investigate traffic light and phasing improvements Winscombe, Bardia and Lake roads intersection.

CARRIED

Secretarial note: Member O'Connor wanted to be recorded that she voted against recommendation 11 - l)

12 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

5.52 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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LOCAL BOARD HELD ON

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CHAIRPERSON:.....