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Q1: What do you think of the proposed annual plan?

Do not support any

Tell us why

You overspend and under deliver.

Stop being involved in anything but:

Roads, Water, wastewater, and stormwater services

Rubbish collection stop mutable bins and recycling plans

Parks, beaches, playgrounds

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I think they are terrible! our wadges aren't increasing and we have to make do with what we get so maybe you should!

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Albert-Eden,WaitematāDo not support anythe people cant afford it! Do not supportDo not supportDo not supportDo not supportWe the rate payers struggling to pay the current rates, leave us alone! we have no income increase, higher fuel, higher food costs...

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Do not support any

Tell us why

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2. What do you think about the proposed changes to service levels, fees and charges?

A. Reduce library hours at Central City, Little Leys, Grey Lynn and Parnell Libraries.

Support

B. Reduce maintenance for bollard and post-and-rail.

Do not support

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

Support

D. Increase fees for adult swim fees at council pools by up to $3.

Support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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Question 4: Other feedback

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Stop wasting money especially in bike lanes, bus lanes, larger footpaths. stick with the bread and butter

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

Other (please specify):Just maintain what we have

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Why have you never fixed damaged lizard underneath Newmarket viaduct.

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Please ditch all events and overseas staff travel. Please repair lizard under Newmarket viaduct.

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

Better connections – improve links between the city centre, the waterfront and nearby neighbourhoods.,Getting around – make it easier to walk, drive, cycle and use public transport in the city centre and from east to west, including better traffic flow.,Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.,Supporting businesses – help businesses succeed by making them easier to access by attracting more visitors to the city with well-designed streets and public spaces.

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Leave these to the local boards to raise their oen funds

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Towards zero waste and rates

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Tell us why

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Animal welfare and marine protection - most Aucklanders are non-human!

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supports rates increases where they are used to fund well-resourced public services, close pay gaps, and ensure council can attract and retain the skilled workforce required to deliver major investments such as CRL. Members express concern about the inequities between local boards and the risk of service reductions falling unevenly on communities and workers.

PSA also supports fair and transparent funding mechanisms for equitable local board funding, pools and leisure fees as well refuse rates that support Zero Waste Goals. See attachment for full submission.

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PSA submission on Auckland Council's Annual Plan 2026/27

Our central ask: To achieve those long-term objectives of resilient infrastructure, climate adaptation and services that the community needs, the Governing Body must see investment in workforce skills, tools and experience, and staff wellbeing as a strategic investment rather than a cost to be constrained, in order to turn long-term plans into real outcomes for Aucklanders.

Question 1: Our overall plan and proposed rates increase

Following a survey of PSA members, staff broadly **support elements of the Annual Plan's direction and focus of doing things 'better, faster and cheaper',** particularly where it strengthens publicly delivered services, climate action and core infrastructure investment. However, there are **significant concerns about workforce sustainability**, service quality, and cumulative impacts of ongoing savings pressures.

Kaimahi consistently report that **current workloads are already stretched**, and that further savings/service reductions risk undermining staff wellbeing and outcomes for Aucklanders. PSA is clear that the organisation may be reaching the **limits of what can reasonably be achieved through internal efficiencies** without eroding public services. PSA cautions against a narrow interpretation of "value for money" that relies on workforce reductions, outsourcing, or suppressed wages, as this ultimately undermines service quality, resilience, and public trust.

Across our members, **staff resourcing, workload, pay and conditions, and wellbeing** emerged as the most critical priorities for staff.

PSA calls on the Governing Body to ensure the Annual Plan:

- Provides for **realistic and sustainable staffing levels**
- Supports **job security and retention**
- Actively addresses **pay gaps,** including gender and ethnic pay inequities

Cuts to services – such as **reduced library opening hours** – are already creating risks of lost hours and reduced income, especially for part-time and lower-paid workers, at a time of rising living costs.

On AT Reform, to date PSA has been working constructively with the entities, and we expect this early, active and collaborative engagement with PSA and affected staff to continue throughout all stages of this reform. Our approach is to seek to maintain the employment of kaimahi throughout this process and to ensure that terms and conditions are maintained as kaimahi transfer, and we hope the Governing Body supports this.

PSA notes that the opening of the City Rail Link may place new and ongoing operational demands on Council and AT kaimahi, which must be matched with secure jobs, sufficient staffing levels, and sustainable workloads. To support this opening, and in light of the current fuel/inflation crisis, we call on Council to more actively promote AT's FareShare scheme across Auckland employers, starting with implementing it for staff employed across the Council Group.

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

PSA supports rates increases where they are used to fund well-resourced public services, close pay gaps, and ensure Council can attract and retain the skilled workforce required to deliver major investments such as City Rail Link. Members express concern about the inequities between local boards and the risk of service reductions falling unevenly on communities and workers.

PSA also supports fair and transparent funding mechanisms for equitable local board funding, pools and leisure fees, as well as waste and refuse rates that support Zero Waste goals.

Question 4: Other feedback

Regular union engagement: PSA calls for regular engagement between the Governing Body and all Auckland-based unions. We are supportive of a standing union advisory panel or tripartite-style forums being set up.

Equal pay: We wish to thank Council and its CE for proceeding with raising the pay for its 800 librarians and assistants despite the six-year pay equity process being cancelled by the Government's law changes to pay equity. However, overall pay gaps still persist across the organisation which, as at 1 March 2025, stands at 20.9% for women, 14.6% for Māori and 27.4% for Pacific peoples – we strongly advocate for placing a priority in the Plan on working with the PSA to close these pay gaps in a timely way.

Living Wage: Auckland Council remains the only entity within the Council Group to be Living Wage accredited, despite the Group Remuneration Policy ensuring all entities pay a living wage. We call on the Governing Body to resolve to direct AT, Watercare, and TAU to also become Living Wage accredited.

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#3997

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Whau

Whau Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Design and build a new destination playground at Avondale Central Reserve.

B. Promote community identity and diversity by funding a coordinator for Welcoming Communities, supporting the PAN African Hub, and refreshing the Whau Ethnic Peoples Plan.

Support

C. Engage and respond to youth needs, and co-design initiatives to address opportunities and gaps.

Support

D. Improve water quality and flood resilience of Whau streams and rivers through collaboration with volunteers, local schools, community hubs, organisations, and neighbouring local boards.

Support

E. Prioritise projects identified through the Whau Sport and Recreation Facilities Plan and leverage partnerships to provide a local facility network for the community.

Support

F. Develop a Local Parks Management Plan to guide decisions on managing use, development, and protection of all 146 parks, reserves and open space within the Whau.

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?

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I strongly support calls for an extension for Te Whau Pathway to New Lynn and beyond. It would make commuting on bike easier especially since the alternative arterial routes are very challenging for me cyclists myself. It would be a great asset for families and the communty.

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

Annual Plan 2026-2027

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Do not support most

Tell us why

The cost of living is extremely high right now, and adding property taxes will make things even more difficult for families.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Devonport-Takapuna

Question 4: Other feedback

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.

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Your feedback:

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

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Question 4: Other feedback

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

Getting around – make it easier to walk, drive, cycle and use public transport in the city centre and from east to west, including better traffic flow.

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#4006

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Local Board: I don't know

Your feedback:

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Q1: What do you think of the proposed annual plan?

I don't know

Tell us why

N/A

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

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Question 4: Other feedback

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N/A

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

Events and city life – attract people to the city centre through events, culture and a strong sense of place.

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#4013

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Papakura

Papakura Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Tell us why

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes to service levels and fees and charges?

A. Reduce library hours on Mondays and Fridays at Sir Edmund Hillary Library.

Do not support

B. Reduce library hours on Saturdays at Sir Edmund Hillary Library.

Do not support

C. Reduce selected maintenance: Stop bollard and post-and-rail maintenance in parks, stop scheduled maintenance for bush areas (except high value/ecological).

I don’t know

D. Charge a higher fee for visitors outside the Auckland region who visit Massey Park Pool.

Do not support

E. Reduce or discontinue grant funding.

Do not support

F. Reduce the numbers of public rubbish bins in public spaces such as town centres, parks and reserves.

Do not support

G. Reduce or discontinue some arts and culture activities.

Do not support

H. Reduce or discontinue some services and programmes in arts facilities and community centres.

Do not support

I. Reduce or discontinue some community development and support activities.

Do not support

J. Reduce or discontinue some environmental and water quality activities.

Do not support

K. Reduce or discontinue civic events.

Do not support

L. Reduce or discontinue sports and park activation activities.

Do not support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Hospital parking should be free

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Māori identity and culture – reflect and celebrate Māori identity and culture throughout the city centre.,Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.

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#4025

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Support all

Tell us why

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Community wellbeing - continue to grow and evolve our programmes to support community wellbeing with a focus on tamariki and rangatahi, as well as older people

Support

B. Review level of community grants, including investigating a Facility Partnership Fund to support community organisations to plan, develop or upgrade community facilities

Support

C. Improve engagement with communities of need, schools and youth

Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

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Support most

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A great facility for our community. Catering for all ages.Needing some financial assistance from the council,.Needs water fountains, safer access to zte Puru,bus stop to make the grinds accessible for more people. A lower speed limit passes the entrance & exits to the grounds Facility's upgraded.

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Franklin

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N/A

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RodneySupport most

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Devonport-Takapuna,Franklin,Hibiscus and Bays,Howick,Rodney,Upper Harbour

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes?

A. Reduced maintenance of bollards and fencing, stop scheduled maintenance for bush area (except High Value/Ecological areas), reduced service level for amenity gardens and planted areas, and reclassifying re-vegetation areas to bush areas.

I don’t know

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Do not support

C. Reduced local board funding to local organisations that deliver local events.

I don’t know

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

I don’t know

E. Reduced funding for organisations that deliver support and services for seniors, youth, ethnic communities, sport and recreation and community wellbeing.

Support

F.Reduced funding support for The Depot, Devonport Museum, The Lake House, The Michael King Writers Centre, North Shore Brass, The Pumphouse and The Rose Centre.

Support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

I don’t know

H. Reduced funding support for environmental restoration, planting, pest management, and waste minimisation.

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

We love animals and pests affecting the natural beauty of the earth is concerning

Franklin Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

Bc of community

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment and changes to fees and charges?

A. Supporting further protection of our sea, soil and fresh water from contamination and sedimentation, through increased monitoring and extending projects such as local stream restoration including the Weiti River.

I don’t know

B. Supporting community access to a wide range of recreational opportunities through investigating new capex projects such as outdoor court provision and increasing support for indoor court provision through facilities grants.

I don’t know

C. Creating safer town centres and other public spaces through actions such as an increased support for community safety and placemaking.

Support

D. Ensuring Hibiscus and Bays is welcoming and supportive for all through collaboration with a broader range of local residents and an increased focus on inclusive design, so it is accessible and usable for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.

Support

E. Introducing changes to a range of fees in pools and leisure centres, including casual recreation, dry and aquatic group fitness and pool lane hire to better align fees across our sites.

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Howick Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed local board specific key areas of spend?

A. Explore ways to get the best value from our play spaces so they continue to meet the needs of children and families.

Support

B. Run regular seminars for community groups/organisations on the local grant's application process.

Support

C. Identify what type of indoor/sheltered courts are necessary to support sports play in Flat Bush.

Support

D. Continue advocacy of the Tāmaki estuary on water quality and coastal erosion.

Support

E. Continue to advocate to crime prevention organisations on behalf of the community for ongoing safety initiatives.

Support

F. Continue to support our volunteer groups with resources needed for ecological volunteering, such as stream clean-ups and pest plant weeding.

Support

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Support most

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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A. Reduce maintenance activities may include stopping scheduled work on bollards, post-and-rails, and low-value bush areas, ceasing amenity garden infill planting and mulching, and reclassifying re-vegetation areas as bush.

Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

C. Reduce funding across all programmes and projects including environmental outcomes, events and activations, cycling initiatives and community outcomes.

Support

D. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 1: Increase casual swim and swim plus fees by $1 (Fees will range from $5.00 - $11.40)

I don't know

E. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 2: Increase spectator fee and supervising adult fee by $1 (Fees will become $2)

Support

F. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 3: Increase spectator fee and supervising adult fee by $4 (Fees will become $5)

I don't know

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I would like to make more accessible and affordable for us youth

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RodneySupport mostBecause it for our community but only few facilities implemented in Rodney. I would love to see more eg. more buses, trains expand to rodney

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Albert-EdenSupport allSupportSupportSupportSupport

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#4117

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

What absolute **********. The proposed increase is 63%. I am sure that if it takes more than 5 minutes to process a parking permit request you need to improve your processes. We have two properties in Auckland city and pay over $16,000.00 a year in rates. One of the properties is in the former Rodney district and we get F***all in services for our rates. We in Rodney a just an ATM for central Auckland. Therefore, clearly our rates are subsidizing other services, so can I assume that you will be lowering our rates because you are going to raise the charges for other subsidized services. Probably not!!

