
Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board held in the Manukau Chambers, Level 1, Manukau Civic Building, 31-33 Manukau Station Road, Manukau on Tuesday, 18 March 2025 at 5.00pm.

TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

Chairperson	Apulu Reece Autagavaia
Deputy Chairperson	Vi Hausia
Members	Dr Ashraf Choudhary, QSO, JP
	Dr Ofa Dewes, MNZM
	Topou Folau
	Li'amanaia Lorenzo Kaisara
	Albert Lim

TE HUNGA KĀORE I TAE MAI | ABSENT

TE HUNGA ĀPITI KUA TAE MAI | ALSO PRESENT

Councillor	Lotu Fuli
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1 Nau mai | Welcome

Chair Apulu Reece Autagavaia opened the meeting with a karakia and welcomed everyone present.

2 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

There were no apologies.

3 Te Whakapuaki i te Whai Pānga | Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Te Whakaū i ngā Āmiki | Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number OP/2025/22

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member A Choudhary:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whakaū / confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Tuesday, 18 February 2025, and the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Tuesday, 18 February 2025, including the confidential section, as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

5 He Tamōtanga Motuhake | Leave of Absence

There were no leaves of absence.

6 Te Mihi | Acknowledgements

6.1 Aorere College - Senior Girls Tag Champions

Resolution number OP/2025/23

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Deputy Chairperson V Hausia:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **acknowledge Aorere College - Senior Girls Tag Champions, which was held at Cox's Bay on Thursday 6th March. Competing were the top 8 teams of Girls and 8 teams of Boys that qualified from their zone earlier in the month. Local high school, Aorere College took out first place for the Girls competition becoming Auckland Senior Tag Champions for 2025.**

CARRIED

6.2 De La Salle College - Counties Manukau Regional Schools' Debating Champions

Resolution number OP/2025/24

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Deputy Chairperson V Hausia:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **acknowledge Sione Mafuahingano, Cadell Armstrong, and Christian Fa'avae competed at the Counties Manukau Regional Schools' Debating Championship. They represented another of our local schools, De La Salle College, the trio competed against 5 other schools, and came out on top.**

Precedence of Business

Resolution number OP/2025/25

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member TF Folau:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whakaae / agree that whakaae / agree that items 13 – Governing Body member, 11 – Board Members' Report and 12 – Chairperson's Announcements be accorded precedence at this time.**

CARRIED

13 Governing Body member Update

Resolution number OP/2025/26

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member A Choudhary:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whiwhi / receive the verbal report from the Manukau Ward Councillor Lotu Fuli.**

CARRIED

11 Board Members' Report

Deputy Chair Vi Hausia, Local Board Members Topou Folau and Dr Ashraf Chaudhary provided a verbal update.

A copy of the written report by Deputy Chair Vi Hausia has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number OP/2025/27

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member O Dewes, MNZM:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whiwhi / receive the board members written and verbal reports.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 18 March 2025 - Ōtara Papatoetoe Local Board - Item 11 - Board Members Report - Vi Hausia

12 Chairperson's Announcements

A copy of the Letter for Fairer Funding from all the Chairs - Cost Pressures has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number OP/2025/28

MOVED by Member A Choudhary, seconded by Deputy Chairperson V Hausia:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whiwhi / receive the chairperson's verbal update.**
b) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the Chair strongly supports the letter to the Governing Body dated 11 March 2025 from all 21 board chairs.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 18 March 2025 - Ōtara Papatoetoe Local Board - Item 12 - Chairperson's Announcement - Letter for Fairer Funding from all the Chairs - Cost Pressures discussion.

7 Ngā Petihana | Petitions

There were no petitions.

8 Ngā Tono Whakaaturanga | Deputations

8.1 Deputation - Papatoetoe Railway Station Preservation Trust

Ray Strong, QSM, Chairman Papatoetoe Railway Station Preservation Trust would be presented to the board regarding The Old Railway Station building, situated on, 1 St George Street which was first built in 1875. The building is of historical

importance to the area that it should be considered to maintain its presence in Papatoetoe.

A copy of the letter from Ray Strong has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number OP/2025/29

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member A Choudhary:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whakamihi / thank Ray Strong, Chairman of Papatoetoe Railway Station Preservation Trust for his deputation and attendance.**

CARRIED

Note: Item no. 8.2 was taken before Item no. 8.1

8.2 Deputation - Annie King

Annie King, a resident of Sikkim Crescent, Clover Park, addressed the board regarding the condition of the pavement. Trees planted years ago have now caused significant damage to the footpath due to overgrown roots. Additionally, rubbish has been illegally dumped on the footpath. There have been two accidents as a result of the damaged pavement, one of which led to Annie being hospitalized.

