

Date: Thursday 20 February 2025
Time: 12.00pm
Meeting Room: Howick Local Board Meeting Room
Venue: Pakuranga Library Complex
 7 Aylesbury Street
 Pakuranga

Howick Local Board

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The implementation of a future-proof roading solution at the Redoubt Road/Murphy's Road Intersection.

Adarshpreet Bhullar, Frank Chen
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Representing the voice of Flatbush

Deputation Agenda

- Intro
- Issues on Murphys and Redoubt Road
- Identifiable holes in the Mill Road Project
- Data + Public Verdict
- Potential Solutions (Brief)
- Global Perspective
- Future Steps and Request

Traffic bottleneck on Murphys + Redoubt intersection

- Serving as an arterial road and connection between multiple suburbs to the state-highway network leads to congestion that is not adhered to at different intersection points down Redoubt Road.
- Bottleneck on T-intersections not specific to only Murphys, but also other points across Redoubt(Hilltop Road, Mill Road)
- Alleviating congestion through means of better roading/public transit/alternate modes of transport is not a sustainable fix - there is rather a need for more dynamic flow.

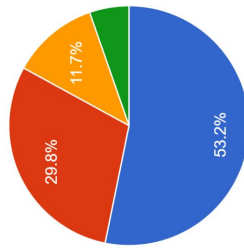
Underlying issues with the Mill Road Project

- Construction of the Murphys Road Primary school began after the project was drafted up and some of the residential housing blocks were created (larger influx of cars than what was previously expected).
- Induced Traffic/Bottleneck accentuated by T intersections that are ignored -> leads to the road of significance being counterintuitive in production because of congestion.
- No bus access/alternate transit - residents pushed into personalised vehicular transportation(including parents of children attending schools).

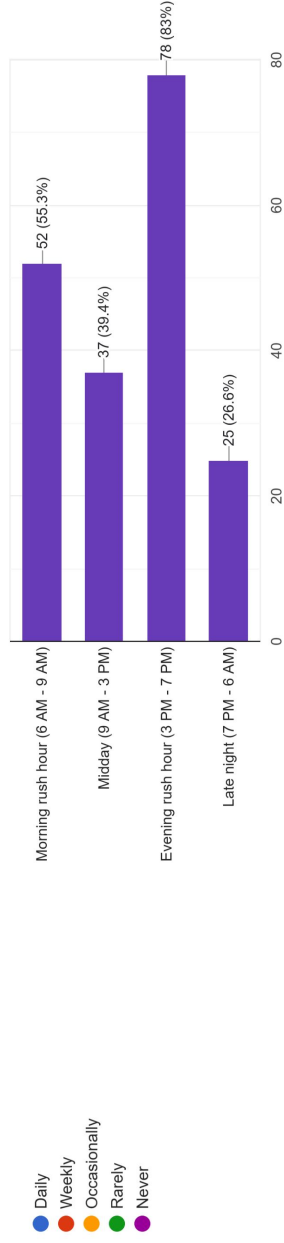
Certain nuances and issues specific to our area exist that won't be accounted for by senior engineers who only have access to hard-stats that don't capture underlying issues which will persist and make the \$300m project struggle in it's later stages(most of the public isn't

Polling Data and Public Support

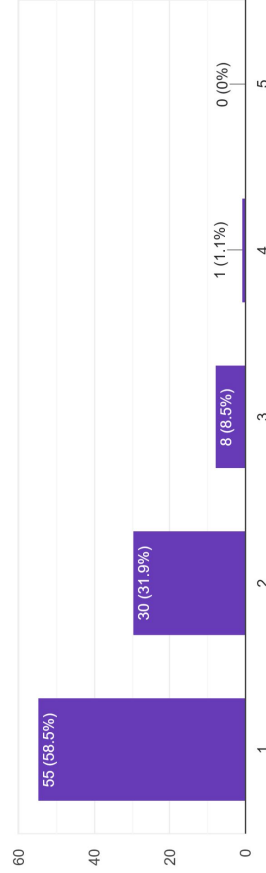
How often do you use this intersection?
94 responses



