

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

Date: Wednesday, 11 May 2022
Time: 11.00am
Meeting Room: This meeting will proceed via Microsoft Teams.
Venue: Either a recording or written summary will be uploaded on the Auckland Council website.

Whau Local Board OPEN AGENDA

MEMBERSHIP

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| Chairperson | Kay Thomas |
| Deputy Chairperson | Fasitua Amosa |
| Members | Catherine Farmer |
| | Ulalemamae Te'eva Matafai |
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| | Jessica Rose |
| | Susan Zhu |

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1 Welcome

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. Specifically, members are asked to identify any new interests they have not previously disclosed, an interest that might be considered as a conflict of interest with a matter on the agenda.

The following are declared interests of the Whau Local Board:

| Member | Organisation | Position |
|------------------|---|--|
| Kay Thomas | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Lynn Citizens Advice Bureau Friends of Arataki Western Quilters Citizens Advice Bureau Waitākere Board | Volunteer Committee member Member Chair |
| Susan Zhu | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chinese Oral History Foundation The Chinese Garden Steering Committee of Auckland | Committee member Board member |
| Fasitua Amosa | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Equity NZ Massive Theatre Company Avondale Business Association | Vice President Board member A family member is the Chair |
| Catherine Farmer | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Avondale-Waterview Historical Society Blockhouse Bay Historical Society Portage Licensing Trust Blockhouse Bay Bowls Forest and Bird organisation Grey Power | Member Member Trustee Patron Member Member |
| Te'eva Matafai | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pacific Events and Entertainment Trust Miss Samoa NZ Malu Measina Samoan Dance Group Aspire Events | Co-Founder Director Director/Founder Director |
| Warren Piper | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Lynn RSA New Lynn Business Association | Associate member Member |
| Jessica Rose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women in Urbanism-Aotearoa, Auckland Branch Forest & Bird Big Feels Club Frocks on Bikes Bike Auckland Department of Conservation | Committee member Member Patron Former co-chair Former committee member Employee |

Member appointments

Board members are appointed to the following bodies. In these appointments the board members represent Auckland Council.

| External organisation | Leads | Alternate |
|---|---------------|----------------------------|
| Aircraft Noise Community Consultative Group | Warren Piper | Catherine Farmer |
| Avondale Business Association | Kay Thomas | Warren Piper |
| Blockhouse Bay Business Association | Warren Piper | Fasitua Amosa |
| New Lynn Business Association | Susan Zhu | Kay Thomas Warren Piper |
| Rosebank Business Association | Fasitua Amosa | Warren Piper |
| Whau Coastal Walkway Environmental Trust | Fasitua Amosa | Jessica Rose |

Whau Local Board consultation feedback and input into the Annual Budget 2022/2023

File No.: CP2022/05787

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Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To receive consultation feedback from the Whau Local Board area on:
 - proposed priorities and activities for the Whau Local Board Agreement 2022/2023
 - regional topics for the Annual Budget 2022/2023.
2. To recommend any local matters to the Governing Body, that it will need to consider or make decisions on in the Annual Budget 2022/2023 process.
3. To provide input on the proposed regional topics in the Annual Budget 2022/2023.

Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

4. Local board agreements set out annual funding priorities, activities, budgets, levels of service, performance measures and initiatives for each local board area. Local board agreements for 2022/2023 will be included in the Council's Annual Budget 2022/2023.
5. Auckland Council publicly consulted from 28 February to 28 March 2022 to seek community views on the proposed Annual Budget 2022/2023. This included consultation on the Whau Local Board's proposed priorities for 2022/2023 to be included in its local board agreement.
6. Auckland Council received 11,550 pieces of feedback in total across the region including 313 pieces of feedback from the Whau local board area. For the Whau residents who responded, Climate Change is the hot topic, with the majority in support of targeted rates to implement actions to tackle the associated problems. Tree canopy cover and public transport are the areas of focus under climate considerations.
7. In the Annual Budget process there are financial matters where local boards provide recommendations to the Governing Body, for consideration or decision-making. This includes:
 - proposed locally driven initiative capital projects outside local boards' decision-making responsibility
 - release of local board specific reserve funds
 - any local board advocacy initiatives.
8. The Governing Body will consider these items as part of the Annual Budget decision-making process in June 2022.
9. Local boards have a statutory responsibility to provide input into regional strategies, policies, plans, and bylaws. This report provides an opportunity for the local board to provide input on council's proposed Annual Budget 2022/2023.

