

Whau Local Board Workshop Record

Record of the Whau Local Board workshop held 20 September 2017 at Whau Local Board boardroom, 31 Totara Avenue, New Lynn, Auckland 0600

PRESENT

Chairperson: Tracy Mulholland

Members: Susan Zhu -Deputy Chair

Catherine Farmer

Derek Battersby, QSM, JP

David Whitley

Apology: Duncan Macdonald, JP (for absence), Te'eva Matafai (for absence)

Also present: AC Staff: Antonina Georgetti, Glenn Boyd, Mark Allen, Riya Seth

Notes: Meeting opened by Chair at 11.15am.

Workshop Item	Proposed Outcome/s
Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board administration and upcoming events/meetings • Context setting of today's items • Last workshop's draft record
<p>1. Development of the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018</p> <p>Governance role: Input to regional decision-making</p> <p>Time: 11.30am – 11.50am</p>	<p>Presenters: Julie Dickinson, Jenny Chilcot, Candice Ho</p> <p>Members received an update on the draft Waste Management and Minimisation Plan 2018 (the draft Plan). The board was asked to provide input to enable refinement of the draft before commencement of the special consultative procedure.</p> <p>A report seeking the board's formal feedback will be coming to the 25 October 2017 board meeting.</p> <p>It was noted that a formal resolution from the board containing feedback on the draft Plan must be received by 20 November 2017, to ensure approval of the draft Plan for consultation by the Environment and Community Committee on 5 December 2017.</p> <p>The following points were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waste Assessment was carried out, and showed most of the waste stream is outside council's control and will require innovative solutions to curb volumes. • High waste Levy - discussed as an option to drive behaviour (currently \$10 per tonne). • Engagement with various industry groups to find out more where the waste is coming from and what can be done to reduce it in landfill. • A number of options have been considered: Option 1: Status quo, Option 2: same budget, new priorities, Option 3: requires significant investment in new technology • Option 2 is the preferred option: same budget, involves re-prioritising approach to focus on:

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Advocacy with central government ○ Commercial organics, plastics and other waste ○ Setting new baselines for waste for council activities
<p>2. Ecomatters annual report 16/17</p> <p>Governance role: Oversight and monitoring</p> <p>Time: 11.55am – 12.40pm</p>	<p>Presenters: Damon Birchfield (EcoMatters CEO), Emily Harris (EcoMatters Events and Sponsorship Manager), Robbie Sutherland, Candice Ho</p> <p>Members received Ecomatters' 2016/2017 annual report for projects delivered this financial year, including:</p> <p>The following are the Whau Local Board projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● EcoHub ● Native Plant Nursery ● EcoWest Festival ● Greening the Markets ● Love Your Neighbourhood ● Project Homewise ● Healthy Rentals ● Sustaining Our Streams <p>E waste – Ecomatters have opened a new depot in Rosebank which is an opportunity to connect with business community in that area. Damon and Tracy to meet with Mike Gibson of the Rosebank Business Association to encourage the association to engage with the e-Waste site.</p> <p>Composting workshops – a number of free for all sessions were delivered.</p> <p>Members requested to check if greening weekly Avondale market can be considered for the 2018/2019 local environment work programme. Ecomatters confirmed that they are aware of the issue but it's a private market and there has been poor engagement from the owner. Damon and Tracy to speak to the Avondale Markets owner – encourage markets to go plastic bag free, and discuss an opportunity for greening the markets.</p> <p>Bike hub – Ecomatters received Lotteries NZ funding of \$25,000 and the hub is working very well. The project has been a flagship and other boards are now taking an interest in similar projects in their areas. Members expressed support for this project.</p> <p>Staff will arrange a site visit to EcoMatters hub in October 2017 to allow members to familiarise themselves with EcoMatters operations.</p>
<p>3. Whau Local Grants, Round One</p> <p>Governance role: Local initiative / preparing for specific decisions</p> <p>Time: 1.05pm – 1.40pm</p>	<p>Presenters: Caroline Teh</p> <p>Members discussed applications received for Whau local grants round one.</p>
<p>4. Whau Quick Response, Round</p>	<p>Presenters: Caroline Teh</p>

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<p>One 2017/2018 Governance role: Local initiative / preparing for specific decisions Time: 1.40pm – 2.15pm</p>	<p>Members discussed applications received for quick response grants round one.</p> <p>A workshop session was requested by the members to discuss policy towards applications from individuals.</p>
<p>5. LB Standing Orders review Governance role: Local initiative / preparing for specific decisions Time: 2.15pm – 2.45pm</p>	<p>Presenters: Riya Seth</p> <p>Proposed changes to the local board Standing Orders were discussed with members. A report with the proposed version will be coming to October local board meeting.</p>