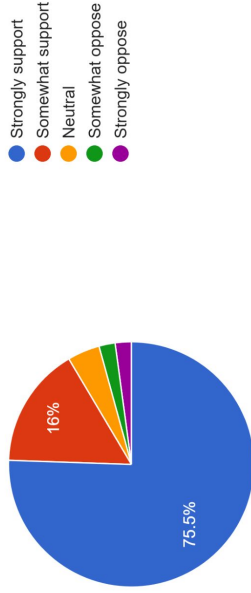
At what times do you usually use this intersection? (Check all that apply)
94 responses



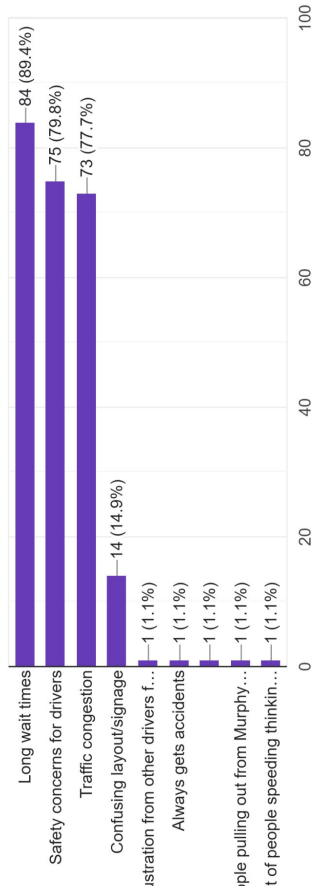
How would you rate your overall experience using this intersection?
94 responses



How do you feel about replacing the current intersection with a roundabout?
94 responses



What challenges do you currently face at this intersection? (Check all that apply)
94 responses



If you oppose the creation of a roundabout, what potential actions would you propose?
37 responses

- Possibly traffic lights, but it is a small intersection so that could also cause congestion at some points
- Traffic light is another option
- Traffic signals would be a better option.
- Maybe having traffic lights instead
- Lights and maybe some trees of Jada bars along with lights so traffic flow is better and fair for all traffic.
- Traffic light
- Effective traffic lights
- Traffic will move from all directions otherwise you will be going to stuck on Murphy road like forever

Traffic lights would GUARANTEE the people waiting at the stop sign at the intersection would be able to go, yes a roundabout would improve congestion so it's not a bad idea, but if you put in the resources to make a roundabout you might as well make a traffic light system. (See the new traffic light system that was just implemented for the intersection for aspiring ave - everglade road)

1 response

Traffic lights

7 responses

What concerns do you have about implementing a roundabout at this location?

40 responses

Slope of the road may make it difficult to navigate safely.

May ok roundabout if redlight it would be great.

Traffic lights would be more efficient in this case.

Not seeing stopped traffic on the bend of murphys road when coming up the hill

Traffic lights

Not sure if the roundabout would help 100%

Lack of space for a good functioning roundabout. Two clear lanes will be required from Murphys road to Redoubt Road (turning left and right) and one wide lane turning right from Redoubt Road to Murphys Road and one straight lane on Redoubt Road. There are space constraints to achieve this.

Traffic stuck on murrphy road for right turns

Do you have any additional comments, suggestions, or concerns regarding the potential implementation of a roundabout at this intersection?

37 responses

I just suggest that everyone needs roundabout there for there safety

if there was a bypass option for those traveling towards Manukau it might be a good idea but feel signals would be more appropriate.

Traffic lights would be another option I would like considered.

Please get it done asap

I think adding a roundabout is a great idea

Pls try to do as soon as possible as this intersection is really very risky this can also cause accidents please as soon as possible.

Even though it is the shorter route, I actively avoid this intersection during rush hour because of the congestion and safety issues. I have seen too many near misses and think it needs to be better controlled with something more affective such as a round about.