Resolution number OP/2025/30

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member TF Folau:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whakamihi / thank Annie King for her deputation and attendance.**

CARRIED

8.3 Deputation - Tamaki Estuary Environmental Forum

Julie Chambers and Bruce Kendall Co-Chairs of Tamaki Estuary Environmental Forum (TEEF) presented to the board on the importance of maintaining clean and healthy waterways for their constituents.

Resolution number OP/2025/31

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member O Dewes, MNZM:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whakamihi / thank Julie Chambers and Bruce Kendall of Tamaki Estuary Environmental Forum for their deputation and attendance.**

CARRIED

9 Te Matapaki Tūmatanui | Public Forum

There was no public forum.

10 Ngā Pakihi Autaia | Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

14 Landowner Approval to alter the Airport to Botany Rapid Transit Designation within the Manukau Sport Bowl

Resolution number OP/2025/32

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Deputy Chairperson V Hausia:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whakaae / grant landowner approval for AT to alter the A2B designation within the Manukau Sports Bowl site in line with the recommended location detailed in this report.**

CARRIED

15 Local Board Transport Capital Fund Projects 2025-2026

Resolution number OP/2025/33

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member O Dewes, MNZM:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- i) **whakamana / authorise Auckland Transport to complete the Wyllie/Kenderdine Road pedestrian improvements project in the current programme with additional required funding of \$30,000 for recommended option 3.3.**
- ii) **whakamana / allocate \$250,000 towards Papatoetoe North School improvement.**
- iii) **whakamana / allocate \$250,000 towards Woburn Street/Portage Road intersection upgrade.**
- iv) **whakamana / allocate \$200,000 towards Kolmar Road Pedestrian improvements.**
- v) **whakamana / allocate \$381,394 towards Buckland Road pedestrian crossing.**
- vi) **whakaae / approve as its first priority, that any cost savings from its currently active local board transport capital fund projects and/or any new additional funding that becomes available be applied to its active projects if they require additional funding to complete within the current 3-year local board programme.**
- vii) **whakaae / approve as its second priority, that any further cost savings from the completion of its currently active local board transport capital fund projects and/or any new additional funding that becomes available, be applied to these projects:**
 - a. **Ravenna Way /Flat Bush intersection pedestrian improvement with a cost estimate of \$150,000.**
 - b. **Ngāti Ōtara Park pathways with a cost estimate of \$1,357,090**

CARRIED

16 Kōkiri - Setting priorities for Auckland Transport project and programme engagement

Resolution number OP/2025/34

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member TF Folau:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whakarite / provide views on the proposed work programme, specifically on which projects the local board requests Auckland Transport to:**
 - i. **Collaborate on Local Board Transport Capital Fund Projects.**
 - A. **Wyllie / Kenderdine pedestrian improvements.**
 - B. **Papatoetoe North School pedestrian safety improvements.**
 - C. **Woburn Street/Portage Road intersection upgrade.**
 - D. **Kolmar Road pedestrian improvements.**

- E. Buckland Road pedestrian crossing upgrade.**
- ii. Consult with the local board on the following projects:**
- A. Town Centre Review / Room to Move – Comprehensive Parking Management Plan (CPMP) Manukau**
 - B. Room to Move – Comprehensive Parking Management Plan (CPMP) Papatoetoe Station (planning phase)**
- iii. Inform the local board about the following projects:**
- A. Bus Stop Improvements on Great South Road, Pah Road, Puhinui Road and Coronation Road**
 - B. Bus shelter renewals (various) - renewal of End of Life and damaged bus shelters.**
 - C. Middlemore Hop Gate Project Middlemore HOP gate project.**
 - D. Installation of 3 new HOP gateline arrays to be delivered by AT on the new island platform which is being delivered by KiwiRail at Middlemore Station. Complete by June 2025.**
 - E. Fitzroy Street pedestrian improvements. Tavistock Road access way connects Fitzroy Street and midblock crossing on Puhinui Road. Some parents park on Fitzroy street and cross the location to get to Puhinui School, therefore improvements are proposed to address the visibility concerns, parking issues and lack of facilities.**
 - F. Franklyne Road and Alexander Crescent raised zebra crossings, Ōtara.**
 - G. Station Road and Portage Road pop up protection between Buckland Road and Shirley Road. 1.4km Pop up protection on existing painted cycle lanes.**
 - H. Buckland Road pop up protection (partially within Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board) - Between Robertson Road and Portage Road. 2.65km Pop up protection on existing painted cycle lanes (approximately 700m within Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board).**
 - I. Great South Road South pop up protection between Te Irirangi Drive and Manukau Station Road**
 - J. Great South Road (Maxwell Avenue and Tāmaki River Bridge); pop up protection, between Maxwell Avenue and Tāmaki River Bridge**
 - K. Great South Road (Tāmaki Bridge to St George Street) excluded from the project scope as our data and site observations don't show issues in that section.**
 - L. Highbrook Drive Corridor Freight Improvements**
 - M. Highbrook Drive from Cryers Road to SH1, including SH1 interchange and Hellaby Road, Highbrook Drive and Hellabys Road corridor and SH1 Interchange investigation with NZTA, to identify opportunities to improve capacity**
 - N. Accent Drive Corridor Improvement**
 - O. Accent Drive from East Tāmaki Road to Chapel Road. Investigation of optimization solutions for Accent Drive to the west of East Tāmaki Road through to Chapel Road**

