

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2017

This committee deals with strategy and policy decision-making that relates to the environmental, social, economic and cultural activities of Auckland as well as matters that are not the responsibility of another committee or the Governing Body

Priorities for 2017 will be on initiatives which:

1. Clearly demonstrate that Auckland is making progress with climate change adaptation and mitigation and taking action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
2. Enable green growth with a focus on improved water quality, pest eradication and ecological restoration
3. Strengthen communities and enable Aucklanders to be active and connected
4. Make measurable progress towards the social and community aspects of housing all Aucklanders in secure, healthy homes they can afford
5. Grow skills and a local workforce to support economic growth in Auckland

The work of the committee will:

- Deliver on the outcomes in the Auckland Plan
- Be focused on initiatives that have a high impact
- Meet the Council's statutory obligations, including funding allocation decisions
- Increase the public's trust and confidence in the organisation.

Priority #	Area of work	Reason for work	Environment and Community Committee role (decision or direction)	Expected timeframes Quarter (month if known)			
				FY17		FY18	
				Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
				14 Feb 14 March	4 April 16 May 13 June	18 July 8 Aug 12 Sept	17 Oct 14 Nov 5 Dec
Environment							
	Strategic approach to Climate Change	To demonstrate that Auckland is making progress with climate change adaptation and mitigation and taking action to reduce emissions.	Strategic direction will be provided in the coming months. Progress to date: A summary of activities to prepare for climate change was given in the presentation on 8 August meeting.				
1	Low carbon living	To deliver on Low Carbon Auckland Plan commitments by the design and implementation of awareness raising and incentives programmes to reduce household, community, business and schools carbon emissions by approximately 50% of current levels.	Strategic direction and endorse programmes as part of the Low Carbon Auckland Plan implementation.	Q3	Q4	Q1 (Sept)	Q2 (Nov)
1	Low Carbon Auckland / Climate Change Mitigation	Four-yearly review of strategic action plan due in 2018; increased engagement with and commitments via C40 Cities membership; development of proactive policy agenda to central government emerging	Decision and endorsement of strategic direction	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
1 and 2	Urban Forest Strategy	Strategic approach to delivering on the wider social, economic and environmental benefits of a growing urban forest in the context of rapid population growth and intensification.	Decision on strategic direction and endorsement of strategy.	Q3	Q4	Q1 (Sep/Oct)	Q2
1	Climate Change Adaptation Strategy / Framework	Compilation of existing climate adaptation work and gap analysis; requirement under C40 Cities membership	Decision and endorsement of strategic framework	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2

1		Waste Management and Minimisation Plan Review	To review the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan.	<p>Direction on the key issues that arise through the review of the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan and the waste assessment.</p> <p>Endorse a draft plan for consultation, using the special consultative procedure.</p> <p>Progress to date:</p> <p>Decision: A Waste Political Advisory Group was established Resolution ENV/2016/6 Item 11</p> <p>Workshop in September.</p>	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 (Dec)
1		Allocation of the Waste Minimisation and Innovation Fund	Decision making over medium and large funds from the Waste Minimisation and Innovation fund in line with the fund's adopted policy. Funds to contribute towards council's aspirational goal of zero waste to landfill by 2040.	<p>Decision on the annual allocation of the Waste Minimisation and Innovation Fund for the 2017-2018 financial year.</p> <p>Progress to date:</p> <p>Decision: Approval of allocation of September 2016 funding round Resolution ENV/2016/19 Item C5</p>	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 (Dec)
1		Air Quality	Approve action plan to help achieve compliance with the National Environment Strategy on Air Quality	Decision on air quality action.	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
2		Regional Pest Management Plan review	<p>Statutory obligations under the Biosecurity Act to control weeds and animal pests.</p> <p>To ensure that the plan is consistent with the national policy direction and up to date.</p>	<p>Decision and Strategic direction on weed and plants that will be subject to statutory controls.</p> <p>To approve the draft Regional Pest Management Plan for consultation by December 2017.</p> <p>Progress to date:</p> <p>Decision: Agreed to the inconsistencies in ACT at the 14 Feb 2017 ENV/2017/7 Item 12</p> <p>Workshops held on 4 April, 3 May 2017 and Sept</p>	Q3	Q4	Q1 (Oct)	Q2 (Nov)
1 and 2		Kauri Dieback	To protect Auckland's Kauri forests	<p>Decision on options for management of Kauri dieback – for input into the Long-term Plan preparation</p> <p>Progress to date:</p> <p>Update was provided at the 14 Feb 2017 meeting Item 23 August - the full kauri dieback report can be downloaded from OurAuckland</p>	Q3	Q4	Q1 (Aug)	Q2
2		Safeswim	To consider best future options for the delivery of Safeswim	<p>Decision on future forecasting options</p> <p>Progress to date:</p> <p>Endorsed the recommended improvements by 1 Nov to the programme on 14 Feb meeting Item 16.</p> <p>Requested a report on costs and benefits of "white box" model</p> <p>A further update was provided on 14 March 2017 on food safety for seafood gatherers Item 16</p>	Q3 (Feb)	Q4	Q1 (Sep /Oct)	Q2 (Nov/-Dec)
2		Food Policy Alliance	To consider food policy alliance	Decision on food policy alliance				Q1 (Sep)

