

Ōrākei 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 Ōrākei Local Board

Message from the Chair

This year's local board agreement will be the first year for the 10-year Budget, and the first year for our Ōrākei Local Board Plan 2017. We will continue to deliver the projects previously initiated, with a strong focus on the environment. As always, we work within a tight financial envelope and want to ensure the best value for money for our residents.

We maintain the importance of well-connected communities, as you will see in our key advocacy project. We believe our projects for 2018/2019 will continue to improve the health of both our residents and environment, which should be viewed hand in hand. We have been listening to your feedback for the last eight years and this year we are not proposing any major changes to our work programme. However, we seek your input once again to ensure we are on the right track.

We look forward to hearing your views.

Colin Davis

Chairman

Ōrākei Local Board

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

Our focus for 2018/2019 is continuing to deliver the projects and priorities you have asked for during past consultations, including the development of our local board plan in 2017.

In 2018/2019 we plan to invest \$8.5 million to renew and develop assets in our local board area and \$13.6 million to maintain and operate these assets as well as prioritise other local initiatives. Our key projects for this year include:

- Design a north-south connection from Stonefields to St Johns/Glen Innes as a shared space for walkers, cyclists and vehicles through Colin Maiden Park
- Improved walking routes, pest management and native planting, for Kepa Bush and the Pourewa Valley environs
- Develop a Local Healthy Waterways Plan to improve waterways and stormwater infrastructure throughout the Ōrākei Local Board area
- To identify and improve the amenity and functionality of local centres taking into consideration nearby commercial or residential development opportunities

- Improve Tamaki Drive for all users leveraging off planned projects and ~~visitors to~~ events, such as those identified in the Tamaki Drive Masterplan and possibly the Americas Cup.

Our key advocacy project

In addition, we are advocating for a walking and cycling linkage from Gowing Drive in Meadowbank, joining to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path. The linkage would connect the communities of Meadowbank/St Johns and Kohimarama/Mission Bay to each other, as well as decrease the number of vehicles on St Johns and Kohimarama roads. This would also provide many students a more direct and safe option to travel to school.

Construction of the link is expected to cost approximately \$6.3million with \$2million to be funded by the Ōrākei Local Board, and the remainder to be funded between the Auckland Council Governing Body and NZ Transport Agency.

We propose that the design and ~~purchase of land~~ planning of the link would take place during 2018 with the link being built in 2019. For some time this project has been widely supported by residents in the Ōrākei Local Board area and the local board received further support during the Ōrākei Local Board Plan 2017 consultation.

What do you think?

'Have we got our priorities right?'

- Do you support our priority advocacy project for a linkage at Gowing Drive to improve accessibility and safety for students and commuters?
- Which of our local centres do you see as being a priority for enhancement, such as quality urban design, beautification and creating a sense of belonging for all residents?
 - Ellerslie
 - St Heliers
 - Lunn Avenue
 - Meadowbank
 - Ōrākei (i.e. Kepa/Kupe Intersection)
 - Remuera
 - Other (Please specify)
- What is your number one improvement project for Tamaki Drive to assist us in making this strategic road work better for our residents?
- Do you support our focus on Kepa Bush and Pourewa Valley for ecological restoration and better accessibility? Are there any other ecological areas which should be enhanced?
- Do you support a safe, shared space for all road users through Colin Maiden Park?