

Board Member Richard Northey's Report to 16 October 2018 Waitemata Local Board Meeting

Events Portfolio Activities

Wed 12 Sept Welcome to the Greenpeace flagship, the Rainbow Warrior, at Princes Wharf East.

Thurs 13 Sept Morning Tea with Helen Clark at the Helen Clark Room of the Ellen Melville Centre; followed by a First Anniversary Commemoration lunch at the Ellen Melville Centre where I cut the birthday cake (photo right).

Wed 19 Sept The wonderfully organised Suffrage Day Sunrise Event in Aotea Square.

Fri 5 Oct Official Opening function for Artweek at the Auckland Art gallery.



Applications for, and notice of, events for which applications or requests were made during this period

17 Sept Filming for Shortland Street television programme in Sefton Ave and the Old Mill Reserve playground.

27 Sept Spark TV Commercial Filming on Middleton Road.

28 Sept Filming TV Commercial for ASB: "This is Us" re diversity, in the Domain near the museum.

29 Sept Filming TV Commercial for Spark: "Wedding" at Strand Station, Parnell.

29 Sept Unit Aotearoa Event by Creating Space – NZ proving lunch for homeless people, Albert Park and Lorne St.

30 Sept Filming for the TV Programme "The Block" in Vincent St, outside the Grand Millennium Hotel.

30 Sept Filming for a McDonald's TV Commercial in Freyberg Place.

1 Oct Filming and drone photoshoot of participants of IAPTC (International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centres) (armed forces, police and foreign affairs personnel) Conference by the NZ Defence Force on the Museum steps for their Conference at SkyCity 1-4 October.

1 Oct Filming for House Hunters International TV Programme in Quay Park. City Centre.

2 & 3 Oct Filming for TV Programme Power Rangers in Albert Park.

4, 9 & 10 Oct Filming TV Programme, Power Rangers, Silo Park, Karanga plaza, Hamer St, Curran St.

6 & 7 Oct Live Terracotta Statue replication in Queen St, Quay St, Federal St and Wynyard Quarter.

8 Oct filming for TV Programme Power Rangers for the morning in the Victoria Park passive area.

10 Oct Filming for NZ / German Crime Drama “The Gulf” in Auckland Domain, particularly The Crescent.

10 Oct Filming for NZ Crime Drama: “The Gulf” in Federal and Wolfe Streets.

16 and 17 Oct Filming for “A Reason to Rhyme” programme about Hip Hop Culture in the Pacific in Grey Lynn Park.

20 Oct Mercury Burger Drive In promotion for electric vehicles at Cox’s Bay carpark area across West End Road from Cox’s Bay Reserve.

20-21 Oct Diwali Festival celebration in Aotea Square with partial closure of Queen, Wakefield, Airedale and Rutland Streets.

27 October Pink Star Walk for breast cancer in Central City, Parnell and the Domain with Football Road closure.

27 October SUP Well Starboard Paddle for Hope Charity Open Day at Judges Bay Beach and Road.

28 Oct Auckland Marathon and associated entertainment in Victoria Park, the Cloud and streets between the Harbour Bridge and Tamaki Drive.

28 Oct Festival Italiano in Lumsden Green and Osborne, Kent and Teed Streets.

1 Nov Red Carpet event opening for “Peter Pan Goes Wrong” on Queen Street Footpath outside Stark’s Café and Civic Theatre.

2 Nov Ponsonby Primary School Fireworks at Point Erin Park- with prior notice provided to residents over a wider area than in past years.

2-3 Nov Huawei Mate 20 Smartphone SkyCity Carnival including the closure of Federal Street from Wellesley Street to Victoria St.

4 Nov SPCA “Walk Your Dog to the Moon” event in Western Park and Ponsonby Road.

10 Nov Powerhoop NZ Charity Walking event for mental health on Quay St and Tamaki Drive.

10 Nov to 11 Jan Christmas in the Central City involving placing large baubles, lights in Freyberg Place and Lower Vulcan Lane, cut out Doves, Angels, Fairy Lights and Santa and Reindeer.