Ngā tūtohunga Recommendation/s

That the Whau Local Board:

- a) receive consultation feedback on the proposed Whau Local Board priorities and activities for 2022/2023.
- b) receive consultation feedback on regional topics in the Annual Budget 2022/2023 from people and organisations based in the Whau local board area.

- c) provide input on regional topics in the proposed Annual Budget 2022/2023 to the Governing Body.
- d) provide its advocacy initiatives for the Annual Budget 2022/2023 to the Governing Body.

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Horopaki Context

- Each financial year Auckland Council must have a local board agreement (as agreed between the Governing Body and the local board) for each local board area. The Whau Local Board Agreement sets out how the Council will reflect the priorities in the Whau Local Board Plan 2020 in respect to the local activities to be provided in the Whau local board area and includes information relating to budgets, levels of service, and performance measures.
- The local board agreements 2022/2023 will form part of the Auckland Council's Annual Budget 2022/2023.
- Auckland Council publicly consulted from 28 February to 28 March 2022 to seek community views on the proposed Annual Budget 2022/2023, as well as local board priorities and proposed activities to be included in the local board agreement 2022/2023.
- Due to the impacts of the ongoing COVID-19 global pandemic, significant pressure has been placed upon the council's financial position. This has created weighty flow-on effects for the council's proposed Annual Budget 2022/2023.

Tātaritanga me ngā tohutohu Analysis and advice

- This report includes analysis of consultation feedback, any local matters to be recommended to the Governing Body and seeks input on regional topics in the proposed Annual Budget 2022/2023.

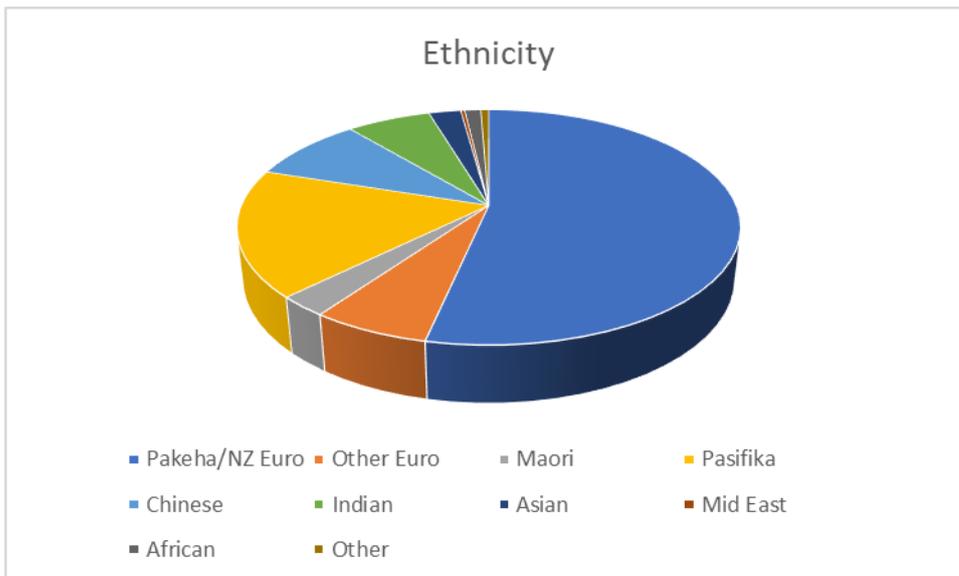
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Consultation feedback overview

