Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board held in the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Office, Shop 17B, 93 Bader Drive, Māngere on Wednesday, 21 February 2018 at 5.00pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson
Lemauga Lydia Sosene
Deputy Chairperson
Togiatolu Walter Togiamua
Members
Tauanu’u Nick Bakulich
Carrol Elliott, JP
Tafafuna’i Tasi Lauese, JP
Christine O’Brien

ABSENT

Makalita Kolo
Cr Alf Filipaina
Cr Efeso Collins
1 Welcome
Togiatolu Walter Togiamua led the meeting in prayer.

2 Apologies
Resolution number MO/2018/1
MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member C Elliott:
That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board accept the apology from Makalita Kolo for absence.
CARRIED

Secretarial Note: Cr Alf Filipaina and Cr Efeso Collins tabled their apologies for absence.

3 Declaration of Interest
There were no declarations of interest.

4 Confirmation of Minutes
Resolution number MO/2018/2
MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua:
That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Wednesday, 13 December 2017, as a true and correct record.
CARRIED

5 Leave of Absence
There were no leaves of absence.

6 Acknowledgements
- The passing of Barry Trevor Thomas (Bear) on 5 January 2018. Barry was an Auckland representative during a Ranfurly Shield era, Member of the NZ Barbarians Rugby Club, Patron of the Manukau Rovers Rugby Club, Captain of the Manukau Rovers Gallagher Shield winning team of 1968. Barry was an All Black no 633 and long time Mangere resident.

- Waste minimisation and innovation funds grant round for Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board Area.
  - Te Wananga o Aotearoa for their project He Kakano – An audit with recommendations to assist Te Wananga o Aotearoa minimise waste to Landfill. A contribution towards the costs of the selected consultants waste audit and report in order to investigate the feasibility of an on-site waste minimisation pilot of Te Wanga o Aotearoa Mangere Campus (Potentially to extend locally, regionally and nationally). Granted $3,535.
  - Papatuanuku Kokiri Marae for their project – Papatuanuku Kokiri Marae para kore evolution and knowledge transfer toa para wehi wehi. A contribution towards utilization of the principles of toa para wehi wehi.
(auditing, advocating, teaching and sharing experiences), and developing para kore within the marae and community. Granted $20,000.

- Mangere East ACCESS Trust for their project organic waste promotion – Mangere East. A contribution towards worm bins in order to introduce a new organic waste system at the trust, reducing domestic and commercial green waste to landfill. Granted $2,173.91.

- Good Seed Trust for their project food gardens, compost bins and worm farms. A contribution towards purchasing worm farms and compost bins to assist with implementation of food gardens at the Mangere ECE Centre, Riverside ECE centre and playgroup. Granted $435.

- Thank you to the Pacific community engagement on the TATAU Pasifika Tatooists bylaw review on the policy.

- Congratulations to Cr Josephine Bartley on her appointment for the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Ward. Cr Bartley was the previous Chair of Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board.

- Congratulations to Dave Pizzini who was appointed to the Manurewa Local Board and Denise Roche who was appointed to the Waitematā Local Board.

7 Petitions

There were no petitions.

8 Deputations

8.1 Deputation - SOUL

The document tabled at the meeting is attached to the back of the minutes.

Resolution number MO/2018/3

MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member C Elliott:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board thanks Brendan Corbett, Delwyne Roberts and the community from Save Our Urban Landscape for their attendance and update.

CARRIED

9 Public Forum

9.1 Public Forum - Mangere Bridge/Coronation Road Issues

Resolution number MO/2018/4

MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member N Bakulich:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board thanks Tim Corbett, Sharryn Park and members of the community from Mangere Bridge/Coronation Road for their attendance and update.

CARRIED
9.2 Public Forum - South Auckland Traditional Country & Western Club
Resolution number MO/2018/5
MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua:
That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board thanks Dave Carson, Kevin Kahi and members from the South Auckland Traditional Country & Western Club for their attendance and update.
CARRIED

10 Extraordinary Business
There was no extraordinary business.

11 Notices of Motion
There were no notices of motion.

12 Local Board Leads and Appointments Report
Resolution number MO/2018/6
MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member C O'Brien:
That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board receive the verbal updates from the local board members.
CARRIED

13 Chairpersons Report and Announcements
Resolution number MO/2018/7
MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member N Bakulich:
That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board receive the verbal update from the Chairperson.
CARRIED

14 Auckland Transport Update - February 2018
Resolution number MO/2018/8
MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member T Lauese:
That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board:
a) note the Auckland Transport’s February 2018 update report.
b) request Auckland Transport investigate the establishment of late night and early morning ‘No Parking’ restrictions on Old Mangere Bridge between the carpark and the boat ramp in order to stop people parking cars, drinking and acting anti-socially in this area.
CARRIED

Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua left the meeting at 6.53 pm during Item 14.
Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua returned to the meeting at 6.56 pm during Item 14.

