

I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Ōrākei Local Board will be held on:

**Date:** Thursday, 1 May 2025  
**Time:** 12:00 pm  
**Meeting Room:** Ōrākei Local Board Office  
**Venue:** 25 St Johns Road  
Meadowbank

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## Ōrākei Local Board

### OPEN AGENDA

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## 1 Nau mai | Welcome

Chairperson S Milne will welcome those present with a karakia.

## 2 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

## 3 Te Whakapuaki i te Whai Pānga | Declaration of Interest

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

## 4 Ngā Pakihi Autaia | Extraordinary Business

Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended) states:

“An item that is not on the agenda for a meeting may be dealt with at that meeting if-

- (a) The local authority by resolution so decides; and
- (b) The presiding member explains at the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public,-
  - (i) The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
  - (ii) The reason why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.”

Section 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended) states:

“Where an item is not on the agenda for a meeting,-

- (a) That item may be discussed at that meeting if-
  - (i) That item is a minor matter relating to the general business of the local authority; and
  - (ii) the presiding member explains at the beginning of the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public, that the item will be discussed at the meeting; but
- (b) no resolution, decision or recommendation may be made in respect of that item except to refer that item to a subsequent meeting of the local authority for further discussion.”



# Annual Plan 2025-2026: local board consultation feedback and input

File No.: CP2025/07749

Item 5

## Te take mō te pūrongo Purpose of the report

1. To receive consultation feedback from the Ōrākei Local Board area on:
  - proposed priorities and activities for the Ōrākei Local Board Agreement 2025/2026
  - regional topics for the Annual Plan 2025/2026.
2. To recommend any local matters or advocacy initiatives to the Governing Body for consideration or decision-making as part of the Annual Plan 2025/2026 process.
3. To provide input on the proposed regional topics in the Annual Plan 2025/2026 to the Governing Body.

## Whakarāpopototanga matua Executive summary

4. Local board agreements outline annual funding priorities, activities, budgets, levels of service, performance measures and initiatives for each local board area. The 2025/2026 local board agreements will be included in the Auckland Council's Annual Plan 2025/2026.
5. Auckland Council (the council) publicly consulted from 28 February to 28 March 2025 to gather community feedback on the proposed Annual Plan 2025/2026. This included consultation on the Ōrākei Local Board's proposed priorities for 2025/2026 to be included in their local board agreement and key priorities for the Annual Plan 2025/2026.
6. Council received 13,016 submissions in total across the region and 717 submissions from the Ōrākei Local Board area. The majority of local submitters supported all or most of the overall plan and the local board proposals.
7. As part of the Annual Plan process, local boards provide recommendations to the Governing Body for consideration or decision-making. This includes any local board advocacy initiatives. The Governing Body will consider these matters during the Annual Plan decision-making process in May and June 2025, including:
  - any new/amended business improvement district targeted rates
  - any new/amended local targeted rate proposals
  - the release of local board specific reserve funds
  - any other local board advocacy initiatives.
8. Local boards have a statutory responsibility to provide input into regional strategies, policies, plans, and bylaws. This report provides an opportunity for the local board to provide input on council's Annual Plan 2025/2026.

## Ngā tūtohunga Recommendations

That the Ōrākei Local Board:

- a) receive consultation feedback on the proposed Ōrākei Local Board priorities and activities for 2025/2026.
- b) receive consultation feedback on regional topics in the Annual Plan 2025/2026 from people and organisations based in the Ōrākei Local Board area.
- c) recommend any new or amended local targeted rate proposals to the Governing Body.
- d) provide input on regional topics in the proposed Annual Plan 2025/2026 and key advocacy initiatives to the Governing Body.

## Horopaki Context

9. Each financial year Auckland Council must have a local board agreement (as agreed between the Governing Body and the relevant local board) for each local board area. The local board agreement outlines how the council will reflect priorities of the Ōrākei Local Board Plan 2023 in respect of the local activities to be provided in the local board area, and also includes information on budgets, levels of service, and performance measures.
10. The Local Board Agreements 2025/2026 will form part of the council's Annual Plan 2025/2026.
11. Council publicly consulted from 28 February to 28 March 2025 to seek community feedback on the proposed Annual Plan 2025/2026. The consultation content included information on regional proposals to be decided by the Governing Body, and information on the Ōrākei Local Board's proposed priorities for 2025/2026 to be included in their local board agreement for 2025/2026.
12. Local boards have a statutory responsibility to identify and communicate the interests and preferences of people in their local board area in relation to the Annual Plan 2025/2026.

## Tātaritanga me ngā tohutohu Analysis and advice

13. This report includes analysis of consultation feedback, any local matters to be recommended to the Governing Body and seeks input on regional topics in the proposed Annual Plan 2025/2026.

