

I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Seniors Advisory Panel will be held on:

Date: Monday, 30 May 2022
Time: 1.00pm
Meeting Room: Council Chambers
Venue: Auckland Town Hall
301-305 Queen Street
Auckland

Te Rōpū Kaitohutohu Take Kaumātua / Seniors Advisory Panel

OPEN AGENDA

MEMBERSHIP

Co-chairperson	Gayle Marshall, QSM
Co-chairperson	Claire Dale
Members	Jeet Suchdev, QSM, JP Lindsay Waugh Bruce Davies Zahra Fazelnia David Wong Hop, MNZM, JP (Retd) Jane Messer
Liaison Councillor	Cr Tracy Mulholland
Chief Liaison Councillor	Cr Dr Cathy Casey

(Quorum 5 members)

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TERMS OF REFERENCE

(Excerpt – full terms of reference available as a separate document)

The terms of reference set out the purpose, role and protocols of the Panel. Panel members abide by the Code of Conduct for members of Auckland Council advisory panels.

Purpose

As one of council's engagement mechanisms with diverse communities, the demographic advisory panels provide advice to the governing body and council staff within the remit of the Auckland Plan on the following areas:

- Auckland Council's regional policies, plans and strategies
- Regional and strategic matters including those that Council-Controlled Organisations deal with any matter of particular interest or concern to diverse communities.

Outcomes

The panel's advice will contribute to improving the outcomes of diverse communities and social cohesion as set out in the Auckland Plan. The panel will advise through their agreed strategic agenda and detailed work programme.

Strategic agenda and work programme

The panel must develop a work programme and set a strategic agenda for the term. The agendas should be focused and integrated across the panels for collaborative input into shared agendas, particularly on the Auckland Plan, the Long-term Plan and annual plans. The panel should advise on council's organisational strategies relevant to diverse communities.

The governing body and council staff should work with the panel for the development of their strategic agendas and work programme. An appropriate committee will approve the panel's work programme and any subsequent major changes to it.

Submissions

The panel must not make formal submissions to Auckland Council on council strategies, policies and plans, for example, the annual plan.

In its advisory role to the council, the panel may have input to submissions made by the council to external organisations but do not make independent submissions, except as agreed with the council.

This does not prevent individual members being party to submissions outside their role as panel members.

Review

The form and functioning of the panels may be reviewed prior to or after, the end of the panel's term in September 2022.

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1 Apologies

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

2 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.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

That the Seniors Advisory Panel:

- a) confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Monday, 7 March 2022, as a true and correct record.

4 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.”

Update on Tāmaki Makaurau Tauawhi Kaumātua/ Age-friendly Auckland Action Plan

File No.: CP2022/06843

Item 5

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose of the report

1. To provide an update on Tāmaki Makaurau Tauawhi Kaumātua / Age-friendly Auckland Action Plan.

Whakarāpopototanga matua

Executive summary

2. A new name was adopted, Te Rōpū Whakamana, for the core group to uphold the dignity and mana of the Plan, and there will be a blessing ceremony when the group meets.
3. The next hui will be held on Tuesday 21 June 2022, with a naming ceremony for the new rōpū.
4. A partners' hui will be held mid-year to discuss the Plan and share research insights from colleagues in central and local government.
5. The Older Aucklanders' Quality of Life research for 2022, a commitment by Auckland Council to produce research every five years and an update of the 2017 report is being finalised. The 2017 summary report can be found at: <https://knowledgeauckland.org.nz/media/1147/tr2017-014-older-aucklanders-a-quality-of-life-status-report-2017-summary-report.pdf>. A complementary qualitative research report on kaumātua and kuia is also currently underway with insights to be shared soon.
6. Plans are underway to commemorate Elder Abuse Awareness Day on 15 June 2022, as well as the International Day of Older Persons on 1 October 2022.

Ngā tūtohunga

Recommendation/s

That the Seniors Advisory Panel:

- a) note the update on Tāmaki Makaurau Tauawhi Kaumātua / Age-friendly Auckland Action Plan.

Ngā tāpirihanga

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

Ngā kaihaina

Signatories

Author	Natasha Lewis – Senior Policy Advisor, Culture and Diversity
Authoriser	John Nash – Lead Officer

Co-chairs Forum Update

File No.: CP2022/06839

Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To provide a verbal update from the Seniors Advisory Panel co-chairs, Gayle Marshall and Claire Dale, regarding the recent Advisory Panels Co-chairs Forum.

Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

2. The last demographic Advisory Panels Co-Chairs Forum was held on 4 May 2022. Key agenda items included: an update from Councillor Pippa Coom, Deputy Chair, Environment and Climate Change Committee; the review of Auckland Council's Engagement Guidelines; an update on Council's Homelessness Strategy with planning for cross-panel Engagement Guidelines and Housing hui; and discussion of the next co-chairs forum meeting with Mayor Phil Goff.

Ngā tūtohunga Recommendation/s

That the Seniors Advisory Panel:

- a) note the update on the Co-chairs Forum by the Seniors Advisory Panels co-chairs.

Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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Seniors Advisory Panel feedback on Annual Budget 2022/23

File No.: CP2022/06957

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Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To provide an update on the Seniors Advisory Panel's feedback on the Annual Budget 2022/23.

Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

2. At the request of the Mayor, the Seniors Advisory Panel provided informal feedback to the mayor's office on the Annual Budget 2022/23. A copy of the feedback is included as Attachment A.
3. The panel's feedback focussed on the following topics as they impact seniors: climate change, through the panel's involvement in the cross-panel climate change working group; transport; and city centre and local development.
4. The panel's feedback will be considered in finalising the annual budget.

