

I hereby give notice that an extraordinary meeting of the Waiheke Local Board will be held on:

Date: Wednesday, 12 June 2024
Time: 3:30pm
Meeting Room: Local Board Office
Venue: 10 Belgium Street
Ostend
Waiheke

Waiheke Local Board OPEN AGENDA

MEMBERSHIP

Chairperson	Cath Handley
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(Quorum 3 members)

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1 Nau mai | Welcome

The meeting will be opened with a karakia.

2 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

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.

4 He Tamōtanga Motuhake | Leave of Absence

That an apology from Chairperson C Handley for leave of absence, be received.

Adoption of the Waiheke Local Board Agreement 2024/2025

File No.: CP2024/06881

Item 5

Te take mō te pūrongo

Purpose of the report

1. To adopt the local content for the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 which includes the Waiheke Local Board Agreement 2024/2025, the message from the chair, and approved local board advocacy.
2. To adopt a local fees and charges schedule for 2024/2025.

Whakarāpopototanga matua

Executive summary

3. The Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009 states that for each financial year, Auckland Council must have a local board agreement (as agreed between the Governing Body and the local board) for each local board area.
4. From 28 February to 28 March 2024, council consulted on the proposed Long-term Plan 2024-2034. Local boards considered the feedback received and then provided feedback to the Budget Committee at a workshop on 8 May 2024 on regional issues, community feedback, and key local board initiatives and advocacy areas.
5. The Waiheke Local Board formally resolved its feedback on the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 at its business meeting on 1 May 2024 (resolution WHK/2024/30). That feedback was reported to the Budget Committee meeting on 16 May 2024 to be considered as part of the decision-making on the final Long-term Plan.
6. For the council to finalise the Long-term Plan 2024-2034, local boards need to approve the local content for the Long-term Plan 2024-2034. This includes a local board agreement, a message from the chair, and the approved local board advocacy, as well as a local fees and charges schedule for 2024/2025.
7. On 27 June 2024, the Governing Body will meet to adopt Auckland Council's Long-term Plan 2024-2034 including 21 local board agreements.

Ngā tūtohunga

Recommendations

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) whai / adopt the local content for the Long-term Plan 2024-2034, which includes the Waiheke Local Board Agreement 2024/2025, the message from the chair, and approved local board advocacy (Attachment A).
- b) whai / adopt a local fees and charges schedule for 2024/2025 (Attachment B).
- c) tautapa / delegate authority to the Chair to make any final minor changes to the local content for the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 (the Waiheke Local Board Agreement 2024/2025, message from the chair, and approved local board advocacy).
- d) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note that the Waiheke Local Board Agreement 2024/2025, will be included in the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 to be adopted by the Governing Body when it meets on 27 June 2024.

Horopaki Context

8. The Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009 states that for each financial year, Auckland Council must have a local board agreement, as agreed between the Governing Body and the local board, for each local board area.
9. The Waiheke Local Board agreement is informed by the Waiheke Local Board Plan 2023. Local board plans are developed every three years and outline the priorities and preferences of the communities within the local board area in respect of the level and nature of local activities to be provided by the Auckland Council in the local board area.
10. Throughout the development of the Long-term Plan 2024-2034, local board chairs (or delegated local board representatives) have had the opportunity to attend Budget Committee workshops on key topics and provide local board views on regional issues being considered as part of the Long-term Plan 2024-2034.
11. One locally held event was held in the Waiheke Local Board area to engage with the community and seek feedback on both regional and local proposals.
12. A report analysing the feedback on local board priorities, as well as feedback from those living in the local board area related to the regional issues, was included on the 1 May 2024 extraordinary business meeting agenda.
13. Local boards considered this feedback, and then provided feedback to the Budget Committee at a workshop on 8 May 2024 on regional issues, community feedback and key local board initiatives and advocacy areas.
14. The Waiheke Local Board formally resolved its feedback on the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 at its business meeting on 1 May 2024 (resolution WHK/2024/30). That feedback was reported to the Budget Committee meeting on 16 May 2024 to be considered as part of the decision-making on the final Long-term Plan.
15. The Waiheke Local Board also approved advocacy initiatives for the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 at the 1 May 2024 business meeting.

