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Written Feedback

Waitākere Ranges Local Board

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Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme should reduce the homeowner rates paid by the amount of the yearly tank pumping and council involvement. I prefer the annual fee as its more acheivable to afford, however we are a low user.

Also what is the criteria for needing to get the tanks pumped? Wait till it overflows then get it pumped?

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I don't know

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Regarding the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme:

I am a property owner within the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme area, and I am writing to formally oppose Option A (discontinuation of the scheme and its associated targeted rate). I urge Auckland Council to retain the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme under Option B, or to explore improvements to the scheme rather than its outright abolition.

1. The Consultation Document is Biased Toward Option A

While I appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback, I am concerned that the consultation document is not neutral. It opens by asserting the scheme is "no longer necessary" before seeking feedback, and it presents a list of problems with the scheme while offering no equivalent critique of Option A. The cost projections for Option B are presented in a way designed to create concern, while the costs and risks of Option A are not adequately explored. I ask that elected members consider this submission with that imbalance in mind.

2. Loss of Coordinated Logistics — A Critical Unaddressed Risk

The consultation document has entirely failed to address one of the most significant practical consequences of ending the scheme: the loss of coordinated, route optimised pump out scheduling.

Under the current scheme, pump out trucks are scheduled efficiently across multiple properties in the same area in a single run. This minimises the number of heavy truck movements on the narrow, winding roads of the Waitakere Ranges. If hundreds of individual property owners are left to independently arrange their own pump outs with private contractors, the result will be:

Uncoordinated and duplicated truck movements on roads that are ill suited to heavy vehicle traffic;

Significantly increased wear on local roads from repetitive, unplanned heavy vehicle use;

Greater environmental impact on the Waitakere Ranges, including noise, emissions, and disturbance to the natural environment;

Potential conflicts and congestion on narrow roads where trucks from different contractors may encounter one another;

Higher overall costs for contractors (and therefore property owners) due to inefficient individual scheduling.

This is not a minor administrative matter. The Waitakere Ranges Heritage Area Act 2008 places obligations on Auckland Council to actively protect the ecological and physical character of the Ranges. Endorsing a policy that leads to chaotic and uncoordinated heavy vehicle movements across this protected landscape appears to be in direct tension with those obligations. I ask Council to explain how Option A is consistent with its duties under the Heritage Area Act before proceeding.

3. The Safe Septic Programme Does Not Replace the Pump Out Service

The document repeatedly implies that the Safe Septic Programme makes the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme redundant. This is misleading. The Safe Septic Programme is a compliance monitoring programme; it checks that maintenance records are kept. It does not arrange pump outs, it does not send trucks, and it does not ensure the physical service is carried out.

These are two fundamentally different functions. Removing the scheme leaves a real service gap that monitoring alone cannot fill. The environmental protections the scheme delivers actually pumping out tanks before they fail or overflow cannot be achieved through paperwork compliance alone.

4. Access and Supply Issues for Private Contractors

The document asserts that property owners will be able to source pump outs cost effectively from private providers. This assumption has not been tested. The Waitakere Ranges is a geographically challenging area with limited road access. Private contractors operating in competitive urban markets may deprioritise remote rural jobs or charge a significant premium to service them.

Without the council's collective purchasing power and scheduling coordination, individual property owners, particularly elderly residents or those on fixed incomes, may find it difficult or expensive to source reliable service. There is no guarantee that a competitive private market will adequately serve this area.

5. The Targeted Rate Provides Certainty and Equity

The document characterises the uniform targeted rate as creating "cross subsidisation" and presents this as a problem. However, a shared, uniform rate also provides price certainty and shields residents from unpredictable cost spikes in the private contractor market. For households on fixed incomes, knowing the annual cost in advance has real value.

The argument that some households need pump outs less frequently could be addressed by reforming the scheme's scheduling, not by abolishing it entirely.

I strongly oppose Option A and request that Auckland Council either:

Retain the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme under Option B, accepting that the targeted rate will need to increase to reflect actual costs; or

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I do not want the Waitakere sewerage system changed it is fine the way it is. I don't support the changes being proposed.

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?

Do not support any

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

I don't know

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

I don't know

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

I don't know

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

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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I don't support the proposed changes for the Waitakere rural sewerage system they should be kept the way they are included in the rates for Waitakere area.

Also the council makes it very hard to give specific feedback on this when the link in my letter just sent me to the main page very hard to navigate and give your views on the specific changes in question. Make it simple there should be a link on the email that takes you directly to answer the yes or no question!!!!

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

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Support all

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Re: - Waitakere rural sewage scheme .. I am in favor of abolishing this

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?

I don't know

Tell us why

I don't recall getting much communication from them and so I don't know what they are pursuing

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

I don’t know

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

I don’t know

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

I don’t know

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)

I am in support of walking and cycling options that allow people to get away from road noise and congestion

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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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.,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.

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Tell us why

I live in rural West Auckland why should I pay for the Citi Link train useless to me

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Waitakere rural septic keep it the same it is and do not put up the rates we pay enough now no footpaths the roads are in bad condition all we get is our rubbish picked up we have to supply our own drinking water and deal with their own sewage I do not want any more rate rises what are we paying for it it's bad enough as it is now

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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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

We get nothing in rural Waitakere our roads are ********** no footpath have to supply own water and sewage. We only get our rubbish picked up I do not want any more rate rises city rail link is an absolute rip-off and will never use it

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

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Support

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Support

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Support

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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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Keep the rates down how can we afford it when we're on retirement it's a complete joke it drives you out of your own home

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Tell us why

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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

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Do not support

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Do not support

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Support

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Support

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Support

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

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Support retaining Waitakere sewerage pump out scheme

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Town Centre redevlopment/upgrades in Glen Eden

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Council is bloated, inefficient and poorly governed. You need to start benchmarking costs and internal operating functions against the private sector. Currently you are operating around 200% less efficient than an equivalent privately run company under competitive pressure. Fix your operations before you ask for more money to waste.

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With regard to the waitakere rural sewerage scheme - scap it and let the private market compete for the business.

Just stand up a digital governance system where the companies doing the pump-out have to register each property they have pumped. As long as the property complies with the bi-annual pump-outs, they are in the clear. If they don't the council orders the pump-out and the fee is passed on to the residence with a penalty as part of their rates bill.

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Tell us why

No idea what they are proposing. Why don't you link to the plan for each local board here? It's just incompetent not to.

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Do not support

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Support

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Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

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

Waitakere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan. This is the biggest crock. People have walked, run and tramped the waitakere ranges for over 100 years. As a % of the total land area, the 270km of trails only touches 0.012% of the forest. There is ZERO risk of having people in there recreating. This is a public asset. The Kauri aren't dying. This is a big conspiracy to hand the forest over to Iwi so they can control and charge Auckland for their water supply. Its an absolute disgrace. Everyone involved should be jailed for the $100M of fraudulent spend thats been imposed on ratepayers via the NETR and for people being shut out for 10years,.

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Open the Waitakere Ranges. Stop the wasteful spend. If you want to keep them closed, then justify it with a genuinely independent, peer reviewed scientific reason. DO NOT get council employees or contractors to do this, they have a vested interest in perpetuating the 'crisis' as it means jobs for them. No crisis = no job so they are not independent. Council can't be trusted with it because crisis = funding. No crisis = no funding. Stop the scams.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Scrap the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

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

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

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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Do not support

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Do not support

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

AS SOON AS YOU WANT TO IMPROVE THINGS THEN THE CHARGES GO ON TO THE INDIVIDUAL HOUSE OWNER FUND IT YOURSELF AS YOU GET ENOUGH FROM US NOW

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THE COUNCIL NEED TO LOOK AT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE DOING THE SAME JOB AND ASK THEMSELVES HOW CAN WE CUT OUR RESOURCES TO IMPROVE THE RATE COST TO THE INDIVIDUAL

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Tell us why

7.9% is ridiculous it will end up being more for other properties.

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They have to be done but rates needs to be capped at 3%.

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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

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Cap rates at 3% and look for savings elsewhere.

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Concentrate on the core services sewer, water, infrastructure, community issues not fancy stuff.

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I would prefer to keep the council 3 year scheme for septic tanks in the Waitakere ranges

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Waitākere Ranges

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Support most

Tell us why

I support option B

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Support

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I don’t know

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Flood resilience: imperative in the Waitakere Ranges

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

Why not start by looking at reducing council expenses by staff and property reduction before trying to get even more money off us.

I hope this does not apply to properties with septic tanks as this would make it even more of a hard pill to swallow.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

For someone who will never use the CRL it is not something I want to pay. Have you ever heard of user pays?

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?

Do not support any

Tell us why

I live in the Waitakere Ranges. I do not have foot paths, sewerage or mains water. I do not and will not use public transport. I avoid the city as it is no longer car friendly so I do everything in the suburbs so why should I pay for something I never use. This is especially annoying when I see the bloated council that refuses to start cost cutting internally.

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

Do not 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

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

Stick to your core business not these feel good bs projects that we can not afford. Cut your cloth accordingly rather than using rates to pay for these stupid ideas. All I see is idiots doing stupid things while continuing the Maorifictaion of everything. What percentage of the Auckland population can only speak Maori?

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Cut costs internally and stop the rates going up! Stick to your core business.

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

I have put 1 for transport however I do not support cycling. I would support a ban on cyclists that are not residents on Scenic Drive as they are a danger to themselves and car users.

Question 6: City centre

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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.,Other (please specify):Remember its not all about the city centre ffs.

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#100

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Please retain the Waitakere Rursl Sewerage scheme Option B

This option protects the environment better than your proposed option A as it imposes the regular pump outs of septic tanks.

Without this service a lot of people will forget to do the pump outs

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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I don't know

Tell us why

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

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I don’t know

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

I don’t know

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

I don’t know

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don't know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

I don't know

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

Question 4: Other feedback

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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.,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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#103

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Do not support most

Tell us why

We support the continued focus on fiscal responsibility and cost controls, but don't support the massive rate increase to pay for the City Rail Link, when many roads, infrastructure and drainage etc in our rural Waiatarua area are in poor condition and don't receive repairs or upgrades. We also have no train or bus services in our location, so will not be seeing direct benefits from the CRL.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme: Support Option A - ending the scheme and the associated targeted rate.

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

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

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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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Are there plans to reduce light pollution and control stray lighting for new and existing developments?

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Good planning

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

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Support

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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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Planning infrastructure to manage growth

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Other

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I don't know

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

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

i want the waitakere rural sewerage scheme gone and for me to pay to have my tank cleaned out

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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Support

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Do not support

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We totally disagree with Option A and want to retain the Rural Sewage Scheme associated with rates (Option B)>

The reasons:

If my rates and the council remove that from the services, then there is a free for all on the open market of suppliers - privatisation by stealth.

Nice, by the way, how the writer of the document and letter tries to tell readers that the private option is going to be cheaper for them, AND hints at potential rates control when the "significant staff costs and overheads" (?)associated with a service, whose organisation by now should be 85% computerised & automated, is fully given over to private parties. We can already opt out of it now, if we want to, and organise our septic tank pumpout privately should we choose to do so. However, so far these pump-out and maintenance service packages are no financial incentive or betterment.

And yes, we fully expect the council to increase that portion of the rates to such a degree, that the private option becomes (for a while at least) more interesting.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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N/A

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West Auckland population as increased tremendously in the last 5 years - where is the swimming pool, the sportsfields, and the hospital that cater for this vast increase in people?

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Home owners should not carry the costs fot CRL.

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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Support

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

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Support most

Tell us why

In an economy where most people are struggling, we council services and staff still lack accountability and their reputation is poor. Onerous fees and some ill-thought out decisions especially around protected ridge lines penalise some members of the community unfairly with zero recourse.

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I fully support option 1 to remove the Waitakere septic tank scheme and make owners accountable. I believe this is only possible because of the mandatory council 3-yearly inspection which was an excellent initiative. I do not require a 3 yearly pump out, mine should be every 6 years. By making this commercial it will create competition in the market and again reduce costs to ratepayers.

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Waitākere Ranges

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Support most

Tell us why

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Do not 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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

It's difficult to reconcile paying higher rates for nice to haves, when in my home I'm delaying repairs and upgrades due to financial constraints.

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Tell us why

Go with it

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Tell us why

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Water quality and waste management are crucial for the health of the community and the environment.

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Support

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Priorities 1-3 are vital = partnership, protection and participation will benefit from strengthening support.

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Support most

Tell us why

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

Look at the huge clean-up bill the council was left with after the 2023 Auckland Anniversary Weekend floods. For a fraction of the cost Auckland council could unblock/clear drains more often and upgrade stormwater systems.

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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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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

The council should continue with Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme and associated

targeted rate. I do not support this being discontinued.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

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Do not support most

Tell us why

City Rail Link, total waste!

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Removing off street parking requirements from new builds is\was a total disaster! This needs restoring immediately to minimise damage already caused by turning berms into car-parks.

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Henderson-Massey,Waitākere Ranges

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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Support most

Tell us why

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

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Do not support

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Support

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Support

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Support

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I don't know

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Future of the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme and its

associated targeted rate.

I would rather take care of contracting the Septic care to a private service than have the council deal with it.

I have a concern that many of my fellow residents will simply ignore the maintenance and this will lead to failing septic systems and odors in the area.

Grahame Wilson, Oratia

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Waitākere Ranges

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Tell us why

Im not a rate payers but the cost certainly affects rent prices

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N/A

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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 most

Tell us why

Heritage is a huge part of waitakere area as is environment, for those of us who have lived here all our lives (not those who move from concrete city spaces and then want to chop trees and build everywhere) you could say its crucial to see waitakere thrive.

Its also incredibly crucial for our youth mental health to have functioning spaces to play, practice and enjoy.

West Auckland has had minimal focus and investment over the years which has always been a disappointment.

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

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Support

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Question 2 is very important to me, Aside from schools we have two options for Netball play and practice in West Auckland and that is Te Pai courts, which charge a fee and are often booked by larger clubs that can afford the court hirage fees (which get passed on to parents via player fees), and we have the courts at Harold Moody/Glenora/duck park which has 2 Courts.

Those courts have been falling apart for years, the surface is uneven and a risk to ankle sprains and breaks, the fences are warped at the bottoms which are a cutting risk and the lack of covering means practices have to be canceled when it rains and kids get burnt or heat stroke in summer.

Glenora netball club are not the only people who use the courts and for those of us with kids who need to practice we find the only other space but Te Pai is Glenora which is a risk or as I said unusable weather depending or basketball courts or school courts which are often occupied by kids playing basketball (There is a large amount of basketball spaces in west auckland).

The netball courts at Harold moody are also shared with tennis players and I greatly appreciate the move to make the tennis nets movable but I also play tennis and the same weather issues apply to trying to use the courts for tennis.

Please do not turn those courts into a basketball space.

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Please if you increase rates then make sure payment plans and rebates are available for those legitimately struggling, I understand the money needs to come from somewhere but be mindful of the affect of your decisions as a whole and individually also keep seeing people as people and not just a source of income, the economy right now is hard and people are struggling.

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

Firstly, shared space like parks and play/social areas, court game spaces like Harold moody courts,

Secondly get a better handle on all these foreign developers erecting cardboard box town houses and apartments and the affect its having on the community.

A lot of these townhouses are remaining unoccupied as the price is greedy and illogical, the laws need to change to make developers sacrifice space to provide off street parking and make it mandatory as let's face it, despite being near transport hubs none of those residents are using public transport and most houses/apartments/units have multiple cars.

For example I live near vision west who decided to erect a 24 unit plus apartment (we've been told its for emergency housing and to house freshly released prisoners) they didnt consult with the neighbour's they didnt even let us know what they were doing until they started it and we've been

told there is no off street parking included, now property values are being affected, views are being blocked, construction workers are parking in ways that make it dangerous to get in and out of private driveways and we haven't even started to face the repercussions once the apartments are occupied.

To make matters worse 2 property's down from the apartments a double lot has been purchased by foreign investors and the people they sent to check fencing have said that many 3 story townhouses will be built this year on the site so the affect on a small space of street in just one neighborhood is going to be astronomical.

We've also noticed an uptick or trend if you like of developments/townhouses going in near schools which is going to have a crippling affect on numbers for those indivdual schools.

The council needs to take a better look at the laws surrounding development and maybe source some of the income for the city from making developers contribute to infrastructure upgrading, if their builds are going to add to the strain and they are going to make a tidy profit from their development then they should pay for that strain.

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

Other (please specify):I haven't been to the CBD in over 5 years and dont see any need to visit, I have also watched the CBD get copious amount of funding and attention over the years and would like to see the suburbs get that funding and attention for once



Local vibe

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You

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Support most

Tell us why

do not support wasting money on new playground for Piha when the existing playground was already very good and do not want rates spent on bollards and picnic areas by the lagoon as the area as existing is perfectly fine and is just the way we like it .

