

Annual Budget 2019/2020 and Proposed Amendment to the 10-year Budget 2018-2028 regarding property transfers consultation feedback report for the Franklin Local Board

1. Purpose

This report summarises feedback from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area through the Annual Budget 2019/2020 consultation. This includes:

- Feedback on the Franklin Local Board priorities for 2019/2020
- Feedback on other priorities in the Franklin Local Board area
- Feedback on regional proposals in the Annual Budget 2019/2020 from people or organisations based in the Franklin Local Board area.

The feedback received will inform the Franklin Local Board decisions on allocation of their local budgets in their local board agreement for 2019/2020. It will also inform the Franklin Local Board input and advocacy on regional budgets and proposals that will be agreed at their business meeting on 16 April 2019, and subsequently discussed with the Finance and Performance Committee on 8 May 2019.

2. Executive Summary

This report summarises consultation feedback on the Annual Budget 2019/2020 (including on local board priorities for 2019/2020).

The data used in this report is based on the most current data available at the time of writing and this may differ slightly from the finalised published data. Any known material differences will be verbally advised to the local board when this report is presented.

Auckland Council received feedback in person at community engagement events, through written forms (including online and hard copy forms, emails and letters) and through social media.

Several submitters provided feedback on more than one matter

Feedback on Franklin Local Board priorities for 2019/2020

The local board consulted on the following priorities:

- Priority 1: To support community led recycling
- Priority 2: To develop local paths and trails
- Priority 3: To work closely with Panuku on the development of Pukekohe
- Priority 4: To enhance waterways protection/restoration
- Priority 5: To emphasise the better use of our local facilities

115 responses were received from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area on Franklin Local Board priorities for 2019/2020, showing that the majority of people either partially support (62 per cent) or support (20 per cent) the local board's priorities. In addition, 1,446 pro forma submissions were received from people in the Franklin Local Board area, and a further 15 on the same topic from submitters living outside of the Franklin Local Board area.

The key themes identified in the feedback outside the priorities consulted on included:

- Transport
- Waste water
- Waste management
- Environment
- Rates
- Subdivision development
- Plans
- New facilities
- Parks and Reserves

Feedback on regional proposals in the Annual Budget 2019/2020 from the Franklin Local Board area

Out of the 2,928 responses received on the regional proposals in the Annual Budget 2019/2020, 95 responses were from people living in the local board area.

Feedback on the draft Tūpuna Maunga o Tamaki Makaurau Authority – Operational Plan 2019/2020

One response was received in relation to the draft Tūpuna Maunga o Tamaki Makaurau Authority – Operational Plan 2019/2020. No responses were received on this topic from people living in, or organisations located in, the local board area.

Feedback on the proposed amendment to the 10-year Budget 2018-2028 regarding property transfers

Out of the 2,450 responses received on the proposed amendment to the 10-year Budget 2018-2028 regarding property transfers, 97 responses were from people living in the Franklin Local Board area. The proposed amendment was generally supported by submitters in the local board area, with 46 per cent in support of the proposal, 34 per cent in partial support and 16 per cent who did not support the proposal.

A summary of the responses received from the Franklin Local Board area are as follows:

10 Year Budget Amendment	Code	Count	%
What is your opinion about this proposal?			
	Support	45	46%
	Partially support	33	34%
	Do not support	16	16%
	Other	3	3%
		97	

3. Context

Auckland Council consulted on its Annual Budget 2019/2020 and a proposed Amendment to the 10-year Budget 2018-2028, regarding property transfers, between 17 February and 17 March 2019.

The Annual Budget 2019/2020 must include a Local Board Agreement for the Franklin Local Board, which sets out our priorities and how we are going to pay for them.

Auckland Council also consulted on the Our Water Future discussion document at the same time. The feedback received on this discussion document will be presented at a later date.

Types of feedback

Overall, Auckland Council received submissions from 6,524 people in the consultation period. This feedback was received through:

- Written feedback – 5,250 hard copy and online forms, emails and letters:
 - Online – 2,446
 - Hard copy council form – 1,093
 - Non-council form – 1,711 (emails, letters, pro formas – 1461 Franklin pro formas)
- In person – 1,246
- Social media – 25 comments were received through Facebook and Twitter.