1 and 2		Auckland Growing Greener	Statutory obligations under the Resource Management Act, Biosecurity Act and Local Government Act. Consideration of items to give effect to the adopted commitment of Auckland Council to grow greener.	Strategic direction and oversight into council's role to improve the natural environment, and to endorse proposed incentives. This may include endorsing : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a framework to ensure planning and growth decisions are underpinned by relevant environmental data proposed incentives for green growth recommendations arising from a current state statutory obligations review. 	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
1 and 2		Seachange – Tai Timu Tai Pari	The marine spatial plan for the Hauraki Gulf – Seachange Tai Timu Tai Pari – was completed by the independent stakeholder working group in November 2016. Staff will report on implications of the plan and options for Auckland Council implementation to the Planning Committee. The Environment and Community Committee will likely provide direction and oversee aspects of implementation.	Strategic direction on the spatial plan and implementation actions. Progress to date: The initial assessment was considered at the 2 May Planning Committee meeting, resolution PLA/2017/50 Item 9 Political Ref Group was established.	Q3	Q4	Q1 (Aug /Sep)	Q2
2		Hauraki Gulf Forum	Possible consideration of recommendations from the Hauraki Gulf Forum arising from the completion of Seachange Tai Timu Tai Pari.	Decisions on governance and/or resourcing arrangements.	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
2		Weed Management Policy	Governance group to oversee the implementation of the weed management policy. February 2017 item	Provide political direction to the Environment and Community Committee and staff in regards to weed management decisions. Report back to the Environment and Community Committee on progress within six months of establishment.			Q1 (Oct)	
Parks, Sport and Recreation								
3		Sport and Recreation Strategic Action Plan	Status report on implementation plan	Direction on future options for sport and recreation.	Q3		Q1	Q2 (Oct)
3		Sports Investment Plan	Council's strategic approach to outcomes, priorities and investment in sports	Decision on issues papers Draft Plan approval Finalise and adopt investment plan Progress to date: Evaluation of current sports facilities investments and proposed changes was adopted on 14 March, resolution ENV/2017/39 Item 13 with the final draft investment plan to be adopted prior to consultation. An outcome measurement tool to support the Sports Facilities Investment Plan was considered and agreed at the 4 April meeting. Resolution ENV/2017/50 Item 9 The findings of the pilot will be reported in mid-2019 seeking a decision on the roll-out model.	Q3 (Feb & Mar)	Q4 (May)	Q1	Q2 (Sept Oct)
3		Golf Investment Plan	Council's strategic approach to outcomes, priorities and investment in golf.	Decision on issues papers Draft Plan approval	Q3	Q4 (Jul)	Q1	Q2 (Oct)