Tātaritanga me ngā tohutohu Analysis and advice

Waiheke Local Board Agreement

Key features of the local board agreement

16. The local content for the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 (Attachment A), includes the Local Board Agreement 2024/2025, the message from the chair, and approved local board advocacy.
17. Table one below provides an outline of the sections in the local board agreement:

Section	Description
Planned operating and capital spend in 2024/2025	The planned capital spend to renew and develop assets and operating spend to maintain and operate assets as well as deliver local activities.

<p>Priorities by activity area</p>	<p>Funding priorities, levels of service, and performance measures for local activities which contribute to key community outcomes.</p> <p>These are set out under each local activity area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Community Services • Local Planning and Development • Local Environmental Management • Local Governance.
<p>Funding Impact Statement</p>	<p>This funding impact statement has been prepared to meet the requirements of Section 21(5) of the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009. It covers the year from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 and outlines the council's sources of funding for local activities in this local board area and the plan to apply them.</p>

Consideration of submissions and feedback

18. The Waiheke Local Board has considered the submissions and feedback received as part of consultation on the Long-term Plan 2024-2034.
19. A full analysis of the submissions and feedback on the Long-term Plan 2024 – 2034 for Waiheke Local Board can be found here: [Waiheke Local Board meeting 1 May 2024](#)

Service levels and performance measures

20. As part of the Long-term Plan 2024-2034, the service performance measures framework has been reviewed against council's legislative requirement to have performance measures (and targets) that enable the public to assess the level of service for major aspects of local activities.
21. New performance measures and targets, different to prior years, are proposed for inclusion in the Local Board Agreement 2024/2025. These new measures better reflect local levels of service, but also local boards' increased decision making and their role in setting service levels for local activities.

Local Fees and Charges

22. The Governing Body has agreed to the setting of baseline fees and charges for Active Communities and venue hire spaces, and therefore these fees have been reflected in the schedule of fees to be adopted by the local board.

Pool and leisure centres

23. The review of fees and charges for Active Communities services have been split into two phases due to its size and complexity. The first phase of the fees, bookable spaces for hire at 19 of the 25 council managed sites, were reviewed and adopted as part of the Annual Budget 2023/2024.
24. As part of the consultation on the Long-term Plan 2024-2034, the council consulted on the second phase of the review of fees and charges for Active Communities services, which focused on the appropriate level of cost recovery for all the services provided from pool and leisure centres including memberships, swim schools and entrance fees. The assessment of cost recovery was balanced with enabling the council to provide a service that can be accessed by all parts of the community across the network.

25. The second phase includes both council-managed pool and leisure facilities and memberships and aquatic entrance fees for facilities managed under contract. There are 45 Active Communities sites across the Auckland region, 25 of these are managed directly by Auckland Council.
26. The proposed changes introduce an Auckland wide membership option to allow customers to access all 45 pool and leisure council-managed and contracted sites. It is also proposed to align legacy and discontinued memberships to current membership options over three years.
27. The proposed changes will establish baseline fees for like services across Active Communities activities. This will mean that the impact on each facility will vary. Changes are proposed to the following baseline fees:
 - entrance to all council managed and contracted pools and leisure facilities along with an increased discount rate for qualifying customers.
 - swimming lessons to better align to market rates, along with a new discount rate for those who qualify.
 - OSCAR before and after school care and holiday programme fees to maximise government subsidies and ensure costs are recovered.
 - term programme fees to simplify the fees framework.
28. After reviewing local board feedback, changes have been made to the proposed supervising adult and spectator fees. The proposed fee for these services which was consulted on as part of the consultation document was set to increase however, this fee is now proposed to be retained at previous levels. However, the proposed decrease to the supervising adult fee at Tepid Baths and West Wave Pool and Leisure Centre fee is proposed to proceed as the fees at these facilities were generally much higher than at other sites.
29. Learn to swim fees have also been reviewed following consultation. As the current fees at Manurewa Pool and Leisure Centre (Manurewa Local Board), Moana-Nui-a-Kiwa Pool and Leisure Centre (Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board) and babies fees at Tepid Baths (Waitemata Local Board) and Stanmore Bay (Hibiscus and Bays Local Board) are lower than those for the rest of the network, these fees are now proposed to be moved to a mid-point in financial year 2024/2025 to transition them to full alignment with the network in financial year 2025/2026.

