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# Papakura Local Board

## OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of a meeting of the Papakura Local Board held in the Local Board Chambers, 35 Coles Crescent, Papakura, Auckland and online on Wednesday, 27 March 2024 at 4:00 pm.

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### TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

<b>Chairperson</b>	Brent Catchpole
<b>Deputy Chairperson</b>	Jan Robinson
<b>Members</b>	Felicity Auva'a
	George Hawkins
	Kelvin Hieatt
	Andrew Webster

### TE HUNGA ĀPITI KUA TAE MAI | ALSO PRESENT

<b>Councillor</b>	Daniel Newman
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**1 Nau mai | Welcome**

Member George Hawkins led the meeting in prayer.

**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 PPK/2024/18

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Member K Hieatt:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) **whakaū / confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Wednesday, 28 February 2024, including the confidential section, as a true and correct record.**

**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**

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 Governing Body Members' Update

Resolution number PPK/2024/19

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Deputy Chairperson J Robinson:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) **whiwhi / receive verbal updates from Councillor Daniel Newman.**

**CARRIED**

## 12 Chairperson's Update and Certificate Presentation

Members of the ASEZ WAO - World Mission Society Church of God were in attendance to receive a certificate of recognition from the Papakura Local Board for their outstanding contribution to the community with the clean up at McLennan Park in December 2023.

Resolution number PPK/2024/20

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Deputy Chairperson J Robinson:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) **receive the verbal report from the Papakura Local Board Chairperson.**

**CARRIED**

## 13 Auckland Transport - Project Kōkiri March 2024

Resolution number PPK/2024/21

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Member G Hawkins:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) **note Auckland Transport will collaborate with the local board about the following projects or programmes:**
- i) **Settlement / Marne Roads intersection improvements - Design Only**
  - ii) **Porchester / Manuroa roundabout improvements**
  - iii) **Papakura Bus Shelters**
  - iv) **Wayfinding signage (Hunua Trail and Southern Path), noting a report will be provided to the April 2024 business meeting:**
    - **to seek direction on the reallocation of the Local Board Capital Transport Fund, in light of NZTA Waka Kotahi funding and providing wayfinding signage from the southern path to various locations including the town centre.**
    - **to provide advice regarding the feasibility of signage for the connection from the Papakura town centre to the Hunua traverse in Clevedon.**
- b) **note Auckland Transport will consult with the local board about the following projects or programmes:**
- i) **Cosgrave / Old Wairoa Roads Intersection Improvement**
  - ii) **Papakura Town Centre Pedestrian Improvements Great South Road between O'Shannessey Street and Wellington Street**

- iii) **Opaheke Road / Chapel Street Intersection Improvement**
- iv) **Dominion Road / Clevedon Road Intersection Improvement**
- v) **Great South Road / Coles Crescent Intersection Improvement**
- vi) **Wood Street / Elliot Street Intersection**
- vii) **Cosgrave Road Outside Cosgrave School**
- viii) **Walters Road – outside Papakura Normal School – pedestrian improvements, parking and traffic management**
- ix) **AT Local**
- x) **Bus Layover solutions**
- c) **note Auckland Transport will inform the local board about the following projects or programmes:**
  - i) **Takanini Station Platform Renewal**
  - ii) **Road Corridor Renewals**
  - iii) **Rail upgrades**
- d) **request the following projects or programmes are considered by Auckland Transport for inclusion in future work programmes (and that if they cannot be included then the local board is provided quality advice about why):**
  - 1) **Park Estate Road/ Great South Road intersection**
  - 2) **Auckland Transport being proactive on new developments / wider infrastructure and their impacts on the local board and community**
  - 3) **designation of Mill Road corridor**
  - 4) **Takanini Straight / Great South Road bus lane and separated cycleway**
  - 5) **on the northern side corner of Airfield and Takanini School Roads a pedestrian dropdown is required for residents who use disability scooters, mobility walkers, parents and grandparents using pushchairs so they can safely navigate their way onto the road to safely cross**
  - 6) **intersection of Manuroa and Porchester Roads - current refuge is in disrepair with concrete blocks being removed from the structure instead of being repaired and/or replaced**
  - 7) **speed Calming measures along Airfield Road between Porchester Road and Takanini School Road - Residents, Takanini School and Addison Residents Group have requested speed calming measures as speed along this straight within a residential area is proving to be dangerous and unnerving for children and adults**
  - 8) **large trucks being parked in residential streets is increasing. The trucks are presenting a visual barrier to children crossing from local parks and for cars exiting side streets**
  - 9) **Takanini Gurdwara Sri Kalgidhar Sahib - An investigation and design into safety improvements for on street parking outside of the Gurdwara have been ongoing for two years since the tragic death of a young women after driving into the back of a truck. The plans presented to date have not been satisfactory nor has there been any progress towards implementation of a solution**
  - 10) **Bayvista Road / Ngakoro Road – request that Ngakoro Road should not continue as a through Road linking through Bayvista Drive**

