

Date: Thursday 21 March 2024
Time: 12.00pm
Meeting Room: Howick Local Board Meeting Room
Venue: Pakuranga Library Complex
7 Aylesbury Street
Pakuranga

Howick Local Board

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Chairperson's Report as of Thursday 14 March 2024

Throughout February we've joined our community in celebrating the Lunar New Year from lantern festivals, lion dances, dinners and more. A significant event in many Asian cultures, it was wonderful to attend a range of events and celebrate the diversity that we're so fortunate to have in our community.

As Auckland Council consults on its Long-term Plan, we've begun our engagement around our annual budget, attending community and council events to speak with local residents. We've also taken the opportunity to do get informal feedback on the representation options for Botany and Flat Bush. As part of the representation review every six years, we have the opportunity to consider changing the name of the Board, so we've been checking to see if there is any desire from the public for further discussions on this.

The Eastern Busway is making good progress, with the opening of William Roberts Road extension and the new Aylesbury Road / Palm Avenue / Ti Rakau Drive intersection ahead of the closure of Reeves Road for the flyover construction. While the Easter Busway Alliance are working hard to minimise disruption, building large-scale infrastructure in an established suburban area is always challenging. We've been briefed on the mitigations and will continue to advocate on behalf of our community.



Damian Light

Heamana | Chairperson

Te Poari ā-Rohe o Howick | Howick Local Board

Date	Event/meeting attended
Fri 09 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bucklands Beach Coastal Management Site Visit attended by Chair Damian Light, Members Bruce Kendall, John Spiller and Mike Turinsky, and staff from Auckland Council and Auckland Transport. • Fo Gaung Shan Buddhist Temple Lunar New Year attended by Chair Damian Light, and Prime Minister Rt Hon Christopher Luxon.
Sat 10 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lloyd Elsmore Skatepark Consultation attended by Chair Damian Light, Deputy Bo Burns and Member John Spiller. • Colours of Joy attended by Member Peter Young.
Mon 12 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Village Association Monthly Meeting attended by Member Adele White • Regional Local Board Chairs Forum attended by Chair Damian Light <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Eke Panuku update ○ Reorganisation update ○ Auckland Transport update
Tue 13 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citizenship Ceremony attended by Chair Damian Light, Deputy Bo Burns, and Member Adele White.
Wed 14 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lantern Festival hosted by Botany Chinese Association attended by Chair Damian Light and Member Adele White.
Thu 15 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Local Board business meeting (refer minutes for attendance and decisions)
Sat 17 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with local residents regarding Plan Change 96 attended by Chair Damian Light and Members Bruce Kendall, John Spiller, and Mike Turinsky.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ormiston Entwine attended by Chair Damian Light (who spoke) and Member Peter Young.
Sun 18 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunar New Year celebration at Botany Library attended by Chair Damian Light and Member Peter Young.
Wed 21 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Education Trust Manukau Mobile Classroom Visit arranged by Chair Damian Light
Thu 22 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Local Board workshop (refer workshop records for attendance & topics) • BNZ Auckland Lantern Festival Opening Ceremony attended by Chair Damian Light, Deputy Mayor Desley Simpson, other Local Board Chairs and Members, Prime Minister Rt Hon Christopher Luxon, Rt Hon Chris Hipkins, other local MPs and Ministers.
Fri 23 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunar New Year Dinner hosted by Federation of NZ Chinese Association attended by Chair Damian Light and Members Adele White, Mike Turinsky and Peter Young, Hon David Seymour and other MPs.
Mon 26 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with CEO of Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki arranged by Chair Damian Light • Lloyd Elsmore Park User Group attended by Chair Damian Light and Member Bruce Kendall. • East Auckland Tourism Meeting attended by Deputy Bo Burns.
Tue 27 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to pay respects to Fa'anānā Efeso Collins attended by Chair Damian Light, Member Mike Turinsky, Mayor Wayne Brown, Councillors, other Local Board Chairs and Members, and Auckland Council staff
Wed 28 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Sedar Properties arranged by Chair Damian Light
Thu 29 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Local Board workshop (refer workshop records for attendance & topics)
Fri 01 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministerial Visit to William Roberts Road extension attended by Chair Damian Light, Councillors Maurice Williamson and Sharon Stewart, and Hon Simeon Brown. • Auckland Council Long-term Plan Have Your Say Event hosted by Korean Positive Aging Charitable Trust attended by Chair Damian Light
Sun 03 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auckland Brit and Euro Classic Car Show attended by Chair Damian Light, Members Adele White, Bruce Kendall, David Collins, Katrina Bungard, Mike Turinsky and Peter Young. Have Your Say opportunity for Long-term Plan / Annual Budget.
Tue 05 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly Community Partners Meeting hosted by Ormiston Police Station attended by Chair Damian Light • Citizenship Ceremony attended by Chair Damian Light, Member Adele White and members of the Manurewa Local Board (Anne Candy QSO JP, Heather Andrew and Andrew Lesa JP)
Thu 07 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Local Board workshop (refer workshop records for attendance & topics) • Meet and Greet with Howick Youth Council attended by Chair Damian Light, Members Bruce Kendall, <i>John Spiller</i> and Mike Turinsky.
Fri 08 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dawn Blessing of William Roberts Road extension attended by Chair Damian Light, Members Adele White and Peter Young.
Sat 09 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representation Review public meeting co-hosted with Flat Bush Residents and Ratepayers Association attended by Chair Damian Light (who spoke)
Sun 10 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have Your Say Event at Kiwi Anthems Music in Parks attended by Chair Damian Light, Members Adele White, Bruce Kendall, David Collins, and Mike Turinsky. Have Your Say opportunity for Long-term Plan / Annual Budget.
Mon 11 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Youth Council Principals Breakfast attended by Chair Damian Light (who spoke), Members Adele White, Bruce Kendall and Peter Young. • Regional Local Board Chairs Forum attended by Chair Damian Light <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NZSIS briefing ○ Graffiti removal contract and innovations ○ Parks and community greenways ○ Auckland Transport
Thu 14 Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Local Board workshop (refer workshop records for attendance & topics)

9 February Fo Gaung Shan Buddhist Temple Lunar New Year



14 February Lantern Festival hosted by Botany Chinese Association



