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31-33 Manukau Station Road,
Manukau

Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board

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Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Feedback on Te Tahua Pūtea Tau 2021-2031, Puka Whakawhiti Kōrero - Te Tahua Pūtea Whakarauora: 10-year Budget 2021-2031, Long-term Plan Consultation Document - Our Recovery Budget

Context

The Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board provides the following feedback to the Governing Body of Auckland Council on adoption of Te Tahua Pūtea Tau 2021-2031 - 10-year Budget 2021-2031 (Long-term Plan 2021-2031).

COVID-19 has been a significant disruptor in 2020 and has cast a long shadow over the 10-year Budget. Although both Tāmaki Makaurau and Aotearoa are recovering better than first expected, significant risks remain both within New Zealand and globally that the effects of COVID-19 will continue to influence Auckland's fortunes in the near future.

This feedback is based on the consultation document. The local board feedback aligns with the six outcomes and objectives in the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Plan 2020. The feedback is at a strategic level and is informed by community views and comments from the consultation.

This feedback also does not include the board's views on the Transport. This is a key issue for local boards. The board will provide further feedback on this as part of the Auckland Transport Alignment Project (ATAP) and Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) considerations.

The local board wish to acknowledge the challenges and issues facing Auckland Council and the communities in Tāmaki Makaurau covered in this 10-year Budget.

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Consultation topics		Comments
Key Issue	Proposal	
<p>Key issue 1: Proposed investment package <i>(Consultation question 1)</i></p>	<p>\$31 billion package of spending and investment over the next 10 years that will enable continued delivery of key services and strong investment and renewed assets, supported by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$90 million of ongoing savings • \$70 million asset recycling target for the next 3 years • Increased council borrowing in the short term – up to 290 per cent debt-to-revenue in first 3 years then 270 per cent thereafter • A one-off 5 per cent increase in average general rates, 3.5 per cent thereafter 	<p>The local board supports the one-off 5 per cent increase in average general rates. However, hold serious concerns for the local community, as costs from increased rate get passed on to tenants and most in the Ōtara-Papatoetoe area live in rental homes. The board would like that the savings from the proposed one-off rate increase are for minimising reduction in council staff and services.</p> <p>The local board supports the sale of non-strategic and non-services assets to fund council investments and services.</p> <p>The council is currently unable to service existing assets and recommends the development of an urgent plan as part of the community investment lane to determine how existing and new assets can meet the greatest amount of need in the most cost-effective way to support local board decision-making. Local boards need much more support to optimise local assets.</p> <p>The local board is supportive of continuing to work with lenders and rating agencies to find prudent ways to increase debt in the short term to address the impact of COVID-19 until revenue sources recover.</p> <p>Council needs to make brave decisions on what services it can no longer deliver or needs to significantly reduce so public expectations are managed as early as possible. Some ideas about this was presented as part of the emergency budget process.</p> <p>Although the local board is concerned about the affordability of increased rates, we believe it is time for a bold conversation with Aucklanders on this issue. New rates however need to be progressive so those who own more pay more.</p> <p>Lastly, Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board maintains that council needs to be honest with central government and ask for more help. Large companies such as Air New Zealand have got huge interest free loans from the government. Auckland is the engine-room of the nation, with significant financial loss. The board asks the Mayor and the Governing Body to strongly advocate to central government for more funding to Auckland Council. Our concern remains that in</p>
	<p>Local board feedback</p> <p>Support in principle</p> <p>Noting strong concern on issues of equity and need for services in areas of high deprivation in south Auckland.</p>	

