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Have Your Say on the Draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026

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Organisation: Ponsonby Business Association

Local Board: Waitematā

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Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**

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23 July 2026

Waitematā Local Board Auckland Council

Private Bag 92300 Auckland 1142

Via email WaitemataLocalBoard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

FEEDBACK: DRAFT WAITEMATĀ LOCAL BOARD PLAN 2026

The Ponsonby Business Association welcomes the opportunity to give feedback on the Waitematā Local Board's draft Plan 2026.

We have always enjoyed a strong partnership with the Waitematā Local Board and are grateful for their support. We would like to thank them (again & again) for our beautiful Te Rimutahi space at 254 Ponsonby Road and for their ongoing support as we navigate our way through developing a framework for how everyone in our community can use it for the benefit of all.

Overall, we are supportive of the Plan. We would like to see the Local Board's advocacy for Ponsonby strengthened and funding targeted to initiatives that will help us drive economic vibrancy.

Ponsonby Business Association's key goal is to elevate & celebrate what makes us special & loved as well as to address what our community is concerned about.

(Future Ponsonby Strategy 2024 – 2028.)

What makes Ponsonby special & loved:

1. The sense of belonging to a lively, walkable urban neighbourhood.
2. A sense of place due to its memorable eclectic buildings.
3. Our authentic quirkiness and entrepreneurial spirit.

What are people concerned about:

1. The road is not working well for everyone.
2. We're becoming less distinctive and more generic.
3. Responding to social challenges in the social life on the street.

We value our community, our incredible entrepreneurs and our diverse heritage.

We have worked hard to grow our district as a tourist destination, and it now contributes to over 20% of our sales. We look forward to the opening of the City Rail Link with improved services for access to Ponsonby by public transport.

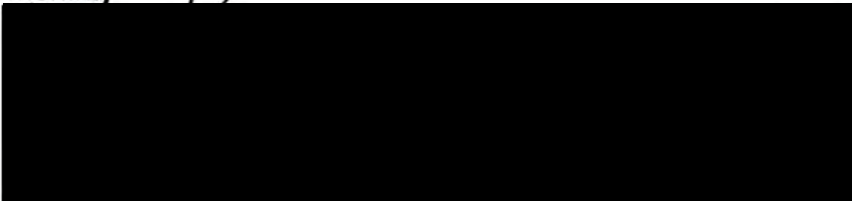
Our local challenges include:

1. A lack of visual connectivity & accessibility to Beresford CRL Station.
2. Safety and the growth of anti-social behaviour & crime along Ponsonby Road, specifically in the Three Lamps area.
3. Streetscape - Uneven footpaths and broken tree pits and lack of planting.

We request support and funding for:

1. Local activations on Te Rimutahi to help us create a 'Summer Program' for our community.
2. Streetscape upgrade program including footpath maintenance, tree pit remedial work, tree trimming and planting along the length of the street.
3. Community safety and ongoing police presence along Ponsonby Road

We thank you for your ongoing support and look forward to working with you over the next 12 months.





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Local Board: Waitematā

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Feedback to the Waitematā Local Board Draft Plan

Quiet Sky Waitematā, 17 July 2026

Thank you very much for the opportunity to provide feedback on your draft plan. Quiet Sky Waitematā submits on two issues which we think need deeper consideration in the WLB Plan.

1. Noise
2. Urban air transport planning and regulation (helicopters now and the future which might include for example air taxis and drone deliveries)

We have provided some suggested wording for each section of the plan for your consideration.

Noise

There is very strong international scientific and policy consensus that environmental noise is a significant public health issue in cities. The World Health Organization (WHO) considers environmental noise to be **one of the leading environmental health risks**, second only to air pollution in Europe among environmental exposures.

The Waitematā Local Board draft plan mentions noise only in the Built Environment section and notes a challenge only in the central city and Newmarket. The initiative to “Support a noise strategy to reduce impacts of noise on city centre residents”¹ does not seem sufficient to us for such an important issue affecting public wellbeing.

The importance of noise is reflected in plans in many cities around the world. For example, the **London Plan**² requires planning decisions to:

- avoid significant adverse noise impacts on health and quality of life;
- mitigate and minimise existing and potential adverse impacts of noise;
- improve and enhance the acoustic environment and promote appropriate soundscapes (including Quiet Areas and spaces of relative tranquillity).

Quiet Sky Waitemata believes that peace and quiet are taonga, like sections of urban wilderness, and increasingly rare. We believe this issue affects people across the Board’s area, not just in the central city. We believe that consideration should be given to preservation of peaceful spaces and minimization of noise in multiple sections of the Board’s plan, including The Natural Environment, The Built Environment and Transport. This consideration should include policy statements, action plans and advocacy where appropriate.

Urban air transport planning and regulation

A specific example of where better noise management in the city is needed is the case of urban helicopters. Auckland needs better helicopter planning rules now, and a framework for future changes as urban air mobility technology matures rapidly.

¹ It is not clear what strategy this is, who is developing it, what scope it has or how it will influence Council planning decisions.

² [London Plan 2021, Policy D14 Noise](#)

Auckland City's Planning and Policy Committee has declined to make private helicopters in urban residential zones a prohibited activity in recent years. The activity status of helicopters in Auckland's coastal suburbs remains a "non-complying" activity.

This "non-complying activity" status allows prospective helipad owners to assert the effects of their proposed helicopter consent will be minor. In some cases, notably a recent one in Westmere, they will be granted. Such a case-by-case approach places an unacceptable and enormous burden on communities to oppose each single application.

In an intensifying city where urban densities are projected to rise, it is becoming essential to protect people from stressful noise, to protect urban amenity, privacy, public safety, and the environment.

Development of urban air mobility (UAM) has considerable momentum, yet international research identifies there is little social license for private helicopter transport between urban residential sites. There is broad public acceptance of helicopters for emergency, rescue and medical reasons. Accordingly, many cities are concentrating helicopter traffic at recognized transport nodes e.g. airports, railway stations, and hospitals, with public heliports known as "vertiports."

Proposed text changes to the Waitematā Local Board Draft Plan

We follow your draft structure and propose the following insertions *in italics*.

The Natural Environment

Introduction

"Waitematā values its natural environment, but it is a vulnerable taonga shaped by its coastal setting, distinctive geology, and highly urbanised landscape. The area has few remnants of native vegetation remaining, so protecting and restoring biodiversity, waterways and the local ngāhere/forest *and reducing noise pollution* are critical to the health and resilience of our communities." (p17)

Challenges

Noise pollution; Increasing background noise levels due to intensification and aerial traffic.

Our Plan

Continue to oppose activities that increase urban noise across the city, e.g. helicopters.

Proactively reduce noise by considering noise as a criterion when investing in infrastructure e.g. electric buses, electric tools rather than petrol driven (waterblasters, leafblowers, ...)

Advocacy

Advocate for the next review of Auckland Council's Unitary Plan to strengthen noise considerations as a major issue for public well-being.

The Built environment

Our Plan

“Support a noise strategy to reduce impacts of noise *on all Waitematā residents.*” (p.23)

Advocacy

*Advocate for the next review of Auckland Council’s Unitary Plan to include strengthening and clarification of the wording in section E25 (Noise and Vibration), particularly around objectives and policies.*³

Transport

Challenges

Traffic noise is the most common cause of complaints about noise in cities⁴. Traffic and associated noise increase with intensification. Helicopters are a significant noise problem in the city and the Gulf islands. Helicopters also produce downdraught which is not specifically recognised in Auckland Unitary Plan standards.

Our Plan

Objective: *Consider noise minimization and reduction a key objective of transport policy decisions and investments.*

Initiative: *Waitematā Local Board (WLB) to declare support for a Plan Change to make private helicopters in urban residential zones a prohibited activity.*

Advocacy

Waitematā Local Board to advocate for responsible strategic planning, regulation and dedicated infrastructure for any future urban air mobility in Auckland City. Urban air mobility to be treated as a discretionary class of transport activity, not a permitted residential activity.

³ Examples where wording could be strengthened include E25.3 Policies

(3) Encourage activities to locate in zones where the noise generated is compatible with other activities and, where practicable, adjacent zones. “Encourage” could be strengthened to “Require” for example

(5) Prevent significant noise-generating activities other than roads and railway lines from establishing in or immediately adjoining residential zones.