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I would like option 'B' for the sewerage scheme - keep the existing system.

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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Public transport - to get cars off roads .

Bus to Piha

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Support most

Tell us why

CRL not much good to Waitakere people.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I support the proposal for the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme to be discontinued on the 2026/2027 rates.

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

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

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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

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Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

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

Do something about boy racers in the Waitakere Ranges, coming here ruining the roads with their burnouts etc, not adhering to the speed limits thinking it"s a race track, and they can do what they like because they are our in rural West Auckland, and no one will catch them.

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Retain the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme

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Waitākere Ranges

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Support most

Tell us why

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Other

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Other

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It is mostly common sense and we need to spend more money to keep up with other cities similar to ours.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I'm not opposed to any of these

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

I don't really see a great deal for our board that concerns me.

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Support

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Support

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I'd like to see more focus on improving sports fields and facilties. Anderson Park in particular needs upgrades to its field and the tennis court area, which could become an amazing multi-purpose all weather court.

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Ensuring adequate transport infrastructure exists before allowing multiple houses on smaller sites with limited car parking. Our suburban streets are being crammed with cars of residents in new build houses that only allow for one car park. We were led to believe these housing developments would all be near major public transport hubs to encourage the use of public transport in this area. This is clearly not working.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Waitakere septic tank clearing is a good idea to continue, however allow opt out with empty invoice and inspection certificate provided.

This would ensure septic tanks are being emptied, however those managed privately don't duplicate charges.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

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Adding Minor Dwelling rule change. Add clarity around this with waste water considerations.

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Noticed some rubbish collectors in city, dumped recycling into general rubbish.

Tidy up city.

Remove homeless from city and other urban centres, begging problem.

Support businesses more.

Improve transport options. Stop using back roads for buses (Massey) easy on main roads, hard to navigate tight small roads.

Stop allowing new builds with little to no parking. These jam up roads. Everyone knows it is bad yet developers pack them in. Stop ugly buildings in historic areas too.

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Do not support any

Tell us why

I live in an area that does not have access to the City Rail link, so I should not have to pay for the costs associated with this.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I support the option A regarding the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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I don't know

Tell us why

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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

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)

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

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

Support most

Tell us why

N/A

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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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?

I support the proposal to End the Waitakere Rural Sewage Scheme and the associated targeted rate on 30 June 2027

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

Support most

Tell us why

We can afford to stay in our property.

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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?

Upper Harbour,Waitākere Ranges

Upper Harbour 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 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

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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We are happy with the septic tank present arrangement.

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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.,Other (please specify):Lower cost of parking ign city centre.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme. Assessment numbers: 1234190767 for 118 Piha Road and 1234190744 for 134 Piha Road, We support option A to End the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme and the associated targeted rate on 30 June 2027.

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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

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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

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)

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Opening of tracks in the Waitakere Ranges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I want to keep the current Waitākere Rural Sewerge System, because I believe that this will enusre that tanks are empties regularly and maintained to that our waterways stay clean. I also prefer paying this cost as a part of my rates bill.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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Support

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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)

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Do not support most

Tell us why

This rate rise is more than double the annual inflation, and unaffordable

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Waitakere rural sewage scheme: I support option A: end the scheme and targeted rate

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N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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Other (please specify):Car free streets like cuba st in Wellington

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

I do not trust you will spend any rate increase wisely. You have a sick culture to treat ratepayers with contempt and just keep taking their money without any accountability.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Yes you need to look at other sources of income aside from rates. However once again I have no trust that you will spend the funds WISELY on what is needed.

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

Sadly, priority is placed on "Green Woke" ideology rather than what actually needs to be done in a cost-effective manner.

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

Do not 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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

We DO NOT need any more funds wasted on under utilized cycleways.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Whilst I appreciate, we need to increase rates to pay for the URGENT NECESSITIES i.e. sewerage, water, rubbish, transport. You have a huge problem that ratepayers don't believe you will focus on the URGENT NECESSITIES and continue on your wasteful "green woke" ideology ideas.

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Infrastructure-this is your core priority (water, sewerage, rubbish & transport). Everything outside of this is a "nice to have" and funds only spent on "nice to haves" once you have Infrastructure under control.

Question 6: City centre

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Retain the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme and the associated targeted rate beyond 30 June 2027.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

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

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I don’t know

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

I don’t know

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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)

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

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Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

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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.

I don’t know

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

Do not support

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

Do not support

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

I don’t know

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Do not support

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

I don’t know

Question 4: Other feedback

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transport

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Rate increase should be higher. Parking permit fees should be extended beyond the proposal to universal.

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Happy to all as the parking in residential does not affect me.

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Henderson-Massey

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Good range of strategies and options

Question 4: Other feedback

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Rebuilding infrastructure and maintaining roads

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Our rates have skyrocketed. We already cannot afford our rates.

City Rail Link is not accessible nor applicable to me.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Why increase residential parking permit fees?

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

It looks good on paper, but a lot of what the "What we plan to deliver in 2026/2027" and "Key projects planned for 2026/2027" are very broad. More detail into where this money is going and what percentage is being allocated would be great. Overall, I agree with what is on paper though.

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

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Support

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

I don’t know

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

Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Other

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

Agree with supporting community groups, but again, I don't know how much is being allocated.

"Review level of community grants...", this is just planning, no action.

"Progress an omnibus..." seems far too ambiguous, what does this mean? I couldn't find anything on the consultation document.

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Park and playground maintenance, we see too many playgrounds that have been vandalised and then left in a state of disrepair for far too long.

Flood protection, because of the amount of "once in a hundred years" floods we've had in the last few years.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

The city rail link is of no use to me where I live and is not useable for me to commute to where I need to get within Auckland so a huge rates increase to fund this is just wrong... No one goes into the city as it is dangerous and in general dying. Those of us in the outer suburbs need better transport solutions

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I would support all except the residential parking permit fees. Auckland council has created the current issues in Auckland by allowing developments without sufficient onsite parking for these residents which have now reduced numerous roads to one lane due to large amounts of people parking on the street from these developments and now you expect us to fund enforcing parking permits for these areas.. Council is truly destroying this city and making it a horrible place to live for New Zealanders

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?

Support most

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.

I don’t know

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.

Do not support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Do not support

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

I don't know

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Other (please specify):The city center has had enough spent on it already and is still dangerous and a horrible place to go. Spend the money on the rest of Aucklands suurbs who are sick of funding it

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

The proposals seem to align with the special character of the area.

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Support

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Support

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Support

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Our main concern is the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme:

When this system was established it was to protect our waterways etc and in our opinion it has been a great success therefore, this household would like to retain this scheme beyond 30 June 2027.

I am worried that if this scheme does end, there will be households, landlords who will not bother with a pump-out until it is absolutely necessary and then we could revert back to pre 1994.

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Support

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Do not support

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cyclist have no respect for pedestrians

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I think the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme be maintained as it has worked out well in the past.

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Waitākere Ranges

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Support most

Tell us why

The Waitakere range original plan should be maintained.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I don't have a strong understanding of some of these, but they sound alright. I strongly support anything that can reduce the risks of waterway contamination, as with the sewerage scheme.

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?

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.

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)

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

We need much stricter laws and enforcement around dog ownership, especially aggressive breeds. I love dogs, but it's become a common sight in my community to see them roaming. People should be able to walk around parks and neighbourhoods without fear of dog attacks, and the roaming dogs themselves are often products of neglect & abuse.

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Support most

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rates increases are painful. While I am comfortable with the rates increases. I have concerns we are not spending the money in the right spaces.

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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 most

Tell us why

Good focus on the parks and their facilities. In particular parrs park which is such a large and well used space in the community.

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

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I don’t know

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

I don’t know

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don’t know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

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I would like to see the changing room facilities of Parrs park looked at for and interim upgrade of basic things like better shower heads and a better water system. Long term there needs to be an extension and upgrade to accommodate growth of the membership for the clubs that use these facilities. It is a gap on the growth for the community.

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Waitākere Ranges

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I don't know

Tell us why

we are a cash cow

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Do not support

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Do not support

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Do not support

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Do not support

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Council a nessesary evil.

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Tell us why

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Support

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Local Board: Waitākere Ranges

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Too high increase of council rates!

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Too high increase of council rates!

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Henderson-Massey,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

Too high increase of council rates.

Waitākere Ranges 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

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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

Do not 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

Do not 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)

Safe cycling lane and more cycling lane from park to parks.

Question 4: Other feedback

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More cycling lane to and from the CBD

Question 6: City centre

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Support most

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support all

Tell us why

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

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Support

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Support

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

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I dont use the CRL because its locations are inconvenient to my location and my lifestyle.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I use all my bins because I pay for them so dont think people will use this exchange service. Kingsland and Onehunga aren't in my area? Parking permits in residential areas is criminal - why should i have to pay more to be able to park near my home?!

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?

Support most

Tell us why

Its just general up keep

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.

I don’t know

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.

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)

Thinking of my children and their future

Question 4: Other feedback

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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.,Streets and public spaces – improve streets, parks and public spaces so the city centre is a great place to live and spend time in.,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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Q1: What do you think of the proposed annual plan?

Do not support most

Tell us why

I do not support the proposed 7.9 per cent rates increase.

While I recognise the importance of investing in transport, water infrastructure, and community needs, this level of increase is difficult to justify in the current economic climate. Households are already facing sustained cost-of-living pressures, and rates have risen consistently in recent years. Another significant increase adds further strain.

Although projects like the City Rail Link are important for Auckland's future, the funding burden must be balanced against present affordability. There has not been enough emphasis on cost savings, efficiency, or reprioritising non-essential spending before passing on higher costs to ratepayers.

A more moderate increase, alongside clearer evidence of financial restraint, would be a fairer and more responsible approach.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I strongly oppose not only the 7.9 per cent rates increase, but also the additional fees and charges proposed in this plan.

The introduction of a refuse bin or bag exchange fee, higher residential parking permits, BID changes, and sewerage scheme costs all add to the financial burden on households. The cumulative impact is unreasonable in the current cost-of-living environment.

I am particularly frustrated that I am required to pay for a council compost bin service that I do not use. I already manage my own food scrap composting, yet I am still charged for the service without meaningful choice or consultation. It is unfair to compel residents to fund services they neither use nor requested.

Council must demonstrate stronger cost discipline and provide greater flexibility for residents, rather than continuing to layer additional costs onto ratepayers.

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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I want it clearly recorded that I have submitted feedback in previous years, yet the outcomes have made it feel like public input is treated as a box-ticking exercise - acknowledged, summarised, and then set aside. Simply stating that all feedback has been "considered" or that all possible savings have been explored is not the same as demonstrating it transparently and credibly.

I am already under genuine financial pressure. Continued increases to rates and charges are not abstract policy decisions - they directly affect my ability to manage essential living costs. I cannot continue absorbing additional increases year after year, particularly when previous concerns appear to have been ignored.

The Annual Plan, including the Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan, must show tangible evidence of spending discipline, reprioritisation, and measurable efficiencies before further burdening ratepayers. Consultation must lead to visible change, not simply procedural compliance.

The cumulative effect of repeated increases and additional fees raises serious questions about fairness, accountability, and long-term affordability. Ratepayers are entitled to see that all alternatives, including cost containment, service reprioritisation, and staged implementation, have been fully considered.

If public engagement is to have integrity, ratepayers need to see clear proof that affordability has been prioritised and that difficult internal cost decisions have been made before asking households to pay more. Failure to demonstrate this risks eroding public trust and could invite scrutiny, organised opposition, or challenges to Council decisions.

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Long-term priorities (ranked):

• Affordability and financial sustainability

• Transport and infrastructure that improves accessibility

• Water services and environmental resilience

• Local community support and wellbeing

• Spatial planning and city growth

• Other long-term investment areas

Specific activities/services to prioritise:

• Cost discipline and transparency: Demonstrate efficiency, cut unnecessary spending, and explore alternatives before expanding projects.

• Targeted transport improvements: Focus on projects with clear, measurable benefits to residents' daily lives.

• Affordable water and waste services: Maintain essential services sustainably, with flexibility for residents who manage waste independently.(e.g., options for those who compost privately).

• Effective community engagement: Consultation must lead to visible action, not just procedural compliance.

Rationale:

Many households are under ongoing financial pressure. Long-term investments must be balanced with affordability, fairness, and measurable benefits. Residents will support projects that use funds efficiently and responsibly, and that genuinely reflect public input.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

My personal assessment of the plan is that there is little if any genuine concern for the welfare of citizens. Certainly, progress must be considered, but after genuine consideration of all aspects. We live in a multi-cultural city with a wide range of strengths and abilities as well as needs. These need to be addressed with integrity and genuine concern, rather than simply burying them under pre-determined agendas.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

1. The refuse bin/bag exchange fee: The cost of collecting household rubbish should simply be included in the rates we pay. Surely it's services like that which give rise to the rates system anyway.

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it is a nasty joke to then suggest imposing extra costs via this parking scheme.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Albert-Eden,Devonport-Takapuna,ŌrākeiDo not support mostI don't know

Question 4: Other feedback

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it is absolute folly to pursue the notion of widespread bicycle freedom of access to all public areas. The geography of Auckland, with its multiple volcanic cone, ridges and valleys does not make for easy, direct routes between different suburban areas. For this reason, cycle lanes can be extremely dangerous, not only for the cyclists but for other motorists and even pedestrians.

Furthermore, the concept of a complex public transport systtem is a true folly. It will never work. The use of private vehicles over the decades has arisen for this very reason- simplicity and reliability of access and movement across the suburbs. when it is considered adding further problems for citizens by adding extra parking fees in residential areas is miserable, to say the least. Maybe Council could begin to consider ways in which the private car owner is given support rather than continued 'punishment'.

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Other (please specify):i do not enjoy being in the centre of the city

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Support most

Tell us why

Seriously another 8% increase of rates? It's starting to be more efficient to rent. You are making really harder for the homeowners. The council should focus on cost cutting through efficiency rather than getting more from people.

It is clear that you chose 7.9 so it doesn't sound a big increase as 8

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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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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Tell us why

Cpuncil should stop protest on auckland area specially aoute squarr,museum, waitemata henderson. Dont give permission to use public space for doing wrong thing. Ban burka and loundspeaker.mykids get scared after seeing such protest.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

No. Stop giving fund to asylum peapole. If you stop fiving money cost automatically save and no need to increase cost.

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?

Do not support any

Tell us why

Local board area supporting to particular cummunity for protests.

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

Do not 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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

Tax payer money using for protest. We saw them everyware taking banner and flag in hand and scaring community.

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Other (please specify):We not feel safe when we go outside. Everyware protest flag abuse comments.

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We support the ABOLITION of the Waitakere Rural Sewerage scheme. Too expensive by way of targeted rates.

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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?

I don't know

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

I don’t know

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

I don’t know

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

I don’t know

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don’t know

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Support most

Tell us why

There are investments that needs continuous

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Rates surely change but do not change the rates and do nothing or just built something irrelevant

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?

Support most

Tell us why

There are many areas of investment that needs continuous long-time management, specifically the continuous increasing numbers of the diverse ethnic community. Make sure it for the benefit of the entire community and not for their own Ethnic group. We need to scrutinize that well, we are becoming a venue for radical minds. We need to maintain our peaceful Godzone NZ.

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.

I don’t know

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)

At the Whau, we have the Rizal Reserve Park. We develop and manage the Park to be included as one of the assets in Auckland. Assets that promote Diverse Community in peaceful way, unification of the entire Ethnic community not just Filipino. Their living, promoting the good projects being organized, like the park is used for sports like biking, the Whau river to promote the people behind the history of Auckland. It will be a tourist spot, learning mostly the history of NZ, its people and its community. Not overturning the country that adopts other people and made their lives comfortable and modernized.

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I don't have much to say: but it is sad that instead of NZ moving forward for better living we are pulled downwards because many people, we adopted turned towards us and breeding radical minds. Paying many diverse people to do their contribution to the community but what do they do? practice their old ways from their old country of origin. We send it to the Parliament for proper advice and yet they turned their back as well. sad? Review the governance of those people and assessed if they should be kept or replaced. Most of them do not know, what a constitution is all about, they only practice discrimination and favoring themselves.

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Currently I am working on the additional development of Rizal Reserve Park. Documents have been submitted being the project of our organization. Documents have been given to Auckland council, witness by the NZ embassy in Manila and supported .

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The fees change is acceptable as we need this changes.