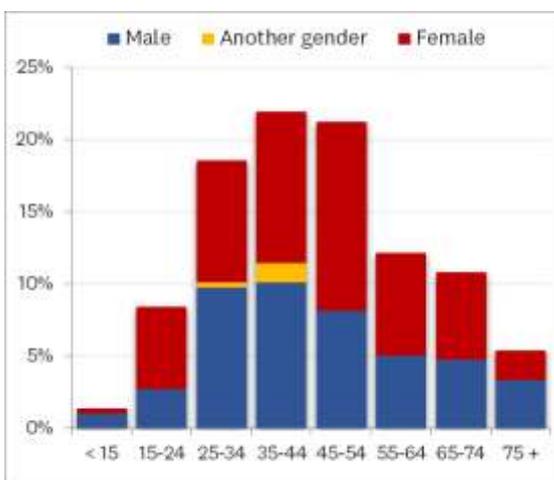
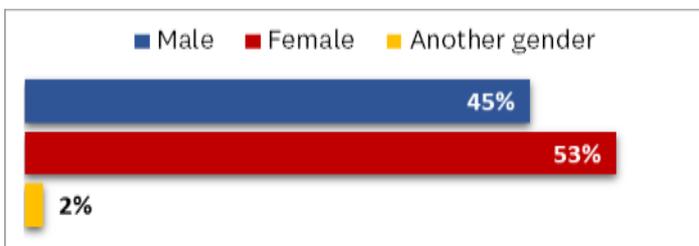
- As part of the public consultation Auckland Council used a variety of methods and channels to reach and engage a broad cross section of Aucklanders to gain their feedback and input into regional and local topics.
- In total, Auckland Council received 11,550 pieces of feedback in the consultation period. This feedback was received through:
 - written feedback – 9,464 online or hard copy forms, emails or letters
 - in person – 2,086 pieces of feedback through online Have Your Say events, or independently managed phone interviews. All events (except one which did not have any attendees) were moved to an online platform or cancelled due to the red COVID-19 traffic light setting.
- The Whau Local Board received 313 submissions. This represents approximately 0.37 per cent of the Whau population, which as in June 2021, was calculated at 85,400. Whau submitters who provided feedback indicated ages ranging from 'under 15s' to '75+'.

Information on submitters

- The chart below is generated from the submitters who provided ethnicity information. The picture reflects a diverse ethnicity. More than half of the submitters identify as NZ European; Pasifika are the next significant number, running slightly higher than those identifying as Chinese, Indian and Other European. Nine submitters identify as Māori.



19. Gender is referenced by the following two graphs, the latter reflecting the age group of respondents.



Feedback received on the Whau Local Board’s priorities for 2022/2023

20. The Whau Local Board consulted on the following five priorities for 2022/2023:

- Climate Action - support council and national initiatives, at the same time looking to improve and protect the tree canopy cover in the Whau
- Avondale Town Centre - progress work on the Avondale multi-purpose facility and streetscape improvements
- Māori identity – promote te reo and enhance visibility of Māori history in the Whau
- Te Whau Coastal Walkway – develop the connection from Rizal Reserve towards Ken Maunder Park and continue to advocate for support to complete the entire pathway

- Park improvements - focussed on Green Bay, Kelston, Glen Avon, New Windsor and Rosebank, including future-proof planning for Olympic Park.

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Q6 Local board priorities

| Category | Count | | | | | | Total |
|---------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| | I support all | I support most | I do not support | I do not support | Other | I don't know | |
| Individuals | 116 | 64 | 23 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 216 |
| Organisations | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 |

21. Of the 313 Whau submissions, 216 responded to the question seeking guidance as to whether Whau residents thought the local board's identified priorities for 2022/2023 were on the right track. A majority of 116 of the 216 local respondents indicate support for all of Whau's priorities; 64 respondents indicate support for most of Whau's priorities. While 23 respondents indicate they do not support most priorities, only six said they do not support any board priorities.
22. Whau Local Board members have seen written submissions and consultation feedback on local board priorities were discussed at Whau Local Board's workshop on 4 May 2022 for the purpose of informing the Whau Local Board Agreement which is due to be adopted in its business meeting on 22 June 2022.
23. The same financial pressure identified by the council is also conveyed at a personal level in some of the feedback received.

Key themes

24. Overall, the recurring theme of most concern to respondents is the Climate Action discussion. Although the topic is one of the key topics for discussion at the regional Annual Budget level, it is manifested at the local level. There is recurring commentary citing the need to protect existing mature trees and enhancing future tree canopy in the Whau.