Venue hire and bookable spaces

30. Venue hire and bookable spaces incorporates council managed community halls, community centres, art centres and bookable library spaces.
31. The review of this portfolio has been split into two phases. The consultation on the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 included proposals following phase one of the review of baseline fees across similar venues to ensure they are charged appropriately across the portfolio. Fees for 252 bookable spaces at 110 venues are included in this review.
32. The existing pricing frameworks currently in place for bookable spaces contains variations and inconsistencies inherited from legacy councils. The basis for phase one of the review is the Hire Fee Framework which considers the size, condition and quality of each bookable space, the levels of staffing, the amenities available, and current patterns of utilisation of the spaces. Phase one of this review addresses variations within local board and adjacent areas to bring pricing of comparable venues closer together.

33. Fees for around half of the venues reviewed in phase one are not proposed to change as they have been set at an appropriate level when compared to spaces nearby or with similar types of spaces or capacity. While some fees are proposed to increase, a number of fees are proposed to decrease.
34. Phase two, planned for 2025/2026, will assess the appropriate level of cost recovery balancing value to the ratepayer and accessibility for customers and communities.
35. The current discounts framework is not proposed to change, and these will be applied to eligible community groups and regular hirers.

Other fees and charges

36. All other local fees and charges are proposed to increase by an inflationary adjustment of 4.7 per cent.

Tauākī whakaaweawe āhuarangi **Climate impact statement**

37. The decisions recommended in this report are procedural in nature and will not have any climate impacts themselves.
38. Some of the proposed projects in the local board agreement may have climate impacts. The climate impacts of any projects the council chooses to progress with will be assessed as part of the relevant reporting requirements.
39. Some of the proposed projects in the local board agreement will be specifically designed to mitigate climate impacts, build resilience to climate impacts, and restore the natural environment.

Ngā whakaaweawe me ngā tirohanga a te rōpū Kaunihera **Council group impacts and views**

40. Local boards worked with council departments to develop their local board work programmes for 2024/2025 that will be adopted at June business meetings. The draft local board work programmes help inform the local board agreements.

Ngā whakaaweawe ā-rohe me ngā tirohanga a te poari ā-rohe **Local impacts and local board views**

41. This report seeks local board adoption of its content for the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 and other associated material, including the Local Board Agreement 2024/2025.

Tauākī whakaaweawe Māori **Māori impact statement**

42. Many local board decisions are of importance to and impact on Māori. Local board agreements are important tools that enable and can demonstrate the council's responsiveness to Māori.
43. Local board plans, which were developed in 2023 through engagement with the community including Māori, form the basis of local priorities. There is a need to continue to build relationships between local boards and iwi, and where relevant, the wider Māori community.
44. Of those who submitted feedback on the Long-term Plan consultation, seven per cent identified as Māori. There were submissions from 23 Māori entities, many of which provided specific feedback on local priorities and advocacy. Of the 23 Māori entities, 12 presented feedback at a Town Hall Have Your Say event specifically for mana whenua and mataawaka entities. These submissions were provided to the local board for consideration at local board workshops during the development of their local board agreement.

45. Ongoing conversations will assist local boards and Māori to understand each other's priorities and issues. This in turn can influence and encourage Māori participation in the council's decision-making processes.

Ngā ritenga ā-pūtea **Financial implications**

46. The local board agreement includes the allocation of locally driven initiatives (LDI) funding and asset based services (ABS) funding to projects and services for the 2024/2025 financial year.
47. LDI funding is discretionary funding allocated to local boards based on the Local Board Funding Policy, which local boards can spend on priorities for their communities. Local boards can also utilise LDI funding to increase local levels of service if they wish to do so.
48. Funding for ABS is allocated by the Governing Body to local boards based on current levels of service to run and maintain local assets and services including parks, pools and recreation facilities, community facilities, and libraries.
49. As part of the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 decisions the Governing Body adopted to amend the Local Board Funding Policy to take effect from 1 July 2025. As part of this change there will no longer be a differentiation between ABS and LDI funding after 2024/2025 and funding will be allocated to bring 18 local boards to within 5 per cent of funding equity within four years.
50. A local fees and charges schedule for 2024/2025 is adopted alongside the Local Board Agreement 2024/2025. The fees and charges have been formulated based on region-wide baseline service levels and revenue targets. Where fees and charges are amended by a local board that results in lower revenue for the council, the shortfall will need to be made up by either allocating LDI funds or reducing expenditure on other services to balance overall budgets.