## Consultation feedback overview

14. As part of the public consultation for the Annual Plan 2025/2026 Auckland Council used a variety of methods and channels to reach and engage a broad cross section of Aucklanders to gain their feedback and input into regional and local topics.
15. In total, council received feedback from 13,016 people in the consultation period. This feedback was received through:
  - written feedback – 10,011 hard copy and online forms, emails and letters
  - in person – 3,001 pieces of feedback in person and through 89 Have Your Say events (one of which were held in the Ōrākei Local Board area). The tables and graphs below indicate the demographic categories people identified with. This information only relates to those submitters who provided demographic information.
  - Neurodiverse Online Audio – four feedback forms.



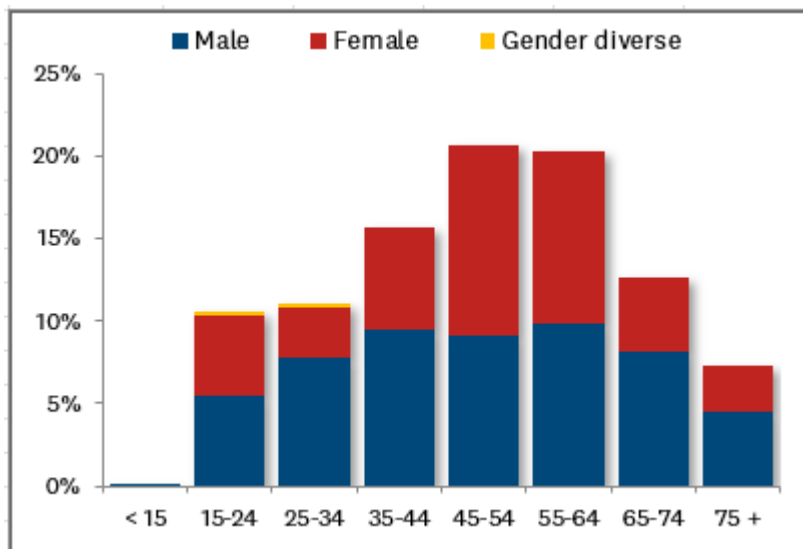
16. Out of the 13,016 pieces of feedback received regionally, 717 were from people or organisations from the Ōrākei Local Board area.

**Information on submitters**

17. The tables and graphs below indicate the demographic categories self-identified by submitters. This information only relates to those submitters from the Ōrākei Local Board area who provided demographic information.

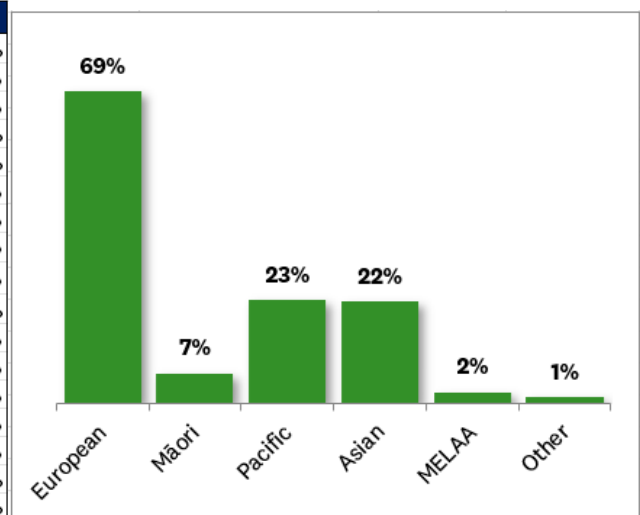
*Table & Graph: Age and gender of submitters from the Ōrākei area.*

Age	Male	Female	Another g	Total
Under 15	1	0	0	1
15-24	32	28	1	63
25-34	45	18	1	67
35-44	55	36	0	92
45-54	53	67	0	122
55-64	57	61	0	119
65-74	47	26	0	74
75+	26	16	0	42
<b>Total</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>580</b>



*Table & Graph: Ethnicity of submitters from Ōrākei area.*

Ethnicity	#	%
<b>European</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>69%</b>
Pākehā/NZ European	320	66%
Other European	14	3%
<b>Māori</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>Pasifika</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>23%</b>
Samoan	6	1%
Cook Islands Māori	0	0%
Tongan	96	20%
Other Pasifika	8	2%
<b>Asian</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>22%</b>
Chinese	64	13%
Indian	16	3%
Southeast Asian	17	3%
Korean	5	1%
Other Asian	7	1%
<b>African/Middle Eastern/Latin</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1%</b>