I am opposed to the proposed increase in the parking permit charges.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I find it hard to believe that each parking permit that is processed costs $114 all in.

AT surely need to look at their programming power. Surely linking house ownership/rates, car registrations, utility bills etc can't be that difficult.

Has any time been spent on developing your AI capacity?

Today I went on-line and got a new rego for my car. Great process, takes two minutes.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I was going to support this proposed fee increase for the Ponsonby

residential area -- I would, in fact, support a greater increase and

more effective enforcement, since Prosford Street is getting parked out

again -- but I can't find the relevant part of the Auckland Annual Plan.

Fees and Charges? apparently not. Local area? apparently not. Could

Auckland Transport give us a clue, please, or would that be making life

to easy for car drivers?

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Please make your process less cumbersome and work intensive.

I presume, most of the residents parking permits are repeat applications ?

A simple online renew button would save lots of time and money.

A 63 % increase in parking fees seems excessive !

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Firstly, I think the permits should be done as 365 days from when you purchase the permit. I moved into an area with parking permits in June , so I had to pay $70 until December and then another $70 until I move out again in June. This seems absurd.

Also, how can processes a permit cost $114. I understand labour costs but surely this cannot take more than a few minutes, a breakdown of this costing and process would be greatly appreciated.

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AT would save money and time – if it didn't treat householders as if they are 'new' to the scheme every year – a quick look at the rates doc would show you who is still living there, but of course that is not one of your allowed documents.

Note most utility companies now refuse to use 2 names, and banks insist on putting the males name first in heterosexual couples at least (regardless of alphabetical order or who opened the account originally) --- it becomes increasingly difficult to find pdf docs with proof of address if the car is registered in the name of the female of the household !

We've lived here 25 years , we never asked for the parking system (in fact asked for the opposite as the street always emptied out late afternoon) the trial was never a trial – but a fait accompli so any increase in price is not greeted with enthusiasm by us.

The day permits being on one persons phone is most inconvenient at times compared to the previous booklet of cards. People having to text overseas for example, tradies being 'driven crazy' as they attempt to do work on your house with the camera cars passing regularly .

I feel we get little for our fee other than inconvenience for our guests and visitors who wish to stay longer than a max of 2 hours during the day. (My late mother's 93rd birthday was very stressful for the attendees – 2 hours is not long enough for such a luncheon.)

I know the fee will go up what ever people write and regardless of the cost of living crisis – perhpas AT should consider cheaper office space away fron the CBD – I know personally there is a lot available in south Auckand near the trainline

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A $40 increase is extreme.

I am a pensioner. I want to live in my home in Ponsonby. I have lived here for 34 years. I want my friends and family to visit freely.

I find having to pay to park outside my home insulting actually.

I have watched my home rates increase year after year and somehow managed to get by!

More rate increases are coming our way.

Now you want to add another increase to the insulting parking rule.

Quite frankly this is getting way out of control.

Where do you expect people to find this extra cash from?

Do you want me to move?

Are you pushing the old folks out?

I am disgusted.

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Parking spots now have machines and monitored by Auckland Transport, with no one wanting to park in these spots & only there with leaving just as time runs out.

Public transport that is NOT reliable either. Trains need to run 24/7 even during school holidays.

It's all about MONEY, MONEY, MONEY!

I pay land rates, taxes, parking permits, insurance and you're asking for $44.00 - why not sell the Auckland Transport fleet - AT cars, that only carry the one employee of AT? AT has too many cars anyway just like Auckland Council.

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Why do we have to apply freshly permits every year

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Also

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If this rule were universal across all homeowners and ratepayers, then the logic of the council charging me for the administrative costs may have some argument.

It is not universal, it is in selected areas and streets.

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I object strongly to the rise in parking permits.

We are unable to even park on our street due to the major Watercare project shutting off access (one way) and no roadside parking is allowed anywhere along the road in front of our garage. Why should we pay for something that doesn't exist? We have been told this may go on for two years!

Council needs to work with WaterCare and AT.....and make temporary exclusions accordingly.

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I strongly feel that this increase is too expensive and unreasonable, especially in the current cost of living climate. As a student, I am already struggling to cover essential expenses such as rent, food, and transport. An increase of this size would place additional financial pressure on me and others in similar situations.

While I understand there are processing costs involved, raising the fee so significantly all at once feels unfair. Many residents rely on these permits as a necessity, not a luxury, and this change would make it harder for people to afford basic access to parking in their own neighbourhoods.

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I currently pay for 3 passes for my family to park outside my house at ***

It's outrageous to have to pay in the first place on top of my $6,700 annual rates. But to be told I'll pay 60% more just because that's what it costs is unacceptable.

I suggest council becomes more efficient or drops the passes completely as this just seem wrong and lazy.

Please feed my two ideas into the other feedback and email me an update

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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'owner occupier' should be exempt from this extra charge -obviously, as we pay rates as it is.

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I have no issue with the permit price increasing to $114; however, if someone moves into an area half way through the permit period then $114 for say, 4-9mths isn't particularly fair.

Could a part year charge be considered?

Also, where I live, the building is 105yrs old with limited off street parking. The house is split into 4 residences with six cars between us all. What is someone expected to do if no additional permit is granted due to too many requests from one address? Or if a resident leaves part way through can their permit be transferred to someone else who's taken over the tenancy?

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My feedback is we have people parking outside our house every day who want to commute by car and who are paying nothing, parking there for 8 or 9 hours.

Suggest you put the fines up to $1000 to cover your costs.

Bus fares recently went up but the weekly cap remains $50, you should recover a fair proportion of costs from those people who wish to live in outlying areas such as Red Beach. Why do you expect the rest of us to subsidise these people more and more? There has been no consultation on the bus fare cap and no talk of the cost of implementation.

Ponsonby parking is going to change at the behest of AT's recent initiative, pushing parking down the side streets making parking even more difficult for residents, workers in the small businesses around here and people wanting to have a night out who will now pay more and be fined more. Even more money in the coffers, yet still you want us to pay more.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Are you able to justify permit holders paying anything at all for these permits? I would expect to be able to park on my street without the need to pay anything at all.

I understand the rationale for imposing restrictions. But I don't understand the rationale for making us pay for the permits.

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Comments relating to price increase from $70 to $114. Surely with improved IT structures and possibly little change as to the users of the paid parking scheme the cost of running the service should be decreasing rather than increasing!!!! More efficiency on the Councils part would be good. How about $70 for two years. We have been paying since the system started. House and or car changes should be the only trigger for having to go through the lengthy, poorly managed process of reapplying every year!!!! Your system is inefficient!!!!!

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As a resident of Lincoln Street, I strongly oppose the proposed cost increase of residents permits from $70 to $114.

In your e-mail you state the following;

"Currently, it costs AT $114 to process each permit. We propose to increase the price from $70 to $114 annually so that it isn't subsidised by others unintentionally. This reflects the full cost of processing each permit, including staff time, technology and building overheads."

I believe that this statement, if far too simplistic a statement to be relied upon to justify the cost increase if not disingenuous. If AT can demonstrate what the gross financial impact of the scheme is - the processing Costs- MINUS revenue received from parking fines - this may be justifiable however I contend that AT are asking residents to pay for the implementation of a revenue generating scheme. In effect I contend that AT needs to demonstrate that the residents are not in fact subsidizing AT already.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I believe that the cost of processing each parking application could be reduced if a reapplication by residents who never move away could reapply by the pressing of one button marked "reapply" or "renew". We have been waiting for this facility since the parking permit scheme was introduced! It would save both 'you' and 'us' time and therefore money.

We would like to see some restraint in this time of high cost of living as my husband and I are both pensioners and both pay rates to Auckland Council.

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Council is increasing the price of something they are unable to guarantee: provision of a car-park.

The recent price-hike is extremely unfair because during working hours, the Council condones free parking for some, thus preventing me from parking outside my home.

On my street, large numbers of contractors arrive daily to work on renovations, using up all the parking. They successfully avoid the need to pay for parking because they move their vehicles every two hours, often one or two metres away or across the road.

Having spoken to a council officer at a recent parking Q&A, I was told the council is aware this happens and have no plans to introduce any kind of contractors' permit and will allow this practice to continue.

My conclusion is that it is Council practice to condone free parking for some while charging others, which I believe to be grossly unfair.

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You have succeeded in making the link impenetrable. Apart from a sliding scale there is no facility to voice an opinion on what your email addresses ie increased cost of residential parking. Hopefully a human and not AI will read this. I don't expect a reply.

It does not cost $113 to process an application. Your methodology and/or systems are faulty if that's your belief. If you want to increase revenue from residents parking outside their houses then be honest about it. Frankly it's an outrageous and unjustified sum especially when local retailers flout the system by moving their car's wheels by 10 cm every 2 hours.

I hope you are a friendly robot with human judgment.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I think a 65% increase in one hit is too much, if you are think of raising the charge it should be a

gradual increase not a hit like this. I don't think anyone appreciates a change like this.

Obviously no-one has followed the increases of the years and then suddenly wakes up and pumps up the cost.

This only creates bad relations between home owners and the AT

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Tell us why

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N/A

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I am a 69 year old superannuitant who is already struggling to make ends meet, and you brazenly announce a 163% increase as if it's a normal sort of thing!? If you cannot budget for the collection and processing of the residential parking fees, then you have a problem within your own organisation.

In the last 12 months I have to say that AT has made many lives miserable around where I live. Constant noise all hours of the day and night, toxic fumes from the layers of paint etc that you've sprayed onto Great North Road, then having to tear it up and do it again... just appalling!

I refuse to pay the increased amount for residential parking fees. Period.

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I must say i am surprised at the proposed 63% increase in the price of a parking permits for my residence.

You state it reflects true costs, which also surprises me given the online nature of this service- it's entirely digital.

So should create savings not additional costs. Perhaps need an AI review.

Please also note that with the high rise developments along Jervois Road, our street in last 18mths has been filled with builders and subbies vehicles who almost park over our entranceway.

The policing of this either doesn't happen or is too slow.

Lately we have also seen Freedom Campers in the street as well, creating more rubbish for us to pick up.

And of course commuters park in the street to avail of cheapest bus fares to get in/out of the city.

I would like the Council to consider a two tier system:

i) Retain the current $70 for bona fide residents of this street. Most likely have garages and use the permit system for guests and family visits.

ii) Bump up the daily and monthly rate for building developers and their contractors, as well as the commuters parking in the street.

Perhaps also police this street better- i know the cars whizz around but perhaps place a warden on the street to really check that you are maximising your collections.

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I am keen to give feedback on the permits, the link takes me to a site where you prioritise what the council should focus on (the 10pts)

I have specific feedback and questions related to permit parking.

1 - please can you provide the costing breakdown? I work as a senior administrator and that cost seems high. In my company, the charge out rate for a mid weight administrator is around $75 per hour which includes all overheads.

2 - what options have been taken to reduce the time taken / complexity of these?

For example - have you considered reducing the levels of approvals?

Have you looked at how long these take and whether there are any ways to streamline?

Could you make these 2 year permits? The risk of someone using a permit for somewhere they no longer live seems low.

3 - the cost of living is only getting worse and wages are not keeping pace. Please don't increase the price.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I'd like to submit feedback on the proposed cost increase of residential parking.

First I would like to say that I value the residential parking system in our neighbourhood because it means the streets are well managed. However Council current council planning regulations prevent our ability to add off street parking to our own property and therefore we are required to park on the street. A 63% increase on the cost of the residential parking permit seems excessive, can you please provide a better breakdown of this costis there a way to reduce this cost internally or alternatively increase the period of the permits from 1 year to 2?

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I am dismayed at the increase proposed for a residential parking permit. A small increase may have been more acceptable but this is a huge jump and totally unjustified. In actual fact, I object to having to pay anything at all in order to park on the street I have lived in for the past thirty-six years! I am a ratepayer and believe the cost of our rates should cover parking on our own residential street.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

The proposal to almost double permit parking prices seems extremely unfair.

These are hard times for most of NZers

I would ask you to seriously reconsider this unfair proposal

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#4201

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AT is a joke

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Build more driveways, fewer bus lanes

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

All the tax increases are not worth it; the cost of living is already too high.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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N/A

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We should give more consideration to how to develop the national economy.