Ngā raru tūpono me ngā whakamaurutanga **Risks and mitigations**

51. Decisions on the local content of the Long-term Plan 2024-2034, including the Local Board Agreement 2024/2025 and a local fees and charges schedule for 2024/2025, are required by 13 June 2024 to ensure the Governing Body can adopt the final Long-term Plan 2024-2034 including each local board agreement, at its 27 June 2024 meeting.

Ngā koringa ā-muri **Next steps**

52. The Governing Body will meet on 27 June 2024 to adopt the Long-term Plan 2024-2034, including the 21 local board agreements in volume 3.
53. It is possible that minor changes may need to be made to the attachments before the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 is adopted, such as correction of any errors identified and minor wording changes. Staff therefore recommend that the local board delegates authority to the Chair to make any final changes if necessary.
54. Local board agreements set the priorities and budget envelopes for each financial year. Work programmes then detail the activities that will be delivered within those budget envelopes. Work programmes will be agreed between local boards and operational departments at business meetings in June 2024.

Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

No.	Title	Page
A	Waiheke Local Board Agreement 2024/2025	15
B	Local Fees and Charges 2024/2025 - Waiheke Local Board	25

Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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Te Poari ā-Rohe o Waiheke

Waiheke Local Board

He kōrero mai i te Heamana

Message from the Chair

The Waiheke Local Board's key priorities for 2024/2025 are based on the new Local Board Plan 2023 which provides the vision and the framework for local board decisions.

Auckland Council's budget constraints will unfortunately impact on our ability to progress many of our planned capital budget projects. We will focus on improvements to Tawaipareira Reserve including a new flying fox and landscaping. We'll also be progressing a consent for a replacement Rakino Hall and carrying out minor facility renewals. Unfortunately our track renewals programme can't be funded this year.

The local board's operating discretionary budget remains stable so we can continue with the many valuable community initiatives we support. This includes volunteer work, arts and culture, recreation, events, youth outcomes and strategic housing initiatives.

In partnership with our community and businesses, and, as budgets allow, we will deliver actions within our local Climate Action Plan. We will continue water quality improvement initiatives and support Electric Island's advocacy for Waiheke to be fossil-fuel free by 2030. Ecological restoration and pest management continue to be priorities. We will progress reforestation programmes and collaborate to help regenerate the Hauraki Gulf.

Resiliency and connectedness are essential to support our community, economy and infrastructure. The board is working closely with Auckland Emergency Management to support our community to prepare for, and recover from, emergencies.

Waiheke's rich cultural history is paramount. We will continue to build the relationship with Ngāti Pāoa and work with other mana whenua to help support their aspirations.

Progressing the Mātiatia Strategic Plan in partnership with Ngāti Pāoa remains the top infrastructure priority. Whilst we are awaiting confirmation of Auckland Transport funding it is critical that budget constraints do not impact long-delayed progress. Our 10-year Transport Plan provides direction for ongoing delivery of safer quality roading, footpaths and a cycling network, recognising Waiheke's character and water management needs.

We will focus on initiatives that help build our agreed identity as a sanctuary in the Hauraki Gulf, including working with Tātaki Auckland Unlimited to finalise and implement a Waiheke Destination Management Plan that must support and help sustain our community, environment and economy, and recognise Waiheke as an arts and recreation destination.

We will continue to advocate to council's Governing Body and central government for affordable and equitable ferry services, relevant housing policies, and for protection of our soundscapes.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ngā mihi,



Cath Handley, Chair, Waiheke Local Board

Waiheke Local Board area

We are home to **100** parks and reserves, the Te Ara Hura **100** kilometre round-island walking track and the Whakanewha Regional Park with **270** hectares of bush, forest, beach and wetlands

More than **1 million** people visit Waiheke each year



LEGEND

- Local board office
- Public open space (Unitary Plan)
- Arterial road
- Medium road

Waiheke Island is **19km long** with a surface area of **92km²** and **133km** of coastline and is home to the **Te Matuku Marine Reserve**

A population of **9,162** with **13%** of residents under 15 and **24%** 65 years and over.