- e) note the following Papakura Local Board advocacy points to Auckland Transport for:
- 1) improved pathway and cycling safety, including lighting, accessibility and proactive maintenance to prevent problems; planning for impacts of climate change.
  - 2) increasing/enhancing public transport services:
    - developing AT Local (on demand shared public transport service) in parts of Papakura Local Board area to increase public transport use.
    - Great South Road –moving the cycle lane to an off-road shared pathway and converting the existing cycle and parking lanes into a combined T2 bus lane.
    - increased operating hours of southern train and public transport connections to airport and other employment nodes.
    - extending public transport routes to Ardmore and Bruce Pulman Park
  - 3) the retention and increase of the Local Board Capital Transport Fund
  - 4) safe and clear off-road walking and cycling links between key facilities to encourage a shift away from using motor vehicles, e.g. Papakura Stream Walking and Cycling Bridge (Waiata Shores)
  - 5) safe active transport spaces (off-road walking and cycle paths) particularly around schools
  - 6) improved road maintenance.
- f) does not support Auckland Transport in pursuing any on-road separated cycle ways, such as ‘tim tams’
- g) requests urgent information from Auckland Transport regarding the legal status of the Ngakoro Road extension and options for managing the significant traffic related risks to the community living in Bayvista Drive and surrounding areas.

**CARRIED**

#### 14 **Approval for a private road name at 241 Park Estate Road, Hingaia**

Resolution number PPK/2024/22

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Deputy Chairperson J Robinson:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) approve the name, ‘Papakowhatu Road’ for a new private road which is to extend off Papakowhatu Road created by a development undertaken by Fletcher Living at 241 Park Estate Road, Hingaia in accordance with section 319(1)(j) of the Local Government Act 1974 (Road naming reference RDN90112430, resource consent references BUN60411308 and SUB60411361).

**CARRIED**

**Secretariat note:** Pursuant to Standing Order 1.9.3, member Kelvin Hieatt requested that his abstention be recorded.

#### 15 **Investigation of local art service requirements and service property optimisation of 8-10 Averill Street**

Resolution number PPK/2024/23

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Deputy Chairperson J Robinson:

**That Te Poari ā-Rohe o Papakura (Papakura Local Board):**

- a) **defer the consideration of this matter until the board discusses the services to be provided at Accent Point in further detail.**

**CARRIED**

## **16 Representation review and local board reorganization**

Resolution number PPK/2024/24

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Member A Webster:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) **provides the following feedback on any matters relating to the review of representation arrangements for the current 21 local boards (except for any matters specific to this local board that are addressed in a separate report):**
  - i) **the Papakura Local Board believes the wider Drury area should be amalgamated into the Papakura Local Board area as prior to the 2010 amalgamation it was part of the previous Papakura District Council area, as:**
    - 1) **the community looks to the Papakura Local Board as decision makers**
    - 2) **it was a community of interest at the time of amalgamation**
    - 3) **significant development is forecast for the Drury area in the next 3-10 years**
    - 4) **the area is serviced by Veolia Water as is the Papakura Local Board area**
    - 5) **the board believes the Papakura Local Board area should be retained and the boundary moved to include the wider Drury area**
- b) **the board notes that if the outcome of the reorganisation review is to reduce the number of local boards, local board members need to be remunerated adequately as there will inevitably be an increase in responsibility and scope**
- c) **provides the following feedback on the proposal to reduce the number of local boards through a reorganisation plan noting that Governing Body has supported the development of a 15 local board model as described in this report:**
  - 1) **the board strongly favours remaining with 21 local boards.**
  - 2) **the board's view is that smaller local boards are closer to their communities and better positioned to represent their communities**
  - 3) **agree with the following Puketāpapa Local Board's resolutions:**
    - **do not believe the analysis of costs and benefits of change have been undertaken with sufficient detail or rigour to assure us any amalgamation is well thought through or would result in a good outcome and request a more thorough analysis to be done. We are yet to see good evidence that a larger local board equates to greater efficiency and effectiveness.**
    - **note insufficient weight has been given to the importance of the part time nature of local board membership to attract a wide range of candidates that can retain their day-to-day work such as connection to local community groups, professional occupations and business**

ownership yet still undertake public service and contribute their time and skills to local governance. If this role becomes full time, then the diversity of voices and skills will be lost.

