

Devonport Takapuna Local Board

Local Grants Programme 2017/18

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:

- our heritage and environment is cherished and looked after
- open space that allows us to live
- active, connected and supported neighbourhoods
- facilities that enable community well-being
- increased opportunities for local new business development and economic growth
- easy safe and reliable journeys that reduce congestion.

Our priorities for grants

The Devonport-Takapuna 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.

- activity that enhances good environmental outcomes
- local built and natural heritage is understood and respected and valued by all
- open spaces that encourage active recreation
- our area's arts and culture is diverse, vibrant and well supported
- neighbourhoods and community-led initiatives are supported and encouraged
- our community has appropriate facilities that can be enjoyed by all
- activity that will create an innovation hub in the local board area
- public transport that is quick, convenient, reliable and affordable.

Note: All applicants are expected to outline in their application how their project will contribute to at least one of the outcomes outlined in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan.

Higher priority for eligibility:

- Community Match Fund (groups who demonstrate that 40% of project costs have already been met, including the approximate value provided by volunteer contribution to projects, events and /or initiatives)

Lower priorities for eligibility:

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

- events which clearly benefit the region rather than just the local area, and which can, therefore, apply for regional or central government grants
- event management costs
- groups and/or activities taking place outside the local board area, unless the applicant can clearly demonstrate the benefit to local board members.
- catering
- commercial events or events that promote a brand or company.
- events that raise money for third party fundraising

In addition to the eligibility criteria outlined in Auckland Council’s overarching Community Grants Policy, the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board will not fund:

- wages and salaries for ongoing administration
- retrospective costs, unless this is necessary as a condition of the grant, or the local board is satisfied that there are mitigating circumstances
- groups which have failed to meet accountability obligations from previous Council grants will not be funded except in exceptional circumstance, and/or by stipulating that completing accountability is a condition of grant payment.

Groups with no formal legal structure

Groups with no formal legal structure may apply for grants of up to \$1,000 through the local board grants programme; however, the board expects to see evidence from the group indicating community support for the activity and its objectives.

Investment approach

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board has allocated budgets to support the local grants programme as follows:

- Quick Response Local Grants
 - Maximum amount per grant: \$2,000
- Local Grants
- Discretionary Grants (for emergency response)

Application dates

Grant rounds for 2017/2018 will be as follows:

Quick Response

2017/18 funding rounds	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round one	21 August 2017	15 September 2017	17 October 2017	1 November 2017
Round two	25 September 2017	20 October 2017	21 November 2017	1 December 2017
Round three	9 April 2018	4 May 2018	19 June 2018	1 July 2018

Local Grants

2016/17 funding rounds	Opens	Closes	Decision made	Projects to occur after
Round one	19 June	28 July 2017	19 September 2017	1 October 2017
Round two	12 February 2018	23 March 2018	15 May 2018	1 June 2018

Multi-board funding

In principle, the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board supports multi-board applications and will consider them on a case-by-case basis.

Accountability measures

The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board requires that all successful applicants provide:

- evidence that the use of the funds matched their application.
- evidence that the project or event has delivered set outcomes/objective
- a completed Accountability Form within two months of project completion
- the contribution of the local board is acknowledged in all publicity and signage
- any events funded or partially funded by the local board are to be smoke-free