Other feedback – supplementary information

25. Question 6 in the consultation questionnaire sought any other feedback. These were captured through written, in-person and social media channels. The themes that persisted are identified in the table below. In the Whau, most of the commentary relates to three key areas: Parks, sport and recreation; Local planning; Environmental management. These tended to be not so much "other" feedback but supplementary feedback on the previously identified local board priorities and regional topics.

| Other local feedback | Individuals | Organisations | Maori entities | Pro forma |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|-----------|
| Q6 OR Community services | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Q6 OR Libraries | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Q6 OR Parks, sport and recreation | 30 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Q6 OR Arts, culture and events | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Q6 OR Local planning | 32 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Q6 OR Economic development | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Q6 OR Environmental management | 14 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Q6 OR Governance and support | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Q6 OR Other comment | 36 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Total comments | 128 | 5 | 0 | 0 |

26. The Whau Local Board priorities outlined earlier in this report touches on the topic of parks, sport and recreation through the initiatives of park improvements, continuation of Te Whau Coastal Walkway and the support of targeted rates for Climate Action. On the whole, the Whau Local Board priorities are strongly supported, with a small minority of detractors.
27. **Parks, sport and recreation.** Further commentary came out strongly supporting protection and enhancement of tree canopy; there is acknowledgement of the quality and value of the existing parks and playgrounds and facilities, one submitter suggests more could be done by adding quality natives and more attention to aesthetics. There is support for more and

quality open spaces, connected enhanced walking and cycling; a pool facility, and upgrade of the Olympic Park velodrome. A very small minority do not see the value of the cycle connections and consider current instalments underutilised.

28. **Local planning.** The comments tagged to local planning varied in content, with much ado about traffic – speed, density, cyclist and pedestrian safety in and around town centres; frustration at perceived lack of planning in provision of parking to link to public transport; some more frustration at the perceived slowness of Avondale regeneration; out of scope commentary relate to the privately owned Avondale Jockey Club land and identifying need for more quality outdoor space for increasing number of apartment dwellers.
29. **Environmental management.** About environmental management, majority of commentary is in support of and advocating for more action to mitigate climate change – and once again, the saving of existing, and enhancing of tree canopy, features strongly. There is support for more use and attention on Whau River; more pest management; more protection and maintenance of new plantings. While there is small support for greater or more funding investment to tackle climate action more effectively, there is also another small number who see these actions as a waste of funds.

Requests for local funding

30. One request for local funding through the Annual Budget 2022/2023 consultation comes from the Whau Coastal Walkway Environmental Trust. This request has been diverted to be addressed within the local board's work programme development process. The local board could, when providing feedback on Annual Budget consultation to the Finance and Performance Committee on 25 May 2022, draw attention to the Trust's request as a potential recipient of regional climate targeted rate funding.

Overview of feedback received on regional topics in the Annual Budget 2022/2023 from the Whau Local Board area

31. The proposed Annual Budget 2022/2023 sets out Auckland Council's priorities and how to pay for them. Consultation on the proposed Annual Budget asked submitters to respond to four key questions on:
 1. Climate
 2. Budget Pressures
 3. Operating Spending Prioritisation
 4. Waste Service Standardisation.
32. The submissions received from the Whau local board area on these key issues are summarised below.

Key Question 1: Climate

33. Aucklanders were asked about a proposed climate action package which will be funded by a targeted rate. The climate action package includes investments in low-carbon public transport, active walking and cycling networks; and urban ngahere (forest) canopy cover.
34. This is proposed to be funded through \$574 million from a targeted rate over the next 10 years as well additional funding from government co-funding.
35. A lot of the commentary received by the Whau on Climate responds to both regional and local proposals for the coming year. This is because four out of the five priorities that the Whau Local Board consulted on (refer paragraph 21), and which were supported by the majority of Whau feedback, are projects that initiate climate-positive initiatives.
36. The table below gives an overview of the responses from the Whau local board area. This is consistent with the Whau Local Board recommended position of support, as conveyed to the Finance and Performance Committee in November 2021.

