

Waitakere Ranges Local Board – Local Grants Programme 2016/2017

Our Local Grants Programme aims to provide contestable and discretionary community grants to local communities

Outcomes sought from the local grants programme

Our grants programme will be targeted towards supporting the following outcomes, as outlined in our local board plan:

- The Waitakere Ranges Heritage area is protected
- Our unique natural environments are healthy and restored
- Thriving communities
- Revitalised town centres and villages
- Arts and culture flourish

Our priorities for grants

The Waitakere Ranges Local Board welcomes grant applications that align with the following local board plan priorities:

Note:

- these priorities relate to the local board initiatives as outlined in the local board plan
- all applications will be assessed on their own merit

Projects and events that:

- preserve, protect and promote the Waitakere Ranges Heritage Area
- recognise the cultural and historical heritage of the local board area including projects and events connected with WW1 commemoration
- protect and restore our natural habitats and biodiversity, including but not limited to projects that align with specific local board priority areas (Maui's dolphin, kauri dieback and control of weeds and pests)
- support people to connect with nature or adopt environmentally responsible lifestyles
- support our diverse communities, [including our Maori and Pacific communities](#) to be healthy and safe and people feel that they are valued, connected and belong
- promote youth well-being
- enhance our centres while keeping their essential character
events which align with the Waitakere Ranges Local Parks Events Plan
local arts and events that recognise our inspiring settings and unique character

Lower Priorities:

We will also consider applications for other services, projects, events and activities. However, these may be considered a lower priority.

The Waitakere Ranges Local Board has identified the following activities as lower priorities:

- Events which promote a branded company advertising alcohol and fast food, particularly if the event has children and young people participating. [The Waitakere Ranges Local Board will prioritise applications which align with the Healthy Food Policy and Smokefree Policy.](#)
- Events which do not align with the Waitakere Ranges Local Parks Events Plan

Investment approach

The Waitakere Ranges Local Board has identified the following grant types:

- Quick Response Local Grants:
 - Maximum amount per grant up to \$1,500
- Local Grants
 - For grants over \$1,500

Application Dates

Grant rounds for 2015/2016 will be as follows

Quick Response Local Grants

2016/2017 funding rounds	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round One	4 July 2016	5 August 2016	8 September 2016	1 October 2016
Round Two	5 September 2016	7 October 2016	December 2016	15 December 2016
Round Three	6 February 2017	3 March 2017	April 2017	1 May 2017
Round Four	3 April 2017	5 May 2017	June 2017	1 July 2017

Local Grants

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Accountability Measures

The Waitakere Ranges Local Board requires that all successful applicants to provide:

- receipts and a photo of the projects or event are required for grants under \$300.
- for all events: the grant recipient will demonstrate their acknowledgement of the local board contribution, including inviting the local board members to the event.
- an Invitation to the activity to be extended to the board
- inclusion of local board logo on advertising and display of Local Board branding at events.