4. Feedback received Franklin Local Board priorities for 2019/2020

26 feedback points were received on 4 of the local board priorities for 2019/2020. No feedback was received in relation to priority 3 – Working closely with Panuku on the development of Pukekohe. Specifically, the local board consulted on, and received, the following feedback points on its 5 identified priorities:

- Priority 1: To support community led recycling (11 feedback points were received in support of more recycling, with 4 feedback points advocating for a recycling facility in Beachlands and 2 feedback points advocating for the use of the circular economy)
- Priority 2: To develop local paths and trails (5 feedback points were received in support of developing more trails, with 3 of those advocating for community led trails)
- Priority 3: To work closely with Panuku on the development of Pukekohe
- Priority 4: To enhance waterways protection/restoration (5 feedback points were received requesting more waterways protection)
- Priority 5: To emphasise the better use of our local facilities (5 feedback points were received- 2 of those requested enhancing current local facilities, and 3 requested more events in local facilities)

Feedback on other local topics

Key themes across all feedback received (through written, event and social media channels) were:

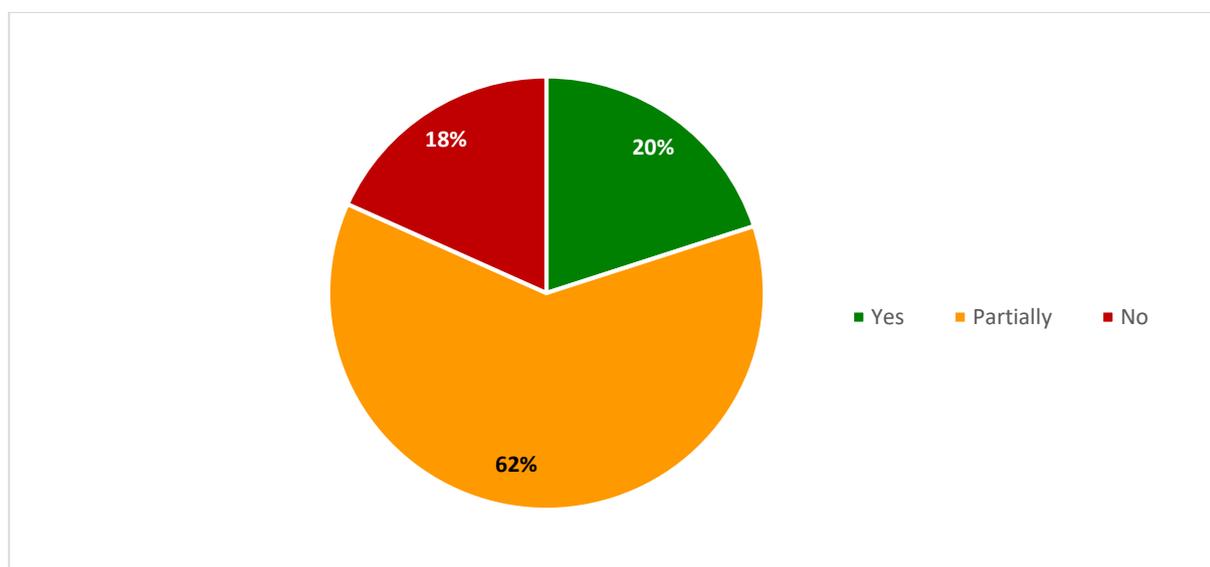
- Transport (27 feedback points were received)
 - Themes included the need for improved road safety (4 feedback points), the poor state of the roads (5 feedback points), traffic congestion (4 feedback points), need for road widening (3 feedback points), need for new roads and connections (5 feedback points), need for more cycle and footpaths (4 feedback points), the need for more public transport (7 feedback points), and poor signage (1 feedback point)
- Waste water (4 feedback points received stating residents pay too much for waste water in Beachlands and Maraetai)
- Waste management (9 feedback points received – with the main theme requesting inorganic collections in Pukekohe)
- Environment (8 feedback points received)
 - Themes included coastal erosion (2 feedback points), kauri dieback (1 feedback point), the need to address climate change (1 feedback point), the need for weed management (2 feedback points) and the litter problem on rural roads (2 feedback points)
- Rates (2 feedback points received that rates were too high)
- Subdivision development (9 feedback points received)
 - 5 feedback points that there was too much subdivision development (mostly noting that focus should be given first to improving roads and infrastructure)
 - 1 feedback point advocated for more subdivision development to encourage growth in the Pohutukawa Coast.
- Plans (3 feedback points were received requesting plans- for a Waiiau Pa and Clarks Beach Community and Sports project plan, a Karaka Sports Park Development, and more infrastructure planning)

