I hereby give notice that an extraordinary meeting of the Waiheke Local Board will be held on:

Date: Wednesday, 13 May 2020
Time: 5.15pm
Meeting: This meeting will proceed via Skype for Business. A recording will be uploaded on the Auckland Council website

Waiheke Local Board
OPEN AGENDA

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1 Welcome

Kua uru mai a hau kaha, a hau maia, a hau ora, a hau nui,
Ki runga, ki raro, ki roto, ki waho
Rire, rire hau…pai marire

Translation (non-literal) - Rama Ormsby
Let the winds bring us inspiration from beyond,
Invigorate us with determination and courage to achieve our aspirations for abundance and sustainability
Bring the calm, bring all things good, bring peace….good peace.

2 Apologies

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

3 Declaration of Interest

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

4 Leave of Absence

At the close of the agenda no requests for leave of absence had been received.

5 Acknowledgements

At the close of the agenda no requests for acknowledgements had been received.

6 Petitions

At the close of the agenda no requests to present petitions had been received.

7 Deputations

There is no deputations as this is an extraordinary meeting as part of a Special Consultative Process.

8 Public Forum

There is no public forum as this is an extraordinary meeting as part of a Special Consultative Process.

9 Extraordinary Business

Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended) states:

“An item that is not on the agenda for a meeting may be dealt with at that meeting if-

(a) The local authority by resolution so decides; and

(b) The presiding member explains at the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public,-

(i) The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
(ii) The reason why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting."

Section 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended) states:

"Where an item is not on the agenda for a meeting,

(a) That item may be discussed at that meeting if-

(i) that item is a minor matter relating to the general business of the local authority; and

(ii) the presiding member explains at the beginning of the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public, that the item will be discussed at the meeting; but

(b) no resolution, decision or recommendation may be made in respect of that item except to refer that item to a subsequent meeting of the local authority for further discussion."
Local board decisions and input into the Annual Budget 2020/2021

File No.: CP2020/05102

Te take mō te pūrongo
Purpose of the report
1. To seek approval for local financial matters for the local board agreement 2020/2021, which need to be considered by the Governing Body in the Annual Budget 2020/2021 process.
2. To seek feedback on the proposed regional topics in the Annual Budget 2020/2021.

Whakarāpopototanga matua
Executive summary
3. Our Annual Budget contains 21 local board agreements which are the responsibility of local boards to agree with the governing body. These agreements set out local funding priorities, budgets, levels of service and performance measures.
4. Auckland Council publicly consulted from 21 February to 22 March 2020 to seek community views on the proposed Annual Budget 2020/2021 and local board priorities to be included in the local board agreements (Consultation part 1).
5. Since this consultation was undertaken, the COVID-19 pandemic has exerted significant pressure on the council’s financial position, which will have flow on effects for the proposed budget for the 2020/2021 financial year. The council is now considering what those impacts are likely to be, and plan to ask Aucklanders for their views on certain aspects of Auckland Council’s proposed ‘emergency budget’ in response to the financial impacts of COVID-19 (Consultation part 2).
6. Local boards are required to receive the feedback on the proposals in consultation part 1, which are not affected by the changes being considered by the council and therefore will not be subject to further consultation and make decisions on them. This must be done before consultation part 2 can get underway, so the scope of consultation part 2 is clear.
7. This report seeks decisions on local financial matters for the local board agreement, including:
   a) proposed Locally Driven Initiative (LDI) capital projects outside local boards' decision-making responsibility
   b) release of local board specific reserve funds.
8. The council received feedback in person at community engagement events and through written forms, including online and hard copy forms, emails and letters.
9. This report summarises consultation feedback on the proposed Annual Budget 2020/2021, including on local board priorities for 2020/2021.

Feedback on Waiheke Local Board priorities for 2020/2021
10. The local board consulted on the following priorities:
    • Progressing the Mātiatia Strategic Plan.
    • Implementation of the Tawaipareira and the Little Oneroa concept plans.
    • Delivery of projects within the 10-year Transport Plan and the Waiheke Pathways (Greenways) Plan.
    • Continuing environmental projects, including ecological restoration, improving the quality of our waterways and predator management.
Feedback on regional proposals in the proposed Annual Budget 2020/2021 from the Waiheke local board area

12. This report seeks local board views on the proposed regional Annual Budget topics including:
   - the changes to rates and fees, key proposals:
     o waste management targeted rate
     o refuse collection in former Auckland City and Manukau City
     o Waitākere rural sewerage service and targeted rate
   - the draft Tūpuna Maunga o Tamaki Makaurau Authority – Operational Plan 2020/2021
   - other budget information.

13. Local board views on these regional matters will be considered by the Governing Body (or relevant committee) before making final decisions on the Annual Budget 2020/2021.

14. Out of the 4765 submissions received on the regional proposals in the Annual Budget 2020/2021, 38 submissions were from people living in the Waiheke local board area.

15. Auckland Council also consulted on the Council-Controlled Organisations (CCO) Review at the same time. The feedback received on this will be presented at a later date.

Ngā tūtohunga

Recommendation/s

That the Waiheke Local Board:

a) receive consultation feedback on the proposed Waiheke Local Board priorities for 2020/2021.

b) receive consultation feedback on regional proposals in the Annual Budget 2020/2021 from people or organisations based in the Waiheke Local Board area.

c) recommend that the Governing Body approves any proposed Locally Driven Initiative (LDI) capital projects, which are outside local boards’ allocated decision-making responsibility.

d) provide feedback on the proposed Annual Budget 2020/2021.

