Annual Plan 2026/2027

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Upper Harbour Local Board

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all OK

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Upper Harbour

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Tell us why

All OK

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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)

Option one "User pays" is fair

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see above

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Tell us why

Transport is important. Without efficient transport, we wont have productive business. Transport plan needs to cover alternative roads, for smooth transit and also for emergency. Some areas where I live only has One road in and out of the area. This is not suitable if there is any emergency.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I see the rates increased did not translate to better services. This is very bad position and all residences are feeling cheated by the council. The area where i live used to have regular gardeners to maintain the landscape. For the past 6 months, they have disappeared.

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Henderson-Massey,Upper Harbour

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Better focus and appreciation of issues.

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Better understanding of local issues

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Tell us why

You need to start operating within your means, cut grants, funding etc. We can no longer support your pet wishes and the extras you want to profide.

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

reduce with the aim to stop grants funding, if people want it they can pay it for themselves, user pays. Pools can be more self funding, stop having lesiure centre gyms at the pools, if people want a gym there are private companies doing that. Lastly reduce the number of local boards would be a good way of saving money. We don't need the amount of bureauracy we have.

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Why are we paying for the Tupuna Maunga Authority plan, if its been vested in Iwi? Stop all the targeted rates, its just another money grab. And why are your other targeted rates done on property value, it should be a flat rate. Do away with the scrap bin, don't want it, don't use it and object to paying for it.

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get rid of the food scrap bins, a waste of money, reduce the number of local boards, do a line by line review of all jobs at auckland council and the use of contractors

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Tell us why

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CRL ... without multi-story parking it's usage remains too localised

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Neutral

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Rodney

Rodney Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

The new Rosedale bus station...so much talk but still mot done and to make it useful it needs a multistory parking...as does Albany.

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Plan for the future properly...aucklands population is growing so fast and infrastructure plans are out of touch before they get off the table. Plus save money directly with the council organisation first...show us Aucklanders your willing to make the tough decissions in your own organisatiin first...streamline council offices - elements that can be managed by external companies already established (thinking of 'safeseptic' which companies like Jet Waste and Water have been managing for years very efficiently) Leave them to it-safeseptic team are completely disorganised . Dismiss workers who consistently absent or are unproductive, council should not been known as a 'cushy' job!

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Support most

Tell us why

the priorities are about right

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I support most of the changes apart from the refuse bin bag fee as I am on a low income

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

I support most of the changes apart from the reduction in maintenance activities in parks and reserves as it is important to protect our local diversity and maintain planting to reduce flooding and run off. As well it is important to keep our parks and reserves beautiful as well.

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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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Do not support

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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)

it is important to maintain local board funding for community events such as tree planting and trapping of pests. It is also important to keep community events such as those at local halls and library wich provide a education and entertainment for the community as well. it is important to maintain cycling events and to have more cycle lanes in the community to reduce traffic congestion. As well the charges for the Albany pool shouldn't be increased to much as this will put people off using the pool which provides a well used community service too.

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

public transport as I use public transport several times every to day due to the fact that I don't have a car.

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.,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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Local Board: Upper Harbour

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Tell us why

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Rodney,Upper Harbour

Rodney Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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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)

Reducing maintenance activities. There is barely any activities at present! I have lived in the upper harbour area for 18 years and have seen the services diminish to almost nothing. You need to increase services.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Rates increases in general. The rates increases are unacceptable. 5% as published was a lie when my increase was 18%! You need to be more transparent. Further, to be fair to all you need to maximise the Uniform Annual General Charge to prevent the wild increases seen in some areas just because in the lates valuations they are deemed the more expensive suburbs.

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I want you to perform the service we as ratepayers are paying you to do because at the moment I am paying excessive rates and getting nothing in return. The roads are a mess (because shoddy contractors are employed), footpaths are ripped up and not replaced, community reserves and gardens not maintained. I also want the CRL costs to be paid by those using it … and no one north of the harbour bridge will be! Don't burden north shore people with high rates for things they are benefiting central or south Auckland.

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Support all

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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Organisation: Connected Neighbourhoods Trust

Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

We understand need to increase rates to pay for the investment we need. This is better than underinvestment and then paying later for the negative outcomes that result. We are concerned though for the vulnerable that cannot afford these increases and want to see investment into community well-being partnerships that support the vulnerable as their needs are increasing dramatically and central government investment has dramatically reduced.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Auckland Transport needs to listen to and follow the advice of local boards re: any parking charge changes as they understand where these are appropriate and not.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

Upper Harbour area has large new communities and significant growth that require significant investment in new community infrastructure and facilities (e.g. Whenuapai and Hobsonville). We need Council to support and invest in more community partnerships and collaborative delivery. This will enable Council to stop doing things in the way that it has always done and help it to meet this growing demand despite constrained resources, to be more efficient and effective in use of the investment that is available, and to better meet community need (as community tends to understand its own community better and tends to be able to respond faster as well to need, often at much less cost)

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?

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Support

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Do not support

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Support

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Other

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Support

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

We believe that without changes to pool charges, effectively pool users are being heavily subsidised at the expense of the wider community outcomes and delivery that are needed. Pools should be a user pays service and currently the free/low cost is being taken advantage of at the expense of non-pool users.Population is significantly growing in places like Scott Point and Whenuapai and we need to invest in the community infrastructure for such areas and partner with community organisations to deliver differently and more effectively. We also need to support community groups/initiatives through community funding as it's harder than ever before for community organisations to get funding yet our communities and their needs continue to grow. Less investment in community equals more cost down the line in problems.

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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We need to make it easier for community organisations to do good. Less red tape. Quick response times. Open to new ways of partnership and funding. Long term focussed rather than short term delivery.

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

Community infrastructure and services as we all benefit from and need these and, when community run, they are very efficient and good value for money. We need to prioritise new growth areas

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Support all

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Do not support increasing residential permit fees or introducing parking charges where the local board is not in support of this.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

We need to maintain investment in key community assets and facilities but also need to invest in new assets that are required, especially in large new residential development areas that have population pressure and lack of facilities to meet demand. We should be investing in strong community partnerships and invest in what is already working rather than always trying to do new things and making what is already working less sustainable.We need to move away from 1 year or short term funding agreements and outcomes to long term partnerships and funding agreements (3yrs for initiatives, 5+ years for facilities)

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Support

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

First and foremost we should increase fees and charges for albany pool. People treat it like a babysitting or free play service. Pools never used to be free or this cheap and it is out of kilter with other services and effectively we are subsidising those that use the pools and reducing the investment that is required across all community facilities and services.I also think that we should be reducing library hours as we don't need them to be open on weekend for full days. That is a luxury in today's times.On the other side, we need to invest in our communities which are rapidly growing and facing ever increasing demand and we need to invest in community partnerships and co-delivered infrastructure opportunities that improve bang-for-buck.

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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New residential developments (e.g. Whenuapai) need significant community infrastructure investment to meet current growing and future need as a result of significant population growth and in-filling. We need to prioritise strong community partnerships and co-delivery and masterplan together

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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.,Other (please specify):Waterfront stadium & sport museum

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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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Support

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Support

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Improving public transport to make it a reliable competitor to using private vehicles.

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Tell us why

It seems quite accessible upping the rates that are already high another $229. A lot of people are currently struggling to pay their rates as is.

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Actually it does look great but I just think where the current economic state of NZ's are any price increase is really going to be a struggle financially.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Support most

Tell us why

Maori can support the building of their own 'warm marae'. As a group Maori are currently very well off and they can afford to upgrade or build their own infrastructure.We'd rather see the half a billion dollars be spent on other poorer communities

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Upper Harbour

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I don't know

Tell us why

Not sure what our "local board" has achieved, for the money that they cost

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

There needs to be a clearer policy on Council giving away MY MONEY, through the rates that we pay, to other people.

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I'm anti the undemocratic appointment of Maori and their involvement in Council affairs as a special right

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Transport around Auckland is a concern for any off us having to negotiate around the city.Local Parks, there are too many small, localized, high maintenance cost parks. Lawn mowing cost for example - sell them or plant trees.

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Support

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

Reducing grant money available by half is too much. I could support a smaller reduction for both. For item 3 reducing programme funding somewhat as part of the funding cuts would be fine

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I live on the North Shore and will probably never, if ever, make use of the CRL. Why must my rates, which are already exorbitantly hight, go up by 7.9%. Our roads are in a terrible state, the grass on the side of the roads are not mowed,, etc. I see very little being done in my area for the rates i pay. Now you want me to pay for some fancy rail system which will have no benefit for me in my daily commute.

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This is also ridiculous - I am already paying rates so now you want to charge me to remove the refuse? So the rate increase is not 7.9% but much higher.HGow can rates increase by 3 to 4 times the inflation rate. Maybe reduce council costs.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Again, a lot of wastage - in stead of doing some cost cutting, you just want to increase rates - hit the tax payer whenever you cannot control costs. I suggest you reduce overheads, get people to work more productive, don't spend that much on open spaces, reduce maintenance.

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Do not support

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

The option I support are all cost saving on unnecessary items which we could live without. Currently, the country is very close to a recession which will be mainly caused by the Council's uncontrolled expenditure. Why should I be paying more and more just so a government official can live of a salary of $200,000+ and I have to suffer living of my meager pension?

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I give up - it's in any ca se of no use commenting, because you won't listen to anyone complaining.

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Roads

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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?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Devonport-Takapuna,Upper Harbour

Devonport-Takapuna 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. 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.

Support

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

Do not support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

I don’t know

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

Do not support

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

Support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Do not support

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)

Upper Harbour 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

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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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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Do not support most

Tell us why

You are pushing people over the edge with outrageous rate increases.We are not your ATM

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Yeah, stop these projects, you can't afford them

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Again, stop increasing your spending

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

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)

Cut your spending to take pressure off ratepayers

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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No comment

Question 6: City centre

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

Other (please specify):Stop spending

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Support most

Tell us why

I would like to see significantly more consideration of the costs vs the benefits of works rather than following dogmatic insistence on things like cycleways. Happy for there to be cycleways as long as cyclists pay for them.Also I have concerns about the number of proposed new homes - just who is going to occupy them? Net population growth is just above stall and we already have a surfeit of cheap and low quality builds.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I think a more robust cost vs benefit appraisal of works would be the most beneficial.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

What the current Board is doing is really helpful and we thank them.I am concerned about the potentially reduced funding for community initiatives and connections spaces proposed. These add significant value to residents and hopefully encourage people to invest in their community with all the benefits that come with such connection.