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

Albert-Eden,Henderson-Massey,Waitākere RangesDo not support mostSupportDo not supportI don't knowDo not support

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Support all

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Waitākere Ranges

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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Do not support

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Do not support

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

All of these investments are what I would consider wasteful and unnecessary and not a direct responsibility of Council and that they should focus on their primary objective and in turn reduce costs and passing on costs onto Households like a Monopoly and holding households to hostage

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Core activities of Water, Roads, Wastewater, Waste collection, better planning for resilience against whether events and nothing else. Do that well first before trying to do other things or at least try to focus on these and minimise costs in these other areas to bare minimum

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Tell us why

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The amount you are proposing to add on to rates is far too high.

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Whau

Whau Local Board Feedback:

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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.

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.

Do not 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.

Support

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

I imagine parks are needed as crowded housing leaves no room for children to play. It is at least a permable surface.

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Auckland properties are now smaller and closer to each other. therefore we need out side areas for people to relax.

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Support most

Tell us why

Planting of trees on berm is not a good use of money. As the trees grow big, they grow into the powerlines, cause issues with the pathways and if they are male trees, drop leaves all the time.

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Transport.

The main train hub shouldn't be Auckland CBD, it should be more centrally located for the routes, which would be Otahuhu or Onehunga region.

Give us the option and ability of getting to the airport, from everywhere.

Give us the ability to get across West to East or vice versa easily. Having to constantly transfer and the entire journey taking hours is not reasonable.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Cost of living has gone through the roof.

Over the years you guys have just taken

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Taken rate increases

Having residents to buy rubbish stickers.

Rubbish bin decreases in size of bins.

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E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

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

These facilities need to be set up for the whole of our community our community needs to become one in your reports please use English some of the words I don't understand

Question 4: Other feedback

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If I ran a business and put my rate up 7.9% percent each year I would be out of business this is not not fair on the community and the cost of living that has occurred over the last year or two

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

I walked the white tax a lot and cycle and the amount of rubbish on the side of the roads in the bush is disgusting you should be penalties for people dropping rubbish or spitting

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

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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#1118

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Do not support most

Tell us why

N/A

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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N/A

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7.9% rate rise is too steep

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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.

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#1122

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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

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Support

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Support

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Other

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Other

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Councils planning / rma and consenting dept.'s lack of accountability with regards to consents for new builds and infrastructure desperately needed but currently not following yr existing rules leaves us with no confidence in this whatsoever. Current laws are NOT being enforced and very little proper inspection is happening before sign offs. A signature from any so called professional agency (even when there's an obvious conflict of interest) seems to trump any real form of correct inspection. Intensification is already undermining existing homes , communities and abilities to insure even before your plan for the future.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Don't agree , specifically with parking charges. These are happening because you are allowing developments to be built with NO parking spaces. Affects existing ratepayers and makes transport unsafe- constantly turning roads into one way only choke holds where ambulances/ fire service cannot enter

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

Mostly agree- but again, due to poor planning / transparency around infrastructure and enforcement of building codes....waste water costs will be a bottomless pit. If you do not use local & historic knowledge of community , and reduce the issueing of abatement notices for breaches of rma, lack of mitigation and changing land levels (happening on a weekly basis with new builds in our streets), no amount of money will fix the disaster that is growing on a daily basis. These plans are a false economy if you keep exacerbating the problem with allowing no detention tanks, no proper stormwater connections and insufficient drainage on new builds. Shouldn't matter if it's a large or small development...it all adds up once that West Auckland rain hits.

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

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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

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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Wonder why we pay rates if Council continues to compromise existing infrastructure with such dodgy new builds, non- notified consents and developments. This is a very short term gain for Council whom many Insurers will be pursuing through the courts in years to come.

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Prioritize the enforcement of building codes and RMA rules as they stand now. Stop sweeping the majority of reported non mitigation and abatement notices under the carpet- they affect everyone and are NOT going away. Enforcement sensible drainage practice. Actually inspect what you've signed off on instead of leaving it to a third party who gains by yr NON inspection. Plan for development s in community rather than just seeing the consents process as a revenue collection at any cost.

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Support most

Tell us why

Support a better public transport system

Water is critical priority especially in my area (Titirangi)

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Waitākere Ranges

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Support most

Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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Support

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Support

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Support

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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I wish to Retain the waitakere sewerage scheme and targeted rate beyond 30 june 2027

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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I don't know

Tell us why

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I don’t know

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Support

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I don’t know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

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Question 4: Other feedback

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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#1158

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too steep an increase in the rates

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RodneyDo not support mostthe short paragraph about rodney read like creative writing which was taken from a previous document

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not acceptable, please do better and help those constituents who are struggling, don't hurt us further

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subsidised access to community pools and leisure centres

so much mental health and obesity with our people, help us access sports and recreation without having to pay a sizeable fee to do so

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Re: Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme.

We received a letter dated 27/02/2026 which said that the Safe Septic Programme is more comprehensive than the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme and therefore the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme is no longer necessary. The letter outlined the following options - summarised for reference: (Option 1) abolish the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme and pay for pump-out and maintenance ourselves; or (Option 2) keep the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme, in which case the targeted rate is likely to increase.

We are in favour of Option 2.

The Safe Septic Programme is wider in its rules, and is essentially a compliance monitoring scheme which offers no service to ratepayers. The argument in the letter is that we can buy the services ourselves and they can be scaled to the requirement of the property thus avoiding cross-subsidisation.

Before the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme, was a monitoring programme.

What you will run into with the Safe Septic Programme is enforcement cost, as you need to ensure everyone still maintains their three yearly pump-out, inspection and maintenance, and you will need to escalate against those who haven't done so.

Ratepayers will have a cash flow issue to resolve; most people will not put aside a sum of money each year towards the three yearly pump-out, inspection and maintenance. If maintenance is needed the cost will quite likely be a significant additional cost. So for example, in a pump-out year, a household will need to find say $1,200, and if maintenance is needed say several hundred dollars more. If they skip and your monitoring programme finds out, they will have that cost plus any penalty charges you deem appropriate to charge. This can snowball for certain properties.

The Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme ensures the money is collected and set aside each year. There is a cash flow benefit to the household, and if maintenance is required there will be less additional cost in the pump-out year.

The other advantage is that the service is already pre-scheduled to happen when it needs to; this is a huge convenience. An owner need not arrange this themselves, including shopping around to

get quotes from various providers. The private services will rely on competition to drive the price down, but will not be able to take advantage of economies of scale int he same way that a Council-scheduled service can; you can schedule all properties in a street for the same week and have a large and small tanker work the street. With private services the scheduling will diverge as owners swap between providers, and you will find tankers visiting properties in the same street at different times through the year, which will increase the call-out component of the cost.

For any pump out there will be a fixed cost component consisting of vehicle time, staff time to hook up and pump, and a variable cost based on the time taken to pump out and the volume of sewerage. The letter says that this is a major benefit of going private, however as the vehicle has to visit the property anyway I would expect the fixed cost component to be two thirds to three quarters of the cost per household. In terms of fairness, how do you apportion the cost - some households may have a large tank and few people, and others a relatively small tank and more people. The argument of cross subsidisation is not well put in the letter, there are no facts in the wording, and as such it is not a major factor in the decision.

The Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme is a service that already provides certainty over the vast majority of properties that ensures the environment is protected.

The Safe Septic Programme will cause households to manage this themselves, and relies on monitoring for which the cost of inspection, testing water etc. will be higher than it is now and the likelihood of non-compliance will increase. Even one property spilling raw sewerage into a stream will be an environmental failure, and the cost of following up with the property owner to get them to find a provider, pay for the pump-out, maintenance and remediation will involve a lot of staff time to pursue - when the damage has already been done. It will be like "attempting to" close the stable door after the horse has bolted.

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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

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Support

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

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#1310

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Tell us why

1.Council needs to open their expenditure books and be transparent with the current 2026 budget + expenditure they have

2.Justify the 2025/26 rate increases which Council claims to be averaged at 5.4% increase (as many households were pinged with far greater rate charges)

3.Justify the Food Scrap program as 60% of rate payers do not use this service - Council is collecting the rates for this service when majority residents do not want it.

Scrap the program - give us back our money.

4.CRL - Rate payers should not be tasked at carrying this burden. Let it be self-funded; user payers. I can guarantee that the CRL will not generate economic growth - it will be a burden for rate payers to carry.

5.Wayne Brown has yet to show a lift at all in performance; costs have not come down - its gown up; nothing is cheaper - so the Message Page is a LIE.

The collection of the 2025/26 rate increases clearly shows this - rates up, CBD unsafe with drunks, druggies - no one wants to go into the CBD. Lots of financial waste by council mayor and councillors.

6.Water networks - rate payers have paid big time for water related treatments, yet the council will fine households for washing their cars/pavements on the driveway. should the council not have anticipated this and ensured all waste water is treated regardless?

7.Cut what we cannot afford - CRL(this will be a white elephant) based on the current numbers on our current AT Trains - CRL does not go to the Airport - it will go in circles (Literally) - shut it down - we cannot afford it. I dont want to pay for it.

No point making the stations "world class" as the world wont see it as the trains dont go to the airport!

Stick to the current buses, and AT trains (non-CRL).

8.Local Services/Infrastructure - Pool entry should not be free/it should be user pays; libraries - with e-books, consolidate libraries and shut down the non-frequented branches - costing rate payers monies.

9.Maintain WHAT momentum on current urban development in Avondale and Henderson? There has been NO noticeable development - the last stuff up was at Henderson Centre where council spent $1.8m on painting the intersection blue and putting up planter boxes - which had to be reversed after much protest - a huge waste of rate payers money.

10.Why is there a separate funding for Maori - are we not all one multicultural society? I do not want any of my rates going to culturally specific projects - this in case any Maori projects.

11.Leys Institute - really? Libraries are a dead end - get this project privately funded - for those who want it, get them to raise the funds for this.

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3.9.53% increase in general rate - why are we having to pay more? We have paid so much more rates for 2025/26 - what is the council doing to reduce costs? If the council is unable to reduce costs, then it needs to reduce/cut services - libraries, pools, parks - make it user pays. How is the CRL going to benefit the residents in the Waitakere Region? The CRL is a loop service in the city centre. I would like to see actual financil numbers from Council on what economic growth it is going to get the CRL to bring the the Waitakere region.

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Henderson-Massey

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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I don't know

Tell us why

What am I supporting for a total of $59.8 million? Reduced hours for Te Manawa and mulching in amenity gardens? Seriously? Where are the key points of proposed expenditure of this $59.8 million? Or as usual is all the rate payers monies going unaccounted for ?

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Stop the Rate increases Wayne Brown.

Take your councillors back to the coffee table and start cutting expenses - you cant afford it, the rate payers cannot afford it.

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What you need to prioritise is the current 2025/26 rate increases and budget.

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Reduct, Recycle, Cut all pet projects - to save rate payers from any increases.

Cull the CRL project now.

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#1314

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#1320

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

Support most

Tell us why

I like how the council is focusing on transport but inflation is pretty high right now, and further taxes may make it harder for lower income or fixed income households.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I think its okay

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 all

Tell us why

They have been improving the transport and roads which is great

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Transport and flood resilience because I use transport a lot and also we had major flooding in some areas near my home.

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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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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges 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 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

I don’t know

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

Support

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)

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Q1: What do you think of the proposed annual plan?

Do not support most

Tell us why

Council rates are disproportionately high for rural Auckland communities such as Anawhata with no proper roads, footpaths, internet or water.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Retain the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme and the associated targeted rate beyond 30 June 2027.

This is because if you privatise it; the sewage companies will just over charge just like the water truck companies currently do.

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?

Do not support any

Tell us why

The rates increase is extremely high. The entire cost of living in New Zealand is out of control. This is forcing families into further poverty. With high fuel, high food and now rates. It's plain daylight robbery.

The area I live Anawhata has no proper roads or access to any of the rail services or public transport yet we still have to bare the burden of the costs

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

I don't know

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

I don't know

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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don't know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

I don't know

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

I would support it but again I don't see any of this benefiting my community or area I live.

Question 4: Other feedback

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When will the rates come down? They just continue to go up

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Regional Parks and environment. If we don't fix it now, we will have issue tomorrow.

I noticed you are advocating and advertising for people to come to Anawhata yet our roads are not adequate for our locals to drive. More traffic would ruin our road and you don't fix it properly or grade it often enough for the extra vehicles on our road. More damage to our vehicles. More punctured tyres. Our cries for your help with this fall on deaf ears. Yet you still take our money for rates and charge us the same as people in town. We don't have street lights, footpaths or a proper road. We are the forgotten people in rural West Auckland. The ones you continue to take advantage of and give us scraps. Fed up.

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Tell us why

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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Support

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I don’t know

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

Support

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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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Support most

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We agree with option 1: regarding the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme:

A. End the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme and the associated targeted rate on 30 June 2027.

Under this option, from 1 July 2027 properties with septic tanks in the Waitākere Ranges Local Board will need to arrange for their tanks to be pumped out by private service providers, as required, and pay their own costs for the service. This is consistent with how other property owners in Auckland pay for the service. The Safe Septic Programme will ensure all onsite wastewater systems are adequately maintained. There is no change proposed to the scheme and targeted rate for the 2026/2027 financial year.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Question 4: Other feedback

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#1373

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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?

Henderson-Massey

Henderson-Massey 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

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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We need more equestrian facilities or get woodhill sands back open!

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Equestrian facilities

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Re Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme, I vote to retain the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme and the associated targeted rate beyond 30 June 2027.

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

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

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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)

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N/A

Question 6: City centre

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

Support most

Tell us why

I appreciate the opportunity to give feedback and in my understanding the plan is set out in 6 parts and I work on strategies at mahi and so I value the work that has gone into this:

1. Key Theme: "Getting on with it"

The Mayor's message emphasises efficiency and completing existing projects.

2. Focus on the City Centre (The "Auckland City Centre" Section)

Council is prioritising making the city centre a "great place to live and spend time in."

3. Māori and Pacific Identity

The plan explicitly mentions:

• Reflecting and celebrating Māori identity and culture throughout the city centre.

4. Safety and Streets

There is a major focus on "Safety" and "Streets and Public Spaces."

5. Climate Resilience

The plan touches on infrastructure and better traffic flow.

6. Funding and Rates

• The Council is looking at how to manage costs while still delivering services.

I do know that a proposal is only as good as the understanding of the client's needs. I cant see myslef as a client in the proposal. I will leave that for you to make sense of that.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I have questions and feedback about the Waitakere Rural Waste Water Scheme.

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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

There are ommissions to valuable information that can allow the rate payers to be better informed about the decisions that have been made.

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

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Support

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Support

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

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Rural Waste Water Scheme

1. Financial Impact and Transparency

• The Issue: Council proposes ending the scheme because they claim private pump-outs will be "likely at a lower cost." However, the targeted rate currently provides a predictable, subsidized cost for a three-yearly service.

• Feedback Point: "I am concerned about the transition to a private model. I request that the Council provides a clear, side-by-side cost comparison between the current targeted rate ($430–$520 projected) and the actual average market rate for private services in the Waitākere Ranges, including any additional 'call-out' or 'travel' fees that rural residents often face."

2. Environmental Protection & "The Honest Factor"

• The Issue: The current scheme ensures every property is "kept honest" by performing a pump-out every three years. Without it, some owners may delay maintenance to save money, leading to failed systems and contaminated waterways.

• Feedback Point: "The Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme was designed to protect our sensitive local environment. I am concerned that moving to a voluntary/private model will lead to inconsistent maintenance. If the scheme is discontinued, what specific enforcement and monitoring will the Council implement under the Safe Septic Programme to ensure every household continues to pump out every three years?"

3. Transition and "Final Pump-Out"

• The Issue: Residents have paid into the targeted rate for years. If the scheme ends in June 2027, many will be "due" for a service they have already paid for via their rates.

• Feedback Point: "If the scheme is discontinued, I seek a guarantee that all properties currently paying the targeted rate will receive one final 'cycle-closing' pump-out service in the 2026/2027 year. Alternatively, if a property is not serviced before the scheme ends, a pro-rata refund of the targeted rate contributions for 2024–2026 should be issued."

4. Supporting the "Keep the Scheme" Option

• The Issue: One of the Council's options is to keep the scheme but at a higher cost.

• Feedback Point: "I prefer the option to keep the scheme and the targeted rate, even if it increases. The collective bargaining power of the Council ensures reliable service for all residents and provides the best environmental outcome for our streams and lagoons. The convenience of a Council-managed schedule outweighs the uncertainty of the private market."

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We depend on community spaces to meet and gather but recently we have seen community centers deteriorating and not being kept up to date with basic maintenance. Yet we see you building amazing conference centers for your rich business centred customers. Dont forget about the people...the everyday people that pay taxes, that hure out the halls, that gather and grow families and grow community and build on wellbeing and supporting eachother.