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<p>Key issue 2: Responding to climate change <i>(Consultation question 2)</i></p>	<p>\$150 million of additional investment to accelerate our climate change actions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All new buses will be electric or hydrogen powered from 2021 (rather than 2025 as previously planned) and working with the government to achieve 50 per cent of the total bus fleet being electric and hydrogen electric powered by 2030 Making progress towards Queen Street Valley to becoming a zero-carbon zone Planting 11,000 more street trees and establishing a nursery to grow 200,000 seedlings a year Planting an additional 200 ha of native forest 	<p>Strongly support Noting the strong support from the community</p>	<p>the absence of assistance, potentially hundreds of staff, contractors will lose jobs, with further impact on services to our people.</p> <p>Strategic investment from asset recycling in areas of historical under-investment and deprivation = the reinvestment should be in the local areas from where revenue is generated.</p> <p>Considering the feedback received from Ōtara-Papatoetoe residents in the LTP consultation, safety is a key priority for the board and wishes to ensure this funding model does not hinder progress being made on this area.</p> <p>Community feedback from LTP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support - 32% Do not support - 54% Other - 6% Don't know - 8% <p>Reduction of council's corporate emissions which amount of 1% of Auckland's total should be de-prioritised for first three years of LTP. Address transport emissions through Auckland Transport Alignment Project (ATAP).</p> <p>However, the local board is concerned about the affordability of further taxation for our local community. We also believe taxes should be progressive based on the value of property, so those who own more, pay more. Many in our community face greater challenges because they are vulnerable and least prepared for climate change. The question remains on how will any targeted rate be used to directly address equity and prepare people in areas of high deprivation. This is a reality to be considered to build resilience as the environmental changes becoming serious over time.</p> <p>The local board is currently advocating for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prioritisation of public transport through 'route protection', safer roads and connectivity

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increasing our zero-waste resource recovery network Providing more advice and support to Aucklanders to reduce household emissions Further increasing the efficiency of our facilities, including the installation of solar panels Improving planning for coastal change and enhancing our ability to respond to worsening natural hazards Partnering with others regionally to tackle our biggest emissions challenges, by supporting Maori-led climate change action Supporting communities in need to reduce their energy costs and better access healthy, low carbon food 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional action and investment to reduce, minimise and manage waste and resource recovery in the south. <p>Community feedback from LTP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the proposed increased investment - 72% Do not support increased investment - 17% Other - 6% Don't know - 5%
<p>Key issue 3: Responding to housing and growth <i>(not a specific consultation question)</i></p>	<p>More focused approach to providing infrastructure, working within the \$31 billion proposed 10-year investment programme. Focus areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> areas agreed with the government as part of the Auckland Housing Programme, including Mt Roskill, Mangere, Tāmaki, Oranga and Northcote where significant government investment has been made, such as Drury in Auckland's south, and areas in Auckland's north-west where investment in significant projects, such as the City Rail Link, is being made 	<p>Support</p>	<p>The LTP is not likely to deliver funding to meet the infrastructure funding gap across Auckland to meet development demand.</p> <p>The local board supports a focused approach to infrastructure funding (even without any additional funding provision) with the LTP clearly signaling priority development/investment areas.</p> <p>The priority areas must focus the limited funding to maximise residential yield, affordable housing, job creation and supporting vulnerable/deprived communities.</p> <p>Transport: The board support all steps to maintain momentum on key transport projects. The reinstatement of the Local Board Transport Capital Fund to pre-COVID level is critical for local boards to support significant projects to improve access and connectivity.</p> <p>The local board is advocating for:</p>

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	<p>Prioritisation of projects within these areas will be needed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focused approach will mean that we will not be heavily investing in infrastructure to support other growth areas in the short to medium term. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Affordable, warm, dry, and safe homes: Support the inclusion of social, affordable and well insulated housing in the local area. New Transform area: Ōtara Promoting more reinvestment in the Transform Manukau area New civic and community hub in Papatoetoe Prioritisation of public transport through 'route protection', safer roads and connectivity
<p>Key issue 4: Community investment <i>(Consultation question 4)</i></p>	<p>Focused investment approach, working within the \$31 billion proposed 10-year investment programme</p> <p>Aucklanders were asked to provide feedback on a proposal that would see council adopt a new approach for community services to enable a reduction building and asset maintenance related expenditure.</p> <p>The proposal involves consolidation of community facilities and services, increased leasing, partnerships or shared facility arrangements, and an increased focus on providing multi-use facilities and online services in the future.</p> <p>Over time, implementation of this new approach would see divestment of aging community assets that aren't fit for purpose and reinvest in services and facilities that better meet the needs of our communities.</p>	<p>Support Request progress on strategic planning to invest in South Auckland; to improve quality and standard of services in an area with historical underinvestment.</p>	<p>Council needs to make bold decisions on what services/activities council can no longer provide</p> <p>It's not a choice between investment in renewals or developing new assets. Existing assets may not be fit for purpose and new assets can deliver services more efficiently and meet more of current rather than past needs.</p> <p>Local boards need support to optimise their current assets and re-invest in fit for purpose, cost-effective, integrated and sustainable assets.</p> <p>Strategic investment in community assets where it can add value and have an impact in community is the priority. Council needs to develop a community assets investment plan that seeks to update (and where needed) rationalise the existing asset portfolio based on community usage, needs etc for local boards to make informed decisions.</p> <p>We support tailored services and as the elected local board are responsible to give governance direction on these services. This is an activity area that delivers core services for the local community of Ōtara-Papatoetoe. Local boards must be well resourced to deliver on outcomes need to be resourced.</p> <p>Strategic investment from asset recycling in areas of historical under-investment and deprivation; and that reinvestment is in the local areas from where revenue is generated.</p>

