

## Supporting information content template

### Aotea / Great Barrier Local Board supporting information

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

#### Message from the chair

We are in the final year of our 2017 Local Board Plan. Some of our key achievements have been gaining International Dark Sky Sanctuary status, switching the council buildings onto solar power, supporting the establishment of the Learning Hub, and delivering a visitor strategy. We were also successful in gaining exemption from the regional fuel tax.

Our proposed focus for 2020/2021 is to continue delivering on our local board plan initiatives. These initiatives include: grants funding for our health, welfare, education, tourism, arts and other community groups; implementation of the visitor strategy; compliance funding for our Dark Sky Sanctuary; investigation of a Claris cemetery; consultation around new walkway linkages, village spaces plan and Area Plan; and further investigations into ways to address our housing and technology concerns.

The environment has always featured strongly in our consultation feedback. In 2020/2021, we propose to continue supporting the Ecology Vision, biodiversity and biosecurity programmes, marine biosecurity, and freshwater stream monitoring. We will also look at marine protection around our coastlines in collaboration with mana whenua and the community, using Sea Change – Tai Timu Tai Pari as a guide.

Climate change is of growing concern to our island, the region and the nation. We propose to continue funding community groups for their low carbon events and projects, and investing in sustainability upgrades to their facilities. We will also investigate initiatives for potable drinking water, on-island food production, and advocate for ethical council investment practices.

Over the coming months, we will be holding various hui, community meetings and events as the new board begins consultation on its new three-year Local Board Plan. Please join us and share your thoughts on what's most important to you for the next year, three years and 30 years.

Ngā mihi nui,







Izzy Fordham

Chair – Aotea / Great Barrier Local Board

#### What we propose in your local board area in 2020/2021

In 2020/2021 to deliver on our priorities we plan to invest \$764,000 to renew and develop assets and \$2.61 million to maintain and operate assets as well as provide local programmes and initiatives. The budget in the local area is allocated as follows:

Key areas of spend	 Community Services	 Environmental Services	 Planning	 Governance
Operating Spend 2020/2021	\$1.67m	\$207,000	\$25,000	\$708,000
Capital spend 2020/2021	\$764,000	-	-	-

Provide below 3 – 5 key projects for both OPEX and CAPEX for FY 2020/2021. They should link to the local board's priorities set out in the consultation document content.

OPEX project name	Location
Visitor Strategy	Multiple (but arrow can go Claris)
Capital Grants	Multiple (put arrow at a gap or many arrows)
Ecology Vision	Multiple (put arrow at a gap or many arrows)
Biodiversity and biosecurity programmes	Multiple (but arrow can go Okiwi)
Freshwater stream monitoring	Multiple (but arrow can go Tryphena)

CAPEX project name	Location
Claris cemetery	Whangaparapara Rd
Mulberry Grove skateramp	Mulberry Grove

[These will be plotted on a map of the local board area]

### What do you think?

In your opinion, are the priorities right for this local board area in 2020/2021? [standard question for hard copy form and supporting information]

There is some flexibility to include a response prompt in the supporting information and online form related to a significant project (i.e. targeted rate), which will be considered on a case-by-case basis.