E25.6.32

This reads: “The take-off or landing of a helicopter on any site except for emergency services must not exceed Ldn 50dB or 85dB LAFmax measured within the boundary or the notional boundary of any adjacent site containing activities sensitive to noise and Ldn 60dBA within the boundary of any other site.” This has been construed to mean helicopters are Ok in any zone if those noise levels are met. This should be clarified to state that it only defines a noise level, and says nothing about whether such an activity is acceptable in a particular zone.

⁴ See [NZTA Research Report 299](#)



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Local Board: Regional Organisation

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Auckland 1142



Submission on Waitematā Local Board Plan

23 July 2026

➤ Emailed to: waitematalocalboard@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

1. Submitter details

Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Inc. (Forest & Bird)
Central Auckland Branch

[Redacted]
[Redacted]
[Redacted]

2. Trade competition declaration

Forest & Bird would not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

3. Hearing options

We may wish to be heard in support of this submission.

Introduction

Forest & Bird is New Zealand's largest and longest-serving independent conservation organisation, with over 100,000 members and supporters. Its mission is to be a voice for nature, on land, in fresh water, and at sea, on behalf of its members and supporters. Volunteers in 44 branches throughout Aotearoa carry out community conservation projects and advocate for nature. Forest & Bird has seven branches and two nationally coordinated projects in the Auckland region alone.

The Central Auckland branch covers the area from Mount Wellington, west to New Lynn, with its eastern and northern boundaries being the Hauraki Gulf and Waitematā Harbour. The branch carries out a range of activities, including but not limited to weed control, pest animal control, native plantings, education events, content creation and environmental advocacy. This includes ongoing work to restore the environment around the Bullock track at Western Springs (following Central Interceptor works) within the Waitematā Local Board area. Everyone involved in the branch is a volunteer, including the committee, trappers, and supporters.

Our Approach

This submission responds to the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026. Forest & Bird's Central Auckland Branch is also submitting separately on the draft plans of other local boards within our operating area - namely Albert-Eden, Ōrākei, Puketāpapa and Maungakiekie-Tāmaki and comparison across boards has been valuable to our process.

We are structuring our submission to include Objectives, Key Initiatives, and Advocacy items, just as they appear in the draft Local Board Plan, along with commentary on some items and localised specifics. We have underlined new wording for objectives and initiatives and used strike-through to signal removal of some wording in our proposed modifications.

Te hāpori / Community - Waitematā is home to a connected, inclusive and resilient community, where residents, students and visitors feel welcome, can participate in community life, and have a strong sense of home and belonging. It is a place that supports and retains young people and talent, builds vibrant neighbourhoods, and works with communities and partners to support people experiencing homelessness.

We agree with all draft objectives and key initiatives under Community and would like to suggest the following additional key initiatives:

Objectives	Key Initiatives
We have a rich network of much-loved community spaces.	<p><u>Provide grants to local groups for projects or actions which will have a positive impact on community resilience (such as those maintaining or creating carbon sinks, or nature-based solutions such as restoring wetlands, creating room for streams to flow naturally, protecting sand dunes and mangroves)</u></p> <p><u>Invest in natural solutions that improve parks and public spaces, including native plantings.</u></p>

	<u>large shade trees, rain gardens, swales and daylighted streams, in local parks and open spaces, including wetlands or floodable areas in larger sites.</u>
<u>We adopt best practices for all council maintenance and projects</u>	<u>Improve climate impact statements in council reports to consider net emissions, biodiversity loss, effect on impermeable surfaces and stormwater, and scarce resource use and recovery.</u>

Advocacy

We support all the current advocacy points under Community. We would like to suggest the following additional advocacy points:

- Adopt long-term (50 to 100 year) risk scenario planning for climate change impacts across council asset and infrastructure planning - to Governing Body.
- Fund non-potable water reuse for irrigation and operation of sports, aquatic and recreation facilities - to Watercare.
- Greater public understanding of infrastructure maintenance and fault-reporting policies - to Governing Body, Auckland Transport and Watercare.
- Ensure an adequate level of renewals funding to keep existing community assets well maintained and adapted to be resilient to climate change - to Governing Body.
- Ongoing, multi-year, dedicated grant funding for community environmental and restoration groups, so they can plan and deliver programmes across multiple seasons rather than one funding cycle at a time - to Governing Body.

Commentary

We welcome the Board's focus on connected communities, community resilience and strengthening relationships with mana whenua. Our suggested additions build on this direction by recognising the role that healthy natural systems play in supporting resilient communities through nature-based solutions.

Auckland Council's Open Space, Sport and Recreation Strategy recognises that parks and open spaces can deliver multiple benefits for both people and nature. Well-designed, nature-rich spaces give people everyday opportunities to connect with nature, provide habitat for wildlife, strengthen community resilience to climate change, and contribute to healthier, more liveable neighbourhoods.

We support embedding environmental and climate considerations across community planning and investment as this Board has done, recognising that healthy natural systems are fundamental to resilient communities and should be considered across all areas of decision-making.

Te taiao māori / Natural environment - The natural environment of Waitematā is woven throughout the urban form and supports the wellbeing of people, plants and fauna. Streams are restored; harbour waters and coastal environs are clean with regenerating ecologies.

We agree with all draft objectives and key initiatives under Natural Environment and would like to suggest the following additional objectives and key initiatives:

Objectives	Key Initiatives
Maintain, restore and enhance our urban natural environment	<p>Continue to support local stream restoration and water quality improvement projects that boost biodiversity in Waitematā, enable swimmable beaches and reduce flood risk by increasing stream capacity and improving floodplain function. <u>Prioritise the restoration of wetlands where they exist or can be re-established.</u></p> <p><u>Support responsible cat ownership through desexing and containment encouragement, working with neighbouring Local Boards on control of feral and stray cats in areas of high biodiversity value.</u></p> <p><u>Ensure monitoring and compliance of dog access rules keep high-value conservation areas free of dogs while providing space for responsible pet ownership elsewhere.</u></p> <p><u>Support implementation of the Waitematā Harbour West Adaptation Plan throughout the board area with preference for nature-based solutions wherever practicable</u></p> <p><u>Work with Healthy Waters to provide education and support that ensures commercial and industrial sites upgrade their on-site stormwater management to prevent contamination at the source.</u></p>
Develop and strengthen environmental partnerships	<p><u>Support and encourage sponge planting in our public places prone to flooding to increase climate resilience in line with Making Space for Water concepts and blue-green network approaches, including in Hakanoa Reserve, and Western Park <u>and Grey Lynn Park.</u></u></p>

Advocacy

We support all the current advocacy points under Natural Environment and would like to suggest the following additional advocacy points:

- Stronger monitoring of activities that cause sediment runoff, and stronger penalties for those who knowingly cause harmful sedimentation - to Governing Body
- Increased biodiversity, freshwater, coastal water and air quality monitoring - to Governing Body.
- Local Board and local volunteer groups to be more directly involved in setting and monitoring council-contracted ecological services - to Governing Body.
- Advocate for the reinstatement of general tree protection legislation - to Central Government
- Raise awareness of and advocate for dark sky areas and reduced light pollution - to Governing Body.
- Continued Natural Environment Targeted Rate funding to maintain and grow current investment in pest control, kauri dieback management and biodiversity restoration across Tāmaki Makaurau - to Governing Body

Commentary

Waitematā's natural environment is under growing pressure from urban development, with few remnants of native vegetation left in one of Auckland's most intensively built-up areas. The Board's commitment to the Urban Ngāhere Action Plan, living green walls and rooftops, and a partnership with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei on planting, waterway restoration and floodplain reconnection sets a genuine foundation to build on.

Freshwater deserves particular attention. Healthy streams, wetlands and estuaries underpin biodiversity, reduce flood risk and improve the health of the wider catchment, yet they remain vulnerable to sediment, stormwater and other contaminants.

The Waitematā Harbour West Shoreline Adaptation Plan responds to coastal change by working with natural coastal processes. It currently appears as an advocacy point calling for its timely delivery. Naming it as a Key Initiative the Board is delivering directly, where elements of its implementation fall within the Board's own decision-making role, would strengthen the case for funding it.

