

Upper Harbour Local Board

Message from the Chair

The 2018/2019 year will see major roading projects and parks modifications in our area.

The Northern Corridor Improvement (NCI) Project construction will commence, which on completion in 2020, will provide significant improvements to travel times on the northern motorway. As part of this project, the extension of the busway from Constellation Drive to Albany will be a bonus for bus users.

The long awaited construction of the link from Gills Road to Oteha Valley Road is scheduled to commence mid-2019. This will provide improved travel options for local residents to the Albany Centre.

An upgrade to Dairy Flat Highway, to two lanes in each direction between Gills Road and Stevenson Crescent, with signalisation at The Avenue intersection, and the replacement of the current bridge over Lucas Creek to a 4 lane bridge, has been a project the Upper Harbour Local Board has advocated for since the inception of Auckland Council. Construction is planned to commence in 2019.

The development of the Wainoni Equestrian Centre, will be completed during 2018-2019. This will provide long term security of tenure for the current Rosedale, Greenhithe and Whenuapai Pony Clubs, together with Riding for the Disabled. This has been necessitated by North Harbour Hockey's move to the site historically used by Rosedale Pony Club, due to the NCI project. North Harbour BMX's new facility adjacent to the Albany Tennis Centre, will provide a world class facility, in what is becoming the sporting precinct in Upper Harbour.

The Hobsonville area continues to develop rapidly. The board has prioritised the meeting of the residents' community and recreation needs.

The board welcomes residents' input to local board matters and projects, and invite you to present to the board at our meetings or to contact local board members at any time.

Introduction

Auckland Council's shared governance model means local boards are responsible for decision-making on local issues, activities and services and providing input into regional strategies, policies and plans. The local board agreement sets out the local board's budget, funding for activities, levels of service, performance measures and targets for the financial year 2018/2019 which has been agreed with Auckland Council's governing body.

The Upper Harbour Local Board Plan 2017 is a three year strategic document that guides local board activity, funding and investment decisions. A key role of the local board plan is to provide a basis for development of the annual local board agreement for each financial year, this is set out below. Each local board also develops annual work programmes alongside adoption of their local board agreement.

Local boards also provide input to the governing body on larger scale investments, regional programmes and policy issues such as rates proposals, which are outside local board decision-making responsibilities. A list of key advocacy areas is set out as appendix A.

About this area

Upper Harbour's population is one of the fastest growing in Auckland, because of the extensive and exciting developments now underway at Hobsonville, Whenuapai and Scott Point. Based on the most recent census data, 53,670 people call Upper Harbour home, about a 25 per cent increase from the 2006 census.

Upper Harbour is a vibrant area with a sports precinct that is home to QBE Stadium, the Tennis Centre and Albany Stadium Pool. We are fortunate to have world-class sports training opportunities at the AUT Millennium Institute of Sport and Health, as well as international standard softball and hockey facilities in Rosedale Park.

Students come from all over the world for the excellent tertiary education on offer at Massey University and AUT, all features that make Upper Harbour one of the best places in Auckland to live and work.

Local Board Plan outcomes

The Upper Harbour Local Board Plan 2017 sets out the aspirations the local board has for the area. The outcomes in the Upper Harbour Local Board Plan are:

- **Outcome 1: Empowered, engaged and connected Upper Harbour communities** People living in Upper Harbour are able to influence what happens in their neighbourhoods
- **Outcome 2: Efficient and effective transport links** A well-connected and accessible network that provides a variety of transport options
- **Outcome 3: Healthy and active communities** Our residents have access to open space and a wide variety of sports and recreation opportunities

- **Outcome 4: A thriving local economy** A prosperous and innovative local economy, with job opportunities for local residents to work close to home
- **Outcome 5: Our environment is valued, protected and enhanced** Communities are actively engaged in enjoying, preserving and restoring our natural areas

The local board agreement outlined in this document reflects how we plan to support these outcomes through agreed activities in the 2018/2019 financial year. In addition, each local board carries out responsibilities delegated by the Governing Body in accordance with the delegated power, and with the general priorities and preferences in the local board plan.

