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## **Draft Auckland Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018 – Briefing Report on feedback received from the Manurewa Local Board Area**

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### **Purpose**

To summarise feedback received from residents of the Manurewa Local Board area on the draft Auckland Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018.

### **Executive Summary**

Overall, 112 submissions were received on the draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018 from the Manurewa Local Board area. This represented five per cent of the total submissions received. Responses suggested that the majority of submitters supported the overall direction of the draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan with:

- 80 per cent supporting expanding council's focus to non-domestic waste
- 84 per cent supporting working with businesses to reduce construction and demolition, plastic and organic waste
- 84 per cent supporting the expansion of the council's network of Community Recycling Centres
- 84 per cent supporting advocacy for product stewardship and container deposit schemes

Submitters also included comments on key topics of interest, such as, the problems of illegal dumping, support for a food scraps collection and a focus on education, particularly for children.

### **Context**

This report is provided to the Manurewa Local Board summarising the consultation feedback received on the draft Auckland Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018 from the Manurewa Local Board area. The report covers the key consultation topics raised, primarily, through feedback form.

This report only covers formal submissions received by 28 March 2018. Late or informal submissions have not been included in the analysis due to time constraints.

Waste-related feedback given through the Long-term Plan 2012-2028 consultation process is not described in this report. This is covered in Attachment A which summarises all feedback received from the board area on the long-term plan, including on waste issues.

The final Auckland Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018 will be approved by Environment and Community Committee on 12 June 2018.

### **Overview of submissions**

At the close of the submission period on 28 March 2018, 6,758 submissions had been received online and in hard copy form. Ninety six submissions were provided in the form of videos and drawings.

Of these written submissions, 4,605 were pro formas from the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance. The pro forma submissions from the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance did not answer feedback form questions and did not include an address. Their responses are, therefore, not included in the statistics for the Manurewa Local Board area shown below.

### Submissions by Board Area

The breakdown of submissions by board area is shown below in Table 1. Of these, 112 (five per cent) were from Manurewa Local Board area.

**Table 1: Breakdown by local board area**

Local board	Number of submitters	Percentage of submitters
Albert-Eden Local Board	172	8%
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	97	5%
Franklin Local Board	57	3%
Great Barrier Local Board	7	0%
Henderson-Massey Local Board	99	5%
Hibiscus and Bays Local Board	114	5%
Howick Local Board	173	8%
Kaipātiki Local Board	97	5%
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board	51	2%
Manurewa Local Board	112	5%
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board	100	5%
Ōrākei Local Board	85	4%
Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board	50	2%
Papakura Local Board	68	3%
Puketāpapa Local Board	35	2%
Rodney Local Board	190	9%
Upper Harbour Local Board	57	3%
Waiheke Local Board	75	3%
Waitākere Ranges Local Board	96	4%

Local board	Number of submitters	Percentage of submitters
Waitematā Local Board	130	6%
Whau Local Board	88	4%
Regional	1	0%
Not Supplied (non ARA)	174	8%
Outside Auckland	25	1%
*Not Supplied ARA	4,605	

### Breakdown by submission type - Regional

As Tables Two and Three show, submissions were received in various forms, including the feedback form (on-line and written), long-form submissions, pro forma submissions and informal submissions including videos and drawings.

**Table 2 – Regional breakdown by formal submission type**

Formal submission type	Number of submissions	Percentage of submissions
Council's submission feedback form (online and hard copy)	1,834	27%
Long form submissions	80	1%
Pro forma - Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance	4,605	68%
Pro forma submissions (non-Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance)	239	4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,758*</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Table 3 – Regional types of informal submissions**

Informal submission type*	Number of comments
Videos and drawings	96
Other informal submissions	1,478
Have your say event feed back	449

Informal submission type*	Number of comments
Total	2023

## Responses to Consultation Questions for the Manurewa Local Board area

The consultation feedback form asked respondents to answer seven questions. Responses to each from residents of the Manurewa Local Board area are summarised below in Tables Four and Five.

**Table 4. Priority outcomes for residents of the Manurewa Local Board area**

Question	Response	% submissions local board	% submissions regional
1. Auckland Council is responsible for managing and minimising waste across the region. When we make decisions about waste, <b>which outcomes are most important to you.</b> (Please select up to 3 options.)	Delivering value for money for ratepayers and Aucklanders	12%	14%
	Reliability of collection services	14%	9%
	Reducing waste to landfill and carbon emissions	24%	26%
	Reducing environmental and marine pollution	18%	26%
	Tidy public places	20%	13%
	Creating jobs in resource recovery and processing industries	10%	9%
	Other	2%	3%

Results showed that the highest priorities for residents of the Manurewa Local Board area were reducing waste to landfill and carbon emissions and tidy public places. The lowest priority was creating jobs in resource recovery and processing industries.

