
Puketāpapa Local Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Puketāpapa Local Board held in the Local Board Office, 560 Mt Albert Road, Three Kings on Thursday, 9 July 2020 at 10.00am.

As required under the COVID-19 Response (Urgent Management Measures (Legislation Act 2020)), either a recording of the meeting or a written summary will be published on the Auckland Council website.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Julie Fairey	via SKYPE for Business
Deputy Chairperson	Harry Doig	Acting in Chair capacity
Members	Fiona Lai Bobby Shen Jon Turner	

ABSENT

Ella Kumar, JP	by apology
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1 Welcome

Harry Doig opened the meeting with a karakia and welcomed all those present.

2 Apologies

Resolution number PKTPP/2020/83

MOVED by Member J Turner, seconded by Member F Lai:

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- a) **accept the apology from member E Kumar for absence.**

CARRIED

3 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Note: This item was taken in parts.

4 Puketāpapa Local Board input into the Emergency Budget 2020/2021 (Covering report)

A report was tabled for this item. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Samantha Tan Rodrigo – Local Board Advisor was in attendance to speak to this report.

Note: clauses a) - f) were taken as a block, clause g) was taken separately and clause h)-n) were taken as a block.

Resolution number PKTPP/2020/84

MOVED by Chairperson J Fairey, seconded by Deputy Chairperson H Doig:

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- a) **receive consultation feedback on regional proposals in the Emergency Budget 2020/2021 from people or organisations based in the Puketāpapa Local Board area and note the results of the Colmar Brunton poll of residents in the local board's area.**
- b) **note the difficult times for many residents, businesses and organisations of Puketāpapa and the need to keep Puketāpapa safe and clean, with services maintained and community needs given priority.**
- c) **note the majority of local submitters favoured a rates increase and a plurality supported the 3.5 per cent increase. The majority support both the proposals for the COVID-19 Rates Postponement Scheme and the Accommodation Providers Targeted Rate.**
- d) **note that while the Emergency Budget proposal under a 3.5 per cent rates increase is for a 10 per cent LDI (opex) cut for local boards and further cuts to ABS opex, the cuts to local board capex are much larger and may result in 100 per cent cuts to capex lines for specific local boards, particularly in regard to local transport projects.**
- e) **note that under a 2.5 per cent rates increase, the Emergency Budget proposal is to cut LDI (opex) by 20 per cent, defer all local transport capex projects, permanently vacate some community facilities and review public transport fares, among other avenues for savings.**
- f) **note our principles for the prioritisation of the Emergency Budget, as follows:**
 - i) **maintaining momentum: avoid deferral if longer term environmental costs will increase or if existing gains will be undone.**

- ii) **completion or contractual obligations: finish work that has started, if momentum would be lost by pausing for a year.**
- iii) **equity: focus on areas of social need**
- iv) **balance: keep a range of activities across the local board area**
- v) **COVID-19 response: prioritise projects to assist social and economic recovery**
- vi) **community feedback: local views given fair consideration before final decision-making**

CARRIED

Resolution number PKTPP/2020/85

MOVED by Chairperson J Fairey, seconded by Deputy Chairperson H Doig:

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- g) **based on the sentiment of community feedback, support the 3.5 per cent rates increase proposal, with the aim of achieving:**
 - i) **better infrastructure, particularly in the areas of transport, water and climate change initiatives.**
 - ii) **current facilities, including parks, libraries, community and recreation centres, and public toilets, kept open as close to current hours as possible.**
 - iii) **no service level reductions in areas that directly impact the community.**

CARRIED

Note: Pursuant to Standing Order Local Board Service 1.9.7 Member F Lai requested that her dissenting vote be recorded.

Resolution number PKTPP/2020/86

MOVED by Chairperson J Fairey, seconded by Deputy Chairperson H Doig:

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- h) **recommend prioritising investment for the following core service areas highlighted by our community, including:**
 - i) **community-led development, including community resilience**
 - ii) **maintaining current service levels across facilities, libraries and parks as much as possible, including maintaining opening hours**
 - iii) **retaining public toilets and rubbish bins**
 - iv) **improving road safety, in particular walking and cycling infrastructure, in line with our commitment to Vision Zero**
 - v) **maintaining public transport fare structure and service levels**
 - vi) **implementing our commitment to the living wage for all contractors**
 - vii) **climate change and environmental initiatives**
 - viii) **Local board initiative budgets, particularly so that we can continue to support community grants, local events, local climate change initiatives, local transport projects and the arts.**
- i) **recognise that some local spending from our own local board opex initiative budgets could be deferred for a short period, acknowledging the current crisis and contributing towards the 10% proposed LDI cut for local boards.**
- j) **recommend the following areas for potential cuts, as highlighted by our community:**
 - i) **salary reductions or deferrals for those earning over \$200,000**
 - ii) **America's Cup spending, where not already contractually committed**
 - iii) **Large scale events**

- k) recommend the investigation of the following options to increase revenue, as highlighted by our community:
 - i) development levies with the aim of recouping more of the true cost of development
 - ii) congestion charges
- l) support the investigation of concessions to maximise short term value from assets such as carparks.
- m) support the proposed COVID-19 rates postponement scheme.
- n) support the proposal to suspend the Accommodation Providers Targeted Rate.

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 20200709 Puketāpapa Local Board, Item 4 Local Board Input into the Emergency Budget 2020/2021

10.24am

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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CHAIRPERSON:.....