

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board held in the Local Board Office, 560 Mount Albert Road, Three Kings, and online via Microsoft Teams, on Tuesday, 26 March 2024 at 1:00 pm.

TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

Chairperson	Maria Meredith	
Deputy Chairperson	Debbie Burrows	
Members	Don Allan	
	Nerissa Henry	Via electronic link until 1.40pm
	Chris Makoare	
	Peter McGlashan	Via electronic link
	Tony Woodcock	

TE HUNGA ĀPITI KUA TAE MAI | ALSO PRESENT

Councillor	Josephine Bartley	Via electronic link
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1 Nau mai | Welcome

Chairperson M Meredith opened the meeting and delivered a welcome message

2 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

There were no apologies.

3 Te Whakapuaki i te Whai Pānga | Declaration of Interest

Member P McGlashan declared his employment at Waka Kotahi.

4 Te Whakaū i ngā Āmiki | Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number MT/2024/12

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson D Burrows, seconded by Member D Allan:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) whakaū / confirm the minutes of its ordinary meeting, held on Tuesday, 27 February 2024, as true and correct.

CARRIED

5 He Tamōtanga Motuhake | Leave of Absence

There were no leaves of absence.

6 Te Mihi | Acknowledgements

There were no acknowledgements.

7 Ngā Petihana | Petitions

There were no petitions.

8 Ngā Tono Whakaaturanga | Deputations

Note: Member N Henry entered the room at 1.40pm

8.1 Deputation - Shiloh Creative Life Centre

Resolution number MT/2024/13

MOVED by Chairperson M Meredith, seconded by Member N Henry:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) thank Dee Petit for her attendance and presentation.

CARRIED

8.2 Deputation - Onehunga Sports Football Club

Resolution number MT/2024/14

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson D Burrows, seconded by Member N Henry:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) thank Erina Kent and Mark Lythe for their attendance and presentation.

CARRIED

9 Te Matapaki Tūmatanui | Public Forum

9.1 Public Forum - Auckland East Community Network

This item has been withdrawn.

10 Ngā Pakihi Autaia | Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

11 Governing Body Member's Update

Resolution number MT/2024/15

MOVED by Member C Makoare, seconded by Member D Allan:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) receive the Governing Body Member J Bartley's verbal update.

CARRIED

12 Chairperson's Report

Resolution number MT/2024/16

MOVED by Member N Henry, seconded by Member D Allan:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) receive Chairperson M Meredith's written report.

CARRIED

13 Board Member's Reports

A document was tabled in support of the item. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and are available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachment.

Resolution number MT/2024/17

MOVED by Member D Allan, seconded by Member T Woodcock:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) receive Deputy Chairperson D Burrows' written report

CARRIED

Attachments

- A Board member's report, Debbie Burrows

14 Representation project - issues specific to the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board

John Nash, Programme Manager, Planning and Operations was in attendance via MS Teams to speak to this report.

Resolution number MT/2024/18

MOVED by Member T Woodcock, seconded by Deputy Chairperson D Burrows:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) recommend not complying with the 10 percent rule of the Maungakiekie Subdivision and defer correcting this to the next representation review, noting:
 - i) the proposed change for the area south of Sylvia Park Road would compromise effective representation of communities of interest by:
 - A. the community residing in the area south of Sylvia Park Road has greater similar interests and issues as other communities in the Tāmaki Subdivision than the Maungakiekie Subdivision.
 - B. dividing Riverside/Panama Road community whose aligned interests and issues span the two sides of the motorway.
 - C. the small residential area proposed to be added to Maungakiekie neighbours the industrial area of Penrose and is separated from any other residential areas of Maungakiekie by several kilometres.
 - D. there is limited community understanding of local boards and its subdivisions. The proposed change will add to public confusion and impact the connections the Tāmaki Subdivision members have already made with the Riverside/Panama Road community

- ii) this will allow for the next census to be considered and more reflective of growth from current housing developments across Maungakiekie-Tāmaki
- b) support the proposal for a change to the boundary with Puketāpapa Local Board so that all of Taumanu Reserve lies within the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board area.

CARRIED

15 Representation review and local board reorganisation

John Nash, Programme Manager, Planning and Operations was in attendance via MS Teams to speak to this report.

