

Whau Local Board Workshop Record

Record of the Whau Local Board workshop held 7 March 2018 at Whau Local Board boardroom, 31 Totara Avenue, New Lynn, Auckland 0600

PRESENT

Chairperson: Tracy Mulholland

Members: Catherine Farmer
Derek Battersby, QSM, JP
Te'eva Matafai
David Whitley
Duncan Macdonald, JP

Apologies: Susan Zhu (deputy chair)

Notes: Meeting opened by Chair at 10.25am.

Workshop Item	Proposed Outcome(s)
Administration	Board administration & upcoming events/meetings Last workshop's draft record
Item 1 - LTP update Governance role: Keeping Informed	Presenter: Michelle Hutchinson Members received an update on upcoming LTP engagement events. It was noted that two board members were not satisfied with the council's approach towards feedback given by the community at the engagement events and wanted to note that the council CCOs should be more responsive towards resident's issues.
Item 2 - Archibald Park - draft plans Governance role: Engagement	Presenters: Amy Wright, Thomas Dixon, Pippa Sommerville, Ian Lamont <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Members received an update on the draft plans of Archibald Park. Public feedback identified barbecues, covers, performance areas, basketball & fitness, playgrounds Manawhenua feedback includes environment – also touched on community aspects. Also mentioned transport and getting people healthy. Proposed design included options like off-road learn to ride facility (towards the northern side), natural elevation for events with water and power facilities (to host events like Movies in Parks), playground areas for toddlers and young children along with picnic areas. Recommendation to support development of pontoon and new waka storage at the same site, complimented by Te Whau Pathway which runs along the edge of the park. It was noted that better drainage is required for the whole park and such a project could be rolled out in the future to address shortage of sportsfields regionally. Meantime, drainage around the proposed playground is in the form of swales. Members requested that cost benefit analysis to be done for this project.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Several options were also suggested as feedback from members including adult fitness, parking provision as that area is not well connected via public transport, shaded area is needed for playground (needs to be substantial shade), high area/structure in the playground which is visible from the road and kids can climb up to see water, it was suggested that maori and pacific communities can be consulted on design of pillars of that high structure. • Noted that the proposed design will encourage walking and cycling and staff to go ahead with consultation focussing on stage one (not on detailed plans). • It was noted that the concept plan will go out for public consultation and staff will come back to board workshop only if there is significant change.
<p>Item 3 - Brains Park - draft plans Governance role: Engagement</p>	<p>Presenters: Pippa Sommerville, Amy Wright, Ian Lamont, Thomas Dixon</p> <p>Members received an update on the draft plans for Brains Park. The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed path needs to be wide enough to encourage all users (cycles, prams, joggers etc). • Proposed community garden area with fruit trees will need some kind of guidelines/information to make ethics of fruit picking clear to the community. Community needs to be involved in planning of the garden without giving them sense of ownership. • Members noted their concerns regarding free WiFi as this might reduce active play. • It was noted that the concept plan will go out for public consultation and staff will come back to board workshop only if there is significant change.
<p>Item 4 - Crum park planning and activation Governance role: Engagement</p>	<p>Presenters: Esther Hjelmstrom, Thomas Dixon, Pippa Sommerville, Ian Lamont</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members received an update on the draft plans and activation programme for Crum Park. Public feedback received via consultation included improvements to existing facilities, frisbee golf course, exercise stations, flying fox, community garden/fruit trees, off leash dog area, shelter on lower fields, improved seating and lighting etc. • It was noted that the concept plan will go out for public consultation and staff will come back to board workshop only if there is significant change.

<p>Item 5 - Green Bay Park planning and activation Governance role: Engagement</p>	<p>Presenters: Esther Hjelmstrom, Thomas Dixon, Pippa Sommerville, Ian Lamont</p> <p>Members received an update on the draft plans and activation program for Green Bay.</p> <p>GREEN BAY DOMAIN:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was noted that Godley Road and Cliff View Drive are proposed Greenways routes within the Whau Neighbourhood Greenways Plan. A shared path connection will make it usable in all weather and encourage walking and cycling. • Members supported the concept plan and asked for better signage to make people aware of the connection as park is not visible from Godley rd. • Proposed concept plan includes upgrading existing path to a greenway width (2.5-3m), enhanced planting, diversify and extend play area, improving amenities and events in park to activate it.
	<p>GODLEY GREEN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members suggested options include splash and play, exercise equipments, fencing of park and picnic area. <p>BARRON GREEN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members suggested improved access way, more seating and incorporate playarea. It was noted that members would like officers to consult with Green Bay Community House about activating this area. <p>GREEN BAY COMMUNITY CORNER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members suggested opening up the Godley Road site (by clearing vegetation) to improve visibility and accessibility and putting a fence up to improve safety. • Options of low planting including some fruit tree planting, elderly play equipments were also put forward by some members. • It was noted that the area has got a rehab house and complaints of intimidation and other anti-social behaviour have been filed by residents. • It was noted that members will need to forward any feedback to senior local board advisor who will compile and forward it to staff.
<p>Item 6 - Network Discharge consent Governance role: Keeping Informed</p>	<p>Presenter: Mark Allen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members received general background on the publicly notified Network Discharge Consent (NDC). Process for local board to provide views and feedback was also discussed. It was noted that the consent was from Healthy Waters (not Watercare) as it relates to storm water not wastewater. • Members supported that a letter from the board reaffirming board's position and highlight flooding events in Whau area in past year.
<p>Item 7 - Community Places/Venue Hire Governance role: Local initiative / preparing for specific decisions</p>	<p>Presenters: Rosetta Mamea</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members supported the proposed policy/direction from staff around priority rates and fees and charges for community places/venue hire. • It was noted that currently cost to serve is \$2 per household in Whau area. • No change was proposed for fees and charges.

<p>Item 8 - Healthy Food and Beverage Governance role: Engagement</p>	<p>Presenters: Kerry Allan (Healthy Families Manager – Sports Waitakere), Michele Eickstaedt – Sports Waitakere</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members received an introduction to sports waitakere’s initiative ‘We Choose Water’. They are working with schools to drive change in kids; members supported this in principle as promotion of water is healthy. • It was noted that senior local board advisor will work with members to provide feedback to Sports Waitakere and will arrange for another workshop.
<p>Item 9 - Grants programme 2018/19 Governance role: Local initiative / preparing for specific decisions</p>	<p>Presenter: Marion Davies, Lincoln Papali’I, Frances Hayton</p> <p>New grants programme for next financial year was discussed with members. The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customer satisfaction survey for last year was up by 4% with very satisfied 10% up. • It was noted that the new webpage is easier to use with simplified application form. • Members asked staff to add a clause to not fund a application for a project if the same project is getting funded by board’s LDI. • Updated draft programme will come to local board.

The workshop closed at 2.45pm