- note whilst we support more empowered local boards, we do not believe this is connected to or dependent on fewer boards. There are other ways the council can reorganise the way it delivers its advice and services that would enable greater efficiencies and costs savings without sacrificing local engagement and democratic representation. Being larger does not equate to being more effective or resource-efficient but is at a greater risk of losing local knowledge and connection.

- c) support a reorganisation plan for local boards proceeding to public consultation.

**CARRIED**

## 17 Proposals for More Empowered Local Boards

Resolution number PPK/2024/25

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Member F Auva'a:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) provides the following feedback on staff proposals for more empowered local boards:
- i) support the principle of subsidiarity where local decisions are made local
  - ii) support the further empowerment of local boards but want to see this implemented within the current system of 21 boards, not just if boards are amalgamated
  - iii) support local boards to receive quality strategic advice to allow for better decision making and outcomes for the community
  - iv) increased decision-making and the ability for local boards to do more
  - v) note that with increased decision-making a higher quality of advice and ensuring strong, integrated advice to local boards needs to be prioritized
  - vi) note that there is a disconnect currently where there is a lack of staff response, advice, and understanding of governance which impacts the local board's ability to make quality decisions for the community
  - vii) note that although local boards have the option to pursue optimisation, the advice and support to allow boards to pursue this option has been lacking
  - viii) does not support the view that fewer local boards will improve the quality of advice to local boards, as the same amount of advice will be required
  - ix) note that if the outcome of the reorganisation review is to reduce the number of local boards, local board members need to be remunerated adequately as there will inevitably be an increase in responsibility and scope.
  - x) local boards should have greater decision-making over the procurement of local maintenance services.



- xi) note that a number of reports still go to Governing Body where there are no Local Board Views sections. There is an opportunity for this to be better scrutinised by the Governing Body and empower local boards.

**CARRIED**

**18 Local board feedback on freshwater management in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland**

Resolution number PPK/2024/26

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Member F Auva'a:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note 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 the Papakura Local Board feedback on the implementation of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020 in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland as per attachment A.
- c) recommend that Auckland Council pause work on Freshwater Management noting that current work responds to a Government Policy Statement that is being reviewed by the current Government.

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

- A Papakura Local Board Feedback on Freshwater Management in Tamaki Makaurau / Auckland

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

The timeframe for submitting Local Board feedback to be considered as part of this submission was brought forward to Tuesday 26 March 2024. As a result an urgent decision was required to meet this earlier timeline. A copy of the urgent decision was tabled at the meeting. A copy is publicly available on the Auckland Council website as an attachment to the minutes.

Resolution number PPK/2024/27

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Member G Hawkins:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the urgent decision dated 25 March 2024 providing the Papakura Local Board input on the draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2024-34 as follows:

*The Papakura Local Board:*

- a) provide / whakarite the following feedback on the draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2024-34 discussion document:

- i) *The Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2024-34 relates to the Papakura Local Board Plan 2023 "Our Places" theme –*

*“A well connected area where it’s easy to move around. Our roads are less congested, public transport is convenient and reliable, walkways and cycleways are linked together and safe.”*

### **Roads of National Significance**

- ii) *The Papakura Local Board support the strategic priority for Roads of National significance, in particular, Mill Road.*
- iii) *The board is pleased to see Mill Road being reinstated as a four-lane highway.*
- iv) *The board believes a separated pedestrian / cycle pathway should also be included as part of the project to provide a safe alternative for different modes of travel. Currently residents are walking on the road shoulder.*
- v) *The board believes it is critical that the entire Mill Road corridor be formally designated as soon as practicable to protect the corridor, particularly, the section through Papakura to:*
  - *limit development in the preferred corridor*
  - *keep the project affordable, ie: not having to buy new houses built in the corridor*
  - *provide certainty to residents, the wider public and community.*

### **Public Transport**

- vi) *The board supports the proposed investment in Auckland metro rail networks. It is crucial that the Auckland rail network is trusted, reliable and efficient.*
- vii) *The board does not support the government’s intention to increase the public transport fare-box recovery and third-party revenue from local government. Any increase in fares will be counter productive to growing public transport patronage.*
- viii) *The board does not support the reduction in funding for public transport infrastructure and services as reliable and accessible public transport is crucial in easing congestion, mitigating the effects of climate change and providing more transport options for all.*