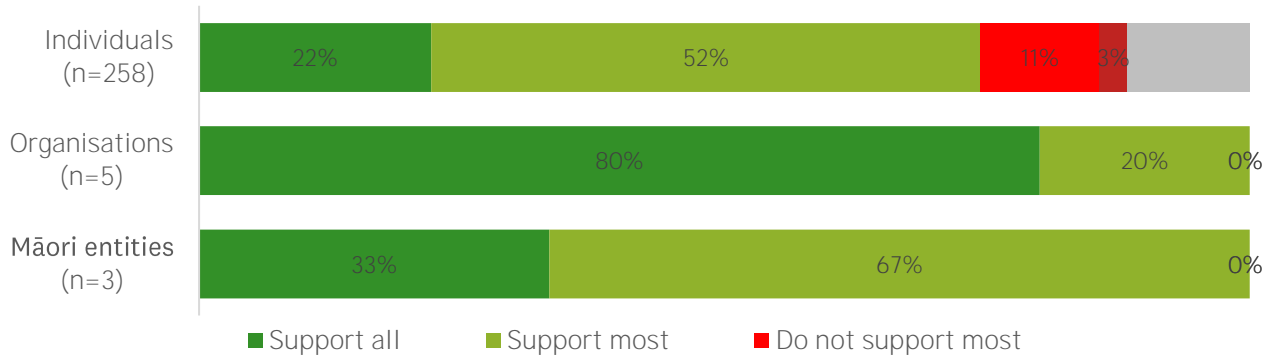


18. All feedback is available on the council webpage called “Feedback on the Annual Plan 2025/2026” and will be accessible after 22 April 2025 through the following link:  
<https://akhaveyoursay.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/annual-plan-2025-2026/feedback-annual-plan-2025-2026>.
19. During the consultation period, the question “*What do you think of our proposals for our local board area in 2025/2026?*” was discovered to be missing from the online feedback form, affecting 121 submissions for Ōrākei Local Board (around 1,700 submissions in total). The issue was later corrected, and affected submitters were contacted with a link to provide feedback on this question before the consultation closed on 28 March. Of the affected submissions, 40 submitters responded to the missing question (376 in total). A review was conducted to identify the cause of the error and prevent similar issues in the future.

## Feedback received on the Ōrākei Local Board’s priorities for 2025/2026 and the Annual Plan 2025/2026

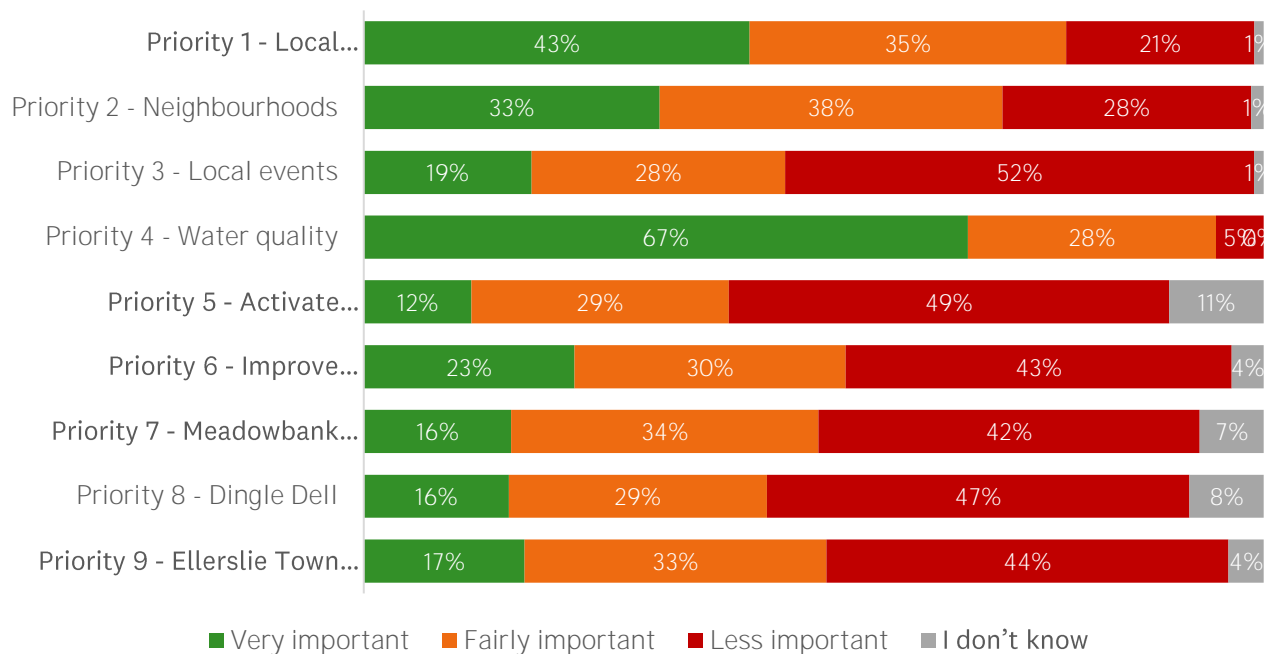
20. The Ōrākei Local Board consulted on the following local priorities for 2025/2026:
  - Priority 1: Increase our funding for local ecological restoration, and animal and plant pest control, and continue to work with our many community volunteers to enhance our natural environment
  - Priority 2: Continue local initiatives to enhance neighbourhood connections and increase safety and emergency preparedness, such as through funding for Neighbourhood Support
  - Priority 3: Fund and support local events, such as Splash Landing, Anzac services, and an event to celebrate the re-opening of Remuera Library to showcase our spaces and benefit local residents and businesses
  - Priority 4: Maintain efforts to monitor and improve water quality in our local waterways
  - Priority 5: Continue activating facilities at Tagalad Reserve and The Landing
  - Priority 6: Progress detailed design and consent work for Thomas Bloodworth Park and Shore Road East sports fields, and for field and sports infrastructure at Colin Maiden Park, and renew artificial playing surfaces at Michaels Avenue Reserve
  - Priority 7: Find a new partner to develop the Meadowbank Community Centre
  - Priority 8: Develop an action plan to improve access and the environment at Dingle Dell
  - Priority 9: Work to enhance the Ellerslie Town Square by improving access, activation ability, safety and public amenity through improved tree management, landscaping and seating.
21. 266 submissions were received on Ōrākei Local Board’s proposal overall. Note that within that number, there are submissions from people and organisations residing in the *Ōrākei* area, as well as people and organisations that may reside somewhere else but have interest or work within the area.
  - 200 respondents support all or most of the priorities.
  - 36 respondents do not support most or all of the priorities.
  - 30 indicated they did not know.