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Do not support

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Do not support

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Support

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Support

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

I'm a great fan of user pays - we are currently subsidising these activities and the wider community gets minimal value from these subsidies. I'm in favour of supporting people to find solutions themselves in a sustainable way.

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?

Planning for sustainable growth of resilient communities and developing and maintaining the infrastructure needed. Decent roads which facilitate the traffic flows projected, traffic management systems that enable improved flow - intelligent, integrated traffic light management systems, and improved quality of developments which require the developers to provide infrastructure, adequate car parking et al.

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

The ACC council introduced targeted rates...then target the benefactors for the CRL as I live in Greenhithe North Shore I will never have any requirements for this costly debacle

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Refuse bin...for what I never have used the BS food scrap bin, and charged to me by stealth...and you people term the phrase 'user pays'

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

Well parks have been maintained...and my rubbish gets picked up

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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)

pools are costly to run and offers good service , I would go further that children should pay at least $5 ...none of this free stuff

Question 4: Other feedback

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My property value went up 6% my rates went up by 23% ..abhorrent, cosidering WB touted 5.8% increase and Im pissed off, most (80%) of my value is in my land which does NOT use any services...I live on my own, a beneficiary , on water tank, no storm water or footpaths yet a family of 8 or more in South/West Auckland pays half what I pay...your rating formulas are all wrong

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keeping rates low, and affordable, especially for single occupancy dwellings

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

I do not want a rates incrase of 7.9% to pay for the city rail link. I live in whenuapai and never go to the city. My rates have been increasing since I became a home owner in 2020 but I have not seen any change on services or benefits around Whenuapai, in fact, the rubbish tags got taken away too for no reason at all and me and my wife, we only take the rubbish once every two months, we are only two people, so we barely used to spend any money in rubbish and now its compounded to our rates even if we dont take rubbish out. Increase the rates to the properties close to the CRL, not to

the houses that are more than 20km away from it. All you have done around Whenuapai and Westgate is turn all the street parking into paid parking.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Complete disagree.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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you guys keep thinking that auckland transport can be fixed while you built a city completely car oriented, this is ridiculous.

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

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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?

Rodney

Rodney Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Upper Harbour

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Tell us why

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Rates are already unaffordable for New Zealanders. This is just another unfair tax on the homeowner trying to get ahead. Things like the foodscraps bin, you should be able to opt out as this was a complete waste of money and resource!

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Ridiculous - taxing more is not the answer. People will just leave auckland for a better deal

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Outdated models that are not in touch with the reality of New Zealand in 2026

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

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

Support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Support

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

Support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

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.

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)

Let's be strategic with our spending.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Rates literally only just went up for the Auckland homeowner. Another 7.6% may be the nail in the coffin for the property market. Wasteful spending must stop. Speak to the people, and you will find the answers.

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Tell us why

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Whats the point of parking fees increase if homes being built cannot accommodate existing cars etc. I absolutely disagree with increase and refuse bin/bag exchange.

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Upper Harbour

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I don't know

Tell us why

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Do not support

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Other (please specify):Hardworking people are at their limit, and Auckland Council keeps squeezing. This isn't leadership — it's forcing residents into a financial death zone. Shame on you!

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

N/A

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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

Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Any proposed rate adjustments should be assessed at the suburb level and clearly tied to evidence of improvement. Where no improvement has occurred, rates should remain unchanged.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour 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. 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.

Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

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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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?

Better connections – improve links between the city centre, the waterfront and nearby neighbourhoods.

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Local Board: Upper Harbour

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

A 7.9% residential rates increase (and almost 10% for businesses) is a tough pill to swallow during a cost-of-living crisis, especially since it is driven heavily by a single project (the CRL) Especially for people who seldomly go to the Auckland CBD region.

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?

New administrative fees, like the $40 charge just to swap a rubbish bin size, may frustrate residents who feel they already pay enough in baseline rates.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

The board is proposing a massive 50% reduction in contestable grant funding. This will significantly impact local community groups, clubs, and initiatives that rely on this money.The current maintenance of public spaces is already lackluster, A further reduce ' cut will only make it worse.I'm happy for supervisor fee to increase as swimmer are the main facility users, spectators are taking up resources without using it

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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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Support

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Support

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

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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I strongly oppose the proposed 7.9% overall rates increase for average-value residential properties. It is entirely unreasonable that ratepayers across the greater Auckland region are being forced to shoulder the massive $235 million annual ownership and operating costs of the City Rail Link (CRL).While the council continues to push the narrative that the CRL is a ’regional’ asset, the reality for the majority of Aucklanders living in the outer suburbs is that we do not frequently use the CBD or its facilities. Imposing regional rates to fund a heavily CBD-centric infrastructure project is fundamentally inequitable. The city centre already generates 21% of Auckland's GDP; therefore, the businesses, developers, and regular commuters who directly benefit from the CRL's localized economic boost and improved proximity should be the ones primarily funding its ongoing costs.During a severe cost-of-living crisis, expecting families in the wider Auckland region to absorb an extra $320 a year for a train tunnel they will rarely use is a failure of fair funding. The council must urgently explore alternative funding models for the CRL's $235 million annual bill. This should include a ’user-pays’ model, targeted rates specifically for CBD businesses that directly profit from the increased foot traffic, or seeking greater operational subsidies from the central government.The wider Auckland region cannot be treated as a limitless ATM to fund inner-city mega-projects. I urge the council to revise its funding strategy for the CRL and deliver a much lower general rates increase.

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Question 6: City centre

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

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?

Support most

Tell us why

Outrageous to increase rates by such a large percentage. The majority of people are struggling with the cost of living which is stifling our economy.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Support the above changes

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Rodney

Question 4: Other feedback

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Roading and economic growth

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Tell us why

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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I think the Council should think about how to utilize AI to meet the Auckland population's needs more efficiently and more effectively steward taxpayer money. As the largest city in New Zealand, Auckland needs to lead here.

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Support most

Tell us why

Rate increases need to be capped to annual inflation levels.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

No issue

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Hibiscus and Bays

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

No issues

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

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

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?

Flood resilience due to climate change related storm events and the increasing frequency of these 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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

Many Auckland households are already facing rising living costs, including mortgages, rent, insurance, and utilities. Increasing rates to fund the City Rail Link places an additional financial burden on residents at a time when affordability is already a major concern. Not all ratepayers will benefit equally from the City Rail Link. Residents who live far from the rail network, particularly in outer suburbs or areas poorly served by rail, may see little practical benefit from the project.The City Rail Link has already experienced substantial cost increases since its initial proposal. Continuing to raise rates to cover rising costs creates the risk that ratepayers will be asked to fund

further overruns in the future. Before increasing rates again, the council should demonstrate stronger financial oversight and accountability for project costs.Major national infrastructure projects like the City Rail Link benefit the wider economy, not just Auckland residents. As such, central government should bear a greater share of the funding rather than relying heavily on local ratepayers. Shifting costs onto Auckland households through rate increases is not the most equitable funding approach.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Refuse collection is a core service funded by ratepayers, and adding additional fees for exchanging bins or bags creates an unnecessary extra cost for residents. Many households may need to exchange bins due to damage, faults, or normal wear and tear. Charging a fee for this service could unfairly penalise residents for circumstances outside their control.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Hibiscus and Bays,Upper Harbour

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

Rosedale Bus Station plays an important role for local residents and commuters. The distance between Constellation Bus Station and Albany Bus Station is significant, and without a stop at Rosedale many people would have reduced access to public transport.

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

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

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.

Support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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Do not support

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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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Question 6: City centre

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Do not support most

Tell us why

7.9% increase is criminal in the current economic environment, we need to live within our means

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I'd rather use a 3rd party for rubiish collection and already do, the other items don't affect me personally

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Don't like increased rates or costs

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Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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Support

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Support

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

We can't afford to subsidise woke spending

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Western Springs needs to be a speedway, 96 years of history is too important for Mayor Brown to play games with

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

Events, concerts and things happening in our City are crucial to business and consumer confidence

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.,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

Unfair Accumulation: Point out that while they call this a '7.9% increase,' for you it is the latest in a series of jumps that has seen your quarterly bill go from around $978 to $1178 (20%) in just three years.CRL 'Regional' Burden: The Council admits the 7.9% is mostly to cover the $235 million yearly cost for the City Rail Link. You can argue that as a resident in the North-West corridor (Upper Harbour), you receive zero direct benefit from the CRL, yet are being asked to foot the bill via your general rates.The 'Fairer Funding' Squeeze: Specifically mention that while rates are going up, the Upper Harbour Local Board is facing a $740,000 shortfall this year. This means you are paying more

in rates while your local board is being forced to consider scaling back park maintenance and increasing fees for other services.Cost of Living: State clearly that a 7.9% increase, on top of high interest rates and inflation, is becoming unsustainable for households that receive no increase in service levels.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

While these specific fees for parking and bin exchanges may be localized, they represent a worrying trend of 'double-dipping.' The Council is proposing a 7.9% rates increase—which has already seen my personal bill rise by 20% in three years—while simultaneously adding new service fees. I would rather see the Council find internal savings than continue to create new 'hidden' costs for residents.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

I do not support the proposed 7.9% rates increase or the local board trade-offs. Since purchasing my home in November 2023, my quarterly rates have jumped from $885 to $1,112.76—a 25.7% increase in less than two years. This far exceeds the advertised 'average' and is becoming unsustainable.It is unacceptable that while my rates fund regional debt like the City Rail Link ($235m/year)a project with no direct benefit to Greenhithe—my local area faces a $0.7 million shortfall. This 'Fairer Funding' model forces a choice between managed neglect of our parks and a 400% hike in pool spectator fees. I support regional growth, but not at the expense of the basic maintenance and amenities in Upper Harbour that my significantly higher rates should already cover.

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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

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

I strongly oppose all proposed service reductions and fee increases for Upper Harbour. Since 2023, my personal quarterly rates have already jumped from $885 to $1,112.76 (a 25.7% increase), yet I am now being asked to accept a 'managed decline' of our local parks and a massive 400% hike in pool spectator fees to cover a $0.7 million shortfall. It is fundamentally unfair to expect Upper Harbour residents to absorb double-digit rates increases while our local amenities are neglected to fund regional projects like the CRL that offer us no direct benefit.

