

**Memo**

**12 March 2019**

To: Lemauga Lydia Sosene, Chairperson, Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board  
cc: Rina Tagore – Acting Relationship Manager  
From: Daniel Poe - Acting Senior Local Board Advisor, and Riya Seth Acting Local Board Advisor

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**Subject: Mangere Bridge causeway - community safety concerns, late night anti-social behaviour and noise around waterfront area.**

Background:

There have been long standing concerns in local community regarding late night anti-social behaviour and noise around the Mangere Bridge causeway area. Local community has raised these issues with the local board and police several times in past years. In 2017 the Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board facilitated a coordinated approach with Auckland Council and Auckland Transport leading to the following actions: .

- Improved lighting (Auckland Transport installed bulbs with higher wattage of the bulbs in the area).
- Signage for liquor ban area: installed to clearly show existing liquor ban area Auckland Council installed signage in response to Police's request for better signage to allow for enforcement of existing liquor ban.
- A parking restriction was placed on the old bridge between 10pm and 4am.

Current status:

Following a fatal shooting incident on 17 February 2019 near Mangere Bridge boat ramp area, a public community safety meeting was organized by the Māngere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers Association on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 7.30pm. Asking representatives from the local board council, local MPs, Police, Ministry of Transport and the Mangere Otahuhu Local Board to attend and address the issue at the meeting.

Officers are advised that as a response to the incident, police increased their presence in the area for the next three weeks; however, it is acknowledged that this is not a long-term solution and medium and long-term solutions are needed. The area has CCTV cameras installed (Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers Association), and that police can now have direct access to the camera feed.

Going forward:

The Mangere Otahuhu Local Board and council are working with the Police and Auckland Transport to find immediate, mid-term and long-term solutions to the community safety in the area. An engagement meeting with the Mangere Bridge Residents and Ratepayers Association has been scheduled for 28 March to discuss what community safety might involve and how this might be delivered in the Mangere Bridge causeway area. An idea discussed is to develop an 'initial response group' of stakeholders and agencies to be formed. The response group may include the Mangere Otahuhu Local Board, the Police, Auckland Transport and Auckland Council with local stakeholders.