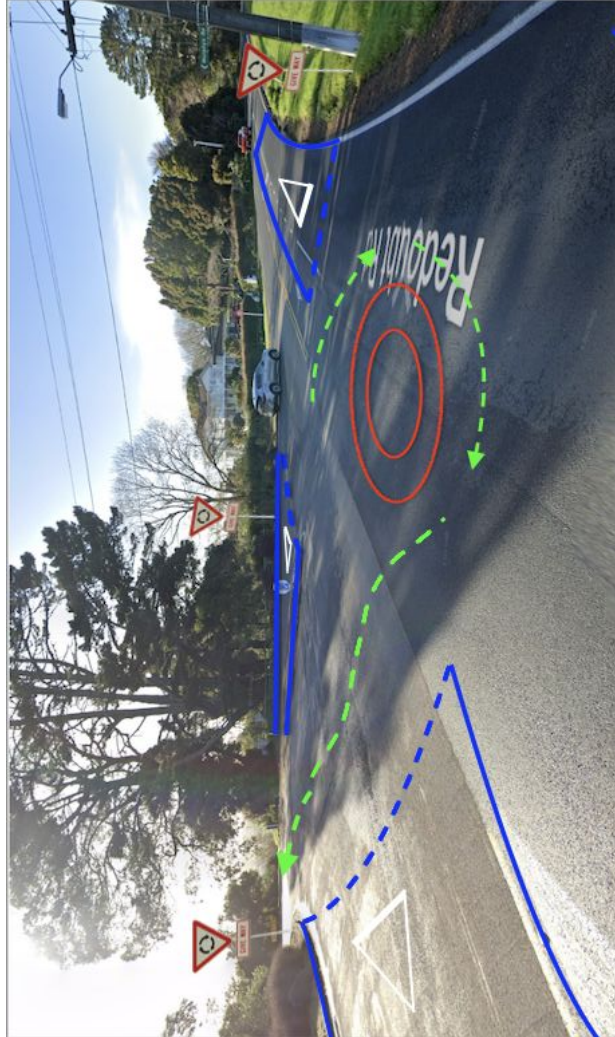
Highly suggest implementing a median barrier from the intersection directly towards the pony club on the right heading up Redoubt Road as I have had many near misses with vehicles turning left and then immediately do a u-turn to head back down Redoubt Road towards Hollyford intersection as they are sick of waiting in the traffic to turn right, pull out to the left. Traffic Cops need to currently monitor the intersection more for people disobeying the stop sign and pulling out into traffic to turn right as vehicles come from the right to turn into Murphys Road.

1 response

Solutions

Basic Roundabout

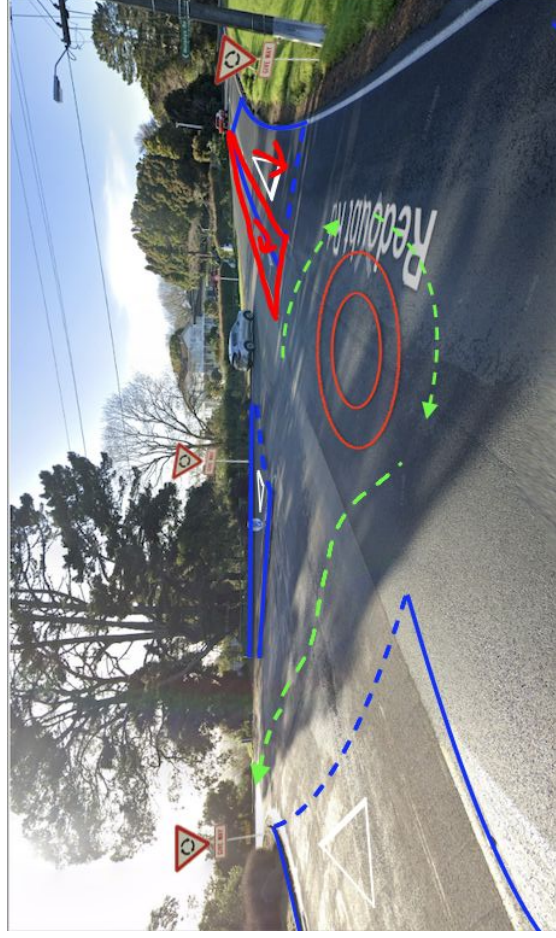
- Improved Traffic Flow and Flow Efficiency
- Cost-effective
 - Suitable for Redoubt Road
- Singular Lanes for Roundabout Entry + Truck Apron
- Raised Roundabout and Sign Placement due to Incline on Murphys



Solutions

Two-Lane Roundabout

- Decreased Congestion from Lane Sharing
 - Turning vehicles are separated from vehicles going straight
- Additional Lane Impedes Vision of Vehicles in further Lane
- Designing around Road Width and Safety



