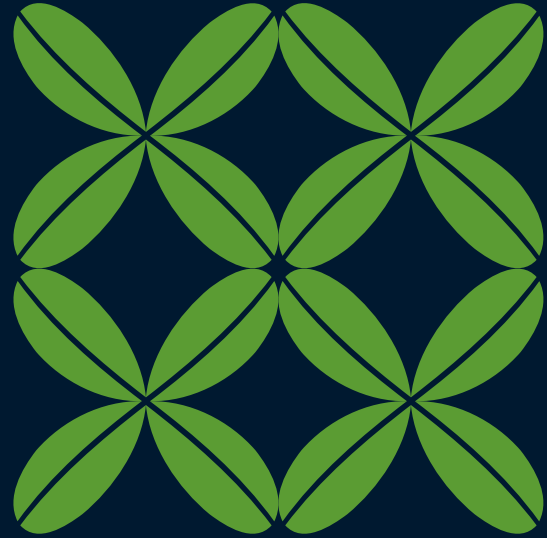
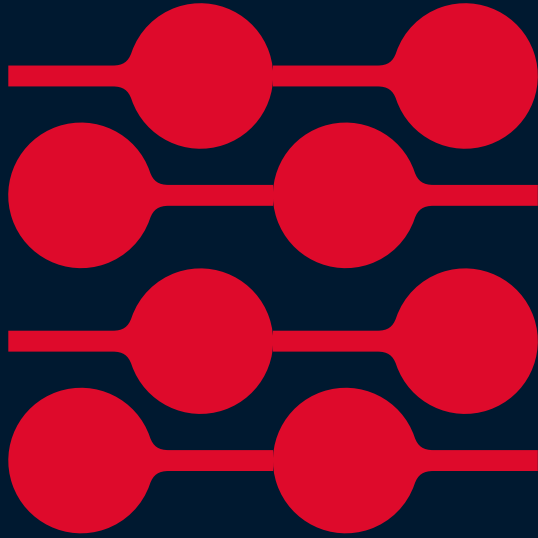




Albert-Eden Local Board Plan 2026 Summary of Feedback





Summary of feedback on the draft Albert-Eden Local Board Plan 2026

Purpose

This report summarises feedback received during the public consultation in June/July to inform the development of the Albert-Eden Local Board Plan. This summary aims to capture themes rather than detail every point of feedback received.

Executive Summary

Local board plans are strategic three-year plans developed in consultation with the community. They set out the direction for the local area reflecting community aspirations and priorities, and guide:

- decisions on local activities, projects, and facilities
- local board input into the council's regional strategies and plans, including the Auckland Plan
- how local boards will work with other agencies, including community groups, central government agencies and council-controlled organisations that play key roles in the area
- funding and investment decisions.

Local board plans focus on the key areas local boards are responsible for and include objectives and some of the key initiatives that will be carried out to achieve them.

Engagement Approach

The draft Albert-Eden Local Board Plan 2026 was developed using feedback received from public engagement carried out between November 2025 and April 2026. Feedback previously heard from the community on a wide range of topics, particularly during the 2026 Annual Budget consultation period, was also considered.

Between 23 June and 23 July 2026, the local board consulted on the draft plan to hear the community's thoughts. Feedback was received through:

- Have Your Say event
- community and partnership events
- written submissions including online and hard copy forms
- emails and letters
- digital tools including the AK Have Your Say website, Your Stories tool and Buzzly (online campaign for rangatahi (youth))

Support was provided to submitters including:

- Translated and interpreted summary draft Local Board Plans and feedback forms in Simplified Chinese and Traditional Chinese
- Easy Read and transcribe options via Council Customer Services
- Information at Auckland Council libraries
- Online webinars and information available on the AK Have Your Say hub page.



This report summarises the key activities that took place and the feedback that was heard during both the early engagement and the consultation period.

Māori engagement

Mana whenua

A co-ordinated approach was taken by local boards so that mana whenua were invited to engage with relevant local boards in one hui rather than receiving separate invitations from each local board. For the Albert-Eden Local Board, engagement took place with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei.

Mana whenua were sent a copy of the draft local board plan in June 2026 and encouraged to provide written feedback through multiple options including through a new iwi feedback form developed specifically for mana whenua to be able to have their say across multiple local boards within their rohe (area of interest). Feedback was received from Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei.

