

## Attachment C

### Ōrākei Local Board – 2017/2018 Annual Agreement

#### Proposed advocacy initiative

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
<p>Connection between Gowing Drive and the Ōrākei Spine</p>	<p>The change by Ministry of Education in 2015 to define the zoning of Selwyn College to include the suburb of Meadowbank and the existing zone of St Thomas's School along with the confirmation of a funded plan to build a shared path between Glen Innes and Tāmaki Drive (Ōrākei Spine), has given rise to an urgent requirement to coordinate various large numbers of submissions and advocacy projects that the Ōrākei Local Board has received over the past five years.</p> <p>The local board list four interrelated projects that need to be considered in a coordinated manner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pedestrian and cycling connections between the Gowing Drive area and the north side of the Pourewa Valley to connect the residents of Gowing Drive with Selwyn College and St Thomas's School.</li> <li>• Providing a critically essential link to an off road north to south connection for the Ōrākei Local Board's Greenways plan for an Ellerslie to Kohimarama Greenway path.</li> <li>• Providing a link to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive shared path for residents in the Gowing Drive area.</li> <li>• Planning for a future Pourewa Valley train station that takes into account the potential increase of passengers that would come from Meadowbank residents having an easily accessible connection with the station.</li> </ul> <p>An opportunity currently exists to purchase a property in Gowing Drive that contains only one residential building (all other properties in Gowing Drive involve three or four homes) that could provide a realistic option to provide a north/south link to service the above projects. The Ōrākei Local Board maintains that a change to the plans for the proposed route of the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive shared path that currently has the path on the north side of the rail line at the Pourewa cemetery, could eliminate the need for a bridge over the rail line at the western edge of the cemetery and the construction of an elevated boardwalk on the northern side of the rail line. The change would require an upgraded pathway through the cemetery and the acquisition of properties in Gowing Drive and Tipene Place plus the construction of an underpass under the rail line off Gowing Drive. The cost of these changes could be cost neutral when land not required for pathways is eventually sold and the cost of bridges and elevated pathways are taken out of the Glen Innes to Tāmaki Drive shared path project.</p> <p>The Ōrākei Local Board requests that the above proposals be urgently considered by the governing body and Auckland Transport and that a budget of \$2 million be allocated in the 2016/2017 budgets for property purchases and planning before the opportunity to satisfy the four objectives is lost.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>