				Finalise and adopt investment plan Progress to date: Confidential workshop held 13 June 2017 (what future for golf).				
3		Open Space management: issues paper	Understanding open space management, issues and options	Decision on potential solutions and next steps	Q3	Q4 (Apr)	Q1	Q2
3		Regional Sports Grants	Improving monitoring and evaluation of sports grants	Decision on monitoring and evaluation framework	Q3	Q4 (May)	Q1	Q2
3		Indoor Courts	Strategic business case for indoor courts investment	Decision on investment approach	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 (Dec)
3		Western Springs Community School Partnership	Improve Community Access to school facilities	Decision on Business and Investment in indoor court facility at Western Springs Progress to date: The report was considered in May. Resolution ENV/2017/71				Q2
3		Growth Programme	Update on proposed growth funding allocation for 2018-2020	Decision on growth funding allocation			Q1 (Aug)	
3		Regional Sport and Recreation grants programme 2018/2020	Review of previous grants allocation and recommendation for next round	Decision on sport and recreation grants programme objectives and approach			Q1 (Sep)	
1		Review of the Community Occupancy Guidelines 2012: TOR	The review will assess the efficacy of the guidelines in for the council to deliver the best possible outcomes for Auckland through community leases	Decision on the terms of reference for the review of the Community Occupancy Guidelines 2012 Progress to date: The TOR was approved for the review to commence and will report back in May 2018. An update memo was circulated in August.		Q4 (Jul 17/ (May 18)		
3		Active Recreation Investment and Visitor Experience	Council's strategic approach to outcome, priorities and investment for active walking, cycling, waterways and visitor experience on open space, parks and regional parks	Decision on scope and phasing	Q3	Q4 (Apr)	Q1	Q2
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT								
1		The Southern Initiative (TSI)	Provide an update on the TSI approach, priorities and achievements.	Strategic direction of the TSI approach to social and community innovation in south Auckland	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
5		Tripartite Economic Alliance	Provide direction on preparation for Guangzhou 2017 Tripartite summit and seek approval for the renewal of the Tripartite Economic Alliance <i>2017 Tripartite Summit funded out of Global Partnerships and Strategy budget, CCO's budget and through sponsorship.</i>	Direction and approval of the extension of the Tripartite Economic Alliance beyond its initial three year period. Progress to date: Update was provided at 14 March 2017 meeting – summit in Sept 2017 Item 16	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2

5		Global Engagement Strategy	Provide an update and direction of Auckland Council's global engagement strategy and priorities. It has been three years since a new strategic direction was introduced, progress on this strategy will presented. <i>Funded</i>	Strategic direction of Auckland Council's global engagement strategy and priorities Progress to date: Monthly global engagement updates are published on each agenda	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
5		Visitor Plan Review	Provide strategic direction to ATEED through its consideration of options for any new strategies relating to international visitors.	Strategic direction relating to tourism strategies. ATEED has responsibility for the provision of initiatives in the tourism sector in Auckland. (workshop to be scheduled)	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
5		International Education Framework	Provide strategic direction to ATEED through its consideration of options for growing the international education sector	Strategic direction relating to international education. ATEED has responsibility for growing the international education market in Auckland. (workshop to be scheduled)	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
5		Local Economic Development Framework	Provide strategic direction to ATEED through its consideration of options for delivering local economic development	Strategic direction relating to Local Economic Development. ATEED has responsibility for leading Local Economic development. (workshop to be scheduled)	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
5		Auckland Trade Programme	Provide strategic direction to ATEED through its consideration of options for growing Auckland's trade and exports	Strategic direction relating to trade and exports. ATEED has responsibility for supporting the increase of Auckland's trade competitiveness. (workshop to be scheduled)	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
SOCIAL, COMMUNITY, CULTURAL INFRASTRUCTURE								
3		Demographic Advisory Panels	Identifying Panels' priorities for advice to the council for 2017/18	Decision Approving demographic advisory panels work programme			Q1 (Sep)	Q2 (Oct)
3		Community Facilities Network Plan	Update on progress and report back on strategic business case for central west.	Decision on indicative business case for central west Progress to date: A progress report was considered on 14 March. Resolution ENV/2017/36 Item 11 to report back on an indicative business case for investment in the central-west area.	Q3 (Mar)	Q4	Q1 (July)	Q2
4		Homelessness	Implementing Regional Policy and Strategy resolution to progress work around Council's strategic position on addressing homelessness (note this work will be informed by discussions at the Community Development and Safety Committee)	Decision on scope Decision on role and direction addressing homelessness Progress to date: Approved the scope policy 14 Feb Item 17 Auckland council's position and role was considered at the August meeting report Resolution ENV/2017/118	Q3 (Feb)	Q4	Q1 (Aug)	Q2 TBC
3		Facilities Partnerships	Identify the range of current council approaches to facility partnerships, issues, opportunities and agree next steps	Decision on facility partnership approach Decision to adopt Facility Partnership Framework in December 2017	Q3 (Feb)	Q4	Q1	Q2 (Dec)

