

Date: Thursday 11 May 2023
Time: 5.00pm
Venue: Ōrākei Local Board Office
25 St Johns Road
Meadowbank

Ōrākei Local Board

OPEN MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

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Ōrākei Local Board feedback on regional topics

Topic	Proposal	Support / Do not support	Local Board Input
Operating spending reductions	Maintaining the currently reduced number of public transport services (as of December 2022) for 2023/2024 to save \$21 million	Do not support	<input type="checkbox"/> The board support a reduction to Auckland Transport's CAPEX project budget however the board do not support a reduction in public transport services.
	Reducing funding to Tātaki Auckland Unlimited to save a further \$27.5 million,	Do not support	<input type="checkbox"/> Tātaki Auckland Unlimited (TAU) have already agreed to a \$17 million savings target and the board do not agree with further cuts of \$27.5 million to TAU.
	Reducing regional services such as community and education programmes, arts and culture programmes, regional events, economic development, and other social services activities such as homelessness funding, community empowerment and funding for youth centres to save \$20 million	Do not support	<input type="checkbox"/> It is an important principal that cities should look after their people by way of these regional services. <input type="checkbox"/> The board do support reviewing that the appropriate regional services are being funded and providing feedback to central government on regional services that ought to be funded by them instead.
	Reducing local board funded activities across all boards to save \$16 million	Do not support	<input type="checkbox"/> The board is strongly against the reduction in local board funding, the detrimental impact on the community is disproportionate to the actual savings made.
	Reducing regional contestable grants to save \$3 million	Support	<input type="checkbox"/> Savings must be found somewhere.
	No longer directly providing early childhood education services to save \$1 million	Support	<input type="checkbox"/> The board do not believe providing early childhood education is a core function of Auckland Council.
Amending Auckland International Airport Limited Shareholding Policy	To sell Auckland Council's shares in AIAL	Support	<input type="checkbox"/> The board are in support of a full sale of the council's airport shares alongside a change to the debt funding policy.
Managing rates and debt	To increase rates by 4.66 per cent	Support	<input type="checkbox"/> The board support an increase in rates and note their support for a further increase to the 4.66% to retain local board funding.
	To increase debt by \$75 million	Support	<input type="checkbox"/> Support alongside a change to the debt funding policy.

	To reduce Natural Environment and Water Quality Targeted Rates.	Support	<input type="checkbox"/> The board only supports this for a period of one year
Storm response	To increase rates by an additional 1 per cent to fund a storm response fund	Support	<input type="checkbox"/> The local community strongly support this increase however clarity on what the money collected is going to be spent on is requested. <input type="checkbox"/> The board strongly recommend the funding go towards on the ground action rather than policy development. <input type="checkbox"/> The board query whether this needs to be rated on an ongoing basis and not just a one-off fund.
Other rates, fees and charges	To introduce a one-off fee for residents wishing to change bin sizes	Support	
	To extend the food scraps targeted rate to new areas	Support	<input type="checkbox"/> The board believe the community should only start paying once it's rolled out in their particular area.
	To change which bus service are funded by the Climate Action Targeted Rate	Do not support	<input type="checkbox"/> The board want to see a reallocation of electric buses on higher use routes.
	To increase fee for swimming pool/spa pool fencing compliance targeted rate	Support	
	To amend the Community Occupancy Guidelines	Do not support	<input type="checkbox"/> The board wants to see a more graduated process for increasing fees to better support the community groups who will be impacted.
	To review fees for bookable spaces in council managed pool and leisure facilities.	N/A for this area	<input type="checkbox"/> The board would like to see changes in the venue hire system as the current one is flawed.
	Any other rates, fees and charges		<input type="checkbox"/> The board would like a requirement to 'register your cat' introduced, in the same way that owners must register their dog, due to the risk cats pose to native wildlife.
Other Issues	Any other issues, including: • Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2023/2024	<input type="checkbox"/> Do not support the Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2023/2024 due to the concern around the felling of mature trees.	

Ōrākei Local Board feedback on related policies

Policy	Proposal	Support / Do not support	Local Board Input
Revenue and Financing Policy	Pause the Long-Term Differential Strategy (LTDS) for one year.	Do not support	

Māori Land Rates Remission and Postponement Policy	Amend the Māori Land Rates Remission and Postponement Policy to provide a partial remission of rates to general title papakāinga, where that land is: <input type="checkbox"/> protected from being sold out of Māori ownership <input type="checkbox"/> for the sole use of hapū/iwi (tribe).	Do not support	
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Ōrākei Local Board key advocacy initiatives

- Our community values our effort into the environment especially water quality.
- Our community does not support cuts to local board funding and would rather have a rates increase
- Concentrate on protecting our assets – we are an asset rich area and we need to protect them - don't knee jerk to sell some to save others. Sports field, tracks, parks/reserves.
- The Ōrākei local board needs to retain its CAPEX budget surplus in order to maintain its assets
- Whole philosophy of this board is we look after our area.
- How we use our LDI budget - to say we have a 5% cut was disingenuous and not transparent – this significant cut will do damage to the top 8 on our priorities list.
- Risk losing community engagement/volunteerism in our community.

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Attachment A