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#1441

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

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I don’t know

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D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

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With regard to the Waitakere Rural Sewage Scheme and its associated targeted rate...I vote for option B (to retain the programme)

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I only support ending the Rural Sewerage scheme if council puts some practical safeguards in place before 01/07/2027:

publish a list of qualified local providers and indicative pricing

ensure there is enough contractor capacity in the Waitākere Ranges area

provide clear guidance on pump-out frequency and Safe Septic compliance requirements

consider support for households that face unusually high access costs or hardship

review the change after 2 years to confirm it has not caused worse outcomes or unreasonable price increases

My position is therefore: end the scheme, but manage the transition properly.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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I don't know

Tell us why

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

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I don't know

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

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I don't know

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?

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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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

not helping financially when everything gets expensive, income hasn't. barely surviving with all these expenses.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Waitākere Ranges

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Support most

Tell us why

Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme I support Option B to keep the current septic tank pump out scheme

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

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Do not support

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Support

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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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Land acquisitions for parks and open spaces

I don't support Land acquisitions for parks and open spaces in the Waitakere /Oratia Area for the following reasons.

1. Loss of Productive, Income-Generating Land. Orchards are not just lifestyle properties — they're the sole source of income for most of the local remaining orchardists. Land acquisition removes mature, producing trees that have taken years to establish. Even partial land take can disrupt irrigation layouts, access routes, shelter belts, and planting patterns.

Compensation rarely reflects the long-term yield value of established fruit trees.

2. Increased Operational Constraints and Compliance Pressure Once council owns the land for community use, the Orchardists will face tighter constraints on spraying schedules, noise, machinery use, and seasonal work. Public expectations about "park-like conditions" will conflict with normal agricultural practices (chemical use, frost fans, tractors, pruning noise).

This will make continued orchard operation more difficult or more regulated.

3. Reduced Privacy and Security for Working Orchards

Public parks attract walkers, cyclists, dog-walkers, and children and after-hours visitors. For orchard owners, this will add to existing security concerns (access to sheds, equipment, vehicles.

Waitakere Rural Sewerage scheme

I do support retaining the Waitakere Rural Sewerage scheme and associate targeted pump out rate (Option B), if Option A requires same 3 year pump out cycle. I also do not support the requirement to provide Council with 3 yearly maintenance reports. This should be up to the property owner to self determine when maintenance/renewal is required.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I support ending the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme

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Waitākere Ranges

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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I don’t know

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E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not 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?

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Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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Support

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Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

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Keen to see more roads sealed as a priority especially in line with rates increases. Special shout out to Caton Road please!!

Also help with weed removal on private properties with waterways.or just encroaching weeds that are becoming harder to manage. There used to be funded teams working to eradicate invasive weeds in the area including private properties

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Weed management without glyphosate

Sealed roads

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Train so expensive

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I am worried I will not have money

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Waitākere Ranges

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Fireball

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Support

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Support

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Support

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Support

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

Like using them

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Walking to protect the Kauri dieback

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Support most

Tell us why

That is a big rates increase

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I would like council to keep the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme where we pay in our rates and it is managed by Council. This ensures that all tanks are checked and maintained to a good standard. If some owners did not get this done it is not good for the environment and water quality.

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 all

Tell us why

Community and environment great priorities

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

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

Caring for the Environment. It is our only planet. Caring for people, which includes flood resilience, local facilities, libraries, parks, support for people who are struggling , so access to books, computers, parks and support, via Community houses and community gardens.

Question 6: City centre

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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.,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.,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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Support most

Tell us why

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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?

I believe the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme and the associated targeted rate should be retained, and the fee to have an inspection by the Council contractor be included in the pump out process and Targeted Rate.

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 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

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

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I wish to KEEP the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme and the associated targeted rate, and have the fee for an inspection by the Council contractor included in the pump out process and Targeted Rate. This scheme is both convenient for house owners and important to protect the water quality of the Waitakere streams and west coast beaches. Scrapping the scheme would add a requirement and cost for the council to enforce private pump outs which would cancel out at least some if not all of any potential savings, as well as endangering the environment until any enforcement occurred. The council added a requirement for house owners to have their septic systems inspected every three years. This inspection should be included in the pump out scheme and fee.

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

Environmental protection and climate resilience. This has been ignored for far too long and we are now experiencing why that was a bad decision. If we do not plan and fund mitigations, the cost of cleaning and rebuilding after the inevitable event will be exponentially greater.

Question 6: City centre

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Council wastes too much money on non essentials like speed bumps, cycle lanes and Maori street signs. Eg. Every school now has a KURA sign. How much did that cost?

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

You already had a sticker for User Pays rubbish collection and you cancelled it and charged every household whether they used the service or not!

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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

Prefer Option B for Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme.

Example. All tanks in one area can be serviced at once instead of contractors coming individually, theeby being more expensive and less efficient.

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

Do not 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

I don’t know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

As previous. Too much spent on cycle lanes. It is not generally to cut down traffic for access to work due to Auckland's roading structure. Millions spent on lanes for a few fitness fanatics.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Rates should be reduced in proportion to reduced Govt Valuations.

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

Core basics. Rubbish removal, fixing potholes, tree trimming to prevent power outages, mowing berms, maintaining parks.

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Tell us why

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

Waitākere Ranges

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I don't know

Tell us why

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I don’t know

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

I don’t know

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

I don’t know

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don’t know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

I don’t know

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Expensive and ideologically based

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

A waste of time and money

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?

Do not support any

Tell us why

The WLB is a board that doesn't listen or represent the people, they are ideologues and not for those in their catchment

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

Do not 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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

A further &.9% rate increase is not acceptable.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

End the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme and remove the associated targeted rates.

Property owners should arrange their own pumpe out and inspection and pay for the costs.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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Other

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

Other

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don’t know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Other

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

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#1570

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I don't know

Tell us why

N/A

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

The Waitakere Rural Sewage Scheme: I support the Proposed Option A which is to end the scheme and the associated target rate on 30 June 2027.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

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Please fix the roads that are eroding, subsiding and deteriorating

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Agree with most

Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme

I support Option B - retain current scheme because it has worked well for us.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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

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I don’t know

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

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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.,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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#1584

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

I don't agree with such a large increase in rates.

I'm still waiting for the council to visit after registering our objection to a more than significant property value drop.

The unitary plan and excessive building around Auckland should provide increased revenue for the council. Use this money to pay for strengthening infrastructure. Don't penalise existing residents.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

The increase in rates is extortionate. My salary increase in 3.5% annually. Where does the money come from to fund a 7.9% increase?

Also, your approvals for hot box housing under the unitary plan is extra revenue for the council.

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?

Do not support any

Tell us why

Once again, your unitary plan is generating a significant increase in revenue through increased housing. Use this money for funding.

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

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I don’t know

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

I don’t know

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

Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

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

Cycle paths through parks is perfect!

Question 4: Other feedback

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I object to the extent of increased close hot box housing through the unitary plan. I believe this will generate extra revenue for the council to be used for improvements. I also have concerns that the council has failed to address objections to land/property values,

While I agree that the public transport infrastructure is limited, the council's unitary plan is placing further pressure on the infrastructure. Increased revenue through your hot box housing should be utilised to address this.

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

Stop the hot box housing process.

Value our properties fairly. Don't make us pay for our neighbour's flooded properties.

Address water drainage issues.

Question 6: City centre

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Better connections – improve links between the city centre, the waterfront and nearby neighbourhoods.,Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#1590

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme

We are in favour of option A. in the scheme as there are only two in our house these days and we have always looked after our septic system with no chemicals or other non-biodegradables put into the system and so when our tank is pumped out every three year the contractors usually comment on how well our septic is working and so in our situation a less frequent pump out is required, probably once every six years so there will be a considerable cost saving to us.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

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N/A

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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 most

Tell us why

We believe the council should continue to clean out the Waitakere' Rural Sewage tanks every 3 years, but at the same time include the inspection report at time of pump out

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)

Keep doing what you are doing, but keep costs down

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Please my comments regarding the septic tank program

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

The rate increase is absurd. I pay for my own septic system and my own water supply (just had to fix the water tank - $8k). All I get from council is a rubbish collection and power supply. We do experience several power outages a year, so I invested in a proper generator (10k). The rates a therefore a total rip off and completely unjustified !!

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

none of the above is having an affect on where I live.

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?

Do not 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

Other

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Other

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

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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I believe owning your own home is extremely important to your well being. This is getting increasingly harder to do. Mortgage payments are hard enough to manage. Power, insurance, maintenance and rates are constantly increasing. Drop the rates, or individual people can't afford to own property anymore - which we will end up in a situation where no one cares anymore. A society living off the government in state housing is not the New Zealand I want to live in !!

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme - please do not change this scheme - it is hard enough to get compliance when people have to pay for sewerage pump-outs as part of the current rating structure.

Currently we have to pay for sewerage tank inspections, which is great, however, a lot of people blame hardship for not complying with this requirement. It will cost more money and time to ensure compliance for sewerage pump-outs where they have to budget and plan for the expenditure. This work is too important to 'hope' that compliance will be achieved

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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Support

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

Other

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

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

The citizens of Auckland has already suffered a lot with frequent train disruptions for almost a decade with this forthcoming CRL, we were forced to use Rail bus services which takes weird routes. Now we are asked to pay for the delay which CRL made in the form of interest and depreciations.

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Still not sure who does it supports.

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Support

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Do not support

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I don’t know

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Support

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We are seeing only increasing the rates every year even when people are suffering with high cost of living and many not able to pay their bills. If we see enough progress of what is being paid then we are happy. The case is otherwise. Now a new proposed plan is to get a new harbour bridge, I am sure that it will also come to rate payers and then add a toll extra for using it.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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I am submitting to

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No access to rail from Waitakere

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Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme SHOULD BE RETAINED.

Given that there are 3300 properties involved, at least some WILL NOT have their tanks pumped out on time (if ever).

This WILL lead to degradation of the local waterways and environment.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I do not believe arts/culture and climate action should be council priorities.

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

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Support

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

I don’t know

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Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don’t know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

Community grants should not be ratepayer funded

Parks management do not need very expensive playgrounds and the like

Walking and cycling connections through parks are unneccessary

Question 4: Other feedback

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Rates rises are appalling - council should be focussing on basics (rubbish, road repairs NOT speed humps and other "safety" measures and water).

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Roads - repair properly

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Tell us why

Our property prices have gone down or marked down recently by council, but rates have not been adjusted to reflect this. When it comes to selling the property, CV dictates the value. While you arent increasing our CV, You should not increase the rate. If you want to maintain the CRL, increase the train ticket costs and make people who use it - pay for it.

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Do not support

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Do not support

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

Do not support

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Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

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STOP INCREASING OUR RATES. WE ARE ALREADY BROKE.

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#1681

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

I don't know

Tell us why

What's the point?

We are ignored & forgotten

The only people who count in the city are the 'rich & sorted' & those who have the ear of councillors

Democracy is dead, only a sort of zombie facsimile survives

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

As above

Why bother asking?

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?

I don't know

Tell us why

Local Boards are without real power

Decisions have been centralised away from what used to be true community participation

Our local man, Mark Allen, is superb, pity he doesn't have more devolved power

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

I don’t know

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

I don’t know

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

I don’t know

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don’t know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

I don’t know

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

As above It doesn't matter what I think

Agreement comes from those who don't vote

It's not their fault, responsibility lies with the so called 'super city' What a misnomer

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Just drop the pretence & get on with it

What we think doesn't mean squat

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

Transport?

Don't make me laugh

Empty buses, no rail to Kumeu or beyond, Bad road upkeep

No way that will happen

Question 6: City centre

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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.,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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Support most

Tell us why

N/A

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Disagree with introduction of refuse/bin bag fee

Change current sewerage scheme to option A - end the scheme and allow owners to seek private providers to undertake this pump out and inspection and remove the current charges in rates bills.

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

Dont agree with pool fee increases when facilities are not currently up to scratch.

West Auckland is in desperate need of a se one swimming pool facility

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

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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N/A

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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.,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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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I would like to comment on the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme, which affects my property. Please KEEP the scheme and targeted rate. If it ain't broke, don't fix it!

Also, could you please include an inspection by the Council contractor in the pumpout process. It's silly not to do it at the same time.

Thank you.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

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

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Support

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

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Support

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Restoring tracks around Piha damaged by Cyclone Gabrielle. It's been three years, and the much loved Tasman Lookout Track is still not repaired - so people can't get to The Gap to swim in anything but low tides.

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Tell us why

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previously, within our rate the septic tank was emptied and the whole system was inspected and reported by a council contracter , this worked well, council seem ********** bent on taking away this service bit by bit without rate reduction, if this is left to individual rate payers , this will cost more and sewarage systems will fault and fail

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Waitākere Ranges

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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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

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

Albert-Eden,Devonport-Takapuna,Franklin,Henderson-Massey,Hibiscus and Bays,Howick,Kaipātiki,Māngere-Ōtāhuhu,Manurewa,Maungakiekie-Tāmaki,Ōrākei,Ōtara-Papatoetoe,Papakura,Puketāpapa,Rodney,Upper Harbour,Waitākere Ranges,Waitematā,WhauSupport mostWe need to have cycleways throughout the city through all suburbs in our area. This needs to be a priority. Currently this is not achieved at all. If we want to reduce congestion, our carbon footprint and encourage wellbeing this is a crucial strategy. The plan ignores this over all, which is extremely disappointing.

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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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.

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

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)

Reducing nay of this will destroy the fabric of our communities.

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

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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

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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 most

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)

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

Need to maintain or raise community grants. Also, We need to have cycleways throughout the city through all suburbs in our area. This needs to be a priority. Currently this is not achieved at all. If we want to reduce congestion, our carbon footprint and encourage wellbeing this is a crucial strategy. The plan ignores this over all, which is extremely disappointing.

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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)

Keep community grants, or make them more.

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Question 4: Other feedback

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Regarding the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme: I would like to retain the rural sewerage scheme and associated targeted rates beyond 30th June 2027.

Having this organized by the council is good in my opinion and one less smelly job I need to think about

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Waitākere Ranges

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Getting a Skatepark built in Piha. Its an overdue asset for the community, that would get a lot of use

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Do not support most

Tell us why

As residents of the Waitakere Ranges we don't go to the city and shouldn't have to pay a huge increase in our rates to support the City Rail project and other infrastructure in the CBD that we never use.

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Our reasons for this are many. Here are seven:

(i) the current scheme ensures high compliance, as there is no cost factor to getting the septic tank pumped out. Once you transfer the cost to individual users, inevitably compliance will fall away.

(ii) This becomes a particularly acute issue if the council is not acting to negotiate reasonable fees for the service by buying in bulk. Costs for pump outs will rise significantly.

Individual property owners will be at the mercy of contractors who are willing to come out to their properties in sometimes reasonably remote areas. Many cowboys will start operating and users will have no idea whether they are doing a reasonable job even when they purchase their services.

(iii) there will be no assurances that those contracted to do the jobs perform them competently and in ways that protect waterways and so forth. Presumably there is some oversight currently to ensure that the contractors are performing necessary services to reasonable standards and ensuring proper disposal of waste material pumped out. (We had heard there was a problem with this in Piha/west coast beaches, where private cowboy contractors were just dumping septic material illegally.)

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(v) it is predicted that doing away with the scheme will lead to negative impacts on the environment. Environmental pollution that can affect water catchment areas will increase. It is predicted that water quality will suffer.

(vi). When septic tanks are not pumped out at reasonable frequency it is often neighbours who suffer rather than the residents of a property. Neighbours who have effluents and sewage running on to their property will have little recourse. This becomes even more of a problem when landlords are not on site and tenants have little stake in notifying their landlords of problems which may increase their rents.

(vii). Many people in the Waitakeres have older septic tank systems (perhaps called legacy systems?). As more new and renovated houses integrate newer systems, fewer providers will remain who can deal with the older systems. In due course there will be no (or few) suppliers left who have the expertise to pump out such tanks. And with few such suppliers of services this will inevitably mean prices rise, resulting in all the problems I have already articulated concerning compliance, price and negative impacts.

We hope you will continue with the current system which in our view and all things considered, produces the best results for communities and the environment.

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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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

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E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

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

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Waitākere Ranges

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Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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Support

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Support

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Support

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Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme

I support ending the above scheme

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Support most

Tell us why

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Do not support

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Do not support

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

Support most

Tell us why

Living West it's been stated that the CRL benefits will not really be seen due to road crossings. The change from the West being a circle so all to Grafton is rumoured to have changed - so will be off at Maungawhau, 20 minutes and then on to Grafton - true? What are the projected revenue figures?

