

Supporting information – Ōrākei Local Board

Each year we deliver activities and services in your local board area. These are based on our 2017 Local Board Plan, which sets our three-year direction for the local board.

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Message from the chair

This Local Board Agreement is the second since we adopted our 2017 Ōrākei Local Board Plan. Our residents and businesses set its direction and we continue to implement it. Since then, we have started the development process for a new and improved Meadowbank Community Centre which has been a long time coming. We have also successfully advocated to Auckland Transport for the Tāmaki Link Bus which finally connects the suburbs along Tāmaki Drive from Britomart through to Glen Innes.





Budgets for local boards remain limited, but we propose to continue our focus on improving and enhancing the environment, as well as advocating for and funding projects that provide better transport options for our residents. We will continue the projects that are already underway such as a Gowing Drive and Kohimarama Road linkage to the Glen Innes to Tāmaki Drive Shared Path. We intend to extend our already large ecological restoration and pest management projects, including working with community-led groups like the Eastern Bays Songbird Initiative. We have plans to clean Ōkahu Bay up to a Blue Flag Ecological excellence standard.

This year we seek your feedback on transport safety. We have read the statistics and see the initiatives Auckland Transport is carrying out, but we feel one is clearly missed. We would like your support to advocate to Auckland Transport for a bylaw eliminating heavy truck and trailer units from using our local roads as a through-route to and from the port. This aligns with our environmental outcomes, helps reduce congestion and, most importantly, creates improvements to road safety particularly for our most vulnerable users – pedestrians and cyclists.

We take our role in working with our communities seriously, and once again ask you to have your say on our proposals.

What we propose in your local board area in 2019/2020

In 2019/2020, we plan to invest \$7.2 million to renew and develop assets and \$11.1 million to maintain and operate assets as well as provide local programmes and initiatives. The budget in the local board area is allocated as follows:

Key areas of spend	Capital spend 2019/2020	Operating spend 2019/2020	Projects
 Community Services	\$7.2m	\$10m	Renewals Parks maintenance
 Environmental Services	-	\$0.3m	
 Planning	-	\$32,000	
 Governance	-	\$0.8m	

Note: the final budgets are subject to change as the council reviews the detailed costs and timing of delivering planned services and investment.

What do you think?

Do you have any feedback on our proposals?