Solutions



Roundabout With Bypass Lane

- Bypass Decreases Risk Of Collision
- Improves Flow of Traffic Along Redoubt Road Towards Manukau
- Bypass Lane Needs To Withstand Heavy Vehicle Loads

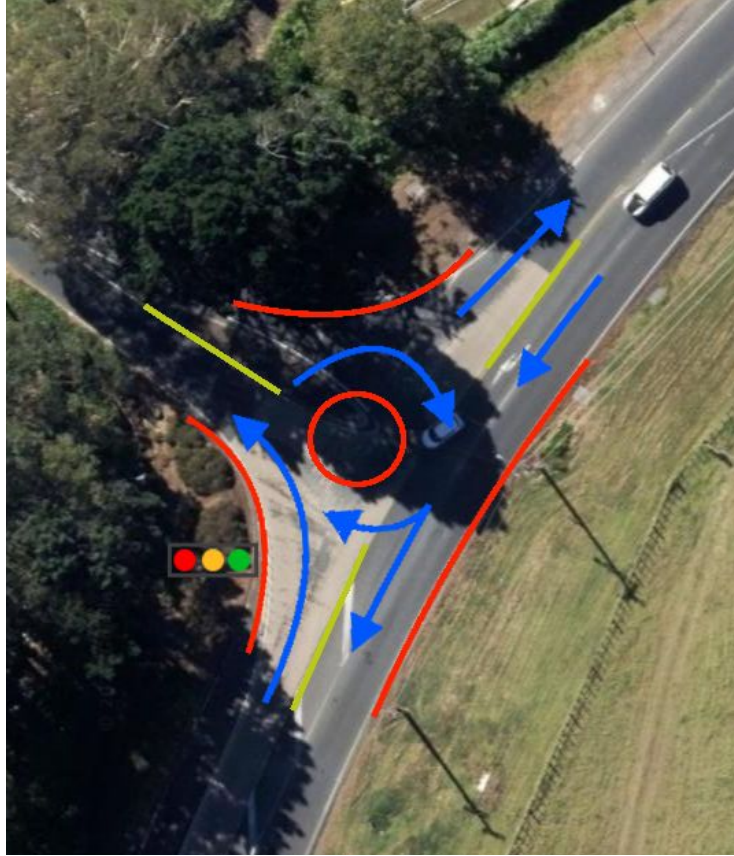
Solutions

Traffic Lights

- Higher Difficulty and Cost of Implementation
- Non-dynamic Flow of Traffic
 - Possibility for congestion at only one entry
- Power Lines, Trees, Visibility



Solutions



Roundabout With A Traffic Light

- Allows localised congestion to be relieved
- Possible future Iteration and Improvement
- Variable Cost

Domestic vs National vs International

- Locality of Flatbush doesn't have access to the same types of public transit modes as other suburbs do across Auckland - we have to adhere and work around this, what will be our numbers of intersection users post-project?
- Future residential development for a growing economy suggests areas between Auckland and Hamilton will serve as hot-spots to accommodate what would be the growing population, Mill Road/Redoubt Road serving as a connection could affect a larger number of commuters than expected.
- Internationally we are seeing a pivot towards smart technology and AI-based signals which we as a country are lacking behind in, what role could these systems possibly play in attempting to solve some of these issues?

Objectives and Intent

- The centralisation of the Mill Road Project helps to establish clear goals and fix evident problems but ignores additional nuances that the local community is able to observe and take into account.
- Projection for the growth of our area has not been accurate, certain parts of suburban development failing may have a negative layover-effect on the project.

Our request: Grant us your support as the local board to take our ideas further so we can give the community what they need and to work towards aiding the entities in charge of this operation using the distinct contextual knowledge we have!



Item 8.2

Attachment A

WHO WE ARE

- a volunteer-led, community-led organisation located in Lloyd Elsmore Park
- East Auckland's only community 'Black Box' theatre
- founded by Alma Woods MBE in 1954
- a recipient of Manukau City Council's Shared Responsibility Scheme

WHAT WE DO

- 5 mainhouse productions a year
- additional events, such as St Andrew's Big Band, Helen Moulder, Covert Theatre and ConArtists
- workshops with leading industry professionals: Dame Miranda Harcourt, Jennifer Ward-Lealand CNZM, stunt performer Peter Hassall and more
- acting classes for all ages
- mentoring and training in any aspect of the theatre, onstage and off