Horopaki

Context

16. Local board agreements form part of the Auckland Council's Annual Budget and set out local funding priorities, budgets, levels of service and performance measures.
17. Auckland Council publicly consulted from 21 February to 22 March 2020 to seek community views on the proposed Annual Budget 2020/2021 and local board priorities to be included in the local board agreements. This is now referred to as consultation part 1.

18. Since this consultation was undertaken, the COVID-19 pandemic has exerted significant pressure on the council’s financial position, which will have flow on effects for the proposed budget for the 2020/2021 financial year. Work to date on the proposed Annual Budget will need to be adjusted to consider the new financial realities facing Auckland.

19. The financial report presented to the Emergency Committee during April 2020 indicated potential reductions in cash revenue of $350-650m for financial year 2020/2021, depending on the length and extent of the disruption caused by COVID-19. The Emergency Committee requested staff provide further information to the Governing Body on the impacts of the various scenarios modelled against a rates increase of between 0 per cent and 3.5 per cent. They also resolved that further public consultation on the Annual Budget would include considering whether to adopt a 2.5 per cent rather than 3.5 per cent general rates increase for the 2020/2021 financial year, among a suite of other measures aimed at offering support to all ratepayers, including businesses, facing hardship due to the impacts of COVID-19.

20. The council is planning to ask Aucklanders for their views on certain aspects of Auckland Council’s proposed ‘emergency budget’ in response to the financial impacts of COVID-19. It is anticipated this will be carried out from late May until mid-June 2020. This will be in addition to the Annual Budget 2020/2021 consultation we have already carried out from February to March 2020. This is referred to as consultation part 2.

21. Consultation part 2 is unlikely to revisit any of the specific proposals in consultation part 1. Therefore, the local boards and the Governing Body are required to receive the feedback on these proposals and make decisions on them. This must be done before consultation part 2 can get underway so it is clear what decisions have already been made, and what decisions will be made after consultation part 2.

22. Further, some of the proposed changes to fees and charges required a Special Consultative Procedure (SCP) and the requirements for this were met in consultation part 1. It is important to complete this statutory process, especially where consultation part 2 will not be relevant to the decisions on these fees and charges.

23. This report includes analysis of the consultation feedback on the Waiheke Local Board priorities for 2020/2021, and on the regional proposals in the Annual Budget 2020/2021 from people or organisations based in the Waiheke Local Board area.

Local financial matters for the local board agreement

24. This report allows the local board to agree its input and recommend other local financial matters to the Governing Body in May 2020. This is to allow time for the Governing Body to consider these items in the Annual Budget process.

Funding for Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI)

25. Local boards are allocated funding annually to spend on local projects or programmes that are important to their communities. Local boards can approve LDI capital projects up to $1 million, projects over that amount require approval from the Governing Body.

26. Local boards can recommend to the Governing Body to convert LDI operational funding to capital expenditure for 2020/2021 if there is a specific need to do so. Governing Body approval may be needed for the release of local board specific reserve funds, which are funds being held by the council for a specific purpose.
Local board decisions and input into the Annual Budget 2020/2021

Local board input on regional plans

27. Local boards have a statutory responsibility for identifying and communicating the interests and preferences of the people in its local board area in relation to the context of the strategies, policies, plans, and bylaws of Auckland Council. This report provides an opportunity for the local board to provide input on the proposed Annual Budget.

28. Local Board Plans reflect community priorities and preferences and are key documents that guide both the development of local board agreements and input into regional plans.

Council-controlled organisation (CCO) review

29. An independent panel was appointed by Auckland Council to examine three areas: (1) the CCO model, roles and responsibilities, (2) the accountability of CCOs, and (3) CCO culture. Local boards had the opportunity to provide input into this in March 2020.

30. Auckland Council also consulted on the review of CCOs during the same period as the Annual Budget, from 21 February to 22 March 2020.

31. After receiving feedback, the panel will report on key issues, community and stakeholder feedback to the council in May 2020.

32. The panel will provide a final report and recommendations to the council in July 2020.

Types of feedback

33. Overall Auckland Council received feedback from 4765 people in the consultation period. This feedback was received through:
   - Written feedback – 3820 hard copy and online forms, emails and letters
   - In person – through 58 Have Your Say events and community events.

Tātaritanga me ngā tohutohu

Analysis and advice

Feedback received on Waiheke Local Board priorities for 2020/2021

34. The Waiheke Local Board consulted on the following priorities:
   - Progressing the Mātiatia Strategic Plan.
   - Implementation of the Tawaipareira and the Little Oneroa concept plans.
   - Delivery of projects within the 10-year Transport Plan and the Waiheke Pathways (Greenways) Plan.
   - Continuing environmental projects, including ecological restoration, improving the quality of our waterways and predator management.
   - Monitoring numbers of visitors and managing impact.
   - Supporting community-led programmes in areas such as housing, business, sustainability and youth.
Feedback received

35. 38 submissions were received on Waiheke Local Board priorities for 2020/2021, showing that the majority of people either support most (34 per cent) or support all (34 per cent) of the local board’s priorities.

