

**Date:** Thursday 25 July 2024  
**Time:** 9:30am  
**Meeting Room:** Upper Harbour Local Board Office  
**Venue:** 6-8 Munroe Lane  
Albany  
Auckland 0632 and Via Microsoft Teams

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## Upper Harbour Local Board

# OPEN MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

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## Chairpersons report for period 21<sup>st</sup> June - 18<sup>th</sup> July

It has been a busy month with many advocacy items, many events and much local board work.

### **Summary of Events attended excluding workshops, business meetings, meetings with staff and meetings with councillors.**

22<sup>nd</sup> June. Attended and spoke at opening night of an Art Exhibition held by the Upper Harbour Youth Council. It was a fantastic night, the quality of the artwork and music was amazingly high. We have some very talented young people in our area. The Local Board added budget to the Youth Leadership and Youth Voice budget line specifically for this Art Exhibition due to a request from members of the youth council. They did a tremendous job of organising this exhibition.

24<sup>th</sup> June. Local Board members briefing on Auckland Transport and speed limit changes and the Community Investment Policy.

25<sup>th</sup> June. Inaugural Northwest Economic Masterplan meeting. Meeting with Kianga Ora, TAU and many business and community leaders discussing the way forward for an economic masterplan for Whenuapai.

26<sup>th</sup> June. I prepared and presented the Upper Harbour Local Board feedback on the draft RLTP to the Regional Transport Committee. The Draft RLTP misses so many vital improvements in our area. These were our key advocacy points.

- In Albany: the draft RLTP missed the intersection at The Avenue, missed replacing the narrow 1936 bridge, missed the Gills Road Link and missed widening the Gills Road one lane bridge
- The plan didn't include any upgrade of Albany Highway between Sunset Road and SH18 - despite a school and a retirement village and high density housing.
- The connection between SH18 and SH16 is only being investigated not built, therefore all the motorway traffic funnels through Whenuapai. The building of this connection needs to be expedited.
- The Whenuapai area is experiencing rapid growth and we are concerned that the investments planned aren't going to be enough or fast enough to support this growth.
- Rosedale Bus station should be higher on the list.
- Within Upper Harbour there are suburbs with no busses at all. Can we extend the 'on demand' trials for these suburbs eg Scott Point and Paremoremo?
- Advocated that all changes should be multi model and include walking, cycling and car improvements.

The presentation seemed to go fairly well, and the Regional Transport Committee was listening. However, with funding as it is I'm not holding my breath for anything except roads and even then it won't be these roads.

2<sup>nd</sup> July. Sustainable Paremoremo AGM. This group is a wonderful group of volunteers doing everything from planting and pest control in Sanders Reserve, trees for landowners, pest control in reserves and on private property, managing Sanders House, Kai Rakau Project and The Chip Packet Project. Amazing group of volunteers that I am very happy to support.

4<sup>th</sup> July. Hobsonville Point Residents Society Committee Meeting. The HPRS is another wonderful group of volunteers dedicated to the Hobsonville Point Community. The listing of projects is too long to list.

8<sup>th</sup> July. Chairs Forum. Attended and chaired forum of Local Board Chairs

12<sup>th</sup> July. Unveiling of sculpture and blessing ceremony of Te Hā Kaiarāra in Albany. This sculpture reminds us of the great Ngāti Manuhiri chief - Te Haa. The word 'Oteha' is a shortened form of the word.

14<sup>th</sup> July. Attended a planting at Sanders Reserve run by Sustainable Paremuremo and supported by the Auckland Council Parks Ranger

15<sup>th</sup> July. Local board members briefing on Granny Flats, the Regional Pest Plan and Water Done Well

#### **Delegations**

Gave input into resource consent applications regarding signage.

#### **North Harbour Stadium**

This continues to take up a lot of time with 1-2 meetings a week. As per the direction of the budget committee the chairs and deputy chairs of Hibiscus and Bays and Upper Harbour Local Board are working on this project. We are reporting back to the Governing Body on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2024.





