Graph: Level of support for the local board proposal overall.



22. Varying slightly with each item, around 280 submitters ranked each of the nine priorities as very important, fairly important, less important or I don't know.

Graph: Local board priorities for 2025/26 – level of importance.



23. Consultation feedback on local board priorities will be considered by the local board when approving their local board agreement between 10-12 June 2025.

**Key themes**

24. Key themes of note across the feedback received (through written and in-person channels) included:

- Stop wasteful spending/Reduce council costs
- Focus on core services
- Support for environmental initiatives

**Overview of feedback received on regional topics in the Annual Plan from the Ōrākei Local Board area**

25. The proposed Annual Plan 2025/2026 builds on the Long-term Plan 2024-2034 (LTP), setting out council's priorities and how services and investments are proposed to be funded. Consultation on the proposed Annual Plan 2025/2026 asked submitters to respond to key questions related to:

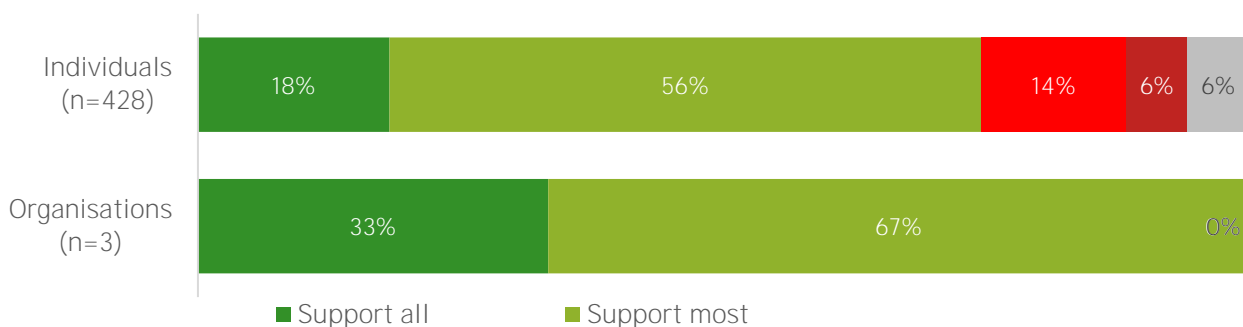
- the overall plan
- destination management and major events
- changes to other rates, fees and charges
- local board priorities.

26. Submitters were also encouraged to provide feedback on any of other matters included in the Annual Plan 2025/2026 consultation document.
27. The submissions received from the Ōrākei Local Board area on these key issues are summarised below, along with an overview of any other areas of feedback on regional proposals with a local impact.