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N/A

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

Suggestions: 1. Place a small recycling bin for used batteries at the entrance of large supermarkets for convenient battery disposal.

2. It is hoped that bus service will be available in the Flat Bush new area as soon as possible.

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Better connections – improve links between the city centre, the waterfront and nearby neighbourhoods.,Getting around – make it easier to walk, drive, cycle and use public transport in the city centre and from east to west, including better traffic flow.,Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.,Streets and public spaces – improve streets, parks and public spaces so the city centre is a great place to live and spend time in.

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Q1: What do you think of the proposed annual plan?

Support most

Tell us why

Transportation investment and development can boost the economy, but fairness must be emphasized to avoid uneven resource allocation between different regions. The rate of increase in local taxes should be controlled to reduce the burden on residents.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I support adjusting the fees, but I suggest increasing transparency and making the purpose of the fees clearer in the show titles.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Question 4: Other feedback

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We hope that the government will control costs, improve service efficiency, and strengthen communication with residents.

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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

Prioritize improvements to transportation and infrastructure, while also strengthening flood control capabilities. These areas directly impact residents' daily lives and safety, as well as the city's long-term development.

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It can help meet the needs of their respective communities

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We will continue to invest and deliver in all our investment areas, but we want to understand your priorities.

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Support most

Tell us why

Investment in transportation is supported, but a 7.9% increase in residential property taxes seems a bit high.

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The proposed adjustments are generally supported, as they are considered necessary.

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Better connections – improve links between the city centre, the waterfront and nearby neighbourhoods.,Getting around – make it easier to walk, drive, cycle and use public transport in the city centre and from east to west, including better traffic flow.,Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.

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Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

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B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

C. Reduced local board funding to local organisations that deliver local events.

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Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

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• Apply intersectional lenses, including Te Tiriti and gender, to the Fairer Funding model, neither of which appears to be currently present.

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is removed. An existing tool for this is the Treasury's Living Standards Framework, which serves as the assessment methodology.

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Calling community arts a "nice to have" is a statement about the limitations of the instrument being used to measure it. The extensive domestic and international evidence base, the Council's own strategic framework, and the Treasury's wellbeing architecture all point in the same direction: community arts is social infrastructure. It holds communities together at the local level on the leanest budgets, with the deepest reach, doing work that no market provision will replace and that no future grant round will recover once the capacity is lost.

I urge the Council to ensure its funding decisions refl ect the commitments it has already made.

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Opposition to Proposed Funding Reductions to Community Arts Organisations

Submitted by: [redacted]

I do not wish to be heard in person.

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1. Submitter Standing

I have lived in Tāmaki Makaurau for 30 years. I live in Mairangi Bay, pay rates in Manurewa, work in Auckland Central, hold a governance role for the Kaipātiki area, and am a resident artist at the Lake House Arts Centre in Takapuna. My daily life spans four local board areas, so my long-term well-being is tied to the financial resilience of the greater Auckland. I do not experience Auckland as a set of discrete administrative boundaries; I experience it as a connected city whose community infrastructure either works or fails across those boundaries. I hold postgraduate qualifications in social psychology, behavioural science, and human potential for the digital economy. As a member of the Korean diaspora who arrived in Aotearoa as a child, my understanding of civic belonging is shaped by direct experience of what it structurally takes to participate fully in a city's economic, cultural and civic life.

2. Summary Position

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Source: Joint Statement on Proposed Auckland Council Funding Cuts, Depot Artspace et al., March 2026; Auckland Scoop, "Community Call to Action — Protect Fair Funding for Devonport-Takapuna," March 2026.

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Source: Lake House Arts Centre, lakehousearts.org.nz; Auckland Council facilities we support with funding.

Across Auckland, eight local boards face a combined $6 million shortfall under the Fairer Funding model. The boards most affected (Māngere-Ōtāhuhu, Ōtara-Papatoetoe, Maungakiekie-Tāmaki, Manurewa, and Papakura) are disproportionately the communities identified as "low prosperity" in Auckland's own Prosperity Index.

Source: RNZ, "Auckland mayor defends funding model as local boards face $6m shortfall," 2025; NZ Herald, Auckland Prosperity Index reporting.

4. Contradiction with Council's Own Strategic Framework

Auckland Plan 2050 establishes "Belonging and Participation" as a core outcome. Focus Area 7 within this outcome specifically commits the Council to *"recognise the value of arts, culture, sports and recreation to quality of life."* The Plan states that providing opportunities for all Aucklanders to access, participate in, and experience arts and culture helps create cohesiveness amongst people and communities.

Source: Auckland Plan 2050, Belonging and Participation, Focus Area 7, aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.

Toi Whītiki, Auckland's Arts and Culture Strategic Action Plan, was developed to implement this commitment. Its goals include ensuring all Aucklanders can access and participate in arts and culture, that Auckland values and invests in arts and culture, and that a network of vibrant arts and culture organisations and facilities is maintained.

Source: Toi Whītiki Arts and Culture Strategic Action Plan, Auckland Council, 2015.

The proposed funding reductions directly undermine both instruments. The cuts do not represent a strategic reprioritisation, and they do not appear to have been assessed against the Auckland Plan outcomes framework. Based on the published 26/27 plan, it reads as a fiscal directive applied without reference to the Council's own commitments to cultural

participation and community belonging. This is a governance inconsistency that warrants scrutiny.

On 10 March 2026, the Council hosted "Auckland Conversations: Arts Matter" at Aotea Centre during the Auckland Arts Festival, with the deputy mayor delivering the keynote speech and exploring the essential role of arts in shaping Tāmaki Makaurau's development and sustainability. This event occurred within the same budget cycle that proposes to defund the organisations that deliver those outcomes on the ground. The gap between symbolic commitment and material investment is precisely the credibility problem that erodes public trust in the Council's stated values.

Source: OurAuckland, "Auckland Conversations: Arts Matter," event listing, March 2026.

5. Evidence Base: Community Arts as Upstream Social Investment

The NZ Treasury's Living Standards Framework (LSF) explicitly recognises cultural capital as foundational to wellbeing. Discussion Paper 19/02, *'Culture, Wellbeing, and the Living Standards Framework: A Perspective*' defines cultural capital as a community's embodied cultural skills and values inherited from the previous generation, undergoing adaptation by current members, and desired to be passed on to the next. The paper identifies culture as cutting across all four capital stocks (human, social, natural, and financial/physical) and calls for its stronger integration into policy assessment.

Source: NZ Treasury, DP 19/02, "Culture, Wellbeing, and the Living Standards Framework: A Perspective," June 2019.

This framework directly challenges the framing of community arts as discretionary. If cultural capital is foundational to wellbeing as Treasury's framework asserts, then community arts organisations are the infrastructure through which that capital is generated, maintained, and transmitted. **Defunding them is depleting a capital stock.**

International health evidence reinforces this. A 2024 systematic review with meta-analysis published in Frontiers in Public Health found that Arts on Prescription programmes produce statistically significant improvements in mental wellbeing (mean wellbeing change of 5.82), with reductions in anxiety and depression, and notable benefits for socially isolated and vulnerable participants. The WHO Commission on Social Connection (2024–2026) identifies loneliness and social isolation as a global public health priority and cites robust evidence supporting the positive role of the arts in health and wellbeing.

Source: Frontiers in Public Health, "The impact of arts on prescription on individual health and wellbeing: a systematic review with meta-analysis," 2024; WHO Western Pacific, "WHO promotes social prescribing," 2024.

Community arts programmes are an upstream intervention. They are low-cost social infrastructure that interrupts isolation, supports mental health, enables cultural participation, and builds civic connection that, when absent, generates far more expensive downstream costs across health, justice, and welfare systems. As Dr Jess Berentson-Shaw of The Workshop has articulated, effective policy communication must begin with shared values, not with re-litigating evidence that the evidence base has already settled. **The value of community participation in the arts is settled. The policy question is why the Council's budget does not reflect it.**

Source: Dr Jess Berentson-Shaw, A Matter of Fact: Talking Truth in a Post-Truth World, BWB, 2018; The Workshop, theworkshop.org.nz.

6. The Community Delivery Model Being Unilaterally Withdrawn

Auckland Council's community arts funding is *not* a grant of goodwill. It is the delivery mechanism for services Council has chosen not to provide directly. Contestable regional grants that enable community organisations to deliver arts, education, culture, environmental, and social services are a core part of council work in every New Zealand city. This is a deliberate institutional architecture we have come to accept: Council outsources delivery to organisations with the community relationships, cultural competency, and operational agility to achieve outcomes that centralised provision cannot.

6.1 The revenue diversification fallacy

I professionally understand and recognise that revenue diversification is basic risk management. No responsible organisation should rely on a single funding source. However, the implicit expectation that community arts organisations will compensate for reduced Council funding by increasing their own revenue generation fundamentally distorts their operating models and the trade-offs involved.

Every hour a programme manager spends writing complex and extensive grant applications, cultivating corporate sponsors, or running fundraising campaigns is an hour **not** spent delivering or improving the services Council contracted them to provide. Many of these organisations are already lean with extensive unpaid labour from staff and volunteers. Their staff are already performing multiple roles. Redirecting their limited capacity toward replacing withdrawn public funding does not make the organisation more resilient. It produces a less effective one; one that is now servicing two jobs (delivery and fundraising) with decreased budget for both.

Revenue diversification is a growth strategy. It is **not** a substitute for the baseline operational funding that enables an organisation to function effectively for key services. Treating it as such is a category error with material consequences for service delivery.

6.2 The privatisation risk through deliberate underfunding

When that funding is withdrawn, the organisations absorb the liability for a system they were recruited to run. The council-owned buildings standing on council-owned land do not disappear. The maintenance costs, rates, and depreciation remain or increase. What gets cut is the lowest-cost, highest-impact component: the people, programming, and participation that constitute the building's civic purpose.

Once programmes are cut and facilities can no longer be maintained or improved to meet fitness-for-purpose standards, the capacity does not return most of the time. Therefore, the proposed budget cut is not a temporary reduction but a one-way ratchet. The building degrades. The programming disappears. The community relationships that took years to build dissolve. And once the facility is no longer fit for purpose, the asset becomes a candidate for disposal, repurposing, or privatisation, not because it failed, but because it was intentionally defunded into failure.

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Arts organisations working as contracted community arts partners for the Council have explicitly warned that, once this funding is removed, capacity will not return. The damage is generational**.**

Source: The Big Idea, "Arts Voices: Why Auckland Must Fight Council Budget Cuts," 2023.

7. Structural Concerns with the Fairer Funding Model

The Fairer Funding model's 80% population / 15% deprivation / 5% land area weighting presents several structural problems that this submission requests the Council to address before the next Long-Term Plan.

7.1 The deprivation weighting is insufficient

Deprivation indices measure current material conditions. They do not capture the cumulative cost of historical dispossession, intergenerational underinvestment, or the consequences of communities being pushed to Auckland's periphery over decades of housing and planning policy. A 15% weighting for deprivation treats history as worth 15% of the equity calculation. The communities most affected by this are disproportionately Māori and Pasifika.

7.2 The model lacks a Te Tiriti lens

Auckland Council has obligations under Te Tiriti o Waitangi. The Auckland Unitary Plan's B6 Mana Whenua provisions require that resource management processes are informed by Mana Whenua perspectives, including their values, mātauranga, and tikanga. The published available reports of the Fairer Funding model has no visible engagement with these obligations at the structural level. A funding formula that treats the geographic distribution of existing assets as a neutral historical artefact rather than as a product of colonial settlement and displacement is not Tiriti-consistent.

Source: Auckland Unitary Plan (Operative in Part), Chapter B6 Mana Whenua.

7.3 Cultural specificity is not population-fungible

The 80% population weighting assumes community needs scale proportionally with population size. For Māori and Pasifika communities, this is structurally flawed. Effective programmes for these communities thrive with culturally specific, kaupapa-grounded infrastructure, not more of the same services delivered in the same way. Kapa haka, visual storytelling, Pacific dance, and community theatre are not recreational extras. They are knowledge transmission systems that hold language, carry genealogy, and repair intergenerational rupture. The Treasury's own DP 19/02 frames this as cultural capital. The Fairer Funding model, with 80% weighting for population, has no mechanism for valuing it.

7.4 The gender dimension is absent

Community arts programmes, environmental education, and social support services are disproportionately delivered by women, often in unpaid or underpaid roles. When these

programmes are cut, the labour required does not disappear. It transfers invisibly to households and communities, absorbed by women who are already carrying disproportionate care burdens. The Fairer Funding model contains this disproportionate gender-gap burden. This is a significant gap given that the proposed cuts constitute, in practical terms, a transfer of visible funded labour to invisible domestic labour.