Grey Lynn Park's flooding remains unresolved. Extending the sponge planting proposed at Hakanoa Reserve and Western Park to include Grey Lynn Park would give the Board a concrete, nature-based tool for a problem existing infrastructure has not solved on its own and one our Central Branch is keen to actively support.

For native biodiversity to thrive and withstand the pressures of climate change, healthy, connected habitats are needed at a landscape scale. The gains from years of restoration investment, by community groups, volunteers and Council, are only as good as the pressures that remain unaddressed. As native and migratory birds increasingly use restored waterways and margins, keeping high-value conservation areas free of dogs, encouraging responsible cat ownership, and reducing light pollution along the coastal edge all protect what restoration is achieving, before other pressures quietly undo it.

Te taiao kua hangaia / Built Environment - From Auckland's city centre to its historic suburbs, the built environment of Waitematā is well-designed, vibrant, inclusive and people-focused, and supports low-carbon living, wellbeing and a strong sense of place.

We agree with all draft objectives and key initiatives under Built Environment.

Advocacy

We support all the current advocacy points under Built Environment and would like to suggest the following additional advocacy point:

- Require water, wastewater and stormwater network capacity to be secured ahead of approving intensified development - to Governing Body and Central Government.

Commentary

This plan is already unusually thorough on nature-based infrastructure: it commits to investigating the daylighting of local streams such as the one in Western Park, to making space for water through rain gardens, swales and blue-green corridors including an expanded Hakanoa Reserve, to berm planting technical guidelines, and to encouraging solar panels and water retention tanks.

Additional areas of impervious surface in an already highly intensified board area adds to the stormwater and flooding pressure the Board's own plan already names as a challenge. Securing water, wastewater and stormwater network capacity ahead of approving further intensified development is the most direct lever available to keep growth and infrastructure capacity moving together, rather than growth outrunning the networks meant to support it.

Te whanaketanga ā ōhanga / Economic Development - Waitematā has a thriving, resilient and inclusive local economy, supported by a strong city centre and vibrant town centres, where businesses, tertiary institutions, creative sectors and communities work together to attract people to live, study, work and visit.

We agree with all draft objectives and key initiatives under Economic Development.

Advocacy

We support all the current advocacy points under Economic Development. We would like to suggest sharpening the existing advocacy for local procurement and resourcing strategies to explicitly favour ecologically sustainable businesses, and to add the following:

- Support construction and demolition waste compliance and education funding to reduce waste from major infrastructure projects, including City Rail Link precinct developments - to Governing Body.

Commentary

Local and city centre town centres generate a steady stream of packaging and business waste that largely bypasses the household-focused community recycling network the Board already supports through Waiōrea. Extending waste minimisation support and circular economy practice to local businesses closes that gap, and construction and demolition waste from major projects such as the

City Rail Link precinct developments is a large, currently under-addressed waste stream in its own right.

Tūnuku / Transport - Waitematā leads Auckland's low-carbon transport future. Investment in the City Rail Link, active travel infrastructure and people-centred streets delivers a climate-resilient multimodal transport network that enables safe, efficient and enjoyable movement for people of all ages and abilities

We agree with all draft priorities under Transport and would like to suggest the following additional objective and priority:

Objectives	Priorities
Local board decision-making over parking supports permeable surfacing.	<u>Prioritise permeable surfacing on new or renewed parking areas across the local board area.</u>

Conclusion

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026. Forest & Bird appreciates the thought and care that has gone into preparing this draft plan. It reflects a strong commitment to the wellbeing of Waitematā's communities and are additions are minor in response.

We look forward to continuing to work alongside the Local Board, mana whenua and the wider community to protect and restore the natural environment across the rohe.



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Local Board: Waitematā

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Equitable outcomes	Very well

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Please find attached our submissions to the draft Waitemata Local Board Plan 2026



Inspiring Our Communities To Live

Healthy And Active Lifestyles

Submission on the Draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026

Sport Auckland appreciates the opportunity to make a submission on the Draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026.

Sport Auckland is a charitable trust that works closely with our Local Boards, Auckland Council, Active, sports organisations and community partners across Tāmaki Makaurau. Our vision is **Active Lives, Connected Communities, Healthier Brighter Futures**. Our purpose is to empower and connect communities to engage in sport and physical activity.

We see strong alignment between Sport Auckland's strategic direction and the Local Board's priorities and advocacy initiatives. We commend the vision of having Waitematā being home to a connected, inclusive and resilient community, where residents, students and visitors feel welcome, can participate in community life, and have a strong sense of home and belonging.

Sport Auckland's guiding principles focus on equity, strengthening the sport and physical activity sector, partnering with local communities, and embracing diverse ways of being active. These principles strongly align with the priorities outlined in the Draft Local Board Plan, and we welcome any relevant opportunities to partner with the Local Board to help achieve the outcomes in your plan.

We offer the following comments on specific objectives.

Te hapori - Community

Sport Auckland strongly supports the objective - *Build a thriving cultural, social and recreational community through strong partnerships.* Under this objective we strongly support the initiatives:

- Investigate entering into long-term funding agreements so that our partners can have the security to deliver their programmes while retaining our ability to provide grants to smaller groups to deliver short-term positive outcomes.
- Investigate a sports partnership with the Ministry of Education to enable more public access to their sports facilities within the board area, with a particular focus on opportunities for women and girls to participate.
- Strengthen our relationship with Mana Whenua and iwi, and mataawaka to celebrate those partnerships and promote Māori culture and identity through events, placemaking, or narrative wayfinding.

We strongly support the objective - *Every part of our community feels welcome, connected and supported.* Of note we support these initiatives under this objective being: -

- Explore better ways to engage with our diverse community, particularly those in high-density housing areas, including migrants, seniors and our young adult and student population, such as by using citizen assemblies, to ensure a diverse range of community voices are heard and reflected in decision-making.



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- Explore ways to deliver local programmes that benefit our older and physically less able communities.
- Continue to support youth wellbeing, ensuring that they have access to the services, spaces and community connections they need.
- Support local and regional initiatives intended to improve public safety and perceptions of safety in the city centre and outer neighbourhood town centres.
- Continue to encourage playful and playable elements in our public spaces through implementation of the Waitematā Play Plan.
- Support and strengthen our network of community gardens and food resilience initiatives that enable communities to grow, share, and access healthy, culturally appropriate kai, while building local capability and connected, sustainable neighbourhoods.

We strongly support the objective - *We have a rich network of much loved community spaces*. Under this objective we support the initiatives:

- Ensure our community places and spaces are well maintained and looked after in a cost-effective way and are sustainable and resilient to the impacts of climate change.
- Assess our community leases to be more intentional in how groups are placed, creating a strong community lease network that meets the diverse needs of our community and utilises underused facilities.
- Increase access to parks and reserves through greenways connectivity, renewal works and park upgrades and look for opportunities within our park and facilities network to implement play activations.
- Reduce barriers for community groups wanting to use public spaces and facilities, e.g. simplifying searches, permits, fees, and booking processes, so more people can organise events and activations.

Te taiao māori- Natural environment

Sport Auckland strongly supports the objective *Champion more sustainable waste management options and community climate action*. Under this objective we support the initiatives:

- Support community-led transport initiatives, such as bike hubs, cycle skills training and local bike groups to leverage investment in the CRL and other transport infrastructure such as cycle ways.
- Support local food growing and composting through community gardens, food forests, and gardens on balconies.
- Support youth-led climate action and environmental leadership initiatives, including partnerships with schools, tertiary institutions and youth organisations to build capability and pathways into environmental careers.

Te taiao kua hangaia - Built environment



Inspiring Our Communities To Live

Healthy And Active Lifestyles

Sport Auckland strongly supports the objective *Continue to build a world class international city centre by enhancing the public realm, particularly around our train stations*. Under that objective Sport Auckland supports the following initiatives:

- Enhance pedestrian connections, amenities, accessible play, seating and green spaces for residents living in high-density environments, including Te Tōangaroa and Victoria Quarter.
- Provide access to free or low-cost, non-corporate and safe third spaces that cater to young people and residents in high density areas.