**Key Question 1: Overall Plan**

28. Aucklanders were asked whether they support the overall plan including prioritising investment in:
- transport
  - water
  - fairer funding for local communities.
29. The consultation document for the Annual Plan 2025/2026 also outlined the proposed funding approach which includes a 5.8 percent rates increase for the average value residential property, consistent with the LTP, and additional debt financing to fund \$4 billion in capital expenditure.
30. The proposed 5.8 percent rates increase for the average value residential property for 2025/2026 includes the following proposed rates changes:
- an average general rates increase of 6.40 percent for existing ratepayers
  - an average increase of 3.5 per cent to the Natural Environment Targeted Rate (NETR) and Climate Action Transport Targeted Rate (CATTR) for existing ratepayers, as set out in the LTP
  - an average increase of \$2.12 in the Water Quality Targeted Rate (WQTR) to cover the operating and interest costs for the programme, as set out in the LTP
  - a 3.3 percent increase to the overall Waste Management Targeted Rate (WMTR) for the typical household.
31. The graphs below give an overview of the responses from the Ōrākei Local Board area.

*Graph: Q1. What is your opinion on our proposed plan?*

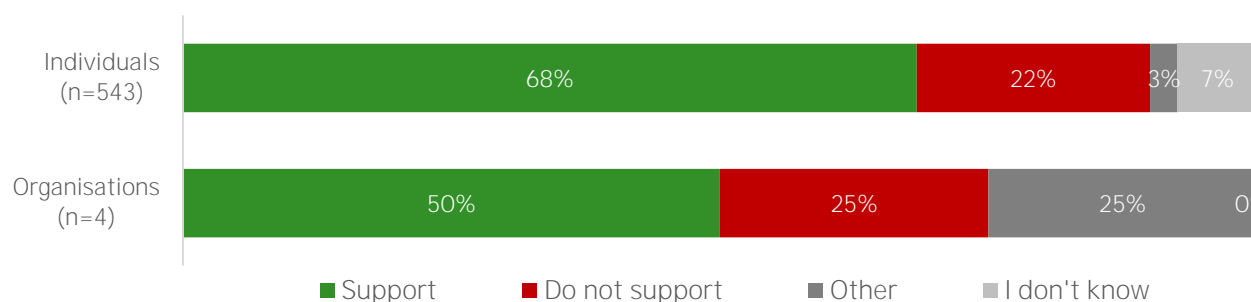


32. 75 percent of respondents (322) support all or most of the proposal. The key themes were:
- rate increase concerns (81 comments)
  - improve public transport (58 comments)
  - stop wasteful spending (54 comments)

## Key Question 2: Destination management and major events

33. Aucklanders were asked for feedback on a bed night visitor levy paid by those in short-stay commercial accommodation, to fund destination management, marketing and major events. Without such a levy, a \$7 million budget shortfall for the 2025/2026 financial year could impact the funding for major events that are expected to attract visitor expenditure, such as the ASB Classic, Auckland Marathon, and Auckland Writers Festival.
34. A bed night visitor levy of 2.5 to 3 percent paid by those in short-stay accommodation would raise around \$27 million annually to fund even more destination management, marketing and major events activities in Auckland. However, this requires central government legislative change. Council continues to work with central government on this, with public feedback helping to inform this work.
35. The graphs below give an overview of the 547 responses from the Ōrākei Local Board area.

*Graph: Q2. Do you support a bed night visitor levy paid by those in short-stay accommodation, to fund destination management, marketing and major events activities?*



36. 68 per cent of respondents (373) support the proposal. Key themes were:
  - need for public event funding (79 comments)
  - reduce local residents' costs (45 comments)
  - visitor contribution to infrastructure (35 comments)

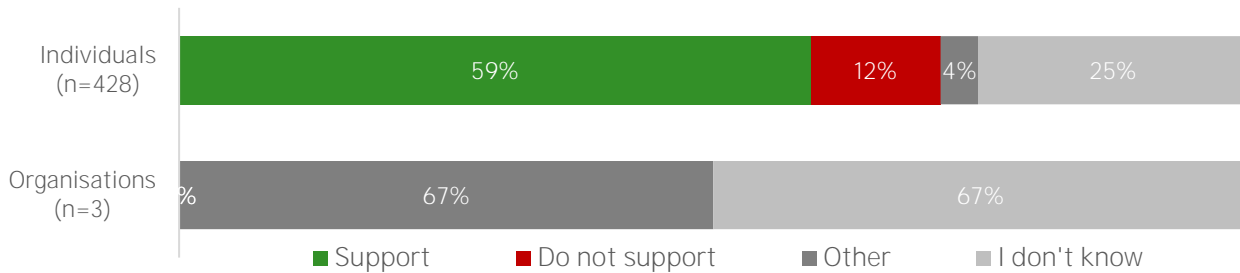
## Key Question 3: changes to other rates, fees and charges

37. Aucklanders were asked to provide feedback on proposed changes to certain targeted rates and some fees and charges as outlined below.