- New facilities (1,505 feedback points received requesting new facilities)
 - Themes included a pool in Waiuku (1,465 feedback points), a lease of land in Belmont for a gymnsport facility (36 feedback points), more facilities for youth (2 feedback points), more playgrounds (1 feedback point), and a high school in Beachlands (1 feedback point)
- Parks and Reserves (4 feedback points were received – with most wanting better park maintenance)

A summary of the feedback received through each channel is provided below.

Feedback received through written submissions

Of the Franklin submitters, 115 responded to the question ‘*is the board on the right track with our priorities?*’ The majority of people either partially support (62 per cent) or support (20 per cent) the local board’s priorities. Feedback is shown in the graph below:



Feedback received through events

The Franklin Local Board held one *have your say event*. Feedback was received from three people at this event.

Information on submitters

1,589 people or organisations based in the local board area made a submission.

Of the submissions received, 91 per cent of those received were pro forma submissions, 8 per cent were online, and 1 per cent were hard copy.

99 per cent of submitters were individuals, with the remaining 1 per cent coming from organisations based in the local board area.

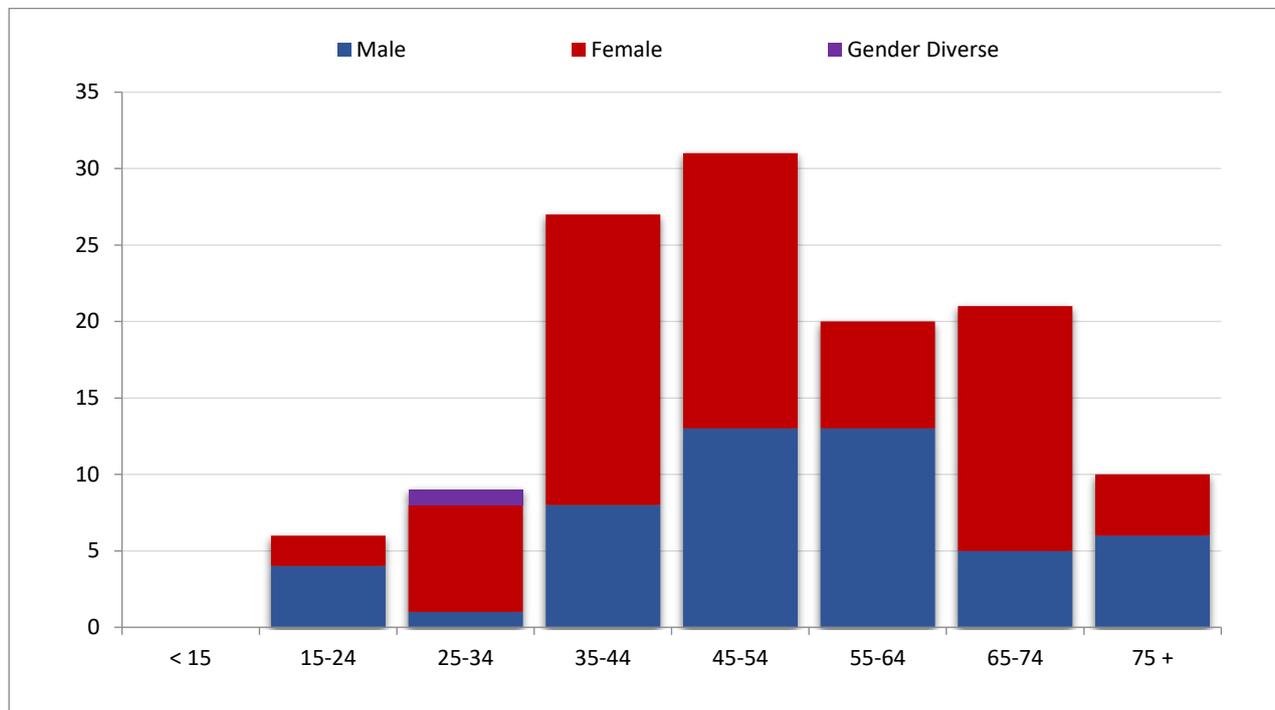
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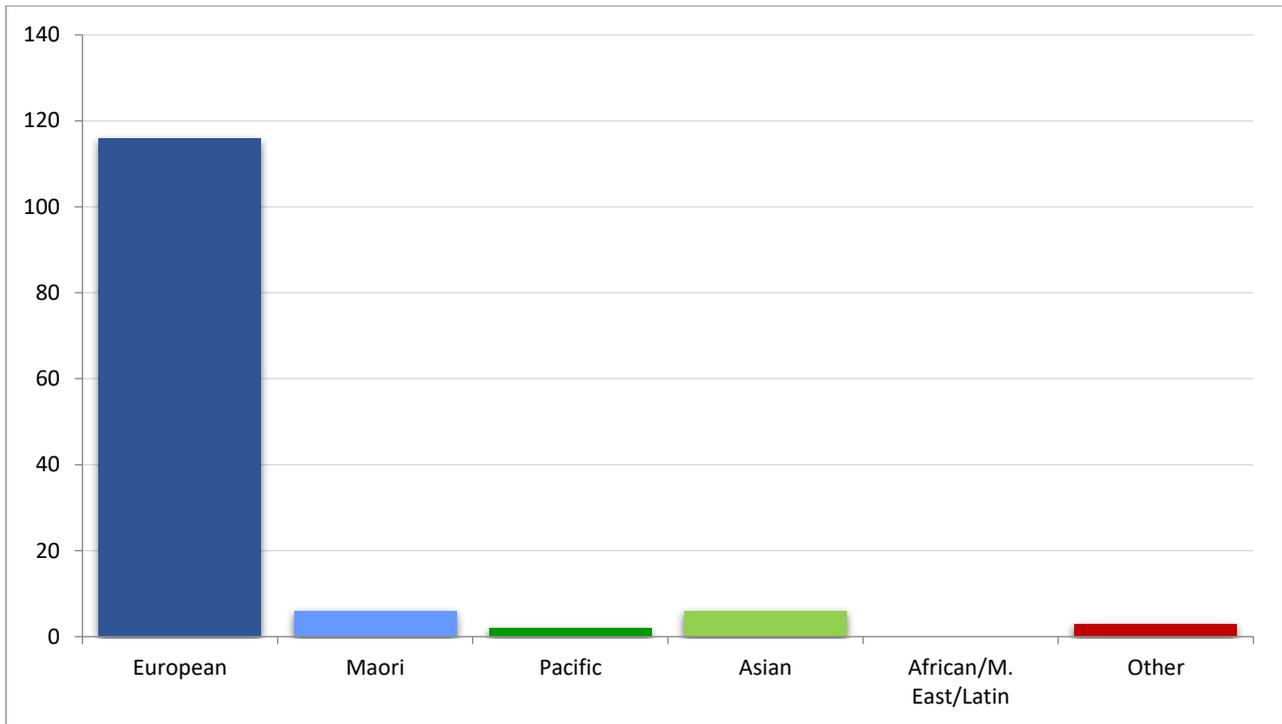
- 125 provided responses to the question of their gender, with 40 per cent identifying as male, 60 per cent identifying as female and 0.008 per cent identifying as gender diverse.
- 125 responded to the question of their ethnic identity, with 85 per cent identifying themselves as Pakeha/New Zealand European, 8 per cent as Other European, 5 per cent as Maori, 3 per

cent as Chinese, 2 per cent as Other Pasifika, 2 per cent as Other, 1 per cent as Indian and 1 per cent as Korean.

- 125 provided their age, with 78 per cent aged 35 and over.

The tables and graphs below indicate what demographic categories people identified with. This information only relates to those submitters who provided demographic information.