15 LDI Funding Reallocation Report - Old School Reserve Concept Plan & Play Network Analysis

Resolution number MO/2018/9

MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board:

a) approves reallocation of $12,000 LDI Opex from Teaching Gardens Ōtāhuhu (MO/2016/83) to develop an activation and concept plan for Old School Reserve to incorporate use by the Teaching Gardens Trust and other potential uses.

b) approves reallocation of $20,000 LDI Opex from Planning for Parks Service Provision (MO/2017/114) to the production of a Play Network Analysis.

c) request officers to promptly advise the local board on options for ensuring the effective operation of the Otahuhu Teaching Gardens at Toia.

CARRIED

Member N Bakulich left the meeting at 7.09 pm during Item 15.
Member N Bakulich returned to the meeting at 7.12 pm during Item 15.
Member C Elliott left the meeting at 7.18 pm and was not present for voting for item 15.

16 Māngere Mountain Education Trust Request for LDI Funding

Secretarial Note: Member Lauese voted against Item 16 a) and voted for 16 b).

Resolution number MO/2018/10

MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board:

a) approve $20,000 Locally Driven Initiative Opex funding for Māngere Mountain Education Trust’s Mara Kai Outreach Programme on a one year trial commencing Financial Year 2019 and that this be added to the Parks, Sport and Recreation work programme.

b) declines the request for $30,000 Locally Drive Initiative Capex funding to develop a four cubicle toilet block until further information regarding views of the Maunga Authority, accurate build costs, consequential opex costs and development implications is provided by the Māngere Mountain Education Trust.

CARRIED

Member C Elliott returned to the meeting at 7.23 pm during Item 16.

Secretarial Note: Items 18 and 19 were considered after Item 16.
17  The addition of locally driven initiatives projects to the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board 2017/2018 Community Facilities Work Programme

Resolution number MO/2018/11

MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member N Bakulich:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board:

a) approve up to $8,000 of their LDI capex financial year 2017/2018 budget to install a flagpole at Piki Thompson Way.

b) approve up to $450,000 of their LDI capex financial year 2017/2018 budget for the implementation of the Boggust Park Concept Plan subject to the officers coming back to the local board to confirm the details and prioritisation of what will be delivered.

c) approve up to $300,000 of their LDI capex financial year 2017/2018 budget for the implementation of the Sturges Park Concept Plan subject to the officers coming back to the local board to confirm the details and prioritisation of what will be delivered.

CARRIED

Secretarial Note: Items 17 was considered after Item 19.

18  ATEED six-monthly report to the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board

Resolution number MO/2018/12

MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member C O'Brien:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board receive the six-monthly report period 1 July to 31 December 2017.

CARRIED

Secretarial Note: Items 18 was considered after Item 16.

Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua left the meeting at 7.39 pm during Item 18.
Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua returned to the meeting at 7.41 pm during Item 18.

Member T Lauese left the meeting at 7.42 pm during Item 18 and was not present for voting.

19  The Southern Initiative - Overview of Work

Resolution number MO/2018/13

MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board:

a) receive The Southern Initiative overview of work for 2017/18 financial year.

b) thanks The Southern Initiative for sharing the work programme with the local board for Mangere-Ōtāhuhu and requests regular and ongoing updates on TSI work programme progress.

CARRIED

Member T Lauese returned to the meeting at 7.43 pm during Item 19.
Auckland Council’s Quarterly Performance Report: Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board for Quarter two, 1 October to 31 December 2017

Resolution number MO/2018/14

MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member C O’Brien:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board:

a) receive the performance report for the financial quarter two ending 31 December 2017.

b) approve funding of $510 from the community response fund to complete typesetting of the translated Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Plan into Te Reo Māori.

c) support Papatūānuku Marae as a suitable site to build a seed-raising shed to deliver the Healthy Families backyard garden programme, with a budget of $5000 in the Mara Kai work programme, subject to preparation of a lease and funding agreement.

d) defer consideration of $9000 in the Mara Kai work programme for a funding agreement with the Auckland Teaching Gardens Trust to develop new educational and technology resources at the Old School Garden, subject to further information presented to the local board.

e) request officers to develop options for future use of the Mangere Town Centre office rooms (17R) and report back to the local board, noting the board’s preference to enable families to participate in the services at the town centre.

f) request officers to provide implementation details to the local board on the Youth Scholarship work programme item 633.

