

**Date:** Thursday 1 May 2025  
**Time:** 10:00 am  
**Meeting Room:** Local Board Office  
**Venue:** 560 Mt Albert Road  
Three Kings

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## **Puketāpapa Local Board**

# **OPEN MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS**

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## Puketāpapa 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>	<p><b>Support in principle</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation material difficult to absorb. Governing Body to consider other ways to engage so that consultation is bespoke. This needs to be community focussed so that people can connect with what is being asked of them.</li> <li>Note limited engagement in overall consultation process.</li> <li>Concern about overall rates increases including targeted rates</li> <li>Rates and council charges increases are becoming untenable for the community while reducing services.</li> <li>Supportive of a user pays approach where appropriate</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>	<p><b>Support</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support establishment of a central government bed night visitor levy, as it responds to actual demand.</li> <li>Support council's continued advocacy to central government for the bed night visitor levy.</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	<b>Support</b>	
Introduction of the refuse targeted rate to the former districts of Rodney and Franklin.	<b>N/A</b>	
Animal management fees: increase dog adoption fee from \$350 to \$450	<b>Support</b>	<b>Support user pay charges</b>
Animal management fees: increase vet fee from \$75 to \$150.	<b>Support</b>	<b>Support user pay charges</b>
Changes to some cemetery fees	<b>Support</b>	<b>Support user pay charges</b>

Realign bach fees into pricing tiers based on occupancy levels, capacity and location	<b>Support</b>	<b>Support user pay charges</b>
Align staff charge out rates with staff pay bands for services in regional parks	<b>Support</b>	<b>Support user pay charges</b>

**Other matters**

Proposal	Support/Do not support	Local board input
Storm recovery and continued development in flood prone areas:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concern that there is no provision made to consider the implications of ceasing development in flood prone areas.</li> <li>Potential to revoke Building consents particularly in light of the new flooding data we have received in the recent Easter weekend floods in Mt Roskill.</li> <li>The vast majority of properties affected over Easter did not experience flooding in the 2023 floods.</li> <li>New consideration needs to be given to the financial impact for Council.</li> </ul>
Environmental and conservation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support the areas of environmental sustainability and conservation of nature as important priorities.</li> </ul>
Maintenance as local parks and facilities		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support the ongoing funding of parks and facilities maintenance and upgrades to benefit growing communities.</li> </ul>

**Puketāpapa Local Board key advocacy initiatives**

Initiative	Description
<b>Investment to meet population growth</b>	<p>The Puketāpapa Local Board continues to advocate for ongoing investment in our area due to its growing population.</p> <p>In order for our community to thrive there needs to be adequate investment in both infrastructure and community facilities that meet the needs of our people.</p>

	<p>We advocate for increased investment into footpaths in the local board area, as many of them are in poor condition or too narrow to utilise safely. Particularly crucial in our growing neighbourhoods.</p>
<b>Improved provision of open space</b>	<p>Improved provision of open space, recreational opportunities and other economic investments are needed to help the Puketāpapa community to thrive.</p> <p>To support sub regional water sports provision objectives, we continue to advocate for a needs assessment to be undertaken for Cameron Pool as part of the wider Community Facilities Network review.</p>
<b>On-going funding</b>	<p>We also advocate for ongoing funding to support provision of other facilities such as sports changing rooms, arts centres and community hubs.</p> <p>The Fickling Centre is a well-utilised facility, but not entirely fit for purpose for those in the community with access needs. The Puketāpapa Local Board request that accessibility needs are considered in ongoing facility reviews for the Fickling Centre.</p>
<b>Flood mitigation and resilience</b>	<p>Recent flooding has again reminded us of the need to be vigilant and proactive about addressing flood risk.</p> <p>The Puketāpapa Local Board continue to advocate for further naturalisation of Te Auaunga/Oakley Creek, Whau and Wairaki catchment and an improvements to the blue-green network.</p> <p>Repair of flood damaged parks / coastal infrastructure and the development of blue-green networks in our area, which will create greater resilience to flooding.</p>
<b>Monte Cecilia Park Master Plan Implementation</b>	<p>Retention of funding for Monte Cecilia Park, noted in the Unitary Plan as having 'exceptional heritage' value to the immediate area and within the wider Auckland region. While a master plan has been produced there is a need to adequately fund the activities that are considered in that master plan.</p>
<b>Economic Development</b>	<p>Investment into local economic development resources and activities.</p>