Whilst the city needs a decent PT system and one would hope this is it but already there is talk of closures post christmas 2026 for the usual period for maintenance (it feels that we are the most maintained unreliable train system in the world) - if closures continue for maintenance on sundays,

long weekends etc then rescinding the car park seems unlikely as does going to the city for more than work. At the times I travel the commute isn't that long.

Sorry, I've always been a solid PT supporter but Auckland PT has turned us into a car commuting family.

So I don't support rate increases for the CRL no matter the amount of cool aid others have drunk.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

So waste comes down 2.2%, general rates up 9.53%.

I think the waste reduction is fair given it's never reduced before regardless of volume - I think user pays is better for small homes like ours so the tag system worked well although a nuisance for the rubbish collectors..

I'm not sure the local targeted rate is a good idea based on expenditure in our area.

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

Whilst the list of planned projects covers the region and needed so too is additional lighting in/around all of Parrs Park to enable usage all year round other than just the playing fields near the sports club. Additional cover over the heavily used seesaw and swings would also be useful along with the area recently communicated as having coverage installed.

Berm planting is a waste of money - the number of developments that have no parking has led to increased numbers parking on the berm through need so planting will be damaged or destroyed. Current trees are not maintained well. The funds would be better used eradicating pest trees that cause health issues along the Oratia stream pathway or the very large empty space just near the Sunnyvale train station. Granted not all trees are on Council land but a fully flowering privet (singular and in multiples) impact tamariki and rangatahi as well as people of all ages.

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

Other

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Other

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

There needs to be more information put out to the board area - now the local papers have disappeared it can be hard to find info.

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?

Planning the city to enable everything else - it seems not a lot of consideration is given to all elements when plans are put together. It's big and hairy.

A phrase that comes up time and time again in business conversations is 'brilliant basics' - if you get the basics right everything else will follow so infrastructure so people can get to work, good clean water at a reasonable cost so you can tick health as well - water should be cheaper than fizz.

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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

Council should be reducing based expenditure and rates - not increasing. Depreciation costs are not a cash cost - so that should not be leading to increased rates either

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

End the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

The system has become undemocratic and there is absolutely huge wasted expenditure and not enough on areas that matter (footpaths, drainage)

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

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Do not 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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

All of the above areas cost money and are a waste. Stick to what councils should be doing, not trying to replace the Government

Question 4: Other feedback

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Roads, footpaths, drainage, flood resilience, efficiency

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

i am fine with the change to Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitākere Ranges

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Support most

Tell us why

I don't agree that the council gets involved with cultural activities, those groups involved should fund these themselves. Also don't agree that the council pays for things like movies/concerts in parks, these do not benefit ALL rate payers in these areas.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I agree with ending the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme as long as the rates for those properties reduce by the $366.80 per year. There should be no sneaky fees by the council to try and justify not reducing.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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The council needs to trim the costs of projects, every contractor knows that the Government and Council are willing to pay the premium for projects with no questions asked. An example is the cost of pedestrian crossings (which in some cases are removed not long after installation) and a set of stairs near downtown Auckland.

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#1827

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I support option 1 for the Waitakere Rural Sewerage scheme to shift to owners organise and pay private companies directly for pump-outs. This is a more cost-effective option, especially for single-person households and those like myself who have a composting toilet.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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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

I don’t know

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

I don’t know

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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I want to see the Waitakere Ranges taken OUT of the facilities management contract with Green by Nature and returned to a local area management contract. There is a precedent with iwi managing the maunga, and I believe the Ranges are also a regional taonga. My request is because of the ignorant and destructive work carried out by contractors in the Ranges who have no clue what they are doing, no connection to the place, and who so often do stupid and damaging things.

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Libraries. They are fundamental to a well-functioning society.

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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.

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#1832

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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?

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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I want to provide feedback on the proposal fror the future of the Waitakere ranges rural sewerage scheme.

My assessment number is 1234146106.

Our feedback is we would like to retain the Waitakere rurual sewerage scheme and the asssoicated target rate beyond 30 june 2027.

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#1836

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I am writing to express my strong support for ending the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme and its associated targeted rate, effective 30 June 2027. My support for this transition is based on the following points:

Equity and Consistency: Discontinuing the scheme brings the Waitākere Ranges Local Board area into alignment with the rest of Auckland. There is no clear justification for why property owners in this specific region should have their maintenance managed by the Council, while other Aucklanders are responsible for their own private systems.

Cost Efficiency: By removing Council staff costs and administrative overheads, property owners can deal directly with service providers. This "middle-man" reduction ensures that residents are only paying for the actual service rendered, rather than the bureaucracy surrounding it.

Market Competition: The transition allows homeowners to shop around for the most cost-effective pump-out services. Furthermore, by bundling pump-outs with the maintenance required under the Safe Septic Programme, many residents will likely find better value through private package deals than the current targeted rate provides.

Accountability: Shifting to private providers puts the control back into the hands of the property owner, ensuring that maintenance is performed based on the specific needs of the system rather than a generalized council schedule.

I believe that the Safe Septic Programme provides a sufficient safety net to ensure environmental standards are maintained, making the centralized scheme redundant. I look forward to the scheme's conclusion on 30 June 2027 and the removal of the targeted rate from 1 July 2027.

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

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

Do not 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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

Less support on communities and focus of the infrastructure - Start with amending roads and building footpaths before you invest more effort, time and money on facility partnerships.

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Footpaths, roads and costal infrastructure

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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?

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.

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)

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Would be happy if my rates no longer had the sewage Pump out levy imposed by the Council

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Waitākere Ranges

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Waitākere Ranges

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Tell us why

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E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

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

Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme.

Property 58-60 Piha Rd Piha 0772

I strongly Support Council option A. End the rural Sewerage Scheme etc

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Tell us why

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N/A

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Weed control is a growing problem (literally). Year on year invasive weeds are becoming a greater problem and there appears to be little direct spending by Council on weed control, Weed control does not rate a mention in the Natural Environments or Waitakere Local Board priorities. Two actions are needed:

1)There needs to be a requirement on landowners universally across the Auckland region to control the most invasive weeds. Plants like Moth Plant can spread by 10's of km from a seed source, the current requirements on land owners on only limited areas is ineffectual. We live in the foothills of the Waitakere Ranges. I hold grave fear for the Waitakere Ranges if the current invasive weeds that are prevalent in our area are allowed to spread into the ranges. The bush and its ecosystem will not be the same and the diversity will be heavily impacted.

2) Council need to become responsible land custodians and invest in the control of weeds in the parks and reserves they manage.

The benefits of Kauri die back expenditure are doubtful, with no evidence being available to demonstrate the investment is providing any benefit. An investment of even a small portion of this funding into invasive weeds would make a measurable and lasting impact on our natural environment.

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

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I don't know

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

I don't know

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I don't know

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I don't know

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I think you should drop the charges completely and let the property owners organise and pay for the service themselves. It would be cheaper for them.

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N/A

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N/A

Question 6: City centre

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

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#2043

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Local Board: Waitākere Ranges

Your feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

N/A

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I support ending the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme.

It feels unnecessary to keep paying a targeted rate for a service that overlaps with the Safe Septic Programme. We're already responsible for maintaining our systems, so it makes sense to manage pump-outs ourselves and only pay when we actually need them.

The current setup isn't very flexible. Some households don't need pump-outs as often but still pay the same, while others may need more frequent servicing. Moving to a user-pays system seems fairer and gives people more control over their own costs.

For these reasons, I support removing the scheme and its targeted rate.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour,Waitākere Ranges

Upper Harbour 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 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.

Other

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

Other

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)

Do not 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)

Do not 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)

Do not 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

Other

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

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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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.,Streets and public spaces – improve streets, parks and public spaces so the city centre is a great place to live and spend time in.,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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#2058

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Tell us why

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Waitākere Ranges

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I don't know

Tell us why

Haven't read the whole plan. Also page 28 of pdf, relevant to my submission, is illegible.

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Regarding the Waitakere Rural sewerage scheme, 1 would prefer to retain the existing arrangement whereby my septic tank is emptied through the Auckland council contractor and paid for through the targeted rate as part of our rates. At my age, I appreciate that I can rely on Council to take responsibility for this.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitākere Ranges

Question 4: Other feedback

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#2104

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Specifically related to the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme, I would like it abolished and the onus placed on the property owner. I am currently on this scheme and paying higher than the market rate for a septic tank empty. I understand that if the scheme continues, the cost is going to explode and many properties will be subsidising other properties. It's time to end this scheme as it is no long financially realistic for the customer.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitākere Ranges

Question 4: Other feedback

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Stop wasting rate payer funds on non-core services. Stick to the brief of what a local govt authority is meant to manage.

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

The core services. Roading, waste management, parks and recreation, libraries, Not rainbow crossing, obsurdely over priced monuments (sculptures etc).

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

Support most

Tell us why

Concerned about the city rail link cost to ratepayers. And the disruption to our city. This is very difficult to move around and through the city and parking available is not good

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I am in agreement with the safe septic programme and to pay my own costs for service, end to end the Waitakere rural sewerage scheme

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

I like local boards being able to prioritise the needs for their communities within the general plan for the city

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

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

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Question 4: Other feedback

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I have a real concern about the indiscriminate cycleways in Ponsonby, Herne bay, City, disrupting traffic and making driving in the city difficult and dangerous

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

Infrastructure- Bridge Crossing

Future planning and development

Cultural heart- galleries, libraries, theatres, festivals, events

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

Support most

Tell us why

I have grave concerns about changes to the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I am providing feedback on the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme. You outline two specific options, (A) to end the current scheme or (B) to retain the scheme with its associated target rate beyond 30June 2027. We are in favour of (B), to retain the current scheme.

Our reasons for this are many. Here are seven:

(i) the current scheme ensures high compliance, as there is no cost factor to getting the septic tank pumped out. Once you transfer the cost to individual users, inevitably compliance will fall away.

(ii) This becomes a particularly acute issue if the council is not acting to negotiate reasonable fees for the service by buying in bulk. Costs for pump outs will rise significantly.

Individual property owners will be at the mercy of contractors who are willing to come out to their properties in sometimes reasonably remote areas. Many cowboys will start operating and users will have no idea whether they are doing a reasonable job even when they purchase their services.

(iii) there will be no assurances that those contracted to do the jobs perform them competently and in ways that protect waterways and so forth. Presumably there is some oversight currently to ensure that the contractors are performing necessary services to reasonable standards and ensuring proper disposal of waste material pumped out. (We had heard there was a problem with this in Piha/west coast beaches, where private cowboy contractors were just dumping septic material illegally.)

(iv) the three year cycle will fall away to a much reduced frequency for pump outs without council involvement and supervision.

(v) it is predicted that doing away with the scheme will lead to negative impacts on the environment. Environmental pollution that can affect water catchment areas will increase. It is predicted that water quality will suffer.

(vi). When septic tanks are not pumped out at reasonable frequency it is often neighbours who suffer rather than the residents of a property. Neighbours who have effluents and sewage running on to their property will have little recourse. This becomes even more of a problem when landlords are not on site and tenants have little stake in notifying their landlords of problems which may increase their rents.

(vii). Many people in the Waitakeres have older septic tank systems (perhaps called legacy systems?). As more new and renovated houses integrate newer systems, fewer providers will remain who can deal with the older systems. In due course there will be no (or few) suppliers left who have the expertise to pump out such tanks. And with few such suppliers of services this will

inevitably mean prices rise, resulting in all the problems I have already articulated concerning compliance, price and negative impacts.

We hope you will continue with the current system which in our view and all things considered, produces the best results for communities and the environment.

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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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

I would like to give feedback on the Waiatakere Rural Sewerage system .

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

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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I am providing feedback on the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme. You outline two specific options, (A) to end the current scheme or (B) to retain the scheme with its associated target rate beyond 30June 2027. We are in favour of (B), to retain the current scheme.

Our reasons for this are many. Here are seven:

(i) the current scheme ensures high compliance, as there is no cost factor to getting the septic tank pumped out. Once you transfer the cost to individual users, inevitably compliance will fall away.

(ii) This becomes a particularly acute issue if the council is not acting to negotiate reasonable fees for the service by buying in bulk. Costs for pump outs will rise significantly.

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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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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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#2207

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Local Board: Waitākere Ranges

Your feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

Any measures to not support the rates increase would be preferable as the cost of living in Auckland is already very high,

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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?

Don't support tjhe introduction of a refuse bin/tag exchange fee as we are already composting and minimizing household rubbish.

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

I support continued investment in community programmes, parks, and local facilities in Henderson-Massey. These are important for bringing people together and supporting families, especially in diverse communities like ours. I also support initiatives that improve safety in public spaces and town center.

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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I support Investment in Local communities, Youth Development & Employer, Safer streets, & efficient transportation, more development in Parks, recreation and public spaces.

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

Council should prioritise transportation and improving public facilities

Question 6: City centre

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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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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?

For the change to the septic pump out arrangement, I would prefer to organise that myself. I am a sole dweller so I probably do not need a 3 year pump out. Four or five years would be ample.

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?

I don't know

Tell us why

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

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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

Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

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

The state of Huia Road is poor. It needs upgrading

Question 6: City centre

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#2224

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

The rates expected rates increase is too high - Rodney were unfairly treated last year with significant increases compared to the rest of Auckland. Last year our increase was 15% and now another 7.9% - not right

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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

THey should have no increases at all

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

Do not 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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

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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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Support parking permit fee increase

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

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Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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Support

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I don’t know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

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Support 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?

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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#2278

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Tell us why

Havent read it - only concerned with the septic tank aspect because I received a letter

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I agree that the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme should end since it's effectively cheaper for us to use a private contractor every 3 years.

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?

I don't know

Tell us why

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

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I don’t know

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

I don’t know

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

I don’t know

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don’t know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

I don’t know

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

Question 4: Other feedback

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Flood resilience in the wake of increased weather events including monitoring areas in the Waitakere ranges that are susceptible to slips, and ensuring the roads in the Waitakeres are able to continue to be used again as soon as possible following weather events

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Support most

Tell us why

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I feel that refuse collection is core business for a council and should therefore be part of the rates. I feel like a fortnightly collection of general landfill waste should be adequate though (to encourage waste minimisation) and recycling services should remain free. Food waste bins should be widened across the ranges and be free too.

I feel that a yearly septic umpout should be free.

I feel that a summer ranger focused on visitor management, dune track maintenance, traffic issues, wildlife protection would be good value for Te Henga area over a dedicated 'dog ranger' spanning several beaches. Dogs are not the only issue. Rockpool protection needs urgent consultation/ consideration across West Coast beaches.

I believe weed management and biodiversity protection is paramount in this area. Willow control included, by whatever effective means. Roadside weed provision ongoing such as agapanthus.

I would love to see provision for the removal of wilding pines along verges especially on Bethell's Road.

I would love to see the council taking a lead on flood prevention along Bethells Road near current washout repairs, improving banks that protect the beach subdivision eroded in Gabrielle. At this point the river could still be rerouted slightly to further protect the subdivision.

Wire on the beach at The Henga in the dunes/ eroded riverbanks and onto the beach is still an unresolved issue. This needs removing.

I think the

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Support most

Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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

I don’t know

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)

Support of established community groups is important to continue connection and resiliance in the Waitakere Ranges

Question 4: Other feedback

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Please see comments written section 2

I also support finishing the Whau river pathway.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Support dropping the Waitākere sewage rate (we are in that area). Time for it to go to make it standard across the board.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Henderson-Massey,Waitākere Ranges

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

Support Waitakere Ranges LB plans. Sorry for Henderson-Massey to have to reduce services. Could overall local board funding be increased so that under the new spread of funds no boards have reduced funding? I would support a general rates increase to cover this.

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?

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Support

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Question 4: Other feedback

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This consultation is biased and untrue. The wording around the CRL and the rates rise of 7.9% is extremely suggestive that the 7.9% rates increase is due to the CRL and if the CRL was not happening there would be no rates raise. This is extremely unfair to the CRL and likely designed to drive public opinion against the project. The decisions around the CRL and the costs for this year including the interest were taken many years ago and to suggest that the opening and operating of the project is causing this rates rise, when the operating costs are significantly smaller than the interest costs, is unfair and extremely misleading. Frankly it's so bad you should issue an update to the consultation documents to clarify that the 7.9% rates rise is due to costs across the board, and yes that includes the CRL interest costs but these were decided on years ago and already budgeted for. If there was no CRL, there would be other projects and cost increases that would drive a rates increase and it is highly unlikely Auckland would have a near 0% increase when every council in the country is having high rates increase. Very much appalling.