**Table Five. Support for key directions in draft plan**

Question	Response	% submissions local board	% submissions regional
2. In the last plan, we focused mostly on our services to households, which handle around 20 per cent of the waste that goes to landfill. Now <b>we want to expand our waste minimisation efforts to include the 80 per cent of waste that comes from businesses and commercial activities.</b> What do you think of this approach and why?	Strongly agree	47%	57%
	Agree	33%	27%
	Neutral	7%	5%
	Disagree	3%	2%
	Strongly disagree	6%	5%
	Don't know	5%	2%
3. The three largest categories of commercial waste going to landfill are	Strongly agree	53%	60%
	Agree	31%	27%

construction and demolition waste, plastics, and organic waste (food, green and other types of organic waste). <b>We want to work with businesses to try new approaches to reduce this waste.</b> What do you think of this approach and why?	Neutral	8%	4%
	Disagree	1%	1%
	Strongly disagree	6%	7%
	Don't know	2%	1%
4. We want to make it easy for people to make better choices locally about how they dispose of unwanted items, so those items can be reused or recycled. Five <b>Community Recycling Centres</b> are up and running and we have plans to provide seven more by 2024. What do you think of this approach and why?	Strongly agree	55%	59%
	Agree	29%	27%
	Neutral	6%	5%
	Disagree	2%	1%
	Strongly disagree	7%	7%
	Don't know	2%	1%
5. We want to encourage central government to introduce product stewardship schemes. This includes a <b>container deposit scheme</b> where drink containers such as plastic, glass bottles and cans include a refundable deposit when returned for recycling. This would encourage more recycling and help to shift the costs of recovery from council and ratepayers to the producers and consumers of beverages. What do you think of this approach and why?	Strongly agree	58%	61%
	Agree	26%	23%
	Neutral	5%	4%
	Disagree	2%	2%
	Strongly disagree	5%	8%
	Don't know	5%	2%
6. <b>The Hauraki Gulf Islands</b> have unique waste management and minimisation requirements. The <i>Tikapa-Moana Hauraki Gulf Islands Draft Waste Plan</i> sets a vision and outlines a practical approach to waste management and minimisation for the communities of Waiheke, Aotea Great Barrier, Rakino and Kawau Islands. What do you think about the approach outlined in this plan and why?	Strongly agree	25%	27%
	Agree	26%	24%
	Neutral	14%	16%
	Disagree	1%	1%
	Strongly disagree	3%	4%
	Don't know	31%	28%

### **Additional comments about the draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan:**

In addition to the responses above, some of the key themes arising from submissions in the Manurewa Local Board area are highlighted below with some typical comments:

#### **Illegal Dumping**

- *I am disappointed that I see so much illegal dumping and that the basic services are still not being delivered. I would like to see Council maintain the focus on getting the basics right and looking after the residents of Auckland.*

- *Some people and businesses are dumping rubbish. This will in time become culturally unacceptable. The current inorganics system has some flaws. When a tenant moves out, it can be a time of stress and chaos. It can be the default option that the tenants put their old furniture out on the street or nearby, effectively dumping. They may not see any option financially or time wise. Perhaps we can design an end of lease collection service so that people have a free accessible services.*
- *This huge and growing city will always have a portion of the population who are in rental accommodation and therefore transient. I think there would be some merit in each ward or suburb (maybe some combined) in having an area set aside for dropping off bags of clothing/bedding and bed bases and mattresses and sofas in particular. I think this is the most illegally dumped rubbish over the whole region because it is too costly to take to a transfer station and you also have to be able to tow a trailer- tow ball attached to car. There must be product in this rubbish that can be recycled or shredded for reuse in other product. I.E. plastics, wood, foam rubber, polyfil that could be re-used? This is probably the most difficult product to dispose of from a household.*

### **Food Scraps Collection**

- *I want a food waste bin at my house.*
- *There needs to be food/green bin: grass etc., illegal dumping of grass is constant.*
- *Make every house have a waste bin.*

### **Education – particularly for children**

- *The neighbourhood needs a lot more education about recycling.*
- *Encourage and share these plans into the schools so that children can teach their households.*
- *Educate our kids to help them understand waste for their kids and so on.*