Ngā tūtohunga Recommendation/s

That the Seniors Advisory Panel:

- a) note the update on the panel's feedback on the Annual Budget 2022/23.

Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

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Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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Seniors Advisory Panel feedback on the Annual Budget 2022-23

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on this important matter.

The Panel's feedback covers the following three aspects of the Annual Budget:

- Part 2 Key Issue 1 – Climate
- Part 3 The Proposed Budget – Transport, City Centre and Local Development

Climate

The Panel has two representatives on the Cross Panel Climate Change Working Group and is engaging on this important issue through that forum. It also notes that some Panels, in particular the Youth Advisory Panel, are providing separate, specific feedback on the Annual Budget. The Panel supports the Youth Panel's feedback. Therefore, no specific feedback is provided here.

Transport

While the Panel supports and applauds Council's necessary efforts to get people out of cars and into public transport, it notes that for Seniors, access to, and accessibility of public transport can be an issue. As a result, a significant proportion of Seniors still need to rely on private transport, either driving, or being driven. We all know we have a rapidly aging population, and this will only become more important.

It is therefore important that this mode shift doesn't result in a reduction in Senior's mobility and access to services and a resultant increase in isolation which is already an issue.

We understand and support the need to progressively reduce parking capacity to drive behavioural change but ask that consideration be given to those who need more direct access provided through the retention of accessible parking capacity.

The Panel urges the Council and AT to adopt specific criteria for this aspect, particularly as it moves to give effect to the governments directive to change planning rules to intensify housing (see below).

City Centre and Local Development

Linked to the above re Transport, the Panel is concerned about how growth, urban development and intensification and associated planning changes will be managed and want to ensure that addressing Senior's accessibility needs is included in proposed Unitary Plan change provisions. Criteria to address this aspect are needed if quality urban design is to take into account Senior's needs.

This becomes even more important with Tamaki Makaurau now an Age Friendly City and recently included in the World Health Organisations (WHO) Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities. Auckland Council is required to provide the WHO with reports on progress to deliver on this status and this will have international scrutiny. An Age-friendly City for the Future can have urban design and housing densities which allow for social inclusion and participation for all ages while at the same time meeting national policy statement expectations.

In addition, the Panel is also concerned about the loss of built and natural heritage (trees) with the recent Government directive to remove all special character areas from the Unitary Plan. There are certainly cultural/heritage, ecological and natural hazard areas within Auckland that qualify for retention without intensification.

The Panel applauds Auckland Council's just announced efforts to push back on proposed changes and retain three quarters of Auckland's character housing areas. As part of this the Panel strongly supports

identifying where proposed height increases could be reduced to give a more balanced approach while still meeting the Government direction for the future,

Seniors are well placed to see the value that heritage contributes to the overall value of Auckland's urban environment and to engage in this conversation having lived experience and seeing the impacts of loss of heritage over time. The Panel appreciates the need for intensification and for this to align with an integrated and effective public transport network, but this should not come at the cost of all character and heritage protections.

The Panel would like to have input into the process being developed by Council to draft criteria to protect pockets of heritage and character while delivering on the imperative for intensification and would appreciate a workshop session with Council's urban design team when that can be arranged.

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Attachment A

Government's new housing rules for Auckland

File No.: CP2022/06985

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose of the report

1. To provide background on the Council's draft response to the Government's new rules on urban intensification for Auckland and to seek feedback from Panel members.

Whakarāpopototanga matua

Executive summary

2. Towards the end of 2021, the Government announced a number of legislative and planning changes to change the Auckland Unitary Plan, as part of implementing the Government's new requirements for greater housing density across the city. This has come about from the Government's two recent planning reforms which require the Council to implement:
 - The National Policy Statement on Urban Development provisions which require the Council to enable buildings of six storeys or more within walking distances to the city centre, large metropolitan centres and around train stations and bus stations on the Northern Busway. Greater heights and densities are also to be enabled within and around other suburban centres.
 - The Resource Management (Enabling Housing Supply and Other matters) Amendment Act requires the Council to enable more medium density housing of up to three units of three storeys across almost all Auckland suburbs.
3. As part of its consultation, the council asked for public comment on three key topics:
 - The size of the walking distance (walkable catchments) where buildings of six storeys or more must be enabled
 - The size of the areas around our suburban town and local centres where additional height and density of buildings can occur, and what the building heights and density limits should be
 - The qualifying matters the Council has identified as relevant which can reduce building heights and density including special character areas and important local public views.

Although public feedback has now closed, the council is interested in the views of members of the Senior Advisory Panel.

Ngā tūtohunga

Recommendation/s

That the Seniors Advisory Panel:

- a) receive the update on the Council's preliminary response to the Government's urban intensification rules and provide feedback at the meeting.

Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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Update on the draft Auckland Parking Strategy

File No.: CP2022/06844

Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To provide information and an update on the draft Auckland Parking Strategy.

Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

2. Auckland Transport will discuss the draft Auckland Parking Strategy, with a focus on aspects relevant to seniors in Tāmaki Makaurau.

Ngā tūtohunga Recommendation/s

That the Seniors Advisory Panel:

- a) note the information on the draft Auckland Parking Strategy.

Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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Panel members' and liaison councillor's update

File No.: CP2022/06288

Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To provide an update from the panel's liaison councillor.
2. To provide updates from Seniors Advisory Panel members on recent activities.

Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

3. The liaison councillor to the panel, Cr Tracy Mulholland, will provide an update on recent council business, and her local ward matters.
4. Seniors Advisory Panel members will provide updates on their recent work and activities.

Ngā tūtohunga Recommendation/s

That the Seniors Advisory Panel:

- a) note the liaison councillor's update.
- b) note the panel members' updates.

Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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