Resolution number MT/2024/19

MOVED by Member T Woodcock, seconded by Member N Henry:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) provide the following feedback on the review of representation arrangements for the 2025 elections:
 - i) note at the prior 2019 review of representation, changes were made to correct significant non-compliance with the 10 per cent rule in the Waitematā and Gulf Ward. This has had a flow on effect for Maungakiekie-Tāmaki, Albert-Eden and Puketāpapa Local Boards, causing local board and ward councillor boundaries to be misaligned
 - ii) support the development of advice for returning ward boundaries to their pre-2019 positions, to enable local board and ward councillor boundaries to align, making it simpler for communities to know who their council representatives are.
- b) provide the following feedback on the proposal to reduce the number of local boards through a reorganisation plan:
 - i) support the status quo governance arrangements and retaining the current number of 21 local boards, noting that over the past 14 years local board areas have developed distinct identities and connections amongst their local communities
 - ii) support investigating efficiencies and more effective governance for local boards under status quo
 - iii) oppose the proposal to reduce the current number of local boards through a reorganisation plan noting:
 - A. reorganisation of local boards will disrupt the progress established local boards have already made to prioritising funding and plans to use its increased decision-making opportunities. Reestablishing this progress will be lengthy and significantly delay delivery and positive outcomes for communities
 - B. public and elected members are concerned that the proposal to reduce local boards is primarily a cost saving measure and neither aligns with the principle of subsidiarity nor necessarily deliver the cost savings anticipated
 - C. there is limited community understanding between the role of the Governing Body and local boards. Any changes to the local board model will add to public confusion

- D. to initiate proposed changes will be costly and absorb significant staff time. This is not a sensible use of Auckland Council resources, particularly when Auckland is already facing pressure from budget restraints and already limited staff capacity
 - E. more empowered local boards and decision making, is not dependent on fewer local boards. Council can reorganise the way it delivers advice and services to enable greater efficiencies and cost savings with improved local engagement and democratic representation.
 - F. reduced number of local boards will impact amalgamated local boards ability to fully represent their diverse communities, due to legislation limiting the number of local board members this will limit representation across a subdivision with members representing up to 16,000 constituents. This will be exacerbated in areas with significant development and growth, and particularly detrimental in Puketapapa and Albert-Eden, Mangere-Otahuhu and Otara-Papatoetoe local boards, where they have diverse communities with varying needs and are suffering from years of under resourcing for their communities.
 - G. many of the proposed amalgamated local boards have multiple subdivisions with an uneven number of members. This can create inequity in decision-making by providing an opportunity for a non-democratic process influenced by politics which does not necessarily represent the views of the constituents affected by the decision
 - H. the tightness of the current timeframe between a decision from the Local Government Commission and the 2025 local government elections will create confusion in the voting public and will likely lead to an even lower turnout of voters
- iv) recommend if the proposal to reduce the number of local boards through a reorganisation plan progresses, that it should not be implemented until the 2028 elections, to enable the robust analysis the cost benefits and adequate community engagement.
- c) oppose the reorganisation proposal and do not support the reorganisation proposal being progressed further, including to public consultation

CARRIED

16 Proposals for More Empowered Local Boards

John Nash, Programme Manager, Planning and Operations was in attendance via MS Teams to speak to this report.

Resolution number MT/2024/20

MOVED by Member D Allan, seconded by Member T Woodcock:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) support the proposal for more empowered local boards, noting the recommendations of the 2016 Governance Framework Review (GFR) and the Governing Body's October 2021 decision to approve Increased Local Board Decision-making

- b) support the separation of the More Empowered Local Boards proposal from the Fewer Local Boards proposal and are concerned that the conflation of the two proposals suggests to the public that local boards cannot be more empowered unless the number of local boards is reduced
- c) request Council and CCOs management and governance support local boards to give full effect to the provisions included in, and envisaged by, the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009 (LGACA) and enabled by Auckland Council to do so noting that according to the principle of subsidiarity enshrined in LGACA that nonregulatory decisions should be made by local boards except where decisions are better made on an Auckland-wide basis.
- d) challenge the Council reliance on using the rationale of “except where decisions are better made on an Auckland-wide basis.” when removing decision making for local boards on local board governed matters, assets and services as this is the key function of local boards and this exception is currently being utilized award contracts for the Pools and Leisure management services
- e) support local boards receiving sufficient strategic advice to fulfil their purpose on behalf of their communities, and provide the following input:
 - i) support having access to strategic advice to support the development of local solutions
 - ii) recommend regional policies and plans are reviewed to ensure that they are not impeding local decision making, such as the current Community Facilities Network Plan, which dictates the regional minimum service provision criteria and results in staff advice aligning to regional policy rather than providing the advice that is responsive to local boards' strategic decision-making on community facilities to meet the needs of their local community
- f) support local boards receiving sufficient resourcing and have greater decision-making and accountability over their funding arrangements, and provide the following input:
 - i) recommend prioritising service asset portfolio reviews for 21 local boards by areas of significant growth, and where there is local board willingness and ability to use its increased decision-making opportunities. Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board is ready to investigate delivering our community services differently to be more cost effective whilst meeting the needs of our community. The local board is unable to progress this without sufficient advice such as this, and are losing potential partnership opportunities with external funders and funding renewals of assets that may no longer be needed
 - ii) support the ability for local boards to more easily review community leases to free up space currently tied up in peppercorn leases with low-value, low-participation activities on valuable council land
 - iii) recommend prioritising better advice and strategic assessment community leases, to better understand the use of Council owned assets, service needs, and provision that meets changing demographics and needs in the future
 - iv) recommend consideration be given to resourcing neighbouring / multiple local boards to collaborate and make decisions on projects that will have greater benefits for their local and neighbouring areas to improve efficiencies and more effective governance in the future