### Waste management rates changes

38. Aucklanders were asked whether they support applying the Refuse Targeted Rate to residential and lifestyle properties in Franklin and Rodney to fund the council's rubbish collection service, replacing the current system of purchasing rubbish bags.
39. Starting in 2025/2026, residential and lifestyle properties in Franklin and Rodney will be charged a refuse targeted rate for the first time. Franklin's rate will cover a full year of service, while Rodney's will be about 83 percent of the full charge due to its scheduled September 2025 start date. Additionally, from July 2025, waste management services and targeted rates will be introduced in Manukau's commercial areas where the service isn't presently available.
40. There were 432 submissions from the Ōrākei Local Board area in response to the proposed changes to the Refuse Targeted Rate for Franklin and Rodney.

*Graph: Q2. What do you think of the waste management proposal?*



### Changes to fees and charges

41. Other proposed changes to fees and charges included in the consultation document for the Annual Plan 2025/2026 include:
- changes to some animal management fees including an increase in the dog adoption fee from \$350 to \$450 and an increase vet fee from \$75 to \$150
  - fees for some cemetery and cremation services
  - realigning bach fees into pricing tiers based on occupancy levels, capacity, and location
  - aligning staff charge-out rates with staff pay bands for services in regional parks
42. There were 253 submissions from the Ōrākei Local Board area responding to this question. While some do reference these fees, it seems there was a low-level understanding around what was being proposed. The most frequent comments were around rates increase concerns.

### Other matters for feedback

43. The following matters were also included in the consultation in the Long-term Plan:

#### Draft Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2025/2026

44. Aucklanders were asked for feedback on the draft Tūpuna Maunga Authority (TMA) Operational Plan 2025/2026 which sets out a framework in which the council must carry out the routine management of 14 Tūpuna Maunga, under the direction of the Tūpuna Maunga Authority.
45. There were 20 submissions from the Ōrākei Local Board area which referenced the TMA plan. Most were supportive of the TMA and its activities. A minority of respondents didn't know what the TMA does or do not support its purpose.

### Any other feedback

46. Aucklanders were asked if they had any other comments. The key themes provided to this question were similar across all submissions:
- dissatisfaction with council
  - stop wasteful spending/reduce council costs
  - infrastructure needed/focus on core services.

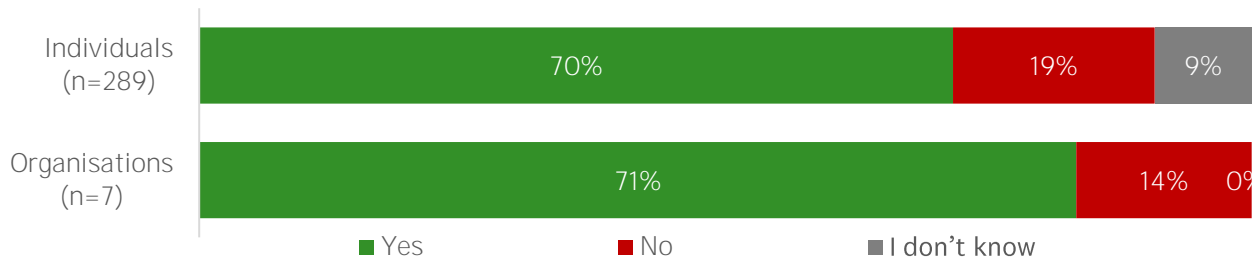
### Recommendations on local matters

47. This report provides for the local board to recommend local matters to the Governing Body for consideration as part of the Annual Plan process, in May 2025. This includes:
- any new/amended local targeted rate proposals
  - any new/amended business improvement district targeted rates
  - release of local board specific reserve funds
  - local advocacy initiatives.

## Local targeted rate and business improvement district (BID) targeted rate proposals

48. Local boards are required to endorse any new or amended local targeted rate proposals or business improvement district (BID) targeted rate proposals in their local board area. These proposals must have been consulted on before they can be implemented. The local boards then recommend these proposals to the Governing Body for approval of the targeted rate.
49. The targeted rate proposal in the Ōrākei Local Board area for 2025/2026 is establishing a targeted rate for Seawall Repair from Tāmaki Yacht Club to Achilles Point, St Heliers.
50. There were 298 submissions from the Ōrākei Local Board area responding to this question:
  - 208 respondents support investigation of the proposal
  - 55 respondents do not support investigation of the proposal
  - 27 respondents indicated they did not know
  - one Māori entity, Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Trust, supports investigation of the proposal.
51. Most of the 55 respondents that did not support the proposal referenced that this should be funded regionally or within existing funding.

*Graph: Seawall Repair from Tāmaki Yacht Club to Achilles Point, St Heliers: Do you think we should investigate this proposal?*



## Local board specific reserve funds

52. Local boards are allocated funding for the delivery of local services, projects and programmes that are important to their communities. Local boards have decision making over the allocation of these funds, but need approval from the Governing Body where the release of local board specific reserve funds is requested, which are being held by the council for a specific purpose.
53. This does not apply to the Ōrākei Local Board for the 2025/2026 financial year.

