Auckland Transport April 2019, update to the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board

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Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To provide an update to the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board on transport related matters in their area.

Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

- 2. This report updates the local board on activities and issues in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area, which have been raised by members and responded to in March 2019.
- 3. It provides information on the public consultations, which closed in March 2019, undertaken by Auckland Transport in the local board area and summarises the February 2019 decisions of Auckland Transport's Traffic Control Committee.

Ngā tūtohunga

Recommendation/s

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

a) receive the Auckland Transport April 2019 update to the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board.

Horopaki

Context

- 4. This report addresses transport related matters in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area.
- 5. Auckland Transport (AT) is responsible for all of Auckland's transport services, excluding state highways and reports on a monthly basis to local boards, as set out in the Local Board Engagement Plan. This monthly reporting commitment acknowledges the important engagement role local boards play within and on behalf of their local communities.

Tātaritanga me ngā tohutohu Analysis and advice

Local board transport capital fund

6. The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board have fully allocated their local board transport capital funds.

Response to local board resolution

- 7. At the February 2019 Local Board meeting it was resolved (DT/2019/12):
 - notes with concern the inconsistent low penalties for driving offences, with great potential for causing death or serious injury, of failing to stop at a red traffic light and driving at a speed in excess of the speed limit where the offence is detected by either a fixed or mobile camera device.
 - c) urges Auckland Transport to make strong representations to the appropriate authorities to ensure our infringement penalties, for driving offences, are more reflective of the seriousness of offences that are attributable to causing death and serious injury. (especially infringements for driving in excess of the speed limit, failing to stop at red traffic lights and failing to wear a seat belt).
 - d) requests that Auckland Transport investigate and consider overseas and Australian examples of good practice in measures and equipment to improve the reaction time of drivers of vehicles when traffic lights turn green.
- 8. In response to the local boards resolution regarding infringements penalties, red light running and Australian best practice Auckland Transport advise that it does not enforce on driving offences, failing to stop at red light and excess speeding. This is in the jurisdiction of the NZ Police, as the only driving offences that AT enforce are on special vehicle lanes.

Ngā whakaaweawe me ngā tirohanga a te rōpū Kaunihera Council group impacts and views

9. The impact of information (or decisions) in this report are confined to Auckland Transport and do not impact on other parts of the Auckland Council group.

Ngā whakaaweaweā-rohe me ngā tirohanga a te poariā-rohe Local impacts and local board views

- 10. The proposed decision of receiving the Auckland Transport monthly report has no local, subregional or regional impacts.
- 11. The table below summarises issues raised by Devonport-Takapuna Local Board members and responded to in March 2019:

	Devonport Takapuna Local Board Members Issues Responded in March 2019					
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	Issue Name	Details Raised	Response Provided			
		by Board				
		Member				
1	Intersection of High Street and Hastings	A resident requested the installation of NSAAT lines as commuters were parking too close to the	1 March 2019. CAS-974958. Several factors are carefully considered when assessing a parking restriction, including road width and topography, traffic flow, residents off street parking and availability of neighbouring on street parking spaces, visibility concerns, other safety concerns and crash statistics.			
		intersection.	It is important Auckland Transport undertakes this type of assessment so parking restrictions are only implemented where a significant safety or accessibility issue has been identified and in streets that are classified as narrow roads. Two site visits were undertaken during the day on			
			weekdays, during which no vehicles were observed parking too close to the intersections. AT also reviewed the crash history for these intersections and did not find any reported crashes in the past five years (2014 - 2018). This suggests that there are no significant safety concerns at this location,			

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			and the extent of the existing parking restrictions are adequate at the intersection
			With regard to cyclist safety and the stop line at the intersection of High Street and Calliope Road, Devonport, AT understands that the current location is not optimal in relation to the off-road cycleway. There is a white stop line painted on the cycleway prior to the intersection, which means that cyclists should give way to vehicles on High Street and only proceed when it is safe to do so. AT's investigation concluded that moving the stop line backwards would create visibility issues for vehicles on High Street. Therefore, AT will not be making any changes to this area at this stage. However AT will continue to monitor the intersections, and if it is observed that vehicles are parking continuously too close to the intersection, options will be investigated to address it. AT has notified the parking enforcement team to monitor the area for any trucks or other vehicles parking illegally.
2	Public Transport from Six60 Concert	A resident wrote to the local board chair about the lack of public transport for the huge crowd and long wait times after the concert.	Concerts present significant operational challenges for AT, as it is required to move 50,000 people at one time from the venue. As per the service offered for this event across the rest of the region, AT enabled a direct service from the venue to the CBD to link with the various existing services to get home from the city centre. In this case AT had 8x additional buses load and clear from the NX2 stop on Wellesley St as the closest NX stop to the
			service from the venue, and that crowds were cleared as quickly as was possible.

Consultations

12. The table below summarises the consultations in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area which closed in March 2019:

Consultations - Auckland Transport is required to consult on traffic control matters.				
The preliminary documents were provided to the Local Board for comment.				
Consultation - Bus Tracking at locations: Intersection of Bayswater Ave/Sir Peter Blake parade Intersection of Creamer Ave/Eversleigh Road Intersection of Tainui Road and Cheltenham Road.	4 March 2019. This was forwarded to local board members for comment. Two members responded suggesting marking was not necessary at Bayswater Ave/Sir Peter Blake Parade. Members indicated support for the Creamer Ave/Eversleigh proposal, and that markings were not necessary at Tainui Road/Cheltenham Road.			

Traffic control committee (TCC) report items February 2019

13. The table below summarises the carried decisions of the traffic control committee in February 2019 that were within the Devonport Takapuna Local Board area.

Agenda Item	Street Name	Suburb	Type of Report	Resolution ID	Nature Of Restriction
21	The Strand, The Promenade	Takapuna	Temporary Traffic and Parking changes (Event)	SE001337	Temporary Traffic and Parking restrictions
10	Brook Street, Thornton Road	Milford	Permanent Traffic and Parking changes Combined	15560	No Stopping At All Times, Berm Parking Prohibition, Angle Parking, P120 Parking, P15 Parking, Stop Control, Give-Way Control
11	Rangatira Avenue, Lake View Road, Kowhai Street, Lake Pupuke Drive, Ngaio Street	Milford	Permanent Traffic and Parking changes Combined	15561	No Stopping At All Times, Angle Parking, P120 Parking, Removal of P120 Parking, Removal Of P60 Parking, Mobility Parking, Give-Way Control
12	Northcote Road, Shea Terrace, Mary Poynton Crescent	Milford	Permanent Traffic and Parking changes Combined	15559	Paid Parking Zone
29	Dodson Avenue, Kitchener Road	Milford	Temporary Traffic and Parking changes (Event)	SE001333	Temporary Traffic and Parking restrictions
38	Cheltenham Road	Devonport	Temporary Traffic and Parking changes (Event)	SE001329	Temporary Traffic and Parking restrictions

Tauākī whakaaweawe Māori Māori impact statement

14. The proposed decision of receiving the report has no impacts or opportunities for Maori. Any engagement with Maori, or consideration of impacts and opportunities, will be carried out on an individual project basis.

Ngā ritenga ā-pūtea Financial implications

15. The proposed decision of receiving the report has no financial implications.

Ngā raru tūpono me ngā whakamaurutanga Risks and mitigations

16. Auckland Transport will put risk management strategies in place on a project by project basis.

Ngā koringa ā-muri Next steps

Auckland Transport will provide another update report to the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board next month.

Ngā tāpirihanga

Attachments

18. There are no attachment for this report.

Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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