Q1 Climate Action Targeted Rate (CATR)

| Category | Count | | | | Total |
|---------------|---------|----------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| | Support | Do not support | Other | I don't know | |
| Individuals | 184 | 92 | 5 | 18 | 299 |
| Organisations | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 |

37. The majority of Whau feedback supports target rating to address climate action. The reasoning is well-informed and forward looking. For some, the proposal does not go far enough and suggest higher rating and though supportive, some are critical about the perceived lack of speed of action, not enough action and lack of grander planning.
38. For the smaller number who do not support targeted rates for climate action, some do not believe in climate change nor see this as a role for local government. Other feedback is more reactive to own and current economic circumstances, rather than looking toward better future outcomes; cycleways are seen as being underutilized as is public transport.

Key themes within Climate topic

39. **Tree Canopy.** The most comments in this area relate to the low protection for tree canopy to date. Submitters want better regulations to protect existing trees, especially mature trees, in an area such as the Whau where there is intensified housing development and rapidly dissipating open space. Submitters also support council intervention to speedily increase the urban ngahere or tree canopy and protecting it in future.
40. **Public Transport.** There is criticism of public transport services not providing what is needed, for example faster or express services for those living further away from the CBD.

Key Question 2: Budget Pressures

41. Aucklanders were asked about a range of levers proposed to manage on-going budget pressures. Council is forecasting a budget shortfall of \$85 million for 2022/2023 compared to what was budgeted for in the 10-year Budget 2021-2031. This is due to on-going impacts of COVID-19 on revenue and growing inflationary pressure.
42. A range of levers are proposed to manage the budget pressures including:
- Using the Government's Better Off support package funding
 - Changing the timing of some capital spending
 - Implementing cost reductions in the form of efficiency savings and a potential reduction in some services
 - Keeping the previously agreed general rates increase of 3.5 per cent for 2022/2023, and
 - Continuing work on the sale or long-term lease of non-strategic assets as required.
43. The table below gives an overview of the responses from the Whau Local Board area. This is consistent with the Whau Local Board's recommended position of support, as conveyed to the Finance and Performance Committee in November 2021.

Q2 Managing on-going budget pressures

| Category | Count | | | | Total |
|---------------|---------|----------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| | Support | Do not support | Other | I don't know | |
| Individuals | 123 | 38 | 15 | 36 | 212 |
| Organisations | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 |

44. There is majority support of how to address pressures but some of the related commentary implied that not all were clear about the supporting information provided. Comments ranged

from the council organisation being too large and expensive, to politicians not being accountable for decisions they have made.

Key themes within Budget Pressures topic

45. **'No' to Asset Sales** – overall, the recurring theme is to not sell off land or assets. This comes from both supporters and opposers of the proposals.
46. Since consultation, further reduction in revenue caused by the COVID-19 Omicron outbreak and rising interest and inflation costs has compounded budget pressures.
47. Local Board Chairs attended a Finance and Performance Committee workshop outlining the increased pressures and a briefing was held for all local board members.

Key Question 3: Operating Spending Prioritisation

48. Aucklanders were asked to provide feedback on a proposal that would see the Council prioritise operating spending to help manage on-going budget pressures. A set of criteria to be used when making decisions about cost reductions, including those that could reduce, stop or change some services, was proposed.
49. The proposal involves implementing \$15 million of additional permanent cost reductions in the form of efficiency saving and low-priority service reductions across the group in 2023/2024, growing to \$30 million per annum from 2024/2025 onwards.
50. The table below gives an overview of the responses from the Whau local board area. This is consistent with the Whau Local Board position of support, as conveyed to the Finance and Performance Committee in November 2021.

| Q3 Prioritising operating spending | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|----------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| Category | Count | | | | Total |
| | Support | Do not support | Other | I don't know | |
| Individuals | 105 | 28 | 12 | 56 | 201 |
| Organisations | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 5 |

Key themes within Prioritising operating spending topic

51. **Retention of Core Level of Service.** The boxes ticked indicated majority support, but the commentary is a mixed bag. Overall, both supporters and non-supporters express concern that what they term 'essential or core services' are not reduced.

