

Chairperson's Report – Kit Parkinson

Purpose of the report

1. To update the Ōrākei Local Board Members on projects, activities and issues.

Recommendations

- a) That the report be received.
- b) That Council staff report back to the Ōrākei Local Board on the status of the removal of yacht moorings from Okahu Bay as per the Unitary Plan.

Portfolio Lead: Parks and Reserves (Joint); Events, Landowner Approvals & Leases; and Communications

Other Appointments (Lead): Friends of Madills Farm Incorporated, Friends of Tahuna Torea Michaels Avenue Reserve Community Liaison Committee, Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Reserves Board, Ōrākei Basin Advisory Group, Tāmaki Drive Protection Society, Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority

Other Appointments (Alternate): Mission Bay Business Association, Mission Bay-Kohimarama Residents Association Incorporated, East City Community Trust

Residents' concerns/issues

2. The Ōrākei Local Board office has fronted enquiries on renewing dog registrations, tree maintenance, rates queries, rates rebates, rubbish and recycling queries, drain issues, pest problems, footpath maintenance, parks maintenance, bus changes, grants and funding, speeding issues, berm mowing and fence issues.

Activities: 3 November 2018 to 8 February 2019

Date

Activities

2018

3 November	500th rat trap distribution – Nihill Crescent, Mission Bay
5 November	St Heliers Village Association Meadowbank Plunket community consultation
6 November	LED work programme meeting Auckland Transport update Mission Bay Business Association Mission Bay / Kohimarama Residents Association Tahuna Torea meeting
8 November	Chair / Deputy meeting Ōrākei Local Board workshop Ōrākei Community Association Inc. Eastern Suburbs Association Football Club meeting
9 November	St Chads Scout Group AGM Auckland East Arts Council meeting Ōrākei School art evening
11 November	Armistice Day celebrations at Auckland Museum
12 November	Agenda run through Local Board Chairs meeting with Remuneration Authority

- Local Board Chairs Forum
- 13 November Remuneration Authority discussion with Local Board Members
Auckland Transport Update
Meadowbank St Johns Residents Association meeting
- 14 November Ferry meeting
Hui preparation with Te Waka Angamua
- 15 November Meeting with Senior Advisor
Local Board's presentation to the Finance and Performance Committee run through
Elected Member and staff Hui preparation
Ōrākei Local Board business meeting
- 19 November Finance and Performance Committee Annual Budget workshop
Regional/Sub-Regional Cluster workshop
Ellerslie Residents Association
- 20 November Parks Portfolio meetings CS and PSR
Leases Portfolio meeting
Michaels Avenue Reserve Community Liaison meeting
- 21 November FIFA General Secretary and Oceania Football Club meeting
Stonefields Residents Association
- 22 November Stonefields Community Building meeting
Chair / Deputy meeting
Ōrākei Local Board workshop
Mens Shed Meeting
- 23 November Eastern Suburbs Building Meeting
- 24 November Uxbridge Art display
- 25 November Newmarket Stream weeding day
- 26 November Auckland Transport quarterly briefing with Local Boards
Ellerslie Business Association Function
- 27 November Chair / PA board report preparation
Auckland Transport update
- 28 November Joint Governing Body / Local Board Chairs meeting
Late Night at St Heliers event
- 29 November Active and Sports Auckland presentation
Finance and Performance Committee Annual Budget workshop
- 1 December Waiatarua Reserve Carpark Opening
Ellerslie Santa Parade
- 2 December Carols on the Green
- 3 December Chair / PA Meeting
Chair / Engagement Advisor Meeting
Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority Hui – Hakihea 2018
Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Reserves Board Hui
- 4 December Future Civic Events Meeting
Auckland Transport update
Mission Bay Business Association
Mission Bay / Kohimarama Residents Association meeting
Plunket Meeting
- 5 December Outboard Boating Club Meeting
Chair / Stonefields Secretary Meeting
Late Night at St Heliers event
- 6 December Chair / RM catch-up

- Hui Preparation
- Fire Drill Presentation and Exercise
- Ōrākei Local Board workshop
- 7 December Orakei Point Meeting
- 9 December Hanukkah in the Bays
- 10 December Tamaki Regeneration Meeting
- 11 December Waiaturua Enhancement Meeting
- 13 December Chair / PA catch-up
- Ōrākei Local Board workshop
- Ōrākei Local Board Extraordinary meeting
- HMNZS Achilles parade
- 17 December Ellerslie Business Association
- Ellerslie Residents Association
- 20 December Waiaturua Enhancement Meeting
- Chair / RM catch-up
- Remuera Business Association Event