7.5 Consultation equity

Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Chair Apulu Reece Autagavaia has publicly urged Māori and Pasifika communities to submit, acknowledging that without their participation, other demographics will disproportionately shape decisions. This is a local board chair publicly identifying a structural equity problem in consultation: the communities most affected by these decisions have the least capacity to navigate the formal submission process. A model that compounds existing disadvantage and then relies on consultation as procedural legitimation for the outcome requires a more honest institutional reckoning than it has so far received.

Source: Scoop, Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Chair statements on community participation, 2025.

8. Recommendations

I recommend that the Auckland Council:

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Treasury's Living Standards Framework, which serves as the assessment methodology.

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9. Closing

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I urge the Council to ensure its funding decisions reflect the commitments it has already made.

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Please prioritize clean swimming beaches. Removal of dog walking and swimming on our beautiful beaches from Okahu Bay to St Heliers, is a must. Dogs are overcrowding human use.

Peeing and pooing around children and families is disgusting and a health hazzard. Tourists are even disgust with this lack of control,by council. Thankpu for allowing my say.

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Howick

Howick Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

I am writing as a concerned Flat Bush resident to raise a number of ongoing and increasingly urgent issues affecting our community.

Flat Bush has experienced rapid and sustained growth over recent years. However, it is clear that the supporting infrastructure, services, and community investment have not kept pace. This is now having a direct and noticeable impact on the day-to-day lives, safety, and wellbeing of residents.

These concerns are not isolated—they reflect what many in the community are experiencing and discussing regularly.

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- Illegal dumping: Illegal dumping is widespread and continues to be an ongoing issue, negatively impacting the environment and the overall appearance of the area.

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Overall, it feels as though Flat Bush is being asked to absorb significant growth without the level of investment and planning needed to support a safe, functional, and liveable community.

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At present, there is very little visibility of what is being done to address these issues, which is contributing to growing frustration within the community.

I would appreciate a clear and detailed response outlining:

- What actions are currently underway

- What improvements are planned in the short to medium term

- What immediate steps will be taken to address congestion and safety concerns at 221 Flat Bush School Road

These concerns are being raised in the hope of meaningful action. Without this, the issues will continue to worsen as the area grows.

2. What do you think about the proposed local board specific key areas of spend?

A. Explore ways to get the best value from our play spaces so they continue to meet the needs of children and families.

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C. Identify what type of indoor/sheltered courts are necessary to support sports play in Flat Bush.

D. Continue advocacy of the Tāmaki estuary on water quality and coastal erosion.

E. Continue to advocate to crime prevention organisations on behalf of the community for ongoing safety initiatives.

F. Continue to support our volunteer groups with resources needed for ecological volunteering, such as stream clean-ups and pest plant weeding.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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Other

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Key Issues:

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I'm not sure why they were all removed.

Where are we supposed to go when our motility is about to go off?

There is only the Library Toilet, elliot st food court, and "commercial bay".

What if we can't make it?

May we not have some public toilets?

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Dear Mr Brown,

Although addressed to you, you will probably never personally read this but .....

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I feel sure that, as a percentage of the Auckland population, the number of longer term residents is declining at the expense of massive immigrant growth who prefer to live in New Zealand's largest city.

As a result, total infrastructure costs (roads, transport, parking, crime, housing, other amenities such as water and effluent etc) that you control or influence are disproportionately being born by people that never wanted that rate of growth but are now paying the price for it year after year. A Budget of $4.3b is a huge responsibility to manage wisely. Just look at the numbers of people who are leaving Auckland to either emigrate or live in other parts of New Zealand.

In my view, the problem is AUCKLAND IS GROWING TOO RAPIDLY.

We all know what you promised prior to being elected as Mayor. You certainly have NOT delivered on rates rises.

More recently reducing the number of new builds from a proposed 2.0m to 1.6m is simply not nearly enough. The current housing intensification project is a disaster in my view – long term residents have had their landscape severely affected by multi-story developments in their face and roadside parking is a massive problem.

Your job is to liaise with Government to better manage and balance Auckland's growth, and therefore to a significant extent, rates rises too. The Council needs to be on the front foot and not just surrender to Government proposals. Immigrants should be forced to live outside Auckland if they wish to come to New Zealand for a period of time.

What about reducing the number of new Auckland builds to 1.0m?

I am not against immigration, I am against the rate at which it is happening.

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Please do not ask us what we think and then do exactly what you were going to do anyway – that is just politics! I am sick and tired of that and all the BS justification that you politicians are expert at.

How come your administrative overheads have increased by 30% when bringing Councils together was supposed to save money? That is what we were promised.

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Why do you spend so much money on Consultants versus previous Mayors? Do you not trust your own people?

Why do you expect me to believe the following numbers?:

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What I do believe is that you, via your sophisticated PR machine, will always find “plausible reasons” to justify spending more.

Please STOP SPENDING on trying to give us “so-called more” when we just need to “catch-up” for say 5 years. Many real businesses have had to cut their cloth to survive during this challenging financial period. Many businesses are in fact closing down.

I suggest Auckland Council also “cuts its cloth”.

My single most important point is the uncontrolled rate of Auckland’s growth – I understand some of these issues, but honestly believe we are going backwards in terms of costs, traditional New Zealand values and certainly a loss of New Zealand lifestyle.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Dear Mr Brown,

Although addressed to you, you will probably never personally read this but .....

I have been living in Auckland sice 1974 and am totally frustrated with Auckland Council's approach to growth and the associated expenditure resulting in recent rate rises versus inflation.

I feel sure that, as a percentage of the Auckland population, the number of longer term residents is declining at the expense of massive immigrant growth who prefer to live in New Zealand's largest city.

As a result, total infrastructure costs (roads, transport, parking, crime, housing, other amenities such as water and effluent etc) that you control or influence are disproportionately being born by people that never wanted that rate of growth but are now paying the price for it year after year. A Budget of $4.3b is a huge responsibility to manage wisely. Just look at the numbers of people who are leaving Auckland to either emigrate or live in other parts of New Zealand.

In my view, the problem is AUCKLAND IS GROWING TOO RAPIDLY.

We all know what you promised prior to being elected as Mayor. You certainly have NOT delivered on rates rises.

More recently reducing the number of new builds from a proposed 2.0m to 1.6m is simply not nearly enough. The current housing intensification project is a disaster in my view – long term residents have had their landscape severely affected by multi-story developments in their face and roadside parking is a massive problem.

Your job is to liaise with Government to better manage and balance Auckland's growth, and therefore to a significant extent, rates rises too. The Council needs to be on the front foot and not just surrender to Government proposals. Immigrants should be forced to live outside Auckland if they wish to come to New Zealand for a period of time.

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#4331

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Tell us why

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Against price increases

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Whau

Whau Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Do not support most

Tell us why

Overspending organisation with high levels of correlation and dishonesty

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Design and build a new destination playground at Avondale Central Reserve.

B. Promote community identity and diversity by funding a coordinator for Welcoming Communities, supporting the PAN African Hub, and refreshing the Whau Ethnic Peoples Plan.

Do not support

C. Engage and respond to youth needs, and co-design initiatives to address opportunities and gaps.

Do not support

D. Improve water quality and flood resilience of Whau streams and rivers through collaboration with volunteers, local schools, community hubs, organisations, and neighbouring local boards.

Support

E. Prioritise projects identified through the Whau Sport and Recreation Facilities Plan and leverage partnerships to provide a local facility network for the community.

I don’t know

F. Develop a Local Parks Management Plan to guide decisions on managing use, development, and protection of all 146 parks, reserves and open space within the Whau.

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.

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#4348

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As part of Rewiring Aotearoa's national network of Electric Communities, our mission is simple: to help our neighbours save money, cut emissions, and build a more resilient community by making the switch to efficient electric appliances, vehicles, and adding solar and battery.

We share practical advice, run local events, and support each other on the journey to an all-electric future. From this Kaupapa we encourage Auckland Council to commit to a sustainable, resilient Tāmaki Makaurau by Electrifying our great city as a core element of the Annual Plan. As a collective we believe the following are required;

As part of Auckland Council’s commitment to a goal of net zero emissions by 2050, we recommend you create a pathway and plan that looks to prioritise all council facilities to install solar, heat pumps and appropriate electrified equipment. This plan should be visible to the public and include timelines and estimates of cost savings and emission reduction.

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By increasing the number of Council facilities that utilise solar you will be reducing power bills and thus freeing up funds without the need to reduce services.

Provision and support should also be given to enable electrification by community groups operating on council land, e.g Scout Halls owned by Scouts NZ sited on council lands.

Investigate and utilisation of closed land fill sites as energy centres for methane to electricity conversion and as Solar Farm sites.

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Auckland Council has already endorsed the Ratepayers Assistance Scheme (RAS) and committed development funding — we now urge Council to commit specifically to delivering the Energy IMPACT Loans component of the RAS, enabling long-term, low-interest finance for Auckland households to electrify their space and water heating and adopt solar and batteries.

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Can't support poisoning of water with Fluoride

The taxes collected from GST and other sources is mathematically sufficient to support the programs if not squandered .Can't support harmful policies or corrupt institutions

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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Better connections – improve links between the city centre, the waterfront and nearby neighbourhoods.,Events and city life – attract people to the city centre through events, culture and a strong sense of place.,Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.,Supporting businesses – help businesses succeed by making them easier to access by attracting more visitors to the city with well-designed streets and public spaces.

Annual Plan 2026-2027

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Hibiscus and Bays

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment and changes to fees and charges?

A. Supporting further protection of our sea, soil and fresh water from contamination and sedimentation, through increased monitoring and extending projects such as local stream restoration including the Weiti River.

Support

B. Supporting community access to a wide range of recreational opportunities through investigating new capex projects such as outdoor court provision and increasing support for indoor court provision through facilities grants.

Support

C. Creating safer town centres and other public spaces through actions such as an increased support for community safety and placemaking.

I don’t know

D. Ensuring Hibiscus and Bays is welcoming and supportive for all through collaboration with a broader range of local residents and an increased focus on inclusive design, so it is accessible and usable for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.

Support

E. Introducing changes to a range of fees in pools and leisure centres, including casual recreation, dry and aquatic group fitness and pool lane hire to better align fees across our sites.

Do not support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

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Tell us why

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2. What do you think about the proposed local board specific key areas of spend?

A. Explore ways to get the best value from our play spaces so they continue to meet the needs of children and families.

B. Run regular seminars for community groups/organisations on the local grant's application process.

C. Identify what type of indoor/sheltered courts are necessary to support sports play in Flat Bush.

D. Continue advocacy of the Tāmaki estuary on water quality and coastal erosion.

E. Continue to advocate to crime prevention organisations on behalf of the community for ongoing safety initiatives.

F. Continue to support our volunteer groups with resources needed for ecological volunteering, such as stream clean-ups and pest plant weeding.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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You must make great efforts to effectively curb the growing threat of crime in public places (especially on public transportation) and in communities and homes. Without security and public confidence in safety, no upgrades or updates to infrastructure will produce the desired social effects.

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

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Tell us why

Rethink the plan entirely reducing down to truly only essential services and minimize rate impact. The inflationary pressures of fuel pricing, albeit it, recent and largely unforeseeable from the Iran war warrants a rethink and a different approach. Yes it will result in a delay but pushing ahead ignorant to the currently reality is foolish.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

As an example, Stanmore skate park is perfectly adequate. Save the money by delaying the project to a future year and reduce rate increase.I implore you to act similarly across all local boards.

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Support all

Tell us why

Akl needs long-term investments to grow sustainably

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I support most of the changes because they help fund necessary services

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

N/A

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Council should communicate more clearly where money is spent

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Move investments in parks and public spaces to improve well-being

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I particularly object your using our money from the Rates to build the CRL cause we can not become shareholders. This is not the CORRECT way to raise fund for an infrastructure.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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Do not understand why ratespayers have so much responsibilities on Council activities!

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

too high dont support

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Henderson-Massey

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Support most

Tell us why

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Do not support most

Tell us why

The rates increase is ridiculous for North Shore and residents of other parts of Auckland who will never use the CRL..Sych a waste of money. The North Shore Local Boards should not have to reduce key services to find ways to address funding deficits. Catering for Auckland Council should be reduced. We have to buy our own lunch or pay for our meals as workers or students. Council catering should not be funded by rate payers.