NUMBERS

- over 6000 show attendees annually
- over 300 annual subscribers
- over 2000 people on our mailing list
- youngest volunteer is 15
- oldest volunteer is in their 80's
- over 60 acting students ranging from 6yrs-60's
- over 15 volunteers of 25yrs+ membership still active at HLT

SOME GROUPS THAT USE OUR VENUE

- New Zealand Chinese Dance Academy
- Age Concern Auckland
- Tactical Chilli Wargaming
- 500 Club
- Enliven Presbyterian Support Northern
- NZEI Te Riu Roa

HIGHLIGHTS & SUCCESSES

- HLT celebrated its 70th anniversary in 2024
- Jennifer Ward-Lealand CNZM became HLT's Patron
- the first community theatre to train Intimacy Advisors in alignment with Equity New Zealand
- 2024 marked the first Showcard People's Choice Award
- hosted Botany Downs Secondary College for their NCEA Drama performances
- Committee members' wide range of professional capabilities

HIGHLIGHTS & SUCCESSES

- re-registered as an Incorporated Society & Charitable Trust under the 2022 Act
- training Bar volunteers to achieve Bar Manager licences
- shared marketing knowledge with Playbox Theatre Hamilton
- upgrade to our security system
- volunteers getting paid employment in professional theatre
- due to high demand, the addition of extra acting classes for all youth age ranges

CHALLENGES

- renewing the entire roof (including auditorium sound insulation) due to Cyclone Gabrielle
- repairing water damage of interior ceilings & floors
- maintaining an aging venue
- addressing aging volunteers on the set build team
- retaining younger people in technical positions
- keeping pace with technology and legislation changes

WHERE WE'RE GOING

- continuing to build on our business structure while retaining our community values and inclusive volunteer environment
- upgrading the lighting desk to MacBook
- integrating lighting and sound into one program
- gradually moving towards more stylised and minimalist sets
- increasing the use of LED lighting (cheaper to run, uses less power, transmits no heat)

THANK YOU



and to our generous HLT members and the public



Chairperson's Report as of Thursday 13 February 2025

We ended a busy but successful 2024 with festive celebrations. Since our last report we attended the **Howick Santa Parade, Manukau Concert Band Christmas concert**, and the **Howick Brass Band Carols by Candlelight on Stockade Hill** (all proudly funded by the Howick Local Board). And we've begun 2025 with more community events, celebrating the rich diversity that exists across our rohe – **Lohri, Lunar New Year, Waitangi** to name a few.

Over the break, staff have worked hard to **upgrade the technology in our board room** that will allow us to run our meetings more efficiently as well as prepare us for our increased members in October. And we've **begun our workshops** for the year, moving to open by default which provides greater transparency and accountability.

We have a big year ahead, with the results of our playground survey and local dog access rules due shortly. We also have our **annual budget consultation coming up soon**. While we won't know specifics until after the first quarter, we know that cost pressures will continue to be a challenge for our limited budget. Therefore, it's vital that we understand what our community wants and needs so we can prioritise to deliver the most value in our last work programme of this electoral term.

We're pleased to see that our advocacy to bring the **Flat Bush Community Centre and Library** forward has worked, with funding approved from July 2025 to start the formal process for delivering this much needed and long-awaited community asset.

The **Eastern Busway continues to make good progress**, currently on time and budget which is no small feat for one of the largest infrastructure projects in the country. Despite the best efforts of the project team, there is ongoing disruption to residents and businesses as this project transforms Pakūranga to Botany. We continue to proactively work with the project team to advocate on behalf of the community.

Our own transport projects are running on time and below budget, with two of our local board transport capital fund projects were delivered over the school break - **upgraded pedestrian crossings delivered on Valderama Road and Paparoa Road** respond to requests from local schools. More safety projects are due to be consulted and delivered soon.

Ngā mihi nui | Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Light".