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These are not mutually exclusive e.g. local and regional park improvements and maintenance could include provision for flooding thereby improving resilience. Ditto transport renewals could take a broader scope in their projects and consider community and social outcomes and disaster resilience.

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Henderson-Massey

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

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I'm a keen cyclist, so I'm keen on getting new cycle lanes created a d existing ones (Te whau cycleway) competed.. I'm also keen on waking in green areas, so creating green walkwats to public transport should be a priority

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

Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I think septic tank pump out should be pay as you need buy the owner as not all house holds are the same.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Henderson-Massey,Waitākere Ranges,Whau

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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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

Get the tracks open, I think some track work is way over-the-top and you are not preserving the natural beauty by having massive boardwalks

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

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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

Do not 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)

Grant writing takes time people don't have, all you will end up with AI written large documents. Just fund the work, Swanson station playground has been out of action for over a year now.

Whau 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. 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.

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.

Support

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

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#2326

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I don't know

Tell us why

N/A

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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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?

Don't understand why residential refuse charges increase, but business refuse charges do not. Refuse is refuse; treatment is treatment.

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?

I don't know

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.

Do not 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.

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)

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Formal Submission to the Auckland Council Annual Plan

To: Auckland Council – Annual Plan Consultation Team

Subject: Formal Submission regarding the Auckland Council Annual Plan – Essential Provision for the Whau River Catchment Trust (WRCT)

1. Executive Summary

This submission formally requests that Auckland Council provide explicit support, recognition, and dedicated funding within the Annual Plan for the Whau River Catchment Trust (WRCT). As a resident of West Auckland for over 30 years, I have seen the steady erosion of our local identity. The Whau River is not merely a drainage system or a local waterway; it is a heritage icon of national significance. At a time when legislative changes and urban intensification threaten to erase what little remains of our historical landscape, the preservation of the Whau is a non-negotiable requirement for the cultural, spiritual, and recreational wellbeing of our community.

2. The Whau: A National Heritage Icon

The Whau River represents a unique and irreplaceable chapter in the history of Aotearoa New Zealand, serving as a bridge between two worlds:

• The Ancient Portage (Te Tōangaroa): The Whau is the critical point on New Zealand’s coastline where early Māori established a vital link between the East and West Coasts. By utilizing this portage, travelers could move between the Waitematā and the Manukau harbors, bypassing the extreme danger of navigating the North Cape or the treacherous West Coast bars. This makes the Whau a cornerstone of early Māori transit, trade, and communication—a site of immense mana that belongs to the story of the whole nation.

• The Cradle of Pioneer Industry: Beyond its pre-colonial importance, the Whau was the engine room of early Auckland. The unique clay deposits along its banks birthed the brick, tile, and pottery industries that literally built this city. From the historic Gardner and Rice brickworks to the timber

mills that processed the West's bounty, the Whau contains the few tangible links we have left to the grit, innovation, and labor of our pioneer settlers.

3. A Vision for the People: The Restored Walkway

A restored and protected Whau River is not a museum piece to be looked at through a fence; it is a vital recreational and cultural resource. Providing for the WRCT is an investment in a recreational and cultural icon for every Aucklander to experience:

• A Physical Connection to History: A completed and restored walkway allows people to walk the very path of the ancient portage. It provides a "living classroom" where children can touch the clay and see the remnants of the industries that shaped their town.

• Cultural and Spiritual Wellbeing: In an era of rapid densification, high-quality green and blue corridors are essential. A restored Whau provides a sanctuary for the spirit. It transforms a "neglected" backyard into a world-class destination. This is not just about "nature"; it is about a cultural experience that promotes mana and gives people a sense of belonging to a place with deep roots.

• An Icon for Everyone: This is an asset for the laborer, the student, the families of New Lynn, and the visitors to our city. It offers a way to experience the "real" Auckland—one that values its past as much as its future.

4. The Philosophical Necessity of Preservation

The Council's decisions are often framed in terms of economic utility, but the true utility of a city lies in the meaning it provides to its citizens.

• Shaping Culture: A nation's culture is preserved through its history. Without a tangible connection to those who came before us, our culture becomes shallow and consumerist.

• Building Mana: Preservation builds a sense of pride. It stops people from "just living for the moment" by anchoring them in a multi-generational story. When we protect the Whau, we tell the people of West Auckland that their history matters.

5. Years of Witnessed Neglect and Destruction

In recent years, I have watched a tragic pattern of heritage being sidelined, ignored, or actively demolished. This is not a matter of "accidental" loss; it is the result of a long-standing failure of stewardship:

• Institutional Apathy: I have witnessed historical landmarks and early settler sites left to rot through "demolition by neglect." While other sectors of Auckland benefit from "Special Character" status and robust heritage protections, West Auckland is frequently treated as a "utility zone"—a blank slate for infrastructure where history is viewed as an inconvenience rather than an asset.

• Current Legislative Threats: This destruction is reaching a fever pitch under current Council and Central Government plans. Policies such as the National Policy Statement on Urban Development (NPS-UD) and Plan Change 78 are currently being implemented with a "one size fits all" approach. The lack of Special Character Areas makes West Auckland's history and heritage vulnerable to political ideology and expediency.

• The Loss of Identity: Both the Council and the Government are currently implementing measures that prioritize the "moment" over the "monument." We are seeing the systematic dismantling of our local character to satisfy short-term political metrics. Think about the proposal to intensify housing in the Waitakere Ranges, the loss of greenspace as tower blocks squeeze more people into the Avondale Racecourse area, or the transfer of New Lynn's OAG building to Kainga Ora, left to rot until even its facade may not be saved. I urge the Council to recognize that once this history is gone, no amount of modern "placemaking" can bring back the soul of West Auckland. We must keep what remains of our part in this country's history.

6. Conclusion and Requested Action

The Whau River Catchment Trust is the primary guardian of this legacy. Their work is essential to ensuring that the Whau remains a living part of Auckland's future.

I request that Auckland Council:

1. Allocate dedicated, long-term funding for the Whau River Catchment Trust within the Annual Plan.

2. Exempt the Whau River heritage corridor from aggressive intensification measures that threaten historical markers.

3. Prioritize the completion of the Te Whau Pathway as a primary recreational and cultural icon, ensuring it is treated with the same prestige as the Waterfront or the Auckland Domain.

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Support most

Tell us why

7.9% rates increase is quite hefty - be interested to know how Auckland Council will use the revenue collected from CRL (after paying down running costs) and whether they will maximise the effects of CRL by ensuring housing development and intensification is appropriately located.

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Henderson-Massey,Waitākere Ranges

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Good to see continued investment in the Waitakere Ranges Heritage Area.

Sad to see scaling back of services

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?

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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

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)

#4 Progress an omnibus Waitakere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan - need more information.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

agree on all

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?

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Support

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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)

Walking and cycling connections strongly supported.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Strongly support funding of Te Whau pathway

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Support most

Tell us why

Auckland needs to end its addiction to private cars. The bones of an effective publiuc transport system are there but ham,strung by the desire to no impede cars. this philosphy should change, with significant priority given to busses, trains and active modes. There should be a lkane over the harbour bridge for active modes now. transport. A number of level crossings should be closed in west auckland espically to improve CRL running patterns. Its wild that the western line timetable is going to be worse after CRL opens. Fix the dwell times at stations. The busses can manage sub 30 seconds with only a driver, why are our trains so far in the past on this simple metric? Keep investing

in cycleways and supporting active modes, the BCR of this improverments is better than any road spending, we should be doubling down on expanding and connecting the bits of the cycle network already in place. Get time of use pricing for roads in place AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. it works everywhere in the world that its been implemented, Auckland isn't different, just get on with it! Marinas should be treated as an enabler for all Aucklanders to be able to access the water, not just a money making exercise to milk the multimillion dollar yachts, smaller boats are getting squeezed out by the mandate for a return, the marina were originally community assets, keep it that way, don;t just pander to the biggest paycheck.

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I support keeping the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme

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Waitākere Ranges

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Support most

Tell us why

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Support

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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)

walking and cyling - I support increasing investment in improving facilities for active modes.

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Auckland needs to become denser, not sprawl further out, this will improve economic activity and reduce individual carbon impact. SO called heritage suburbs, i.e. the rish ones near the city centre that have excellent transport links must have much higher allowable housing density. The services are already there to supportt them, make the most of it. Transport needs to deproritise cars and improve public transport and active modes. Planning and implementing protection for the next cyclone needs to be happening now, not a knee jerk after it happens. None of this is cheap, rates need to kee up with the required level of service, they are too low.

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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.,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):Do not make it easier to drive in the city, you should be discouraging cars from the city centre

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Assessment number XXXXXX:

We are not convinced that the Safe Septic proposal will in fact improve the efficiency of the sewerage systems in the Waitakere Ranges. Nor do we consider the 'private enterprise' system will be more cost effective. The current system appears to work well and we see no need to change it.

Thanks.

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

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

Other

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

Other

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Other

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

The targeted levy for the Natural Environment could be increased IF the additional funding is actually spent on protecting the environment, by eradicating pest plants and animals.

It appears too much of the current levy is squandered on consultants etc.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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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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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Waitakere sewerage scheme.

Please stop the pump outs. They were forced on us with lies of economies of scale yet cost twice as much as a privately organised pump out. Every three years is also completely unnecessary for many households.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Do not support. I have my own sewage system that I pay for myself, there is no council infrastructure towards seafront property.

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Waitākere Ranges

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I don't know

Tell us why

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

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Support

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Support

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Support

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Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

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

I'm hoping the te whau cycle pathway can be finished- it's such a great development for the west and gives people options both recreationally and travel wise.

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The te whau cycle pathway

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N/A

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I would like to see funding allocated for the completion of Te Whau Pathway in West Auckland. It would make sense to complete the pathway while the machinery and people who have worked on the newly opened section are available. Te Whau Pathway brings a connection to a waterway which has been largely inaccessible but until completed cannot be fully enjoyed. Completion would provide a local exercise route for a decent length scenic bike ride, which currently myself and other locals drive to other parts of the city for, while a completed route would also be an excellent commuter option for cyclists, taking them away from arterial routes in peak traffic.

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Managing growth to ensure protection and avoid pollution of natural resources and putting infrastructure in place for new areas of development. Ensure new growth areas are going to be great places for communities to thrive in the longterm.

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Henderson-Massey,Waitākere Ranges

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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Do not support most

Tell us why

The proposed average rates increase of 7.9% represents a significant financial burden for households. While I acknowledge the need for investment in infrastructure, this level of increase—especially in the current cost-of-living environment—does not feel proportionate or sustainable. Many households do not have the ability to absorb increases of this scale year after year.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

The funding approach for the City Rail Link is fundamentally unfair and places an unreasonable burden on ratepayers. This project has already experienced significant cost blowouts, yet instead of absorbing or rebalancing these costs, council is passing them directly onto households through increased rates.

For many Aucklanders, the CRL will deliver little to no practical benefit. A large proportion of people no longer work in the city centre or live anywhere near the rail network, yet they are expected to help fund a project they are unlikely to use. This is not an equitable distribution of costs.

What makes this worse is that ratepayers will still be required to pay fares to use the service once it is operational. In effect, Aucklanders are being asked to pay twice—first through their rates to fund the infrastructure, and then again through ticket costs to access it. This is difficult to justify and feels like double charging.

The current approach reflects a lack of accountability for the project's escalating costs. Instead of asking ratepayers to carry the financial consequences, council should be actively pursuing alternative funding sources. This includes significantly greater central government contribution, as well as mechanisms that ensure those who directly benefit—such as city centre businesses and developers—contribute a fairer share.

At the very least, the burden on general ratepayers should be reduced. Continuing to rely on rates to fund both the capital and ongoing costs of CRL is neither fair nor sustainable.

We do not support removing the Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme without providing a fair and practical alternative for affected property owners. We are on a septic system out of necessity, not choice, due to the lack of access to mains wastewater infrastructure. It is therefore unreasonable to expect us to carry the full cost, risk, and responsibility of managing our own system, while other ratepayers have access to a fully managed, council-supported service.

Removing the scheme effectively shifts more cost and responsibility onto a small group of homeowners who already have limited options. This is not equitable. It creates a clear divide between those who have access to core infrastructure and those who do not, yet are still contributing through rates.

We are also concerned that this change will increase compliance, monitoring, and maintenance costs through programmes such as Safe Septic. These are additional obligations that do not apply

to households connected to the mains network. In practice, this means we will be paying more, managing more risk, and receiving less support.

The suggestion that homeowners may be able to source services more cheaply is not credible. If real efficiencies exist, council should be able to achieve these through coordinated procurement and scale. Instead, this proposal removes those efficiencies and shifts the burden onto individual households, where costs are likely to be higher and more inconsistent.

If the scheme is to be removed, council must, at a minimum, provide a clear and funded pathway for connection to the mains wastewater system where this is feasible. Without this, the proposal is fundamentally unfair and places an unreasonable burden on property owners who have no alternative but to rely on onsite systems.

The proposed increase in housing density and focus on development around transport corridors raises significant concerns. While growth is necessary, the current approach appears to prioritise intensification without first addressing the fundamental infrastructure constraints that already exist across Auckland.

At present, the transport network is under severe pressure. Peak-time congestion regularly results in excessive travel times, with journeys that should be straightforward taking hours. There has been insufficient investment in roading and network capacity to support the level of growth already experienced, let alone the additional density being proposed. Increasing housing without first resolving these issues will only compound congestion and further reduce quality of life.

There are also serious concerns regarding wastewater and environmental capacity. The current system is already struggling to cope, as evidenced by ongoing overflows and contamination issues affecting waterways and coastal areas. Continuing to add more load through intensification, without ensuring that wastewater infrastructure is fit for purpose, risks worsening these environmental impacts. It is unacceptable to expand development while existing systems are failing to manage current demand.

This approach gives the impression that growth is being pushed ahead of infrastructure, rather than being properly planned and sequenced. Infrastructure—particularly transport and wastewater—should be delivered first or, at a minimum, in parallel with development. Without this, the burden of poor planning falls directly on existing residents through congestion, environmental degradation, and declining service levels.

Intensification also has broader impacts on neighbourhood character, amenity, and liveability. These changes may be appropriate in some areas, but they must be supported by adequate infrastructure and genuine community consideration. Simply increasing density without resolving underlying issues is not sustainable.

In its current form, this proposal is premature. Council should prioritise fixing existing infrastructure constraints before enabling further large-scale intensification. Without this, the result will be a continued decline in both environmental outcomes and day-to-day living conditions for Aucklanders.

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

The local board initiatives appear well rounded and will service the community as a whole not just parts of it.

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)

The local board initiatives are generally well targeted and provide benefits to the broader community rather than just select groups. The focus on walking and cycling connections is especially important, given that increasing housing density is putting more pressure on already congested and increasingly unsafe roads.

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

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

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Rank	Area
6	**Economic development and events –** growing Auckland's economy and supporting events, tourism and creative industries.
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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

The council should prioritise planning and infrastructure to properly manage growth, followed closely by transport and flood resilience.

At present, Auckland's infrastructure is not keeping pace with growth. There is a clear need to prioritise investment in core services such as wastewater, stormwater, and roading before enabling further intensification. Existing systems are already under significant strain, with congestion across the transport network and ongoing wastewater overflows impacting waterways. Continuing to grow without first addressing these issues will only compound the problem and reduce overall quality of life.

Transport also needs to be a key priority. Current congestion levels are unacceptable, with peak-time travel becoming increasingly inefficient and unreliable. Investment should focus on improving overall network capacity and efficiency, including roads, public transport integration, and safe walking and cycling connections, rather than relying on single large projects that do not benefit the majority of Aucklanders.

Flood resilience is another critical area, particularly given recent weather events. Investment in stormwater infrastructure and flood mitigation is essential to protect homes, property, and the environment.

While environmental protection, local parks, and community services remain important, these should not come at the expense of fixing the core infrastructure that underpins how the city functions. Economic development and events should be a lower priority until the fundamentals are addressed.

Overall, the focus should be on getting the basics' right first ensuring Auckland has the infrastructure capacity to support its population before expanding or adding further demand.

Question 6: City centre

Auckland's City Centre is the economic heart of our region. Overall, the city centre accounts for about a fifth of everything produced in Auckland's economy. We want to make public spaces work better for people, get more value from major investments in transport, and make sure council helps the city centre thrive as a place to live, work, study, and visit.

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.,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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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I am not happy with the discontinuation of the Waitakere rural sewage scheme. I am not convinced that stopping this scheme is necessarily going to stop leakage of sewage into the environment There are a number of people who will not get the septic tank pumped when needed. We also live in an area where there is little in the way of council assets such as foot paths and public transport .e will also see not discount in our rates with the withdrawal .