Instead of CRL why was another Harbour Crossing built? The Harbour Bridge has been inadequate for decades - population growth continues and yet no alternative Harbour Crossing.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We pay enough in rates to cover core activities. Mismanagement of the funds is why rates are increasing.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Devonport-Takapuna,Hibiscus and Bays

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Tell us why

Support some.

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes?

A. Reduced maintenance of bollards and fencing, stop scheduled maintenance for bush area (except High Value/Ecological areas), reduced service level for amenity gardens and planted areas, and reclassifying re-vegetation areas to bush areas.

Do not support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Do not support

C. Reduced local board funding to local organisations that deliver local events.

Do not support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

I don't know

E. Reduced funding for organisations that deliver support and services for seniors, youth, ethnic communities, sport and recreation and community wellbeing.

Do not support

F.Reduced funding support for The Depot, Devonport Museum, The Lake House, The Michael King Writers Centre, North Shore Brass, The Pumphouse and The Rose Centre.

Do not support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Do not support

H. Reduced funding support for environmental restoration, planting, pest management, and waste minimisation.

Do not support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

The reduced funding is ridiculous given the amount of money paid in rates. Focus needs to be on another Harbour Crossing!

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment and changes to fees and charges?

A. Supporting further protection of our sea, soil and fresh water from contamination and sedimentation, through increased monitoring and extending projects such as local stream restoration including the Weiti River.

Support

B. Supporting community access to a wide range of recreational opportunities through investigating new capex projects such as outdoor court provision and increasing support for indoor court provision through facilities grants.

Do not support

C. Creating safer town centres and other public spaces through actions such as an increased support for community safety and placemaking.

Support

D. Ensuring Hibiscus and Bays is welcoming and supportive for all through collaboration with a broader range of local residents and an increased focus on inclusive design, so it is accessible and usable for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.

Support

E. Introducing changes to a range of fees in pools and leisure centres, including casual recreation, dry and aquatic group fitness and pool lane hire to better align fees across our sites.

Do not support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

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Very disappointing to see this Plan. Why is another Harbour Crossing not being advanced at pace. Also, increased in fill housing with inadequate parking, broken infrastructure and no thought for how neighbourhoods are being ruined. Auckland has been changed for the worst forever through Auckland Council and the Governments lack of future planning or concern for Auckland's.

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Infrastructure upgrades and limiting development as Auckland has been ruined. Road congestion, development with insufficient parking, poor transport, storm water overflow to beaches and sewage discharge when it rains have been seriously neglected for years.

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Tell us why

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nope dont support

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Whau

Whau Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Do not support most

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Design and build a new destination playground at Avondale Central Reserve.

B. Promote community identity and diversity by funding a coordinator for Welcoming Communities, supporting the PAN African Hub, and refreshing the Whau Ethnic Peoples Plan.

Support

C. Engage and respond to youth needs, and co-design initiatives to address opportunities and gaps.

I don’t know

D. Improve water quality and flood resilience of Whau streams and rivers through collaboration with volunteers, local schools, community hubs, organisations, and neighbouring local boards.

Support

E. Prioritise projects identified through the Whau Sport and Recreation Facilities Plan and leverage partnerships to provide a local facility network for the community.

Do not support

F. Develop a Local Parks Management Plan to guide decisions on managing use, development, and protection of all 146 parks, reserves and open space within the Whau.

Do not support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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Do not support most

Tell us why

It is imperative that Auckland Council.returns to a back to basics policy which focusses solely on core services.

I support stronger cost control and lower rate increases. Other councils, such as Whanganui District Council, show that tighter financial discipline is achievable.

Please prioritise essential services, reduce non-essential spending, and improve transparency before increasing rates.

Ratepayers need to see clear value and restraint in current economic conditions.

Auckland Council also needs to cut its staff and reduce the number of employees and consultants who earn 6 figure salaries. Operate with a business model like a private company, again taking advice from Whanganui District Council.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Remove food scraps collection and the cost to ratepayers.

I strongly oppose the proposed 7.9% rates increase.

This is excessive and out of touch with the financial pressure households are currently under. Ratepayers are being asked to absorb costs that should first be addressed through better financial management.

Auckland Council must demonstrate real cost discipline. As previousky mentioned, other councils, such as Whanganui District Council, have shown that significantly lower increases are achievable.

There needs to be a clear shift in priorities:

-Cut or defer non-essential projects

-Reduce reliance on consultants and overhead costs

-Focus spending on core services only

Until stronger cost control is demonstrated, increases of this scale are not justified.

I urge Auckland Council to substantially reduce the proposed rates increase and rebuild trust with ratepayers through prudent financial management

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

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Keep rates increases low and not above the rate of inflation..

Prioritise essential services over new spending.

Other councils like Whanganui have shown tighter cost control is possible.

Council decisions should be based on fairness, need, and value for money for all ratepayers, without preferential treatment based on race, gender, or any other non-service-related factor.

Spending should focus on essential services, transparency, and efficiency, and every initiative should be justified on clear public benefit.

So in essence:

Cut non-essential projects / nice-to-haves

Improve efficiency before increasing rates

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Difficult to rate the above, eg "funding community led initiatives" means what exactly?

Funding more cycle lanes and the nebulous "more sustainable" ?

Again " community led environmental.projects" is not a core service.

Supporting what 'events'?

The options above are poorly assembled and not totally transparent.

Flood resilience and Planning infrastructure I would broadly agree with.

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

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Question 6: City centre

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

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Local Board: I don't know

Your feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I do not support the supposed rates increase in the annual plan 2026/2027 particularly to the extent that it is driven by costs (operating, interest, and depreciation) associated with the City Rail Link (CRL).

As a rate payer in Rodney I will not use the CRL and therefore consider it neither fair nor reasonable to be required to fund a significant rates increase to support it.

A fairer approach would be applying a targeted rate to ratepayers in those areas that will benefit most directly from the CRL rather than placing the burden on general rates based on property values.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

RodneySupport most

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Libraries and Community centres - as these are ways people can come together and learn.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

We live in Takapun and unlikely to ever use the CRL and can't see why we need to pay for it through ACC rates.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Don't agree with rates increase.

I understand Brisbane City manages a successful city around the same size as Auckland with less than half the people on the payroll.

ACC need to cut their cloth to meet income - not just continually put up rates.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

Generally happy wit Local Board.

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes?

A. Reduced maintenance of bollards and fencing, stop scheduled maintenance for bush area (except High Value/Ecological areas), reduced service level for amenity gardens and planted areas, and reclassifying re-vegetation areas to bush areas.

Support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Support

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Support

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Support

E. Reduced funding for organisations that deliver support and services for seniors, youth, ethnic communities, sport and recreation and community wellbeing.

Support

F.Reduced funding support for The Depot, Devonport Museum, The Lake House, The Michael King Writers Centre, North Shore Brass, The Pumphouse and The Rose Centre.

Support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Support

H. Reduced funding support for environmental restoration, planting, pest management, and waste minimisation.

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

ACC need to live within their means - just like the rest of us have to.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?

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Disappointed ACC need tore re-rate land for flood as wiped millions off ratepayer property valuations without consultation.

ACC is a monopoly service provide with little or no governance around the wasteful use of resources.

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.

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Do not support any

Tell us why

No value for money too high

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Do not support

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Henderson-Massey

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Do not support any

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

in my opinion these additional charges are wrong and the council should be looking at alternative options to reduce these costs rather than findings ways to constantly pull money from the community

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Devonport-Takapuna,Hibiscus and Bays,Rodney

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes?

A. Reduced maintenance of bollards and fencing, stop scheduled maintenance for bush area (except High Value/Ecological areas), reduced service level for amenity gardens and planted areas, and reclassifying re-vegetation areas to bush areas.

Support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Support

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Support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

Do not support

E. Reduced funding for organisations that deliver support and services for seniors, youth, ethnic communities, sport and recreation and community wellbeing.

Do not support

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Support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Do not support

H. Reduced funding support for environmental restoration, planting, pest management, and waste minimisation.

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment and changes to fees and charges?

A. Supporting further protection of our sea, soil and fresh water from contamination and sedimentation, through increased monitoring and extending projects such as local stream restoration including the Weiti River.

Support

B. Supporting community access to a wide range of recreational opportunities through investigating new capex projects such as outdoor court provision and increasing support for indoor court provision through facilities grants.

Do not support

C. Creating safer town centres and other public spaces through actions such as an increased support for community safety and placemaking.

Support

D. Ensuring Hibiscus and Bays is welcoming and supportive for all through collaboration with a broader range of local residents and an increased focus on inclusive design, so it is accessible and usable for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.

Do not support

E. Introducing changes to a range of fees in pools and leisure centres, including casual recreation, dry and aquatic group fitness and pool lane hire to better align fees across our sites.

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Support most

Question 4: Other feedback

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In my opinion the system needs to change. We need to look overseas for new innovative ways to deliver better services at a lower cost

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Support all

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I strongly support proposal to increase residential parking permit fees in specific areas.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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Auckland needs more pedestrian & cycle friendly infrastructure and removing car lanes and parking on streets. You might think it can't be done - but they have done it in Paris in less than 10 years. (removed 24,000 car parks already! + 30 km speed limits, planted lots of trees, add 500 km of cycles lanes) If you can to it in Paris there is no reason we can't do it in Auckland. This would make it much easier for people to get around our city, reduce dependence on fossil fuels which is really important with the sharp rise in fuel prices this month along with making people healthier reducing costs on strained health system and reduce GHG emission.

This includes making Queen st car free!

https://www.bloomberg.com/graphics/2026-paris-transformed-hidalgo

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I don't know

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I think it's a bit too expensive given that currently we have a high cost of living and with the turmoil in the Gulf increase cost of fuel which will add more cost on goods and services as we can already see prices increasing.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Henderson-Massey

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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I don't know

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Unable to make any comments as I do not use most of the services.

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#4645

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Q1: What do you think of the proposed annual plan?

Do not support most

Tell us why

It maintains Auckland's systems, it invests in Auckland's future, but it does not centre Auckland's most vulnerable in present-day decisions.

It focuses on infrastructure and transport (partly), but goes nowhere near to addressing the fundamental needs of Aucklanders - food, housing and immediate hardship. Gandhi said "The true

measure of any society can be found in how it treats its most vulnerable members" and based on my assessment, Auckland Council's annual plan fails to meet this test.

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- **An Auckland Transport proposal to increase residential parking permit fees in specific areas.**

Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Funding the City Rail Link and other major projects has been explained, and is otherwise financially necessary - however not all ratepayers are likely to utilise these services and in these challenging economic times, placing pressure on already struggling households seems irresponsible.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

PuketāpapaDo not support mostAt a local level, I acknowledge the importance of maintaining libraries, parks, and community spaces in Puketāpapa. These are valuable and, for some, essential services.

However, the proposals do not go far enough to address the real and immediate challenges facing vulnerable communities in this area. There is little focus on food security, housing stress, or the cost of living, and limited targeted investment where it is most needed.

Without a stronger focus on these realities, local investment risks improving spaces, but not outcomes for those struggling the most.

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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

The measure of a city is not only how well it grows, but how it supports those with the least. Many of the most affected communities will not submit on this plan - not because they don't care, but because they are focused on survival.

I encourage Council to place a stronger, more explicit focus on equity and immediate community need. Without this, the plan risks improving Auckland's systems and image, while leaving its most vulnerable residents behind.

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Māori identity and culture – reflect and celebrate Māori identity and culture throughout the city centre.,Streets and public spaces – improve streets, parks and public spaces so the city centre is a great place to live and spend time in.,Other (please specify):Auckland City has died, there is no life anymore since Queen St has been barricaded from driving down - such a silly decision. There is no point holding events in the city when its impossible to get there, or want to be there. Town used to be fun, vibrant and full of life - now it's just a bunch of closed off or dug up roads and road cones - hardly a bustling community. Remember also that people are broke - they don't have money to spend in expensive shops, so not only is it a nuisance to get to town, once you're there, you can't afford anything so what's the point?

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Support most

Tell us why

I feel the priorities have been selected well.

I agree with the prioritization and funding put towards projects under the key focus areas:

- Transport
- Water

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I will always support more funding towards community and especially the Environment.

I like the focus on supporting the CRL to meet its potential and provide the funding needed for it to be successful both in project delivery and maintenance into the future.

I support the Eastern busway project; more frequent buses are needed in west Auckland too however I really would like the train network to come to Kumeu I feel this is a gap and needs to be a future prioritised project this area of Auckland is significantly growing.

I like the project to plan for a more compact city I feel this could be considered for other part of Auckland in the future additionally.

Support funding going towards Māori Outcomes, community, environment & built and cultural aspects.