- v) request information on whether delegated decision-making over local transport activities such as town centre improvements and street trading activities, would be funded by Auckland Transport

CARRIED

17 Approval for a new public road name at 55 Epping Street, Glen Innes

Qiuang Wang, Consultant Planner, Regulatory Support was in attendance via MS Teams to speak to this report.

Resolution number MT/2024/21

MOVED by Member C Makoare, seconded by Member N Henry:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) approves the name Pawhau Place for a new public road created by way of subdivision undertaken by Tāmaki Regeneration Limited at 55 Epping Street, Glen Innes in accordance with section 319(1)(j) of the Local Government Act 1974 (resource consent reference SUB60409551 and road naming application reference RDN90112591).

CARRIED

18 Hamlin Park Draft Concept Plan

Ibrahim Sarwar, Senior Project Manager, Parks and Community Facilities and Annette Campion, Parks and Planning Consultant were in attendance via MS Teams to speak to this report.

Resolution number MT/2024/22

MOVED by Member N Henry, seconded by Member T Woodcock:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) approve the draft Hamlin Park Concept Plan (Attachment A, - Hamlin Park Concept Document 20221010) be publicly notified to seek feedback on the plan.
- b) request investigation for the consultation to be undertaken separate to the notification of the draft Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Parks Management Plan.
- c) support not renewing the current parking agreement in place with the owners of the Mt Wellington Shopping Centre when this expires in December 2026.

CARRIED

19 Project Kōkiri - Setting priorities for Auckland Transport project and programme engagement

Lorna Stewart, Elected Member Relationship Partner, Auckland Transport was in attendance to speak to this report.

Resolution number MT/2024/23

MOVED by Member D Allan, seconded by Member C Makoare:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) note the local board want to provide local input on local network planning, rather than individual road safety initiatives that do not speak to the wider network context
- b) provide the following projects the local board want Auckland Transport to collaborate on, in its Kōkiri Agreement:
 - i) Tripoli Road Raised Crossing
 - ii) Eastview Rd IS Pathway to Permanence
 - iii) Victoria Street Traffic Calming
 - iv) Onehunga Mall Grey Street RAB.
- c) provide the following projects the local board want Auckland Transport to consult on, in its Kōkiri Agreement:
 - i) Erima Ave (Tripoli Rd - Point England Rd)
 - ii) Great South Road - One Tree Hill College pedestrian improvements
 - iii) Campbell Road and Clarke Road pedestrian crossing
 - iv) Dunkirk Road - Kings Road pedestrian crossing
 - v) Arthur Street and Quadrant Road intersection improvement
 - vi) Quadrant and Park Gardens intersection improvement
 - vii) Aranui Road Speed Calming
 - viii) Mt Wellington Highway Footpath Widening from no 629 to Camp Road
- d) request that all community-initiated engineering programme projects to come to the local board to provide input into before they are put on Auckland Transport's forward works programme
- e) request that the following pedestrian crossings projects on Manukau Road be considered as one project under consult in the Kōkiri Agreement to achieve a coordinated approach:
 - i) 740 Manukau road
 - ii) 652 and 698 Manukau road
- f) request that the following Onehunga intersection improvements be considered as one project under consult in the Kōkiri Agreement to achieve a coordinated approach:
 - i) Alfred Street / Grey Street Intersection Improvement
 - ii) Arthur Street / Selwyn Street Intersection Improvement
 - iii) Selwyn (not Arthur) Street / Trafalgar Street Intersection Improvement
- g) provide the following projects the local board want Auckland Transport to inform on, in its Kōkiri Agreement:
 - i) Pedestrian Level Crossing Gating (Onehunga line)
 - A) Pedestrian Rail Level Crossing Gating – Mays Road
 - B) Pedestrian Rail Level Crossing Gating – Church Street
 - C) Pedestrian Rail Level Crossing Gating – O'Rorke Street
 - D) Pedestrian Rail Level Crossing Gating - Maurice Road
 - E) Pedestrian Rail Level Crossing Gating - Victoria Street