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Key issue 5: Protecting and enhancing the environment - Water quality <i>(Consultation question 3)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extend the Water Quality Targeted Rate from 2028 to 2031, providing an additional \$150 million Increase the Water Quality Targeted Rate in line with the projected average increase in general rates 5 per cent in 2021/2022 and 3.5 per cent each year thereafter, providing an additional \$106 million 	Strongly support	<p>The local board is advocating for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fill-for-purpose sports fields and community facilities that serve our local people New Transform area: Ōtara Promoting more reinvestment in the Transform Manukau area New civic and community hub in Papatoetoe <p>Community feedback from LTP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support - 58% Do not support - 27% Other - 6% Don't know - 9% <p>Use the water quality targeted rate to invest in improving water quality in the Manukau Harbour, Tamaki Estuary, Ōtara Lake and Puhinui stream.</p> <p>Invest in drought resilience through education programme and incentives for households and businesses to invest in rainwater harvest systems.</p> <p>Continue to invest in community/iwi led restoration of local waterways.</p> <p>Community feedback from LTP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the extension and the increase - 49% Support the extension only - 27% Do not support either change - 15% Other - 4% Don't know - 5%
Key issue 5: Protecting and enhancing the environment - Natural Environment	Extend the Natural Environment Target Rate from 2028 to 2031, providing an additional \$107 million	Strongly support	<p>Focus on partnerships with iwi to develop end to end regenerative economy (nursery, procurement, planning and maintenance) to significantly increase ngahere coverage in the urban south.</p> <p>The local board is advocating for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional action and investment to reduce, minimise and manage waste

Key issue (Consultation question 5)	Proposal	Local board feedback	Comments
<p>Rating policy (Consultation question 5)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Changes to the Urban Rating Area and farm-lifestyle properties Extending the duration of the City Centre Targeted Rate Introducing the Rodney Drainage Targeted Rate Removing library late return fines 	<p>Note the community support for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extending the Urban Rating Area Charging farm and lifestyle properties in the Urban Rating Area residential rates Extending the City Centre Targeted Rate Introducing the Rodney Drainage Targeted Rate <p>Support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removing library late return fines 	<p>Community feedback from LTP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support - 61% Do not support - 25% Other - 11% Don't know - 3% <p>Community feedback from LTP</p> <p>Extending the Urban Rating Area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support - 61% Do not support - 21% Other - 2% Don't know - 16% <p>Charging farm and lifestyle properties in the Urban Rating Area residential rates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support - 62% Do not support - 22% Other - 3% Don't know - 13% <p>Extending the City Centre Targeted Rate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support - 46% Do not support - 36% Other - 15% Don't know - 3% <p>Introducing the Rodney Drainage Targeted Rate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support - 58% Do not support - 14% Other - 3% Don't know - 26% <p>Community feedback from LTP</p> <p>Increase fees and charges:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support - 58% Do not support - 35% Don't know - 6%
	<p>Fees and charges: Six per cent inflation increase in fees and charges at community places</p>	<p>Support The local board consulted on the six per cent inflation increase in fees and charges at community places.</p>	