Data sources: Council Growth Scenario AGS23v1 (Feb 2024), StatsNZ Census 2023 (initial release May 2024)

Waiheke Local Board Plan 2023

The Waiheke Local Board Plan 2023 sets out the aspirations the local board has for the area. The outcomes in the Waiheke Local Board Plan are:

Ō Tātou Tāngata

Our People

Waiheke residents have a strong sense of identity, connectedness and wellbeing which is enhanced through active community participation.

Tō Tātou Taiao

Our Environment

We want to protect, maintain and enhance our unique islands' land, coastline, bush, wetland and marine environments for future generations.

Ō Tātou Waihanga me ō Tātou pākihi

Our Facilities and Open Spaces

Our parks, reserves and beaches are enjoyed, respected and actively cared for by residents and visitors. Our community, arts and cultural facilities are well used and accessible.

Ō Tātou Wāhi

Our Places

The special character and values of Waiheke and inner gulf islands are protected and enhanced in line with the draft Waiheke Area Plan and principles of Essentially Waiheke.

Tā Tātou Ōhanga

Our Economy

Our Waiheke community has a strong, independent, entrepreneurial spirit and our natural taonga are protected and support sustainability and appropriate economic activities.

The local board agreement outlined in this document reflects how we plan to support these outcomes through agreed activities in the 2024/2025 financial year. In addition, each local board carries out responsibilities delegated by the Governing Body in accordance with the delegated power, and with the general priorities and preferences in the local board plan.

Working with Māori

Delivering on Auckland Council's commitment to Māori at a local level is a priority for local boards. The council is committed to meeting its responsibilities under Te Tiriti o Waitangi / the Treaty of Waitangi and its broader statutory obligations to Māori.

To meet this commitment, the Waiheke Local Board Plan seeks to deliver outcomes for Māori. Initiatives that deliver Māori outcomes are those which support Māori identity and culture, advance Māori well-being and support Māori to participate in local decision-making as identified in the "Kia Ora Tāmaki Makaurau" framework. Examples of this include:

- Identifying opportunities to work together to build strong relationships with Mana Whenua and share information with Māori.
- Collaborating with iwi on initiatives that align with Māori aspirations such as environmental programmes and water quality projects.
- Working with mana whenua and mātāwaka to identify and respond to the needs and aspirations for local Māori with Māori-led initiatives that support social and economic outcomes.
- Encourage use of Mana Whenua design features in parks and facilities.
- Provide support for culturally significant events.

Waiheke Local Board Agreement 2024/2025

Planned operating and capital spend in 2024/2025

Key areas of spend	Community Services	Environmental Services	Planning Services	Governance	Total
Planned Operating Spend 2024/2025	\$5.0 million	\$174,000	\$5,000	\$906,000	\$6.1 million
Planned Capital Spend 2024/2025	\$1.1 million	-	-	-	\$1.1 million

Priorities by activity area

Auckland Council's 2024/2025 funding priorities for local activities which contribute to key community outcomes in the Waiheke Local Board area are set out below under each local activity.

Local Community Services

We support strong, diverse, and vibrant communities through libraries and literacy, arts and culture, parks, sport and recreation, and events delivered by a mix of council services, community group partnerships and volunteers.

Our annual budget to deliver these activities includes operating costs of \$5 million and capital investment of \$1.1 million.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2024/2025 include:

- delivering core council operational services, such as mowing, track and facility maintenance, and the library.
- initiatives that provide opportunities for community connectedness, capability and resilience.
- commencing the growing stage of the Waiheke Ngahere (Forest) Strategy to enhance biodiversity, increase canopy cover and improve Waiheke Island's carbon footprint.
- supporting community-led programmes in areas such as housing, sustainability and youth.
- providing opportunities to experience local arts, culture and events.

The local community services and key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Waiheke Local Board Plan:

- Outcome One: Ō Tātou Tāngata - Our People
- Outcome Three: Ō Tātou Waihanga me ō Tātou pākihi - Our Facilities and Open Spaces
- Outcome Four: Ō Tātou Wāhi - Our Places
- Outcome Five: Tā Tātou Ōhanga - Our Economy

Levels of Service

We measure our performance against the following measures for each local priority. The level of service statement is in bold below.