Working with Māori

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Engaging rangatira ki te rangatira or 'chief to chief' is the mechanism by which we will work and share information.

In particular, we will work in partnership with mana whenua with interests in the area to deliver on treaty settlement outcomes.

Upper Harbour Local Board Agreement 2018/2019

Priorities by activity area

Auckland Council's 2018/2019 funding priorities for local activities which contribute to key community outcomes in the Upper Harbour Local Board area are set out below under each local activity.

Levels of service, performance measures and targets are also set out below under each local activity. Note that some of the descriptions of our levels of service, performance measure and targets have changed from how they are described in the 2017/2018 local board agreements. This is to better explain our local activities and to align the descriptions to those used in other strategic plans. Our actual levels of service (the activities that we as a Council perform in each local board area) have not changed.

Local Community Services

Local community services is a broad activity area, which includes:

- Supporting local arts, culture, events and sport and recreation
- Providing grants and partnering with local organisations to deliver community services
- Maintaining facilities, including local parks, libraries and halls.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$11.5 million and capital investment of \$4.5 million.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2018/2019 include:

- The development of omnibus Upper Harbour Open Space Management Plans
- Conducting Third Party Facility Sport and Recreation Service Assessments
- Reviewing of the Greenways Plan Service Assessment
- Contributing to Auckland's Ngahere Strategy
- Contributing to community-led placemaking initiatives.

The local community services and key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Upper Harbour Local Board Plan:

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Levels of Service

We measure our performance against the following measures for each local activity.

Level of service	Performance measure	Actual 2016/17	Annual Plan Target 2017/18	LTP Target 2018/19
We provide library services and programmes that support Aucklanders with reading and literacy, and opportunities to participate in community and civic life	The number of internet session at libraries (unique sessions over public computing or public WIFI networks) (million)	0.07	0.07	0.07
	The number of visits to library facilities (million)	0.16	0.17	0.16
	Percentage of customers satisfied with the quality of library service delivery	78%	79%	85%
We fund, enable and deliver community events and experiences that enhance identity and connect people	The percentage of attendees satisfied with a nominated local community event	Not available	New measure	70% or 85%
	The number of attendees at Council-led community events	Not available	New measure	3,000
We fund, enable and deliver arts and culture experiences that enhance identity and connect people	The percentage of arts and culture programmes, grants and activities that are community led.	Not available	New measure	85%
Utilising the Empowered Communities Approach we support Aucklanders to create thriving, connected and inclusive communities	The percentage of Empowered Communities activities that are community led	Not available	New measure	35%
	The percentage of Empowered Communities activities that build capacity and capability	Not available	New measure	30%
Provide safe, reliable and accessible social infrastructure for Aucklanders that contributes to placemaking and thriving communities	Percentage of Aucklanders that feel their local town centre is safe	Day: 87%	Day: 89%	Day: 87%
		Night: 48%	Night: 49%	Night: 48%
We provide art facilities, community centres and hire venues that enable Aucklanders to run locally responsive activities, promoting participation, inclusion and connection	The number of participants in activities at art facilities, community centres and hire venues	Not available	New measure	70,182
	The percentage of art facilities, community centres and hire venues network that is community led	Not available	New measure	25%
We provide recreation programmes, opportunities and facilities to get Aucklanders more active, more often	The percentage of park visitors who are satisfied with the overall quality of sportsfields	70%	75%	70%
	The customers' Net Promoter Score for Pool and Leisure Centres	0	20	20
We provide safe and accessible parks, reserves and beaches	The percentage of users who are satisfied with the overall quality of local parks	72%	75%	72%
	The percentage of residents who visited a local park in the last 12	79%	85%	79%

Level of service	Performance measure	Actual 2016/17	Annual Plan Target 2017/18	LTP Target 2018/19
	months			
We showcase Auckland's Maori identity and vibrant Maori culture	The percentage of local programmes, grants and activities that respond to Maori aspirations	Not available	New measure	5.1%

Local Planning and Development

This group of activities covers improvements to town centres, the local street environment as well as local environment and heritage protection. These activities also include working with business and community associations to improve local economic development and employment initiatives.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$770,000.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2018/2019 include:

- Supporting the Young Enterprise Scheme
- Supporting a pop-up business school.