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Other priorities	Māori Outcomes fund - \$150 million investment over the next 10 years	Strongly support Local boards hold enduring relationships with mana whenua and mataawaka. Ōtara-Papatoetoe would like to build stronger governance partnerships. Request directly working with local boards with budget allocation, to deliver on Māori Outcomes.	Regular community places user: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes - 35% • No - 48% • Never used a local community venue - 16% <p>The Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board continues to support maintaining investment in Māori Outcomes to support Auckland's Māori identity and Māori communities.</p> <p>Ask that local boards are involved in their governance role to deliver on the Māori Outcomes Fund based on strategic local priorities. Local boards are best placed to make local decisions on how to use this fund with mana whenua and mataawaka communities.</p> <p>Māori capacity and project initiatives need strategic budget support. The Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board strongly supports investment for Māori infrastructure, including a well-functioning urban marae in Ōtara-Papatoetoe.</p> <p>Increase the use of local procurement and address social outcomes.</p> <p>The local board have a strong focus on and commitment to Māori responsiveness and the housing crisis.</p> <p>Support investment to address issues surrounding homelessness and asks for work with agencies in South Auckland.</p> <p>The board are in full support of the proposal reflecting council commitment to the Treaty-based partnership with Māori. The board supports continuing social investment. It also asks that there is closer working with local boards in their governance role.</p> <p>Support homelessness and living wage initiatives.</p> <p>The local board would like to advocate for more to be done for homelessness in the south as has been done in the city.</p>
	Social investment – reinstate contestable funds which were impacted in the Emergency Budget 2020/2021, \$500,000 annual homelessness operational fund, Southern Initiative, Western Initiative, Auckland Unlimited,	Support in principle	

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	Living wage to contracted cleaners, Amotai social procurement initiative		<p>The local board is advocating for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved employment and training and entrepreneurship opportunities in the southern areas for young people
Other matters for feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategic assets - Bledisloe House, heritage buildings in Takapuna and Devonport, Waterfront properties Proposed changes to key policies - CCO Accountability Policy, Auckland Airport Shareholding Policy, Local Board Funding Policy, Revenue and Financing Policy Tupuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 	<p>Support expediting actions on the Governance Framework Review</p> <p>Support the Tupuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan</p>	<p>Local board funding (LDI budget) should not be cut.</p> <p>Focus on equity for vulnerable communities, those most in need and in areas of high deprivation.</p> <p>Continue to deliver on the intent of the Governance Framework Review and the principle of subsidiarity by empowering local boards to make decisions affecting local communities.</p> <p>We support tailored services and as the elected local board are responsible to give governance direction on these services. This is an activity area that delivers core services for the local community of Ōtara-Papatoetoe. Local boards must be well resourced to deliver on outcomes need to be resourced.</p>

Advocacy Initiatives consulted on for LTP 21-31

Advocacy Item	Comment
Sportsfield and lighting upgrade: Rongomai and East Tamaki Reserve	<p>Consultation Feedback:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I support all priorities - 24% I support most priorities - 37% I do not support most priorities - 16% I do not support any priorities - 7%
Reinstatement of the Local Board Transport Capital Fund to pre-COVID-19 levels.	

Advocacy

Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board 2021

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Promote more reinvestment in the Transform Manukau area	<p>The revenue gained from the sale of council-owned land in our local board area should be re-invested here for better infrastructure, community facilities and green spaces.</p> <p>Figures show that Manukau is projected to attain \$144m in sales revenue over the next 10 years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure the funds are prioritised for allocation to local area projects, such as the next stage of the Hayman Park wetlands and playground development and a playground. • Progress Manukau Sports Bowl plan as part of Transform Manukau • Seek a policy change to ensure revenue attained through sales within a transform, unlock or support area are reinvested into that area or within the local board area. • Ensure any place making and place shaping will accommodate the projected influx of university students in the future. 	Panuku, Governing Body
New Transform area: Ōtara	<p>Make Ōtara a "transform area" and make use of the opportunity coming up with Manukau Institute of Technology (MIT) moving its south campus to Manukau. There will be amazing residential and commercial areas and, combined with existing council-owned community facilities and assets, Ōtara can be transformed.</p>	Panuku, Governing Body
New civic and community hub in Papatoetoe	<p>We are currently investigating the possibility of a community/civic hub in Papatoetoe. Currently Papatoetoe has no civic space where locals can participate, commune, celebrate and embrace their diversity. Increasing projected population within the Panuku Papatoetoe Unlock area should prioritise this project. We would be advocating to work with the governing body and Panuku to fill the need in this community that the board cannot fund on its own.</p>	Governing Body and Panuku
Fit-for-purpose sports fields and community facilities that serve our local people	<p>Seek opportunities to upgrade our local sports (sand-carpet, artificial or hybrid) fields and lights, in particular Papatoetoe Recreational Reserve, East Tamaki Reserve, Rongomai Reserve, Te Puke O Tara Park and Ngāti Ōtara Park. Also, the development, renewals and/or refurbishment of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Papatoetoe Town Hall and Chambers • East Tāmaki Community Centre • Hayman Park (stage 2) – new playground • Sutton Crescent land acquisition and development for public open space and Kolmar use 	Governing Body