Māori whakapapa, art, heritage and culture is reflected in the built form and names of our places. Under that objective Sport Auckland supports the following initiatives:

- Working in partnership with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei we will support the use of place names that reflect Māori whakapapa.
- Māori-led design is intrinsic to the design of our new buildings, public spaces and infrastructure.
- Public artwork created by Māori is prominent in our local board area and tells the stories they want to share.

Sport Auckland asks the Local Board to consider the role that active recreation and sport can play in activating spaces and bringing the community together. We commend the advocacy to enhance amenity in the city centre to attract residents, including the provision of a primary school, more third spaces, play opportunities, and the use of empty shops and spaces.

Tūnuku -Transport

Sport Auckland strongly supports the objective *Active modes are encouraged and enabled*. Under that objective Sport Auckland supports the following initiatives:

- Progress the Waitematā Greenways Plan and Local Active Modes Plan (LAMP) projects for west Waitematā and investigate beginning a LAMP for east Waitematā.
- Optimise the safe walking and cycling network by filling in the gaps, including Meola Road to Surrey Crescent.
- Implement a pedestrian plaza at the Rose Road and Williamson Avenue junction in Ponsonby.
- Review the laneways approaches outlined in the Newmarket Plan, working with business and community stakeholders to identify ways to improve the urban realm and enable more active transport.
- Safer and more accessible transport and public spaces, including improved connections around Parnell Station, safer routes from CRL stations to universities, enhanced wayfinding and lighting.
- Review streets where slower speeds are appropriate and explore opportunities for low-traffic neighbourhoods and greater safety around schools.



Inspiring Our Communities To Live

Healthy And Active Lifestyles

Sport Auckland strongly supports the objective *Data and technological innovations are harnessed to improve the transport network and lower emissions*. Under that objective Sport Auckland supports the following initiative:

- Support transport investment that prioritises public transport electrification, and walking and cycling options that reduce emissions, improve safety, and support efficient movement across the local board area.

Sport Auckland strongly supports the objective *There are coherent transport and land-use strategies that leverage investment and deliver good urban outcomes*. Under that objective Sport Auckland supports the following initiatives:

- Support a coordinated and people-focused approach to completing and embedding the CRL and associated city centre transport changes, including investment in streets, public spaces, and wayfinding around stations to support businesses, residents, students and visitors during and after the transition.
- Leverage the Northwest Busway to improve transport and the urban realm from the Grey Lynn Shops to Point Chevalier, including upgrading the Western Springs precinct, progressing stage 2 of the Museum of Transport and Technology (MOTAT) carpark and connecting the cycle network.
- Continue to support the goals of the City Centre Masterplan to deliver a well functioning pedestrian-focused urban realm with access for all.

Sport Auckland strongly supports the objective *Our streets are safe, functional, accessible and enjoyable to use*. Under that objective Sport Auckland supports the following initiative:

- Support enjoyable, accessible movement becoming a core measure of transport success, with investment in design for footpaths, crossings, waiting areas and active travel routes that reflect the needs of an ageing population, people with disabilities, and city and town centres where walking and cycling are primary modes.

Sport Auckland strongly supports the objective *Encourage public transport usage*. Under that objective Sport Auckland supports the following initiatives:

- Support the marketing of Auckland destinations in stations and bus shelters to encourage greater usage of the public transport network and increase participation in the opportunities the region offers.
- Support a fare structure that allows students, young people and low-income residents access to affordable transport options to education, employment and social opportunities.



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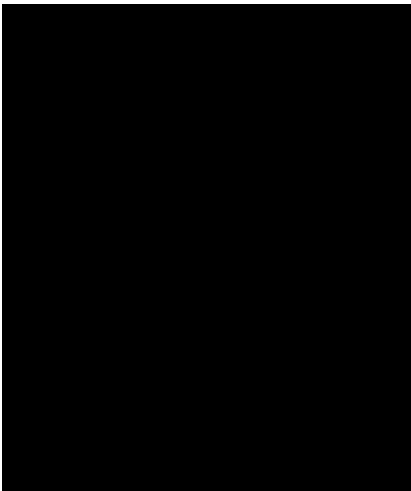
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We would like to thank you again for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026. We appreciate the Board's continued commitment to supporting active, connected and thriving communities.





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Submitter details:

Organisation: Te Kotahi a Tāmaki

Local Board: Regional Organisation

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

- 5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

- 6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**

See attached file

Te Kotahi a Tāmaki – Marae Collective

Submission from the TKAT - Marae Collective on the Draft Local Board Plans 2026–2029

Purpose

This submission reflects the aspirations and priorities shared by marae representatives across two regional hui facilitated by Auckland Council on 31 March 2026 and 6th July 2026 as part of the development of the Draft Local Board Plans 2026–2029 through community partnership agreement.

The first hui, held on 31 March 2026, focused on understanding the aspirations, challenges and support needs of marae across Tāmaki Makaurau. The second hui, held during the Draft Local Board Plans consultation on 6th July 2026, provided an opportunity for marae to review the draft plans, discuss local priorities and identify opportunities to strengthen partnerships between marae, local boards and Auckland Council.

Together, these discussions highlighted a shared vision for stronger partnerships, meaningful engagement, investment in marae capability, and greater recognition of marae as trusted community leaders and connectors.

Marae play a vital role in supporting whānau, preserving te ao Māori, strengthening communities and responding to local needs. They provide cultural leadership, social support, emergency response, and opportunities for whānau to connect, learn and thrive.

We welcome the opportunity to contribute to the Draft Local Board Plans and encourage all 21 Local Boards to continue strengthening their partnerships with marae over the next three years.

Our Recommendations

1. Build enduring partnerships with marae

We encourage all Local Boards to move beyond one-off consultation and establish ongoing relationships with marae throughout the work programme. Early and meaningful engagement enables better decision-making and ensures Māori voices help shape local priorities from the outset.

We also encourage more opportunities for elected members to meet directly with marae through regular hui, site visits and community-led conversations.

2. Recognise marae as trusted community partners

Whānau who may experience barriers to participation, and communities who are less likely to engage through formal consultation.

Local Boards should continue working alongside marae to reach these communities and support more inclusive engagement across Tāmaki Makaurau.

3. Invest in strong, sustainable marae

Marae require ongoing investment to continue delivering for their communities.

We encourage Local Boards to advocate for initiatives that strengthen:

- governance capability
- operational sustainability
- legal and compliance knowledge
- tikanga leadership
- community engagement capability
- emergency preparedness and resilience.

Clearer information about Council funding opportunities, criteria and application timeframes would also help marae plan more effectively.

4. Support rangatahi and whānau wellbeing

Rangatahi should remain a key priority across all Local Board Plans.

We encourage Local Boards to support initiatives that:

- strengthen cultural identity and belonging
- improve access to sport, recreation and wellbeing programmes
- provide wraparound support for tamariki and rangatahi
- create more opportunities for rangatahi leadership and participation in local decision-making.

5. Strengthen Te Tiriti partnerships

We acknowledge the distinct roles of both mana whenua and mātāwaka and encourage Local Boards to continue honouring Te Tiriti o Waitangi through meaningful partnership, early engagement and opportunities to contribute to decision-making where appropriate.

Planning processes should also recognise that whakapapa and iwi relationships extend beyond Local Board boundaries, allowing marae and iwi to contribute to multiple Local Board Plans where relevant.

6. Encourage collaboration across Tāmaki Makaurau

There is significant value in creating opportunities for marae to connect with one another, local boards and Council staff.

Regional hui, expos and networking opportunities would support collaboration, knowledge sharing and stronger relationships between Māori organisations and Auckland Council.

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The Marae Collective welcomes the positive relationships that continue to develop with Auckland Council and Local Boards.

We look forward to working in partnership to ensure Local Board Plans deliver meaningful outcomes for Māori communities and reflect the aspirations of whānau across Tāmaki Makaurau.

By investing in long-term relationships, recognising marae as trusted community partners and engaging early in decision-making, Local Boards can strengthen outcomes not only for Māori, but for the wider communities they serve.



