

Date: Tuesday 29 April 2025
Time: 9:30am
Meeting Room: The Leslie Comrie Board Room
Venue: Level One Franklin: The Centre
12 Massey Ave
Pukekohe

Franklin Local Board

OPEN MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

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Franklin Local Board feedback on Annual Plan 2025-2026 regional topics

Overall direction

Proposal	Support / Do not support	Local board input
The overall plan This includes prioritising investment in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • transport • water; and • fairer funding for local communities. An average 5.8 per cent rates increase	Support	
Destination management and major events Introducing a bed night visitor levy on short-stay commercial accommodation, to fund destination management, marketing and major events	Support	Would expect a process underpinning any visitor levy investment to actively seek to spread the benefit of events and destination management across Auckland i.e. beyond the city centre and traditional tourism locations.

Changes to other rates, fees and charges

Proposal	Support / Do not support	Local board input
3% increase to the overall waste management targeted rate for a typical household	Support	
Introduction of the refuse targeted rate to the former districts of Rodney and Franklin.	Support	
Animal management fees: increase dog adoption fee from \$350 to \$450	Do not support	Concern that increased costs will be a disincentive to responsible dog owners to adopt abandoned dogs from council shelters.
Animal management fees: increase vet fee from \$75 to \$150.	Support	
Changes to some cemetery fees	Support	
Re-align bach fees into pricing tiers based on occupancy levels, capacity and location	Support	
Align staff charge-out rates with staff pay bands for services in regional parks	Support	

Franklin Local Board key advocacy initiatives

Initiative	Description
<p>Prioritise growth funded development of parks in greenfield development areas i.e. areas where land has been acquired, but play and recreation services remain undeveloped due to local capital funding constraints. Recommend those parks that have been waiting longest are prioritised.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27 Trevor McMiken Drive, Patumahoe Subdivision approved in 2016, land acquired for a neighbourhood park, \$1.8million growth funding, physical works sitting in 28/29 - request funding be brought forward at the direction of the governing body • Papahua (new local (sports) park in Belmont, Pukekohe) Increase allocation of growth funding beyond the \$5million currently allocated and bring forward funding – physical works in 28/29 • Ray Fausset Reserve, Pukekohe Stage 2 – bulk of funding currently sitting in 2026/2027 and 2027/2028+ - request this \$1.05million be brought forward • Poohutukawa, 77 Tahuna Minhinnick Drive, Glenbrook Beach Local board approved acquisition in 2016 – \$1.22 million currently sitting in 2029/2030. Request this be brought forward • Clevedon Village Heart Concept Plan \$3.1million with delivery in 29/30 and 30/31 – request this be brought forward
<p>Clevedon Showgrounds</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request discrete funding in lighting and sports field development at Clevedon Showgrounds, as outlined in the local board funded Clevedon Showgrounds masterplan, noting the significant population transformation of this previously rural area where reverse sensitivity issues may put risk to optimising sports fields • Note the Franklin Local Board is intending to invest further in the development of Clevedon Showgrounds facilities and advocate for growth funding in due course.
<p>Joint advocacy: Karaka Sports Park, Karaka (Franklin Local Board area)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request allocation of discrete (unallocated) project funding to the Karaka Sports Park and Community Hub project, noting that this project is shovel ready (noting that Auckland Council investment business case was completed in 2020). • This project responds to greenfield development in Hingaia (Papakura), Karaka, Clarks Beach and Drury. The Franklin Local Board is investing in elements of this plan with local capex as budgets allow.
<p>Joint advocacy: Drury Sports Park (Papakura Local Board area)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant growth in wider Drury will generate pressure on Drury Sports Park (on the border of Papakura and Franklin Local Board areas). • Request that funding for the delivery of the Drury Sports Park concept plan be scheduled to enable Papakura and Franklin Local Boards to make complimentary investment for the benefit of local communities i.e. rather than wait for new land to be acquired through the Drury development process. Franklin has started discussion on asset optimisation to partly fund this project.

<p>Joint Advocacy - Opaheke Sports Park concept plan (Papakura LB area)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opaheke Sports Park is an asset that has unrealised potential to deliver to new and growing communities on the border of Franklin and Papakura. • Request that growth funding for sportsfield sand carpeting, drainage and irrigation be brought forward from 2028/2029
<p>Support to deliver equitable enforcement outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roaming dogs and animals • Consent compliance • Freedom camping • Noise • Kauri dieback programme compliance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enforcement and compliance of bylaws and consents not equitably delivered across the region despite additional 16 positions in LTP • deprivation of service in outer areas of Auckland; service doesn't seem to be allocated based on need • request additional attention from the Governing body on this issue i.e. request that staff provide advice on how to address this service deficit, noting this may mean more funding in the short term while regulation is reviewed to support practical and enforceable regulation; or a diversion of resource from the city centre, particularly in summer where visitation to coastlines and poor behaviour increases.
<p>Continue to recognise and enable Local Boards' governance over Community Facilities, and enable effective as well as efficient service delivery</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Community Facilities Network Plan is being planned as a regional policy refresh • Parks and Community Facilities Maintenance Contract (Project 27) is also imminent • Local Board both govern and fund Community Facilities (with exceptions being regional parks) • Asking for Governing Body support to ensure that Local Boards are at the forefront of any planning, policy or delivery of Community Facilities, including setting the scope and endorsing the approach for this sort of work • Note that the recent Pools and Leisure Facilities Management contracts and Golf Facilities Network Planning projects have been poor examples of Local Board empowered decision making • The board is asking for Governing Body advocacy to the organisation on this point.