36. The Waiheke Local Board held one Have Your Say event on 4 March 2020.

![Pie chart showing feedback on priorities]

Feedback on other local topics

37. Feedback received on other local topics include:

- Accommodation Providers Targeted Rate – a review is required, and Waiheke should be moved from Zone B to Zone C. (Note this is regional advocacy area).
- Increased focus and funding for the arts.
- Improved infrastructure and roading, and improved parking at Mātiatia.
- Marine health and preservation of the biodiversity of the Hauraki Gulf. (Note this is primarily a regional advocacy area).
- Septic system management.
- Visitor impacts.
- Renegotiate budgets and priorities with a focus on climate change.
- Sustainable waste management.
- Additional programmes that enrich our local community, provide new visitor experiences and enable further employment and internships that contribute to the economy of the island.

Requests for local funding

38. Requests for local funding included:

- An additional $20,000 funding for the Art Gallery and the Theatre to present arts exhibitions and events that are not sustainability driven.
- The Theatre, Gallery, Whittaker's, Cinema and Radio Station to be part of an integrated Cultural Centre, with provision of space for Artists in Residence and Arts Education. to operate as a vibrant multi—faceted facility.
- A playground on Rakino Island.
Information on submitters

39. The tables and graphs below indicate what demographic categories people identified with. This information only relates to those submitters who provided demographic information.

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Overview of feedback received on the Annual Budget from Waiheke Local Board area

40. The proposed Annual Budget 2020/2021 sets out our priorities and how we’re going to pay for them. The regional consultation on the proposed Annual Budget focused on changes to rates and fees, the key proposals were:

- waste management targeted rate
- refuse collection in former Auckland City and Manukau City
- Waitākere rural sewerage service and targeted rate.

41. The submissions received from the Waiheke Local Board area on these key issues is summarised below, along with an overview of any other areas of feedback on regional proposals with a local impact.
Waste management targeted rate

42. Aucklanders were asked about a proposal to increase the waste management targeted rate.

Question 1: Waste management targeted rate

The cost of responsibly dealing with our kerbside recycling (paper, cardboard and plastics) has increased due to international market conditions.

To pay for this we propose to charge only those who use the service by increasing the targeted rate by $19.97 a year or $0.38 a week (the total cost changing from $121.06 to $141.03 incl. GST).

If we do not do this, we would have to fund the shortfall by increasing general rates for all ratepayers, including those who don’t get a kerbside collection service.

43. The graphs below give an overview of the responses from the Waiheke Local Board area.

44. Submitters raised a number of points relating to waste management on Waiheke, such as:
   - Weekly vs fortnightly kerbside collection, and more efficiency required.
   - Preference for a proposal which reduces waste.
   - Food scrap collection programme supporting local employment.
   - Waste is often disposed at central collection or other self-service facilities.
   - Separation of recyclable waste.

Refuse collection in former Auckland City and Manukau City

45. Aucklanders were asked about a proposal to increase the refuse collection in former Auckland City and Manukau City targeted rate.

Question 2: Refuse collection in former Auckland City and Manukau City

In the old Auckland City and Manukau City Council areas, households pay for rubbish through a targeted rate. In other parts of the city, residents pay for their collection via Pay As You Throw. The targeted rate for the Auckland City and Manukau City Council areas no longer meets the cost of collection.

To cover this extra cost we propose increasing the targeted rate in these areas by $14.23 a year or $0.27 a week for a 120 litre bin (the total cost changing from $129.93 to $144.16 incl. GST), and an additional $6.68 a year or $0.13 a week for a large 240 litre bin (the total cost changing from $191 to $211.91 incl. GST).

If we do not do this, we would have to increase general rates for all ratepayers, including those living outside these two areas who would subsidise residents of old Auckland and Manukau cities.

46. The graphs below give an overview of the responses from the Waiheke Local Board area.
47. Submitters provided the following feedback on this question:
   - Concern over rubbish dumping.
   - Look into improving efficiency or reduce operating costs.

Waitākere rural sewerage service and targeted rate

48. Aucklanders were asked about a proposal to increase the Waitākere rural sewerage service and targeted rate.

   Question 3: Waitākere rural sewerage service and targeted rate

   Last year we consulted on removing the septic tank pumpout service funded by a targeted rate. While feedback indicated a willingness to go ahead with the removal of this service in the Henderson-Massey and Upper Harbour local board areas, residents of the Waitākere Ranges local board area said they wanted to keep the service. The cost of delivering this service is higher than the current targeted rate of $198.43. Our proposal, for those in the Waitākere Ranges local board area who want the service, is to recover the full cost by increasing the targeted rate to between $260 and $320 a year (incl. GST). This increase would apply from July 2021. If we do not do this, the council could end the service, or continue to subsidise the cost of the service to septic tank users in the Waitākere Ranges local board area from all general ratepayers, including those who don't use the service.

49. The graphs below give an overview of the responses from the Waiheke Local Board area.

50. Submitters provided the following feedback on this question:
   - Consider composting toilet systems instead.
   - Agree with user pays.
Other feedback

51. Aucklanders were asked what is important to them and if they had any feedback on any other issues. This could include the key topics of how we charge for pool fencing inspections, and adjusting our fees and charges.

52. Thirteen submitters supported a review of the Accommodation Providers Targeted Rate (APTR). Eleven made the following statement:

“APTR needs to be reviewed — it is not fairly implemented and is having a negative effect on the Accommodation and Tourism sector on Waiheke Island. The burden is not spread equitably across the sector and there is no transparency in how the rate collected is allocated regionally or in particular for the benefit the Tourism sector in this area. APTR further encourages day visitors rather than a more sustainable multi—day visit — I support moving Waiheke Island from group B to group C for APTR.”

Feedback on the draft Tūpuna Maunga o Tamaki Makaurau Authority – Operational Plan 2020/2021

53. Feedback was received from one person in the Waiheke Local Board area on the draft Tūpuna Maunga o Tamaki Makaurau Authority – Operational Plan 2020/2021.