- P. Airport to Botany Rapid Transit project (A2B).**
- b) request / tono that the following projects or programmes are considered by for Auckland Transport for inclusion in future work programmes:
- A. Budget increase requests for the Local Board Transport Capital Fund and restore it to pre-covid levels.
 - B. Inter-agency co-operation requests (Waka Kotahi and Auckland Council)
 - C. Advocate for increased bus services and infrastructure
 - D. Consultation on asset management policy or strategy development.
- c) tono / request that Auckland Transport incorporate the Kolmar Road and St George Street intersection alignment initiative, (Item 20 on this agenda) under 'Unlock Old Papatoetoe', led by Eke Panuku, is taken up by for future intersection alignment considerations as part of their strategic transport planning for Old Papatoetoe.

CARRIED

Member L Kaisara left the meeting at 6.52pm. Member L Kaisara returned to the meeting at 6.54pm.

17 Approval for six new road names at 3 St George Street, Papatoetoe

Resolution number OP/2025/35

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Deputy Chairperson V Hausia:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) whakaae / approve the names as follows for the three new roads created by the subdivision undertaken by Avant EPCF Piko Limited at 3 St George Street, Papatoetoe, in accordance with section 319(1)(j) of the Local Government Act 1974 (Road naming reference RDN90120126, resource consent reference BUN60392049).
- i. Pikotoetoe Lane (Road 1)
 - ii. Te Ara Tapore (Road 2)
 - iii. Te Ara Hakoko (Road 3)
 - iv. Te Ara Tawakawaka (Road 4)
 - v. Kauwhanga Lane (Road 5)
 - vi. Tiwhana Crescent (Road 6)

CARRIED

18 Local board views on draft plan change to add trees and groups of trees to the Auckland Unitary Plan Operative in Part and to the Notable Trees overlay

A copy of the Notable Trees report for Ōtara has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minutes attachment.

Resolution number OP/2025/36

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member TF Folau:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **tautoko/ support proposed change to add approximately 169 trees and 27 groups of trees across the region to Schedule 10, and to the Notable Trees Overlay in the AUP maps.**
- b) **tuhi ā-taipitopito/ note its earlier feedback (Resolution OP/2022/98 -ii) to support inclusion of notable trees in plan changes to accompany the Medium Density Residential Standards and National Policy Statement on Urban Development plan change.**
- c) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note that our board is one with the lowest urban ngahere in Auckland.**

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 18 March 2025 - Ōtara - Papatoetoe Local Board - Item no. 18 - Local board views on draft plan change to add trees and groups of trees to the Auckland Unitary Plan Operative in Part and to the Notable - Notable Trees report for Ōtara - Papatoetoe Local Board

19 Local board input into Auckland Council's submission on the Term of Parliament (Enabling 4-year Term) Legislation Amendment Bill

Resolution number OP/2025/37

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member A Choudhary:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **tuku / provide the following feedback comments for inclusion to Auckland Council's submission on the Term of Parliament (Enabling 4-year Term) Legislation Amendment Bill.**
 - i) **tautoko / support the proposal for a mechanism to extend the current three-year Parliamentary term to four years, that is the Term of Parliament (Enabling 4-year Term) Legislation Amendment Bill ("the Bill")**
 - ii) **tono / request that Auckland Council advocate for a similar change in the term of local government from three to four years**
 - iii) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note that the Local Board expresses their support for consistency between local and central government voting processes and procedures.**

