
Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Workshop

OPEN NOTES

Notes of a Workshop of the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board held in the Manukau Chambers, West Annex, Manukau Service Center, Manukau on Tuesday, 1 July 2025 at 9:00 am.

TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

Chairperson	Apulu Reece Autagavaia	via electronic link from 9.05am
Deputy Chairperson	Vi Hausia	
Members	Dr Ofa Dewes, MNZM	
	Topou Folau	
	Li'amanaia Lorenzo Kaisara	
	Albert Lim	

TE HUNGA KĀORE I TAE MAI | ABSENT

Member	Dr Ashraf Choudhary, QSO, JP
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TE HUNGA ĀPITI KUA TAE MAI | ALSO PRESENT

Rina Tagore	Senior Local Board Advisor
Nicola Mochrie	Local Board Advisor
Claire Bews	Democracy Advisor
Loretta Oosthuysen	PA/Office Manager

A recording of the workshop can be found at the following links;

Tuesday, 1 July 2025 Recording of Ōtara Papatoetoe Local workshop <https://youtu.be/qN6Y-WvSrok>

1 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

There were no apologies.

2 Te Whakapuaki i te Whai Pānga | Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Local Board Workshop

Session 1 – 9.00am – 9.45am

Watercare's Metropolitan Water Strategy

Presenter/s: Chris Allen, (Manager Strategic Planning), Moana Williams (Manager Strategic Relations and Communities), Elizabeth Stewart (Elected Member Relationship Advisor)

Governance role: Keeping informed

Summary of discussions

The Board was updated on the public engagement undertaken from March-May 2025 on water priorities that will inform drafting a Metropolitan Water Strategy. Watercare will complete a draft strategy December-Jan 2026 and offer another round of workshops for local boards in March/April 2026

Session 2 – 9.45am – 10.25am

AT - Buckland Road Pedestrian Crossing Upgrade (LBTCF)

Presenter/s: Jennifer Fraser (Elected Member Relationship), David Liang (AT Project Manager), Minnie Liang (AT Traffic Engineer), Raman Singh (AT Senior Traffic Engineer), Simon Cleaver (Director/Principal Traffic Engineer Solutions)

Governance role: Local initiative / preparing for specific decisions

Summary of discussions

Auckland Transport presented options for the Buckland Road pedestrian crossing upgrade from the Local Board Transport Capital Fund (LBTCF), for Board feedback and discussion.

Note: Session 4: AT - License Plate Recognition Community Education was take prior to Session 3 - AT - Gray Ave Safety Improvements and Bus Stops

Session 4 – 10.25am – 11.00am

AT - License Plate Recognition Community Education

Presenter/s: Jennifer Fraser (Elected Members Relationship Partner), Hannah Ross (Principal communications and engagement), Blake Walker (Marketing Specialist), Michelle D Souza (Senior Specialist Communications and Engagement)

Governance role: Keeping informed

Summary of discussions

Auckland Transport shared with the Board communications planned to educate Aucklanders on licence plate recognition, and received feedback from the Board on the planned social media content.

Session 3 – 11.00am – 11.15am

AT - Gray Ave Safety Improvements and Bus Stops

Presenter/s: Patrick Chan (Principal Transportation), Claire Dixon (CD – Consulting), Christy Borman (Auckland Transport), Jennifer Fraser (Elected Member Relationship)

Governance role: Setting direction / priorities / budget

Summary of discussions

Auckland Transport presented the planned changes to Gray Ave, to make it safer and insert bus stops to serve the new bus service, for Board discussion and feedback.

Break 11.15am – 11.25am

Session 5 – 11.25am – 12.20pm

Fix and Finish Fund

Presenter/s: Bill Teaukura (Manager Area Operations), Anand Thakkar (Work programme lead), Dani Delamere (Sports Facilities Investment Advisor), Emily Wagon (Parks & Places Specialist), Faithe Smith (Lead Financial Advisor), Pippa Sommerville (Head of Play, Sport & Recreation), Rina Tagore (Senior Local Board Advisor), Nicola Mochrie (Local Board Advisor)

Governance role: Local initiative / preparing for specific decisions

Summary of discussions

The Board discussed projects to put forward for the fix and finish fund.

Session 6 – 12.20pm – 12.45pm

R & I - Making Space for Water - Current and planned area works

Presenter/s: Elizabeth Johnson (Principal Healthy Waters), Ignacio Quinteros (Relationship Advisor)

Governance role: Keeping informed

Summary of discussions

The Resilience and Infrastructure Healthy Waters Team provided an update on Making Space for Water, giving details of planned and underway maintenance in the local board area.

The Workshop finished at 12.45 pm