“Maunga protection should develop food forests using native and exotic plants”

Feedback on other regional proposals with a local impact

54. The following feedback was received from the Waiheke Local Board area on other regional proposals:

- Budgets and priorities require renegotiation with a focus on climate change.
- A focus on marine health and preservation of the biodiversity of the Hauraki Gulf.
- A number of transport issues such as:
  - Bus network concerns.
  - Double decker buses out of proportion for the island.
  - Improvements required for road and footpath network.

Tauākī whakaaweawe āhuarangi
Climate impact statement

55. The decisions recommended in this report are procedural in nature. New targeted rates and the release of reserve funds will not have any climate impacts themselves.

56. Some of the proposed projects these would fund may have climate impacts. The climate impacts of any projects Auckland Council chooses to progress with as a result of this, will be assessed as part of the relevant reporting requirements.

57. Some of the proposed projects these would fund will be specifically designed to mitigate climate impact, build resilience to climate impacts, and restore the natural environment.
The Annual Budget is an Auckland Council Group document and will include budgets at a consolidated group level. Consultation items and updates to budgets to reflect decisions and new information may include items from across the group.

Local board decisions and feedback are being sought in this report. Local boards have a statutory role in providing local board feedback on regional plans.

Local boards play an important role in the development of the Annual Budget. Local board agreements form part of the Annual Budget. Local board nominees have also attended Finance and Performance Committee workshops on the Annual Budget.

Many local board decisions are of importance to and impact on Māori. Local board agreements and the Annual Budget are important tools that enable and can demonstrate council’s responsiveness to Māori.

Local board plans, which were developed in 2017 through engagement with the community including Māori, form the basis of local priorities. There is a need to continue to build relationships between local boards and iwi, and the wider Māori community.

The analysis included submissions made by mana whenua and the wider Māori community who have interests in the rohe / local board area.

Ongoing conversations between local boards and Māori will assist to understand each other’s priorities and issues. This in turn can influence and encourage Māori participation in council’s decision-making processes.

Some of the proposed projects these would fund may have impacts on Māori. The impacts on Māori of any projects Auckland Council chooses to progress with as a result of this, will be assessed as part of the relevant reporting requirements.

This report is seeking local board decisions on financial matters in local board agreements that need to then be considered by the Governing Body.

Local boards are also providing input to regional plans. There is information in the consultation material for each plan with the financial implications of different options.

Local boards are required to make recommendations on these local financial matters for the Annual Budget by 15 May 2020, to enable the Governing Body to make decisions on them when considering the Annual Budget in May.
Ngā koringa ā-muri

Next steps

69. Local boards will approve their local board agreements and corresponding work programmes.

70. Recommendations and feedback from local boards will be provided to the relevant governing body committees for consideration during decision making at the Governing Body meeting.

71. The dates of these meetings are yet to be determined as the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown are taken into account.

Ngā tāpirihanga

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**Event 1**

- **APF Implications of the Proposed Target Rate**: We have already had 1500 people sign up to a petition - do we need to do anything about it?

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

- **APF Implications of the Proposed Target Rate**: Are we doing the right thing or do we need to rethink it?

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

- **State of the Catchment Report - Wellington Harbour Catchment - On the Agenda (Next Intermezzo)**: If you don’t do something, is it too late?

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

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**Event 2**

- **Waiheke Local Board Have Your Say**: It’s the last piece of 2020 to stop breaching and try to get the grandchildren and turn off the light.

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

- **Waiheke Local Board Have Your Say**: The council’s more accountable for planned expenditure and principle of responsible financial management.

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

- **Waiheke Local Board Have Your Say**: There is no reference in the Draft 3G (Local Government Funding Agency).

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

- **Waiheke Local Board Have Your Say**: The Draft 3G is very disappointing.

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

- **Waiheke Local Board Have Your Say**: We are asking for more on climate change issues. We should be able to bring this budget forward as a whole.

  - AB - Regional
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**Event 3**

- **Waiheke Local Board Have Your Say**: Are we dealing with climate change effectively as a council? Are we getting anywhere in the way we are working?

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

- **Waiheke Local Board Have Your Say**: Council needs to come up with a smart plan for Climate Change to get everyone onboard and have them just as well.

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

- **Waiheke Local Board Have Your Say**: There doesn’t seem to be any understanding of what might happen with COVID-19.

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

- **Waiheke Local Board Have Your Say**: Does the Sustainable Tourism Plan include the impact of Airbnb and other holiday providers?

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

- **Waiheke Local Board Have Your Say**: Is there anything still in existence?

  - AB - Regional
  - 1.0 Environment and Finance

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Support - continue the service

Local priorities

Waiheke

I support all of the priorities

Other feedback

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Local priorities

Waiheke

I support most of the priorities.