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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I oppose all proposed service reductions and fee hikes for Upper Harbour. Since 2023, my quarterly rates have jumped from $885 to $1,112.76—a 25.7% increase in less than two years. It is unacceptable to ask for nearly $4,800 a year while simultaneously proposing the 'managed neglect' of our local areas. My rates should protect local amenities, not be funneled into regional debt while our own neighborhood services decline.Regarding the Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan, I am concerned that while the council manages the routine maintenance of 14 ancestral mountains, local board budgets for essential maintenance in suburbs like Upper Harbour are being squeezed. All operational spending across the city, including that for the Tūpuna Maunga Authority, must be balanced against the need to maintain core local services for the ratepayers who fund them. We cannot prioritize regional heritage projects while basic neighborhood infrastructure is allowed to decline.

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Support most

Tell us why

I think the CRL is going to be a costly and unnecessary facility.

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Support these.

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Upper Harbour

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Support most

Tell us why

Document is thin on specifics. Focus on the necessary spend and cease the "value signalling" spend. Stop the spending on suburban road markings cease the spending on upgrading cycle ways and intersection crossing. We are a struggling second world country that should not aspire to facilities that we cannot afford.

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Do not support

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

The pool charges are not going to raise much income and will only create I'll will.

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I think providing it in all the different languages is nice, but I'm sure does not justify the cost. Not sure where to comment, but I'm still annoyed that there is so much spend still happening to create cycle ways and upgrades to intersections. Not to mention ridiculous traffic planning in the Westgate/Northwest area. Also, communications that arrive by mail are questionable. Just reduce the number of marketing personnel and we won't receive so much communication that ends in the recycle bin. Lastly, stop the food scraps collections. Rather issue the households who want them compost bins. Food waste that is not compostable should go to landfill.

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Prioritise maintenance of existing facilities; parks, roads, bus shelters, beaches, walking tracks. These are necessary. Cease the spend on cultural and specific groups which leads to questionable spending.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

None of this helps me. The transport options on the North Shore are terrible. The rail link is a service I don't think I will ever use - why should I pay for it? The Upper Harbour Local Board is cutting a range of services and funding as well. I'm disappointed by all these changes and once again wondering why I bother staying in Auckland. All the council does is take more and more money while offering less. It's a constant struggle to get anything done in life and this doesn't help.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Again, taking more money and offering less. None of this helps me and the increase to residental parking permits is just criminal.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

A whole lot of reduction and an increase in prices. What is this doing for us? It's always just getting worse.

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Do not support

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

I don't really care about the pool costs but feel sorry for those who use the service. But the reduction of maintenance, grants, and overall funding for programmes and projects is very disappointing. Just things getting worse and worse.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Just the usual, taking more money to benefit the rail link, which won't benefit most of Auckland. I'm disappointed in these changes, but I know what I say won't make any difference. Just don't be surprised when people move away, this city isn't a great one to live in unless you're ultra rich.

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Make this a nice city. More well looked after green spaces, and more public spaces people care about.

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Increasing rates for taxpayers at nearly 8% is too much especially the City Rail link project has gone overboard with costs and not even going to benefit most Aucklanders. We can't afford further rate increase at 8% whilst salaries doesn't even increase by even 3% annually. We're stucked with all the cost increases yet not increase in wages. I think the Council needs to check their spending.

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Everything you proposed is costing the rate payers. Can the Council not check other resources when infrastructures are funded differently?

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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A raise in parking permits should only apply where there are plenty of other opportunities to park

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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7.9%, is this rip off? We already paying $2.4K for a single bedroom apartment. What a rip off. On top council also charges for the other services regardless they provide or not...

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Living Standards and Health, not just parks and Transport. Health system is one of the worse.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I don't agree with rates. It is unfair to make a property owner pay when a h'it could be a single person with only one income.

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Terrible!!!

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Upper Harbour

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Tell us why

Terrible

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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)

How much more money are you gonna take from people that work hard????

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The mayor is a joke

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Do not support most

Tell us why

the rate increasing is too high under such tough economic environment. And the raise is due to CRL it should not owned by council, it only served CBD, not rest of the Auckland.

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N/A

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Take over AT, they are not doing their work

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Tell us why

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Why are these fees still being charged? Can't the waste recycling process be made more detailed? Like I said before, if bottles and caps can't be recycled together, then I won't support any of these ridiculous policies.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

need to make these incremental changes = in keeping with cost of living rises

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

All these options need on-going work

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.

Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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Support

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Support

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Do not support

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

Yes, increase casual swim (option 1), increase spectator fee and supervising adult fee (option 2) but NOT option 3. Option 3 will cut our family out of this activity (and many other families) as it becomes too expensive an activity e.g. I love to take my grandchildren (aged 5, 7, 10) to the pool as part of their holiday time with me and the CHARGE is great = increases as per option 1 and 2, are manageable, but to increase as per option 3, means that we will have to cut out a holiday activity which they LOVE.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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No, I accept the reasoning for these

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Difficult to decide the above AND this question, but 1. Regional parks and environment and 2. transport are the most needing future planning and funding

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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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I acknowledge that Aucklanders, most of whom will never use the CRL, will have to prop up the revenue shortfall to run it and so have to suffer rates increases to cover it. The CRL is a white elephant that never should have been built, but that is history and dumb politicians. 'Average' rate increases last year were supposed to be 9%, but with zero change in capital value we had a 17.2% increase. Worse still, numerous attempts at getting Council to explain how our rate differed so much from 'average' resulted in bland copy paste responses which did not acknowledge the question, far less answer it. NOT ACCEPTABLE. My concern is that, in spite of your calculator showing a proposed 8.1% increase for my property, that the same BS will happen this time round where the 'headline' increase is only a fraction of the actual increase we suffer.

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

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Because the rate hikes are every year. The public transport is mot even living upto its expectations. And on top of that the public transport cost is going high for no reasons. The buses are never on time and the bus drivers are inexperienced

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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?

Waitematā

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

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)

Do not support

Question 4: Other feedback

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Yes!! Reduce the rates charge less to the people. Give them warning when their rate hikes up annually, give them the reason for rate hikes. The auckland council is already making so much yet we haven't seen any public support. We requested yellow lines on one of our street and the request wasn't even acknowledged let alone taking an action on it. STOP ripping off people

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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.,Other (please specify):Don't need to. No one goes to city anymore

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Support most

Tell us why

If transport improvement means more cycleways, I do not support this. As a cyclist, I find many 'cycleways' on roads just as dangerous as riding on the road. They stop abruptly, force you into the road in places and do not make it obvious where to ride when they stop. Many cyclists abuse the lanes and do not stop for traffic lights and pedestrian crossings. Stop charging for hazardous waste disposal Make drop off places more accessible (not temporary mobile drop offs) and you might find people are more careful how they dipose of this waste. It must be more cost effective to do this than pay for fire fighting, damaged equipment, clean up and illegal disposal issues.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I'd like this explained better as it doesn't make much sense to me ’ introduction of a $40 fee for swaps between refuse bins and bag packs, including swaps between different bag pack capacities’.Also I'm already paying for food waste which I don't use, as many others don't either, so this is easy income for the Council.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Reducing maintenance will be detrimental to area. Since I've lived here I have seen there area and Browns Bay town look more and more run down which drives people away and puts people off living in the area. This has happened in other towns and trying to improve maintenance again at a later date costs more, is harder to do and makes it not a pleasant place to visit.

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Do not support

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Support

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Support

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

I've chosen "other" for 3. Reducing funding, as I agree with some but the description requires more clarification.

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Giving people a reason to want to visit Auckland and be proud of showing people around. Reduce the rate of present house building. It is becoming a place I do not want to live any more.

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Tell us why

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Do not support most

Tell us why

As a senior I don't want my rates to increase, as I am struggling with them already.What i do believe is that, out community storm water drains need to be cleaned and have maintenance cleaning. Like they used to be done with trucks. If the storm water drains are not maintained. Community flooding will continue to get worse. It's is impairative that bringing back the trucks that suck up the blocked drains. In preparation for winter's and storm flooding. My Son's home flooded, while tje road storm water drains were all blocked up in the street. I have brought this topic up once before to a higher powder. But nothing has be done about this ongoing community problem with the storm water

drains being blocked and not doing what the storm water drains were created for. I would like to see Council money being put to this important need. I say bring back the community trucks that suck up the environmental rubbish that block up the store water drains. This will reduce the flooding problem in our communities. If I had the power to make this important change for our community need. It would be first on the list. I believe this is a very important matter that needs Council urgent support.

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Storm water drains should be top priority

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Blocked storm water drains is a new zealand problem. I say bring back the storm water drain clearance trucks. Should be a top priority, for the bad state our storm water drains are in.

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

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#1099

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Generally support

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Do not support the proposed level of rates increase - too high

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?

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I don’t know

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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

Support

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Support

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

Seems to be the best balance of cost increase versus use of facilities

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Transportation and housing approvals. Currently a total mess - allowing multiple houses to be built everywhere now on sections that used to have 1 house is a total disaster due to insufficient infrastructure and too many cars/no parking options

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Tell us why

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Whit collar theives making it impossible to live in this country. When are the increases going to stop. Feel like im leasing my own back yard. SICK

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Upper Harbour,Waitematā

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Tell us why

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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)

You want us to look after our kids and not drown. More parents will walk away and leave it for the life guards

Waitematā 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 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.

Support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Support

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

I don't know

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Stop increasing our rates and forcing us out

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#1105

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I support transport capital expenditure if it is going to be used in areas with a meaningful impact, one that can be measured reliably and compared to exisiting options. CrL is not a good use of investment and operational maintenance capital. Investment is needed in areas with actual growth and current resources that do not meet demand. West Auckland is lacking reliable routes, train network that actually runs on holidays, weekends, disruptions etc. An example of poor capital investment includes the bus lanes for WX's etc

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Do not support a rate increase, families are already struggling with current RV.This will just increase family's debts and recovery options faced by the council.

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Upper Harbour

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Support most

Tell us why

These seem reasonable and expected. I would say that areas like Hobsonville need more community facilities like Swimming, rec centre etc due to high growth in the area and reduced green areas.

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We are already get charged a fee on our rates for refuse bins. Which we don't use but still get charge for. Is that fair?

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

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Transport - another bridge? Light rail from the North Shore to CBD

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Only charge those areas affected

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Hibiscus and Bays

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Only need better buses

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.