5. Overview of feedback received on the Annual Budget from Franklin Local Board area

The Annual Budget 2019/2020 sets out our priorities and how we're going to pay for them. The regional consultation on the proposed Annual Budget focused on changes to rates and fees:

- Changes to rates and fees
 - Annual waste management changes
 - Food scraps targeted rate
 - Waitākere rural sewerage targeted rate
 - Urban boundary rating
 - Religious properties rates
 - Regulatory fees

The responses received from submitters in the local board area on these key issues are summarised below, along with an overview of any other areas of feedback on regional proposals with a local impact.

Changes to rates and fees

Aucklanders were asked about a proposed small number of rating and fee changes.

Question 1: We are proposing a small number of rating and fee changes for 2019/2020

These changes include:

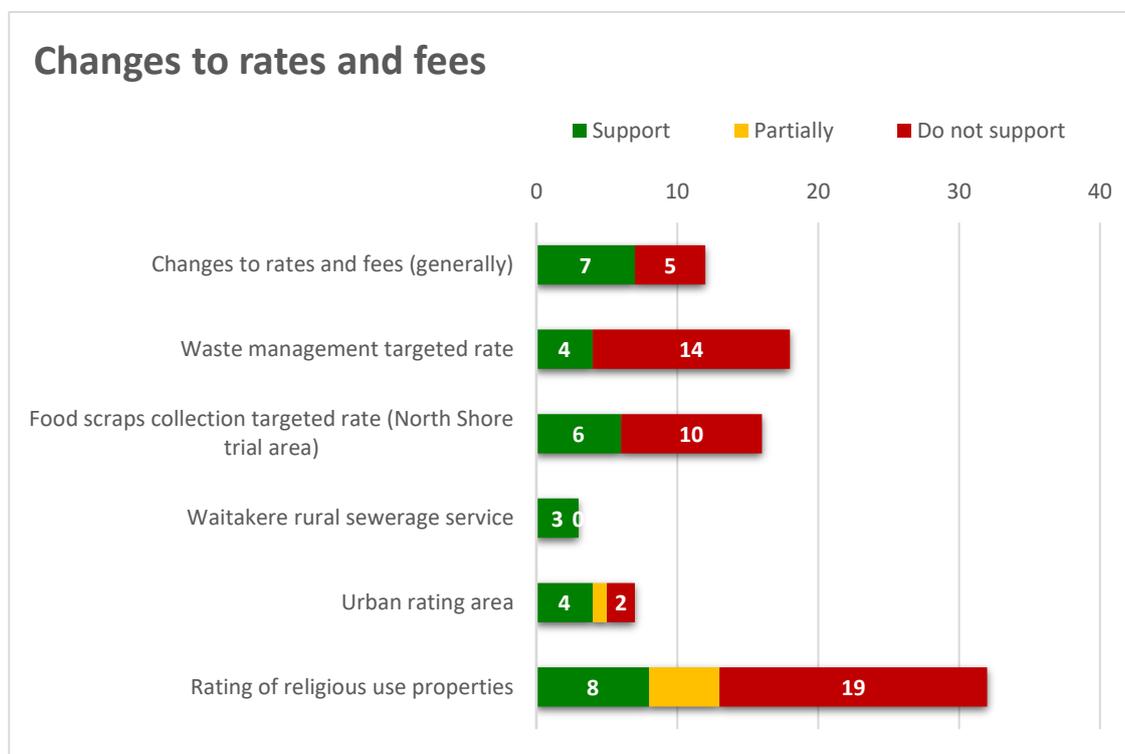
- *a \$20.67 increase to the annual waste management charge to cover increased costs*
- *extending the food scraps targeted rate to 2000 properties in the North Shore former trial area to whom the service is available*
- *phasing out the Waitākere rural sewerage service and targeted rate over a two-year period (2019/2020-2020/2021)*
- *adjusting the urban rating boundary to apply urban rates to 400 properties in recently urbanised areas (that receive the same services as their adjacent urban neighbours)*
- *not charging rates on some parts of the land owned by religious organisations, and*
- *an increase to some regulatory fees (such as resource consent, building control and mooring fees) to cover increased costs.*