A lot of money is spent on Waiheke on what many residents consider unnecessary services and facilities, many of which might seem sensible from Auckland but which either don’t suit the island or which are simply inappropriate. For example the 2019 programme of new/replacement bus stops and shelters, and the successive Matelita car parking and bus stop experiments.
Other feedback

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Waiheke Local Board
13 May 2020

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Local priorities

Waiheke

I support most of the priorities
Don't think the local board can manage tourism impact, but statistics would be good.
Other feedback

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Waiheke rubbish collection should not be cut to every two weeks. Not reasonable. We need a good, well thought out car park at Matiatia. Suggest small electric vans running a regular service. Double decker busses are out of scale and proportion for the island. Taxi service here is being over run by auckland taxis who charge top rates to unsuspecting tourists. Needs a local by law. Will damage tourism. Waiheke roads need larger than proportionate spend. Many don't have foot paths even in high use areas. Needs survey and inclusion in long term plan. Fullers ferry service sub standard and on a world scale is extortionately expensive. Needs council overview to ensure these public transport services are reasonably costed.
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Local priorities

Waiheke

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Other feedback

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Local priorities

Waiheke

I do not support all of the priorities
Playgrounds and play areas for kids need higher priority. The ones on Waiheke are very poor and not many compared to those in the Ponsonby/Grey Lynn and Takapuna. Why is the governance cost almost as high as Waitāmatā, and yet the budget for community spend is less than one third?

Waitāmatā

I support most of the priorities

Other feedback

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## Annual Budget 2020/2021

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   - **Support**
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Other feedback

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Other

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What do you think of our proposal?

Do not support - end the service

Local priorities

Waiheke

I support most of the priorities too much spent on nice to have functions. Too much going to events and more for footpaths and cleaning the place. Gutters etc bad
Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

place looks untidy. The gutter on main road to the ferry full of rubbish. Too many weeds along main streets. covered way for ferry users. lack of bus routes
Item 10

Annual Budget 2020/2021

Submitter details

Date received: 25 Feb 2020 01:03
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Local Board: Waiheke

Regional feedback

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What do you think of our proposal?
Support
Support in principle, but wonder whether it would be cost-effective administratively determining who is a user in an area where most properties are weekenders or owned by people who dispose of their waste at the central collection or other self-service facilities (eg, at the ferry terminals).

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What do you think of our proposal?

Support
Fairness.

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What do you think of our proposal?

Support - continue the service

That service is not available elsewhere in the area, for instance, on Waiheke - it might help avoid the adverse effects that result from poorly maintained septic tanks, as in Little Oneroa.

Local priorities

Waiheke
I support all of the priorities. They accurately reflect the steadily deteriorating situation on an island that can’t cope with the worrying increase in public consumption, mainly tourism-driven.

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?
No thank you.
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Submitter details

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Support

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**What do you think of our proposal?**

Support - continue the service

Charge the full amount

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**Local priorities**

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**Other feedback**

5. **Do you have feedback on any other issues?**

Get rid of the very unfair bedtax and change to an airport levy on all visitors
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Date received: 27 Feb 2020 16:26
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Local Board: Waiheke

Regional feedback

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Support

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Support

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What do you think of our proposal?

Support - continue the service

Local priorities

Waitākere

I support most of the priorities

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?
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What do you think of our proposal?
Do not support

Rakino Island we compost and have no rubbish collection from our front gate

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Do not support

Auckland City Hauraki gulf island Rakino nothing for the rates but a pot holed road

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What do you think of our proposal?

Do not support - end the service

have natural composting toilet systems using no water

Local priorities

Waiheke

I do not support most of the priorities
do not know them
Whau

I do not support most of the priorities
not aware of what they are about

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

playground on Rakino Island have been asking for over 30 years

Auckland Council
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What do you think of our proposal?

Do not support

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What do you think of our proposal?
Do not support - continue the Waitākere septic tank service subsidised by all general ratepayers

Local priorities

Waitehe

I support most of the prioritises
The transport plan has major flaws. Bus services which were about to be improved are worse than ever. People are back in their cars because they have got no other option. Buses loop around the whole island, take forever and are often late.

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

The impact of tourism on the island must be monitored better and managed in a sustainable way. It is not on the the inhabitants of Waitehe should suffer from the masses of tourist.
**Regional feedback**

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   **What do you think of our proposal?**

   Do not support
   
do not think this is the only alternative

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there are other ways to do this

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Do not support - end the service

leave to local contractors who can run a better service

Local priorities

Walheke

I do not support most of the priorities

there is a backlog of issues remaining from previous budgets

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

the people should provide the topics not be led by a small number of feedback topics
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What do you think of our proposal?

Support

User pays. There should be one system after 10 years throughout the city. I do not agree with recycle collection of all in one bin system. It was far better when the glass/paper/plastics were separate.

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- Do not support

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- Do not support - end the service

There should be one system after 10 years. Why do Waitakere get subsidised, what about other parts of Auckland. There should be one system after 10 years

Local priorities

Waikite

I do not support most of the priorities

The local board priorities are wishy washy, and are not detailed. Current transport study at Martiatia is a joke. While the idea of more cycleways etc is great, Auckland Council can not maintain the existing infrastructure. Why build more when they are unable to maintain the existing? Why monitor visitor numbers, we know what they are and the place is grooving under them. Waikite gets more visitors than Queenstown on a per population basis. Gets little central government funding, and even less from AT and AC. We have a ferry system that can not cope, narrow un-maintained roads, (but wonderful bus stops), crappy buses, (that are frequently cancelled, or full or no shows) The stormwater system on the island is non existent, and un-maintained
Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

HomeFit assessments. This is not the role of local council, when you are failing to get the basics right. Start getting the basics right before you embark on other endeavors.

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What do you think of our proposal?

Do not support

Though the idea of charging those that use it and only those that use it is likely the preferred amongst the older population I believe this idea adds an incentive to not deal with waste properly in order to cut costs.
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What do you think of our proposal?

Other

Why not have OAC and MC do the pay as you throw. We want people to cut down on waste. The dinner plate psychological experiment is why I say no to larger bins but also higher rates are dumb because what is someone is the champion of waste and has none? Should they still have to pay?

