

## **Waitākere Ranges Local Board Grants Programme 2018/2019**

Our Local Grants Programme aims to provide contestable and discretionary community grants to local communities

### **Outcomes sought from the local grants programme**

Our grants programme will be targeted towards supporting the following outcomes, as outlined in our local board plan:

- People actively protect the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area
- Our unique natural habitats are protected and enhanced
- Local communities feel good about where they live
- People experience local arts and culture, and recognise our heritage.

### **Our priorities for grants**

The Waitākere Ranges Local Board welcomes grant applications for projects, events and activities that align with one or more of the following priorities:

#### **People celebrate, enhance and protect the Waitākere Ranges heritage area's special character**

- Create greater awareness of the values and heritage features of the heritage area and help residents and visitors understand their duty of care for the fragile heritage area
- Support mana whenua and local communities to protect, and tell the stories of, cultural and historic sites of importance
- Promote, preserve and restore our distinctive historic and cultural places.

#### **Protect and enhance our unique natural habitats**

- Protect marine and coastal environments, and support ecological protection and restoration initiatives for our vulnerable native species
- Enable community-based weed and animal pest control on public and private property
- Implement Kauri dieback awareness raising and action
- Improve water quality in coastal lagoons and harbours
- Carry out weed removal, focusing on areas identified in the [Waitākere Ranges Strategic Weed Plan](#)
- Inspire and support residents and visitors to make everyday sustainable living choices and reduce factors that contribute negatively to climate change.

## **Local communities are resilient, empowered and connected**

- Organise community events and activities that celebrate our diverse local identities and bring people together
- Support our communities to be healthy and safe and people feel that they are valued, connected and belong
- Encourage people to enjoy community spaces, parks, sports and recreation facilities
- Promote healthy lifestyle choices and provide sporting opportunities
- Inspire the community to be more active and make best use of our walkways and cycleways
- Empower young people to realise their full potential and develop their leadership talent and job skill set
- Enable and support Mana whenua and mataawaka to achieve their aspirations.
- Support communities to lead their own place-making initiatives.

## **People experience local arts and culture, and recognise our cultural and historic heritage**

- Support arts and cultural activities that create a sense of place, interest and local identity
- Promote arts programmes that include emerging talent and creatives
- Value and support our talented local artists and showcase their work
- Increase opportunities for Maori arts and cultural expression
- Protect key local sites of cultural and historic importance and tell their stories
- Hold heritage events which celebrate the past, present and future.

### *Note:*

- These priorities relate to the local board outcomes outlined in the [Waitākere Ranges Local Board Plan 2017](#)
- All applications are expected to demonstrate how their project will positively contribute to one or more of the local board plan outcomes
- All applications will be assessed on their own merits.

## **Higher Priority for support**

- Waitākere Ranges Local Board will prioritise applications which commit to the Smokefree Policy and healthy food provision for events and projects
- The local board will also support applications which encourage waste minimisation and endorse zero waste practices.

## **Lower priority and exclusions**

In addition to eligibility criteria outlined on the Community Grants Policy, Waitākere Ranges Local Board will not fund events that promote a brand or company advertising alcohol or fast food, particularly if the event has children and young people participating.

Please refer to the [Community Grants Policy](#): “Scope and eligibility” for general eligibility criteria:

- Ineligible applicants – Paragraph 78
- What we won't fund – Paragraphs 84-86

- Lower priority – Paragraphs 87-88

## Investment approach

The Waitākere Ranges Local Board has identified the following grant types:

- Quick Response Grants: maximum amount per grant up to \$1,500
- Local Grants: grants over \$1,500

## Application Dates

Grant rounds for 2018/2019 will be as follows:

### *Quick Response*

2018/2019 funding rounds	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round One	20 August 2018	14 September 2018	11 October 2018	22 October 2018
Round Two	15 October 2018	9 November 2018	13 December 2018	17 December 2018
Round Three	22 April 2019	17 May 2019	13 June 2019	24 June 2019

### *Local Grants*

2018/2019 funding rounds	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round one	25 June 2018	3 August 2018	27 September 2018	1 October 2018
Round two	18 February 2019	29 March 2019	23 May 2019	1 June 2019

## Multi-board funding

Waitākere Ranges Local Board will also consider funding multi-board grant applications in collaboration with other local boards. Applicants will need to clearly demonstrate how their intended project, event and/or activities will specifically benefit people and communities in the Waitākere Ranges Local Board area.

2018/2019 Multi-board funding rounds	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round one	18 June 2018	17 August 2018	27 September 2018	1 October 2018
Round two	21 January 2019	22 March 2019	23 May 2019	1 June 2019

## **Accountability Measures**

The Waitākere Ranges Local Board requires that all successful applicants:

- Complete and submit accountability report by the due date, proving that the grant has been used to deliver the set outcomes and objectives
- Provide all required receipts and sufficient photos for the implemented activities on the grant's accountability report
- Include local board logo on publicity and signage and display of Waitākere Ranges Local Board branding whenever appropriate in accordance with Council's brand guidelines
- Acknowledge the Waitākere Ranges Local Board as a supporter in media releases or other communication to the public
- Extend an Invitation to the local board members for any event or function funded.