CARRIED

20 Unlock Old Papatoetoe - Kolmar Road and St George Street intersection alignment recommendation

Resolution number OP/2025/38

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Deputy Chairperson V Hausia:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whakaae / acknowledge that the Governing Body resolution (FIN/2021/95) remains in effect, approving the disposal of properties in Old Papatoetoe including 15 Kolmar Road and 98 St George Street Old Papatoetoe subject to satisfactory conclusion of any required statutory processes.**
- b) **whakaae / acknowledge that in 2021 the Otara Papatoetoe Local Board endorsed the disposal of 15 Kolmar Road and 98 St George Street Old Papatoetoe for urban renewal purposes subject to investigations into intersection feasibility/realignment options and consideration of the funding impacts of Unlock Old Papatoetoe's priorities (OPLB/2021/141).**
- c) **whiwhi / receive the findings from the independent investigations into the feasibility of aligning the intersection at the corner of Kolmar Road and St George Street in Old Papatoetoe.**
- d) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note that while the findings highlight feasibility challenges, they do not account for:**
 - i. **future transport needs, urban design outcomes, and broader community benefits**
 - ii. **retaining public spaces is critical with intensification in Papatoetoe. Land is becoming increasingly scarce for future transport improvements, public amenity, and open space**
 - iii. **account for the long-term consequences of land disposal, which would permanently remove the opportunity to future-proof transport infrastructure, limit public benefit opportunities, and restrict flexibility in future urban planning decisions**
 - iv. **acknowledge that transport modelling and urban needs evolve over time, and selling the site now could preclude future intersection upgrades or alternative infrastructure improvements that may become necessary as the area grows.**
- e) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note that the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board acknowledges the investigation and its limitations in satisfying the Local Board's vision for Papatoetoe. Therefore, the Board does not accept the report's investigation findings as sufficient to justify the disposal of 15 Kolmar Road and 98 St George Street, Old Papatoetoe.**
- f) **whakaū / confirm that the current Board resolves to seek to retain 15 Kolmar Road and 98 St George Street for future infrastructure improvements, including the intersection realignment.**
- g) **tono / request that the Budget Committee reconsider the sale of 15 Kolmar Road and 98 St George Street Old Papatoetoe (FIN/2021/95).**
- h) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note that Eke Panuku will ensure the best use of the sites in the short to medium term while maintaining its long-term strategic value.**
- i) **tono / request that Auckland Council consider alternative funding and partnership opportunities to deliver the intersection alignment in the future.**

- j) **tono / request that Auckland Transport incorporate future intersection alignment considerations into their strategic transport planning for Old Papatoetoe (refer to item 16).**
- k) **whakaū / confirm inclusion of the Old Papatoetoe intersection alignment project in their advocacy on the Long-term Plan.**
- l) **tono / request the resolutions be circulated to the Manukau Ward Councillors and the Finance and Performance Budget Committee.**

CARRIED

21 Feedback on options to address local board operating cost pressures for Annual Budget 2025/2026 - Withdrawn

22 Urgent Decision of the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board to Formalise Feedback on the Draft Storm-affected Land Use Policy

Resolution number OP/2025/39

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member A Choudhary:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the urgent decision made on 27 February 2025 to formalise the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board's feedback on the Draft Storm-affected Land Use Policy.**

CARRIED

23 Amendment to the 2022-2025 Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board meeting schedule

Resolution number OP/2025/40

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Deputy Chairperson V Hausia:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) **whakaae / approve the addition of two meeting dates to the 2022-2025 Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board schedule to accommodate the Annual Budget 2025-2026 timeframes as follows:**
 - i) **Tuesday, 29 April 2025, 2 pm**
 - ii) **Tuesday, 10 June 2025, 2 pm.**

CARRIED

24 Local board resolution responses, feedback and information report

Resolution number OP/2025/41

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member O Dewes, MNZM:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the Pursuit of Excellence panel decision made on 6 February 2025 below:

Application ID	Requesting funding for	Amount requested	Amount recommended
2425OPEA42	Yolitzintlayektli cultural event in Mexico	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
2425OPEA61	Global League Tournament in Queenstown	\$1,500.00	\$200.00
Total		\$3,500.00	\$200.00

CARRIED

25 Hōtaka Kaupapa / Governance Forward Work Calendar

Resolution number OP/2025/42

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member TF Folau:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the Hōtaka Kaupapa.

CARRIED

26 Record of Workshop Notes

Resolution number OP/2025/43

MOVED by Chairperson AR Autagavaia, seconded by Member A Choudhary:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) tuhi ā-taipitopito / note the workshop records for: [11 February](#), [25 February](#) and [4 March 2025](#).

CARRIED

27 Te Whakaaro ki ngā Take Pūtea e Autaia ana | Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

7.22 pm

The chairperson thanked members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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CHAIRPERSON:.....