

# Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board

Workshop record of the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board held in the Woodside Room on Tuesday, 14 November 2017 at 9.30am.

## PRESENT:

**Chairperson:** Lotu Fuli  
**Members:** Ross Robertson  
 Apulu Reece Autagavaia  
 Dawn Trenberth  
 Mary Gush  
 Donna Lee

## ABSENT

**Members:** Ashraf Choudhary

## ALSO PRESENT:

Neil Taylor (Acting Relationship Manager)  
 Albert Scott (Local Board Advisor)  
 Tess Liew (Strategic Broker)  
 Carmen Fernandes (Democracy Advisor)

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<b>LBA Workshop 3</b> <i>(Neil Taylor, Jane Aickin, Faithe Smith, Jenny Young, Debra Langton, Greg Hannah, Gill Pannell, Jacqueline Puna-Teaukura)</i>	Setting direction, priorities and budgets	<p>An opportunity for the board to further refine the direction for the Local Board Agreement and Work programme for 2018/2019 based on the newly adopted Local Board Plan.</p> <p>Staff will report back on the requests for further information from members as asked for at LTP – Workshop 1.</p> <p>The board can thereafter provide further direction to staff and discuss the board's areas of focus for 2018/2019 (and beyond) and start identifying key projects to be consulted on with the community.</p> <p>Members are also being asked to provide feedback on the draft levels of service and performance measures.</p> <p>Zero waste – support BIDs with zero waste.          Ambassador programme to include the zero waste initiative based on the Mangere Town Centre model.</p> <p>Stronger value based on trees – OP has the lowest number of trees.</p> <p>Illegal dumping at Hunter's corner – letter drop</p> <p>Community gardens – Board members have received complaints about a particular community garden</p>

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		<p>which does allow locals to use it. Officers to find about the community gardens and report back to the board. The Board will look at the lease and land owner approval of the community gardens and set KPIs and the expected outcomes.</p> <p><b>Promotion of greenways plan</b> – local community complaint that there are no activities for families. The Board wants it advertised and promoted so that all households are aware of local events and also the parks and walkways available in the local board area.</p> <p>Board members want Comms to have regular mailbox drops of newsletters so that the community can be kept informed of what is happening in the local area.</p> <p>Parks and Facilities – Community Facilities undertake condition assessments and regular health and safety audits. Council also has structural engineers who are available for assessments.</p> <p>The Board asked for the Tui Room for refit and the carpet replaced.</p> <p><b>Future proofing of sportsfield</b> – The Board suggested sportsfields at Kolmar for future proofing. Board want to know if the lights at Ngati Otara Park sportsfield.</p> <p>Free Wi-Fi in parks for Out and About initiatives such as ‘Magical Parks’. Officers informed that the one of the parks can be trialled for this project by involving Panuku. The Board also had suggested that libraries have Wi-Fi and can be used to make it available in parks. Libraries put off the wifi after hours. Board wants it available after hours.</p> <p><b>Exercise equipment in parks -</b></p> <p>Board has request for an overview of which area is good for installing exercise equipment and which are good for Wi-Fi connection. None of the parks in the local board area feature in the top10 parks in Auckland. Local communities feel that they do not have good parks.</p> <p>TPoT – part of the co-located communities facilities programme.</p> <p>Parks and facilities meet people needs – Community Facilities: community renewals</p> <p>Neighbourhood support - the Board’s Youth Council will hold</p>

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		<p>Skills bank – will be holding capacity building workshops like how to apply for community grants, etc. Board advised the officers to contact Michael Barnett of Chambers who conduct capacity building workshops.</p> <p>Homelessness – is being looked at the whole of Auckland at regional level and will include the local board area. The Board was concerned about toilet facilities as Council locks their toilets after hours. Officers informed that Ministry for Children is working with Salvation Army to build blocks that include lockers, showers and toilets which can be used by homelessness.</p> <p>Skills Shed in Papatoetoe – looking for a suitable venue. Officers informed that Vaka Manuka’u Trust is keen to have a skills shed on their proposed site.</p> <p>All signs to have Te Reo translation – recommend start with existing project – Maori naming of parks and facilities. The names will reflect the history or special feature of the place. The Local Board to invite the Mana Whenua to name a park or place. The Board suggested having a catalogue with photos of park/place with the Maori name and the history of the park/place.</p> <p><b>Honouring Youth and Seniors</b></p> <p>Establishing a local Senior Council – possibly led by Age Concern. The Board suggested to include Vaka Tatua so that the Maori, Pacific and Asian seniors can be included. There are currently senior groups in Otara and Papatoetoe. The Board asked the officers to look at how to establish the Senior Council and would like to see a good mix of ethnicity.</p> <p>Establish a Youth Centre/Hub – looking at Te Puke o Tara once the refurbishment is complete.</p> <p>Greenways – low number of cyclist in our area, what initiatives can we create to assist this issue. Auckland Transport supports learn to ride sessions for both Adults and Children. The Board would like AT to hold these sessions in Otara, Papatoetoe and Manukau.</p> <p><b>Performance measures and levels of service</b></p> <p>PSR – The Board has requested that community groups, schools and churches also be included as they use sportsfield. A survey to find out what the local communities want from the local parks or recreation centres.</p>

