

Date: Monday, 28 April 2025
Time: 5.00pm
Meeting Room: Room 1, Level 26
Venue: Te Wharau o Tāmaki - Auckland House
135 Albert Street
Auckland

Te Rōpū Kaitohutohu Take Taiohi / Youth Advisory Panel

OPEN MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

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+ • Review of Youth Voice Groups Project

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For Youth Advisory Panel



Youth Voice in this review

- For this review, ‘Youth Voice’ means structured youth councils and youth boards.
- These groups are either directly funded or supported through organisations that receive funding.
- The effectiveness of ‘Youth Voice’ investment through Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI) has not been formally reviewed.

+ We're doing
o this project to
understand
how well the
current Youth
Voice model
works.

We're aiming to:

- Understand the impact of youth voice groups and how they support Auckland Council's goals.
- Find out what's working well, where and why – and what could be better – when it comes to support from Council staff, host organisations and elected members.
- Learn how Youth Voice groups are working with elected members
- Make recommendations for future investment in youth engagement to ensure cost effectiveness and impactful outcomes (*no changes in funding!)

The project is guided by an Advisory Group

Who's Involved?

The advisory group includes:

- Youth & Empowered Community Specialists
- Community Wellbeing
- Local Board Engagement team members
- Advisor (Māori and Youth Outcomes)
- Social Researchers from Auckland Council's Social & Economic Research & Evaluation team
- Governance and engagement
- Independent researchers from Point & Associates Aotearoa
- Project is **sponsored by** Community Wellbeing, Policy, and Governance

Role in the Research

Together, we:

- Shaped the research approach and methods
- Provide advice on reaching Youth Voice Groups
- Support connections and introductions
- Make sense of the findings, discussing what they mean, and shaping practical recommendations

Our research framework is grounded in values meaningful for rangatahi and other stakeholders.

Kaitiakitanga: Young people feel safe, seen, heard and protected.

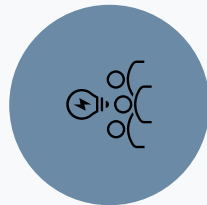
Manaakitanga: Engagement upholds mana and respects tikanga at every step.

Whanaungatanga: Relationships are nurtured and valued, with a focus on reciprocity, connection and empowerment.

Rangatiratanga: We honour mana whenua, acknowledge the impacts of colonisation, and recognise the systemic inequalities affecting wellbeing and opportunity. Solutions are rangatahi-centred and shaped in partnership with Auckland Council.



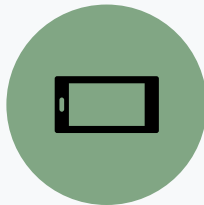
How we will gather insights



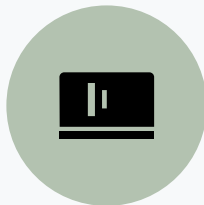
FOCUS GROUPS WITH RANGATAHI: Twelve focus groups with members of Youth Voice Groups across Tāmaki Makaurau.




INTERVIEWS WITH HOST ORGANISATIONS: 10 interviews with host organisations and Auckland Council staff who work/worked alongside Youth Voice groups.



SURVEY WITH LOCAL BOARD MEMBERS: An online survey will be distributed to twelve participating boards.



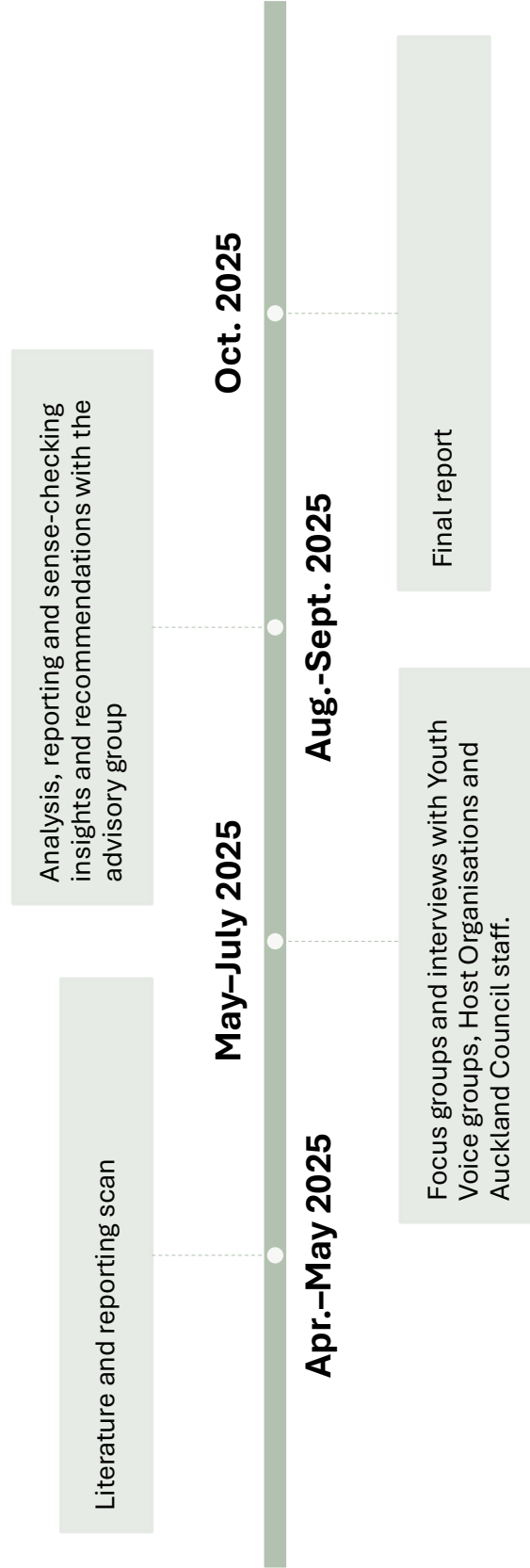
LITERATURE & REPORTING SCAN: Insights into best practice for supporting youth voice & review of reporting to assess effectiveness.



There will be a
range of ways
to access the
research
results

- **Rangatahi-friendly summary report:** Clear and engaging overview including key findings and insights
- **Key insights and direct quotes:** Highlighting what rangatahi and other stakeholders said in their own words
- **Full report:** Available on the Auckland Council website for those wanting all the details.

Timeline (High-Level)









Play advocacy update

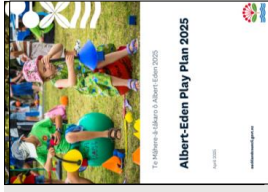

Youth Advisory Panel meeting – 28 April 2025

Jacquelyn Collins, Play Portfolio Lead



Today's presentation

- Update on progress
- Review of relevant project opportunities
- Other recent advocacy activities
- Feedback from Youth Advisory Panel

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The growth of play advocacy

- Two more years of investment from Sport New Zealand
- Delivering projects in Financial Year 2024-2025 for 17 local boards
- Anticipating that 19 local boards will provide funding in Financial Year 2025-2026



Ideas for supporting rangatahi play

- Intergenerational play projects
- Robust play equipment
- Play beyond formal playgrounds
- More exciting play
- Supporting infrastructure



Programming for rangatahi in council spaces

- Highlighted as an option for specific local boards
- Supported by the Pools & Leisure team
- May lead to teams at different sites creating their own initiatives
- Feedback welcomed regarding projects



Advocating for urban play



Multipurpose design



Permission



Journey



Context



Inclusion