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Submitter details:

Organisation: Te Taumata Toi-a-Iwi, Auckland regional arts trust

Local Board: Regional Organisation

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Very well

Tell us why

As the regional arts trust for Tāmaki Makaurau, Te Taumata Toi-a-Iwi acknowledges that the Waitematā local board is one of several boards that serves both a local community and draws in many people from the wider region. As such, we want to tautoko the board's strong commitment to arts and culture, and the recognition in your plan of how these help build community and create vibrant places and spaces. In particular we note your commitment to reflecting Māori whakapapa, arts, heritage and culture.

Rawe!

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?



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Submitter details:

Organisation: Te Taurahere - Ngati Porou Ki Tamaki

Local Board: Waitematā

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Very well

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Support more public art and Māori so City is not just Australian/European

Localized Māori newsletter to promote events, lots of groups but they don't have a home in the city

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Would like to see hanging gardens, natives, edibles, flowers, native trees and plants

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

More Māori art and public art on empty spaces, like white columns in Waitemata Station

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

night time cafe in City Centre

markets and stalls on Queen Street, life in City

Māori and Pacific market in vacant spaces

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Love free wifi idea

sign-up for artists and community groups to encourage their art in transport places

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	Quite well
Climate outcomes	Very well

Equitable outcomes	Very well
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Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

More detail re-Māori

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?

Want to see more public toilets in City Centre

Help with finding funding and allowing for collaboration on putting together good co-designed applications

List of Council venues



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Submitter details:

Organisation: The Button Factory

Local Board: Waitematā

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Very well

Tell us why

The draft plan outlines a strong, forward-looking vision for Waitematā that balances urban growth with environmental sustainability and community wellbeing. To make the plan even stronger, ensuring clear timelines, measurable milestones, and transparent funding allocations for these initiatives will be critical over the next three years

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

These objectives strongly support an inclusive and vibrant community. I particularly support the focus on retaining young talent, celebrating arts and culture, and addressing homelessness through active partnerships. For the final Plan, please ensure there is ongoing support and funding for accessible community hubs, youth-focused spaces, and neighbourhood resilience initiatives.

Natural Environment

3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Prioritizing urban stream restoration, clean harbour waters, and sustainable waste management is vital for our area. In the final Plan, I encourage a greater emphasis on expanding our urban tree canopy to reduce urban heat and increase biodiversity, alongside continued support for community-led trapping and ecological restoration projects

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

While I strongly support the high-level objectives for our built environment, I encourage the Local Board to include a explicit focus on prioritizing modern, contemporary 'third places'—public and semi-public gathering spaces separate from home and work. Investing in adaptable, creative infrastructure is essential for fostering social cohesion, casual community connection, and grassroots innovation in an increasingly densified city.

Furthermore, as high-density residential development expands, the final Plan must actively protect our vibrant evening economy and cultural heritage. I strongly advocate for designating key cultural hubs—specifically the Karangahape Road district—as protected Special Entertainment Precincts or 24-hour nighttime economy zones. Implementing tailored, permissive noise frameworks and strict reverse sensitivity protections in these designated areas will safeguard iconic music venues, hospitality, and creative spaces from residential noise complaints, ensuring Auckland remains a dynamic, world-class international city.

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

While I support the high-level economic objectives, the final Plan should place a much stronger strategic emphasis on the creative industries, the arts, and our nighttime economy

as core economic drivers. These sectors serve as vital incubators for experimentation, entrepreneurship, and cultural innovation, differentiating Waitematā from other districts.

Fostering a dynamic after-dark economy and investing in creative spaces generates the distinct urban vibrancy required to attract domestic and international visitors, directly boosting foot traffic for local hospitality and retail. Crucially, these cultural and nightlife ecosystems are deeply valued by our youth and student populations. Actively supporting them is essential for retaining young talent, preventing brain drain, and ensuring our city centre remains an inspiring, forward-looking place to live, work, and visit

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Leading Auckland's low-carbon transport future through active travel infrastructure, public transport encouragement, and people-centred streets is a top priority. Please ensure the final Plan prioritizes completing safe, physically separated cycleway networks, improving pedestrian crossings, and ensuring micromobility (e-bikes and scooters) is safely integrated into busy urban streets.

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	Very well
Climate outcomes	Very well
Equitable outcomes	Very well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?

Overall, the draft Plan covers the right strategic pillars for Waitematā. Moving into the implementation phase, I strongly encourage the Local Board to boldly prioritize all measures that support our creative industries. By actively investing in the arts, grassroots innovation, and after-dark culture, we can elevate Auckland into a truly cosmopolitan, dynamic, and vibrant international city full of culture and excitement.

Additionally, my primary governance request for the final Plan is to ensure robust, transparent, and regular reporting back to the community on the progress of these specific

goals, so residents can easily track how local board funds are delivering practical, high-impact outcomes



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Submitter details:

Organisation: The Tree Council

Local Board: Regional Organisation

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

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Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

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See attached file



Submission – Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026

by The Tree Council 18 July 2026

From: The Tree Council

[Redacted contact information]

Thank you for the opportunity to present The Tree Council's submission on the proposed **Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026**.

This submission is made by The Tree Council, an independent, voluntary organisation, a non-profit incorporated charitable society which has been serving the Auckland community since 1986 in the protection of trees and as advocates for the significant benefits and services that our trees and green spaces provide.

Your draft plan states that over the next 3 years you plan to continue to deliver on the Waitematā Urban Ngāhere Action Plan by planting in areas of low canopy cover, as well as developing and strengthening environmental partnerships.

The Tree Council applauds these initiatives and intentions and provides the following comment and recommendations.

Natural Environment

The Tree Council comment:

- *We are delighted to see your plan to continue to deliver on the Waitematā Urban Ngāhere Action Plan by planting in areas of low canopy cover, maintaining existing urban forests and encouraging more trees and planting in our public spaces and in transport corridors and berms across the local board area.*
- *We recognise your partnership with Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei and mana whenua iwi to protect and enhance our natural taonga through initiatives such as planting, waterway restoration, floodplain reconnection, and climate adaptation.*
- *We are delighted to see recognition of and your support for the important role mana whenua and community groups play in working to enhance biodiversity and undertake tree planting.*
- *We acknowledge your environmental work in weed management and the regeneration of your reserves and green spaces.*
- *We urge you to oppose all consents proposing to remove trees in Significant Ecological Areas and Scheduled Notable Trees on both private and public land as these are so important to retain for future generations.*
- *Where you have kauri in any of your local native bush reserves, we strongly urge you to get them tested for kauri dieback as soon as possible and if found to be positive then you should consider getting them treated with phosphite to keep them alive. Kauri dieback has an almost 100% mortality rate so all infected trees will die without treatment.*
- *We recommend you work with the Kauri Rescue Trust for the best way to approach this problem. There is an urgency as trees in which the disease has progressed too far will not survive even after treatment, so the earlier this happens the better. Kauri are carbon sinks, we need to keep these trees alive as long as possible. Kauri Rescue has already been working to treat trees in local parks, and this work can be expanded with the support of local boards.*
- *We are greatly encouraged by your commitment in your draft plan to support local initiatives including volunteer groups, that enhance connection and diversity, reduce isolation and promote community development. Providing space for these community groups to grow fruit trees on public land would be an important source of food for all local communities.*
- *The growing of fruit in suburban gardens has gone out of fashion in recent years and*

with intensification the space to do so will soon be unavailable to most people living in Auckland. Therefore, having the opportunity to grow fruit in public spaces (parks, reserves, streets) is something that people value highly. Public consultations on the type of trees desired for public planting often results in suggestions for fruit trees.