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		<p>Community Services – survey of successful community grants applicants and group them according to how many times they have been funded by the Board.</p> <p>Signature Event – The Boar is planning a Diversity Event early next year. The Board also funds Christmas Parade, Waitangi Day and ANAC Day celebrations.</p> <p>Utilisation rates for community centres and venues for hire. The Board wants Community Houses and Arts Centres included.</p> <p>Waste minimisation, zero waste, water quality.</p> <p>The Board has requested for report back regarding the work of Otara Lake Trust.</p> <p>ACE – want to come up with one big idea focused on the Local Board Plan outcome. ACE’s work will contribute to the following outcome areas for Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Empowered, inclusive and prosperous communities</li> <li>• Honouring youth and seniors</li> <li>• Revitalising town centres.</li> </ul> <p>The Board is working with Councillor Collins to open a community kitchen in Otara that came be used to supply food for homeless people and people in need.</p> <p><b>ACE activity to be reduced or stopped list</b>– The Board wants ‘2030 Build capacity: community-led response to alcohol licensing and advertising’ removed from this list.</p> <p>The Board wants the Diversity Event to be based at Hayman Park and run by community group instead of business associations.</p> <p>The Board is supportive of a Place-making Coordinator to work on the ground with the community but wants more information regarding the budget and the job description. The officer informed that the budget will come out of the Board’s community response fund.</p>
<p><b>Tree Planting Programme</b> <i>(Steve Owens)</i></p>	<p>Local initiatives and specific decision</p>	<p>Tree Planting Programme – Planting in our Parks Shades in playgrounds would require larger trees which is more expensive.</p> <p>The Board has the option of selecting of what type of trees they would like to plant, either large trees, fruit</p>

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		<p>trees or thousands of small shrubs, grasses, etc.</p> <p>Large trees to provide shade to playgrounds are the top priority to the Board followed by fruit trees. The Board would also like to see green roofs on top of apartments. The officer suggested that fruit trees can be planted where they can be managed by the community like community gardens. The Board would like evergreen trees so that there is no issue with falling leaves which is causing an issue in the local board area. The Board would like Japanese Cherry Blossom trees planted. The officer informed that the arborist will come up with suggestions of trees and locations.</p> <p>The Board asked about accessing trees for the local board area from the Mayor's Million Trees project. The Board may need to contact the Mayor's office about getting some trees planting in the local board area. The officer will report back to the Board with the options.</p>
<p><b>AT Update</b> <i>(Kenneth Tuai)</i></p>	<p>Local initiatives and specific decision</p>	<p>The Board asked about safe cycling as it currently unsafe to ride on the road with a lot of traffic. The officer informed that cycleways is one of the project of AT but it will take time and a lot of money. AT has plans to put in a cycle and bus lane on Great South Road. Bus lane is top priority as the buses are missing their target of being in time for the trains. The biggest challenge is to find the space to put in a bus and cycle lane on Great South Road as it narrows down to one lane.</p> <p>The Board asked about traffic calming measures that are in place at Mt Eden which makes it safe to cycle. The Board spoke about trialling cycle lanes in the local board area especially near schools. Educating kids about riding safely, using helmets, etc. The officer to find out about it and report back to the Board.</p> <p>The officer presented the projects to be included in the Regional Land Transport Programme. The Board needs to go through the list and let the officer know the projects that they would like to be included in the RLTP.</p> <p>Flatbush Road Trees – This has been an on-going issue with the local residents complaining about falling leaves. AT now has a liaison person who is working on this issue. Any complaints regarding this issue needs to be directed to the liaison person.</p>

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		<p>Currently the arrangement is to have more sweeps and monitor the situation.</p> <p>Officer will hold a site visit of Hunter's corner for the Board members to look at the streetscape.</p> <p>Rongomai Walkway – rough order of cost for a 3m wide concrete path approximately 200m long was presented to the Board.</p> <p>Canopy for Otara Town Centre – The board wants it to be as per the current design which allows light to come through and angled for rain water to drain off. The canopy should beautify the place.</p> <p>Welcome to Otara sign – The board opted for illuminated sign.</p> <p>The Board spoke about a covered walkway overbridge from AUT to Manukau Sports Bowl where students and people can walk and cycle.</p> <p>A shuttle around Manukau that covers all important locations in Manukau like the train station, AUT and the surrounding shopping areas is being planned by Manukau Business Association (MBA) which the Board is supportive of and has requested AT to work with MBA on this.</p> <p>The Board also requested for public transport to Wiri prison from Manukau as currently the buses don't go up to the prison and it is a long walk from where the bus stops.</p>

The workshop concluded at 2.20 pm