I feel we could fund our compliance team better, this could be an a higher priority for local board funding I believe and suggest a targeted rate fund, especially as safety in local areas and our city is becoming an increasingly significant issue.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I am supportive of the fee increases associated with:

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Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme

An Auckland Transport proposal to increase residential parking permit fees in specific areas

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

RodneySupport mostI feel the funding towards the Environment could be prioritized higher and receive more funding, biodiversity is still fairly high in Rodney and more should be done to protect biodiversity in this area, it holds significant amount of indigenous fairly intact ecosystems and homes to native species of Tamaki Makaurau.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

7.9% rates increase is bad enough but no one is reporting on the debt increases proposed. The capital expenditure needs to be drastically reduced so that rates increase by only the rate of inflation and there is no increase in debt.

One of the problems is that existing rate payers are paying for the growth caused by new subdivisions. This should not be the case.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Western Bay of Plenty has a much better rubbish collection system. They have the following which Auckland does not have are:

1. Payment for red top bins of approximately $4.75/collection

2. Glass collected separately. Clearly there are too many breakages

Auckland should be targeting zero waste to landfill.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

I don't know

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed changes to service levels, fees and charges?

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Do not support

B. Reduce maintenance for bollard and post-and-rail.

Do not support

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

Support

D. Increase fees for adult swim fees at council pools by up to $3.

Support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Unfortunately rates must be reduced and many provisions need to be adjusted. Do not support

Question 4: Other feedback

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Council staff numbers and salaries need to be reviewed. Staff should be paid in proportion to the private sector with recognition of much better job security for Council workers. How often are Council staff made redundant or fired compared to the private sector. The number of staff should also be reviewed.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Do not support

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Franklin

Franklin Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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spending to much

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Henderson-Massey,Waitematā

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Do not support most

Tell us why

to expensive, your job is to keep prices down

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try keeping increases low, were not all ********** millionaires.

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Support all

Tell us why

I believe supporting the local communities via the local boards build up to strengthen the community as a whole including the country

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Manurewa

Manurewa Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

I support any decisions that make the community better. But lets not just focus on the mainstream sports that we have built numerous courts and grounds for. I would like to offer my support for the proposed waka ama facility in greers rd weymouth. Waka ama is becoming a prominent sport - it is not violent but enforces teamwork, resilience and good health and wellbeing. It will enrich the lives of the young people in the community - keep them busy and disciplined instead of being out in the streets. The proposed facilities has been planned by the Te Pou Herenga Waka ama club but will be inclusive of other water sports. I strongly believe waka ama should be a sport that more people should get into because of its holistic benefits. This year we saw a record number of people attending the waka ama nationals. It is now a growing sport and it would be a good idea to build a fort to direct people towards and to cater for the coming generations

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Allocate up to $1.5 million of funding to support delivery of the Manurewa War Memorial Park multi-sports pavilion.

B. Deliver a new multi-cultural initiative that responds to demands for increased ethnic engagement.

C. Develop a civics education initiative that helps people understand the role of local boards and how they can get involved.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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Question 4: Other feedback

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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

N/A

Question 6: City centre

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

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Do not support most

Tell us why

At Shelly Beach we have no Council Septic. We have no council water. The only thing we have is rubbish collection. There is no planned development in the near of far future an if there was it would take many years for approval. We do not approve of the council rates increase as they have discounted and ignored the benefits what these increases can realistically provide value and of productive gain for this community albeit supporting the wider Auckland region which benefits form a small rural area which do not have access or dependent on transport infrastructure.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

If we had infrastructure to the South Head / Shelly Beach areas which we don't, the only increase to be taken into account would be rubbish and recyclable removal which is not always used by residents as some properties are used as holiday homes.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

RodneyDo not support mostAs part of a passionate community group dedicated to protecting local voices and working alongside residents to strengthen the neighbourhood, we oppose the blanket increase on rates on the basis of.

We do not benefit from any infrastructure that would benefit or enhance our area.

As a popular fishing and recreational area which is dominated by the greater outside population and beyond,

We actively at no cost to ratepayers or council maintain the grounds at no cost.

To this end we find it ultimately unreasonably and unjustifiable of the planned increase.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?

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There is no plan (That l can see) To develop and support our community and grater area

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	Flood resilience – reducing flood risks, upgrading stormwater systems and protecting waterways.

Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Support some. But too much $ for City Rail--urban hubs will benefit but swathes of Auckland and small businesses will have little direct benefit. Too much for marina---users should pay more. Urban renewal should also have more private business support /investment. Not enough $ for local communities - your graphs make clear that infrastructure support needed here. Not enough for natural environment, (wetlands , marine and native species protections, coastal management etc.). More generally, rates increase too high, especially in current geopolitical climate and especially on last years' increase. High end resources/components should have higher user pay fees. Big

businesses, corporations, need to chip in more---more economic partnerships. The operational expenditure for "well managed local government" seems excessive.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Reduce general rates increase. Suggest more user fees increase. Also suggest making smaller (cheaper) waste bins available for households that create less waste and charge those who need current medium and large bins more. Or collect fortnightly. (It takes my household a month to fill the smallest bin). The targeted rates seem appropriate.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

There's a problem with the way page 28 of the Annual plan (Waitakere Ranges Local Board is displaying online and it's unreadable. But it also looks like even if it was displaying correctly, there is insufficient detail there to know what exactly the proposals of Section 2 below will entail.

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Community wellbeing - continue to grow and evolve our programmes to support community wellbeing with a focus on tamariki and rangatahi, as well as older people

Other

B. Review level of community grants, including investigating a Facility Partnership Fund to support community organisations to plan, develop or upgrade community facilities

Support

C. Improve engagement with communities of need, schools and youth

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don't know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Item 1 - what well-being and youth programmes are being refereed to here? hard to evaluate without details.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?

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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

The order above reflects what I consider the greatest long-term needs for resilience and sustainability, community well-being, and preserving household assets and staving off costs to government from disasters (e.g., resilience to floods, slips, and coastlines). I think big businesses need to contribute more to "growing the economy", perhaps with tax incentives to reward those who make significant contributions.

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

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Tell us why

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

Question 4: Other feedback

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Cease the felling of mature urban trees in the Auckland area. Increase and implement the highest level possible to protect mature trees in urban areas of Auckland by penalising property owners. Notify developers of heavy penalties at the time of application to build and develop sites, that if they do not observe rules to protect trees when building developments. Enforce these penalties and make the penalty amounts large enough to deter developers and landowners from removing mature trees.

Trees provide shade - lowering the temperature of our city, form part of the wider urban ngahere, provide food source for our native birds and insects, capture and store water during storms and help to prevent flooding, provide well-being to humans, and provide a place for people to play.

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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

Increase the protection of trees - particularly all mature trees in the Auckland region.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

It is great to have more railways and the City Rail Link and a National Railway network, but extremely unfair that Aucklanders rates are hiked by nearly 8%, especially when there is such a burden and financial crisis for everyone! Tha Government should make provisions for Rail networks and the entire burden should not be for councils and the common man to bear!

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Do not support extra expenses

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Henderson-Massey,Upper Harbour,Waitākere Ranges

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Do not support most

Tell us why

Please DO NOT Reduce the Te Manawa Library hours on Thursdays. We as a community group and big family are always there on the late nights, which is such a boon for us, as it is the only library we can go to which is open till 9pm on Thursdays. We also attend all the late night workshops and programmes that are held here. Please do not take this away from us, as due to work and personal limitations, a group and as family, this is the only time we are able to comfortably come here for various activities and to get our books etc. Thank you.

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Do not support most

Tell us why

Please do not increase fees, as far as possible, keep them to a minimum and please keep our gardens etc beautified with local flowers, instead of just bush.

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes to service levels and fees and charges?

A. Reduce maintenance activities may include stopping scheduled work on bollards, post-and-rails, and low-value bush areas, ceasing amenity garden infill planting and mulching, and reclassifying re-vegetation areas as bush.

Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

C. Reduce funding across all programmes and projects including environmental outcomes, events and activations, cycling initiatives and community outcomes.

Do not support

D. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 1: Increase casual swim and swim plus fees by $1 (Fees will range from $5.00 - $11.40)

Support

E. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 2: Increase spectator fee and supervising adult fee by $1 (Fees will become $2)

Support

F. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 3: Increase spectator fee and supervising adult fee by $4 (Fees will become $5)

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Community wellbeing - continue to grow and evolve our programmes to support community wellbeing with a focus on tamariki and rangatahi, as well as older people

Support

B. Review level of community grants, including investigating a Facility Partnership Fund to support community organisations to plan, develop or upgrade community facilities

Do not support

C. Improve engagement with communities of need, schools and youth

Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Rates increase of nearly 8% is way too high, unreasonable and a very unthoughtful gesture by the council, especially when everyone is going through a cost of living crisis!

PLEASE KEEP TE MANAWA OPEN TILL 9PM ON THURSDAYS AND TILL 7PM ON FRIDAYS. WEE NEED THIS as a community. A big Thank you to all the great staff at Te Manawa, who are always very helpful, kind and always go the extra mile. Thank you.

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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

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Question 6: City centre

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Local Board: I don't know

Your feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Do not support extra expenses

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Henderson-Massey,Rodney,Upper Harbour,Waitākere Ranges

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Do not support most

Tell us why

Keep the Late night for Te Manawa- 9pm on Thursday's. We rely on this heavily, as a family and community group. Please DO NOT Reduce the Te Manawa Library hours on Thursdays. We as a community group and big family are always there on the late nights, which is such a boon for us, as it is the only library we can go to which is open till 9pm on thursdays. We also attend all the late night workshops and programmes that are held here. Please do not take this away from us, as due to work and personal limitations, a group and as family, this is the only time we are able to comfortably come here for various activities and to get our books etc. Thank you.Do not support mostPlease do not increase fees, as far as possible, keep them to a minimum and please keep our gardens etc beautified with local flowers, instead of just bush.

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Tell us why

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A. Reduce maintenance activities may include stopping scheduled work on bollards, post-and-rails, and low-value bush areas, ceasing amenity garden infill planting and mulching, and reclassifying re-vegetation areas as bush.

Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

C. Reduce funding across all programmes and projects including environmental outcomes, events and activations, cycling initiatives and community outcomes.

Do not support

D. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 1: Increase casual swim and swim plus fees by $1 (Fees will range from $5.00 - $11.40)

Support

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Support

F. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 3: Increase spectator fee and supervising adult fee by $4 (Fees will become $5)

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Community wellbeing - continue to grow and evolve our programmes to support community wellbeing with a focus on tamariki and rangatahi, as well as older people

Support

B. Review level of community grants, including investigating a Facility Partnership Fund to support community organisations to plan, develop or upgrade community facilities

Do not support

C. Improve engagement with communities of need, schools and youth

Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Your feedback:

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- **An Auckland Transport proposal to increase residential parking permit fees in specific areas.**

Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Too expensive continue the scheme

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Henderson-Massey,Upper Harbour,Waitākere Ranges

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Look after the local parks and vegetation and keep up the maintenance of local parks walkways, where needed as many are broken and have dangerous dips/flooding.

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1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Do not support most

Tell us why

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

C. Reduce funding across all programmes and projects including environmental outcomes, events and activations, cycling initiatives and community outcomes.

Do not support

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Support

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Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Sounds reasonable

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Community wellbeing - continue to grow and evolve our programmes to support community wellbeing with a focus on tamariki and rangatahi, as well as older people

Support

B. Review level of community grants, including investigating a Facility Partnership Fund to support community organisations to plan, develop or upgrade community facilities

Do not support

C. Improve engagement with communities of need, schools and youth

Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

Transport and building consents to build according to big families needs.

Question 6: City centre

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

Māori identity and culture – reflect and celebrate Māori identity and culture throughout the city centre.,Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.,Supporting businesses – help businesses succeed by making them easier to access by

attracting more visitors to the city with well-designed streets and public spaces.,Other (please specify):Better roads for car access especially incentives for car pooling when visiting the city.

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Local Board: I don't know

Your feedback:

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Q1: What do you think of the proposed annual plan?

Support most

Tell us why

Support the plans but not the increase in cost, as this will significantly impact middle to low income families who are already struggling with the cost of living

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Henderson-Massey

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

Flood resilience is huge! More houses are being impacted year on year and it is only going to get worse. There needs to be more preventative measures put in place.