Performance measure	Actual 2022/2023	Annual Plan Target 2023/2024	Long-term Plan Target 2024/2025
Enable a range of choices to access community services and recreation opportunities			
Number of visits to library facilities ¹	89,263	95,000	110,000
Percentage of time physical library services are accessible to the community	New Measure	New Measure	100%

Percentage of local community facility asset components that are not in poor or very poor condition	New Measure	New Measure	85%
Provide opportunities for communities to lead and deliver their own initiatives			
Number of partner organisations supported to sustain their governance capacity and capability	New Measure	New Measure	7
Number of partner organisations and groups funded to deliver placemaking activities	New Measure	New Measure	10
Provide urban green spaces (local parks, paths and Ngahere) and access to the coast			
Percentage of local parks, facilities and spaces meeting maintenance quality standards.	New Measure	New Measure	90%
Percentage of local open space asset components that are not in poor or very poor condition	New Measure	New Measure	98%
Number of trees planted in the Urban Ngahere programme	New Measure	New Measure	15

¹In July 2023, Waiheke library became an integrated customer service site with council and AT Hop services, which has increased visitation numbers at this facility, and the 2024/2025 target has been increased to reflect this change. There are no intended service level changes to libraries.

Local Planning and Development

Local planning and development include supporting local town centres and communities to thrive by developing town centre plans and development, supporting Business Improvement Districts (BIDs), and heritage plans and initiatives.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$5,000 to support the Community emergency resilience programme.

Levels of Service

There is no performance measure for this activity.

Local Environmental Management

We support healthy ecosystems and sustainability through local board-funded initiatives such as planting, pest control, stream and water quality enhancements, healthy homes, and waste minimisation projects.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$174,000.

The key initiatives we have planned for 2024/2025 include:

- programmes which protect, restore, and enhance the island’s natural environment
- working with our community and businesses to progress actions within the Waiheke Island Climate Action Plan
- encouraging circular economy and the re-use of materials.

The local environmental management activity and key initiatives outlined above contribute towards achieving the following outcome/s in the Waiheke Local Board Plan:

- Outcome Two: Tō Tātou Taiao - Our Environment
- Outcome Three: Ō Tātou Waihangā me ō Tātou pākihi - Our Facilities and Open Spaces
- Outcome Four: Ō Tātou Wāhi - Our Places

Levels of Service

We measure our performance against the following measures for each local priority. The level of service statement is in bold below.

Performance measure	Actual 2022/2023	Annual Plan Target 2023/2024	Long-term Plan Target 2024/2025
Protect, improve and minimise risks to the natural environments and cultural heritage			
Number of participants in sustainable initiative programmes	New Measure	New Measure	185
Number of community groups supported in stream enhancement programmes*	New Measure	New Measure	1

*The local board supports community groups and individuals to enhance waterways within the Local Community Services activity which contributes to stream enhancement outcomes. These programmes are outside the scope of this performance measure.

Local Governance

Activities in this group support the local board to engage with and represent their communities and make decisions on local activities. This support includes providing strategic advice, leadership of the preparation of local board plans, support in developing local board agreements, community engagement including relationships with mana whenua and Māori communities, and democracy and administrative support.

Our annual operating budget to deliver these activities is \$906,000.

Levels of Service

We measure our performance against the following measures for each local priority. The level of service statement is in bold below.

Performance measure	Actual 2022/2023	Annual Plan Target 2023/2024	Long-term Plan Target 2024/2025
Respond to the needs and aspirations of mana whenua and Māori communities			
Number of local activities that deliver moderate to high outcomes for Māori as outlined in 'Kia Ora Tamaki Makaurau' (Council's Māori outcomes framework).	New measure	New measure	Set baseline

Funding Impact Statement

This prospective funding impact statement has been prepared to meet the requirements of Section 21(5) of the Local Government (Auckland Council) Act 2009. It covers the year from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 and outlines the council's sources of funding for local activities in this local board area and our plan to apply them.

