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# Waitākere Ranges Local Board

## OPEN MINUTES

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Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Waitākere Ranges Local Board held in the Waitākere Ranges Local Board Office, 39 Glenmall Place, Glen Eden on Thursday, 2 May 2024 at 10.00am.

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### TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

<b>Chairperson</b>	Greg Presland
<b>Deputy Chairperson</b>	Michelle Clayton
<b>Members</b>	Mark Allen
	Sandra Coney, QSO
	Liz Manley
	Linda Potauaine



## 1 Nau mai | Welcome

Chairperson G Presland opened the meeting with a karakia and welcomed those present.

## 2 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

There were no apologies.

## 3 Te Whakapuaki i te Whai Pānga | Declaration of Interest

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

Specifically, members are asked to identify any new interests they have not previously disclosed, an interest that might be considered as a conflict of interest with a matter on the agenda.

The following are declared interests of the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:

Board Member	Organisation/Position
<b>Mark Allen</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bethells Valley Fire – <i>Life Member</i></li> <li>- Waitākere Licensing Trust – <i>Trustee</i></li> <li>- <i>West Auckland Trusts Services - Director</i></li> </ul>
<b>Michelle Clayton</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Glen Eden Residents' Association – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- The Personal Advocacy and Safeguarding Adults Trust – <i>Trustee</i></li> <li>- Glen Eden Returned Services Association (RSA) – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Glen Eden Railway Trust – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Te Wahi Ora Charitable Trust – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Glen Eden Community House - <i>Member</i></li> </ul>
<b>Sandra Coney</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cartwright Collective – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Women's Health Action Trust – <i>Patron</i></li> <li>- New Zealand Society of Genealogists – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- New Zealand Military Defence Society – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Pest Free Piha – <i>Partner is the Coordinator</i></li> <li>- Piha Tennis Club – <i>Patron and Partner is the President</i></li> <li>- Piha Wetland Trust – <i>Partner is a Trustee</i></li> </ul>
<b>Greg Presland</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Whau Coastal Walkway Environmental Trust – <i>Trustee</i></li> <li>- Glen Eden BID – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Titirangi Ratepayers and Residents Association – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Waitākere Ranges Protection Society - <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Titirangi RSA - <i>Member</i></li> </ul>
<b>Liz Manley</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consumer Experiences Council, Te Toka Tumai Auckland, Te Whatu Ora - <i>Co-chair</i></li> <li>- Clinical Ethics Advisory Group, Te Toka Tumai Auckland, Te Whatu Ora - <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Titirangi Community Arts Council Board – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Titirangi Ratepayers and Residents Association – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Laingholm District Citizens Association – <i>Member</i></li> </ul>

Board Member	Organisation/Position
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Literacy Waitākere – <i>Board member</i></li> <li>- Waiatarua Community Patrol - <i>Member</i></li> </ul>
<b>Linda Potauaine</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Visionwest Community Trust – <i>Employee</i></li> <li>- Henderson Rotary – <i>Member</i></li> <li>- Archtists Limited. – <i>Director</i></li> <li>- Glen Eden Community Patrol - <i>Member</i></li> </ul>

### Member appointments

Board members are appointed to the following bodies. In these appointments the board members represent Auckland Council:

External organisation	Lead	Alternate
<b>Glen Eden Business Improvement District (Glen Eden Business Association)</b>	<b>Michelle Clayton</b>	<b>Greg Presland</b>
<b>Aircraft Noise Community Consultative Group</b>	<b>Mark Allen</b>	<b>Liz Manley</b>
<b>Ark in the Park</b>	<b>Mark Allen</b>	<b>Liz Manley</b>
<b>Friends of Arataki and Waitākere Regional Parkland Incorporated</b>	<b>Michelle Clayton</b>	<b>Sandra Coney</b>
<b>Glen Eden Playhouse Theatre Trust</b>	<b>Mark Allen</b>	<b>Linda Potauaine</b>
<b>Te Uru Waitākere Contemporary Gallery</b>	<b>Linda Potauaine</b>	<b>Mark Allen</b>
<b>Glen Eden Community and Recreation Centre Incorporated</b>	<b>Michelle Clayton</b>	<b>Mark Allen</b>

**4 Review of the allocation table recording the allocation of decision-making responsibility for non-regulatory activities**

Resolution number WTK/2024/44

MOVED by Member S Coney, seconded by Member M Allen:

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- a) **whakamihi / welcome the opportunity to provide feedback on the current review of the allocation of decision-making table, recording the allocation of decision-making responsibility for non-regulatory activities.**
- b) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note that under local environment management local boards have responsibility for local stormwater quality projects within regional frameworks.**
- c) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note that the proposed change in the approvals processes for council-led stormwater activities and that Healthy Waters will seek the views of local boards, but local boards will not be able to “call in” the decision.**
- d) **akiaki / urge the Governing Body to resolve to allocate local boards the power to continue to make decisions on Landowner Approvals, as has been the case for the past 14 years, in regard to stormwater activities in local parks and reserves.**
- e) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note its concern regarding the lack of process for categorising service and non-service properties when asset disposals are proposed and request that any decisions to reclassify are made by local boards.**
- f) **tautoko / support council group impact feedback on the need for staff to understand where decision-making responsibility sits and how best to give effect to the shared governance principles in practice.**
- g) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note its disappointment that the decision-making responsibility for economic development plans is no longer relevant, as Tātaki Auckland Unlimited is no longer funding economic development outside the CBD.**
- h) **titiro whakamua / look forward to receiving further advice on the ability and processes for local boards to assume decision-making responsibility for procurement for local activities.**
- i) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note its concern that the ability of local boards to maintain service capacity and integrity of local assets may be constrained by the extent to which funding is provided by the Governing Body.**

**CARRIED**

**5 Long-Term Plan 2024-2034: local board consultation feedback and input**

The motion was put and voted on in parts.

Resolution number WTK/2024/45

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member L Manley:

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- a) **whiwhi / receive consultation feedback on the proposed Waitākere Ranges Local Board priorities and activities for 2024/2025 and key advocacy initiatives for 2024-2034.**
- b) **whiwhi / receive consultation feedback on regional topics in the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 from people and organisations based in the Waitākere Ranges local board area.**
- c) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the Business Improvement District (BID) targeted rate for Glen Eden.**

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/46

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member L Manley:

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- d) **whakarite / provide the following input on regional topics in the proposed Long-term Plan 2024-2034 and advocacy initiatives to the Governing Body:**

**Overall direction for Long-term plan**

- i) **support “enhanced” central proposal funding for rates increases for the next year. While the board does not agree with the pay more and get more proposal of a 14 per cent rate increase it considers that activities over and beyond the central proposal are warranted. In particular, the board support further funding for:**
  - A) **Transport**
  - B) **Environment**
  - C) **Urban Renewal and Parks**
  - D) **Maintenance.**
- ii) **note the proposed rates increase of 3.5 per cent for the 2025/2026 years and anticipate that an increase of this size would cause further problems for council**
- iii) **consider that an “enhanced” central proposal is justified given the severe infrastructure issues faced by the city and given recent inflation rates (4 per cent) and Auckland’s population growth rate of 1.2 per cent for the past 12 months.**

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/47

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member L Manley:

**Transport**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- iv) **support a weekly cap on public transport fares of \$50**
- v) **support improvements to the North Western Busway**

- vi) support provision of further park and ride facilities, especially for the outer areas where the congestion reduction effect is greatest and the needs of rural residents are pronounced
- vii) oppose charging for park and ride facilities especially those that serve the outer areas which lack public transport
- viii) urge council to provide greater support for walking and cycling and in particular providing assistance to local boards to complete their greenways plans
- ix) consider that the urgent need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to address climate change should mean that electrification, public transport and walking and cycling projects should be prioritised
- x) support further investigation into “time of use” charging of motorways but note that any charges need to be equitably shared with all citizens of Tamaki Makaurau
- xi) seek that sufficient resources be provided to not only increase repairs required for rural roads but also to improve the resilience of rural roads to future storm events.

**CARRIED**

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member M Clayton requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d - viii) and x)

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member L Potauaine requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – viii), ix), x) and xi).

Resolution number WTK/2024/48

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member M Allen:

**Water**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xii) note that Watercare proposes to increase water/wastewater services and growth charges by 25.8 per cent next year
- xiii) support council fully recovering growth costs from developers over the term of the Long-term Plan
- xiv) support reinstatement of water quality targeted rate for the purpose it was originally established
- xv) urge council to use this rate to not only improve water quality for the Waitemata Harbour but also for the Manukau Harbour
- xvi) support the Making Space for Water (MSFW) programme but urge council to also invest in issues relating to land stability, overland flow paths, and rural stream care as well as land flooding.

**CARRIED**

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member L Potauaine requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – xii), xiii), xiv), xv) and xvi).