Support

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Only charge the users

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Finish the roads so we can sleep again.

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

Fix the footpaths and buses

Question 6: City centre

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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.,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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#1129

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Can't afford it.

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 like any.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

Cost too much.

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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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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?

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.,Other (please specify):Car park.

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#1150

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Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Rate increase is not acceptable for our area - we have no footpath, no bus shelter at bus stop, no sewerage - all a cost for homeowners own waste systems and pump out costs, poor roading.

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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?

Local proposed reduced services and increase cost . Nothing positive.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

Poor outlook.

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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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Do not support

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Do not support

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

Spectators and supporters key in keeping others safe - should be free

Question 4: Other feedback

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N/A

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

Make walking and cycling accessible and safe to improve community wellness and opportunities.

Question 6: City centre

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

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

Tell us why

It is well thought out and tries to reduce costs where possible.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I do not agree with increasing residential parking fee. Many residents don't have driveways or garages to park on / in. This is a scheme to help fund the rail link / public transport. Which may may not be useful to the resident the parking fee applies to. Hence the resident will be unfairly penalised by just living in an inner city area.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

NA

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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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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)

The city vegetation is already scruffy enough without less maintenance. Pool charges are not equitable across the city. There should be one rate over the whole of AC.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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There should be no stages / zones for any transport across the city there should be one flat ticket fee. Ratepayers should not be charged extra in their rates. Tourists, student and public transport users should pay for the transport costs in their ticket.

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

Economic development and events will bring revenue to the city other than rates.

Question 6: City centre

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

Other (please specify):Safety and removing the homeless from the streets all of the others above will fall into place.

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Do not support any

Tell us why

High living costs impacting households, I do not support any increases to our rates.

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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

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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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)

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N/A

Question 6: City centre

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

In the period following the COVID-19 pandemic, many communities continue to face significant challenges. While long-term infrastructure projects such as transport and water systems are important for the city's future development, the most urgent and immediate concerns for many residents today relate to public safety, healthcare capacity, and the quality of education.Over the past three years, New Zealand has witnessed repeated industrial actions from clinicians, teachers, and even members of the police force. These events reflect deeper systemic issues, including staff shortages, increasing workloads, and concerns about remuneration. When essential public services

struggle to recruit and retain qualified professionals, the impact is felt directly by communities through longer healthcare wait times, pressures in schools, and concerns about public safety.In considering priorities within the Annual Plan, it would be prudent for the Council to focus available resources on the areas that most directly affect the wellbeing and stability of residents. Investments that support community safety, strengthen health-related services, and contribute to the resilience of our education system will have immediate and meaningful benefits for citizens.Major infrastructure initiatives such as the City Rail Link are valuable and may deliver long-term advantages for urban mobility and economic development. However, in the current environment, such projects may be viewed by many residents as beneficial but not as urgent as the core services that underpin everyday life.It is also important to recognise that the broader economy is still recovering from the effects of the pandemic. Many households continue to face financial pressure as they manage mortgage payments, rising food costs, and other essential living expenses. In this context, further increases in rates to fund projects primarily aimed at improving lifestyle amenities may place additional strain on families who are already struggling.For these reasons, I respectfully encourage the Council to carefully consider the immediate needs of the community and prioritise investment in areas that protect safety, strengthen essential services, and support the wellbeing of residents during this challenging period of recovery.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Not interested, I do not support this proposal. It gives the impression that the Council is continually seeking new ways to increase charges on residents. Over the past several years, the cost of living has risen significantly due to inflation, while wage growth for many households has not kept pace. As a result, many residents are already under considerable financial pressure.In this context, introducing additional charges or fees places an even greater burden on ratepayers who are doing their best to manage rising living costs. I respectfully urge the Council to take into careful consideration the financial realities facing ordinary households and to prioritise measures that ease, rather than increase, the financial strain on the community.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

It is difficult to reconcile a proposal that reduces maintenance while simultaneously increasing fees. If fees are being raised, it is reasonable for residents to expect that the additional revenue will be used to maintain, or ideally enhance, the level of maintenance and services provided.Ratepayers contribute these fees with the expectation that public infrastructure and community facilities will be properly cared for and maintained to a high standard. A reduction in maintenance activities, particularly in the context of higher charges, risks undermining public confidence and may create the impression that residents are being asked to pay more while receiving less in return.I respectfully encourage the Council to reconsider this balance and ensure that any increase in fees is matched by a clear commitment to maintaining or improving maintenance standards for the benefit of the community.

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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

I don’t know

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

Do not support

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Do not support

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

In my view, the Council's priority should be to ensure that public funds are allocated carefully and responsibly, focusing on the most essential services and projects that deliver clear and meaningful benefits to the community. Thoughtful prioritisation and prudent financial management are particularly important during times when many households are facing increasing financial pressures.While I recognise that the Council requires revenue to maintain services and support the continued development of our city, it is equally important to acknowledge that residents and ratepayers are also managing rising living costs. Continued increases in rates place a significant burden on many families and individuals.I therefore respectfully encourage the Council to consider exercising greater restraint in future rate increases and to focus on efficiency, cost control, and careful prioritisation of spending. Providing some relief to ratepayers wherever possible would be greatly appreciated by the community.

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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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?

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.,Other (please specify):more rubbish bins please

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#1280

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Slow projects, poor management from Council.Traffic is terrible and getting worse and worse in Auckland.While AKL households' cost of living is getting higher and higher, lots of families can't afford mortgage repayments, the unreasonable increase of rates would make life harder. Stop spending on unnecessary projects, stop wasting taxpayers' money rather than increasing households' rates. The poor leadership from AKL council is disappointing whole community.

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Terrible strategy. NZ economics is not getting any better, but council is adding extra burden on residents.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

I didn't see anything getting better in my local board area for past 20 years living here. However more and more case of burglary, random smashing cars at midnight happened. Public security is getting worse.

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.

Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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

Support

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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Poor management and poor strategy

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

Traffic is getting worse and worse. I don't see any long term sustainable plan in past so many years, not much confident on the current council management.

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#1291

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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

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Tell us why

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B. Reduce grants funding.

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

I support all of them but rates are already enormous so these works should be done more efficiently.

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.,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.

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#1301

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

Support most

Tell us why

In my neighborhood, the city is installing more traffic light intersections instead of less expensive and more environmental roundabouts. Why is this?I also object to rezoning to medium density in the Unworth Heights area, because it results in increased parking (on verges, etc.), more rubbish, utilities, and blocks sunlight.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I object to residential parking permits.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

No concerns

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?

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Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

I don’t know

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

Support

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

Limit medium density housing in single-family home neighborhoods and help us get around in a climate friendly way by building more roundabouts instead of traffic lights.

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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

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

Hibiscus and Bays,Manurewa,Ōtara-Papatoetoe,Upper Harbour

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

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

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

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

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)

Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Feedback:

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

Tell us why

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

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

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

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.

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).

Support

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

Support

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?

Reduce current service levels and/or increase fees and charges for those services

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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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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Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

Priorities are right

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?

Can't find anything on bin/bag exchange.Definitely increase parking permit fees.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

We have faith in the Board as the options set out are sensible. Big priority for us is keeping the library (Albany) and plans for a new one.

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.

Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Those who don't like the swim cost increases can have the option of several safe free beaches close by.

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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Please don't cut anything to do with the libraries. They are such an important community asset

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

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6	**Economic development and events –** growing Auckland's economy and supporting events, tourism and creative industries.

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3	**Planning and infrastructure to manage growth –** planning how and where Auckland grows, rebuilding urban centres, improving infrastructure, and coordinating land-use with public services.
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2	**Transport –** roads, public transport, walking and cycling, and making it easier, safer and more sustainable for people to move around
5	**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?

Libraries and Local Parks - because we use them a lotTransport -because we are under an NOR because of the views of a 'curve specialist'.Walking - we are elderly and walk a lot with dogs on busy roads with no footpaths

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

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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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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I'm not getting any value for the rates being paid. I don't have local community center in my area, no buses/public transport. I can't wash my own car at my car pad.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour 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. 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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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

Support

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Need more community centers

Question 6: City centre

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

Support most

Tell us why

Cus.

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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

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Um. Do whatever u want I guess.

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

I am a resident in Whenuapai. I do not see any benefits happening in my surrounding area for goods. There is no proper public transport system include CRL and all residents in Whenuapai always rely on a personal vehicle to move around. Why have you even included the CRL into our area?

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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Do not support

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I don't know

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I don't know

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I don't know

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

I am a resident in Whenuapai. I do not see any benefits happening in my surrounding area for goods.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Question 5: Looking further ahead / shaping Auckland's longer-term future

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

Proper maintenance of public park and its services, this includes any weeding and proper maintenance of public area.

Question 6: City centre

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

Support most

Tell us why

Because I use public transport a lot and would appreciate an improvement in the fares as well as the times when it is available. I don't really know much about the local boards so I can't comment on that.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I like the east coast community center upgrades as well as the outdoor sports centers as I use these facilities. I would prefer if the upgrades to public transport wouldn't impact the fares as much as I feel they are already too high demotivating people from using them.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Hibiscus and Bays

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

I support adding a new bus station as it is definitly needed in rosedale. The hobsonville sports park would also be nice for our community.

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

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

I don’t know

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

Other

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

I think community squares are safe enough so I don't support this. I support the change of fees if they are decreasing otherwise I don't. I also support community access to a wide range of recreational opportunities.

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?

Transport as making it cheaper or free would be very beneficial. It would get more people to use it as well as take cars off of the road reducing traffic and greenhouse gas emmsions.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I feel like an increase in city center parking would not be great, as prices are already really high

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Hibiscus and Bays

Hibiscus and Bays 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 and changes to fees and charges?

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Support

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Support

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

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Support all

Tell us why

I think that we should invest in transport, water and local boards, but I think we need to actually invest in it, instead of spending millions of NZD in traffic cones.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I don't pay texes, so I don't really care, but I think we need to lower them.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

I SUPPORT MY BOARD!

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

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Support

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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)

I don't want to have to pay $5 dollars just to see my 5-year-old brother swim in a public pool(option 3).