\$000	Annual Plan 2023/2024	Long-term Plan 2024/2025
Financial year ending 30 June		
Sources of operating funding:		
General rates, UAGCs, rates penalties	7,041	7,166
Targeted rates	0	0
Subsidies and grants for operating purposes	2	2
Fees and charges	40	42
Local authorities fuel tax, fines, infringement fees and other receipts	52	53
Total operating funding	7,135	7,263
Applications of operating funding:		
Payment to staff and suppliers	5,561	5,694
Finance costs	404	629
Internal charges and overheads applied	1,016	935
Other operating funding applications	0	0
Total applications of operating funding	6,982	7,258
Surplus (deficit) of operating funding	154	5
Sources of capital funding:		
Subsidies and grants for capital expenditure	0	0
Development and financial contributions	0	0
Increase (decrease) in debt	2,740	1,110
Gross proceeds from sale of assets	0	0
Lump sum contributions	0	0
Other dedicated capital funding	0	0
Total sources of capital funding	2,740	1,110
Application of capital funding:		
Capital expenditure:		
- to meet additional demand	254	132
- to improve the level of service	260	271
- to replace existing assets	2,380	712
Increase (decrease) in reserves	0	0
Increase (decrease) in investments	0	0
Total applications of capital funding	2,894	1,115
Surplus (deficit) of capital funding	(154)	(5)
Funding balance	0	0

Appendix A: Advocacy initiatives

A key role of the local board is to advocate for initiatives that the local board may not have decision-making responsibility or funding for but recognise the value it will add to the local community.

The key initiatives that the local board advocated for as part of the long-term plan were:

Initiative	Description
Equitable capital funding	<p>The budget proposed for Waiheke under the central proposal is inequitable and insufficient.</p> <p>The proposed budget provides no opportunity to maintain and develop amenities for our community or visitors in line with our agreed plans and strategies.</p> <p>There is a significant historic infrastructure and facilities deficit on Waiheke. The previous and proposed budgets are not sufficient for the council or the local board to address this in the future.</p> <p>Waiheke’s significant track network should be recognised as a valuable regional recreational asset for our community and visitors.</p> <p>Deferring works now will lead to significant future cost and potential failure of the Te Ara Hura track network - a major visitor drawcard for the Auckland region and considered by many as New Zealand’s next Great Walk.</p> <p>Rakino Hall also requires resolution. This has been a longstanding issue for the board and the removal of budgets after many years of prioritising local budgets, is frustrating.</p>
Increased decision-making	<p>Increased decision-making and Local Board ownership over all council owned and operated assets on Waiheke to facilitate future asset development and enhanced community facilities for the community.</p> <p>Waiheke has significant capital investment projects that can’t be considered as there is no way for Waiheke to invest or rationalise our property portfolio. We are unable to invest in even basic assets for our community e.g. toilets.</p>
Stormwater management	<p>Implementation of effective flood control by use of nature-based solutions, proactive stormwater maintenance and necessary capital investment.</p>
Marine protection	<p>Working with relevant authorities, partners, and mana whenua to support the implementation of marine protection strategies and eliminate the exotic Caulerpa from the Hauraki Gulf.</p>
Retention of funding to deliver the Waiheke 10-year Transport Plan	<p>In line with the Waiheke 10-year Transport Plan and the Memorandum of Understanding with Auckland Transport, the board requests retention of funding to deliver safer quality roading, footpaths and a cycling network to a standard consistent with the rest of Auckland (taking into account Waiheke’s character). This includes safe school travel networks. Effective water management using water sensitive design techniques to cope with road run-off are also essential. The board also seeks a review of the criteria for transport infrastructure investment to ensure it takes account of populations, which substantially fluctuate due to visitor numbers. Extension of the New Zealand Cycle Trail through Waiheke continues to be a future aspiration.</p>
Mātiatia Masterplan	<p>The board is progressing the development of a strategic plan for council-owned land at Mātiatia and requests that any future development is guided by this plan and appropriate funding is allocated within the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 (LTP) and continues to be allocated in the Regional Land Transport Plan 2024-2034 (RLTP), for both transport and non-transport infrastructure related priorities.</p>

Initiative	Description
Including Waiheke ferry services within the Public Transport Operation Model (PTOM) or its successor – Sustainable Public Transport Framework (SPTF)	Passenger ferry services from Mātiatia and Kennedy Point wharves need to be incorporated into the Public Transport Operation Model (PTOM) system to ensure resilience, equity and affordability. The matter is being actively pursued with the Governing Body, Auckland Transport and the Minister of Transport. Council agencies must support ferry service competition on routes by providing a level playing field across all dimensions within its control.
Visitor Levy	The board seeks the support from the Governing Body to implement a visitor levy to help fund the costs to the council of visitor impacts.

Appendix B: How to contact your Local Board

Local boards have been established to enable local representation and decision-making on behalf of local communities. You are encouraged to contact your elected members to have your say on matters that are important to your community.

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