

Supporting information - local board priorities

Each year we plan the projects and initiatives we will deliver in your local board area. These are based on our 2017 Local Board Plan, which sets our three-year direction for the local board. We are seeking your input on our proposals for the 2018/2019 financial year.

3.1 Hibiscus and Bays Local Board

Message from the Chairperson

Summer heralds the season for many of our most popular events and activities and we are seeking your feedback on continuing to support local events and groups through our contestable grants programme where we see clear alignment to our local board plan outcomes.

We are keen to begin delivery on town centre improvements as well as commence implementation of the development plan for the reserves at Mairangi Bay, to enable steady incremental change. We want to make our spaces attractive and inviting for both local residents and visitors to our area. We want our local towns and centres to enjoy economic success and provide local employment opportunities.

Transport improvements are an ongoing priority of our local board and we are keen to work with Auckland Transport to trial weekend ferry services from Gulf Harbour. We will also continue our efforts to achieve an earlier start to Penlink and the planned upgrade of the Glenvar Road / East Coast Road intersection to address safety issues.

Our key advocacy priority is to protect our iconic Orewa Beach from storm damage and erosion so that future generations can enjoy its beautiful shoreline, beach and reserve areas.

Please take the time to come along and give us feedback on our priorities. We look forward to listening to your views at one of our local events; Saturday 10 March, 10am – 2pm at Stanmore Bay Pool and Leisure Centre, Saturday 24 March, 10am – 12pm at East Coast Bays Library.

What we propose in your Local Board Area in 2018/2019

We plan to invest \$ 27 million to renew, maintain and operate assets in your local board area as well as provide other local initiatives (you've told us are important):

- Continue to support Local Community Grants for events and activities.
- Start implementing the Mairangi Bay Reserves Development Plan projects.
- Deliver projects in town centres for Orewa/Browns Bay/Silverdale and Whangaparaoa.
- Work with Auckland Transport to trial a weekend ferry service at Gulf Harbour.
- Work with business and partners to provide local employment opportunities in Silverdale.
- Key Advocacy project: Deliver priority work to address coastal erosion and protect Orewa Beach Esplanade and reserve.

Our key advocacy project

Planning and protecting Orewa Beach Esplanade Enhancement Project (OBEEP) to address coastal erosion by ensuring priority works are completed to protect the remaining reserve. Orewa Beach (2.6km in length) has a variety of challenging erosion issues – it is Auckland’s highest priority at risk coastal area.

The local board is seeking capital funding of \$18m to be allocated in two phases of coastal protection work. Orewa beach, reserve areas and walkways are at significant threat of being lost to sea erosion forces. The first phase is for the construction of 640m of hybrid seawall at northern end in the period 2018 – 2020. The second phase is to undertake further protection work over a 670m section at the southern end of the beach over 2022 – 2026.

What do you think?

‘Have we got our priorities right?’

Do you support:

- Continuing grants for events and activities within our local board area?
- Implementation of the Mairangi Bay Reserves Development Plan projects?
- Allocation of funding to deliver projects within town centres?
- Allocation of funding for promotional information to inform our community to utilise the Gulf Harbour weekend ferry trial?
- Working with partners to facilitate local employment opportunities e.g. Silverdale.
- Our key advocacy project to address coastal erosion and protect Orewa Beach Esplanade and reserve?