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Tell us why

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Henderson-Massey,Upper Harbour,Waitākere Ranges

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Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Community wellbeing - continue to grow and evolve our programmes to support community wellbeing with a focus on tamariki and rangatahi, as well as older people

Support

B. Review level of community grants, including investigating a Facility Partnership Fund to support community organisations to plan, develop or upgrade community facilities

Do not support

C. Improve engagement with communities of need, schools and youth

Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

Events and city life – attract people to the city centre through events, culture and a strong sense of place.,Māori identity and culture – reflect and celebrate Māori identity and culture throughout the city centre.,Streets and public spaces – improve streets, parks and public spaces so the city centre is a great place to live and spend time in.,Other (please specify):Better roads for car access especially incentives for car pooling when visiting the city.

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Raising taxes hasn't brought about any real improvement; not raising them might be more beneficial for the people.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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It would be better if land taxes weren't raised. Year after year, taxes go up, but nothing gets done right.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I don't support it; the cost of living is already too high.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Howick

Howick Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Do not support any

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed local board specific key areas of spend?

A. Explore ways to get the best value from our play spaces so they continue to meet the needs of children and families.

B. Run regular seminars for community groups/organisations on the local grant's application process.

C. Identify what type of indoor/sheltered courts are necessary to support sports play in Flat Bush.

D. Continue advocacy of the Tāmaki estuary on water quality and coastal erosion.

E. Continue to advocate to crime prevention organisations on behalf of the community for ongoing safety initiatives.

F. Continue to support our volunteer groups with resources needed for ecological volunteering, such as stream clean-ups and pest plant weeding.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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No

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

Ōrākei

Ōrākei Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support most

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment and changes to services?

A. Increase community-use sports fields provision either through redevelopment or expansion of our asset portfolio to address the forecasted move of Auckland Cricket into Colin Maiden Park and other demands on our sports fields.

B. Increasing investment in restoration and pest-management programmes to grow and protect your natural environment. Our reserves and open spaces are one of the most vital resources in Ōrākei.

C. Changing the Meadowbank Community Centre project to a self-funded community centre to capitalise on existing investment and resources.

D. Construct a playground Remuera Library to optimise the under-used green space at the side of the building.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

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#5077

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Local Board: I don't know

Your feedback:

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I don't know

Tell us why

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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RodneySupport mostTime Auckland Council spent same money in Wellsford.

As part of the re-development of the parks and reserves within Auckland City, I would like to express my support towards the Wellsford Memorial Park. This park has a strong history with Wellsford and is the home to Wellsford Library, Albertland Heritage Centre and the War Memorial.

The community are currently asking for the War Memorial Arch Way to be upgraded in order to look more like what it did in 1934. The memorial has been moved three times and is now only a small part of what it was.

I support having a wrought iron archway over the top of the current two stone gate posts. I support having a laser cut panel steel arch over the two posts with laser cut imaging. Other war memorials have a cenotaph, like Port Albert and Wharehine.

Papamoa Cenotaph

Wellsford Memorial park has historically been used for Christmas parade parties. The current main grass area is very wet and needs a drainage system installed in order to remove surface water. The park would have more users if the grass area was up-graded e.g. minor sports, gala day events and market days. The area has huge potential to be the central park and heart of the town.

Support the upgrade of the main grass area.

I want this park to be user friendly and available for all the community.

Tauranga City council installed a walking path all the way around the perimeter of their Memorial Park. This can be

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Port Albert



"Our People - Our Town - Our History"





Wharehine cenotaph

I would like to see the brown wooden forms removed and a new war memorial cenotaph. ☑

Name [redacted] Signatur [redacted] Date: 25/3/26.

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The Helo pad also needs a re-paint ☑

I support the installation of a pathway around the whole park. ☑

Name: [redacted]

Signature: [redacted]

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#5080

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Opposition to rate increase

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Albert-Eden,Aotea/Great Barrier,Devonport-Takapuna,Franklin,Henderson-Massey,Hibiscus and Bays,Howick,Kaipātiki,Māngere-Ōtāhuhu,Manurewa,Maungakiekie-Tāmaki,Ōrākei,Ōtara-Papatoetoe,Papakura,Puketāpapa,Rodney,Upper Harbour,Waiheke,Waitākere Ranges,Waitematā,WhauSupport all

Aotea/Great Barrier Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment and changes to services?

A. Improvements to the library service including additional programmes.

B. Partnering with mana whenua and community on the coordination and engagement of island fisheries management and local Ahu Moana marine projects.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes?

A. Reduced maintenance of bollards and fencing, stop scheduled maintenance for bush area (except High Value/Ecological areas), reduced service level for amenity gardens and planted areas, and reclassifying re-vegetation areas to bush areas.

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

C. Reduced local board funding to local organisations that deliver local events.

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

E. Reduced funding for organisations that deliver support and services for seniors, youth, ethnic communities, sport and recreation and community wellbeing.

F.Reduced funding support for The Depot, Devonport Museum, The Lake House, The Michael King Writers Centre, North Shore Brass, The Pumphouse and The Rose Centre.

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

H. Reduced funding support for environmental restoration, planting, pest management, and waste minimisation.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Franklin Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment and changes to fees and charges?

A. Supporting further protection of our sea, soil and fresh water from contamination and sedimentation, through increased monitoring and extending projects such as local stream restoration including the Weiti River.

B. Supporting community access to a wide range of recreational opportunities through investigating new capex projects such as outdoor court provision and increasing support for indoor court provision through facilities grants.

C. Creating safer town centres and other public spaces through actions such as an increased support for community safety and placemaking.

D. Ensuring Hibiscus and Bays is welcoming and supportive for all through collaboration with a broader range of local residents and an increased focus on inclusive design, so it is accessible and usable for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.

E. Introducing changes to a range of fees in pools and leisure centres, including casual recreation, dry and aquatic group fitness and pool lane hire to better align fees across our sites.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Howick Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed local board specific key areas of spend?

A. Explore ways to get the best value from our play spaces so they continue to meet the needs of children and families.

B. Run regular seminars for community groups/organisations on the local grant's application process.

C. Identify what type of indoor/sheltered courts are necessary to support sports play in Flat Bush.

D. Continue advocacy of the Tāmaki estuary on water quality and coastal erosion.

E. Continue to advocate to crime prevention organisations on behalf of the community for ongoing safety initiatives.

F. Continue to support our volunteer groups with resources needed for ecological volunteering, such as stream clean-ups and pest plant weeding.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering a Local Services Targeted Rate, changes to service levels or fees, or a combination of both approaches. We could introduce a Local Services Targeted Rate of $47.11 (GST inclusive) per Separately Used or Inhabited Part per annum on all rateable properties except those categorised as zero-rated in the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board area ($0.91 cent per week) to cover the increased cost of delivering existing services. What do you think about this proposal?

3. We could adjust some service levels, fees and charges. What do you think about the proposed changes?

A. Reduce library hours - reduce hours at our four libraries as needed, without going below the regional minimum service level of 44 hours over 6 days at each library.

B. Reduce maintenance - Stop scheduled bollard and post-and-rail maintenance, stop scheduled maintenance for bush areas (except High Value/Ecological), change garden edging to chemical application, cease infill planting and mulching in amenity gardens and reclassify re-vegetation areas to bush areas.

C. Reduce discretionary funding for Community Wellbeing programmes and services, Environment Management programmes and services and community grants.

D. Increase pools and leisure fees - Increase fees and charges by $1 for "Plus" services at Moana-Nui-ā-Kiwa Pool and Leisure Centre.

E. Charge adult visitors from outside the local board area at Moana-Nui-a-Kiwa Pool and Leisure Centre and Ōtāhuhu Pool and Leisure Centre (Toia).

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

4. Overall, how do you think the local board should address the cost increases?

Manurewa Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Allocate up to $1.5 million of funding to support delivery of the Manurewa War Memorial Park multi-sports pavilion.

B. Deliver a new multi-cultural initiative that responds to demands for increased ethnic engagement.

C. Develop a civics education initiative that helps people understand the role of local boards and how they can get involved.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Environmental initiatives – working alongside mana whenua on restoration projects, expanding food resilience and edible planting programmes, and reinstating deferred environmental education activities.

B. Sport and recreation – providing one-off operational support to local sports clubs and facilities to strengthen participation and collaboration.

C. Libraries and culture – enhancing programming for seniors and increasing investment in creative and cultural activities.

D. Community safety and emergency readiness – exploring additional compliance officer resourcing in areas with limited coverage.

E. Local economy - supporting business associations to continue supporting local businesses and ongoing growth, development and liven-up our town centres.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

3. What do you think of Onehunga Business Association Inc's proposal to reduce the geographic boundary of the Onehunga Business Improvement District (BID) programme, and amount of targeted rate to be collected?

Tell us why

Ōrākei Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment and changes to services?

A. Increase community-use sports fields provision either through redevelopment or expansion of our asset portfolio to address the forecasted move of Auckland Cricket into Colin Maiden Park and other demands on our sports fields.

B. Increasing investment in restoration and pest-management programmes to grow and protect your natural environment. Our reserves and open spaces are one of the most vital resources in Ōrākei.

C. Changing the Meadowbank Community Centre project to a self-funded community centre to capitalise on existing investment and resources.

D. Construct a playground Remuera Library to optimise the under-used green space at the side of the building.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing and other pressures, we must address an increase in the cost of delivering existing services within its current funding. To balance the budget, we are considering a Local Services Targeted Rate, changes to service levels or fees, or a combination of both approaches. We could introduce a Local Services Targeted Rate of $1.1 million capital value based rate charged to all properties (this would be around $27 based on average value urban residential property in the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board area) to cover the increased cost of delivering existing services. What do you think about this option?

3. We could adjust some service levels, fees and charges. What do you think about the proposed changes?

A. Reduce maintenance - Stop scheduled bollard and post-and-rail maintenance, stop scheduled maintenance for bush areas (except High Value/Ecological), change garden edging to chemical application, cease infill planting and mulching in amenity gardens and reclassify re-vegetation areas to bush areas.

B. Reduce library hours: Ōtara Library, reduction of 4 hours per week; Papatoetoe Library, reduction of 2 hours per week; Tupu Youth Library, reduction of 5 hours per week; Manukau Library, reduction to a 6-day service, close on Sundays.

C. Reduce discretionary spending on community grants, community and/or environment projects.

D. Increase to fees for "Plus" (spa, sauna, and steam room entry) services by $1 at Ōtara Pool and Leisure Centre and Papatoetoe Centennial Pool (PCP).

E. Charge adult visitors from outside the local board area at Ōtara Pool and Leisure Centre and Papatoetoe Centennial Pool (PCP).

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

4. Overall, how do you think the local board should address the cost increases?

Papakura Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes to service levels and fees and charges?

A. Reduce library hours on Mondays and Fridays at Sir Edmund Hillary Library.

B. Reduce library hours on Saturdays at Sir Edmund Hillary Library.

C. Reduce selected maintenance: Stop bollard and post-and-rail maintenance in parks, stop scheduled maintenance for bush areas (except high value/ecological).

D. Charge a higher fee for visitors outside the Auckland region who visit Massey Park Pool.

E. Reduce or discontinue grant funding.

F. Reduce the numbers of public rubbish bins in public spaces such as town centres, parks and reserves.

G. Reduce or discontinue some arts and culture activities.

H. Reduce or discontinue some services and programmes in arts facilities and community centres.

I. Reduce or discontinue some community development and support activities.

J. Reduce or discontinue some environmental and water quality activities.

K. Reduce or discontinue civic events.

L. Reduce or discontinue sports and park activation activities.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Support allSupport all

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes to service levels and fees and charges?

A. Reduce maintenance activities may include stopping scheduled work on bollards, post-and-rails, and low-value bush areas, ceasing amenity garden infill planting and mulching, and reclassifying re-vegetation areas as bush.

B. Reduce grants funding.

C. Reduce funding across all programmes and projects including environmental outcomes, events and activations, cycling initiatives and community outcomes.

D. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 1: Increase casual swim and swim plus fees by $1 (Fees will range from $5.00 - $11.40)

E. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 2: Increase spectator fee and supervising adult fee by $1 (Fees will become $2)

F. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 3: Increase spectator fee and supervising adult fee by $4 (Fees will become $5)

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Support all

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Community wellbeing - continue to grow and evolve our programmes to support community wellbeing with a focus on tamariki and rangatahi, as well as older people

B. Review level of community grants, including investigating a Facility Partnership Fund to support community organisations to plan, develop or upgrade community facilities

C. Improve engagement with communities of need, schools and youth

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed changes to service levels, fees and charges?

A. Reduce library hours at Central City, Little Leys, Grey Lynn and Parnell Libraries.

B. Reduce maintenance for bollard and post-and-rail.

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

D. Increase fees for adult swim fees at council pools by up to $3.

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Whau Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Support all

Tell us why

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment?