11 Nov Armistice Day Memorial Service and Evening Service, Domain Cenotaph.

11 Nov Street Talk 2018-Park Jam Hip Hop event in Freyberg Place.

15 Nov Beaujolais Nouveau Auckland 2018 in Upper Vulcan Lane.

15 Nov Krispy Kreme in Chancery Square Opening, Chancery Square, Freyberg Place and Ellen Melville Centre.

17 Nov Epsom Girls Grammar Rowing Squad Ergathon in Lumsden Green. I asked the organisers to address waste management.

17 Nov and 24 Feb ACH Harbour Swim Series beginning or ending at Herne Bay Beach or Masefield Beach and Point Erin Park.

18 Nov – 21 April “Ball is Life” monthly half day youth basketball on Victoria Park Basketball Courts.

18 Nov The Board’s Parnell Festival of Roses in Dove-Myer Robinson Park.

18 Nov Beca Kids Christmas Carnival at Western Springs Park Quarry.

21 Nov Corporate Challenge annual 5 km fun run in the Domain.

21 Nov to 5 Jan Heard Park Christmas Lights.

23 Nov-2 Dec Night Noodle Market in the passive area of Victoria Park. They will not extend to the iwi culturally significant area nor to the path through the park.

24 and 25 Nov, Walking Stars in the Auckland Domain and neighbouring Streets.

25 Nov Children’s Christmas Parade and Party in Aotea Square, Mayoral Drive, Queen Street and nearby streets.

28 Nov-2 Jan Parnell Business Assn’s giant Christmas Bauble in Heard Park.

30 Nov-2 Dec Wither Hills West End Tennis cup in West End Tennis Club and Cox’s Bay reserve.

1 Dec NZ Yoga Day mass 2-hour yoga class in Western Springs Park.

1 Dec Lightpath festival organised by Bike Auckland on the Lightpath and Canada Street.

1 Dec 3/6 Battalion Handover Military Parade, the Domain.

1 Dec Romanian Day at Dove Myer Robinson Park.

8 Dec Ponsonby Market Day, Ponsonby Road and Jervois Road.

8 Dec Coca-Cola Christmas in the Park in the Domain.

9 Dec Chariot dragging religious festival in Queen Street.

9 Dec Free public boot camp in Victoria Park.

14-16 Dec Christmas in the Park ticketed music event in Western Park.

16 Dec, 26 Jan, 16 Feb, and 16 March Bands in Basque in the Basque Reserve.

31 Dec and morning of 1 Jan Britomart Block Party in Galway St. The regulations require that the noise level be constrained after 11pm.

In 2019

31 Dec to 12 Jan ASB Classic Tennis Fanzone in part of the Domain with closures of Tennis Lane, Grafton Mews and Lower Domain Drive.

8 January Triple Eight Quest, the Oceania Section of the 8 Continents Marathon Events in Auckland Domain, including Football Road closure.

11 Jan Street Talk 2010 08-Park Jam Exhibition Day Freyberg Place.

17 January to 17 February, Open Air Cinemas music and film showing in Western Springs Quarry Reserve.

25-28 January International Buskers Festival, Karanga Plaza, Market Square, Eastern Viaduct, and Te Wero Island.

28 January St James Laneway Festival in Albert Park, Princes St and Alfred St.

31 Jan ACG Parnell College Annual Families Picnic in Auckland Domain.

4 Feb ACG College Picnic near the Band Rotunda in the Auckland Domain.

17 Feb The Board's Myers Park Medley in Myers Park

20 February Wotton and Kearney Company Cricket Day in Victoria Park.

2 March Bread Supercity Charity Car Rally located in Takutai Square and then up Queen Street.

4-8 March Auckland University Students' Association Orientation Presentation Event in Albert Park.

7-10 March European Wonder Festival of European Food and Drink, held in the passive area of Victoria Park. This is proposed as a major event so we need to be sure it can be accommodated in that confined space. They are seeking resource consent for use of the culturally significant south-western corner of the park.

14-17 March Under 17 Football Tournament at Seddon Fields.

16-18 March. A renewed proposal for an urban polo game event on Victoria Park was applied for. This was considered on its merits and turned down by council staff because it failed to meet the criteria for Victoria Park events on three grounds.

17 March Sri Chinmoy “Self-Transcendence Auckland” Series Runs in the Domain.

17 March St Patrick’s Parade, Music and Dance Festival in Ponsonby Road and adjoining streets and Western Park.

23 March Rose wine tasting and lifestyle all day event in Albert Park. This would involve the ticketed closure of up to 4 days of a chunk of Albert Park, so I hope its duration can be reduced.

28-31 March Under 17 Football Tournament in the Seddon Fields.

6 April Swim the Bridge based at Curran Street and Park.

25 April ANZAC Day Events, Auckland Domain.

4 May J Day in Albert Park.

5 May Dutch War Memorial service, Dove-Myer Robinson Park.

19 May, 9 June, 7 July, 11 August and 15 Sept Sri Chinmoy “self-Transcendence” Auckland Series runs in the Domain.

Arts and Culture Portfolio

16 Sept Performance of “Bright Star” about leading New Zealand cosmologist Beatrice Tinsley.

20 Sept Opening Night of ATC’s excellent New Zealand Play “Rendered” courtesy of the ATC.

21 Sept Auckland University Graduation Gala Concert in the Town Hall; also bFM Concert, Diggy Dupe and Tooms, at the Ellen Melville Centre.