CARRIED

Supporting the 2018 Tuia mentoring and leadership development programme of a local young person

Resolution number MO/2018/15

MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board:

a) support the local board chair or deputy chair to participate as a mentor in the Tuia rangatahi leadership development programme for the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board area for 2018.

b) approve up to $3,000 from the community response fund to cover the cost of the local board’s rangatahi attending five three-day wānanga (leadership retreats) as part of their mentoring programme.

CARRIED
22 Local board resolution responses and information report
Resolution number MO/2018/16
MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member C O'Brien:
That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board:
 a) notes the memo on the process to extend the alcohol ban at Māngere Bridge.
 b) notes the update memo on 161 Robertson Road, Māngere from Panuku Development Auckland.
CARRIED

23 Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Workshop Notes
Resolution number MO/2018/17
MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member N Bakulich:
That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board receive the workshop notes from the workshops held on 6 December 2017 and 31 January 2018.
CARRIED

24 Governance Forward Work Calendar
Resolution number MO/2018/18
MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Member C O'Brien:
That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board notes the Governance Forward Work Calendar.
CARRIED

25 Manukau Ward Councillors Update
Ngā tūtohunga / Recommendation/s
There were no Councillors in attendance.
26 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

Member Bakalich closed the meeting in prayer.

8.50pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD AT A MEETING OF THE MĀNGERE-ŌTĀHUHU LOCAL BOARD HELD ON

DATE:..............................................................................................................

CHAIRPERSON:..........................................................................................
Item 8.1 SOUL Document

Report by the SOUL Delegation to Local Board Meeting 21 Feb 2018
Presented by Brendan Corbett and Delwyne Roberts on behalf of Save Our Unique Landscape (SOUL)
1. Introduction:
This report concerns SOULs efforts to #Protecthumātao for future generations. The issues raised here correspond to planned outcomes, objectives and key initiatives stated in the 2017 Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board plan, in particular:

Outcome 3: Protecting our natural environment and heritage.
Objective: Local heritage is protected, enhanced and recognised.
Key initiative: Identify further actions from the heritage survey of historic buildings and sites, for example, signage to explain our heritage.

Outcome 5: Facilities to meet diverse needs.
Objective: Existing facilities, parks and open spaces are high-quality, well maintained and are accessible to diverse users.
Key initiative: Fund enhanced maintenance for Otatara Stonefields Historic Reserve.

All matters in this report are of high priority and we note areas requiring immediate attention. The report makes sad reading and failure to take action could reflect poorly on the Board. We are fast approaching confrontation on the land but doing everything we can to prevent it.

2. Political engagement – IMMEDIATE ACTION NEEDED
SOUL has requested a meeting on the land with the Prime Minister, Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern, who has a portfolio responsibility for heritage matters, the Minister of Conservation, Hon. Eugenie Sage, and the Minister of Housing and Land Development, Hon Phil Twyford. We intend to invite the Deputy Prime Minister, Rt. Hon. Winston Peters, recognising that our parliament is constituted by a coalition government, and we hope the Minister of Māori Development, Hon. Nanaia Mahuta, will come along with others who have expressed interest. Our purpose is to discuss the crisis related to SHA62 and suggest a way forward in an attempt to create a process that will achieve an outcome all parties can live with and, importantly, avert a confrontation on the land.

Our local MP, now a government minister, Hon. Aupito William Sio, has agreed to facilitate this meeting. He has stated he will stand in front of the bulldozers with his constituents, if necessary. We request Local Board representation at the meeting with Ministers, preferably the Chair. The problem is as much national and regional as it is local but strong local leadership is crucial to a successful outcome.

Proposed action: Confirm that the Local Board Chair (or her representative) will be available to attend a meeting with Ministers on the land (date to be advised) and speak to wider community opposition related to the proposed development and being shut out of the decision-making process.

3. Rennie Block – IMMEDIATE ACTION NEEDED
SOUL has been advised that the Rennie Block, which was purchased by Manukau City Council to be included in the Otatara Stonefields Historic Reserve and is adjacent to SHA 62, has been rezoned to "future urban". We are deeply concerned about possible development plans. Hon. Aupito William Sio agrees that the Rennie Block needs to be part of the solution to the SHAS62 crisis. We need our Local Board to advocate strongly to Council for this happen.