Resolution number WTK/2024/49

MOVED by Member M Allen, seconded by Deputy Chairperson M Clayton:

**City And Local Development**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xvii) urge that Glen Eden is included in the list of areas for urban regeneration

- xviii) note that regeneration of Glen Eden has been promised in 2008, 2013, and 2018 (local board One Local Initiative (OLI)) and that the local board lost \$3.5 million of its transport capital fund which it had tagged for its OLI involving the creation of a town square in Glen Eden.

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/50

MOVED by Member M Allen, seconded by Member L Manley:

**Environment And Regulation**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xix) support resumption and enhancement of the Natural Environmental Targeted Rate as anticipated by pay more get more
- xx) urge council to adequately fund the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area Fund so that important restorative and protective work on the Ranges can be proceeded with and the objectives of the Act can be achieved
- xxi) urge council to reinstate funding of \$1 million previously collected for the restoration of Waitipu (Waitākere) Quarry.

**CARRIED**

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member L Potauaine requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – xix) and xx).

Resolution number WTK/2024/51

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson M Clayton, seconded by Member L Manley:

**Parks and community**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xxii) support fairer funding for local boards
- xxiii) support fully funding of parks and facilities renewals.

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/52

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson M Clayton, seconded by Member M Allen:

**Economic and cultural development**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xxiv) support working with business improvement districts (BIDs) to improve local business environment and local economy
- xxv) note its concerns that council is shifting the burden of crime prevention and town centre public safety onto businesses versus being tackled collectively and funding for initiatives jointly shared (noting that not all business areas fit the criteria to become a business improvement district (BID) and may need other crime prevention funding and strategies).

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/53

MOVED by Member M Allen, seconded by Member L Manley:

**Council support**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xxvi) support enhanced grants to regional amenities, especially Surf Lifesaving.

**CARRIED**



Resolution number WTK/2024/54

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member S Coney:

**Transport Plan**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xxvii) support further investment in public transport. Propose that different means of capping weekly public transport charges be investigated, for instance after 8 trips being conducted in a week further trips could be free. The current suggested cap will not benefit most local residents**
- xxviii) generally support network optimisation, reducing temporary traffic management requirements and introducing dynamic lanes**
- xxix) oppose any reduction in investment in walking and cycling initiatives with the urgent need to decarbonise transport now is not the time to stop investing in cycleways.**

**CARRIED**

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member M Clayton requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – xxix)

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member L Potauaine requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – xxvii), xxviii) and xxix).

Resolution number WTK/2024/55

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member S Coney:

**North Harbour Stadium**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xxx) provide no comment on the North Harbour Stadium as is outside of the local board's area.**

**CARRIED**

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member L Potauaine requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – xxx).

Resolution number WTK/2024/56

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member L Manley:

**Auckland Future Fund and Auckland Airport Limited Shares**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xxxi) do not support the creation of the Auckland Future Fund at this time given council's current financial position**
- xxxii) oppose transferring council's shareholding of just over 11 per cent in Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) to the fund to enable the subsequent sale of any or all the shares. Shares should be retained in current ownership. Will also reduce council's earnings because dividend income will be partially diverted.**

**CARRIED**

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member L Potauaine requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – xxxi) and xxxii).

Resolution number WTK/2024/57

MOVED by Member M Allen, seconded by Member S Coney:

**Port of Auckland**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xxxiii) oppose entering into a lease for the port operations for a period of 35 years. Privatisation of port activities will have an adverse effect on council**

control of the future of the waterfront, cost of importing goods, cost of exporting goods, overall economic performance of the city, workers' wages and conditions, and safety

- xxxiv) support the Port continuing to operate under the current arrangements and delivering more profits and dividends
- xxxv) support continuing to use the profits and dividends to fund council services
- xxxvi) oppose investing the profits and dividends in the proposed Auckland Future Fund. Now is not the time to be diverting income streams
- xxxvii) cautiously support further investigation of self-insurance.

**CARRIED**

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member L Potauaine requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – xxxiii), xxxiv) and xxxvi).

Resolution number WTK/2024/58

MOVED by Member L Manley, seconded by Deputy Chairperson M Clayton:

**Port Land**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xxxviii) require more details to understand the Captain Cook and Marsden wharves transferred to council within 2-5 years proposal
- xxxix) require more details to understand The Bledisloe Terminal site transferred to council for use in another way within 15 years proposal.