Key Question 4: Waste Service Standardisation

52. Aucklanders were asked about a proposal to standardise waste services and charges across Auckland. The proposal would involve a move to a region-wide rates funded refuse collection service and see a choice of three bin sizes (with different pricing for each) to accommodate different household needs.
53. The table below gives an overview of the responses from the Whau local board area. The majority of feedback is in support of standardisation of waste through rating. This section is the only deviation between Whau Local Board's position and the majority feedback received.
54. The Whau Local Board had provided pre-consultation feedback in November 2021 to the Finance and Performance Committee, citing its resolution WH/2021/95 of 22 September 2021 in which the local board supported PAYT as the best driver to support minimisation, equity and affordability.

| Q4A Standardising waste management | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|--------------|
| Category | Count | | | |
| | Support (prefer rates-funded system) | Do not support (prefer PAYT system) | Other | I don't know |
| Individuals | 134 | 68 | 10 | 12 |
| Organisations | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

55. However, as well as majority support for the standardisation of waste management through rating, notable was that 68, or 30 per cent of feedback supporting the PAYT system. The commentary is consistent and compelling, and trended from persons who have already habitually significantly reduced the amount of rubbish they put out.
56. The implication is, that by paying as you go, the disposer is forced to be made aware of the cost related to rubbish disposal and he or she becomes more engaged about how they dispose rubbish. On the other hand, by automatically tossing rubbish into a weekly bin that is already rated for – there is no prompt to think of the bigger environmental picture.

Key themes within Standardising waste management topic

57. **Rubbish reduction needs to happen.** Most submitters agreed that it would be better to standardise across region. Rating seen as the most efficient method.
58. **Equity.** Some commentary that Auckland Council are unaware of how many users have already greatly reduced their rubbish output and are rewarded by the pay as you throw system.

Supplementary Question 4 – the standardising of opt out categories

59. Auckland Council is also proposing to include standardising which properties can opt-out of waste management services and charges across Auckland.
60. The Whau Local Board had conveyed to the Finance and Performance Committee in November 2021 their support in principle. However, the fourth proposal – to apply a minimum base charge to every separately used or inhabited part of a property – compelled the local board to ask that in future, staff continue to investigate ways for neighbouring households to partner up and share costs of both kerbside refuse and food scrap collections.
61. The majority of submitters supported all four categories, as shown in the tables below.

Q4B Standardising waste management

Standardise the opt-out rules for residential multi-unit developments (10 or more units)

| Category | Count | | | | Total |
|---------------|---------|----------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| | Support | Do not support | Other | I don't know | |
| Individuals | 129 | 22 | 2 | 51 | 204 |
| Organisations | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |

Standardise the opt-out rules for non-residential properties

| Category | Count | | | | Total |
|---------------|---------|----------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| | Support | Do not support | Other | I don't know | |
| Individuals | 111 | 24 | 4 | 56 | 195 |
| Organisations | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |

Standardise the opt-out rules for residential and lifestyle properties with between two and nine units

| Category | Count | | | | Total |
|---------------|---------|----------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| | Support | Do not support | Other | I don't know | |
| Individuals | 107 | 31 | 2 | 55 | 195 |
| Organisations | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |

Apply a minimum base charge to every separately used or inhabited part of a property

| Category | Count | | | | Total |
|---------------|---------|----------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| | Support | Do not support | Other | I don't know | |
| Individuals | 92 | 28 | 3 | 69 | 192 |
| Organisations | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 |

Other feedback

62. For the most part, the commentary from the Whau provides direct feedback to the questions asked about the key regional topics and the priorities of the Whau Local Board. No other key theme has emerged as a significant new issue requiring reconfiguration of priorities.

Local board advocacy

63. Local boards are requested to provide approved advocacy initiatives which considers the consultation feedback above. This allows the Finance and Performance Committee to consider these advocacy items when making recommendations on the Annual Budget 2022/2023 to the Governing Body in June.
64. The advocacy initiatives approved by the local board will be included as an appendix to the 2022/2023 Local Board Agreement. At its workshop on 4 May, the Whau Local Board confirmed the following three topics as its key points of advocacy for 2022/2023 financial year:

- Ngahere Project - more support, and quicker action through Ngahere and similar projects to address the negative climate change impacts – in particular, addressing the improvement and protection of urban tree canopy
- Unlock Avondale - continued council, external organisations and community support for Unlock Avondale programme
- Te Whau Pathway - continued funding to complete the pathway.