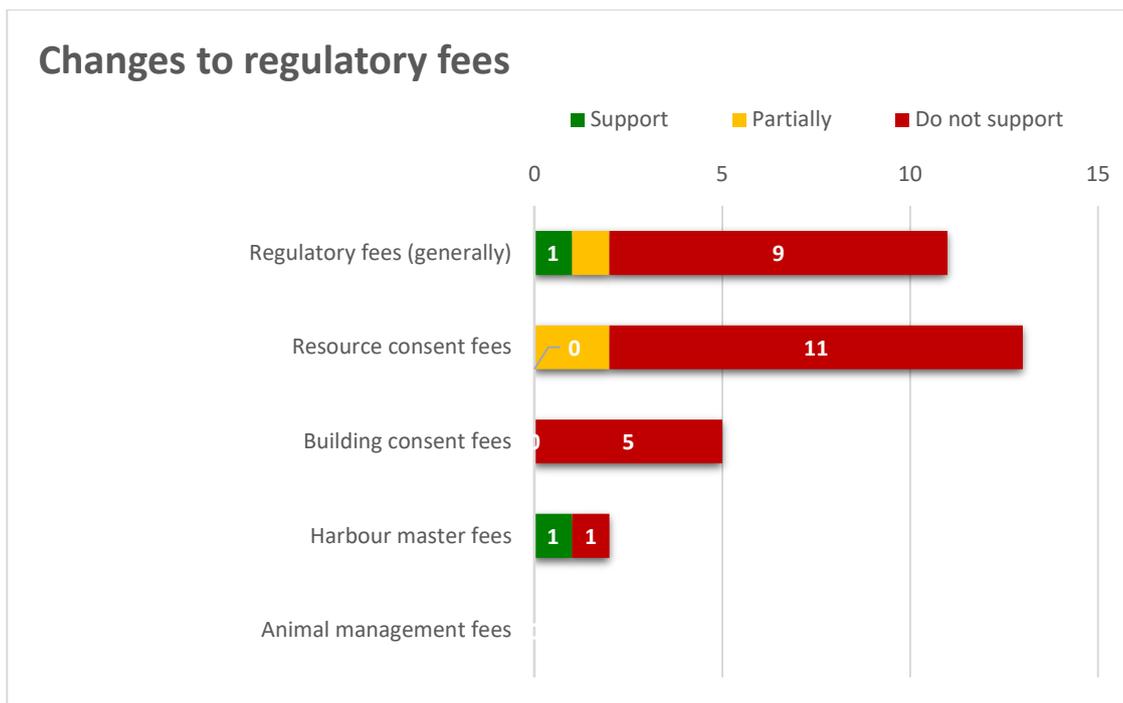
Please tell us what you think about some or all of these changes

Of the 2,928 submissions received on the regional proposals in the Annual Budget 2019/2020, 95 responses were from people living in the Franklin Local Board area.

The graphs below give an overview of the responses from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area:

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Changes to rates and fees	TOTAL	Support	Partially	Do not support
Changes to rates and fees (generally)	12	7	0	5
Waste management targeted rate	18	4	0	14
Food scraps collection targeted rate (North Shore trial area)	16	6	0	10
Waitakere rural sewerage service	3	3	0	0
Urban rating area	7	4	1	2
Rating of religious use properties	32	8	5	19
Regulatory fees (generally)	11	1	1	9
Resource consent fees	13	0	2	11
Building consent fees	5	0	0	5
Harbour master fees	2	1	0	1
Animal management fees	0	0	0	0
Changes to rating and fees (generally)	5	0	5	0





Changes to rates and fees

- **Changes to rates and fees generally**

The proposed changes to rates and fees (generally) received 12 responses from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area. 58 per cent of those who responded from the local board area supported the proposal and 42 per cent did not support the proposal.

- **Annual waste management changes**

The proposed increase to the annual waste management rate received 18 responses from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area. 22 per cent of those who responded from the local board area supported the proposal and 88 per cent did not support the proposal.

- **Food scraps targeted rate**

The proposed extension of the food scraps targeted rate to 2,000 properties in the North Shore received 16 responses from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area. 37.5 per cent of those who responded from the local board area supported the proposal and 62.5 per cent did not support the proposal.

- **Waitākere rural sewerage targeted rate**

The proposed phasing out of the Waitākere rural sewerage service and targeted rate received 3 responses from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area. 100 per cent of those who responded from the local board area supported the proposal.

