

## **July 2017 Local Board Member Report**

**This report covers my Kaipatiki Local Board Activities during July 2017. Now over half way through my first year on the board, I no longer feel 'new' in the role, although there's constantly new things to learn!**

### **Events and Activities:**

Aside from our usual business meeting, workshops and community forum, I attended the following events and meetings:

- 9 July: Tartan Day Celebration Tattoo at North Shore Events Centre
- 18 July: Bayview Community Centre Governance Meeting (I am the local board rep for this fantastic team)
- 23-25 July: Local Government New Zealand Conference, Awards and AGM
- 25 July: Northcote Town Centre Association Committee Meeting – this was my first meeting as I have recently joined as the local board rep on the committee
- 27 July: Session with Panuku 'Unlock Northcote' – keeping updated with the development happening in Northcote Central.

### **Comments**

#### **Reserve management plans (continued)**

I have been working with council officers to untangle the situation with Reserve Management Plans (RMPs). My latest update is that an officer has provided me with an index of RMPs for reserves in Kaipatiki with their status, whether or not the plan for each reserve has been adopted or is in draft form, and the date that each plan was either prepared or adopted.

The reason I am pursuing RMPs is that I hear from the community that they are a crucial part of the work of volunteers who help look after our reserves. And as a local board member, when making decisions that involve our reserves, RMPs help with making sure decisions are in keeping with the community's vision.

For most councils, reserve management plans are readily available on their websites.

RMPs are also required under the Reserves Act 1977. You can find out more by looking up the Reserves Act, Section 41 on the website: [www.legislation.govt.nz](http://www.legislation.govt.nz)

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