
Puketāpapa Local Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Puketāpapa Local Board held in the Local Board Office, 560 Mt Albert Road, Three Kings on Thursday, 11 May 2023 at 10.12am.

TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

Chairperson	Ella Kumar, JP
Deputy Chairperson	Fiona Lai
Members	Roseanne Hay
	Mark Pervan
	Bobby Shen
	Jon Turner

TE HUNGA KĀORE I TAE MAI | ABSENT

Councillor	Christine Fletcher	with apology
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HE HUNGA ATU ANŌ I TAE MAI | IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor	Julie Fairey
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1 Nau mai | Welcome

Member Jon Turner delivered the welcome message.

2 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

There were no apologies.

3 Te Whakapuaki i te Whai Pānga | Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Te Whakaū i ngā Āmiki | Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number PKTPP/2023/48

MOVED by Chairperson E Kumar, seconded by Member J Turner:

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- a) confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Thursday, 20 April 2023, including the confidential section, as a true and correct record.

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5 He Tamōtanga Motuhake | Leave of Absence

There were no leaves of absence.

6 Te Mihi | Acknowledgements

6.1 Acknowledgement

Resolution number PKTPP/2023/49

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson F Lai, seconded by Chairperson E Kumar:

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- a) acknowledge Auckland is currently under a Local State of Emergency from 9th May 2023 for 7 days due to heavy rainfall, thunderstorms and strong winds. The Board urges people to stay safe and refer to the latest updates from Auckland Emergency Management. Our hearts also go out to those who have been affected by the floods.
- b) note that many of our communities are still in recovery mode from the Auckland Anniversary floods at the beginning of this year.
- c) heartening once more to see all the community leaders, groups and organisations and Auckland Council that have mobilised so quickly. The board thank everybody in supporting this community in this current Local State of Emergency.

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7 Ngā Petihana | Petitions

There were no petitions.

8 Ngā Tono Whakaaturanga | Deputations

There were no deputations.

9 Te Matapaki Tūmatanui | Public Forum

There was no public forum.

10 Ngā Pakihi Autaia | Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

11 Local board consultation feedback and input into the Annual Budget 2023/2024

Mary Hay, Senior Local Board Advisor, Local Board Services was in attendance to speak to this report.

Ngā tūhonga Recommendation/s

MOVED by Chair E Kumar, seconded by Deputy Chair F Lai:

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- a) receive consultation feedback on the proposed Puketāpapa Local Board priorities and activities for 2023/2024 including proposed local activities to discontinue, reduce spending on, or increase fees, to meet the reduction in local board funding proposed by the Governing Body.
- b) receive consultation feedback on regional topics in the Annual Budget 2023/2024 and related policies from people and organisations based in the Puketāpapa Local Board area.
- c) provide the following input on regional topics in the proposed Annual Budget 2023/2024 and related policies to the Governing Body:

Operating spending reductions

- i) support necessary spending reductions in order to balance the 2023/2024 budget.
- ii) support maintaining the currently reduced number of public transport services for 2023/2024 due to Auckland Transport's low bus driver availability.
- iii) support reducing funding to Tātaki Auckland Unlimited to save \$25 million (no further).
- iv) partially support reducing regional services to save \$20 million.
- v) support reducing some local board funded activities across all Boards to contribute savings in this financial year.
- vi) support reducing regional contestable grants to save \$3 million for 2023/2024 only.

- vii) support no longer directly providing early childhood education services to save \$1 million.

Amending Auckland International Airport Limited Shareholding Policy

- viii) do not support selling Auckland Council's shares in Auckland International Airport Limited.

Managing rates and debt

- ix) support a higher rates increase.
- x) support an increase to debt by \$75 million.
- xi) support the advice given by staff that one of the fundamental criteria with this budget is to ensure that confidence in Auckland Council's financial management is maintained.
- xii) support keeping within the debt ceiling to maintain Council's good credit rating.
- xiii) support reducing the Natural Environment and Water Quality Targeted Rates for 2023/2024 only and not beyond this.

Storm response

- xiv) support an increase to rates by an additional 1 per cent to fund a storm response fund in addition to future proofing systems.

Other rates, fees and charges

- xv) support introducing a one-off fee for residents wishing to increase bin sizes. Do not support the one off fee for those residents wishing to reduce their bin size to incentivize waste reduction in households
- xvi) support extending the food scraps targeted rate to new areas.
- xvii) support changing which bus services are funded by the Climate Action Targeted Rate.
- xviii) support a fee increase for swimming pool/spa pool fencing compliance targeted rate.
- xix) support amending the Community Occupancy Guidelines.
- xx) Support a review for fees for bookable spaces in council managed pool and leisure facilities and provide the following feedback:
 - A. support the establishment of standardised baseline fees for services in the Active Communities – Bookable Spaces portfolio across Auckland.
 - B. support the proposed discount framework with the limitation of discounts being stacked to a maximum of 50 per cent across Auckland for:
 - (i) a consistent peak / off-peak discount;
 - (ii) a consistent discount for regular hirers vs. casual hirers
 - (iii) a standardised community outcomes discount with criteria guided by relevant local boards.

