

Rodney Local Board supporting information

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 Rodney Local Board

Message from the Chair

I am pleased to present our key priorities for our 2018/2019 local board agreement, for your consideration. These priorities reflect the outcomes and initiatives set out in the new Rodney Local Board Plan 2017.

We want to maintain the momentum started last year by continuing the Rodney Healthy Harbours Fund to provide landowners and community groups with financial assistance to protect and restore the riparian margins of waterways, and completing feasibility studies for priority paths for walking and cycling from our greenways plans.

In 2018/2019 we would like to start the projects you supported through our local board plan. These include developing a masterplan for the future reserve at Green Road in Dairy Flat, contributing to the design of a multisport building at the Warkworth Showgrounds, and funding and supporting community projects to improve our town centres in Warkworth, Helensville, Wellsford and Kumeū/Huapai. If funding is allocated towards the construction of a \$12.5 million indoor courts facility in Huapai, the local board will provide a contribution of \$1 million.

Based on the support received from the local board plan submissions, we investigated options for a targeted rate to bring forward \$41 million worth of investment in transport services and infrastructure in Rodney over the next 10 years. We now seek your feedback on a proposed rate of \$150 per dwelling or business premises per year. This rate would accelerate the delivery of key transport projects - such as park-and-rides in Warkworth and Kumeū/Huapai, improved bus services in Kumeū/Huapai and Riverhead, and additional road sealing and footpaths projects across Rodney.

Now is the time to tell us if you support the priorities we propose for Rodney in 2018/2019 and beyond.

What we propose in your local board area in 2018/2019

In 2018/2019 we plan to invest \$8.1 million to renew and develop assets in your local board area and \$14.4 million to maintain and operate these assets, as well as provide other local initiatives you've told us are important:

- Transport infrastructure has consistently been the top priority for many Rodney residents. In response to community requests, the local board has developed a package of transport projects to bring forward investment in public transport, road sealing and footpaths, decades earlier than planned. This would require the introduction of a targeted rate of \$150 annually per dwelling or business premises¹, or

¹ The targeted rate will apply to each 'Separately Used or Inhabited Part' (SUIP) of a rating unit. This separately identifies for rating purposes both a granny flat and the main house and each shop in a shopping mall.

\$2.90 per week. Over the next 10 years it is anticipated that this will pay for park-and-rides in Warkworth and Kumeū/Huapai, improved bus services in Kumeū and Huapai, a bus service for Riverhead, and additional road sealing and the construction of footpaths across Rodney. For more detail please see [insert link].

- Green Road, Dairy Flat was purchased for a park. Developing a masterplan will guide how the site is used in the future. Public consultation will start in early 2018. This plan will require \$55,000 in 2018/2019.
- It is proposed to complete a single open space management plan, which will guide how all reserves are developed and used in Rodney in the future. Funding of \$80,000 is required in 2018/2019 (and \$40,000 in 2019/2020).
- The community has long desired a multisport facility at the Warkworth Showgrounds, and the local board supports this. The first stage is designing the facility's gym sports component. It is proposed to contribute \$150,000 in 2018/2019 to this design work.
- Support and funding for community town centre initiatives includes projects such as the Huapai Hub and Warkworth riverbank. Progressing these projects and others in Warkworth and Helensville, followed by Wellsford and Huapai, will require \$50,000 in 2018/2019 and over \$800,000 in local capital funding over the next three years.

Our key advocacy project

A key initiative in the local board plan is developing an indoor sports facility in Kumeū /Huapai. The local board is advocating for a local indoor court facility at the Huapai Domain to be delivered in the next three years. The current estimate is that this will cost \$12.5 million with the local board looking to contribute \$1 million of local capital funds towards the project. The local board anticipates that sports groups will contribute community funding towards the overall cost.

What do you think?

'Have we got our priorities right?'

1. Do you support the completion of a concept/ masterplan for the future reserve at Green Road, Dairy Flat?
2. Do you support the local board contributing funding to the design of the future multisport building at the Warkworth Showgrounds?
3. Do you support the local board's continued focus on funding and supporting community projects to improve our town centres?
4. Do you support the local board contributing funding to construct a local indoor court facility at Huapai Domain?
5. Do you support the introduction of an annual targeted rate of \$150 per dwelling or business premises to bring forward improvements in transport services and infrastructure in Rodney earlier than currently planned?