2019

- 16 January Stonefields Residents Association meeting
- 17 January Chair / Advisor Meeting
- 21 January Ellerslie Residents Association
- 22 January Auckland Transport update
- Inspection of soil erosion on West Tamaki Drive
- 24 January Chair / Deputy meeting
- 29 January Akarana Marine Sports Centre Dawn Blessing
- 30 January Meadowbank Pony Club meeting
- 5 February Mission Bay Business Association meeting
- 6 February Powhiri and Waitangi Day celebrations with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei
- 7 February Ōrākei Local Board workshop
- 8 February Bike Tamaki Drive meeting

Parks and Reserves

Selwyn Reserve, Mission Bay

3. Damaged refuse bins on Selwyn Reserve from fireworks on 5 November 2018.



Pourewa Creek Pollution – Minutes of the Puroto Purewa Manapau Residents Group

4. The Puroto Purewa Manapau Residents Group are concerned with poor design and the lack of infrastructure capacity in their catchment area with corresponding environmental risk which has come about from wet and dry overflows into the Pourewa stream.
5. The antiquated 1940 stormwater and wastewater systems designed by Housing New Zealand were installed for single home sites.
6. The Group states that the Mayor (at the time prior to Super-city merge) was acutely aware of the shortcomings of their catchment system and that the stormwater system was not separated from waste water as installed in other catchment areas.
7. The Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan (PAUP) mixed housing suburban reflected the lack of capacity. It was then upon review (incorrectly in our view) increased to mixed housing urban which further increased the intensification but without a corresponding investment to address the shortcomings of the local capacity.
8. The developer at 9-11 Purewa Road was then granted a Resource consent for intensification above the unitary plan allowance - up to 5 times the actual original zoning the Stormwater/Waste Water system was originally designed for.
9. We, the community, believe the developer's application never complied, because if the application is greater than the permitted activity the applicant is required to demonstrate that there is sufficient infrastructure capacity in the area. Instead, they were concerned with matters within their boundary and not the greater area's lack of capacity and the environmental risk.
10. There was also no mention in the application or Assessment of Environmental Effects (AEE) that there was the possibility of additional environmental risk of wet overflows to the Pourewa stream (which we subsequently discovered after Resource Consent was granted) and was happening on a fairly regular basis.
11. As a community, we believe that the consent in its current form, should not have been issued for an activity in excess of the Unitary Plan allowances. There should have been thorough investigation with stakeholders into the actual capacity in the area and the consent process was further complicated by the actual lack of transparency of the applicant. The applicant demonstrated a high level of disingenuous behaviour by organising a community drop-in to show a design which was completely different to the one for which council granted Resource Consent. The applicant advised the community on several occasions that if there were any changes we would be advised, this never happened. It is likely, that if the actual design had been shown and discussed, then the infrastructure capacity could have been addressed and input sought from stakeholders. This includes Ngāti Whātua, who were not aware of the wet overflows to their stream and especially regarding the proposed new Waka landing site on the stream and the habitat to the protected long finned eel and other native species. In addition, the Orākei Local Board could have had input. I understand Kit (Parkinson) is knowledgeable about what is planned for the area's conservation and the plan to return the valley and stream to a natural state.
12. The second point is that the Council have given this developer the opportunity to take up the majority of the infrastructure capacity with this and previous development (around 35 homes in total). The current Stormwater/Waste Water system capacity will be reduced to a point which penalizes other private persons who also wish to develop their properties to full potential. This is an inequitable situation and unjust to the rest of the community who will see their intensification opportunity possibly reduced to a minimal level because of a lack of infrastructure capacity.
13. The community does not see any justification for allowing the developer at 9-11 Purewa Rd to proceed above what the unitary plan allows. We also believe that there should be no activity above what the Unitary Plan allows as of right until the catchment storm water and wastewater is separated or all stormwater removed.
14. Our third point is environmental risk. Watercare is doing its best, but they can't fight time and the deterioration process. Proposed excessive development in this catchment area that exceeds the unitary plan includes an unacceptable environmental risk through soakage, wet

and dry weather overflows, broken pipes or roots blocking pipes. The system was designed for single home Housing New Zealand sites and not for the PAUP density.

15. Bearing in mind the additional environmental risk, we believe the Council has a distinct obligation to do what is right in the interest of the ratepayers and that Council do possess the right to review and ask for variations to the Resource Consent granted for the development at 9-11 Purewa Rd.
16. Aggressive Council housing policy at any cost should not trump investment in infrastructure and reducing environmental risk. Common sense tells us we should be improving planning and regulatory at Council level in order to identify areas requiring vigilance with a conservative approach.