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Why are we paying for the CRL went it is not owned by the councilWhy are we paying for the up grade of the water treatment plants.I thought that was funded by WatercareI have calculated my rate increase and it is 10% not 7.9% so it confirms you can't believe what the Mayor says, but then again he is a politician so what would you expect

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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

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Waitakere Rural Sewerage Scheme.I support Option A

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Upper Harbour

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Support most

Tell us why

The recent works at Luckens Reserve were largely a waste of money given the poorly conceived and worse executed drainage and access works down to the beach which resulted in major erosion and land slip.It should have been obvious that this outcome was going to occur due to the ill-considered arrangement for the control of surface flows

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Support

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Do not support

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Support

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

Albany poolincreases seem reasonable

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Transport and growth are inextricably linkedThe present outcomes with no requirement for on-site parking are resulting in jammed streets.the style of building separate units with minimal separation is ludicrous and will result in high costs and impracticability to actually maintain these structures. How it has been permitted is a disgrace and a future burden on those unlucky to have purchased the 'dwellings'.

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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?

Devonport-Takapuna,Hibiscus and Bays,Upper Harbour,Waitākere Ranges,Waitematā

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

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

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

Support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Do not support

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

Support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

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)

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Upper Harbour 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

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Support

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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

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)

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.

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.

Support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

N/A

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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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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

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

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

Support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Do not support

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

Support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

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.

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)

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

Government funded activities for NZ's elderly, young and working population

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

Support most

Tell us why

More user pays for public transport.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

There is already a fee for refuse bins.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

Funding should be spent fairly for all regardless of deprivation.

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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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)

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

Support option 2

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

Encourage more tree planting to help mitigate global warming and support our precious wildlife. New subdivisions are wiping out our large trees. Developers should be made to preserve and replace trees.Parks for sport and recreation to improve community health outcomes.

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

I live in Auckland (Rural Area - Paremoremo). I feel that the 7.9% rates increase should be reduced for individuals (like myself and family) who need to rely on private vehicles and have limited access to public transport within the great Auckland area. This rates increase is unfair as we need to rely on private vehicles to navigate this city. I feel that those who live in rural areas would unlikely visit a transport hub to access buses, ferries, or trains to arrive at their final destination once they have decided to use a private vehicle or uber like service. Thank you.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

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Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

I don't know

Tell us why

Have not had an opportunity to look at the plan in detail yet.

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Support

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Other

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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)

Any increase in service fees are not justified.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Keeping costs down.

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

A majority of the income fromRatepayers are going towards services and facilities a large part of the Auckland population will not have access to such as the CRL.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

7.9% exceeds the CPI where most ratepayers only received an increase of up to 2% at most. The services provided with the increase do not show the value.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Council should stop using contractors for public space maintenance and revert to employing staff for this. Full time employees are cheaper than contractors.

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?

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Do not support

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Support

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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

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in 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.,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

How can it cost $235m to 'own and operate' the CRL? What about revenue from the thing? Also, what does 'respond to the needs of their communities' mean? That could capture just about any spending, much of which may be informed by ideology and/or pork-barrel politics, rather than genuine need. Water expenditure is needed. What does 'transport' mean? If it's more cycle lanes and raised crossings, that is ideological rather than sensible, both categories of which are chronically under-used

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The Council is ruining many parts of the city with 'intensification'/infill housing. Rates revenue increases substantially for little additional spend. Then Council charges residents for parking?? And is now increasing those charges?? When Council permits 6 ugly units, for example, right on the boundary of a property that used to have a nice family home next to it, with essentially no parking, it causes parking congestion in many suburbs. Roads are increasingly lined on both sides by parked cars, adding danger/accident-risk.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Upper Harbour

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Many Aucklanders are struggling and living week-to-week, and a 7.9% increase is simply too much. Just because council/government employees/contractors get annual pay increases, doesn't mean the rest of us do. These constant rate increases, for a city that is going backward in terms of livability, cause nothing but financial stress, anxiety, and hardship for Aucklanders. Ratepayers shouldn't be forced to pay a 7.9% increase to fund something that only a small percentage of Aucklanders will use and benefit from. What happened to user pays?Why haven't you considered increasing the weekly public transport cost-cap from $50 to $60 to help fund this instead? You

need to find other ways to fund this ongoing expense. It isn't fair, or ethical, to burden ratepayers with this cost.Given all the 'cost savings' and getting 'better value for every dollar', our rates should be decreasing, not increasing. Why isn't the Auckland Council looking at ways to improve our cost of living and make our lives easier? We deserve better.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Refuse bin/bag exchange fee: This is insignificant enough, so i dont have an issue with it.- Waitakere sewerage scheme: Why is this part of our rates? We already pay absurdly high costs to Watercare for wastewater management, shouldn't this be funding it?- Residential parking permit fees: Disagree.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

When times are tough, cut costs.

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Support

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Do not support

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

Question 4: Other feedback

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Reduce the rates increase, 7.9% is too high.As households, we must cut costs when times are tough, the council should be doing the same.When times are tough, it's the Council's responsibility to make things easier for us, and that is through lower rates. And guess what, TIMES ARE TOUGH RIGHT NOW. Help us Aucklanders now, instead of making our lives harder.

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streets and public spaces.,Other (please specify):Make Auckland Accessible - accept the fact that many people need to drive, so make sure there is sufficient parking

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Support most

Tell us why

It is a high increase in our rates, I am also concerned about the intensification plans for housing. It is happening faster than community services, systems like stormwater, transport and schools, hospitals, public pools etc can keep up. Home owners also did not buy anticipating a change of zoning would lead to multiple story developments going up next to them.

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Support most

Tell us why

Love the idea of a sustainable sports park in Hobsonville, we need more spaces for people to exercise and congregate outside. I think Whenuapai could do with something similar but perhaps smaller. Again, I have concerns largely around infill housing, especially large multi level complex buildings, no one wants to have one of these built next to their house and we barely have enough services to support the community as it is, we do not need to build more housing until services are in place.

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Support

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

I think bringing the community together is important, I am not supportive of the money and space the cycle initiatives take up. For example the new bridge was put in on Brigham Creek Road, it should have been made 2 lanes from earlier to ease congestion and help people get more quickly to the round about if they are turning left onto the motorway as that is often free flowing while turning right into Kumeu is standstill. Instead we have a huge cycle lane and I can probably count on one hand how many times I have actually seen it in use. If we consider the population of the people who use these cycle lines compared to those who are on public transport of driving it is disproportionate how much is invested in them.

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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Please reduce the rezoning and housing intensification, and reduce the investments being made into cycle lanes.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Make everything cheap so poor people can buy food

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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Bring Messi to every boys high school in Auckland

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Football, Football, ohhhhhhhhhhhhhhh Football

Question 6: City centre

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

Other (please specify):Football

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#1552

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

Support all

Tell us why

I like all of the aspects of the proposed annual plan. I personally the focus on public transport will help make Auckland a more sustainable, accessible city. I also like the focus on parks and other public spaces.

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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 do not have much of an opinion on these changes, as they do not effect me for the most part. Ideally less charges would be put on people, but I think it's great that the money is going towards things like public transport.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

I like the focus on public transport and public spaces.

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?

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Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

I don’t know

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

Do not support

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Support

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Support

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

Support

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

I think it is important that council resources be used efficiently, and not wasted on things that don't really matter too much. However I do believe that the funding of community and environment programmes and projects is important for a thriving city. I do not care about Albany Stadium Pool.

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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

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

I want the prioritisation of public transport. I think the council is making good strides towards better public transport, but more can always be done.

Question 6: City centre

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#1581

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Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback:

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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?

Don't support the residential permit/parking fees

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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?

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Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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

Do not support

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Question 6: City centre

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#1587

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Your feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

Most of new rate increase to fund interest payments on CRL debt shouldnt Central goverment come to the party and help pay upfornt so we have no more debt. its a better spend their money than all road of natioanl significance, is finished and supports their intensification plan so they should pay and save us a rates increase.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

If you are going to remove council scheme (which i agree with) you need home owner to provide proof that the job has been done(eg keep records) and then carry out spot checks on both tanks and records with large fines. Also up monitoring of stream to detect issues before they become a problem. For parking ok to increase fees but not on weekends or overnights if they live there also look at enabling alternate options to replace cars eg car share schemes to reduce number of parking spots needed eg trial to see if effective.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

agree with option 1 for pool charges.Also not sure what you mean about deceaseing funding for cycling inititives, a case in point is the new rosedale bus station, it needs a cycle path both ways on Rosedale road eg through reserve to Graham collins drive.

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Other

B. Reduce grants funding.

Other

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Other

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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)

Ohter - need to assess need and target grants more, also need to look at other way to reduce maintinace needed on gardens eg plant more ground cover that suppresses weeds or in some cases recover costs if adjoining properties do not control their weeds or plants eg over growht on side walks or paths.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Has any money been set aside to remove stormwater from sewerage pipes so that they dont overflow during heavy rain eg sewerage drains on glen bay close reserve always overflow in heavy rain. Its a relatively new subdivision with rian water storage tanks on many properties so this shouldnt happen - does watercare have any plans to investigate this.

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

More cycle lanes from RTN stations in to community and along major roads eg cycleway along norhtern motorway from consetlation to akaranga. More priority bus lanes it takes bus 15 to 20 minutes or more to get to consellation and same amount to get time get to the city, buses should have priority if there is room or use more dynamic lanes where is less room.

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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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#1605

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

Support most

Tell us why

Need critical review of local board purpose and wider council. Focus on pure council purpose (civic services) and respect individuals money

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Agree

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

Maintenance is essentialMinor increase when people choose to use the pool is reasonable Grants are subjective and not core activities

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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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Support

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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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Efficient use of money against core role. So need to had money used and nice to have is reduced whilst holding costs for ratepayers

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

Core civic services - need to get back to the purpose of local government. Additional services is not council of rate payer funding activities.

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#1607

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

Support most

Tell us why

The city rail link has been a nightmare from the start and now we're all having to pay for it with a massive rates increase? Council costs have gotten way out of hand and it's time to focus on the needs and not the nice to haves

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

No issue

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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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)

I do not support increasing costs to the pools as it's some people's only feasible method of swimming and attaining low impact exercise. I do support a reduction of low priority maintenance, grants funding, events and cycling initiatives. We need to focus on providing quality priority services and not always the wants or nice to haves

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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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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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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#1611

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

Support most

Tell us why

I like the focus on completing works started

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?

1. Residential Parking Permits.Having a permit should allow residents a service the rest of us enjoy for free, and revenue should be low enough for everyone. I object to increased fees.2. Bed Night LevyUnfair for any NZ resident, and should be for non residents only, but not prohibitively so.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

Not keen on adding improvements, focus on maintenance first.