## Local board advocacy

54. Local boards can also agree advocacy initiatives which considers the consultation feedback above. This allows the Governing Body to consider these advocacy items when making decisions on the Annual Plan 2025/2026 in May.
55. The advocacy initiatives approved by the local board will then be included as an appendix to the 2025/2026 Local Board Agreement.

## Local board input on regional topics in the Annual Plan 2025/2026

56. Local boards have a statutory responsibility for identifying and communicating the interests and preferences of the people in its local board area in relation to Auckland Council's strategies, policies, plans, and bylaws, and any proposed changes to be made to them. This report provides an opportunity for the local board to provide input on council's proposed Annual Plan 2025/2026.
57. Local board plans reflect community priorities and preferences and are key documents that guide the development of local board agreements, local board annual work programmes, and local board input into regional plans such as the long-term plan and annual plan.



## **Tauākī whakaaweawe āhuarangi** **Climate impact statement**

58. The decisions recommended in this report are part of the Annual Plan 2025/2026 and local board agreement process to approve funding and expenditure over the next year.
59. Projects allocated funding through this Annual Plan process will all have varying levels of potential climate impact associated with them. The climate impacts of projects Auckland Council chooses to progress, are all assessed carefully as part of council's rigorous reporting requirements.

## **Ngā whakaaweawe me ngā tirohanga a te rōpū Kaunihera** **Council group impacts and views**

60. The Annual Plan 2025/2026 is a council Group document and will include budgets at a consolidated group level. Consultation items and updates to budgets to reflect decisions and new information may include items from across the group.

## **Ngā whakaaweawe ā-rohe me ngā tirohanga a te poari ā-rohe** **Local impacts and local board views**

61. The local board's decisions and feedback are being sought in this report. The local board has a statutory role in providing its feedback on regional plans.
62. Local boards play an important role in the development of the council's Annual Plan 2025/2026. Local board agreements form part of the Annual Plan. Local board chairs have been invited to attend Budget Committee workshops. Local board members were provided recordings or briefings of the Budget Committee workshops for the Annual Plan 2025/2026.

## **Tauākī whakaaweawe Māori** **Māori impact statement**

63. Many local board decisions are of importance to and impact Māori. Local board agreements and the Annual Plan are important tools that enable and can demonstrate the council's responsiveness to Māori Outcomes.
64. Local board plans, developed in 2023 through engagement with the community including Māori, form the basis of local board area priorities.
65. Some projects approved for funding could have discernible impacts on Māori. For any project or programme progressed by council, the potential impacts on Māori, will be assessed as part of relevant reporting requirements.
66. Analysis of consultation feedback received on the proposed Annual Plan includes submissions made by mana whenua, mataawaka organisations and the wider Māori community who have interests in the rohe / local board area.
67. The Governance team led the council-wide approach with support from Ngā Mātārae on engagement with Māori entities. This included:
  - three information sessions for mana whenua on submissions and the process for submissions
  - five information sessions for mataawaka on submissions and the process for submissions
  - one hearing style event for mana whenua and mataawaka groups
68. 19 mana whenua entities have interests in the Auckland Council rohe. 13 of the 19 provided verbal or written submissions on the council's proposals for the Annual Plan 2025/2026.
69. There were six oral submissions from mana whenua and six oral submissions from mataawaka at the Have your Say Event.



70. Māori comprise seven percent of the population in the Ōrākei Local Board area. 32 submissions from people who identify as Māori were received from people residing in the Ōrākei Local Board area. This represents four percent of total 717 submissions.
71. The following mana whenua and mataawaka organisations gave feedback on the Ōrākei Local Board priorities with their feedback in brackets:
- Mana whenua entities:
    - Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Trust (Supports all)
    - Ngaati Whanaunga Inc (Supports most)
  - Mataawaka entities:
    - Hapua Thrive (Supports most)
72. Twelve mana whenua entities with interests in Ōrākei area gave feedback on the regional priorities. Below is a summary:
- **Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei (submission ID 6705):** emphasizes stronger Māori representation, especially in Kaipara, and seeks clarity on cultural event funding under the proposed bed levy. They support local board empowerment, urupā development, and Māori outcomes funding, while urging better consultation and infrastructure planning. They remain neutral on CCO changes.
  - **Ngāti Pāoa (submission ID 9497):** seeks political and planning support for a master plan to develop Omaru Reserve into a tribal community, including housing and community facilities. With Treaty settlement expected by 2025/26, they call for co-governance, investment, and updated planning to unlock this opportunity for Auckland and strengthen Crown-iwi relations.
  - **Te Kawerau ā Maki (submission ID 8557):** supports the Annual Plan and stresses the need for a stronger Treaty partnership. Proposes a formal agreement, CPI-adjusted capacity funding, and a shared work programme to enhance iwi-Council collaboration.
  - **Te Ākitai Waiohua (submission ID 8559):** calls for meaningful Māori involvement in funding and planning decisions, particularly Local Board funding and infrastructure projects. Seeks long-term investment, equitable processes, and co-governance structures.
  - **Ngāti Whanaunga (submission ID 8739):** expresses partial support for the proposal, like the Tupuna Maunga Authority plan and waste initiatives but largely opposes the budget due to lack of transparency and investment in iwi-led work. Calls for te Tiriti-based partnership, co-governance, and support for rural, low-income whānau.
  - **Ngāti Maru (submission ID 8568):** supports council goals of fiscal responsibility and sustainable growth, while calling for stronger mana whenua engagement. Endorses the bed levy and urges reinvestment into Māori tourism and youth development, with an emphasis on mana motuhake and tino rangatiratanga.
  - **Ngāti Tamaterā (submission ID 8548):** focuses on advancing wellbeing across six areas, advocating for co-governance, protection of cultural sites, and equitable funding. Raises concerns about centralised decision-making and supports the visitor levy and sustainability, provided iwi are partners in planning and delivery.