The local planning and development activity, including the key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Upper Harbour Local Board Plan:

- **Outcome 4: A thriving local economy** A prosperous and innovative local economy, with job opportunities for local residents to work close to home

Levels of Service

We measure our performance against the following measures for each local activity.

Level of service	Performance measure	Actual 2016/17	Annual Plan Target 2017/18	LTP Target 2018/19
We help attract investment, businesses and a skilled workforce to Auckland	The percentage of Business Associations meeting their Business Improvement District (BID) Partnership Programme obligations	100%	100%	100%

Local Environmental Management

Local boards work in partnership with local communities and iwi to deliver projects and programmes to improve local environments. Our focus is on indigenous biodiversity, healthy waterways and sustainable living.

These activities include stream restoration, waste minimisation programmes, supporting environmental volunteers and partnering with schools to provide a range of environmental initiatives.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$331,000

The key initiatives we have planned for 2018/2019 include:

- Continuation of the Sustainable Schools Project – ‘Our local streams’
- Continued support for the Upper Harbour North-West Wildlink Assistance Programme
- An Industrial Pollution Prevention Programme Waste Minimisation in Rosedale/Albany
- Initiation of the Small Building Sites Ambassador Programme.

The local environmental management activity and key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Upper Harbour Local Board Plan:

- **Outcome 5: Our environment is valued, protected and enhanced** Communities are actively engaged in enjoying, preserving and restoring our natural areas

Levels of Service

We measure our performance against the following measures for each local activity.

Level of service	Performance measure	Actual 2016/17	Annual Plan Target 2017/18	LTP Target 2018/19
We manage Auckland's natural environment	The proportion of local programmes that deliver intended environmental actions and/or outcomes	100%	90%	100%

Local Governance

Activities in this group support our 21 local boards to engage with and represent their communities, and make decisions on local activities. This support includes providing strategic advice, leadership of the preparation of Local Board Plans, support in developing Local Board Agreements, community engagement including relationships with mana whenua and Māori communities, and democracy and administrative support.

The measures for this group of activities are covered under the Regional Governance group of activities in the Long-term Plan 2018-2028 which determine participation with Auckland Council decision-making in general. This includes local decision-making. There are no significant changes to the measures or targets for 2018/2019.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$826,000.

Local Funding

Auckland Council has a shared governance model for making decisions on local activities. Under the Local Board Funding Policy adopted in August 2014, funding is allocated to local boards to deliver local services, through the following methods:

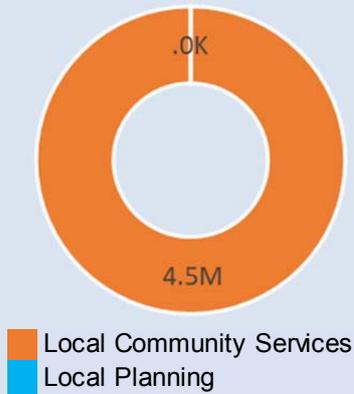
1. **Asset based services** - the governing body allocates funds to deliver local activities based on decisions about region-wide service levels. This includes allocation of funds for local asset based services, such as building a new swimming pool or library.
2. **Locally driven initiatives** – an allocation is based on a formula applied to each local board, with the exception of Great Barrier and Waiheke Local Boards who agree funding requirements with the governing body on an annual basis. This includes both operational and capital funds.
3. **Governance services** – an allocation is based on the number of elected members and associated administrative costs for each local board.

The total planned expenditure for local activities across all 21 local boards over the 2018/2019 financial year is shown in the table on [pages x and x of Volume 3: Local Board Information and Agreements](#). The budgets for each local board are listed within the individual local board agreements in this volume.