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Support - continue the service

The costs add the incentive for alternative means such as compost, planting trees on a long drop etc.

Local priorities

Are the priorities right for the local board area in 2020/2021?

Waiheke

I don’t research the local board as the information is something I need to hunt for and I have other things on my plate.
Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?
We should fund more sustainable waste management systems. Bio-generators that work off the heat of compost could be very lucrative although they have a risk of combustion, green electricity is good and the compost can be sold to local farms to boost crop returns and lower the cost of healthy foods and give us some extra exports.

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Submitter details

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What do you think of our proposal?

Local priorities

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

1. The Theatre, Gallery, Whittaker’s, Cinema and Radio Station should be part of an integrated Cultural Centre, with provision of space for Artists in Residence and Arts Education to operate as a vibrant multi-faceted facility. 2. More funding for arts and culture on Waiheke generally. 3. An immediate commitment of $20,000 each per year for the Gallery and the Theatre to enable the delivery of more programmes that don't require a commercial sustainability model, and showcase cultural traditions. 4. Recognition from Council that Waiheke is a regional facility enjoying significant visitor numbers from both the Auckland area and internationally, who would not travel to Northcote or Manukau or Waitakere but prefer to visit Waiheke because of its proximity and connectivity to the CBD.
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What do you think of our proposal?

Do not support

Waiheke had a very efficient local waste management system but Council chose to instead go with a national supplier at greater cost with less recycling. Council should return to a local more efficient supplier.

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What do you think of our proposal?

Local priorities

Waheke

I do not support all of the priorities. Far too much emphasis and budget on continuing environmental projects, including ecological restoration, improving the quality of our waterways and predator management. There is no accountability for funds spent in this area. Why don't they provide information to tourists about water usage for example. The new culverts opposite the transfer station are a prime example of wastage of funds and ruining the environment-why would you have a waste system near the sea on a flood plain area. The budget went well over and as not engineered well. The mangroves were damaged during the process. After Coronavirus Waheke will need to encourage tourism not limit it.

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

What in an ideal world, would Waheke be like to live in? An island where arts and culture are
immediately evident on arrival at Matiatia. Artworks is redeveloped to present and be recognised as a vibrant multi-faceted cultural centre on Waiheke. The whole community are arts aware and arts engaged, and diversity and cultural identity is celebrated. Where visitors are easily able to locate, enjoy and participate in a diverse range of arts and culture experiences – visual, performance, discovery of sculpture in public spaces, half day workshops. What key actions or changes do we need to work towards this future. More funding for arts and culture on Waiheke. A commitment of another $20,000 each per year for the Gallery and the Theatre to enable the delivery of more programmes that don’t require a commercial sustainability model, and showcase cultural traditions. Additional programmes that enrich our local community, provide new visitor experiences and enable further employment and internships that contribute to the economy of the island. What are the big challenges to overcome. The transition from Artworks into an integrated Arts Centre with a purpose built facility. New buildings that provide more opportunities for new cultural experiences and where the Theatre, Gallery, Whittaker’s, Cinema and Radio Station are integrated, plus the provision of space for Artists in Residence and Arts Education. Re-visioning our arts and culture facilities now to meet the needs of our community and visitors to Waiheke in the next decade. Recognition from Council that Waiheke is a regional facility enjoying significant visitor numbers from both the Auckland area and internationally, who would not travel to Northcote or Manukau or Waitakere but prefer to visit Waiheke because of its proximity and connectivity to the CBD.
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What do you think of our proposal?

Do not support

Prefer to see a proposal on reducing costs to mitigate this, like moving the blue bin pick-up to fortnightly. Many domestic bins are less than half full each week.
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What do you think of our proposal?

Other

There is no option to improve efficiency or reduce operating costs

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What do you think of our proposal?

Support - continue the service

The alternative would be funding it for other areas as well like Waiheke Island who have a user pays system

Local priorities

Waiheke

I support most of the priorities

Other feedback

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What do you think of our proposal?

Support

It will create more awareness about waste and maybe people who use the service will decide not to to save money too.

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What do you think of our proposal?

Support

I am assuming that those who use the Red Rubbish bags would be exempt?

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What do you think of our proposal?

Support – continue the service
I am not sure why every rate payer votes on this—but I suppose it will become more and more user pays.

Local priorities

Waiheke

Are the priorities right for the local board area in 2020/2021?

I support all of the priorities

They all seem necessary to sustain the island’s infrastructure

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

I’d like to see more spent on the Art Gallery and the Pūhitahi Marae. These two areas, in particular, provide an incredible resource for the island and for the multitude of tourists who wish to visit. We need a stronger vision around the Art Gallery/Art Theatre complex and at least a commitment of $20,000 a year to keep these important aspects of our island actually able to provide the service they do.
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Support
It is fair to do so
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What do you think of our proposal?

Support – continue the service

They are lucky they have this service & should pay for it

Local priorities

Waiheke

I support most of the priorities

Other feedback
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APTR needs to be reviewed - it is not fairly implements & is having a negative effect on the Accommodation and Tourism sector on Waiheke Island. The burden is not spread equitably across the sector and there is no transparency in how the rate collected is allocated regionally or in particular for the benefit the Tourism sector in this area. APTR further encourages day visitors rather than a more sustainable multi-day visit - I support moving Waiheke Island from group B to group C for APTR.
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What do you think of our proposal?