Proposed action: Address this matter with Auckland Council as a matter of urgency. Advocate for the Rennie Block to become part of the Council’s contribution to resolving
the crisis associated with SHA62. Remind the Council of its obligation to honour the original intentions for this land (that it would become part of the Reserve’s future).

4. Management of the Otuataua Stonefields Historic Reserve – IMMEDIATE ACTION NEEDED

The Otuataua Stonefields Historic Reserve (the Reserve) is showing significant signs of poor management, including overgrown grass and a plethora of weeds. When problems appear, such as a broken gate, people are advised to contact the Council helpline. Some time ago SOUL discovered that the current management plan for the Reserve was well over a decade old. Also, under Manukau City Council, the Reserve had designated funding but, with the advent of the super city, this allocation was lost and the funds were swallowed up into a consolidated budget. The Council seems unaware that this Reserve is not like other parks across the region. It has special heritage status. We have applied for its status to be upgraded and that decision is pending. The stonefields and archaeological sites will degrade if not properly managed. A ‘hands-off’ approach is not a proper way to manage an historic reserve.

Proposed action: Address the inadequate management of the Otuataua Stonefields Historic Reserve with Auckland Council and argue strongly for a complete review of the current management policy, plans, operations and budget. The review must include consultation with those who know it best and longest: mana whenua and respected archaeologists Dave Yeart and Ian Lawlor, who were part of its original advisory group.

5. Legal action with Heritage New Zealand

Four parties, including SOUL, have initiated legal action in the Environment Court, objecting to the archaeological authority issued by Heritage New Zealand to Fletcher Building allowing it to modify or destroy archaeological sites on the land. Attempts at mediation in January 2018 failed and the matter is now before the Court. This is the final step available in legal action, so we need to urgently progress political discussions.

Proposed action: Advise SOUL how the Board can show support.

6. Funding issues

6.1 Long Term Planning Process

At a meeting last year SOUL was advised by local politicians to put a proposal to the Local Board for a financial contribution towards the purchase of SHA62 as part of the LTP process. But there has been no follow-up and we now seek a status report.

Proposed action: Provide a status report to SOUL on that proposal.

6.2 Airport Shares

At a meeting last year, also attended by the Local Board Chair, Hon Aupito William Sio suggested that Auckland Airport share income should be earmarked for South Auckland initiatives including the preservation of the Ihumātao landscape. He noted that Manukau City had chosen not to divest itself of these shares and intended to use them to support local initiatives, recognising that our communities bear the brunt of the Airport’s presence. It is unclear what has happened to the income from these Auckland Airport shares, but this income should be set aside for projects that enhance our South Auckland landscape and grow opportunities for our people/communities. This
income, if ring-fenced, could provide a crucial sustainable funding stream for the ongoing maintenance plan of the Ihumātao landscape.

Proposed action: Clarify with Council what has happened to income from Auckland Airport shares and argue strongly that it be earmarked as a sustainable funding stream for the ongoing protection of the Ihumātao landscape because the airport bores down on it and the new runway will take it and its aircraft noise closer to it.

7. Visitor Needs
The SOUL Campaign has stimulated significant visitor interest in the Otatara Stonefields Historic Reserve and educational activities at Kaitiaki Village. Council also actively promotes the area to visitors. In the first three months of 2017, over 1000 school students visited the area and were given guided tours by SOUL supporters. Interest continued throughout the year. Four schools have already booked tours for early 2018. In February 2018 a Heritage Rescue Programme film crew also filmed an episode for television, which will draw further attention.

7.1. Toilet facilities – IMMEDIATE ACTION NEEDED
There are no toilet facilities at the main entrance of the Otatara Stonefields Historic Reserve. A temporary arrangement is urgently required and needs to be properly maintained. A permanent structure would be inappropriate at this time given the current controversy, so we suggest two portable composting toilets.

Proposed action: Address the urgent need for a temporary toilet arrangement and maintenance plan for it.

7.2. Signage and direction finders
The whole Ihumātao landscape is lacking in educative signage and direction finders. This matter pertains not only to the Otatara Stonefields Historic Reserve but also to the neighbouring maunga and the rare natural wonder known as the Fossil Forest. Also, there are no connections drawn to the relationship of this landscape with the Māngere Mountain/Māngere Mountain Education Centre. There are no direction finders from the airport to lead visitors to the Otatara Stonefields Historic Reserve. Also, this area is part of the Te Araroa Trail but there is no signage to indicate this or to guide visitors.