				Progress to date: Update was given at 14 February meeting on Phase 1. Approval was given on the proposed timelines for Phase 2 : Minutes 14 February Item 14				
3		Smoke-free Policy	Improve policy and implementation	Decision on updated Smokefree policy Progress to date: considered the report for adoption at the August meeting. Resolution ENV/2017/113	Q3	Q4	Q1 (Aug)	Q2 (Oct/ Nov)
3		Citizens Advice Bureaux Services	Review of the Citizens Advice Bureaux Services RSP decision in April 2016 (REG/2016/22)	Decision on review results	Q3 (2018)	Q4	Q1	Q2
4		Social and Community Housing Strategy and initiatives	Strategic overview of social and community housing initiatives. Wider housing portfolio and spatial outcomes of council's role in housing is led by the Planning Committee.		Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
4		Affordable Housing Intervention	Understanding NZ and international interventions to address affordable housing	Decision on future Auckland Council approaches to affordable housing interventions	Q3	Q4 (May)	Q1	Q2
3		Te Kaurora – Library Strategy	Libraries and Information is carrying out a change programme (Fit for the future) to accelerate the implementation of this 2013-2023 strategy (approved by the Governing Body)	Direction relating to priorities and to receive update on strategic direction and implementation progress Approve an expanded and improved regional mobile library service	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
3		Central library strategic review	A strategic review of the Central Library has been commissioned to understand how the current building can meet future need and demand for services, assess the Central Library's current and potential future role in the region, and guide decision making about future investment and development opportunities	Decide direction and receive the strategic review	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
3		Libraries	Work around the integration with customer services	Decision on matters relating to regional aspects of the proposed integration (local boards will decide on local outcomes)	Q3	Q4	Q1 (tbc)	Q2
3		Intercultural Cities Network	Consideration of a proposal to join the Intercultural Cities Network to support implementation and monitoring of progress on 'Inclusive Auckland' actions.	Decide whether Auckland should be a member of the network	Q3	Q4 (Jun)	Q1	Q2
3		Friendly City	Identify issues and opportunities for an inclusive friendly city (Regional Policy and Strategy resolution REG/2016/92)	Strategic direction on the approach to a friendly, inclusive, diverse city.	Q3	Q4 (Apr-May)	Q1	Q2
3 and 5		Social Enterprise approaches for youth and long term unemployed	Improved understanding of social enterprise reach, impacts, costs and benefits	Strategic direction on councils approach to social enterprise.	Q3	Q4	Q1 (Jul)	Q2
3 and 5		Youth volunteer programmes	Intervention assessment of youth volunteer programmes on long term education and employment – understanding	Strategic direction on interventions approach	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2