- *Having public collections of different types of fruit trees would enable educational opportunities to take place that could include for example daily care, pruning, propagation, grafting, cookery, heritage and history etc. This could involve schools as well as public workshops, adoption by community or friends' groups.*
- *The public collections on public land in local parks and streets could be localised to reflect the fact that some varieties of fruit trees are better suited to grow in specific areas of Auckland.*
- *We advocate that you reach out to the public to identify fruit trees on private land that could provide the basis for the collection via propagation &/or transplanting. Support for this project can be enhanced by working with NZ Tree Crops Association, The Tree Council and local groups in your area.*

In addition, we would like to see specific support, including financial support, for the following initiatives to protect and enhance existing tree cover:

- *Practical support and (for eg legal) advice for private landowners wishing to provide permanent protection for their trees eg via covenants &/or scheduling to enable protection of existing tree cover on private land to be optimised as most of the mature trees in Auckland are on private land with no legal protection.*
- *Grants for private landowners to maintain Scheduled Notable Trees on their property*
- *Provide permanent and visible physical labels for all Scheduled Notable Trees in the local board area to enable the public to see that this tree is legally protected and tell the stories of our natural heritage.*
- *Look for opportunities to schedule additional mature trees and encourage Council to undertake Plan Changes to the Unitary Plan to regularly add new trees to Schedule 10 (Notable Trees).*
- *Look for opportunities to raise awareness of the value of Scheduled Notable Trees by organising events to celebrate them such as guided walks, community picnics, heritage talks.*

- *We would like to see specific support, including financial support, for mana whenua, local communities and groups undertaking the following types of initiatives within the local board area:*
 - *water quality testing*
 - *monitoring of beaches*
 - *treatment of diseased kauri trees on local parks and private land*
 - *monitoring for myrtle rust*
 - *weed control*
 - *pest control*
 - *protection of rare birds eg dotterel*
 - *restoration planting*

- *Public education on issues affecting biodiversity such as:*
 - *kauri dieback, myrtle rust*
 - *weeds*
 - *animal and insect pests*
 - *other biosecurity threats*
 - *control of dogs in sensitive areas*
 - *conflicting uses eg vehicles on beaches*
 - *rules for marine reserves*



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Submitter details:

Organisation: Victoria Park Sports & Cultural Trust

Local Board: Waitematā

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Quite well

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?

yes - re Victoria Park:

- Prioritise Victoria Park for organised sport, recreation, and community use.
- Restrict commercial events that displace organised sport, limit regular recreation, or risk damage to the playing surface.
- Reconfirm and enforce the Victoria Park event management plan, particularly where commercial events are proposed.

- Fund an overdue upgrade of the public changing rooms, with a particular focus on facilities that support women and girls.
- Review the management of the Halsey Street car park so that it better prioritises Victoria Park, pavilion, and organised sport users.
- Promote/create a safe walking connection between CRL stations and Victoria Park.
- Maintain the annual trimming programme for the London plane trees around the park.
- Work with appropriate agencies on a compassionate, practical response to rough sleeping around the pavilion.

VICTORIA PARK SPORTS AND CULTURAL CLUB

The Victoria Park Pavilion, Victoria Park, Auckland 1010
PO Box 91177, Auckland Mail Centre

15 July 2026

Submission to the Waitematā Local Board: Victoria Park

Thank you

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on matters for consideration in the Waitematā Local Board Plan. **This submission is made by the Victoria Park Sports and Cultural Trust and is focused on Victoria Park.**

We acknowledge the excellent working relationship we have had with the Waitematā Local Board since its establishment in 2010. We value that relationship and look forward to continuing to work together to protect and enhance Victoria Park for organised sport, recreation, and community use.

Summary of recommendations

- Prioritise Victoria Park for organised sport, recreation, and community use.
- Restrict commercial events that displace organised sport, limit regular recreation, or risk damage to the playing surface.
- Reconfirm and enforce the Victoria Park event management plan, particularly where commercial events are proposed.
- Fund an overdue upgrade of the public changing rooms, with a particular focus on facilities that support women and girls.
- Review the management of the Halsey Street car park so that it better prioritises Victoria Park, pavilion, and organised sport users.
- Promote/create a safe walking connection between CRL stations and Victoria Park.
- Maintain the annual trimming programme for the London plane trees around the park.
- Work with appropriate agencies on a compassionate, practical response to rough sleeping around the pavilion.

Who we are

The Victoria Park Sports and Cultural Trust (VPS&CT) owns and administers the pavilion and clubrooms that are the focal point for many users of Victoria Park. The Trust's membership includes Grafton United Cricket Club, the Auckland and District Pipe Band Association and the Auckland Football Referees Association.

The Trust leases the changing rooms, toilets, and grounds staff facilities to Auckland Council for the benefit of the public and the many groups that use Victoria Park. These users include Ponsonby United Rugby League Club and Auckland Touch competitions.

The Trust therefore plays an important role in supporting sporting opportunities for the current community and for the growing inner-city population. The welfare and future of Victoria Park are central to our purpose.

Grafton United Cricket Club, one of our member organisations, was founded in 1862 and is one of the oldest cricket clubs in New Zealand. The club has approximately 1,000 members and more than 20 teams, making it one of the country's largest senior cricket clubs. Almost half of its senior membership is made up of people of Indian sub-continent heritage, reflecting the diverse communities that Victoria Park brings together.

Victoria Park has been the home of Grafton United Cricket Club for more than 70 years, and cricket has been played at the park since its creation more than 120 years ago.

Why Victoria Park matters

Victoria Park is a highly visible and well-used central-city sport and recreation destination. It has a long history of public use, organised sport, cultural activity, and community connection. In an increasingly dense city centre, Victoria Park provides a rare open space where residents, workers, families, children, and visitors can participate in organised sport and informal recreation.

As the inner-city population grows, the role of Victoria Park as a home for accessible sport and recreation will become even more important. Protecting that role should be a priority in the Local Board Plan.

Prioritising sport and recreation over commercial events

The Trust strongly believes that Victoria Park should be prioritised for organised sport, recreation, and community use. Commercial events that require significant occupation of the park displace organised sport, interrupt training and competition, and reduce the regular public use of the park.

When events take place during key sporting periods, the effect is not limited to the event days themselves. Set-up, pack-down, restricted access, and possible field damage can affect training, planned fixtures, club culture, and the wider experience of park users. If weather conditions are poor, field damage can also have longer-term consequences and lead to further weeks without organised sport.

Organised sport is an important part of a vibrant community. It brings together people from different backgrounds and supports health, inclusion, participation, and connection. The codes that use Victoria Park demonstrate this clearly.

The Trust and Grafton United Cricket Club previously supported a campaign to remove large commercial events from Victoria Park. Following that process, an event management plan was implemented with the intention of significantly restricting events at the park, particularly commercial events.

We were therefore disappointed that the Plain Sailing event was granted a five-year resource consent to use Victoria Park during summer, with the park unavailable for around 10 days. In our view, the current decision-making process appears to give insufficient weight to the operational impacts on organised sport and regular park users. We ask the Local Board to reconfirm the intent of the Victoria Park event management plan and ensure that future event decisions protect the park's primary sport and recreation function.

Upgrade of public changing rooms

Over recent years, the Trust has invested tens of thousands of dollars upgrading the pavilion. Before the 2023 ground lease was signed, it was understood that the Waitematā Local Board would look at funding the upgrade

of the public changing rooms. Available to all users of Victoria Park, the changing rooms are a public good, not just for Trust members.

The Trust and the sporting codes that use the park are particularly keen to see improved facilities for women and girls. Improved changing facilities would make Victoria Park more welcoming, accessible and more suitable for the growing number of women and girls participating in sport. A modern upgrade would go a long way to supporting inclusion, participation and gender equity.

We ask the Local Board to allocate funding for this important upgrade and to work with the Trust and park users on a practical delivery pathway.

Parking and CRL access

It has become increasingly difficult for users of the Trust's member clubs to access the car park beside the pavilion at the Halsey Street entrance. There are 30 car parks, and during the day most are often full even when there are very few people using the park. This is particularly challenging around 4pm, when junior practices begin.

The car park was developed when the Trust rebuilt the pavilion in the early 1990s. It was intended to support people using Victoria Park and the pavilion, including players, officials, opposition teams, families, and other park users.

We ask the Local Board to work with Auckland Council and Auckland Transport to review management options for the Halsey Street car park. Options could include time limits, permit arrangements, enforcement, or other mechanisms that better prioritise Victoria Park and pavilion users.

The opening of the City Rail Link also presents a significant opportunity to improve access to Victoria Park. We encourage the Local Board to support safe, well-signposted, and accessible walking connections between CRL stations and Victoria Park.