Marae and mātāwaka

A regional partnership was formed with Te Kotahi-ā-Tāmaki (marae collective) for the purposes of engaging with marae across Tāmaki Makaurau, supported by online hui to engage with mātāwaka and marae during the early engagement and consultation periods.

Like the new iwi feedback form, a new marae feedback form developed specifically for marae to be able to have their say in a way that reflected their priorities.

Te Mahurehure marae provided feedback on the draft Albert-Eden Local Board Plan 2026 and Te Kotahi a Tāmaki – Marae Collective provided a regional submission to all local boards.

Stakeholder and community engagement

Table 1: Summary of early engagement activities

Activity	Who was involved	How many people participated
Mana whenua engagement with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei	Staff had a hui with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei on 16 March 2026. Feedback on the plan was submitted formally, as part of the SCP engagement process	Two representatives from Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei
Local stakeholders hui	A group of representatives of local stakeholders and community groups the board has existing connections with were invited for an early engagement thought sharing hui.	10
Albert-Eden Schools Culture Festival information stall	School students and whanau (family) of those participating in the event, elected members ran an information stall,	Over 150
Albert-Eden Garden Festival information stall	Members of the community that attended the festival. Half of the people engaged were Albert-Eden residents	Over 200



The D*List	Staff met with representatives of The D*List	Three
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Table 2: Summary of consultation activities during the consultation period

Activity	Who was involved	How many people participated
Have Your Say Event	Elected members, staff and members of the community.	15
Advisory Panel – Diverse Communities on 2 July - Online	The hui brought together members of Auckland Council’s Demographic Advisory Panels and local board elected members to share perspectives on the Draft Local Board Plans 2026.	Over 20 people
Buzzly campaign	Buzzly is a youth focused online engagement tool, encouraging youth (under 25) to take part in feedback processes via a variety of methods with incentives such as payment and/or prizes on offer.	19
Community Partner events with Albert Eden Youth Board - Auckland Youth Voice	This group ran two and awareness raising campaigns promoting the consultation.	Leadership forum: over 60 people Submission event: over 20 people
Community Partner event with Epsom Chinese Association	This community group was an activated version of their regular meetings, elected members presented/assisted	74 written submissions received during the event
School event at Balmoral Intermediate	Intermediate students	185 written submissions from the students received during the event
Community event at Windmill Park	‘Sausage for a say’ with netball players and whānau (family) with elected members	Over 200 people
Community meetings attended by board members	Grey Power	Over 80 people
	Ethnic Leaders Forums	Over 100 people
	Mt Albert Business Association	Over 20 people
Pop-up at Mt Albert Library	Elected members on hand at this promoted opportunity to submit in person	Over 20 people

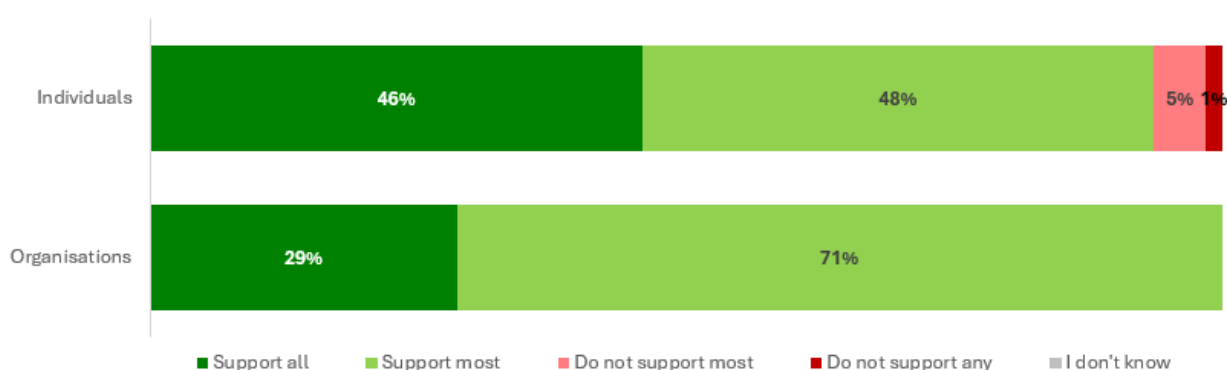
Summary of feedback

General feedback on the draft Albert-Eden Local Board Plan

These five questions were used on the online and hardcopy feedback forms.