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manukau Sports Bowl – redevelop in accordance with new master plan. 	
<p>Finalise local alcohol policy and reduce harm from alcohol</p>	<p>We will continue to advocate for the local alcohol policy to be made operative as soon as possible and to strengthen the Sale and Supply of the Alcohol Bill. The purpose and intent of the Sale and Supply of the Alcohol Bill needs to be strengthened. The southern boards have since long advocated to reduce harm from proliferation of off-licenses in the south. Areas in close proximity to local schools and dairies in the Ōtara-Papatoetoe need to be 'Dry Areas'.</p> <p>The board has over the past years supported community groups to build their capacity to participate in District Licensing Committee (DLC) hearings. This is not enough.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The local alcohol policy must be finalised. Barriers to community participation in the hearings process, including DLC hearing procedures, should be reduced. DLC membership should reflect the diversity and values of the community it serves. <p>We will continue to support our communities by advocating to the governing body (and relevant committees) for the Signage Bylaw review to be used as an opportunity to effectively reduce exposure to alcohol marketing in the local board area and the wider Auckland region.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>
<p>Regional action and investment to reduce, minimise and manage waste</p>	<p>The board supports council's target for zero waste and asks for regional action and investment by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> supporting a higher waste disposal levy with a concentration on commercial waste streams, construction and demolition waste, organic waste and plastic waste, which together contribute 80 per cent of Auckland waste managing illegal dumping by investing more resources for intervention and community-led projects advocating for stronger product stewardship requirements for businesses progressing Resource Recovery Centres in the south and exploring sites and alternative methods of rubbish disposal, for example clean burning. 	<p>Governing Body, central government</p>

<p>Affordable, warm, dry, and safe homes: Support the inclusion of social, affordable and well insulated housing in the local area</p>	<p>Advocate, collaborate and work with Kainga Ora (for work in Middlemore and Wymondley), Mana Whenua, council and potential developers for high quality urban design, affordable, well insulated housing within the development mix. Advocate for solutions to homelessness including overnight shelters and emergency housing.</p>	<p>Governing Body, Kainga Ora</p>
<p>Improve employment and training and entrepreneurship opportunities in the southern areas for young people</p>	<p>Prioritise opportunities for youth especially those classified as NEET. The Southern Initiative, council departments, CCOs (such as Auckland Transport, Auckland Unlimited, Panuku), NGOs and central government to work together to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • strongly advocate for local procurement - local jobs for local people • identify alignments to avoid duplication • seek innovative funding opportunities within council as well as externally. 	<p>Governing Body, central government</p>
<p>Prioritise public transport through 'route protection', safer roads and connectivity</p>	<p>The board continues to advocate for the following projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light rail from Auckland Airport to Puhinui Station through State Highway 20b to Manukau and then through to Botany before considering any other corridors. • Elevator at Papatoetoe train station. • Residential Speed Management –priority to Puhinui and in the areas near Aorere park. • Develop the Southern Spur rail line. • Intersection upgrade: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Ormiston Rd/Preston Rd/East Tamaki Rd ➢ Realignment – St. George/Kolmar Rd/Wallace Rd. • Continue implementation of Greenways plan (Local Paths) for safe cycling and walking tracks. <p>Ensuring local transport network is accessible and safe for diverse communities, especially those with physical disabilities and school students in high risk areas.</p>	<p>Auckland Transport, central government, Governing Body</p>