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I am glad the council is improving recreation area . With development of all the high density builds there is little consideration of areas where people can get out into the natural environment

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

As someone who voted in the expectation that Auckland Council would impose real financial discipline, reduce unnecessary spending, and focus on core services, I do not support most of the overall plan or the proposed rates increase.

The consultation material says the plan is about "value for money", efficiency, and resilience. But the proposed 7.9 per cent rates increase for the average residential property tells a different story.

Council's own material says this increase is mainly due to the $235 million annual cost of owning and operating the City Rail Link. That may fit neatly on paper, but for many Aucklanders, especially those outside the central city, it feels like yet another case of ordinary ratepayers being asked to underwrite a project whose benefits are overstated and unevenly distributed.

The problem is not just the size of the increase. It is the mismatch between what council says and what people experience. We are told that this plan is disciplined and prudent, yet rates keep rising well beyond what many households can reasonably absorb. We are told this investment will transform Auckland, but many people outside the inner city do not see a corresponding improvement in their own daily lives, their roads, their footpaths, their local centres, or their access to practical transport.

The City Rail Link may have a role in Auckland's transport future, but it has taken on the character of a civic vanity project. No matter how often its benefits are promoted, the financial burden is real and immediate, while the benefits are selective and long term. For many ratepayers, especially in outer suburbs and western communities, it does not feel like a priority that justifies this level of cost. It feels like another example of Auckland Council asking families to pay more while failing to convince them that spending decisions are being made with proper restraint.

If this council genuinely wants public support, it needs to show more than slogans about efficiency. It needs to prove that it has listened to ratepayers who expected lower costs, tighter priorities, and less spending on peripheral programmes and fashionable agendas. At present, this plan does not do that.

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I support most of the proposed changes to other rates, fees and charges where they are directly tied to practical service delivery, maintenance, and clearly identifiable public benefit.

Council's consultation material includes proposals such as changes to refuse collection charges, cemetery fees, bach mooring fees, local board fees and charges, and targeted charges connected to actual service use. In principle, this is a more defensible way to fund specific services than relying too heavily on broad, repeated general rates increases.

Where a fee is linked to an actual service, asset, or user outcome, ratepayers can at least see the connection between the charge and the benefit. That is a fairer and more transparent approach than embedding ever more cost into general rates while continuing to fund projects and structures many people do not support.

My support is not unlimited. Any such increases must still be modest, justified, and accompanied by evidence that council is also cutting waste internally. But overall, I support most of these changes because they are more tangible, more accountable, and more closely linked to service delivery than the broad general rates increase.

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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

I am in the Waitākere Ranges Local Board area, and I do not support most of the way these local priorities are framed.

The board has been allocated $5.2 million for capital investment and $15.1 million for operational spend for 2026/2027, including $12.6 million for community services, $1.6 million for environmental services, $100,000 for planning services, and $800,000 for governance. It also says extra funding is largely being absorbed by utilities, maintenance, and staffing, leaving only $400,000 more operating spend than the previous year once those higher costs are covered.

That is exactly why priorities matter. When money is tight, councils should be ruthlessly practical. Yet too much of the local framing still feels weighted toward programmes, initiatives, advisory

structures, and environmental or climate branding rather than the visible basics residents judge every day.

The Waitākere Ranges page lists support for environmental restoration, support for the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area Forum, continued arts and events programmes, and continued investment in local climate action to reduce emissions and strengthen areas against climate effects. It also includes worthwhile practical items like improving parks, amenities, drainage, lighting, toilets, paths (like Te Whau Pathway) and picnic tables. The problem is not that every item is wrong. The problem is that the mix still suggests ideology and process are too comfortable alongside basic service failure.

Residents out west see shoddy footpaths, tired public spaces, poor maintenance, neglected village environments, and too little serious attention to local economic revitalisation. Against that background, continuing to fund forums, climate-labelled initiatives, and loosely framed community programmes risks looking detached from what residents actually need. That concern is heightened by the local board's own emphasis on environmental programmes, climate action, and governance structures when many people would prefer an unmistakable focus on fixing what is broken and maintaining what already exists.

My concern remains that ideological agendas too often shape priorities. Local government should be grounded in roads, footpaths, drains, parks, public facilities, libraries, safety, amenity, and support for functioning local centres. It should not drift into symbolic politics, fashionable framing, or strategic abstractions while basic local maintenance remains poor.

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

Other

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

Other

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

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

"1.I do not oppose support for children, youth, and older people in principle. My concern is with the language of “growing and evolving programmes**00**

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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My strongest concern is waste.

Auckland Council’s annual plan says it is pursuing a $106 million savings target and applying value-for-money rules, but ratepayers are entitled to ask why, if discipline is genuinely being restored, the result still looks like a 7.9 per cent residential rates increase largely swallowed by a single major project and a large operational machine.

The deeper issue is that council still appears structurally unwilling to shrink itself. Too much money seems to disappear into staffing, management layers, internal governance, consultants, engagement processes, communications exercises, and “business as usual” activity that does little to improve the practical lived experience of ratepayers. The Waitākere Ranges material itself notes that much of the increased funding is being consumed by staffing, utilities, and maintenance cost growth. That may be understandable in accounting terms, but politically it confirms the public suspicion that the organisation’s internal cost base has become too heavy.

I am also concerned by the continued funding of advisory bodies, forums, and community initiatives where the public value is hard to measure and external agencies already exist and are funded to canvas and provide input into matters pertaining to their interests and needs.(Again, this is ideologically driven and a replication of services) The support for the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area Forum may be presented as community involvement in decision-making, but many ratepayers will reasonably ask whether such structures are delivering better outcomes or simply adding another layer of process and cost.

Operational costs should be reduced far more aggressively. In my view, council should work toward at least a 30 per cent reduction in non-core operational overhead through a serious review of staffing levels, management duplication, consultancy spending, communications budgets,

governance structures, and all non-essential programmes. If that sounds severe, it is because public confidence has been severely eroded.

Year-on-year rates increases at current levels are unsustainable. My expectation as a ratepayer is that rates increases should be constrained to around 3 per cent per annum at most, except in truly exceptional cases. That sort of restraint is not fanciful. In the United States, California's Proposition 13 generally caps annual increases in assessed property value for taxation at 2 per cent, while Oregon's Measure 50 generally limits annual growth in maximum assessed value to 3 per cent. Those are different systems, but they illustrate the principle that local taxation should be restrained and predictable, not treated as an endlessly elastic source of revenue.

If Auckland Council cannot deliver something much closer to that level of discipline, then the mayor and councillors should be held to account. Public office is not a licence to normalise permanent cost escalation.

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

Council should prioritise the fundamentals.

Planning and infrastructure to manage growth must come first because Auckland keeps growing, yet too often the infrastructure does not keep pace. That includes roads, footpaths, drainage, public facilities, parking capacity, local amenities, and the quality of development itself. Growth without proper infrastructure is not progress. It is simply congestion and frustration spread more evenly across the region.

This brings me to a major concern about medium- and high-density housing. The theory may sound attractive on paper, but the reality is often much less convincing. Auckland and New Zealand are already seeing increasing concern about developments with too little yard space, inadequate storage, garages too small to function properly, and insufficient parking, with the overflow pushed out onto public roads, footpaths, berms and neighbouring streets. Auckland Council's own 2024 research on medium-density housing found that carparking was the most frequently mentioned dislike, with comments about not enough parking, garages too small for cars, residents using garages for storage or living space, and spillover parking blocking driveways, footpaths and visitor access. The same research recorded comments that in Auckland it was "an unreasonable expectation" for households to have only one car, and that overflow parking was making it harder to have visitors and harder to move safely around neighbourhoods.

That concern is not theoretical. RNZ reported in February 2026 that an Auckland councillor described the shortage of parking in new developments as causing anxiety and disputes, with people parking on footpaths, empty sections and neighbouring properties, calling the policy outcome "a failed experiment".

There is also a serious quality issue. New Zealand's residential building sector has a long and troubling history of quality failure. RNZ reported in February 2026 that a BRANZ study found 92 per cent of new houses surveyed had compliance defects, and that wider analysis estimated the economy-wide cost of defective building at around $2.5 billion annually. The government's own building reform material released in late 2025, including new warranty requirements for residential buildings up to three storeys, is itself an acknowledgement that defective work and accountability failures are significant enough to require stronger consumer protection.

So my concern is this: Auckland should be very careful about romanticising density without confronting the practical consequences. Too many developments are being sold as efficient urban living when in reality they can mean cramped sections, little or no yard space, garages that do not work as garages, more cars spilling onto already narrow streets, increased neighbourhood tension, and persistent questions about workmanship and inspection quality. If council wants to promote intensification, it should also insist on proper design standards, realistic parking provision, genuine storage, usable outdoor space, and much stricter auditing of build quality. My question? Is Auckland Council complacency leading us into another leaky homes type scenario?

That is why local parks, community facilities and recreation services come second. As private outdoor space shrinks in many newer developments, public space becomes more important, not less. Parks, footpaths, playgrounds, libraries and community facilities are no longer optional extras. They are essential parts of suburban livability.

Economic development and events comes third, but the priority should be on regional and suburban business hubs, especially in West Auckland. Too much strategic attention flows to the central city while outer centres are left to drift. The annual plan material itself highlights city centre priorities and emphasises that the city centre produces about one-fifth of Auckland's economic output. That may be true, but it reinforces the concern that council thinking remains too central-city focused. West Auckland should not be treated as a secondary afterthought. It needs visible reinvestment, stronger local town centres, better maintenance, and practical support for businesses outside the urban core.

Regional parks and environment matter, but they should not displace core service delivery. Transport ranks lower for me not because it is unimportant, but because too much of the conversation remains dominated by expensive flagship projects and ideology rather than the practical transport needs of most Aucklanders. Flood resilience also matters, but council should first demonstrate competence in ordinary stormwater, drainage and maintenance before using resilience as a blanket justification for ever more spending.

My overall message is simple: cut waste, get back to basics, prioritise the west properly, stop pushing bad density outcomes onto already strained neighbourhoods, and restore trust by proving that council can live within reasonable limits instead of returning year after year for more.

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Support most

Tell us why

On the whole theplan seems reasonable

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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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?

I don't know

Tell us why

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

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Support

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Support

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

These things are all necessary to make Auckland a "livable city"

Question 4: Other feedback

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One deveopment that is especially welcome is the Whau walkway. It is very popular and extending it will be a wonderful thing for West Aucklanders, especially because intensification means fewer gardens and other open speces.

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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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Local Board: Waitākere Ranges

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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?

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.

Do not support

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.

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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Extend the Te Whau pathway to New Lynn and Green Bay.Will be good for exercise,sightseeing and bring financial benefit{cafes etc} to New Lynn and Green Bay.

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Q5: Which areas are most important to you over the long term?
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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

Railway crossings in the West upgraded as has been done in the East of Auckland because of CRL.This should have been done before CRL opens!Do you want us sitting in our cars all day?

Question 6: City centre

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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.,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.,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

N/A

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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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?

N/A

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

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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Please prioritise funding to finish Te Whau Pathway and also the Oratia Sunnyvale Connection walkway path linking West Coast Road and Parrs Cross Road.

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

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Your feedback:

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Do not support any

Tell us why

It cost us too much money.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I don't like this proposal because it cost a lot of money and government do what they want and all the tax payers go for that and cost of living is getting higher and higher. Even the house rates are already high and they already put up the rents aswell.

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

i already mentioned in earlier question.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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The regional and local parks should be safe for children and even the seniors to exercise

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We support removal of Waitakere rural sewerage scheme fixed rate.

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

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Thank you for your letter regarding the Waitākere Rural Sewage Scheme which we received this morning requesting feedback about proposed changes.

We would prefer to keep the existing Waitākere Rural Sewage Scheme regardless of the increased cost. We don't live there all week so your new system might indeed save us a little money. I feel though, that leaving the emptying of septic tanks to homeowners to decide when they need checking and emptying is simply going to be unreliable. No one knows when they are full, and no one is going to want to pay when they already have so many outgoings to cover. Private companies may also overcharge. It simply won't happen and the sewage will end up in our beautiful stream. Right now the stream is actually quite clean and has eels living in it. We all look after the plantings beside it to help keep it that way. The existing sewage system largely works and I for one don't mind paying even if it seems a little inefficient. A clean river is worth paying for and it's easier if it comes out of rates so that we all share the cost. My husband agrees so that makes two votes. Thanks for inviting our opinion.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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N/A

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

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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

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 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

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

Public transport, to improve accessibility and help climate change

Question 6: City centre

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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.,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.,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

#2879

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Waitākere Ranges

Your feedback:

Question 1: Our overall plan and proposed increases to rates

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In 2026/2027 that includes prioritising investment in:

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Individual rates increase will vary by property type and value. Use our online rates guide to find out the proposed rates for your property.

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

Besides the 7.9 per cent rates increase for an average-value residential property, the annual plan includes changes to a range of other rates, fees and charges. These include:

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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?

7.9percent increase is too high. Previous increases have failed to prioritise maintenance of exisiting infrastructure. The footpaths around Rosier Road Glen Eden are so bad they are a hazard. Additional multi housing projects within metres of each other have been constructed. These have further degraded road and footpath quality and with increased parking along Rosier it is causing accidents and serious hazards. None of which the council seems to care about fixing or maintaining as it has been this way for a few years now. If 7.9 percent was going to be spent appropriately and targeted to fix ongoing problems that have not been addressed in my residential area it may well present value for money. But as I have not seen any value in the rates I pay going towards years of neglect to transport and infrastructure in the residential area of this suburb.

The increase is mainly due to the CRL over spend. Paying for the construction of an over priced and unreliable train is maddening. Local board priorities talk about creating walkways and board walks - lovely but fix the sidewalks everyone uses daily first!

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Henderson-Massey,Waitematā

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

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?

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

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Support

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

Support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

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

To limit increases there may need to be a more constructive approach to user pays. For things that are not safety related like roading maintenance etc then target increases to user pay models to prevent everyone paying more for things they will not benefit from.

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Including the Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2026/2027 (Section 3 of Consultation document)

N/A

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

We also want your feedback on longer-term priorities that will help shape the city over time.

We are planning some discussions for next year that will inform plans and strategies that will shape Auckland's future. These plans and strategies include (but are not limited to):

- **Regional transport plans**
- **Water service strategies**
- **Auckland's spatial plan**
- **Our 2027–2037 long-term plan, which will set funding priorities for regional and local priorities listed below.**

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

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

(Please use the boxes to rank in order of importance, with 1 being the most important and 6 being the least important.)

Rank	Area
	Economic development and events – growing Auckland's economy and supporting events, tourism and creative industries.
	Local parks, community and recreation services – local parks, sports fields and other physical recreation services, libraries, community centres and services, and funding community-led initiatives.
	Planning and infrastructure to manage growth – planning how and where Auckland grows, rebuilding urban centres, improving infrastructure, and coordinating land-use with public services.
	Regional parks and environment – looking after Auckland's natural areas, streams, coastal zones and cultural heritage, reducing waste, and supporting community-led environmental projects
	Transport – roads, public transport, walking and cycling, and making it easier, safer and more sustainable for people to move around
	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?

N/A

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Because I have little to no doubt the council is not remaining within budget and will use this as an excuse to increase rates, which affects inflation and therefore kills out cost of living with your outright theft. Historically you have NEVER stuck within budget. You will be stealing more money from our pockets, so I do not think the council should be in charge of anything where spending money is a thing. Losing billions/blowing budget by billions is not the type of language that should be NORMAL FFS

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Theft. I don't want to pay you anymore for your wrought. Why do you not stick to your budget and pretend you have infinite money because you steal it from Ratepayers. What you need is to "tighten your belt" and "spend within your means" It seems you political types don't understand what you preach you just say it

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

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,WhauDo not support anyBecause the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on thisDo not supportOtherDo not supportDo not supportIncreasing rates for no reason. Come on - all that does is make things more expensive, spend within your means you fools

Aotea/Great Barrier 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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.

Do not support

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)

1 - improvements. What the heck does that even mean. This is unbelievable that a group of incompetent muppets think they can improve something. Throwing stolen money (via overinflated rates) at it is not going to necessarily improve anything. No doubt a tonne of the money will be "lost"

2 - no - partner with experts, not anything based on a type of people, that is racist

Devonport-Takapuna 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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.

Other

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Other

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

Other

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

Other

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

Other

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.

Other

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Other

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

Other

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

Tell me what savings to rates will happen when these reductions take place. I don't support a reduction in anything without a reduction in our rates. I bet it's still an increase right?

Franklin 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

Hibiscus and Bays 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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.