Other Issues

- xxi) support the Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2023/2024.
- xxii) acknowledge the governance of the Tūpuna Maunga Authority.
- xxiii) note the Board's interest to work closer with the Tūpuna Maunga Authority.

Feedback on related policies

Revenue and Financing Policy

- xxiv) support pausing the Long-Term Differential Strategy for one year
- d) provide the following advocacy on local initiatives for the Annual Budget 2023/2024 to the Governing Body:
- i) request regional funding to progress naturalisation of streams in the Puketāpapa Local Board area.
 - ii) request that the aquatic/swimming pool facility network review, which is part of the Community Facilities Network Review, completes a needs assessment for Cameron Pool in time to allow a business case for this facility to be included in the 2024 Long Term Plan. This is necessary as Cameron Pool is being used to its limit, without considering growth and the sub-regional network for water sports provision.
 - iii) seek funding to ensure facilities in the Roskill Development area are sufficient to meet the increased demand due to the substantial increase in residents, such as better park infrastructure, sports and recreation and art facilities.
 - iv) request that the Governing Body includes local boards in its advocacy to central government about appropriately funding both social and physical infrastructure required.
 - v) support the proposal for increased funding for regulatory compliance and enforcement, noting repeated local issues that have been unable to address due to under-resourcing in recent years.
 - vi) support retention of CAPEX funding for the Pah Homestead Functions Facility.
 - vii) support budget for the “Achieving Better Environmental Outcomes for the Manukau Harbour and its catchments” initiative led by the Chief Planning Office. It is vital for the improved environmental health of the Manukau harbour and catchments that council continues to give coordinated support and leadership to deliver on the strategic priorities of both Auckland Council and mana whenua.
- e) thank Vanessa Phillips for her work.

MOVED by Member B Shen, seconded by Member J Turner, an amendment to the original motion as follows:

That the Puketapapa Local Board

- c)ii do not support maintaining the currently reduced number of public transport services for 2023/2024 and request that Auckland Transport work urgently to resolve the bus driver shortage and other network issues to increase public transport services as currently reduced services are impacting on user confidence in the services.

The motion was declared LOST by 2 votes to 4.

MOVED by Member R Hay, seconded by Member M Pervan, an amendment to the original motion as follows:

That the Puketapapa Local Board

- c)ii we do not support bus service reduction as a cost saving mechanism given their importance to the Auckland transport network, we do not believe reduced bus services will be adequate. We understand low bus driver availability will mean these savings are inevitable in the current financial year however we want to see a strategy developed to increase bus services in the longer term.

The motion was declared CARRIED.

The substantive motion was put:

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- e) thank Vanessa Phillips for her work.

CARRIED

12 **Urgent Decision to provide Puketāpapa Local Board feedback to the Auckland Light Rail project**

Resolution number PKTPP/2023/51

MOVED by Member M Pervan, seconded by Member R Hay:

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- a) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the urgent decision made on 21 April 2023 to provide feedback to the Auckland Light Rail project.
- b) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the feedback provided as follows:

Dominion Junction (at Upper Dominion Road / New North Road) and Kingsland light rail stations

- i) note the station hubs will increase the economic status in the areas they are based, providing employment and business opportunities.
- ii) request light rail station hubs to encourage mixed use building with a mixture of residential, commerce and public amenity as per the many examples seen overseas. Having a range of uses will help keep the station points bustling as opposed to dead zones with a single use.
- iii) request Dominion Junction and Kingsland light rail station hubs to have active transport provisions, including prioritising cycle parking and pedestrian access.
- iv) request light rail station hubs to incorporate a seamless transition to other modes of transport.
- v) request light rail station hubs to have shopping facilities, good connections to sport facilities and re-charging machines for HOP cards (or whatever type of transport universal card there will be in the future).

Options for a shared light rail and heavy rail route in Onehunga

- vi) endorse option B) A shared light rail and heavy rail route using the KiwiRail land already set aside for rail use in the future with regards to a shared light rail and heavy rail route in Onehunga. Noting:
 - (1) use of existing KiwiRail land for this purpose will save time, costs, is better value for money and connects to residential communities.

(2) note concerns to potential environmental impacts on the Manukau Harbour with both options.

Options to connect light rail into Mangere

vii) support the option of connecting light rail and a station in the town centre of Mangere. Noting:

(1) endorse the idea of light rail stations that will integrate the business area and stations connecting to town centres.

viii) request understanding on why the route is tunneled through the isthmus and overland in South Auckland. The option for elevated rail has not been provided in the discussions around the route in Central Auckland, which may have substantial cost savings.

CARRIED

13 Urgent Decision to provide Puketāpapa Local Board feedback on the Land Transport Management (Regulation of Public Transport) Amendment Bill

Resolution number PKTPP/2023/52

MOVED by Chairperson E Kumar, seconded by Member M Pervan:

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

a) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the urgent decision made on 26 April 2023 to provide feedback on the Land Transport Management (Regulation of Public Transport) Amendment Bill.

b) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the feedback provided as follows:

i) endorse the draft Auckland Council submission on the Land Transport Management (Regulation of Public Transport) Amendment Bill.

CARRIED

14 Te Whakaaro ki ngā Take Pūtea e Autaia ana | Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

10.34 am

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

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DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....