
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, 6 March 2025 at 10.15am.

TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

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

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CONFIDENTIAL Item 1 – Northwest Rapid Transit - refined emerging preferred option
10.15am-11.15am This workshop was held with the public excluded (confidential), in particular the workshop materials contained confidential information about potential implications on private landowners whose properties would be blighted if this information became public. This relates to s7(2)(e) under LGOIMA, the withholding of the information is necessary to avoid prejudice to measures that prevent or mitigate material loss to members of the public.
Break 11.15am-11.30am
Item 2 – Waitakere Ranges ecological contract
11.30am-12.30pm Presenter/s: David Stejskal, Regional Arborists & Ecological Manager Specialist Operations; Sarah Gibbs, Senior Ecological Specialist. <u>Summary of Discussions</u> Presenters discussed the local parks ecological programme and presented benefits of having a local parks biodiversity programme.
Lunch 12.30pm-1.15pm
Item 3 – Proposed new Welcoming Waitākere Ranges activity in work programme 2025-2026.
1.15pm-2.00pm Presenter/s: Claire Liousse, Empowered Community Specialist; Lisa Diggins, Specialist Advisor; Sunita Kashyap, Manager, Community Innovation; Lisa Howard-Smith, Community Broker. <u>Summary of Discussions</u> Staff introduced the welcoming communities programme and insights from the pilots as well as providing a snapshot of Waitākere Ranges growth and demographic changes. Finally, staff presented a proposal for a new welcoming Waitākere Ranges orientation programme for new residents in the Waitākere Ranges.
Item 4 – Local board budget update and cost pressures
2.00pm-3.00pm Presenter/s: David Rose, Lead Financial Advisor. <u>Summary of discussions</u> The lead financial advisor presented updated financial position for the board and options to manage local board cost pressures.

Item 5 – Updates on catchments in Piha.

3.00pm-4.00pm

Presenter/s: Nick FitzHerbert, Team Leader Relationship Advisory; Tom Mansell, Head of Sustainable Outcomes; Jack Dickens, Healthy Waters Specialist; Amirah Rab, Relationship Advisor.

Summary of discussions

Staff updated the board on the Piha stream evolution, flooding risk and the effect on the West Coast Gallery alongside an update on the Piha wetland progress.

Attachments

- A Waitākere Ranges Local Board, Local Parks Ecological Programme Presentation
- B Waitākere Ranges Local Board, Welcoming Communities Presentation
- C Waitākere Ranges Local board budgets and cost pressures presentation
- D Slide update for local board budget update
- E Piha Art Gallery local board March presentation

The workshop concluded at 4.00 pm.