Local priorities

Waiheke

I support all of the priorities
All are sensible But clearer questions re ferry services, bus services (no double-deckers please) and parking fees needed. Waiheke and the arts. This is very important and needs more focus. Marine reserves and the health of the Hauraki Gulf of high import. Marina an inappropriate development for the Island

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

The arts on Waiheke. More funding for, a clearer plan for.
Regional feedback

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Support

Waiheke Local Board should advocate for targeted rate funds to deliver a curbside food scraps collection. Food scraps to be processed on island, creating soil and local employment and reducing economic and environmental costs due to transporting off island and reducing food waste to landfill.

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Support

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What do you think of our proposal?

Local priorities

Waiheke

I support all of the priorities
Enviromental services budget should increase.
Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

Local board has the opportunity to advocate for funds from the waste water targeted rate to be distributed to Waiheke to provide a subsidy to cover costs for riser and outlet filter installation for older primary septic systems. Continued support for community initiatives that educate the community on the importance of septic system and waterway health. With a diverse and changing population these programmed should be ongoing. Advocate for the upgrade of storm water outlets/discharge in the little Oneroa lagoon with Auckland Transport and the little Oneroa development plan. Advocate for upgrade of waste water systems located on public land if necessary. Continued support of the local board funded Marine Education initiative. The project pilot in 2019 was very successful. The second year has just begun with 250 local youth from four Waiheke schools being immersed in experiential days from mountain to sea at Enclosure Bay through snorkeling, citizen science and sensory activities. Term two experiential days will see students discovering some of the issues our marine environment are facing through connecting them with local initiatives working in these areas. They will then be supported to take action in areas of their interest. This project has multiple positives outcomes including connecting youth with local initiatives & their environment, increasing their knowledge of local biodiversity and providing employment for local facilitators. A great project to keep funding!
Attachment B

Item 10

Come check out what lives in our Stream.
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Local board decisions and input into the Annual Budget 2020/2021
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Local priorities

Waiheke

I do not support all of the priorities.

Artworks needs to be redeveloped to present and be recognised as a vibrant multi-faceted cultural centre on Waiheke. The Gallery and the Theatre need an immediate additional $20,000 grant each to present arts exhibitions and events that are not sustainability driven.

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

More funding for Arts and Culture on Waiheke Island. Re-visioning our arts and culture facilities now to meet the needs of our community and visitors to Waiheke in the next decade.
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Local priorities

Waiheke

Other feedback

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What do you think of our proposal?
Do not support - end the service

Local priorities

Waitākere

I support all of the priorities

Other feedback

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Support - continue the service

Local priorities

Waitehe

I support most of the priorities

Other feedback

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Support
I am happy to support this

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What do you think of our proposal?

Local priorities

Waiake

I do not support most of the priorities.

Parking at Matiatia needs to be sorted and made fair to people who live on Waiake, our parks & recreation areas are already amazing they do not need money, better roads & parking does.

Other feedback

5. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

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#### Regional feedback

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Local priorities

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Local priorities

Waiheke
I support most of the priorities

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Do not support
Wouldn’t use service

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Do not support
Can’t afford more rates

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Do not support - end the service

Local priorities

Waitākere

I do not support all of the priorities

Other feedback

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Local priorities

Waiheke

I support all of the priorities

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Do not support
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Local priorities

Other feedback

6. Do you have feedback on any other issues?

We would like to comment on APTR. See uploaded comments.
APTR is having a negative effect on the Accommodation and Tourism sector on Waiheke Island, particularly retirees on fixed incomes. The burden is not spread equitably across the sector and there is no transparency in how the rate collected and allocated regionally in particular benefits the tourism sector in this area. APTR further encourages day visitors rather than a more sustained multi-day visit. We support moving Waiheke Island from Group B to Group C for APTR. We also strongly suggest using a different methodology in assessing the rate, not based on property values, but using a bed fee/tax/rate apportioned to the tourist!

This egregious APTR policy has been couched in terms of fairness - to the hotel community. We do not support that reason. It needs to be identified for what it is: a money grab at the people who are least able to defend its implementation. Folks like my husband and I who are retirees on fixed incomes, rely on the modest accommodation income to fund a once a year trip from the US to visit our NZ family and friends.

I would like to comment on the methodology that a council representative tried to explain to me on how the APTR rates are devised. A “Rube Goldberg machine is less complicated.” (* Wikipedia: “Rube Goldberg’s cartoons are well known for depicting complicated devices that performed simple tasks in indirect convoluted ways.”)

What we know is this: in 2011 the Auckland City valuation on our bach was … This year, council representative mentioned when consolidation of Auckland occurred, it was deemed Waiheke was ‘under-rated’ - What policy committee made that determination? Doubling my property value in 7 years did not double our access to services from Waiheke, and certainly my income did not double in 7 years to continue to pay the steady rate increases. What other options did we have to earn income to cover the steady increase in fixed expenses but to seek outside revenue by listing our place for casual accommodation.

The policy committee should evaluate its decisions on the small, fixed income earners before it implements ‘think big’ developments such as waterfront arenas and hiring expensive overseas consultants to implement technology contracts. As a former … I am curious to know what Auckland City Council overhead costs are as a percentage of revenue each year since 2009. The promise of amalgamation (consolidation) was sold as a COST SAVER and reduction in duplication of services.