- **Ngāti Tamaoho (submission ID 7885):** urges council to fund the Manukau Harbour strategy and a business case for regenerating Manurewa and Ōtāhuhu. Calls for support for Matariki events, youth initiatives, and climate-resilient marae infrastructure, particularly for Whātāpaka. Finally, it advocates for increased investment in the Marae Infrastructure Programme to address climate change risks, especially sea level rise, which threatens marae like Whātāpaka.
- **Te Ahiwaru (submission ID 9389):** generally supports the Annual Plan, highlighting the need for Ngahere strategy inclusion. Backs improved safety measures and emphasizes the importance of Te Ahiwaru relationships and sustainability.
- **Ngāti Rehua Ngātiwai ki Aotea (submission ID 8746):** the priorities of the regional plan do not align with mana whenua aspirations. Generally not supportive of the proposed fairer funding model because it further disadvantages mana whenua on Aotea due to the compounding costs of isolation.
- **Te Patukirikiri (submission ID 8538):** urge council to further improve mana whenua engagement by moving more towards genuine partnership with Māori. Encourage council to embed mātauranga Māori principles more deeply within environmental strategies; increase investment in indigenous arts, marae development, and cultural festivals; stronger procurement policies that actively prioritize Māori businesses; and increased investment in papakāinga and Māori-led housing projects.
- **Te Runanga o Ngāti Whātua (submission ID 8549):** support the bed-night levy with an emphasis on Māori and Pasifika events. Also support fairer funding to the end that it gives greater voices to mana whenua.
- **Te Uri o Hau (submission ID 3292):** overall, support the proposed annual plan.

## Ngā ritenga ā-pūtea Financial implications

73. The local board provides input to regional plans and proposals. There is information in the council's consultation material for each plan or proposal with the financial implications of each option outlined for consideration.



## Ngā raru tūpono me ngā whakamaurutanga Risks and mitigations

74. The council must adopt its Annual Plan, which includes local board agreements, by 30 June 2025. The local board is required to make recommendations on these local matters for the Annual Plan by mid-May 2025, to enable and support the Governing Body to make decisions on key items to be included in the Annual Plan on 28 May 2025.

## Ngā koringa ā-muri Next steps

75. Recommendations and feedback from the local board will be provided to the Budget Committee for consideration as part of decision-making for the Annual Plan 2025/2026.
76. The local board will approve its local content for inclusion in the final Annual Plan 2025/2026 (including its local board agreement) and corresponding work programmes in June 2025.
77. The final Annual Plan 2025/2026 (including local board agreements) will be adopted by the Governing Body on 25 June 2025.

## Ngā tāpirihanga Attachments

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## Ngā kaihaina Signatories

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**XXXX** Local Board feedback on Annual Plan 2025-2026 regional topics

**Overall direction**

Proposal	Support / Do not support	Local board input
<b>The overall plan</b> This includes prioritising investment in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• transport</li> <li>• water; and</li> <li>• fairer funding for local communities.</li> </ul> An average 5.8 per cent rates increase		
<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		

**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		
Introduction of the refuse targeted rate to the former districts of Rodney and Franklin.		
Animal management fees: increase dog adoption fee from \$350 to \$450		
Animal management fees: increase vet fee from \$75 to \$150.		
Changes to some cemetery fees		
Realign bach fees into pricing tiers based on occupancy levels, capacity and location		
Align staff charge out rates with staff pay bands for services in regional parks		

**Other matters**

Proposal	Support/Do not support	Local board input

**XXXX** Local Board key advocacy initiatives

Initiative	Description