- F) Pedestrian Rail Level Crossing Gating - Alfred Street
- G) Pedestrian Rail Level Crossing Gating - Galway Street
- ii) Church St East Level Crossing Business Case - Single Stage Business Case (SSBC) for the closure of the Church St East road and pedestrian crossing.
- iii) Southdown Lane / Industry Road Intersection Improvement
- iv) Links to Glen Innes
- h) provides the following advocacy projects or programmes for Auckland Transport to consider for inclusion in future work programmes:
 - i) provide better, integrated local transport links between and to the following town centres to enable greater access to employment and business opportunities.
 - ii) provide safe and reliable transport routes from Riverside to Ōtāhuhu and Sylvia Park, so that local residents can easily commute to the nearest train stations and shops
 - iii) accommodate for increased patronage from the Maungakiekie community of Penrose due to impacts from City Rail Link once completed and the reduced service on the Onehunga Line.
Improvements to accommodate for increased patronage include:
 - A) upgrading Penrose train station, to improve safety, protection from the weather and attractiveness of the station
 - B) Providing additional frequent public transport routes from Onehunga, through Oranga to Penrose
 - iv) the long-term continuation of the Local Board Transport Capital Fund with funding restored to previous levels
 - v) provide sufficient transport infrastructure for key industrial areas such as Penrose and Sylvia Park, to support movement of freight, reducing pressure on the wider roading network and provide safe pedestrian access around industrial areas
 - vi) upgrade the entry to the Glen Innes Train Station, making it safer for users to access the platform from the town centre and to connect to Te Ara Ki Uta Ki Tai / Glen Innes to Tāmaki Drive Shared Path
 - vii) deliver an integrated and accessible transport hub in Onehunga that accommodates future growth
 - viii) fund a trial of closing off Orpheus Drive overnight to prevent anti-social behaviour in Taumanu Reserve and the Manukau Cruising Club car park.

CARRIED

20 Update on Watercare and Eke Panuku work programmes for Quarter Three (Jan - Mar 2024) and CCO Engagement Plans

Resolution number MT/2024/24

MOVED by Member T Woodcock, seconded by Member D Allan:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) whiwhi / receive the update on Council-controlled Organisation Engagement Plans and Watercare and Eke Panuku work programmes for Quarter Three (Jan-Mar 2024).

CARRIED

21 Unlock Panmure property disposals

Resolution number MT/2024/25

MOVED by Member T Woodcock, seconded by Member N Henry:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) endorse the disposal of the following properties for urban renewal purposes:
 - i) 13-17 Queens Road, Panmure
 - ii) 25 Queens Road, Panmure
 - iii) 27 Queens Road, Panmure
- b) note that sales proceeds will be allocated to the Eke Panuku Transform/Unlock budget and contribute towards projects with public good outcomes for Unlock Panmure.

CARRIED

22 Local board input to Auckland Council Submission on the draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2024-34

Resolution number MT/2024/26

MOVED by Member C Makoare, seconded by Member N Henry:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) support in principle Auckland Council's Draft submission on the Government Policy Statement on Land Transport, and provide the following input:
 - i) note that the proposed East West link and Eastern Busway projects are in and border the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board area
 - ii) support continuing road safety initiatives
 - iii) support the need for investment into maintenance of existing roads, public transport, cycleways, and walkways
 - iv) reliable public and active transport infrastructure needs to be delivered to shift dependency on the roading network. Investment and uptake of public and active transport will also contribute to reducing congestion on the roading network.

- v) transport planning, funding and delivery should be integrated, and take a multi-modal 'dig once' approach, to limit disruption for residents and cater to the needs of all commuters
- vi) supporting economic growth and productivity, particularly efforts that support freight and people moving across our area, as Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board area contributes 16% of Auckland's GDP

CARRIED

Note: Member P McGlashan abstained from voting and requested that his abstention be recorded

23 Local board feedback on freshwater management in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland

A document was tabled in support of the item. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and are available on the Auckland Council website as minutes attachment.

Resolution number MT/2024/27

MOVED by Member D Allan, seconded by Member P McGlashan:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) kohuki / consider feedback received from their communities in the second phase of public consultation to inform implementation of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020 in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland.
- b) whakarite / provide feedback on the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020 in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland in Attachment A

CARRIED

24 Delegated local board input into the council direction in the 2024 letter of expectations to the Tāmaki Regeneration Company

Resolution number MT/2024/28

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson D Burrows, seconded by Member C Makoare:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) note the delegated local board input into the Council direction in the 2024 letter of expectations to Tāmaki Regeneration Company (Attachment A)

CARRIED

25 Hōtaka Kaupapa / Governance Forward Work Calendar

Resolution number MT/2024/29

MOVED by Member T Woodcock, seconded by Member P McGlashan:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) note the attached Hōtaka Kaupapa / Governance Forward Work Calendar.

CARRIED

26 Record of Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Workshops

Resolution number MT/2024/30

MOVED by Member C Makoare, seconded by Member D Allan:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) whiwhi / receive the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board workshop records for:
27 February, 5 and 12 March 2024.

CARRIED

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

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

2.23pm.

The chairperson thanked members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....