I am very tired and outraged by the trickle, trickle, trickle of added costs to my annual rates bill. I understand the economics of finance, where money borrowed can be offset by the guarantee of a steady income supply. I serve on our local planning commission here in the US. Bonds floated to make public improvements are ‘guaranteed’ against revenue/debt ratios of our small local government. However, small government is closer to the citizens, and allows closer engagement over major financial decisions. Small government can also help preserve community uniqueness as a counter -
point to corporate imposed standardisation. Waiheke had a long tradition of alternative life-style, individuality and dare I say, innovation! The APTR is cooking the golden goose, as innovators will be priced out of Waiheke in Auckland’s quest for ‘extra revenue’. Tourists come to NZ for its uniqueness, not its sameness!

This APTR goes to the heart of destroying the kiwi bach tradition, the cultural icon of generations of quality of life experiences. If perhaps we had more kiwi employees in the policy role, this cultural aspect of the kiwi way of life could be defended. However, I suspect there are not many kiwis in the room when this aspect was fully discussed. The Honorable Mr. Mayor Phil Goff should know better. Our wee bach on Waiheke allows me and my extended family to continue the kiwi beach experience - fishing from Palm Beach in our dingy, kayaking the coastline, discovering rock pools with my grandchildren, offering hospitality get togethers with our neighbors on when we are home, and welcoming foreign visitors we meet on the beach.

It was suggested to us that perhaps a country-wide bed tax collected by the online accommodation booking agents may be implemented in the near future. Yes, this seems to be a more direct tax aimed at the user (tourist), but alarm bells went off when you stated it would be highly unlikely there would be no claw-back or refund of the current assessment if the new country-wide tax were implemented. Governments are notorious at adding but not subtracting. This APTR tax refund needs to be a front and center issue in discussions of the implementation country-wide bed tax.

The $1,400 rate increase that you were able to reduce to $1,000 by reapportioning the residential/accommodation valuation is appreciated. However, another deeper discount could have been used based on our residential lot coverage of 9.6%. Our and 90.4% of it is bush clad that we have kept intact as our ‘green space’ contribution to the Island’s bird habitat. (What contributing value could our conscious decision have to Auckland’s ‘environment’ rate category?) At great monthly expense we have an island horticulturist mitigate the noxious weed, ginger from spreading further down the valley. We have done everything we can to be good responsible citizens to preserving the Waiheke way of life, but have received no credit for our contributions to be good stewards. Sort of deflating, really. This APTR shows no respect for the numerous little contributions we socially conscious citizens make to maintaining the kiwi social/environmental fabric of communities.

My future as a third generation Waiheke property owner is seriously at stake. We cannot sustain our beloved bach at a loss as this extra APTR expense will have a major impact on our monthly finances and others like us in a similar no-win dilemma.
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Do not support - end the service

Local priorities

Other feedback

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We in New Zealand are most interested in SPORT and the arts are often forgotten and neglected. Music and the visual arts and theatre are good for the soul and for building community as well as providing visitors to Waiheke with a satisfying and enjoyable cultural experience. From various community consultations it has been obvious for a long time that what is required is an integrated Arts Centre housed in accommodation that is fit for purpose and includes spaces for arts education. It is important to offer the community and visitors the opportunity to participate in cultural activities.
Feedback must be received by Sunday 22 March 2020.

Please read the consultation document available at akhaveyoursay.nz or at any library, service centre, local board office or by phoning 09 301 0101 before you give feedback. It has more information about the issues and choices that we want your feedback on.

All of the questions below are optional. We encourage you to give feedback online at akhaveyoursay.nz, or you can complete this form and return it to us using one of these options:

- **Email**
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Every three years we do a 10-year Budget which plans out our work programme and how to fund it. Each year, we update the 10-year Budget to respond to emerging issues and reflect any changes to our fees and charges. Given 2020-2021 is the third year between budgets, the changes we propose are updates to the current work programme outlined in the 2018-2028 10-year Budget.

In 2019 Auckland Council declared a climate emergency and responding to climate change will be a key theme of the next 10-year Budget. We are finalising a climate change framework and this year we will start putting in actions to reduce Auckland Council’s emissions by 20% over the next five years.

Managing our waste sustainably is becoming increasingly important and we are diverting more material away from landfills. We are also working on developing a local solution to recycling so we don’t need to continue to send recyclable materials offshore.

This year’s budget is proposing adjustments to some fees and charges to ensure they are fair (with those benefiting from the services paying for them), more transparent and easier.

Your feedback will be included in public documents.
All other personal details will remain private.
I say:

The ‘fit for purpose’ of the regulatory environment coupled with the underlying economic rationales upon which these annual budgets are constrained to conform with, rely upon, mean that without explicit examination of those underlying constraints and assumptions, the blind application of these now outdated models, leads us to repeat, the very same errors these budgets should hopefully, be seeking to rectify going forward.

The closed-loop ‘Fortress Silo Model’ is where the not ‘fit for purpose’ finds its greatest resistance and historical denial. More so in light of that new independent variable, Climate Change, further complicated by the Covid -19 pandemic.

These new constraints supersede any earlier mandate Council may have previously enjoyed, based on the then ‘business as usual model,’ using a classical approach to financing.

Thus, any thinking, planning, modelling and/or financial strategizing which fails to take account of the ‘new normal’ only further cements the tradition of dead generations, sheeting home to Council the nightmare, this outdated process, denies, and thus refuses to engage with.

Before blundering on into the 10-year plan, Council needs to call an immediate halt to this process and seek the mandate of all stakeholders so that we may renegotiate our priorities in light of these changed circumstances, both of which we are facing in real-time. It’s time to lift the mat.

There are no more places to hide our externalities. Any budget going forward must reflect that simple truth.