Landowner Approvals

17. An application to build two hockey turfs and associated infrastructure on Colin Maiden Park is being assessed with involvement of a working group.
18. An application from Healthy Waters to occupy part of Dingle Dell Reserve for six months while they upgrade the stormwater system to alleviate flooding issues on Dingle Road was approved.

Leases

19. Tamaki Yacht Club (Atkins Avenue) update – engaging with Iwi
20. Tamaki Yacht Club (28 Tamaki Drive) update – engaging with Iwi
21. Eastern Suburbs Football Club (Madills Farm) update – engaging with Iwi
22. Ellerslie Theatre Group – discussions are underway regarding the option to lease certain areas of the community centre.
23. Kohimarama Tennis – The club will see out the remainder of the license term and investigate other possibilities for clubhouse development.

Mayor and Governing Body

Public Safety and Nuisance Bylaw 2015 review – feedback to Governing Body by the Ōrākei Local Board

24. The Ōrākei Local Board:
 - (i) support the proposed amendments to the Public Safety and Nuisance Bylaw 2013 including,
 - A. Include wording to list construction materials, boats, shipping containers and consumer goods as items that must not be left or stored in a public place.
 - B. Update wording to include drones and rules around their use over public places.
 - C. Clarify wording about how controls on recreational fishing are made.
 - D. Retain the clause to prohibit setting off of fireworks in public places.
 - (ii) does not support the removal of specific reference to begging.
 - (iii) request Auckland Council, through education and enforcement, ensure that the Bylaw has effect.
 - (iv) note the removal of issues that are addressed through government legislation and other Auckland Council bylaws.
 - (v) note the removal of legacy bylaw clauses about fences.
 - (vi) note the public consultation on the request to government to ban the sale of fireworks to the public.
 - (vii) note the Ōrākei Local Board will confirm their formal feedback when they receive the results of the public consultation for their local board area.

City Centre to Māngere Light Rail Update - Planning Committee 27 November 2018

25. Substantial technical work done since 2012 shows the need for a new rapid transit connection through the central isthmus and onto Māngere and the airport. This connection will help address several major transport challenges that are increasingly negatively impacting on Auckland's economic, employment and social outcomes.
26. The project's objectives are focussed on the role of light rail in enabling and supporting access to employment, housing development and urban regeneration opportunities, particularly in the substantial public land holdings in the corridor.
27. In early 2017 the boards of Auckland Transport and the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) confirmed light rail as the long-term mode for the corridor. The August 2017 update to the Auckland Transport Alignment Project (ATAP) identified the City Centre to Mt Roskill section of the corridor as a first decade priority (although it did not specify the mode).
28. The 2018 ATAP update confirmed that light rail should be delivered along the entire corridor as a first decade priority. ATAP was endorsed by Cabinet and supported by the Governing Body in April 2018.
29. Until recently Auckland Transport led the development of the project. However, in May 2018 the Minister of Transport assigned responsibility for planning, funding and delivering the project to NZTA.
30. While NZTA leads the project, Auckland Council and Auckland Transport continue to have substantial ongoing roles in the planning, delivery and, ultimately, the operations, of light rail in the corridor.
31. Completing the City Centre to Māngere light rail project will require substantial public investment. Making the most of this investment, particularly in terms of its potential to unlock growth and improve urban amenity, will require a comprehensive urban planning response from Auckland Council and Homes. Land. Community (HLC) – a development focussed subsidiary of Housing New Zealand.
32. The Council-led Mass Transit Spatial Programme, approved by the Planning Committee in August 2017, is a critical element of its overall planning response.

Community Awareness

Meadowbank Community Centre Redevelopment Project

33. I am pleased to note that Colliers International has been appointed to undertake the marketing campaign to seek a development partner for the redevelopment of the Meadowbank Community Centre.
34. The advertising campaign commenced on Saturday 2 February and closes at 4pm on Wednesday 27 February 2019. This includes a Colliers International advertisement in the NZ Herald on Saturday 2 February 2019.

Waatarua Reserve car park upgrade

35. The upgraded car park was opened on 1 December 2018, celebrated by a free sausage sizzle prepared by Mens' Shed members.

Ōrākei Basin

36. The two-year maintenance period on landscape planting as part of the access road upgrade project and Lucerne Road pedestrian access are complete.

Kupe Reserve playground

37. The renewal of the Kupe Reserve playground concept design was finalised and is in the initial stages of developed design.

Weed Control

38. Auckland Council's Weed Management Policy contains an objective to minimise agrichemical use and facilities maintenance contracts include a performance indicator to reduce agrichemical use from a baseline established in the first year.
39. From April 2019, Auckland Council Full Facilities suppliers will be managing weeds on berms and the road corridor. However, weed control methods used depend on the species of weed, site characteristics, infestation levels and wider landscape characteristics.