- **Urban boundary rating**

The proposed adjustment to the urban rating boundary received 7 responses from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area. 57 per cent of those who responded from the local board area supported the proposal, 14 per cent partially supported the proposal, and 29 per cent did not support the proposal.

- **Religious properties rates**

The proposal to not charge rates on some parts of land owned by religious organisations received 32 responses from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area. 25 per cent of those who responded from the Franklin local board area supported the proposal, 15 per cent partially supported the proposal, and 60 per cent did not support the proposal.

Regulatory fees

- **Regulatory fees generally**

The proposed increase in some regulatory fees generally received 21 responses from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area. 76 per cent of those who responded from the local board area did not support the proposal, 14 per cent did support the proposal and 10 per cent partially supported the proposal.

- **Resource consent fees**

The proposed increase in resource consent fees received responses from 15 submitters in the Franklin Local Board area. 73 per cent of those who responded from the local board area did not support the proposal, 20 per cent did support the proposal and 7 per cent partially supported the proposal.

- **Building consent fees**

The proposed increase in building fees received 7 responses from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area. 43 per cent of those who responded from the local board area did not support the proposal, 28.5 per cent did support the proposal and 28.5 partially supported the proposal.

- **Harbour master fees**

The proposed in harbour master fees received 12 responses from submitters in the Franklin Local Board area. 83 per cent of those who responded from the local board area did not support the proposal and 17 per cent did support the proposal.

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6. Overview of feedback received on the proposed amendment to the 10-year Budget 2018-2028 regarding property transfers from the Franklin Local Board area

Of the 2,450 responses received on the proposed amendment to the 10-year Budget 2018-2028 regarding property transfers, 97 responses were from people living, or organisations located, in the Franklin Local Board area.

The question and text below is directly from the feedback form. The feedback from the Franklin Local Board area is set out under the question.

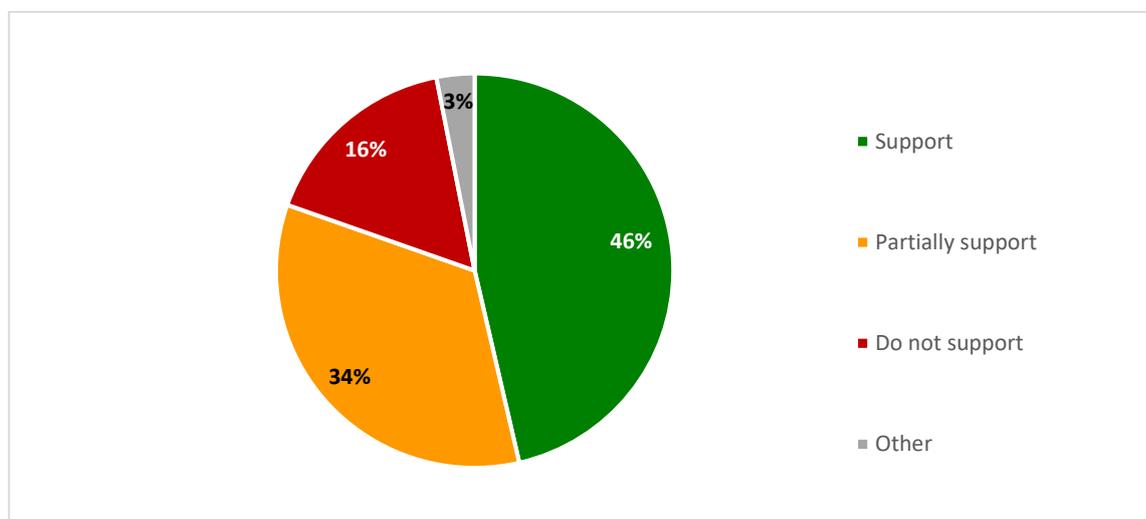
Question 1:

Panuku is Auckland Council's urban development agency and currently owns and manages about \$790 million of city centre waterfront properties. We are proposing to transfer the legal ownership of those properties to Auckland Council. Panuku would continue to manage the properties. The resulting ownership structure would reduce governance duplication, increase consistency with other development areas and maximise future flexibility. The city centre waterfront properties are strategic assets so we want to know what you think of the proposal.

What is your opinion about this proposal?

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