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.

Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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Support

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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)

Options 2 and 3 will make access difficult. I really object to charging supervising adults, but understand the cost to facility use e.g. toilets. However a lit of families just can not pay more

Question 4: Other feedback

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I want Council to focus on core business, not event coordination, environmental or cultural improvement or creation unless it comes with no cost to the ratepayers.

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

Transport. Ive been waiting 8 years for a bus service to Scott Point because AT is waiting on road development from a private developer. The community is fed up with red tape and needs innovative solutions e.g. use all of the loop but the undeveloped section. Its nit rocket science

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Support most

Tell us why

I agree with strong investment in public transport, water and environmental protection.

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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

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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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

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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Question 6: City centre

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#1640

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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

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

N/A

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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?

Do not support most

Tell us why

There should bo no rates increases. My income has not increased, what gives you the right to think you can take more of my money?

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

All non essential expenditure should be cut. There should be no subsidies for any services. User pays.

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?

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Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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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)

I should not subsidies other people's choices.

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

Rubbish collection, road maintenance. The basic services. Nothing discretionary.

Question 6: City centre

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Support most

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Support

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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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Do not support most

Tell us why

Stop supporting transportation. This ain't the need. Look at the census results. How many homes in the area have 1+ car. Whether we like it or not Auckland has not been built for a public transport service to succeed in mind. Accept car is the main transportation. Also biking in the area is for the most time for leisure stop building bike lanes as there is no return of investment they aren't being used.

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I do not support the budget management options. Instead to support the rapid growth make the developers profiting from the development pay fo the pathways and parks. Otherwise slow down growth. The local school already can’t cope with the influx.

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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I don’t know

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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)

3 - stop investing in anything to do with cycling there are no returns on investment with a severe lack of usage. 4 - increase the user fee up to $15 if you like but the fact we charge a spectator fee is ridiculous as it is

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

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Keep out parks and spaces tidy and maintained. Consider allotments for lease to grow veggies in dense home areas. We need more schools. We need to stop wasting money on things that really are here nor there. What is essential.

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8% is still a significant increase when this is happening each year. We are only just coming to terms with the last increase, only to find it is happening again. People are struggle with the cost of living and to now be told we need to pay more rates to fund the running of the CRL is a tough pill to swallow. Are Aucklanders going to get discounted CRL prices since our rates fund it?

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Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Support most as the locals board don’t have muc choice

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

I support the lower increases in fees at the Albany pools but am concerned that reduced maintenance will mean our parks are mowed less frequently than they already are, when frequency is already an issue. Our local green space is mowed every 3 weeks and after 10 days it is already so long that the children struggle to play football in it. I would hate to see maintenance schedules pushed out further

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Forward, future planning for growth is the most important - I would like to see the council and local board apply pressure to Waka Kotahi to get a westbound on ramp/off ramp at Squadron Drive to help with the growth and road pressure in the north west .

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Stop all the nice to haves, what percentage of the community uses bike lanes, ? Realistically

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N/A

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Upper Harbour

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Support most

Tell us why

Cut spending on grants, and woke ,walking paths currently along Albany expressway are unwalkable as trees have not been trimmed, so stop the nice to haves and oly spend on needs

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

These facilities are used by a small percentage of ratepayers, let user pay, also raised pedestrian crossing st traffic lights are useless and expensive, you have to almost stop at a green light sometimes.The light controls traffic at thousands of other intersections without raised pedestrian crossings(********** madness)

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#1685

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Upper Harbour

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Support most

Tell us why

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Support

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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)

These all impact those that need funding the most. The Albany Stadium Pool increase will push it out of reach for more people and it's one of the only things some people can afford to do at the moment with their families.

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Tell us why

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Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

I do not support to increase the Albany stadium swimming free.

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

I don't know

Tell us why

Rate as it is high and its getting higher every year. It's getting to poit it is unsustainable. Council need to find other way to fund their project other the keep rasing rate.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Again council rely too much on rate to fund project

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Devonport-Takapuna,Upper Harbour

Devonport-Takapuna 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. 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.

Support

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

Support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

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.

Other

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)

Upper Harbour 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. 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.

I don’t know

B. Reduce grants funding.

I don’t know

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

I don't know

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

I don't know

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I don't know

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

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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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N/A

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

It focuses on the rail link and has no mention of upgrading existing infrastructure outside of urban areas. It also doesnt mention what it plans to do about the regular release of human waste into the sea

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Rural rates continue to rise, I dont see any improvements in Upper harbour rural areas.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

They dont address real issues of infrastructure and too many new subdivisions without any.

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.

Other

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

1. If theyre purely cosmetic go ahead.3. Definitely stop bicycle funding, Aucklanders are not and never will be supporters. Environmental issues must continue as long as they are in response to our new weather patterns. 3 why is this involving all of upper harbour?

Question 4: Other feedback

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Auckland is not just a city! If youre not going to support our infrastructure - dont keep building subdivisions in rural areas. Intensify the city so the rail link at gets used!

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

Managing urban sprawlImproving roading especially feeding motorwaysSewage system needs huge overhallIntensifing urban areas - like every other city in the world

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

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

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Money grabb8ng. Spend less at council and give rate payers a break, we are not your atm machine

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I'm sick of the wast of money putting Maori signage everywhere, even on our little Albany tennis courts

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Do not support

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Support

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

The pool is an asset and should be supported

Question 4: Other feedback

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As stated i would prefer the council to spend less internally and give rate payers a break from endless increases

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

Ideas seem sensible for the area I live, and are mainly needed in Upper Harbour.

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?

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Support

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Support

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Do not support

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Support

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

I fully support user pays. Reduce rate increases, and the burden on rate payers. My only priority is to reduce rates and have a user pay system.

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?

The city council exists to manage growth and planning public services like sewerage and stormwater as well as transport. Spending on parks and community and regional centres need to be funded through user pays. The city's infrastructure like roads, pipes and power stations need to be prioritised as the city continues to grow and depend on these services working properly.

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Support all

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?

Upper Harbour

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

Please dont stop maintenance of parks and bollards etc. The rest of the ideas are great. The swimming pool should charge more

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Do not support

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Support

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

Support

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

These are easy ways of cutting costs and make sense

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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

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

Planning and transport , please build the Rosedale Bus Station

Question 6: City centre

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Your feedback:

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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 most of this proposed annual plan. The 7.9% increase in rates puts more financial burden on the average Auckland resident when many households are already facing high living costs and are struggling to afford basic groceries. There is also a contradiction. This plan aims to help local boards respond to the needs of their communities. However, raising property rates just defeats the purpose. Higher rates will reduce disposable income and just makes it more difficult for people to benefit from welfare. Although investments in the City Rail Link as well as improvements to water

systems are important for Auckland's future, there has to be a better alternative than raising costs for everyone.

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I do not support these changes as well if residents are already facing the possibility of a significant 7.9% increase in property rates. Adding new or higher fees for city services will just bring more financial burden on households. While, yes, improving sewerage in Waitākere or managing parking through permits administered by Auckland Transport may bring some benefits to the region, introducing more fees alongside increased rates will reduce affordability for many residents living in Auckland. Public services should support communities rather than impose multiple new costs.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

In the report it says "A large part of this operational expenditure is committed to contracts for maintaining our community facilities and open spaces." It seems that the Upper Harbour local board receives more money to maintain current infrastructure than to build new or upgrade current facilities. The Upper Harbour should invest more into building more classrooms as schools are full, building more sports facilities as current capacity is overloaded, upgrade parks and rebuild the cheap broken chipseal roads into better asphalt roads.

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.

Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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Do not support

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Do not support

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

I understand that we need to implement new changes to save money. But the only acceptable options are: "reductions in 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," as these are not very useful, and increase spectator and supervising adult fees since they can afford it. However other options decrease community funding such as reduce fundings in events and cycling initiatives and makes it more difficult for people to spend time in leisure centres like the Albany Stadium Pool as it is more expensive (e.g. regular swimmers and the $4 increase in spectator fees). The $1 increase in spectator fee is more reasonable.

Question 4: Other feedback

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Increases for residential ratepayers and total rates changes are too high for a lot of families as they can't even afford basic necessities.

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

Most important ones are improving infrastructure and rebuilding urban centres in Auckland (building asphalt roads, more commercial centres e.g. malls and also more office skyscrapers) and also growing the economy and supporting local events and tourism (like marathons and cycling and beaches) as these are the most important factors to boost the happiness of communities and make Auckland a better place to live in.

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

Support most

Tell us why

I think these are good changes however the reason I don't support all is because we already have really good transport with AT.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Most of these changes such as parking spot fee increase doesn't affect me as I am a child without a car.

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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I think most of these are good changes and I am fine with them.

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

I think the ones that could save lives or the environment are the most important.

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

Support most

Tell us why

I am worried that this increase will disproportionately affect residents on fixed incomes or those in lower-valued properties whose rates may still rise significantly.I support the plan because prioritising Transport and Water is essential for Auckland's long-term physical resilience, especially after recent extreme weather events

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I am concerned that a 7.9 per cent increase significantly outpaces inflation and will put undue financial pressure on households already struggling with the cost of livingIncreasing the residential parking permit fee from $70 to $114 is a steep jump that feels like a revenue-gathering exercise rather than a simple administrative cost recovery

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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

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

Support most

Tell us why

Transport and water are important services that everyone relies on. Improving them will help Auckland in the future, but the council should also make sure that the rates stay affordable for residents.

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I think the council should be careful when increasing fees and charges. For example, the refuse bin exchange fee should not be too expensive because everyone needs to use rubbish bins.If residential parking permit fees increase, it could make it harder for people who live in busy areas and need street parking. The council should make sure the changes are fair for residents.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

These places are important for the community because they give people places to exercise, relax, and spend time with friends and family. Keeping these spaces well maintained helps make the area a better place to live.

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.

Support

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

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.

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.

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)

If services are reduced or fees increase too much, it could make it harder for some people to access community facilities or activities. It is important that changes are fair and still support the needs of the local community.

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?

I think the council should prioritise improving public transport, maintaining clean and reliable water systems, and protecting the environment. Better public transport can reduce traffic and make it easier for people to travel around Auckland. Reliable water services are important for everyone's health and daily life. Protecting the environment and green spaces is also important so future generations can enjoy a clean and healthy city.