Kepa Bush Reserve

40. Friends of Kepa Bush and Council staff met with the new maintenance contractor for this reserve on 23 January 2019. The following points were noted in the minutes:
 - A phenomenal increase of bird life was recorded
 - Friends of Kepa Bush undertake pest animal baiting, while other volunteers do trapping and monitoring
 - An integrated plan for Kepa Bush is being prepared by a Council department that requests landscape scale ecological input. Friends of Kepa Bush will provide this information
 - A request was made for small privets to be removed while still seedlings
 - Total Control Pet Plants are listed on the Regional Pest Management Strategy that Auckland Council Biosecurity team take responsibility for. These plants have not been found or recorded in Kepa Bush Reserve.

Ōkahu Bay Yacht Moorings

41. Constituents have approached me for an update on the progress of the removal of yacht moorings in Ōkahu Bay and I can confirm that:
 - Ngāti Whātua won the support of Auckland Council to remove boats from Ōkahu Bay
 - The request was granted under the Unitary Plan and the boats and moorings will need to be relocated from the area by the end of July 2019.

Plastic-Free Ōrākei project takes off in Mission Bay



Staff from Mission Bay's Ben & Jerry's tally up plastic and other rubbish they collected at Mission Bay beach

42. A project launched during Conservation Week in September encouraging businesses in Ōrākei Ward to cut their plastic use is starting to see results.
43. Ōrākei Local Board is supporting the project run by the SEA LIFE Trust, which signed up eight local businesses to participate during the project's launch.
44. [Mission Bay's Ben & Jerry's](#) is leading the charge with movements towards changing its ice-cream sample cups to a biodegradable material and the introduction of paper straws and bamboo spoons.
45. Louise Greenshields of SEA LIFE Trust says it has been awesome to have such a well-known company involved in the project.

46. “The whole team is super dedicated and really aware of the impact that we can have – and the fact that it’s such an environmentally friendly store makes the ice-cream taste even better!” she says.
47. Over the weekend, the company held the first of a planned series of beach clean-ups at Mission Bay beach.
48. Ben & Jerry’s staff member Jamie Betts says the clean-up was a great success and hopes to run them monthly in 2019.
49. “Our clean-up was focused on micro-plastics but we also picked up a whole lot of other rubbish including bottle caps, cigarette butts, old bottles and ice-block sticks,” he says.
50. Ōrākei Local Board Chair Kit Parkinson stressed the importance of looking forward in safeguarding the oceans and waterways for future generations.
51. “We’re thrilled that businesses in our ward have really embraced this project and are making moves to shift away from plastics. It shows an understanding of how vital the environment is to business and tourism.”
52. For more information or to get involved with the project, visit [the SEA LIFE Trust NZ Facebook page](#) or email SeaLifeTrustKT@kellytarltons.co.nz

Carols on the Green

53. This successful, well-attended, annual event was held on Vellenoweth Green on Sunday, 2 December 2018. Schools from the Ōrākei Local Board area performed for the large audience. They were well-received and their hard work was appreciated by all. The stage continued to hold the audience’s attention by a variety of people during the evening’s event:

Schools:

- (i) St Heliers School
- (ii) Glendowie School
- (ii) Kohimarama School
- (iv) Churchill Park School

Choirs

- (v) Auckland Youth Choir
- (vi) Stonefield Choir

Band

- (vii) Salvation Army

Church

- (viii) St Philips Church

The Ōrākei Local Board are very grateful to the people who volunteered to jointly create yet another successful Carols on the Green in St Heliers.

Michaels Avenue Reserve Community Liaison Committee

54. The Michaels Avenue Reserve Operational Management Plan 2018 is attached to this report.

Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority

55. The Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau Collective Redress Settlement vested the Crown-owned land in 14 tūpuna maunga ('Maunga') in Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau, on the basis that they are held in trust for the common benefit of the iwi/hapū of Ngā Mana Whenua o Tāmaki Makaurau and the other people of Auckland. The tūpuna maunga are vested as reserves.
56. The Maunga Authority is responsible as the administering body for the tūpuna maunga.
57. The Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority Minutes dated 3 December 2018 is attached to this report.

Attachments

Title
Blind Foundation Letter
Auckland Unitary Plan Operative in part – Ōkahu Bay Precinct
Michaels Avenue Reserve Operational Management Plan October 2018
Michaels Avenue Reserve Community Liaison Committee Minutes dated 20 November 2018
Pourewa Valley Trapping Report
Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority Minutes dated 3 December 2018

Signatory

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