Damian Light
Heamana | Chairperson
Te Poari ā-Rohe o Howick | Howick Local Board

Date	Event/meeting attended
Fri 06 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southern Local Board Chairs Forum attended by Chair Damian Light
Sun 08 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Santa Parade attended by Chair Damian Light, Members Adele White, Bruce Kendall, David Collings, John Spiller, Katrina Bungard, Mike Turinsky, and Peter Young. See photo on following pages.
Mon 09 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Local Board Chairs Forum attended by Chair Damian Light • Manukau Concert Band Christmas concert attended by Member John Spiller.
Thu 12 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Local Board workshop (refer workshop records for attendance & topics) • Howick Local Board business meeting (refer minutes for attendance and decisions)
Sun 15 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Brass Band Carols by Candlelight on Stockade Hill attended by Deputy Bo Burns.
Thu 19 Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enviroschool Presentation at Our Lady Star of the Sea arranged by Chair Damian Light • Despensa Opening and First Anniversary attended by Chair Damian Light, Deputy Bo Burns and Member Adele White. • Pakūranga United Rugby Club Third Thursday attended by Chair Damian Light. Also present was Hon. Simeon Brown.
Sat 11 Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lohri Mela Festival attended by Chair Damian Light. Also present were Councillors Angela Dalton and Lotu Fuli, and Chair Matt Winata.
Sat 18 Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Temple Reunion Dinner attended by Chair Damian Light and Member Adele White. See photo on following pages.
Sun 19 Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring Festival hosted by Auckland East Chinese Association attended by Chair Damian Light and Member Peter Young. Also present was Nancy Lu MP.
Mon 20 Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting with Bucklands and Eastern Beaches Ratepayers and Residents Association arranged by Chair Damian Light, Members Bruce Kendall, David Collings, and Katrina Bungard.
Sat 25 Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunar New Year Concert at Howick Historical Village attended by Member Peter Young.
Sun 26 Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunar New Year celebration at Botany Library attended by Chair Damian Light and Member Peter Young.
Tue 28 Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunar New Year Celebration at Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Temple attended by Chair Damian Light (who spoke) and Member Adele White. Also present was Nancy Lu MP.
Wed 29 Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ti Rakau Park Playground Opening attended by Chair Damian Light, Members Adele White, Bruce Kendall, David Collings, and Katrina Bungard. See photo on following pages.
Thu 30 Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Local Board open workshop (refer workshop records for attendance & topics)
Fri 31 Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eastern Busway Elected Member Update attended by Chair Damian Light, Councillors Maurice Williamson and Sharon Stewart, plus representation from local MPs office. • Howick Ward Councillors and Local Board meeting arranged by Chair Damian Light, Councillors Maurice Williamson and Sharon Stewart, Members Bruce Kendall, David Collings, and Mike Turinsky.
Sat 01 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Youth Council induction attended by Chair Damian Light (who spoke) • Chinese New Year Gala hosted by Federation of Chinese Assoc attended by Chair Damian Light, Members Adele White, David Collings, Katrina Bungard, and Peter Young. Also in attendance were Councillors Kerrin Leoni and Lotu Fuli; Rt

	Hon Chris Hipkins, Hon Simeon Brown, Hon Melissa Lee, Dr Parmjeet Parmar MP, plus other Members of Parliament, and former Ministers.
Sun 02 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lantern Festival hosted by Botany Chinese Association attended by Chair Damian Light and Member Bruce Kendall.
Tue 04 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly Community Partners Meeting hosted by Ormiston Police Station attended by Chair Damian Light. Also present was Nancy Lu MP and local community organisations. • Citizenship Ceremony attended by Chair Damian Light (who presided), supported by Member Adele White. Also present was Andrew Lesa, Manurewa Local Board.
Thu 06 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waitangi ki Manukau 2025 hosted by Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki attended by Chair Damian Light and Member Mike Turinsky.
Fri 07 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NZ Multi-ethnic Art Link launch attended by Chair Damian Light (who spoke) and Member Adele White.
Mon 10 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Auckland Tourism Meeting attended by Member Katrina Bungard.
Thu 13 Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howick Local Board open workshop (refer workshop records for attendance & topics) • BNZ Auckland Lantern Festival Opening Ceremony attended by Chair Damian Light. Also present was Mayor Wayne Brown, Deputy Mayor Desley Simpson, Rt Hon Chris Luxon, Hon Mark Mitchell, Nancy Lu MP, Rima Nakhle MP, Councillors, Local Board Chairs and Members, Ministers and MPs.

Sunday 08 December Howick Santa Parade



Fo Guang Shan Buddhist Temple Reunion Dinner



Wednesday 29 January Ti Rakau Park Playground Opening



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28th November – Workshop 4

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