Do not 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.

Other

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.

Do not support

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

1 - Further protecting our sea, again just spend within your means

2 - Community should already have access, so no don't ask for more for what should already be

3 - why aren't they already safe, what are you doing with the current money your steal from ratepayers?

4 - inclusiveness is just bias framed in a way that makes it sound good. By "including" only certain types of people you actually exclude more which is bias/racism so no

5 - you mean increasing rates AND increasing fees. Don't say increasing the range of fees when you know full well most people will be hit with the higher price - except the "included" ones

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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

1 - explore means a million dollars of some committee - no thanks

2 - no - just get rid of the red tape then it will be self explanatory!!!

3 - another million dollar committee - no thanks

4 - no sounds like you're just wasting money...instead of advocating - use the advocating money to just fricken do it

5 - again don't advocate for crime prevention - put the advocation funds into just doing it

6 - this just puts a cost on volunteering with red tape, if someone wants to volunteer then just let them

Kaipātiki 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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?

Do not support

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.

Do not support

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.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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).

Do not support

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

All of the above just live within your means, tighten your belts etc, all the stuff you keep on belting out that we need to do, be better with money. Also there is no radio button below forcing the council to spend with intelligence rather than with idiocracy, so that is my actual option

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

I don't know

Manurewa 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Geeze all of that just sounds like ways to blow money on nothing

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Spend within your means and use experts, not mana whenua. We need to actually improve things for everyone while considering everyone, not certain groups. No certain gropu should be better or worse off than any other - ever

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?

Do not support

Tell us why

Sounds like you'll be doing a review - and they cost millions knowing you lot. Just leave unbroken things alone

Ōrākei 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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.

Do not support

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.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Use your current funds to do all of the above, don't steal more from rate payers to do it

Ōtara-Papatoetoe 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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?

Do not support

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.

Do not support

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.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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).

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Spend within your means, that's what you would tell us to do. Also below radio buttons there is no option for me to say I would like the council to work within their current income. If you can't do this in the real world you get fired, so why are you any different

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

I don’t know

Papakura 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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).

Do not support

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)

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this. Why is it you just steal more money, murder the inflation and cost of living rates and then tell us to accept it. And of course the Mayor gets a massive pay rise much more than the inflation rate that he caused, so he doesn't care. Come on you thieves stop stealing our money and trying to make it sound like you are good at your jobs. If I could just have infinite budget I would look good at my job too!!!Do not support anyBecause the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on thisDo not support anyBecause the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

Upper Harbour 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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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)

Do not 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)

Do not 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)

Do not support

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

You should be able to do this within the current budget. Stop increasing your theft ratesDo not support anyBecause the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

Waitākere Ranges 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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

Do not 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

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)

1 - racist. It should be across all or nothing, any discrimination is bad. Because even in "positive discrimination" you are leaving others out. Also spend within your means

2 - reviews just cost millions for no reason, just do it within your means

3 - improve without taking more from ratepayers

4 - WTF. That sounds like ChatGPT made that up, just make it so we can walk through the ranges again within your current means

5 - yeah sure but within your means, not by taking more from us

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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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.

Do not support

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

Do not support

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

Do not support

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

Do not support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Do not support

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

Because with all these reductions you still want to increase rates. Get real, no one but the politicians think like this

Whau 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

Because the council is incompetent, see my earlier feedback on this

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.

Do not support

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.

Do not 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)

You can do all this without stealing more from ratepayers, get real, get efficient - and for the love of the lord get competent

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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Yes, spend within your means - stop stressing people out by stealing their money and then spending it of over inflated Xmas parties and such. It is truly a wate of money that isn't yours

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Without spending extra money stolen off the ratepayers, teach councilors how to actually spend money efficiently and within their means. Train them rather than just hiring mates to sell $60,000 hammers etc. Most people in Auckland know that the council is unqualified to do what they do, and they call in experts - mates - to do the work so they can make it look like they got advice. Anybody could run things better - it takes very little intelligence not to blow stolen money on dumb stuff, although I can imagine it would be fun to do it, so reign it in and increase your competency

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#2976

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Too high increase for council rates

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Too high increase does not match the increase of salary/wages.

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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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Do not 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

Do not support

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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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Do not increase council rates at this moment.

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Sanitation in parks and proper lights at night for safety.

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#3016

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Do not support any

Tell us why

council rates have already gone up 20% last year. another 8% is too much. shouldn't everyone share the load of city rail link? why are only house owners being taxed for all Auckland improvements. owning a house doesnt mean we are rich. many of us buy them with loans

also it may be wise to waste money while households are struggling to pay bills. the money should rather be spent on easing the inflation load

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

no to all changes. not a good time to rise fees any further

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 any

Tell us why

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please dont make the same mistake from last term of unnecessary wastage of public hard earned money

please find ways to reduce our cost of living. not add more to it

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

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We want to get our septic emptied ourselves.

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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I don't know

Tell us why

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New roads round Massey.

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Tell us why

Rate rises compound each year. Ambitious annual plans for the region sound grand. Regional solutions have a local impact. City Rail link is an example. More efficient transport for a modest fare (ignoring the cost of body armour for the safety-conscious commuter). Glen Eden will see more frequent train movements, across the Glenview Rd/WestCoast Rd intersection that is an increasingly constipated bottleneck of rail crossing barriers and traffic lights. The prospect of an underpass or overpass are dim. This scenario overshadows the Annual Plan for me. My rate bill soars for little neighbourhood change apart from million-dollar suspension-wrecking speed bumps

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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N/A

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Traffic management

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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It is acceptable rate raising, people are struggling, no pay raise happened within last couple of years and economy is down

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No rate increase please, I can't survive

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Do not support most

Tell us why

That proposed amount for increase is outrageous! The increased pressure to already struggling households is just cruel and spending should be tighten in council as we the people have to tighten our belts. The expensive changes made to create cycle paths, car -less roads, installations are just beyond our means and have actually been determenal to business, families, communities. The people you're meant to serve.

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N/A

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?

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

Do not 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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Do not support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

Already stated that in prolonged trying financial times such as these when families are already struggling and life is uncertain the council has to tighten it's belt too and anything other than the absolute necessary should be put on hold. There shouldn't be an increase in our rates let alone one that substantial. Also the decision on where and what will be created or developed have really missed the mark and cost everyone in the community!

Question 4: Other feedback

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Roads maintaince, effective public transport, maintaining the existing parks and public resources. When things are tight you put your head down and work on maintaining what you have not growing/expanding, taking risks. Pay bills and budget first, in healthier times then review. Tighten your belts council! Think smart, don't waste our money! You have ruined the city centre!

Question 6: City centre

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

Other (please specify):You have ruined the city centre! Everyone I talk to says so

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#3111

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

There is NO public transport anywhere near where I live. Trying to charge me an extra ~300$ for a CityRailLink I can never use is absolutely ludicrous. Clearly any costs arising from it should be born by those users and areas that can benefit from it. Meanwhile the rural road access to my property which had been sealed by Waitakere City Council was destroyed and reverted back to an unsealed road by AT ostensibly as a 'cost saving measure'. When I raised this issue of malfeasance with Phil Goff's council staff they did nothing more than wishing me 'Good Luck". This issue of restoring the quality of access to its previous standard is still outstanding and will be raised with Council shortly.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

re Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme: the inflexible regular pumpouts should be DISCONTINUED and the targeted rate abolished.

My experiences with the existing scheme: the "one-size-fits-all" approach is total overkill and burdens us with unnecessary expense. I have a big septic tank and as a single occupant retired person would need a pumpout maybe every ten years at most! The last pumpout occurred in January 2026 and the crew couldn't even find the sediment layer they were supposed to pump out - after their tanker was filled with just dirty water they departed. On previous occasions the tank (sediment) had been maybe 20% full. Since unnecessary emptying of the tank can disturb the proper functioning I have in the past on one occasion requested that the pumpout be skipped and the money for the obsolete service be refunded. Although the pumpout WAS CANCELLED on that occasion the money charged for this NON-SERVICE was NOT refunded! This inflexibility is totally unreasonable!

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitākere Ranges

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Support all

Tell us why

Back to basics! Reducing hours and maintenance frequency somewhat does not significantly impinge on availability. We all face significant cost increases and have to manage our limited (and for retired persons: fixed) budget and so should the Council and Local board cut back on some unnecessary but 'nice-to-have' expenditure. Increased User-pays is OK - at least I get to decide whether something is worth an extra dollar to me.

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Do not support

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Other

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Do not support

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Other

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

Requesting additional investment money from ratepayers when many have less left over is unreasonable!

For items I marked 'other': It is not clear to me what this is about.

In short: reduce and avoid unnecessary expenditure.

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Rural roads - if people live away from public transport those roads are their only link to the outside and the 'city'.

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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

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Helo. I would like to add that continuing on with the Whau Cycleway in Te Atatu would be a great benefit to the area. The bit that has been done in Te Atatu wouldn't take much to link it up with other parks along the Estuary. It will get people out for fitness, and get people on bikes and out of cars.

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

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Introducing a refuse fees will encourage waste reduction and therfore have a Positive impact on the environment

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?

Support most

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.

Do not support

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

I don’t know

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

Other

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

Do not support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Support

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

Do not support

Question 4: Other feedback

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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.,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.,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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Do not support most

Tell us why

Communities do not need funding- this is a wrought where not all people benefit from this equally

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Useless ideas- how does this benefit the rate payers?

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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

Most of these projects are for a small minority

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.

Do not 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.

I don't know

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

So wishy washy - you're spending money to make a plan. All the others are only supporting a minority

Question 4: Other feedback

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Useless- so not well thought out- why are we spending money to make plans when these issues have been in the community for ages- has no one "thought of a plan" before?

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Develop high density housing (spacious apartments) and amenities and services around train stations. Stop creating high-density housing in the middle of nowhere. If you can't do that then develope the city centre- take out Parnell and Ponsonby if need be.

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Other (please specify):Nothing, its too far to get too with terrible transport links, I never go there, why would I want to invest in something I don't use.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Decade after decade we hear about infrastructure. Not much is happening at all. To much spent on road cones and the wrong things..

Building cheap Chinese apartments randomly everywhere and bringing the wrong people into the country over stressing our infrastructure and health system. Everything just going up ,up and up. My rates have gone up 30%>>>

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The vegetable recycling is a huge waste of money.

For the money I pay for recycling in my rates the recycling should be weekly not fortnightly,if you miss one that's a months recycling.

Peoples recycling bins are getting overflowing then they just dump it in the rubbish bin

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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Support

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Do not support

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

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Stop wasting money on road cones and curbs stones that are fine

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#3278

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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?

Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges 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 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

I don’t know

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don’t know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

I don’t know

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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Tell us why

Better maintain existing costing and divert surplus on other services to those services that require more funding.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

To pay off these propose projects, strict implementation of illigal street parking by giving parking tickets to residents parking on street, blocking footpaths and driveways.

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

Support most of them provided to maintain existing expenditure and charge additional cost through penalising illigal street parking blocking one or both lanes. Charge residents on cars without proper garage or using public streets as their parking. Charge residents for second vehicle without proper garaging

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Clean streets and maintain footpaths against illigal car parking. Charge residents without proper garage and parking on streets.

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#3303

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I support a 'user-pays' model like congestion charging to fund transport, rather than a 7.9% general rates increase that hits all homeowners regardless of their car or train use. Particulary in light of the current cost of living crisis.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I believe a user pays model the fairest for any charges and changes.

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

Support fortnightly rubbish collection

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

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

Question 4: Other feedback

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The rates increase proposed is far too high, unfair and double dipping.

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

With the Climate Crisis affecting NZ's climate and food production prioritising food security. With geo political instability; war and rush for resources, NZ needs to become more self sufficient and invest in energy, food, population management, resource managment, regenerative farming and land care.

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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#3334

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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?

Ōtara-Papatoetoe,Waitākere Ranges

Ōtara-Papatoetoe 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. 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?

Support

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.

Support

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.

Support

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

Do not support

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?

A combination of a Local Service Targeted Rate and reductions to current service levels and/or increases to fees and charges

Waitākere Ranges 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?

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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

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Support

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Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme

I would like to see this stopped and removed from rates costs. At the moment we are having to pay for the sewage pump out through our rates and also an 'Inspection" which should be done at the same time as the pump out. Seems to be a cash grab from the council contracted provider.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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- **Water**
- **Helping local boards respond to the needs of their communities.**

This annual plan also proposes how we will pay for services and investments, including a 7.9 per cent rates increase for an average-value residential property. The increase in rates is mainly due to the $235 million yearly cost to run and own the City Rail Link, the bulk of which is interest and depreciation costs for the council's share of CRL.

Individual rates increase will vary by property type and value. Use our online rates guide to find out the proposed rates for your property.

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

Its time the council learns to cope with money it has we are all overpaying on rates compared to most overseas countries. Time to learn we are not the governments cash cow. Everyday people don't get pay rises at the rate the Auckland council keeps trying to rape us at. Find new ways to save money or start taking all pay cuts as this is just absolute nonsense. Rate payers can't ask there bosses for constant more money and those renting will just keep getting the brunt of it. Which means more government support which this country of 5.5million can't keep doing

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

Besides the 7.9 per cent rates increase for an average-value residential property, the annual plan includes changes to a range of other rates, fees and charges. These include:

- **Introduction of a refuse bin/bag exchange fee**
- **Changes to the Kingsland and Onehunga Business Improvement District (BID) programme areas**
- **Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme**
- **An Auckland Transport proposal to increase residential parking permit fees in specific areas.**

Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We had bin tags not sure why this had to be taken away our household is great at recycling and so waste was very low I only need rubbish truck once a month.

Not sure on Business improvements program for these areas, learning to cope is a better start with what you have

Sewerage I have tank not connected to main problem from the 70's should have thought of this back then instead now trying to push this on us. With all the new developments and extra houses I suggest you get your money there as you have charged enough money for a permit so allocated it where it belongs instead of paying everyone too much money on wages how about you lot come back to earth and stop rapping the people learn to cope with what you have we are only 5.5million people in this country so wake up and smell the roses. All you planners suck at your budget spending

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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

They need to learn to cut back on changing roundabout plants and flowers all the time its ridiculous. The community grants are a joke on many levels most people applying to don't last long enough in any of the businesses how about putting it where it actually maters.

As for some parks and footpaths most people don't even use these any more we constantly make new only to compensate 4 or 5 people example Henderson valley Rd new footpath by park etc what a waste think 2 new pedestrian crossings would have been cheaper and better.

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Other

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Do not support

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

Our community and its foot traffic is almost non-existing, how many kids do you see in our smaller parks, larger paly grounds yes, skate park or similar yes, teach kids at school like we do in Germany how to ride or road rules with actual tests so they are safe might want to look into that. How about also having actual areas for kids to socialise been saying this for over 30yrs. In Germany we have areas like bars set up for underage kids to hang at and be safe no over 18yr old allowed.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
Including the Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2026/2027 (Section 3 of Consultation document)

N/A

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

We also want your feedback on longer-term priorities that will help shape the city over time.

We are planning some discussions for next year that will inform plans and strategies that will shape Auckland's future. These plans and strategies include (but are not limited to):

- **Regional transport plans**
- **Water service strategies**

- **Auckland's spatial plan**
- **Our 2027–2037 long-term plan, which will set funding priorities for regional and local priorities listed below.**

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

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

(Please use the boxes to rank in order of importance, with 1 being the most important and 6 being the least important.)

Rank	Area
2	**Economic development and events –** growing Auckland's economy and supporting events, tourism and creative industries.
5	**Local parks, community and recreation services –** local parks, sports fields and other physical recreation services, libraries, community centres and services, and funding community-led initiatives.
6	**Planning and infrastructure to manage growth –** planning how and where Auckland grows, rebuilding urban centres, improving infrastructure, and coordinating land-use with public services.
3	**Regional parks and environment –** looking after Auckland's natural areas, streams, coastal zones and cultural heritage, reducing waste, and supporting community-led environmental projects
1	**Transport –** roads, public transport, walking and cycling, and making it easier, safer and more sustainable for people to move around
4	**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?

You need to really work on a on time better transport network, You should use buses only in the suburb areas and have them transport people to a new middle of motorway light rail from all corners of Auckland. Imagine all motorways in centre have light rail from Orewa, Bombay, Hellensville, etc and Buses just take people to the rail links instead of huge parking and ride areas

Question 6: City centre

Auckland's City Centre is the economic heart of our region. Overall, the city centre accounts for about a fifth of everything produced in Auckland's economy. We want to make public spaces work better for people, get more value from major investments in transport, and make sure council helps the city centre thrive as a place to live, work, study, and visit.

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.,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.