A. Design and build a new destination playground at Avondale Central Reserve.

B. Promote community identity and diversity by funding a coordinator for Welcoming Communities, supporting the PAN African Hub, and refreshing the Whau Ethnic Peoples Plan.

C. Engage and respond to youth needs, and co-design initiatives to address opportunities and gaps.

D. Improve water quality and flood resilience of Whau streams and rivers through collaboration with volunteers, local schools, community hubs, organisations, and neighbouring local boards.

E. Prioritise projects identified through the Whau Sport and Recreation Facilities Plan and leverage partnerships to provide a local facility network for the community.

F. Develop a Local Parks Management Plan to guide decisions on managing use, development, and protection of all 146 parks, reserves and open space within the Whau.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?

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N/A

Question 5: Looking further ahead / shaping Auckland's longer-term future

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Q5: Which areas are most important to you over the long term?

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Rank	Area
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Question 6: City centre

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

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Local Board: I don't know

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Q1: What do you think of the proposed annual plan?

Do not support most

Tell us why

N/A

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

It has no relation to our region.

Question 3: Local board priorities

Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?

N/A

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I would appreciate it if you could move the transmission towers underground.

Please increase the number of streetlights.

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Better connections – improve links between the city centre, the waterfront and nearby neighbourhoods.,Getting around – make it easier to walk, drive, cycle and use public transport in the city centre and from east to west, including better traffic flow.,Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.,Streets and public spaces – improve streets, parks and public spaces so the city centre is a great place to live and spend time in.

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Other

Tell us why

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The mayor signals reform, including bringing more transport functions into council and repositioning Auckland Transport as a service provider, however, the plan stops short of fully addressing long-standing AT structural issues, and on-going dismal performance by AT. The direction of transport reform is encouraging, particularly the intent to simplify decision-making and align transport with land-use planning, however, the plan should go further and clearly address whether the current Auckland Transport model remains fit for purpose. Consideration should be given to fully integrating transport into council under a new structure with strong strategic leadership and delivery capability, to ensure long-term, city-wide outcomes.

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

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Other

Tell us why

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Council would provide traffic management for the event. And in cases where business financially profit from the event, they should be asked to make a contribution to the traffic management costs.

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Stop council meetings that encourage wasteful spending that are set-up to push for undemocratic agendas.

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It is obvious that the hole in the ground being called the underground subway is a tiny inner city circle that provides no asset to commuters.

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in the city centre?

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Other

Tell us why

It should be easy to put in a submission without having to go through a controlled response question and answer. This wastes our time and seeks to control theoutcomes of the consultation. This is not an open and transparent process and betrays the real dishonest intention behind this submission platform.

2.I could not find the latest Annual Report on Auckland Council's performance among the documents that you have attached to your Submission on the Annual Plan 2026/2027. This is a significant omission and I am asking why do you not also include these vital documents for residents to peruse? Residents are entitled to be informed about the Council's performance to enable them to do a value for money assessment which not possible without this report. Could you please include these reports in the future for Annual Plan consultations?

I oppose the average residential rates rise of 7.9%

See https://www.ratepayers.nz/alternative_budget_2026 the link to alternative budget for Auckland Council prepared by Ratepayers Alliance. I support this and request Council to implement theproposals in this briefing paper.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

"3. I understand that Auckland Transport is also consulting on the increase of resident's parking permits from $70 per year to $114 per year. AT states that : "Currently

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profligate spending. The statement that “the price has not changed since these premits were introduced in 2013” is more likely to be the truth as there is no case for increasing them with more people than every paying parking permits. My area introduced zones in 2018 so it is only since 2018 that this has applied to us. I do not support a 100% increase and object to Auckland Transport doing this, they have not made a reasonable	

case to do this. "	
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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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I support reinstating the Route 367 extension to Eugenia Rise and Goodwood Drive. Our rates are increasing to fund public transport, yet our community still has no reasonable access to it. Auckland Transport confirmed this service was planned and removed only due to funding cuts. Please prioritise reinstating the Route 367 extension in the 2026/27 budget

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Better connections – improve links between the city centre, the waterfront and nearby neighbourhoods.,Supporting businesses – help businesses succeed by making them easier to access by attracting more visitors to the city with well-designed streets and public spaces.

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Parking frees are alredy pretty significant in nz but I understand is going to the public transport

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[ONLY TICKED ECONOMIC DEVLOPMENT]

I wish for economics to be priortised as nz is currentlu ind debt after covid19 and i feel like an improment in nz's economy would benefit out lives greatly, so the buildings and places in new zealand could become better and cleaner

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Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Tell us why

Based on community conversations with about 20 Pāremoremo locals, there is:

- strong community support for maintaining spending related to environmental restoration. Several people suggested a potential cut-cutting would be to let some areas become meadows rather than mowed.
- strong support for maintaining the community activator role
- strong support for retaining an Albany library and affordable pool access
- no support for maintaining the stadium- noone I talked to attends events there

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes to service levels and fees and charges?

A. Reduce maintenance activities may include stopping scheduled work on bollards, post-and-rails, and low-value bush areas, ceasing amenity garden infill planting and mulching, and reclassifying re-vegetation areas as bush.

B. Reduce grants funding.

C. Reduce funding across all programmes and projects including environmental outcomes, events and activations, cycling initiatives and community outcomes.

D. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 1: Increase casual swim and swim plus fees by $1 (Fees will range from $5.00 - $11.40)

E. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 2: Increase spectator fee and supervising adult fee by $1 (Fees will become $2)

F. Increase the fees and charges for Albany Stadium Pool: Option 3: Increase spectator fee and supervising adult fee by $4 (Fees will become $5)

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Question 4: Other feedback

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

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Other

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Inflation is low in NZ, yet rate increases across the board have outpaced inflation year on year. Meanwhile the valuation you gave to my property dropped by 23% from 2022 to 2025! Of course the cover letter had a stinging reminder that rates are no longer linked to property values and so my rates would not change. Now I receive notice that rates will go up a whopping 7.9% - while I suffer a loss in property value? That's ridiculous. All households work within their budgets - except council which just claws more and more money from their funders who have no choice but to pay up.

What a lot of money has been wasted to advertise the unpronounceable naming of the new train stations that 88% of local users cannot relate to because they are not Maori. While not user-friendly, nor will it be intuitive what suburb or street they are hopping off the train at (apart from Karangahape Rd). And since tourists contribute $ to Auckland's CBD income, those names are hardly tourist-friendly either.

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RodneySupport allMy feedback focuses on Rodney Local Board priorities and planned activities, in particular those that align with community priorities identified through the Whangateau Harbour and Catchment Action Plan.

The Action Plan reflects a community-led process involving local residents, mana whenua, tangata whenua, scientists, landowners, community groups, Auckland Council and other partners, and provides a grounded picture of the priorities our community has identified to care for the Whangateau Harbour and catchment.

I strongly support the Rodney Local Board's focus on supporting volunteers to restore biodiversity through planting, pest plant and animal control, species protection, and local education. This aligns with the Action Plan's emphasis on community stewardship, practical restoration, biodiversity recovery, and citizen science.

I also support the commitment to provide waste education, school freshwater programmes, and community-led stream restoration and catchment management plans to improve waterway health. This aligns closely with the Action Plan's hills-to-harbour approach, including reducing erosion and sedimentation, improving riparian management, restoring wetlands, and reducing contaminants entering the harbour.

The Rodney Local Board's support for play, recreation, arts, cultural events, placemaking, and youth engagement is also important. This aligns with the Action Plan's emphasis on community engagement, storytelling, rangatahi involvement, and strengthening people's connection to place, nature, and community. The Action Plan also includes the development of educational materials and signage, community-facing education activities, and digital content to support safe, respectful, and environmentally sensitive use of the harbour. These tools are important for strengthening

public understanding, supporting local education, celebrating natural and cultural heritage, and building long-term community stewardship.

I also support the Board's commitment to progress reserve and playground projects, enhance greenways, increase rural roadside weed control, and maintain heritage sites. In this context, the Ti Point Forest Project, identified as a priority through the Action Plan process, is an example of the kind of community-led initiative that could help bring these priorities together through restoration, access to nature, local education, and recognition of landscape and heritage values.

I commend the Board's continued advocacy for better rural roads through the Unsealed Roads Improvement Programme. This advocacy is important for rural communities in terms of safety, access, and resilience, and is also relevant from a catchment perspective, as road runoff-induced slips and roadside management can contribute to erosion, sediment, and contaminant pathways affecting waterways and the harbour.

The Rodney Local Board priorities outlined above align with priorities identified through a robust community-led process for the Whangateau Harbour and its catchment, and represent important areas of investment that can deliver multiple environmental, social, cultural, and community wellbeing benefits for Rodney.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Hibiscus and Bays

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?

Tell us why

I hope you're well. I understand you likely receive many requests like this, but I wanted to raise a concern on behalf of families living in the newer development near Gulf Rise Retirement Village.

While I appreciate the presence of the retirement community, there are also a large number of young families in the area. Currently, the local play space consists of just a single slide, which is often overcrowded and not sufficient for the number of children using it. Below is what I've found on the web with the amount of children in the area and ONE slide? Make that make sense...

• 150 to 300+ homes (families) in thie immediate new development pocketed

• With an average of 2–3 children per household, that could mean 300–900 children living in the area alone?!

On several occasions, I've also witnessed safety concerns, with older children riding bikes and scooters down the hill beside the slide, coming very close to younger children. While this is

understandable given the lack of alternative facilities, it creates a potentially unsafe environment for toddlers and younger kids.

I'm aware there are other playgrounds and a pump track in Red Beach; however, these are not always within easy walking distance for parents with young children. Having a well-equipped, local playground would make a significant difference for families who are simply looking for a safe, accessible space for their children to play, especially for short visits after school or before bedtime.

It's been difficult to see other playgrounds being upgraded when this growing area has such limited facilities. With many families now living here, there is a clear need for additional play equipment such as swings, slides, and a more suitable play area overall.

There appears to be potential space on Taikura Avenue (near Kukuwai Road), and I wanted to ask whether it would be possible to consider developing a more adequate playground in this area. I'm sure many local families and grandparents would greatly benefit from it.

Thank you for your time and consideration — it would mean a lot to our community to see something that better supports the children living here

2. What do you think about the proposed key areas of additional investment and changes to fees and charges?

A. Supporting further protection of our sea, soil and fresh water from contamination and sedimentation, through increased monitoring and extending projects such as local stream restoration including the Weiti River.

B. Supporting community access to a wide range of recreational opportunities through investigating new capex projects such as outdoor court provision and increasing support for indoor court provision through facilities grants.

C. Creating safer town centres and other public spaces through actions such as an increased support for community safety and placemaking.

D. Ensuring Hibiscus and Bays is welcoming and supportive for all through collaboration with a broader range of local residents and an increased focus on inclusive design, so it is accessible and usable for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds.

E. Introducing changes to a range of fees in pools and leisure centres, including casual recreation, dry and aquatic group fitness and pool lane hire to better align fees across our sites.

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

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I say no to 5 story buildings on Lake Rd Takapuna. A submission to the general plan.

The street is not wide enough to contain more cars. And there are several 3 story appartments already being built.Stop at 3 stories please.

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Other

Tell us why

I'm just unhappy that I'm paying more rates than ever in a street

which pays amongst the highest rates in Auckland City anyway and

maintenance and services have seemingly been reduced.

I own and live at ****, on the corner of ** St and Herne Bay Rd.

There are overgrown plane trees being allowed to get taller and taller

with the obvious resulting drainage damage. The leaf fall pretty much

all year is not being contained by the current Downer contractors -

drains and gutters are constantly blocked and regular cleaning doesn't

happen any more. The only time we see a vacuuming truck is if somebody

has complained and we get no notice so if cars are parked in the way of the

truck too bad , you miss out.

BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY THE CONDITION OF HERNE BAY ROAD ITSELF IS

THIRD WORLD !

In any car you have to navigate really quite slowly to avoid the bumps and

hollows. It is so bad I try to avoid using it and by pass it where possible .

I believe much of the problem stems from the lack of overall maintenance

of the plane trees over many, many years resulting in a road surface that

I am embarrassed to say it is " my street" .

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

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Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes?

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Do not support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Do not support

C. Reduced local board funding to local organisations that deliver local events.

Do not support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

Do not support

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Do not support

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Do not support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Do not support

H. Reduced funding support for environmental restoration, planting, pest management, and waste minimisation.

Do not support

Tell us why (please be clear which priority you are talking about)

Increased population = increase taxes = increased spending and requirements

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Support

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#5349

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Local Board: I don't know

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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