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Manurewa Local Board early feedback to inform draft plan Auckland Plan Refresh 2018

Background

The Manurewa Local Board has considered the draft Auckland Plan Refresh 2018 and submits the following early feedback to inform the draft plan as outlined below.

Submission points

1. Supports the draft Auckland Plan Refresh 2018 - development strategy and the five strategic direction themes that align closely with the five outcome areas of the Manurewa draft local board plan.

2.

Strategic Theme	Feedback
a) Skills and jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • retain the southern initiative and a focus on the southern region • Manurewa has a high youth population, investment and opportunities in education and trades pathways is an increasing need. • Future proofing – employment skill set, youth education to align with employer requirements • Wiri is a major employment area for the people who live and work in Manurewa and surrounding southern locations. Does the Southern industrial hub have a place in the Auckland Plan?
b) Belonging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • agree with the focus in the Auckland plan to reflect the importance of Maori and Maori wellbeing. • support for vulnerable populations, strengthening our diverse communities especially the growing numbers of ethnic Asian communities and address the needs of our homeless communities.
c) Homes and places	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affordable homes, a variety of options including long term tenancies • require a homelessness strategy • increased mixed housing urban zones provides price point and choice of options • planning our community with an accessibility lens will provide an environment that is suitable for all.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • building communities and connection to place culture and heritage and not just housing
d) Protect and enhance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the board is in support of this theme which is reflected in our local board plan • Environmental concerns, air, water pollution, refuse management and climate change will continue to be high priorities in the future • Enhancing the water quality, status and environmental significance of the Manukau Harbour • co governance with Maori
e) Access and connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • include local plans in the Auckland Plan; Greenways plan, Transform Manukau, Manurewa, Takanini, Papakura Integrated Area Plan • local employment options so that people do not have to travel long distances. Encouraging a change in culture by supporting employers to adopt flexible working options (such as working from home) • improving transport infrastructure connectivity, affordable fares, transport infrastructure that can be further developed to manage future demands and options i.e. better walkway connections, footpaths, cycle lanes and improved public transportation. • Heavy rail from Puhinui needs to be installed as the light rail option from Dominion Road is not planned for several years. This would assist to ease the congestion that is seriously impacting traffic flow across the south and the ripple effect through to the CBD.

Yours sincerely



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