### **Increased Maintenance and Resilience**

- ix) *The board supports the increase in funding for road maintenance, including a ringfenced budget for repairing potholes on local road networks.*

- x) *The board supports increasing the resilience of the roading network to limit the impact on the network when there are severe weather events and natural disasters.*
- xi) *The board supports tolling as a method to support construction and maintenance of all new roads, including Roads of National Significance provided there is a free alternative route available.*

### **Safety**

- xii) *The board supports a mechanism that allows for a consistent approach to the setting of speed limits.*
- xiii) *The board supports the increased focus on enforcement for drink-driving, drug-driving, disqualified drivers and other illegal behaviours.*
- xiv) *The board does not support the omission of safety initiatives and mitigations for pedestrians and cyclists as active and multi-modal options should be safe, accessible and encouraged. The Papakura Local Board is a strong advocate for separated cycleways and shared pathways.*

### **Major Public Transport Projects**

- xv) *The board supports the completion of the major public transport projects, including the:*
  - *Completion of the City Rail Link*
  - *Completion of the Eastern Busway*
  - *Northwest Rapid Transit corridor*
  - *Airport to Botany Busway*
- xvi) *The board supports the funding of KiwiRail to deliver network repairs and upgrades to complete the Auckland Rail Network Rebuild. It is crucial the rail network is reliable and operating to optimum levels.*

### **National Land Transport Fund**

- xvii) *The Papakura Local Board believes a consistent approach is required to road user charges across all vehicle types as differently powered vehicles become more prevalent. An increase in Fuel Excise Duty only focuses on one type energy source that powers vehicles.*

### **Omissions from the draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport**

- xviii) *The Papakura Local Board does not support the omission of joint transport planning including the Auckland Transport Alignment Project (ATAP) as there needs to be greater communication and planning between central and local government, not less.*

**CARRIED**

**Attachments**

- A Urgent Decision: Local Board input to Auckland Council Submission on the Draft Government Policy Statement on Land Transport 2024-34

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

Resolution number PPK/2024/28

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Member A Webster:

**That the Papakura 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 Papakura Local Board Hōtaka Kaupapa / Governance Forward Work Calendar - March 2024**

Resolution number PPK/2024/29

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Member A Webster:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the Hōtaka Kaupapa / Governance Forward Work Calendar.**

**CARRIED**

**22 Papakura Local Board Workshop Records**

Resolution number PPK/2024/30

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Member K Hieatt:

**That the Papakura Local Board:**

- a) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the Papakura Local Board workshop records held on:**
- i) **14 February 2024**
  - ii) **21 February 2024**
  - iii) **28 February 2024**
  - iv) **6 March 2024**
  - v) **13 March 2024**

**CARRIED**

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

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

**24 Te Mōtini ā-Tukanga hei Kaupare i te Marea | Procedural motion to exclude the public**

Resolution number PPK/2024/31

MOVED by Chairperson B Catchpole, seconded by Member F Auva'a:

That the Papakura Local Board:

- a) whakaae / agree to exclude the public from the following part(s) of the proceedings of this meeting.

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution follows.

This resolution is made in reliance on section 48(1)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by section 6 or section 7 of that Act which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public, as follows:

**C1 Sites and Places of Significance to Mana Whenua - Tranche 2a Proposed Plan Change**

Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Particular interest(s) protected (where applicable)	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
<p>The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.</p>	<p>s7(2)(c)(i) - The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information or information from the same source and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied.</p> <p>s7(2)(c)(ii) - The withholding of the information is necessary to protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely to damage the public interest.</p> <p>In particular, the report contains mana whenua mātauranga (tribal knowledge) and names particular sites of cultural significance</p>	<p>s48(1)(a)</p> <p>The public conduct of the part of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding exists under section 7.</p>

	<p>within the Auckland region. These site names and locations have been provided by mana whenua to the council project team in confidence and the ongoing supply of similar information to council is reliant on maintaining this relationship of confidence, until such time as any proposed plan change is endorsed by mana whenua and ready to publicly notify. The public release of the nominated sites ahead of detailed investigation could result in activities being undertaken on privately owned sites that might compromise their Māori cultural values, thereby diminishing their heritage value to the public and the relationship between Māori and their ancestral lands.</p>	
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The text of these resolutions is made available to the public who are present at the meeting and form part of the minutes of the meeting.

**CARRIED**

5.20pm The public was excluded.

Resolutions in relation to the confidential items are recorded in the confidential section of these minutes and are not publicly available.

5.26pm The public was re-admitted.

5.27 pm

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

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HELD ON

**DATE:**.....

**CHAIRPERSON:**.....