			impacts, costs and benefits				(Jul)	
3		Events Policy	A review of what is working well and what isn't		Q3	Q4	Q1 (Sep)	Q2
		Grant Policy Monitoring	Audit of the application of the Grants Policy	Decision on audit results	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
3		Thriving Communities Action Plan	A review of the Action Plan to understand what we are doing well and where there are areas for improvement	Decision on current state results	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 (Nov)
3		Toi Whitiki Strategy	Targeted analysis of social return on investment on specific art and culture investment		Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 (Dec)
3		Public Art	Review of the Public Arts Policy: what's working what's not. Decisions relating to major public arts	Decision on review results	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 (Dec)
LEGISLATION/CENTRAL GOVERNMENT								
1		Productivity Commission – inquiry transition into low carbon economy	Council's submission to the Productivity Commission's low emissions economy issues paper	Decision to proposed key themes for submission to the Productivity Commission's low emissions economy issues paper			Q1 (Sep)	Q2 (Oct)
2		National Environmental Standards	Council response on the National Direction for aquaculture expected following scheduled release of consultation document in April 2017. The National Direction is likely to address matters relating to re-consenting, bay-wide management, innovation and research, and biosecurity.	Direction Committee agreement to a council submission on the National Direction for Aquaculture	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
LAND ACQUISITIONS								
3		Strategic acquisition issues and opportunities	Understanding current acquisition issues and options.		Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
2		Land acquisition for stormwater purposes	Delegated responsibility of the committee. To acquire land for stormwater management and development purposes, to either support a structure plan or ad-hoc development.	Decision to acquire land. Reports will come to committee as required.	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
OTHER								
		Long-term Plan	Informing the development of the 2018-2028 Auckland Council Long-term Plan		Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2

COMPLETED									
3		I am Auckland - Youth Strategy	Implementation of strategy. Identify areas of success and improvement opportunity	Decision: Approval for the development and an implementation plan was considered on 14 Feb 2017 Resolution ENV/2017/10 Item 15	Q3				
3		UNESCO Auckland City of Music	Decide whether to commit to being a UNESCO City of Music (from Regional and Strategy and Policy resolution REG/2016/70)	Decision: Endorsement was given at 14 March Resolution ENV/2017/35 Item 10	Q3 (March)	Q4	Q1	Q2	
2		Weed Management Policy Implementation	To ensure implementation of the Weed Management policy occurs, and that how it will be implemented is reported to elected members	Decision: Appointment by the Mayor to a Political Advisory Group - Committee agenda 14 Feb 2017 Item 23	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	
2		Allocation of the Regional Natural Heritage Grant	Decision-making over regional environment fund as per the grants funding policy and fund guidelines	Decision: Allocation of the Regional Environmental Natural Heritage Grant for the 2017-2018 financial year was made on 6 Dec 2016_ENV/2016/11 Item 15	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 (Dec)	
3		One Voice Auckland Sport and Recreation	One Voice – sector wide advisory group for sport and recreation	Decision – Appointment of 3 Elected Members to One Voice: Crs Cooper, Filipaina & W Walker on 4 April – Committee Resolution ENV/2017/53 Item 13	Q3 (Mar)				
3		Regional Sport and Recreation Grant Programme	Contestable grant programmes	Decision - Allocation of the budget 2017/2018 was approved on 4 April Resolution ENV/2017/51 Item 10	Q3	Q4 (Apr)	Q1	Q2	
3		Community Access Scheme	Review of Council investment in third party facilities to increase community access	Decision – Allocation of funding of Community Access grants was approved on 16 May Resolution ENV/2017/73 Item 18	Q3	Q4 (May)	Q1	Q2	
3		Community School Partnerships	Improve Community Access to school facilities	Decision and direction on investment and development of partnerships with schools Update on Community and School Partnership project was provided 16 May 2017 Item 20 Approval for entering into a partnership agreement with Western Springs College and MOE to secure 4 additional indoor courts for school and community use was granted 15 May 2017 ENV/2017/71 Item 17	Q3	Q4 (May)	Q1	Q2	
1		Waste assessment endorsement	The Waste Minimisation Act 2008 requires the committee to endorse the findings of the waste assessment	Endorse the findings of the waste assessment Endorsement of Waste Political Advisory Group to progress the implementation of a food waste at 16 May 2017 meeting Item 19 and resolution ENV/2017/74 Item 19 Will be notified alongside the draft waste management plan	Q3	Q4 (May)	Q1	Q2	
2		Pest Free Auckland	To eliminate weed and animal pests from Auckland	Strategic direction and oversight, and to endorse the programme. An update was provided at 14 March 2017 meeting: Bio News Item 16 .	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	
2		Marine Biosecurity	Statutory obligations under the Biosecurity Act to develop and implement non-regulatory and regulatory programmes	Strategic direction and endorse new programmes – for input into Long-term Plan preparation.	Q3	Q4		Q2	

