



## **Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority Draft Operational Plan 2018/2019 – Summary of Feedback**

### **PURPOSE**

This report summarises public feedback on the Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority Draft Operational Plan 2018/2019 (“Draft Plan”).

### **FEEDBACK RECEIVED**

The Tūpuna Maunga Authority received feedback from 245 submitters as follows:

- Tūpuna Maunga Authority process – 5 written submitters, 2 of whom gave oral submissions at a Tūpuna Maunga Authority hearing on 26 March 2018; and,
- Auckland Council’s “Have Your Say” - online process – 240 online submissions.

### **OVERALL NATURE OF FEEDBACK**

A common theme of submissions was suggested increases in the overall annual budget for the Tūpuna Maunga Authority.

A significant proportion of submissions sought additional funding in the following areas:

- General restoration work on the Tūpuna Maunga;
- Greater emphasis on pedestrian access and communication of this to the public;
- More signage on all Tūpuna Maunga; and,
- More pest eradication on the Tūpuna Maunga.

### **SPECIFIC FEEDBACK**

A common theme to the more specific feedback was that more funding should be directed to certain Tūpuna Maunga. This is outlined below. The specific feedback included:

#### **Restoration of tracks and sites**

- Some submitters sought for funding to support better tracks on the Tūpuna Maunga.
- Some submitters considered that more funding should be set aside for the protection of heritage sites and historic sites.

#### **Presence on Tūpuna Maunga**

- Some submitters supported an increased management “on the ground” presence.

#### **Prioritise additional funding on certain Tūpuna Maunga**

- Some submitters sought additional funding on Ōhinerau / Mt Hobson, Te Pane-o-Mataaho / Te Ara Pueru / Mangere and Maungarei / Mt Wellington to cover:
  - Removal of exotic and inappropriate trees;
  - More planting;
  - More vegetation management / grass control; and,
  - A new playground.
  - management on the maunga including grass control;
  - An upgrade of paths; and,
  - Preservation of a war memorial at the maunga.
- Some submitters sought additional funding on Maungawhau / Mt Eden to enable:
  - Signage and a distinct entrance;
  - Better and higher quality tracks and signage on the maunga;
  - Greater detail in the Draft Plan for tihi track work; and,
  - Urgent remedial work.
- Some sought additional budget to support pedestrian access and cycling at Maungakiekie / One Tree Hill and Maungarei / Mt Wellington.

### **A variety of other specific comments on the Draft Plan**

Other comments included:

- Increase funding to support communications with volunteer groups and local communities.
- Provide funding for research into matauranga Māori (Māori scholarship and knowledge) about the Tūpuna Maunga.
- Offer funding to better enforce dog control on the Tūpuna Maunga and to delineate off-leash dogs sites.
- Fund better integration between the Draft Plan and the Auckland Plan 2050 and the Auckland Council's Long Term Plan 2018-2028.
- Set out specific funding to address the Myrtle rust biosecurity threat.
- Increase funding to help reduce the growth of kikuyu on the Tūpuna Maunga.
- Set aside less funding for interpretive signage.
- More funding for seating at the tihi of the Tūpuna Maunga.
- Consider charging tourists on the Tūpuna Maunga.
- Avoid funding for chemical use in pest control.
- Install pou on each Tūpuna Maunga.
- Remove any budget linked to the removal of redundant infrastructure on Takarunga / Mt Victoria.
- Aim for electric vehicle use by contractors and Tūpuna Maunga Authority Management on the Tūpuna Maunga.
- Provide for funding to support a shuttle service for limited mobility persons to the tihi of the Tūpuna Maunga.
- Prioritise funding for all individual Tūpuna Maunga plans.
- Set aside funding to support a recreational space plan that links the Tūpuna Maunga and the Auckland Council reserves and parks.
- Seek funding to purchase land adjoining Matukutūruru maunga.

- Include funding for the development of a volunteer framework to support the relationship between the Tūpuna Maunga Authority and volunteer groups.

## **OUT OF SCOPE SUBMISSIONS**

For completeness, there were submissions on matters outside the scope of the Draft Plan. These included submissions on Tūpuna Maunga Authority public communications, decisions to pedestrianise five Tūpuna Maunga and to remove cattle from various Tūpuna Maunga and on the Treaty of Waitangi settlement and co-governance.

### **Signatories**

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