Proposed action: Review signage in the area and direction finders, and create a proposal in consultation with mana whenua, SOUL, Māngere Mountain Education Centre, the Airport and other interested parties. A local Board funding allocation will be needed for this project.

In particular, the new sign installed last year at the entrance of the Otatara Stonefields Historic Reserve is pointing in the wrong direction and confusing visitors. It talks about Otatara but faces Puketepapa. This sign does not mention other hapū who settled in the area. It overlooks significant heritage information such as the confiscation that drove mana whenua from their lands. Ignoring to mention this event, in particular, gives a “whitewashed” version of what was, in fact, a terribly traumatic period in New Zealand history.
**Proposed action:** Review the sign’s wording and consult more widely to ensure more comprehensive information is provided. Also, reposition the sign so it is facing the maunga it is talking about.

7.3. Education planning and funding
Coupled with the above, is the need for a Local Board funding allocation for education activities at Oruatau. We are aware of other related education work underway at the Māngere Mountain Education Centre, which needs to be considered and linked together, as part of long term planning. Because of SOUL’s current (unfunded) engagement with visitors, we want to contribute to this future planning. This matter needs proper consideration alongside the future of the land currently threatened by development.

**Proposed action:** Indicate how the Board will begin to progress this matter.

8. Related matters
8.1. Structure Plan
In 2012 the Environment Court recommended that a Structure Plan be developed for the Ihumātāo area and include protections against adverse traffic impacts arising from new developments particularly with respect to the amenities and safety of the local papakāinga. Over many years Makaurau Marae has lobbied for traffic safety measures (such as judder bars and chicanes) but without success. The papakāinga at Ihumātāo is fast becoming exposed to high traffic flow of heavy and light vehicles supporting local industry. A traffic plan is urgently needed to divert heavy vehicles and excessive commercial traffic away from the centre of the papakāinga. Traffic slowing/calming measures are also urgently required.

**Proposed action:** Check the status of this planning work. What has Auckland Council done to enforce the Court’s recommendation? Is there a structure plan for the Ihumātāo area and if not, why not?

8.2. Oruarangi Awa
In relation to Oruarangi Awa, there is a concept – ma uta ki tai – (from river source to the sea) that is widely evoked in kaitiaki work with rivers by many Māori communities. This holistic framing speaks to the need to think about the health of a waterway at catchment level, which supports the notion of the river/catchment as a living entity and has created the precedent of the Whangapai Awa attaining the status of a legal person. Such an approach properly negotiated with mana whenua and applied to Oruarangi Awa might help to provide new ways of thinking about what is at stake at Ihumātāo where the land we are fighting for feeds tributaries to the river, emphasising that land and water cannot be meaningfully separated. Currently there is enormous harm to the river from historic and ongoing abuse. It is wounded and ill, but there is enormous resilience in these systems that mean that different approaches can produce sensational results. The current climate with the new Government provides a moment in which such changes may take root and thrive if the seed is planted by the local community through our political representatives, the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board.

The river bed of the Oruarangi Awa is in the ownership of Watercare. We understand that the awa bed in the tidal zone will revert to Māori ownership at an unknown date. This zone receives stormwater from Auckland International Airport Limited’s development ‘The Landing’, Sistema area, and SHA62, plus the stormwater from the Airport Oaks, Villa Maria and Pavilion Drive areas.
Given the unfortunate 2013 dye spill into a stormwater drain, we would suggest re-activating the Industrial Pollution Prevention Project (IPPP) to educate industrial workers in these areas. This initiative could be developed in partnership with community volunteers. Also, we are concerned at the ongoing loss of natural wetlands and channels, shrinking the local aquatic habitat, and their partial replacement with swales and constructed ponds. We recognise, and the Board must too, that there are consultation issues creating problems at a local level but an opportunity for meaningful engagement needs to be given to all affected Māori, to express their concerns and interests on these waterway issues.

Proposed action:
Work with mana whenua and the local community to elaborate and institute a ‘ma uta ki tai’ approach aimed at protecting and restoring the mauri of Orurangi Awa.

Seek a status report from relevant parties (McDonald Assoc./Auckland Council etc) on the development of the Ihumātao Catchment Management Plan.

Ask those responsible to consider reactivating the Industrial Pollution Protection Project, ensuring that business owners on Auckland International Airport Land developments beside Orurangi Road are visited.

Question the need to eliminate natural channels and wetlands, and review instructions for Council maintenance contractors – protocols should preclude clearing vegetation from stream margins.

Thank you for considering our report and presentation. We look forward to working with all stakeholders to find a positive outcome at Ihumātao that will see the preservation and protection of the landscape there.