Local board input on regional topics in the Annual Budget 2022-2023

65. 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 Auckland Council's strategies, policies, plans, and bylaws, and any proposed changes to be made to them.
66. The feedback received in this consultation process has been welcomed by the Whau Local Board and will be a valued addition to the local board's future decision-making both inside and outside this Annual Budget process.
67. This report provides an opportunity for the local board to provide input on the Council's proposed Annual Budget 2022/2023.

Tauākī whakaaweawe āhuarangi Climate impact statement

68. The decisions recommended in this report are part of the Annual Budget 2022/2023 and local board agreement process to approve funding and expenditure over the next year.
69. Projects allocated funding through this Annual Budget process will all have varying levels of potential climate impact associated with them. The climate impacts of projects Auckland Council chooses to progress, are all assessed carefully as part of the Council's rigorous reporting requirements.
70. Four of the Whau Local Board's priorities consulted on will have direct and indirect positive impact on climate action through their initiatives:
 - Climate Action - support Council and national initiatives, at the same time looking to improve and protect the tree canopy cover in the Whau
 - Avondale Town Centre - progress work on the Avondale multi-purpose facility and streetscape improvements
 - Te Whau Coastal Walkway – develop the connection from Rizal Reserve towards Ken Maunder Park and continue to advocate for support to complete the entire pathway
 - Park improvements - focussed on Green Bay, Kelston, Glen Avon, New Windsor and Rosebank, including future-proof planning for Olympic Park.

Ngā whakaaweawe me ngā tirohanga a te rōpū Kaunihera Council group impacts and views

71. The Annual Budget 2022/2023 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.

Ngā whakaaweawe ā-rohe me ngā tirohanga a te poari ā-rohe Local impacts and local board views

72. The local board's decisions and feedback are being sought in this report. The local board has a statutory role in providing its feedback on regional plans.
73. Local boards play an important role in the development of the council's Annual Budget. Local board agreements form part of the Annual Budget. Some local board members have also attended Finance and Performance Committee workshops on the Annual Budget.

Tauākī whakaaweawe Māori Māori impact statement

74. 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 the council's responsiveness to Māori.
75. Local board plans, developed in 2020 through engagement with the community including Māori, form the basis of local board area priorities. There is a need to continue to build relationships between local boards and iwi, and the wider Māori community.
76. Analysis provided of consultation feedback received on the proposed Annual Budget includes submissions made by mana whenua and the wider Māori community who have interests in the rohe / local board area.
77. 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 the Council's decision-making processes.
78. Some projects approved for funding could have discernible impacts on Māori. The potential impacts on Māori, as part of any project progressed by Auckland Council, will be assessed appropriately and accordingly as part of relevant reporting requirements.
79. Whau Local Board's proposed priorities for coming year, supported in the public consultation feedback, considers Māori identity and signals the local board's intention to continually look for ways to partner with mana whenua, promote te reo, and enhance visibility of Māori history in the Whau. To this aim, the local board is in the process of setting a budget to deliver Māori responsive projects in its 2022/2023 work programme.

Ngā ritenga ā-pūtea Financial implications

80. This report is seeking the local board's decisions on financial matters in the local board agreement that must then be considered by the Governing Body.
81. The local board also provides input to regional plans and proposals. There is information in the Council's consultation material for each plan or proposal with the financial implications of each option outlined for consideration.

Ngā raru tūpono me ngā whakamaurutanga Risks and mitigations

82. The council must adopt its Annual Budget, which includes local board agreements, by 30 June 2022. The local board is required to make recommendations on these local matters for the Annual Budget by mid May 2022 and present to the Finance and Performance Committee on 25 May, to enable and support the Governing Body to make decisions on key items to be included in the Annual Budget on 7 June 2022.

Ngā koringa ā-muri Next steps

83. The local board will approve its local board agreement and corresponding work programmes in June 2022.
84. Recommendations and feedback from the local board will be provided to the Finance and Performance committee for consideration ahead of that Committee making recommendations to the Governing Body for decision.
85. The final Annual Budget 2022/2023 (including local board agreements) will be adopted by the Governing Body on 29 June 2022.

Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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