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/59

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member L Manley:

**Changes to other rates, fees and charges**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- xl) fully support resuming the Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR) and extending it for the period of the Long-term Plan
- xli) fully support resuming the Water Quality Targeted Rate (WQTR) and extending it for the period of the Long-term Plan
- xlii) support broadening the description of bus services funded by the Climate Action Transport Targeted Rate (CATTR) to reduce the need to consult each year for minor changes to the bus programme. Council needs to get on with improving and decarbonising public transport
- xliii) support discontinuing the Long-term Differential Strategy and raising the share of NETR, WQTR and CATTR paid by businesses to align with their share of the general rate
- xliv) provide no views on changing the Rodney Drainage Districts Targeted Rate
- xlv) support the continuation of the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Targeted Rate but do not support the increase until such time the board is provided with detailed information about where the increase is going
- xlvi) oppose applying the Recycling Targeted Rate to all schools as most schools have robust recycling programmes. This would be unlikely to reduce recycling quantities at schools and would impact operational funding

- xlvi) support continuing the planned roll out of rates funded refuse collections to the North Shore, Waitākere and Papakura in 2024/2025, and Franklin and Rodney in 2025/2026 at the current service levels
- xlvi) provide no views on new fees to recover the cost of processing new requirements under the Building (Dam Safety) Regulations 2022
- xlix) provide no views on increased deposit levels for a number of consenting fees
- I) support increased film-permitting fees to adjust for cumulative inflation since 2015 on proviso that the proportion of fees paid to the relevant local board stays the same
- li) note fees for pool and leisure centres should remain as affordable as possible
- lii) reserve the board's view on baseline fees across similar venue hire and bookable spaces on the basis we need to understand the implications more fully.

**CARRIED**

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member M Allen requested his dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – xlvi).

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member L Potauaine requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – xl), xli), xlii) and xlvi).

Note: Under Standing Order 1.9.7, Member S Coney requested her dissenting vote be recorded against clause d – xlvi).

Resolution number WTK/2024/60

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member S Coney:

**Other matters**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- liii) fully support fairer funding - Local Board Funding Policy proposal for local boards.

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/61

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member L Manley:

**Waitākere Ranges Advocacy Initiatives: Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area funding**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- liv) urge council to fund Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area projects to an appropriate level
- lv) note Te Kawerau ā Maki Marae proposes the fund should be increased to \$5 million per year
- lvi) consider that increase is consistent with council's obligations under section 22 of the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area Act (WRHAA).

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/62

MOVED by Member M Allen, seconded by Member L Potauaine:

**Waitākere Ranges Advocacy Initiatives: Surf Club Funding**

**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- lvii) supports accelerated funding for reconstruction of Te Henga/Bethells Surf Life Saving Club which is extremely compromised.

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/63

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson M Clayton, seconded by Member S Coney:

**Waitākere Ranges Advocacy Initiatives: Te Kawerau ā Maki Marae**  
**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- lviii) fully support council providing significant support for Te Kawerau ā Maki's plans to construct a Marae at Te Henga.

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/64

MOVED by Member L Manley, seconded by Member L Potauaine:

**Waitākere Ranges Advocacy Initiatives: Bus Services to outer area**  
**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- lix) fully support trial of public transport services to commence with shuttle service to Piha and Huia.

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/65

MOVED by Member L Manley, seconded by Deputy Chairperson M Clayton:

**Waitākere Ranges Advocacy Initiatives: Glen Eden Town Centre**  
**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- lx) support Glen Eden town Centre redevelopment being promoted
- lxi) note previous plans for improvement were completed in 2010, 2013, and 2018 (local board One Local Initiative (OLI)) and that the local board lost \$3.5 million of its Transport Capital Fund which was set aside but for the Glen Eden OLI.

**CARRIED**

Resolution number WTK/2024/66

MOVED by Member L Manley, seconded by Deputy Chairperson M Clayton:

**Waitākere Ranges Advocacy Initiatives: West Auckland pool**  
**That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:**

- lxii) fully support the construction of a second and third pool in West Auckland in the Whau and Henderson-Massey local board areas
- lxiii) note that West Wave is consistently packed and that while Central Auckland has 6 pools, East Auckland has 2, the North Shore has 5 and South Auckland has 7, West Auckland has only one publicly owned pool.

**CARRIED**

Chairperson G Presland closed the meeting with a karakia.

11.55am

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

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD  
AT A MEETING OF THE WAITĀKERE RANGES  
LOCAL BOARD HELD ON

**DATE:**.....

**CHAIRPERSON:**.....