22 Sept I had a Happy Art picture (right) drawn at my request in the pyramid-shaped stall in Freyberg Place and then an inspiring talk by “Go Girl” Author Barbara Else at the Ellen Melville Centre.

3 Oct Opening of “Foliage” Exhibition for Artweek by Dominique Butler, Meghan Geliza Jackson, Michael Kennedy and Paul X Walsh at The Grey Place Gallery, 37 Scanlan St for Artweek

4 Oct Artweek Opening of the Group Exhibition at the



Gow Langsford Pop Up Gallery at the Sapphire Room in Ponsonby Central where my stepson bought two works there; APO Performance of The Passion of St Matthew.

6 Oct Show Me Shorts NZ Short Films Awards ceremony at the Civic Theatre.

9 Oct The Urban Art Village in O'Connell Street and the Visible Invisible Primary Drumming Concert in Freyberg Place.

Community Portfolio Activities

11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 Sept, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 9 Oct fitness workouts at Pitt St YMCA.

11 Sept briefing by Heart of the City on their Street Guardians employment project for homeless people.

12 Sept Spoke at Auckland Central Labour Policy Branch Meeting on gambling policy issues.

13 Sept Seminar on alternative energy promotion and climate change issues held on the Rainbow Warrior.

14 Sept Auckland University Alumni Golden graduates lunch and function at the Cordis Hotel, Symonds St; Address by Lisa Spacic about the redevelopment of Ellen Melville Hall and Freyberg Place; and Central Auckland "Jane's Walk" Festival of Architecture women's walking tour which was very revealing about the shortcomings of some of our urban spaces for women, children, ethnic minorities and disabled people. There is a photo below of us discussing urban design in the Viaduct.

16 Sept Grey Lynn Market.



Discussing urban design in the Viaduct during "Jane's Walk".

17 Sept Dr Mels Barton spoke in a Conservation Week talk in Ellen Melville Centre on the Citizen Science and Community Treatment Trial re Kauri Dieback; Auckland Central LEC Meeting.

18 Sept Chaired Executive Meeting of the Problem Gambling Foundation. Attended the inaugural Professorial Lecture by Jennifer Curtin at the University of Auckland.

19 Sept The Asian Network Inc health seminar at the Western Springs Community Centre; City Vision Monthly Meeting.

21 Sept Park(ing) Day guerrilla urbanism parklets set up in High Street.

22 Sept Central Auckland Labour Branch meeting.

26 Sept City Centre Residents Group Red Hat Community Dinner in Mercury Plaza.

27 Sept Central City Network Meeting, including a guided tour of the Central Library's Wahine Toa exhibition (see photo below with Pippa Coom). Karangahape Road Business Association meeting about requirements in Pitt St and Beresford Square for the Karangahape Road Rail Link Station. Annual General Meeting of the Parnell Business Association.



Waitemātā Local Board Chair Pippa Coom and Member Richard Northey

29 Sept William C Daldy Tugboat Heritage Festival waterborne tour of the Port; Auckland Astronomical Society Burbidge Diner with internationally renowned astronomer Emily Lakdawalla as guest speaker.

1 October, I chaired a teleconference of the Peace Foundation's International Affairs and Disarmament Committee; participated in a meeting of the Ponsonby Community Centre Committee; and heard another presentation by American astronomer Emily Lakdawalla about current robot exploration of the Solar System.

2 Oct Public meeting on mental health issues addressed by Health Minister Hon David Clark at the Ponsonby Community Centre.

3 Oct Chaired a meeting of the Problem Gambling Foundation Executive; took part in a Heritage Festival Tour of the Leys Institute.

4 Oct Heritage Week Te Ara o Karangahape Tour, the Māori history of Karangahape road led by Peter Turei.

6 Oct Heritage Week Engineering Heritage Walk in the city centre.

7 Oct Tour of the Auckland Synagogue in Greys Ave as part of the Heritage Festival.

8 Oct Meeting of housing workers on the Residential Tenancies Act review and the Healthy Homes Standards discussion document and then I compiled a draft Waitemātā Local Board feedback submission on the Healthy Homes Standards. Meeting of Parnell Plan Working Group.

Waitemātā Local Board General Activities

11 Sept Waitemātā Local Board Workshop.

17 Sept Board members met to prepare for Board meeting.

18 Sept Waitemātā Local Board Monthly meeting.

19 Sept Board members meeting with Housing New Zealand re their impending resource consent application for their apartment buildings in Greys Avenue.