London plane trees

Victoria Park is known for the London plane trees that surround the park. These trees are an important and valued feature of the park and contribute significantly to its character.

However, if branches are not regularly trimmed, they intrude onto the sports field, reducing the playing area, affect the integrity of games, and create potential health and safety issues. The Council arborist team has done excellent work over the years in maintaining the trees.

We ask that annual trimming of the London plane trees remains a funded and planned maintenance activity.

Rough sleeping and pavilion amenity

We recognise that rough sleeping is a complex social issue requiring a compassionate, coordinated response. Our concern is the impact on pavilion access, perceptions of safety, hygiene, and the ability of children, families, and sports users to use the facility confidently.

Since the pavilion was rebuilt in the early 1990s, people experiencing homelessness have used areas around the pavilion on a regular basis. Historically, many people have been respectful of the pavilion and park by keeping belongings out of the way and moving on when the facility is in use.

In recent years, however, the issue has become more noticeable, including belongings being left around the pavilion, unsanitary toileting, break ins, property damage and a generally less welcoming environment for park and pavilion users. This has discouraged some people from using Victoria Park, particularly when children are attending sport or using Grafton's indoor cricket academy.

We ask the Local Board to work with relevant Council teams, social service agencies, and the Trust on a practical and humane response that supports vulnerable people while maintaining safe, clean, and accessible public facilities.

Conclusion

Victoria Park is a scarce and valuable central-city open space. As the city centre grows, its role as a home for organised sport, recreation, and inclusive community activity will become even more important.

We ask the Waitematā Local Board to protect this role in the Local Board Plan and to work with the Trust, sporting codes, park users, Auckland Council, Auckland Transport, and relevant agencies on the practical actions outlined in this submission.

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Submitter details:

Organisation: Weona Lemington Coastal Forest Restoration Group

Local Board: Waitematā

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Very well

Tell us why

This is a positive reflection of important issues for our local community.

We co-ordinate a local group of volunteers for planting, weeding and trapping in the Weona walkway which is well used and much loved in Westmere. The natural environment is greatly valued by the community.

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

We experience genuine neighbourhood support in Westmere and endorse these aspirations.

However, we are concerned that the final section of the Weona walkway has been closed for more than a year to the detriment of community connection. Previously the entire walkway was open to and enjoyed by the community on a daily basis.

Natural Environment

3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

We strongly endorse these objectives. the willingness of our volunteers to spend many hours restoring the category A Weona Lemington Coastal forest is evidence of how much it is valued in our community.

We are very concerned that the final section of the Weona walkway has been closed for more than a year. We are no longer able to access the area to clear weeds and noxious weeds are rapidly spreading out of control.

We urge the Council to repair and reopen the closed section as soon as possible.

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

The ideas are really good.

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	Very well
Climate outcomes	Very well
Equitable outcomes	Very well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

All three considerations are vital for a positive future.

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**

No



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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Albert-Eden

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Not well at all

Tell us why

I came to this form from a post about a skate-only indoor action sports park in Newmarket. Something that you funded as per the post. I'm wondering why this location is exclusive to skateboarders. Who represent only a small fraction of the action sports community.

Action sports are all about inclusion. Not exclusion. To celebrate a facility that only allows skaters really gets me down.

Scooter riding is far more popular than skating and bmx combined and yet there is never any consideration for what skateparks or even features at skateparks might be useful for those athletes.

The guys at this new market park have claimed in the past that "scooters aren't allowed because they will damage the ramps" that is utter nonsense. Either: A. The ramps are weak and fragile so much so that any thing more extreme than a small 2 foot air will cause them to break. Or B. They dislike scootering and use this as an excuse.

There is no reason to believe that a scooter can cause more damage than any other sport. Misuse is misuse, it has nothing to do with what is being ridden.

If the council is happy to create exclusive zones for skaters then scooters (again far more popular according to Sport NZ data) and bmx riders. Both scooter and bmx disciplines have been neglected for two decades.

I am 30 years old and have ridden scooters that entire 20 years. I've never once witnessed a park design include anything a scooter rider requested: box jumps, w-ramps, flat rails and so on. Not once.

I think it's high about time somebody started paying attention to these athletes. We are the biggest and most interesting of the lot. We go bigger, many kiwi scooter riders have global careers but are never celebrated, acknowledged or catered too in any way.

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Not very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

- 3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

- 4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

- 5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

- 6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**



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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Albert-Eden

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Very well

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Adding basketball courts to the Olympic Pools

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

- 5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

I support a live music precinct

Transport

- 6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**



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#113

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Albert-Eden

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Quite well

Tell us why

I think you've covered the things we care about - my hope is you follow through on them!

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

More events! Support for local markets!

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Our parks are the most important! We love being outside! and swimming! This one! PLZ actually focus on this!

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

All the Māori art is really cool! Keep doing it!

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Business is important - especially small business / hos po!

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

OMG! The worst At does! the City Link is never coming! Please fix this

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	Quite well
Climate outcomes	Not very well
Equitable outcomes	Quite well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

Seems like Māori are accounted for there is always more room for climate focus!

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitemātā Local Board Plan 2026?

Um get this plan out there more!

I didn't know we could have a say!

The parks and the environment are the most important.

Do more community outreach things like talking to the community at the Grey Lynn market!



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#124

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Albert-Eden

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Very well

Tell us why

I think the draft plan reflects community priorities clearly and sets out realistic actions for the next three years. It feels balanced, practical, and focused on outcomes that will benefit residents locally.

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

The community objectives are strong and reflect the value of arts, culture, inclusion, and accessible community spaces. New public-transport investment is also very welcome, as it helps more people participate in local life and attend community events.

However, the plan should better protect the ability of established creative and cultural spaces to operate. Areas such as Karangahape Road should be recognised as dedicated cultural and entertainment precincts, with practical and balanced noise rules that support live music, performances, workshops, and community events while still managing genuine disturbance.

Without this protection, venues and artist-led spaces can feel constrained by complaints or restrictions that limit the very activities that make these neighbourhoods vibrant, welcoming, and socially connected. Supporting transport, arts, and community spaces must include planning settings that allow cultural events to continue sustainably.

Natural Environment

3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

The objectives strongly reflect the needs of the Waitematā community. Restoring urban nature, improving water quality, protecting coastal environments, reducing waste, and supporting community-led climate action will make central neighbourhoods healthier, more resilient, and more enjoyable places to live, work, and gather.

The plan should also ensure that environmental action is practical and accessible for community organisations, creative spaces, and small venues. Support for composting, recycling, waste reduction, reuse of materials, greener transport, and small-scale urban planting would help local groups take meaningful action while continuing to provide affordable activities and events for the community.

A clean, biodiverse and climate-resilient Waitematā should grow alongside a thriving cultural and community life.

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

The plan should also protect and enable artist-led, cultural and community spaces within the city centre and historic suburbs. These spaces make practical use of existing buildings, bring people together through affordable events and activities, and contribute directly to the character and vibrancy of the area.

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

The plan should also explicitly support affordable artist-led, cultural and community spaces. These spaces contribute to local employment, small-business activity, wellbeing, participation, tourism and the distinctive identity of Waitematā. They provide opportunities for artists, young people, local residents and community groups to meet, learn, create and attend events.

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Improved public transport is a major benefit, but it should be matched with practical support for accessible, affordable and active community venues. A thriving economy depends not only on commercial growth, but also on the creative and community spaces that make people want to stay, participate and return.

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	Quite well
Climate outcomes	Quite well
Equitable outcomes	Quite well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?

Established cultural precincts, including Karangahape Road, should be protected through planning and noise settings that recognise their role as places for live music, performances, workshops and community events. New development should be designed to coexist with existing cultural activity, rather than gradually restricting it.



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Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Albert-Eden

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Very well

Tell us why

Because it has a great vision and concept is really excellent

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

The save space for the newcomers from all the community including

Natural Environment

- 3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

maintain restore is the great way of making a vision into action

Built Environment**4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

More workshop and advertisement of the event and more free place to go for for seeing the heritage sites

Economic Development**5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

The included plan is already very excellent

Transport**6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Bus fair to be more affordable for students and newcomers.

