

**Lemauga Lydia Sosene**

**Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board Chair**

**Report – 10 August 2018-18 September 2018**

**Acknowledgements:** (On the night of 19 September 2018 Business Meeting)

**Meetings:**

1. August Regional Chairs' Forum.
2. South Harbour Business AGM.
3. Local Government Zone One Forum in Manukau.
4. Auckland Multi Ethnic Council Multi Workshop.
5. Final Church Service at St Andrews' Presbyterian Otahuhu.
6. Maunga Authority Hikoi and meeting Mangere Bridge Domain Hall.
7. Youth Connections Project ACE meeting Manukau.
8. Health and Safety Expo Mangere Town Centre.
9. Powhiri Ceremony for new CE CMDHB Ko Awatea.
10. Citizenship Ceremony Vodafone Events Centre Manukau.
11. Homelessness Workshop Manukau.
12. Celebrating Tongan Language Week event Mangere Town Centre.
13. Mangere Bikefit event Mangere Town Centre.
14. Faith2Move Mountains Conference Mangere Arts Centre.
15. Regional Chairs' Forum Auckland Town Hall CBD.

**Highlighted Matters:**

Representation Review 2018

The Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board has given its preferred stance on this matter. We are not in favour of the Manukau Ward split and informed the Governing Body on this (July 2018). The public consultation period is currently open until 11 September 2018. Auckland Council officers have been reporting the results weekly to all elected Members. A timeline for the next steps has been outlined as the results for this will be reported back to the Governing Body mid-September 2018.

Auckland Multi Ethnic Council various speakers' issues on Community Safety and Violence within the Home and Families. The keynote speaker Family Court Judge in Manukau provided statistics on Family Violence perpetrators and victims in the Counties Manukau Policing area and the ugliness of certain case studies. Ethnic communities are very concerned at the incidences and Justice system, Victims' and Families Rights, and current services offered in the Justice areas. There is a correlation with Local Board Business in the Community Safety theme mainly at Business Improvement Districts of Mangere Town Centre, Mangere East Village, Mangere Bridge Village, Otahuhu Business Area and South Harbour Industrial area Mangere Bridge.

**Personal Matters:**

Due to an urgent personal matter, I have been out of the Local Board continuing to work remotely.

**Announcement:**

Pleased to hear Auckland Council has appointed Mathew Walker as the new Chief Financial Officer.

***Lemauga Lydia Sosene, Chair***

***Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board***

***10 September 2018***