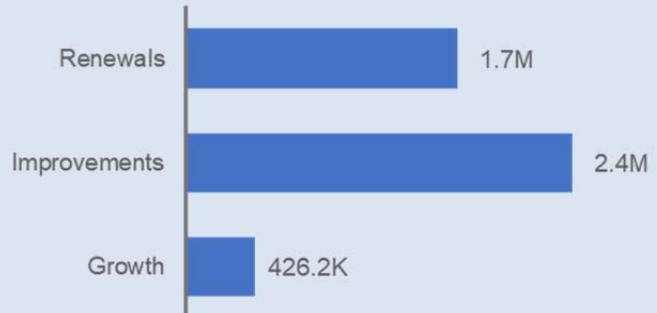
Funding priorities for local activities

Capital spend

By activity area



By category

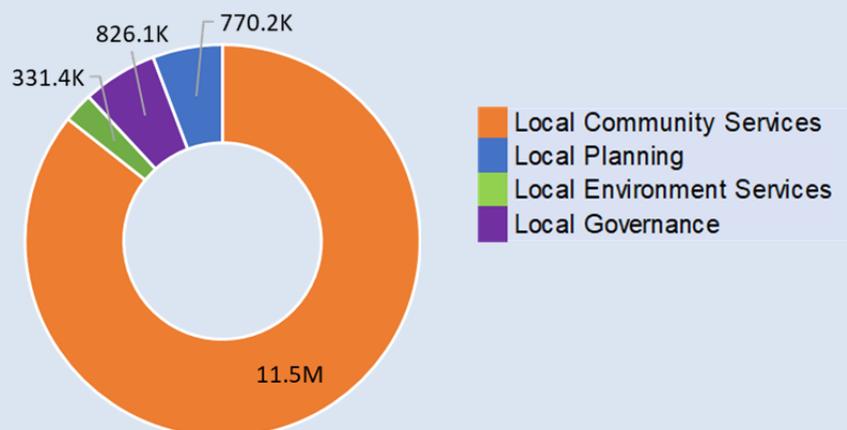


Key projects



Operating spend

By activity area



Funding Impact Statement

This prospective funding impact statement has been prepared to meet the requirements of Section 21 (5) of the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009. It covers the year from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019 and outlines the council's sources of funding for local activities in this local board area and our plan to apply them.

\$000	Annual Plan 2017/18	Annual Plan 2018/19
Financial year ending 30 June		
Sources of operating funding:		
General rates, UAGCs, rates penalties	11,097	10,359
Targeted rates	661	669
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	2,422	16
Fees and charges	12	2,459
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	32	4
Total operating funding	14,224	13,507
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	10,983	10,731
Finance costs	1,212	536
Internal charges and overheads applied	1,972	1,960
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	14,167	13,227
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	57	280
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions*	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	5,780	4,210
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	5,780	4,210
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	428	426
- to improve the level of service	3,129	2,388
- to replace existing assets	2,280	1,676
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	5,837	4,490
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(57)	(280)
Funding balance	0	0

Appendix A: Advocacy initiatives

A key role of the local board is to advocate for initiatives that the local board may not have decision-making responsibilities or funding for in this 10-year Budget, but recognise the value it will add to the local community.

Key advocacy areas for this local board include:

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Sub-regional multi-use multi-sport indoor facility (key advocacy project)	Provision of a sub-regional multi-use multi-sport indoor facility within the Upper Harbour area, to address recognised shortfalls in the Auckland-North region, e.g. Hobsonville Point and Albany	Governing Body
Ferry Services at Hobsonville Point	Increased ferry services be commissioned (together with integrated local bus services) for Hobsonville Point and Hobsonville Marina	Auckland Transport
Rosedale Bus Station	That local road and public transport prioritisation improvements are undertaken to support the success of the Rosedale Busway Station	Auckland Transport
Parking provision at Northern Bus Stations	Increased investment in park and ride facilities at the Northern Busway Stations. That the new northern network feeder bus system be reviewed 6 to 12 months after implementation to allow for it to be refined	Auckland Transport

Appendix B: How to contact your Local Board

Local boards have been established to enable local representation and decision-making on behalf of local communities. You are encouraged to contact your elected members to have your say on matters that are important to your community.



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