1. Overall, how much do you support the priorities in the draft Albert-Eden Local Board Plan 2026?

We received 290 responses to this question. The graph below shows the percentage of support.

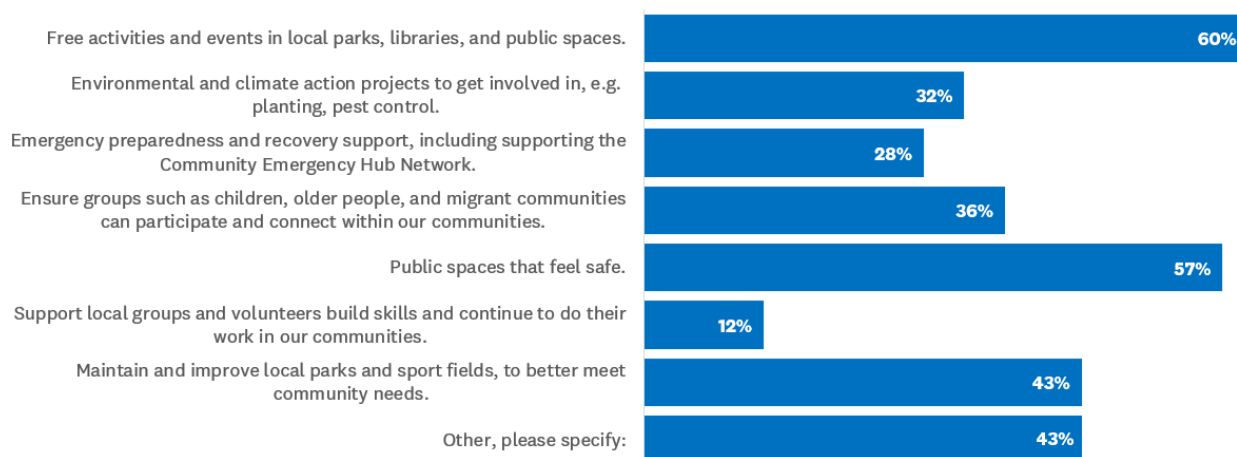


122 comments were provided to this question, from those the key themes were:

- General support (54 comments)
- Environmental protection & Climate action (21 comments)
- Community wellbeing and connection (21 comments)
- Transport priorities (19 comments)
- Infrastructure priorities (15 comments)
- Public Safety

2. Which of these do you believe our diverse community needs most?

We received 492 responses to this question. The graph below shows the percentage of support for each option.



62 comments were provided, from those the key themes were:

- Transport (14 comments)
- Parks, recreation and public spaces (10 comments)
- Vibrant town centres, growth and infrastructure (9 comments)
- Community wellbeing and social support (9 comments)
- Environmental resilience and stormwater management (7 comments)

3. What would encourage you to visit your local town centres more often?

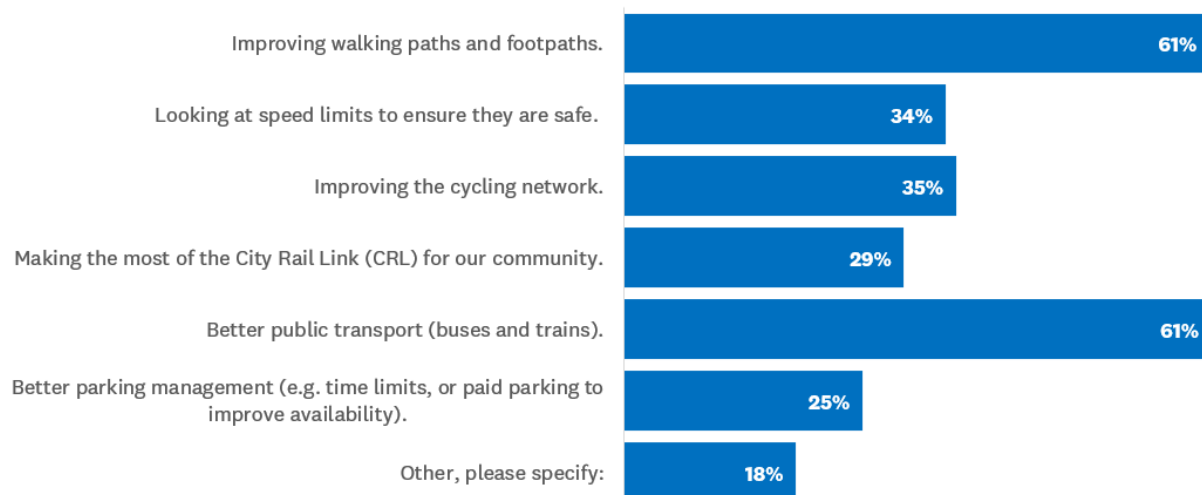
This was an open question, 381 comments were provided, from those the key themes were:

- More events and markets (90 comments)
- Open space / Sports and recreation (52 comments)
- Shop/malls (52 comments)
- Safer town centres (51 comments)
- Vibrant town centres (46 comments)
- Indoor Facilities (library/halls) (41 comments)
- Cleaner and better-maintained centres (36)
- Free activities (34 comments)
- Improved walkability & cycling (32 comments)
- Café/eateries (32 comments)
- Family-friendly and youth-friendly spaces (30 comments)
- Better parking (30 comments)



4. Decision making for transport is changing. Local boards will decide on some things and advocate for others. Which of the following transport issues are most important?

We received 481 responses to this question. The graph below shows the percentage of support for each option.



85 comments were provided, from those the key themes were:

- Public transport improvements (21 comments)
- Walking, cycling pedestrian safety (17 comments)
- Road safety, traffic management and speed control (15 comments)
- Improved parking (12 comments)

5. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Albert-Eden Local Board Plan 2026?

This was an open question, 252 comments were provided, from those the key themes were:

- Transport improvements (94 comments)
- Parks, recreation, and open spaces (63 comments)
- Overall support (45 comments)
- Asset maintenance and provision (43 comments)
- Public safety and social behaviour (38 comments)
- Climate resilience and environmental priorities (35 comments)
- Community wellbeing (31 comments)
- Housing Growth and urban development (26 comments)
- Town centre revitalisation and economic development (23 comments)



- Flooding, water infrastructure (23 comments)
- Pt Chevalier improvements (12 comments)

Types of feedback

The tables and graphs below indicate the types of feedback received and how received it.



Submitters (detail)	No.		%
Individual (Inc. Buzzly)	496		93%
Organisation	32		6%
Māori Entities	3		1%
Total	531		100%



Channel	No.	%
Online	227	43%
Hard copy	271	51%
Email	12	2%
Other (Inc. Buzzly)	21	4%
Total	531	100%



Feedback from organisations

30 organisations provided submissions to the draft Albert-Eden Local Board Plan.

Submission ID	Organisation Name
5	City Builders Association
133	Chinese Conservation Education Trust
222	Mt Albert Business Association
234	The Fringe District - Kingsland Business Society Incorporated
240	The Umma Trust
244	Auckland Netball Centre Inc.
271	National Public Health Service - Northern Region
279	Te Taumata Toi-a-Iwi, Auckland regional arts trust
281	Gardens4Health
286	St Lukes Environmental Protection Society
287	Sanctuary Mahi Whenua Garden and food forest
289	Albert-Eden Youth Board
290	The Tree Council
291	Bike Pt Chev
293	Sport Auckland
294	Mt Eden Village Business Association
295	Uptown Business Association
296	Auckland Touch Association
297	Quality Events Limited (Touch Rugby)
302	Dominion Road Business Association Inc.
308	Women's Refuge Tāmaki Makaurau
311	South Epsom Three kings Planning Group Inc.
313	Sandringham Business Association
503	Aktive
504	Ngā Ringa o Te Auaunga – Friends of Oakley Creek (FofOC)
505	Healthy Auckland Together
512	Auckland Greypower
513	Civic Trust Auckland (CTA)
515	Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Inc. (Forest & Bird)
516	Communities Against Alcohol Harm (CAAH)

Mana whenua feedback

One mana whenua organisation provided a submission to the draft Albert-Eden Local Board Plan.

Submission ID	Organisation Name
508	Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei



Mataawaka feedback

One mataawaka organisation provided a submission to the draft Albert-Eden Local Board Plan.

Submission ID	Organisation Name
231	Te Mahurehure Cultural Marae Society Inc.

Other organisations who submitted feedback regionally

Three other organisations provided submissions to all local boards.

Submission ID	Organisation Name
509	Te Kotahi a Tāmaki – Marae Collective
510	Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa (Creative New Zealand)
511	Community Groups Feeding the Homeless Inc.

Who we heard from

The graphs below indicate what demographic categories people identified with.

This information only includes submitters who provided demographic information.

