
Waitākere Ranges Local Board Open Workshop

NOTES

Notes of the Waitākere Ranges Local Board Workshop held in the Waitākere Ranges Local Board Office, 39 Glenmall Place, Glen Eden on Thursday, 20 February 2025 at 10:15 am.

TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

Chairperson	Greg Presland	
Deputy Chairperson	Michelle Clayton	
Members	Mark Allen	
	Sandra Coney, QSO	
	Liz Manley	
	Linda Potauaine	(online)

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Item 1 – Community Wellbeing Quarterly Update

10.15am-11.00am

Presenter/s: Lisa-Howard-Smith, Community Broker; Valerie Carroll, Manager Community Place – Library; Debra Comber, Manager Community Place – Library; Sarah Graham, Place and Partner Specialist; Michael Alofa, Specialist Advisor; Jamie Adkins, Place and Partner Specialist.

Summary of Discussions:

Staff provided a range of updates, including performance updates from Libraries and community hubs and community places and arts. Other updates were presented by staff representing our community, our people, and our places.

Break 11.00am-11.15am

Item 2 – Western Water Supply Programme Update

11.15am-12.00pm

Presenter/s: Elizabeth Stewart, Elected Member Relationship Advisor

Summary of discussions:

Staff discussed the western water supply programme including updating the board on the Huia Water Treatment Plant and raw water presenting various option assessments to the board.

Item 3 – Waitākere Ranges Play Plan 2024 - feedback on draft

12.00pm-12.45pm

Presenter/s: Jacquelyn Collins, Play Portfolio Lead; Matt Johnson, Play Project Manager

Summary of Discussions

Staff discussed the Waitākere Ranges Play Plan, members provided feedback and asked questions concerning the plan.

Lunch 12.45pm-1.30pm

Item 4 – Building digital literacy capacity for seniors and the Whau Ethnic Peoples Plan Update

1.30pm-2.15pm

Presenter/s: Lisa Howard-Smith, Community Broker; Val Carroll, Manager Community Place – Library Community Delivery North/West; Cathy Hardinge, Digital Seniors; Sarah Thorne, Digital Seniors; Rosetta Fuimaono, Specialist Advisor Community Delivery (North/West).

Summary of Discussions

Rosetta and Val provided an update on the Whau Ethnic Peoples Plan to the board and answered questions from members. Jo Cocker provided an overview of digital equity statistics and digital senior staff lead a presentation on problems related to senior digital exclusion highlighting their work in North and East Auckland.

Item 5 – Auckland Transport Slip Repairs Recovery Update

2.15pm-2.45pm

Presenter/s: Owena Schuster, Elected Member Relationship Partner; Sebastien Poujouly; Mike Robinson; Bernadette Fatu Auckland Transport; Peter Nortje, Auckland Transport.

Summary of Discussions

Staff discussed slip repair updates over December and January and updated the board on current and future recovery projects.

Item 6 – Auckland Transport: Safe walking and cycling improvements Kelston, New Lynn and Glen Eden - public consultation report

2.45pm-3.15pm

Presenter/s: Owena Schuster, Elected Member Relationship Partner; Jon Kearins, Principal Transport Planner; Kshemal Desai, Specialist Communications and Engagement; Fernanda Mundoz, Communications Engagement and insights Advisor; Muhanned Khiri, Project Manager Auckland Transport.

Summary of Discussions

Auckland Transport staff presented public consultation reports on the Safe walking and cycling improvements from Kelston to Glen Eden and answered questions from the board regarding future plans for this project.

Item 7 – Auckland Transport Local Board Capital Transport Fund.

3.15pm-3.45pm

Presenter/s: Owena Schuster, Elected Member Relationship Partner; Raman Singh, Senior Transportation Engineer, Auckland Transport.

Summary of Discussions

Auckland Transport staff discussed projects considered for the Local Board Capital Transport Fund before formal decisions are made in the March Business Meeting.

Item 8 – Update on Safety on West Coast Beaches

3.45pm-4.30pm

Presenter/s: Thomas Dixon, Principal Parks Advisor Specialist Operations; Scott De Silva, Manager Regional Parks Regional Operations; Greer Clark, Parks and Community Facilities Area Manager; Surf Club staff; Drowning Prevention Auckland Staff; Jame Lee, Operations Manager Surf Lifesaving Northern Region; Ants Lowe, General Manager Operations Drowning Prevention.

Summary of Discussions

Surf lifesaving staff provided updates on statistics related to surf lifesaving on the West Coast, alongside measures being undertaken from surf lifesaving in relation to drowning prevention. Drowning prevention staff provided an overview of education and community engagement being undertaken around Auckland. Additionally, staff discussed future plans to address drowning prevention and outlined the various reviews being undertaken including the end of season review, post Piha event operational review and club coastal safety reviews.

Attachments

- A Community Delivery Quarter 2 update 2024-2025 Presentation
- B Western Water Supply Update Presentation
- C Western Water Supply Programme Memorandum
- D Draft play plan feedback presentation
- E Building digital literacy capacity Presentation
- F Cyclone and Flood Recovery February 2025
- G Safe walking and cycling improvements Kelston, New Lynn and Glen Eden Consultation and engagement update
- H Waitakere Ranges Local Board Water Safety Update 2025 Memorandum
- I Attachment A – Water Safety New Zealand Drowning Prevention Report 2024
- J Attachment B – Surf Lifesaving Rock-based Fishing Project Update January 2025
- K Attachment C - DPA Rock Based Fisher Project Interim Report December 2025
- L Waitākere Ranges LB Water Safety Update February 2025 presentation

The workshop concluded at 4.40 pm