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

Support most

Tell us why

Even though the Rosedale Bus Station is under construction and supporting transport for the people in Northshore, a train from northshore would be extremely beneficial. Since many in Northshore need to take more than 2 buses to reach to the city and then catch the train from there. Additionally, on many occasions trains in the city are out of service, this is inconvenient to people who need to travel through trains everyday to work to the South and West. Adding a train station to Northshore can be of benefit for more than 1,000 people per day, making it more efficient to travel. Northshore

also has the largest college in New Zealand holding over 4,000+ students whom also require transport to reach home.

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Devonport-Takapuna,Upper Harbour

Devonport-Takapuna 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

To foster community relationships we require libraries to be open more and community events to happen. The government should fund more money on community halls so that we can hold events without breaking our banks, think about additional costs we have to pay eg,equipments, food, audio production etc.

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

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

Support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

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.

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.

Support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

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)

Mentioned above: Need more support funding on community halls and more library opening hours to foster and build healthy community relationships.

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.

I don't know

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.

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)

Other

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

Support

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

Support

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

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Even though the Rosedale Bus Station is under construction and supporting transport for the people in Northshore, a train from northshore would be extremely beneficial. Since many in Northshore need to take more than 2 buses to reach to the city and then catch the train from there. Additionally, on many occasions trains in the city are out of service, this is inconvenient to people who need to travel through trains everyday to work. Adding a train station to Northshore can be of benefit for more than 1,000 people per day, making it more efficient to travel.

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

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funding- To foster community growth and increasing social well-being, which will increase New Zealand overall health.

Question 6: City centre

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#1903

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Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback:

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Support all

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

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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#2110

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

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Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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

N/A

Question 6: City centre

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#2229

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

Support most

Tell us why

You have a huge population and massive budget to manage that you seem to be trying to spend in the best possible way.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Very disappointed in this hike. We are struggling financially already. The CRL is too expensive - crazy operational costs and I think will be high risk for people too - how will you monitor security on these trains?

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

I agree that Albany pool rates must be increased. However, I'm concerned that if bush areas are not well maintained, they may become fire risks.

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.

Support

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

Support

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Support

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

Reducing maintenance (#1) may lead to suburbs looking more run down. Homelessness may become a problem in these unmaintained bush areas. Fire risk increases in unmaintained bush. By reducing grant funding, you will make the organisation seeking funding have to be more creative in what they deliver and how they do it. The work will continue but in a different manner to how it looked when more grant money was available.

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

Planning infrastructure to manage growth - if you don't, more areas will be prone to flooding and infrastructure won't cope with the growth. Everything fails if this isn't planned - including access to services and facilities. Eg. lack of doctors, clogged road networks. You need to ensure you're planning growth collaboratively with the broad spectrum of providers - transport, health, education etc.

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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#2245

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

Support all

Tell us why

Sensible choices and effective use of budget, I trust major to treat Auckland city as a business and seek best value for money everywhere

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

All makes sense apart from charging residents to park outside their own houses!

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

Lots of good stuff happening

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Do not support

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

Reduce costs where possible by reducing services or getting more competitive pricing from alternative providers. A few dollars at the swimming pool doesn't make sense, target larger expenses and keep public amenity cost effective

Question 4: Other feedback

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#2263

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

Support most

Tell us why

looks positive

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I am horrified that my rates are going up significantly AGAIN. Last year they went up by nearly 25%. From $270/month to $344/month.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Rodney

Rodney 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 roadside weed control. Very hard to to maintain control on our properties when weeds are not controlled beyond the borders.

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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6	**Economic development and events –** growing Auckland's economy and supporting events, tourism and creative industries.
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Infrastructure. If that is in place and works well then looking after our environment, flood resilience, economic development etc will also improve.

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

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

#2287

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Support most

Tell us why

I think we are making progress as a city. Slowly, but progress none the less.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Nobody likes rates going up, but nobody likes sewage overflowing onto beaches either & would prefer to drink clean water. I would say go ahead.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

I feel that the proposed cuts are false economies that will need to be paid for further down the track. I would be particularly unhappy if the Local Board's cycle initiatives were cut. My children have benefitted from the AT cycle training delivered at primary school.

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

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

Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

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)

If costs must rise, then Option 1 seems least objectionable.

Question 4: Other feedback

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I'm looking forward to seeing the Citylink network come online later this year (even if I don't use it much as a resident on the North Shore).

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3	**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?

Libraries are particularly important as free and open public spaces that you don't need to pay to enter. They have important and useful community functions.

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

Getting around – make it easier to walk, drive, cycle and use public transport in the city centre and from east to west, including better traffic flow.,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.,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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#2295

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Paying for CRL by rates increase is unfair to most Aucklanders as there is only a small corridor of track. No good for North Shore or Eastern Suburbs. Cant even park at Bus station to get bus to catch a train!

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Only helping those directly affected. Subsidising other areas with no benefit

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour 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. 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?

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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.

Support

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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The climate change in our rates should be abolished. Not against the efforts by council but what they achieve is negated by AT and all their speed humps. light phasings, chicanes etc causing so much more co2 emitted by vehicles slowing speeding up, slowing, speeding up, especially by heavy vehicles

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The transport!

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#2357

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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?

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

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

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Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

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

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#2390

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

I don't know

Tell us why

I do not support the proposed annual plan because the 7.9% rates increase is too high for many residents. The council should consider more options

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I do not support the proposed changes, especially the introduction of refuse bin fees and increased parking permit charges, as they will add extra costs for residents

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Henderson-Massey

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

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

think the council should prioritise economic development, as it can create more jobs and support long-term growth. A stronger economy will also help improve overall living standards

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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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Upper Harbour

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Support most

Tell us why

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Do not support

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Other

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Do not support

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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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#2445

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Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

I support most expenditure in the areas outlined on page 8-9, with the exception of the transport reform to bring AT into council. I think this is a massive waste of rate payer money and completely unnecessary. I support all of the other transport related activities (Eastern Busway, CRL go-live, level crossing removal and delivering other planned capital works) besides this. I strongly support the rates increase majority expenditure being CRL as the benefits to Auckland from CRL will be enormous.

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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 strongly support increases to the residential parking permits (AT) and support the other changes to fees & charges in line with inflation. I agree with the proposed new local services targeted rates fro Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board and Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board. I'm neutral towards the proposed rates changes related to the BIDs.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

The 25/26 pie graph showing the split of current spending balances priorities well in my opinion.

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.

Support

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

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)

I strongly oppose reduction in maintenance. Mulching & garden infill planting etc is essential to keeping our local board looking tidy and inviting rather than shabby and third-world. I support the other ideas to make up the deficit because the money has to come from somewhere and these things are lower priority in my opinion, than maintenance (except that I don't support Option 3 for the Increase fees and charges for spectators and supervising adults. a $4 fee hike is too much when parents/spectators aren't using the facilities.)

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

Continue improving public transport (e.g. more dedicated bus lanes and Transit lanes), walking & cycling (more cycles ways please).

Question 6: City centre

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

Getting around – make it easier to walk, drive, cycle and use public transport in the city centre and from east to west, including better traffic flow.,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.,Other (please specify):Deal with the homelessness problem.

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#2461

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

1. The increase in property taxes is excessive. Given current living standards, such a significant increase in the burden on families will cause numerous social problems.2. Increasing Auckland-wide property taxes to support a subway project with ever-increasing budgets, without providing contingency plans for potential future operational issues. If problems arise with the subway's operation, will the budget be increased again, leading to further property tax increases? Furthermore, the subway is an operational project; there should be profit projections and plans for how profits will be used to benefit the people of Auckland.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We oppose constantly adjusting waste disposal methods, as each change leads to significant upfront work and costs, resulting in excessive expenditure.We oppose increasing parking fees in urban commercial areas, as this is detrimental to business operations.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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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#2476

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N/A

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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Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

We don't need a city center focused city. spend more on the local and regional areas. Spread the spend out to these areas.

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?

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I don’t know

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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Do not support

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I don't know

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I don't know

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?

N/A

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

Other (please specify):None - invest and improve the local hub's and centers

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#2486

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Organisation: ASIAN CULTURE AND MEDIA INNOVATION HUB INCORPORATED

Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback:

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Regarding the average 7.9% increase in property taxes, I understand it's related to the long-term costs of the City Rail Link (CRL).However, I believe the current allocation method is too 'average,' and not entirely fair to residents with different income levels and varying degrees of benefit.I suggest the City Council consider:• A more tiered property tax system (e.g., a higher percentage for high-value or investment properties)• Exploring more diverse financing methods (e.g., special fees, user fees)to alleviate the direct burden on ordinary families.Regarding the new garbage bin/bag replacement fee, I understand its initial intention is to reduce waste and improve resource efficiency.However, I suggest that in the initial implementation phase:• Provide a certain number of free or subsidized replacements (especially for larger families or special groups)• Establish clear fee standards and a transparent mechanism to avoid placing additional financial burden on some families.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

First, there needs to be continuous improvement in the transportation system, including the reliability and coverage of public transportation and addressing road congestion.Second, there's the water and infrastructure system, including water supply, drainage, and flood control capabilities. With the increasing frequency of extreme weather events in recent years, the stability of this type of infrastructure is directly related to urban safety and the basic livelihood of residents.

Question 6: City centre

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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.,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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#2547

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Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Auckland Council again fails to prioritise its services to its income and statutory responsibilities. It remains overstaffed, and captured by ideology to prioritise 'nice to haves' over the priorities of its rate payers.Council has deeply imbedded climate action and affirmative action for Maori into its systems and processes adding cost with no measurable benefit for the majority of ratepayers struggling with the cost of living.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Disagree with 1 and 4. The replacement of the annual inorganic collection with a booked system has already increased fly tipping. The food scraps collection is expensive and poorly supported - a solution looking for a problem. There are now 5 large trucks per fornight collecting waste in my street and spewing greenhouse gases in the process. To reduce the losses on waste management fix these issues rather than introducing new fees. Rather than increase residential parking permit fees in an attempt to 'force' ratepayers to give up their vehicles and use public transport or cycle ways council should seek ratepayer preferences and respond to that. Different parts of the city will have different preferences.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

The Upper Harbour Board appears more pragmatic than other local boards. However I believe that "maintenance" should not be the first priority for cuts, Rather "grants" should be. Reducing maintenance affects all ratepayers, reducing or cancelling "grants" only affects select groups.

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.