25 Sept Waitemātā Local Board Workshop re the Natural Environment; Regional Pest Management Plan; Approach to Cat Management; support for TAPAC; disposal of 35 Graham Street; Urban Forest Ngahere Strategy; and Community Facilities Update.

27 Sept Board Members meeting on developing the Open Space Network Plan. Meeting with Catherine Gilhooly of Housing NZ about their planned developments and renovations in the Board area.

30 Sept I walked our Board's Foreshore Heritage Walk led by Vernon Tava, as part of the Heritage Festival.

9 Oct Waitemātā Local Board Workshop received and considered reports on an Erebus Memorial; a draft Healthy Homes Standards submission; Review of the Elected Member Code of Conduct; Auckland Transport Downtown Programme update; the Regional Public Transport Plan; Parks Update, including the Western Springs Lakeside Te Wai Orea Park Development Plan; City Rail Link report; and the City Centre Development Programme Office update

Auckland Council and National Activities

7 Sept Meeting of Quarterly Task Force on Alcohol and Safety in the Central City (photo of Task Force Members at this meeting is attached)

12 Sept Chaired the meeting of Council's Governance Working Party which considered a progress report on submissions on the Governance Review and the draft Council Code of Conduct and associated documents; and teleconference of Labour's Policy Council.

13 Sept participated in Labour Local Government Sector Council Teleconference.

17 Sept Sub-regional Boards Workshop re Corporate Property reorganisation and Regional Land Transport Plan.

19 Sept Meeting with Phil Wilson re Governance Issues including governance of Asset Sales processes.

20 and 21 Sept Chairing the Hearing of Public Submissions, Local Board Feedback and making decisions to recommend to the Governing Body on Governing Body Ward Boundaries. Because of the huge population increase in the central city we have recommended the removal of Parnell, Newmarket, Domain, Grafton and Eden Terrace from the Waitematā and Gulf Council Ward while our Waitematā Local Board boundaries will remain unchanged.

1 Oct Presentation on How Does Transport Help Create Sustainable Cities? at the Central Library organised by ARUP and CILT.

3 Oct I chaired a teleconference of Labour's Infrastructure and Environment Policy Committee.

4 Oct Annual Meeting of Charity Services New Zealand at Samoa House, Mangere.



Quarterly Task Force on Alcohol and Safety in the Central City – 7 September 2018

Get set for Artweek

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The city centre art walk. Photo by Sacha Stejko



Electric Night K'Road, Photo Dyego Cortinas



An art-themed cycle tour through Ponsonby



Look tour K'Road with Lyn Dallison

Art-lovers can celebrate the work of more than 1000 artists at more than 100 locations as part of [Artweek 2018](#) from 6-14 October.

Almost all the events are in, or within easy reach of, the city centre.

Waitematā Local Board, Heart of the City, Auckland Council and Foundation North are Artweek's major partners, while the K Road, Parnell, Newmarket and Ponsonby business associations are precinct sponsors hosting extensive events.

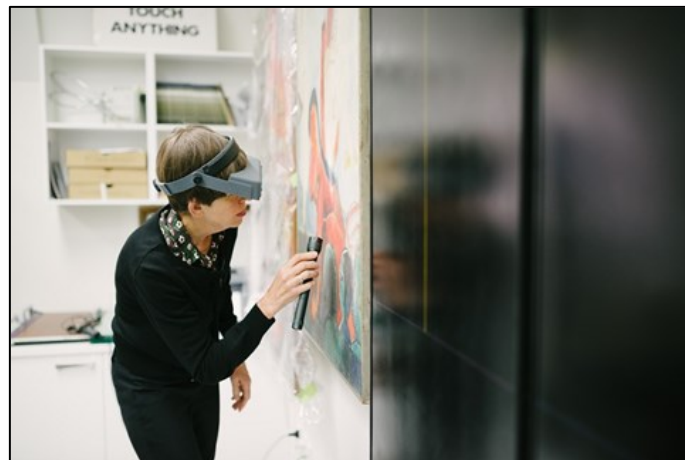
The week-long festival celebrates the visual arts with activations all over the city at galleries, public and private spaces, and with pop-ups and street art.

Staged by the VA Auckland Charitable Trust, Artweek creates opportunities for artists and encourages public engagement with the arts community.

“Artweek activities in the city showcase the huge contribution visual artists, galleries and supporting industries make to the central city economy, employment and community life,” Waitematā Local Board arts portfolio lead Richard Northey says.

