**Kaipātiki Local Board**

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Kaipātiki Local Board update
Councillors Chris Darby and Richard Hills

18 April 2018

29 THOUSAND HAVE THEIR SAY

March was ‘Have Your Say’ month, with all of Council seeking feedback on both the 10-year Budget and Auckland Plan Refresh. The goal of 10,000-15,000 pieces of feedback was well exceeded, with 26,000 pieces received across the 29 days via more than 90 events across the region. Teams are now working on summarising the comments and feedback.

We’re now well into the ‘deliberations on consultation feedback’ stage, and local and regional workshops will be held to discuss themes, budget issues, implications, and trade-offs. By considering Auckland in both the short and long term, we’ll be well placed to use all information received to finalise both the 10-year budget and Auckland Plan.

UPGRADING SULPHUR POINT SECURITY AND SAFETY

Late last year, we were contacted by residents of Sulphur Pt, concerned at the level of drunkenness, vandalism, littering and lack of safety on Sulphur Point Road, particularly in the carpark beside the Harbour Bridge.

We arrange for local residents to meet with Police, who have consequently increased surveillance of the area.

Community Facilities will soon be renewing the area, which will help to rectify some of the challenges that local residents face. Their proposal, which they will work with you on, includes upgrading the car park area and surfaces, installing a security barrier and providing additional rubbish bins.

While we have asked for budget to be moved forward, it is still unavailable until next year. However, we’ve worked with Community Facilities to see if the barrier arm could be completed earlier, within existing budget. They will work alongside you and NZTA, Panuku and AT to find the best location for this.

NZTA has also confirmed with us that the broken wooden barrier will be replaced with a new, concrete barrier running alongside the motorway. Letters to boat locker holders will be sent out this week advising of the works and the expected timeframes.
We recently met with Carol Ryan and the team at Hearts & Minds in Northcote. Carol and her team updated us on the community work they’re undertaking, their coming plans, and we had some lengthy chats about funding structures.

It’s always a pleasure to share morning tea with Carol and her team, and to hear about the great work they’re doing in Kaipatiki.

A SUMMIT FOR SMARTER CITIES

In late March, Cr Darby attended the 2018 Smart City Mayor’s Summit and Expo in Taipei. The summit enables like-minded cities to compare approaches, learnings and interests in order to better design our future cities.

The summit attracted 300 delegates, from 120 cities in 50 countries. In total, 150,000 people attended the expo, with 1,512 being international visitors. Cr Darby presented to the summit on developing sustainable cities that connect with industries, and joined a number of panels to discuss common issues and proposed solutions.

The trip, which was funded by the Taiwan Economic and Cultural Office, also enabled exploration of Taiwan’s bike share scheme, sustainable private business practices and urban design.

CR HILLS SPEAKS AT AUCKLAND CLIMATE CHALLENGE

Cr Hills recently attended AUT to present to the Auckland Climate Challenge group on the power of youth in politics at the group’s first conference.

A youth for youth project, which includes many young people forming the North Shore, Auckland Climate Challenge started in 2015. Cr Hills’ presentation looked into the power of a collective youth voice, ways to become involved in politics and issues of interest, and how methods of political participation have changed over time.

Cr Hills also covered key projects of Council’s Empowerment unit, angled towards increasing participation and awareness of young people in areas such as select committees, liquor licensing and providing feedback on measures to address the use of synthetics.

CATCHING UP WITH COMMUNITY CONSTABLES

A recent catch-up with the Waitemata Police District Community Constables proved useful on both ends, with Cr Darby raising road safety as a key area of focus, especially following the previous day’s Local Government Road Safety Summit with Minister Julie-Anne Genter. This also followed the tragic news of a pedestrian fatality that morning, of a Council staff member and the seventh North Shore road death since January 1.

The Police responded with detail of the new Road Safety Strategy with a zero deaths focus. Other items included supporting youth and their success stories, the establishment of a new youth services team, homelessness, drug-use in public carparks and community housing for those on probation. Of particular interest was the discussion of a new Police training facility on the North Shore, removing the need for new recruits to travel to Porirua.

Cr Darby has instigated a six-monthly catch-up with the North Shore Area Commander and all Community Constables in the North Shore ward. Both he and Cr Hills invite the DTLB chair to attend the next meeting with them.