Other outcomes and considerations**7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	Very well
Climate outcomes	Very well
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

Investment as work opportunities is very less as I have face that problem lately.

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?

I want to pitch for more investment so that new comers can find the job easily.



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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Albert-Eden

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Very well

Tell us why

Very curious to see how things workout, wanted to see more people come to CBD often.

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

- 3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Not very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Carparks are expensive, limited options for bike parkings and there is the threat of the bikes being stole.

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	Very well
Climate outcomes	Very well
Equitable outcomes	Quite well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?

Make more people visit CBD, its looking dull these days. Very limited options on carpark. Bike tracks are well developed but parking the bikes is risky of being stolen. And sometimes it feels unsafe of people behavior here, like people under influence of drugs shouting at other people and visitors.



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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Albert-Eden

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

I don't know

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

I don't know

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Not very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

I just moved from Japan, no cars and feeling I cannot do anything without car. If you want to encourage to use public transport, it should be much more cheaper.

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	I don't know
Climate outcomes	Quite well
Equitable outcomes	I don't know

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?



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Submitter details:

Organisation: [N/A](#)

Local Board: Albert-Eden

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Quite well

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	Very well
Climate outcomes	Very well
Equitable outcomes	Quite well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?



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Submitter details:

Organisation: [N/A](#)

Local Board: Devonport-Takapuna

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Quite well

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

I don't know

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Not very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	Quite well
Climate outcomes	Not very well
Equitable outcomes	Not very well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?



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#277

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Submitter details:

Organisation: [N/A](#)

Local Board: Devonport-Takapuna

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Quite well

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	Quite well
Climate outcomes	Quite well
Equitable outcomes	Quite well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?



Have Your Say on the Draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026

#42

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Not well at all

Tell us why

WE as dog owners pay a seperate fee to the council yet none of us recieve anything in return. My recomendation would be to start implementing fenced double gated dog parks so the council shows our apopreciation of fees paid and to provide a safe environment to run our dogs around. this will then remove a lot of dogs at beaches or local parks where kids play.

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

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Natural Environment

- 3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

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Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

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Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

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Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

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Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	I don't know
Climate outcomes	I don't know
Equitable outcomes	I don't know

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

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#117

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Not well at all

Tell us why

More congestion coming in and out of Te Atatu Peninsula, majority of the time it's next to stay out, can take up to an hour, get council still approve more housing intensification, no upgrades on water, sewage, power, more parking on the roads likely waiting for accidents, to happen, emergency units unable to attend to emergencies if both sides of the road have cars parked cars on it, ***** nightmare, yet rates still go up for what? Jack *****

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Constant break ins

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Constant flooding issues with heavy rain due to more housing intensification

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Too much housing intensification already in Te Atatu peninsula

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

No more housing in Te Atatu Peninsula

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

***** show in Te Atatu Peninsula, no public transportation from Te Atatu Peninsula via Rosebank Road to Avondale or New Lynn

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	Not well at all
Climate outcomes	Not well at all

Equitable outcomes	Not well at all
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Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

Still waiting for the Marae to be built in Te Atatu

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?



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#225

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Quite well

Tell us why

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

I support most of the priorities outlined in the draft plan. The focus on community wellbeing, environmental protection, and improving transport is important, as is planning for future growth. I would encourage the Local Board to ensure investment is balanced across maintaining existing parks, sports facilities, and community spaces while also improving transport connections and supporting local businesses. Delivering projects efficiently and ensuring value for ratepayers should remain a key consideration.

Natural Environment

- 3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

- 4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

- 5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

- 6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	Quite well
Climate outcomes	Quite well
Equitable outcomes	Quite well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**

TouchRugby.co.nz supports the overall direction of the draft Albert-Eden Local Board Plan and encourages the Board to continue investing in community sport and active recreation. Touch rugby provides affordable, social and inclusive opportunities for people of all ages and abilities to stay active, connect with others and improve their physical and mental wellbeing.

We encourage the Local Board to prioritise maintaining and improving sports fields, artificial turf facilities, lighting and supporting infrastructure to ensure they can meet growing community demand. Reliable access to quality playing surfaces is essential, particularly during winter when natural grass fields are often unavailable.

We also encourage continued support for community organisations that deliver participation programmes, competitions and events. By working alongside local sporting organisations, the Board can help increase participation, strengthen community connections and ensure more Aucklanders have opportunities to be active close to home.

Investing in community sport is an investment in healthier, safer and more connected neighbourhoods, and we look forward to continuing to work with the Albert-Eden Local Board to achieve these outcomes.



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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

I don't know

Tell us why

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Families need a safe place to explore with young kids.

Natural Environment

- 3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

We need to keep a healthy environment and need more patrolling on beaches to keep them clean.

Built Environment**4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Not very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Lots of people in the community damaging art work and historic sights in our suburbs. Need more action to keep these safe

Economic Development**5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Not very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

City needs to be more accessible, that way business will get more opportunity to thrive. eg. Carpark near main streets.

Transport**6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

It will be interesting to see how the new railroad system works for our community.

Other outcomes and considerations**7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	I don't know
Climate outcomes	Quite well
Equitable outcomes	Quite well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?

Make city safe so families can visit and kids can roam freely. Queen St should have more patrolling. Thank you



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#309

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Organisation: [N/A](#)

Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Quite well

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Not very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	I don't know
Climate outcomes	Not very well
Equitable outcomes	Quite well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?

Less roadworks, more cycle lane, reduce rough sleepers/homeless people.



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#350

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Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

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Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

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Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

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Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

- 5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

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Transport

- 6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**



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#351

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Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

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Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

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Built Environment

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Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**



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Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

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Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

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Built Environment

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Economic Development

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Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**



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Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

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Economic Development

- 5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

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Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**



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Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

- 5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

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Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**



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#398

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

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Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

- 5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

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Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**



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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Henderson-Massey

Your feedback:

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Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

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Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

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Economic Development

- 5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

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Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**



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#228

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Hibiscus and Bays

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Quite well

Tell us why

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Please consider more Korean older people.

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Need to more to give clear information to the public.

Built Environment**4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Not very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

I am very struggling with the free venue for the Freindshjp group or Digital Litterray class for Korean older people. Very busy library and somewhere is not helpful.

Economic Development**5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport**6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Not well at all

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Public transport is quite expensive and not to easy to use for the time schedule or bus stop. Eg. East coast road bus cannot go to the city directly, always need to transfer at Constallation bus station. Otherwise go to Albany bus station where is not able to park as busy.

Other outcomes and considerations**7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	I don't know
Climate outcomes	Not very well
Equitable outcomes	I don't know

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

For the flooding preparation the local board need to give a tips to have presentations, workshop or seminars.

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitemātā Local Board Plan 2026?

N/A



Have Your Say on the Draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026

#127

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Howick

Your feedback:

1. **How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

Very well

Tell us why

because it's very good 👍

Community

2. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

3. **How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Quite well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?

Very well

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?

Māori outcomes	Quite well
Climate outcomes	Very well
Equitable outcomes	Quite well

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?



Have Your Say on the Draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026

#155

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Howick

Your feedback:

- 1. How well do you think our draft Waitematā Local Board Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our community over the next three years?**

I don't know

Tell us why

Hello. This is just a note, not re Howick but Queen St. We were in the City last Sat and Sun nights, staying at the Radisson Red hotel, which we found great. But from Vulcan Lane up to Aotea Sq, we were very disappointed with Queen St. The amount of layabouts is awful. I thought they were going to be moved on..... We were in New York City years ago and the police quickly moved on anyone who sat down on the pavement. We felt very safe in those days. Auckland is a different feeling and it is quite sad to see, Regards Jill Carter

Community

- 2. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Natural Environment

- 3. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Built Environment

- 4. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Economic Development

- 5. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Transport

- 6. How well do you think these objectives reflect the needs and priorities of the Waitematā community?**

Tell us why, and if there is anything you would like us to consider including in the final plan

Other outcomes and considerations

- 7. How well do you think we have captured these considerations in the draft plan for the Waitematā community?**

Māori outcomes	
Climate outcomes	
Equitable outcomes	

Tell us why (please note which outcome area you are referring to)

- 8. Do you have any other feedback on the draft Waitematā Local Board Plan 2026?**