“In spite of disruption caused by construction projects our visual artists and galleries have continued to be amazingly creative, innovative, diverse and successful.

“All Aucklanders should take the opportunity Artweek represents to come to the central city, K Road, Ponsonby, Arch Hill, Parnell and Newmarket to enjoy, appreciate and be challenged by the works and activities our artists have to offer.”



Unlocked Collections, Behind the scenes: Conservation Tour at Auckland Art Gallery

In the city centre events range from viewings of collections held by the ANZ and Chapman Tripp to behind-the-scenes looks at conservation work at the Auckland Art Gallery, art walks taking in parks, on the waterfront and in the streets, and touring the best the festival has to offer by e-bike.

The board-supported Studio One Toi Tū plays a key role in Ponsonby's offering, which also includes Ponsonby on a Plate - artist Helen Perret painting dogs on 100 plates that will be gifted to diners at three different cafes.

If pottery is more your thing, buy an Auckland Potters Studio mug at Allpress Coffee and they'll fill it for free.

Historian and art buff Edward Bennett is also hosting walks taking in Ponsonby, St Marys Bay and the Wynyard Quarter.

Things are always eclectic on K Road and they'll be electric too during Artweek, with galleries opening late on 11 October, self-guided tours, and the chance to hang out with established stars Alice Tyler, Francis McWhannell and Emil McAvoy.



City Art Walk. Photo Sacha Stejko

Artspace is offering an exhibition featuring all new artists, and there's even something for book-lovers, with The Spring Art Book Fair at Strange Haven.

Arch Hill is in on the act with Mark Adams and Areta Wilkinson's Repatriation. Toi Ora has poetry from emerging artists and printmaking and creative writing workshops. Fox Jensen McCrory has Portrait Without a Face featuring Sam Adamson, Geoff Thornley and Caera Metlikovec among others, while Orexart has Tony Lane, who will also host an artist's talk.

Parnell has long been recognised as an arts centre, and its possible to view everything from the historic portraiture of Gottfried Lindauer, the Reverend John Kinder and John Hoyte at Kinder House, to contemporary offerings at the area's galleries. Parnell also plays host to a showcase of established and upcoming Japanese artists by Haru No Kawa, and fashion collaborator Noriko Collins giving a talk on recycling kimono fabric in contemporary fashion.

Just up the road in Newmarket, join an Art Explore tour, take a drawing lesson at Highwic House, or get the kids involved at a drawing workshop with Stephen Ellis, who creates large-scale drawings using only a ballpoint pen.

The area's galleries are also involved, with Rieko Woodford-Robinson on show at Warwick Henderson, Job Klijn at Exhibitions Gallery, Maggie McGregor's Looking for Humpty Dumpty at Railway Street Studios, and Ellis and Karen Taylor both featuring at Sanderson Contemporary.

Bookings are essential for many of the offerings, visit artweekauckland.co.nz for more information and a full programme of events across the city.

Source: <http://ourauckland.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/articles/news/2018/9/artweek-waitemata/>

Representation Review working party responds to residents' views

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Auckland Council has been consulting on its review of the boundaries for electing councillors. This is a review required under legislation to consider fair representation for communities of interest.

Fair representation means that councillors in each ward should each represent populations without too much variation in numbers across the whole of Auckland.

Because of population increases, the council had to review the boundaries of the Waitemātā and Gulf Ward.

The council's joint governance working party has now heard and considered submissions on the council's proposal and has decided to recommend changes to the council's initial proposal.

The changes include retaining all of Grey Lynn and Westmere in the Waitemātā and Gulf Ward. This was in response to submissions and public concern from the Grey Lynn area.

The working party will also recommend to the council's governing body that an area of Grafton will become part of the Ōrākei Ward in addition to the proposal for Newmarket and Parnell to become part of the Ōrākei Ward.

This recommendation is also a response to submissions from local residents.

The chair of the working party, Mr Richard Northey, said he was impressed with the number of submissions from the Manukau area about the proposal to split the Manukau Ward into two and will recommend to the Governing Body that it not be split.

A minor adjustment was recommended to a proposal to adjust Rodney subdivision boundaries.

The working party noted some submitters had mistakenly understood that local board boundaries were to be changed. Mr Northey said he wanted to make it clear that no local board boundaries will be changed.

As a result of a request from the Puketāpapa Local Board, the working party is also recommending that the name is changed to Albert-Eden-Puketāpapa Ward.

The working party's recommendations will be presented to Auckland Council's Governing Body on 18 October.

Source: <http://ourauckland.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/articles/news/2018/9/representation-review-working-party-responds-to-submitters-views/>