

## Franklin Local Board Workshop

### OPEN NOTES

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Notes of a meeting of the Franklin Local Board Workshop held in the Leslie Comrie Board Room, Level One Franklin: The Centre, 12 Massey Ave, Pukekohe on Tuesday, 4 February 2025 at 9.30am.

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#### TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

<b>Chairperson</b>	Alan Cole, Deputy Chair
<b>Members</b>	Malcolm Bell JP
	Sharlene Druyven
	Gary Holmes
	Amanda Hopkins
	Andrew Kay
	Amanda Kinzett
	Logan Soole

#### TE HUNGA KĀORE I TAE MAI | ABSENT ON COUNCIL BUSINESS

Angela Fulljames,  
Chair

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## 1 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

That the Franklin Local Board Workshop:

- a) whakaae / accept the apology from Angela Fulljames for absence on Council business.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

## 3 Local Board Workshop

### Session 1

#### Finding Franklin Bats

Presenter/s: Kartik Bhat, Relationship Advisor, Resilience & Infrastructure  
Ben Paris, Senior Conservation Advisor  
Kelly Wootton, Conservation Advisor AT  
Natasha Bansal, Ecoquest

Purpose: Update the board on latest information from Finding Franklin Bats - summer bat surveys, recent community and iwi engagement and participation.

Governance role: Oversight and monitoring

Summary of Discussions:

The board were updated on the Finding Franklin Bats programme activity in areas between Waiuku and Pukekohe, including a new site that has been identified.

### Session 2

#### Youth Leadership Council

Presenter/s: Coral Timmins, Community Broker, Franklin Local Board  
Chillion Sanerivi, Rivi Consultancy  
Emma Helmich, Specialist Advisor, Youth Specialist

Purpose: Share insight report from the PYLC and share proposal for future additional funding for the 25/26 work programme

Governance role: Setting direction/priorities/budget

Summary of Discussions:

The Board were updated on the work done to support and develop the Pukekohe Youth Leadership Council, as well as what has been done in the Waiuku and Wairoa wards. Plans for the next year were demonstrated. The board would like to see the youth council at a workshop this year.

### Session 3

#### Election Year Protocols

Presenter/s:	Manoj Ragupathy, Local Area Manager
Purpose:	Reminding the board of policies and protocols for the 2025 election year.
Governance role:	Keeping informed
Summary of Discussions:	The Local Area Manager reviewed the key council policies for staff and current elected members in an election year.

### Session 4

#### Parks and Community Facilities WP update

Presenter/s:	Moushmi Sharan, Work Programme Lead Eli Ewens, Manager Area Operations Kristen Greenfield, Parks & Places Specialist Jenny Young, Community Lease Specialist
Purpose:	Update the board on the PCF work programme and projects
Governance role:	Oversight and monitoring
Summary of Discussions	Board updated on the PCF work programme and project delivery status; including the summer beach programmes, illegal camping on the Awhitu peninsula, lease renewal updates, Franklin the Centre maintenance work, the Ray Fausett Reserve playground, Hūnua Trails update and a Pohutukawa Coast Trail update. Possible projects for the Opex FY2026-2028 were noted for consideration.

### Session 5

#### Local Parks Volunteering & Programmes update

Presenter/s:	Shane McNeill, Community Park Ranger Trish Kirkland-Smith, Volunteering & Programmes
Purpose:	Update on local parks ecological volunteering work and achievements, volunteer group aspirations and planning for 2025, and the delivery of Natural Environment Targeted Rate funded programmes that local volunteers, community groups and schools participate in.
Governance role:	Oversight and monitoring
Summary of Discussions	The Board were updated on the local Franklin parks ecological volunteering and environmental programme activities

The workshop closed at 3.00pm