

**Date:** Thursday 1 May 2025  
**Time:** 1:30 pm  
**Meeting Room:** Manurewa Local Board Office  
**Venue:** 7 Hill Road  
Manurewa

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## Manurewa Local Board

# OPEN MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

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## Manurewa Local Board feedback on Annual Plan 2025-2026 regional topics

### Overall direction

Proposal	Support / Do not support	Local board input
<p><b>The overall plan</b> This includes prioritising investment in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• transport</li> <li>• water; and</li> <li>• fairer funding for local communities.</li> </ul> <p>An average 5.8 per cent rates increase</p>	Support	<p>In particular, the local board support the following focus areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement fairer funding for local boards.</li> <li>• Increase the Sports and Recreation Facilities</li> <li>• Investment Fund to address the deficit in some sports facilities in Auckland.</li> <li>• Progress urgent community asset renewals to safeguard our facilities from asset failure and support high-priority growth projects.</li> <li>• Repair 95 per cent of potholes on main arterial routes within 24 hours of notification.</li> </ul> <p>Noting the feedback through consultation from individuals in Manurewa:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 46% support all</li> <li>• 25% support most</li> <li>• 14% do not support most</li> <li>• 8% do not support any</li> <li>• 4% do not know</li> </ul>
<p><b>Destination management and major events</b> Introducing a bed night visitor levy on short-stay commercial accommodation, to fund destination management, marketing and major events</p>	Support	<p>There is a need to ensure an equity lens is applied and the board request that more major events are held in South Auckland as everyone should have access to these major events, which are a key part of Auckland's identity, including PolyFest.</p> <p>Noting the feedback through consultation from individuals in Manurewa:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 56% support</li> <li>• 21% do not support</li> <li>• 5% other</li> <li>• 17% do not know</li> </ul>

### 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	<p>Noting the feedback through consultation from individuals in Manurewa:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 47% support</li> <li>• 19% do not support</li> <li>• 4% other</li> <li>• 11% do not know</li> </ul>

Introduction of the refuse targeted rate to the former districts of Rodney and Franklin.	Defer to Franklin and Rodney Local Boards	
Animal management fees: increase dog adoption fee from \$350 to \$450	Partial support	<p>Would support increasing the fee to \$400.</p> <p>Noting the board is concerned about increasing the cost to responsible dog owners and whether increasing the cost will disincentivise people from adopting dogs.</p> <p>The board is concerned about the effect this could have on the number of roaming dogs, which is a serious concern in Manurewa. Other organisations, such as the SPCA, have a cheaper cost to adopting dogs, which will deter people from adopting from council services, therefore increasing issue of dogs in shelters.</p>
Animal management fees: increase vet fee from \$75 to \$150.	Support	
Changes to some cemetery fees	Support	
Realign 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	

### Manurewa Local Board key advocacy initiatives

Initiative	Description
Local board funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retain the fairer funding allocation.</li> <li>There is a need to allocate an equitable funding distribution to ensure our public facilities and spaces are welcoming, meet the demands of our diverse communities and deliver sustainability outcomes.</li> <li>One year of reprieve from cost pressure increases is not enough, especially when local boards are lacking advice and time to allow for good decision-making.</li> <li>An increase in staff resourcing is required, in particular, local board facing staff, to provide quality, strategic advice to empower local boards and the role.</li> </ul>
Manurewa Netball and Community Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allocate top-up funding to replace the roof leak and seismic repairs at Manurewa Netball and Community Centre.</li> <li>As a local asset, the local board is being asked to pay for these repairs. This means other assets in desperate need of maintenance will be compromised due to the lack of available budget.</li> <li>The board received a very small increase to the capex budget, and with this and Te Matariki Clendon Community Centre and Library, it means that there is little budget for the delivery of any other renewal projects.</li> </ul>

Local procurement opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apply stronger requirements for Governing Body and council-controlled organisations to buy goods and services that create local employment opportunities, especially for young people.</li> </ul>
Growth funding for Clendon Reserve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request the \$4.2 million in growth funding allocated to deliver projects in the Clendon Reserve concept plan that was originally forecast for delivery in 2024/2025 and has now been pushed out to 2028/2029, be re-introduced in the upcoming three year capital work programme, noting this project delivers for a community of greatest need and that the budget keeps being deferred.</li> </ul>
Unlock/Transform Manurewa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request Manurewa to be included in Eke Panuku's development programme as part of the priority programmes</li> </ul>
Waste minimisation and illegal dumping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintain the current weekly frequency of household rubbish collections</li> <li>Reviewing the council's current inorganic and investigate ways to remove barriers for residents to enable easy ways to dispose of surplus inorganic waste.</li> </ul>
Local economic development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request a greater emphasis on local economic development within Council, and for local boards to be provided with quality advice and increased staff capacity in this space to enable them to play a key role in the development and growth of local economic development.</li> </ul>
PCF budget allocated based on need	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request that the regionally allocated response budget for repairs and maintenance is increased and distributed on the basis of differing local needs. For example, Manurewa experiences a high level of vandalism and unauthorised use of its assets and the response budget is currently insufficient and exhausted early in the financial year.</li> <li>Manurewa is experiencing a high level of unauthorised use of its sports fields and council needs to implement an agreed regional standard for sports fields so all clubs and users have a similar user experience regardless of location.</li> </ul>
Local boards to be given greater flexibility and clarity over their budgets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request local boards are given greater flexibility and clarity over their budgets and decision-making.</li> <li>Local boards are making governance decisions but without a clear idea over what they control, including how the budgets are being allocated locally, including maintenance contracts.</li> <li>An example of allowing local boards more flexibility with their budget includes accelerating the delivery of key physical infrastructure by allowing local boards to convert OPEX to CAPEX. This would allow historically underfunded boards to catch up with the standard of facilities that other boards across Auckland have enjoyed.</li> </ul>