Support

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

Support

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Support

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

I believe that "maintenance" should not be the first priority for cuts, Rather "grants" should be. Reducing "maintenance" affects all ratepayers, reducing or cancelling "grants" affects only select groups.The stadium and the pool were built on the premise they would be self funding. They have both been loss making since inception, the stadium especially, is a "white elephant". I believe that the majority, at least 60%, of operating costs, including interest and depreciation, should be funded from fees not rates.

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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The Auckland Council Annual Plan, with its 7.9% average rate increase, (and previous excessive increases) reinforces for me that Auckland Council lacks any 'power of general competence' and cannot be trusted with a prudent execution of the 'four wellbeings mandate'. I therefore support mandatory rate caps and a return to the 1974 Local Government Act

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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 its core functions as legislated: public safety (including environmental resiliance) , clean water, safe disposal of waste, street lighting, roads and public transport. If there are funds left over then prioritise parks, community and recreational facilities.I consider economic development to be a central government responsibility and planning/hosting or underwriting the cost of events should be left to the private sector.

Question 6: City centre

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#2591

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Your feedback:

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

The rates need to increase every year it increased to extremely amounts that nobody can pay. Where does the money go haven't seen any difference except filling the councils pocket. Decrease the rates I am so glad the government is putting a cap on rates rise. That comes in effect very soon. Goodbye browns pool. The pool is great yeah right. You live in ponsby and never come back.

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?

Decrease the rates again.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Albert-Eden

Albert-Eden 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

Decarease the rates

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

A. Restoration planning for Waititiko / Meola Creek, to leverage the improvements in water quality that will be achieved through the Central Interceptor.

Do not support

B. Investigating how to respond to future growth expected in our area.

Do not support

C. Trialling free off-peak access for Gold Card holders to swim at Mt Albert Aquatic Centre.

Do not support

3. Kingsland Business Society Inc is proposing to expand the geographic boundary of its Business Improvement District programme to include areas around the north end of Morningside Drive, and to increase the amount of targeted rate funds to be collected from $245,000 to $370,000 per year. If it is successful, ratepayers of business

properties located within the BID expansion area will be required to pay the associated BID targeted rate. Do you support this proposal?

Do not support

Tell us why

Decrease the rates

Question 4: Other feedback

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Decrease the rates

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

Libraries

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

Support most

Tell us why

I support the focus on essential transport and water infrastructure to ensure Auckland's long-term resilience. However, I have concerns about the 7.9% rates increase during a cost-of-living crisis, even though I recognize the City Rail Link costs must be covered.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I oppose the increase in residential parking permit fees and the new bin exchange fee, as these add extra costs to basic services during a high-inflation period.

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

I prioritize economic development and major events because they are vital for Auckland's global reputation and local business vitality. Investing in these areas drives tourism, supports hospitality and retail sectors, and ensures Auckland remains a competitive, vibrant destination that can fund its own future growth.

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Support most

Tell us why

It has ticked the boxes for growth and development

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Further fees is a blow in a way

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Rodney,Upper Harbour

Rodney Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

Again it has been assessed well except Dairly Flat area Hobson Heights Road need to be approved for growth of apartments and housing. It will align with infrastructure growth so that more people live in the vicinity to access funded infrastructure.Regards

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

Mentioned on previous comment

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

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

Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Support

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

Support

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Support

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

Support

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

Except to make the best use of these amenities council could consider housing approval or chnage in Zone on hobson heights road which is in proximity to above amenities

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?

Please consider change of zone on hobson heights road lucas heights albany so that more people can access amenities in Albany mall so that more economic development can occur

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Do not support any

Tell us why

I see none of these benefits in rural Rodney

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Last year you screwed me with a 15% rates rise. I am in rural Rodney and oppose further gouging

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Rodney

Rodney 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

Again you offer nothing for my locality

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?

Repair infastructure before its destroyed such as many roads are allowed to slip away - eg Paremoremo Road. All 4 recent slips due to lack of maintenance and decay. Repairs done at massive avoidable cost

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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?

Do not support any

Tell us why

With the increased cost of living and now the fuel prices rising drastically, I do not support any or at most a minimal rates increase. The council should instead focus on better spending of its money, and cutting costs and consultancy fees to have the necessary funds to provide services rather than hiking another big rates increase on ratepayers who are struggling right now.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I have no comment on the kingsland, waitakere or onehunga changesI do not support an Auckland transport increase to residential parking permit fees as people parking on the street are often due to lack of urban planning for off street parking and therefore they should not be punished for it.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Hibiscus and Bays,Upper Harbour

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Support

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

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.

I don't know

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

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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.

I don't know

B. Reduce grants funding.

I don't know

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

I don't know

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Do not increase our rates, we are struggling enough as it is

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

more roads and better infrastructure to allow for less congestion as well as planning for more off street parking in urban developments

Question 6: City centre

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Q6: What improvements do you think we should prioritise in 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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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I do not care.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Hibiscus and Bays,Upper Harbour

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

They need more money for local decisions.

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

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

I don’t know

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

Support

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

Support

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

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

They should have more money for local decisions.

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?

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

I don’t know

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

Support

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Question 6: City centre

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

The cost of living has gone through the roof in the last 2-3 years and now you are proposing a 7.9% rates increase! We don't even have finished roads in Hobsonville, where I live, yet we are being expected to pay even more in rates. Also, our properties have dropped in value significantly (in my case around 12%) yet this will not be reflected in the CV. I think you should focus on cutting costs and all the unnecessary expenses before you start raising the rates (unless, of course, your goal is to drive productive, tax-paying Aucklanders out of the region).

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Again, more cost with no actual improvements over the current situation.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

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

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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

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

These are all luxury items. People are struggling to pay for groceries, their mortgages and, currently, petrol.

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?

We need to prioritise essential infrastructure.

Question 6: City centre

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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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Hibiscus and Bays

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

Its absolutely atrocious. I'm paying for things that I havent been using in the past and once again Auckland Council is increasing my bills for things I won't be using or isn't related to me in my case!.The city rail will be something I won't ever use!!! However we have all being held responsible via the city rates to pay for something that wasn't thought through by the Muppets who sit there and make these calls.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Waste of money as usual. It doesn't appear that our money is being put to good use. Instead it seems like we're paying the wages for the SLT members.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Rodney,Upper Harbour

Rodney 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

Again - we're paying rates for things we won't use and isn't related to us.

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Support

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Support

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Support

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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)

In the midst of financial hardship that people are facing why do you think its okay to continue raising the cost for everything? So you have money money to spend on unnecessary things

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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Stop increasing our rates and wasteful spending. Its awful and I think people calling the shots at Auckland council need to be sacked. Exercise common sense rather than ripping people off. You're finding ways of increasing everything and spending money on things not every household require for example the compost bin! I have a garden already but here I am wasting money on a ********** bin I NEVER use!!!!

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AT has done enough damage to the city centre by placing useless cycling lanes, widening footpath for no apparent reason! It has killed foot traffic. They are doing more harm to places acrosses Auckland. Takapuna is a great example - made one way street and killed off so many businesses. Go have a look at all the stores now for lease. Once a pumping area has become dead.

Question 6: City centre

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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?

Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.,Supporting businesses – help businesses succeed by making them easier to access by attracting more visitors to the city with well-designed streets and public spaces.,Other (please specify):Stop adding cycling lanes, bus lanes when transportation is awful In auckalnd.

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

It's just more of the same with no actual impact for majority of the population. Why does someone living on the shore have to pay for CRL? Connecting buses around Upper Harbour region are still disappointing and dense housing has made parking at all park and rides almost impossible to get

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Increase in rates in a joke and should be capped. Can't see the benefits of where this increase is going.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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Support

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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)

Question 4: Other feedback

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Do not support most

Tell us why

CRL helps CBD dwellers and almost none living on the shore, but everyone has to fund it equally. The facts that there is no train service connecting north shore and CBD is abysmal. It's like painting a room in a house-build prior to completing the house frame itself.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

BID is fine if you have surveyed the demand, bin exchange fees are once in a while so they are fine, sewerage is important, to pay for parking in front of your own house is another abysmal idea

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support any

Tell us why

increase swimming cost and reduce maintenance. double losses to an 8% rates increase.

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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)

reduce maintenance will drive us back to living in a bush. you can reduce grants and cycling initiaives, events that no one cares about.changing Albany pool price is another low impact moves that will just annoys locals.

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reduce your organization size, make building consent free of charge for homeowners repairing their homes (not new build). Look for other investment/ capital building method on infrastructure rather than legally robbing citizens above inflation rates.

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free of charge building consent/ certificate of acceptance for home owner doing their house maintenance. in most cases it cost more than the maintenance/ repair itself which is a revenue driven mindset rather than compliance.

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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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#2925

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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?

Hibiscus and Bays

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

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#3012

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Support most

Tell us why

7.9% rate increase is too much. The property value is dropping while The rate is increasing. The money has not been wisely used. A lot of wastage in the money we paid. We can see how bulky and slow the govt. system is . Not as efficient and wise as it should be.

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Don't increase the rate to 7.9%. A 2% is acceptable

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Build a swimming pool or library in hobsonville

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Support most

Tell us why

Increasing rates by 7% (significant increase) to enable city link seems unfair for all the people who are unable to use it. I get it, investment needs to be made but its only benefitting a small niche of people who work along one of these train lines and work specifically in Auckland CBD. When are we going to invest in capability for people to cycle over the harbor??

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Sounds reasonable.

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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)

Removing investment in Cycling programs is preposterous to me. We are supposed to be a clean green country, and we are looking at REDUCING spending on cycling? We should be encouraging people to cycle to get them out of their cars, clogging up a roads. We need to break the car culture that we have otherwise people will never start to consider public transport and it will continue to run at a eye watering loss.

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Public transport. Its a huge city, footprint similar to London but 10 million people less. People don't want to come here because of traffic - we have a reputation for having traffic! We need public transport to replace car culture in Auckland as the first option people consider when travelling.

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

Stop all non-essential services. Do what people do when budget is tight

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Submitter details:

Organisation: N/A

Local Board: Upper Harbour

Your feedback:

Question 1: Our overall plan and proposed increases to rates

Our Annual Plan 2026/2027 builds on the first two years of our Long-term Plan 2024-2034 (LTP). It focuses on continuing to strengthen our finances and Auckland's physical resilience, while investing where it is needed most to meet the needs of our growing communities.

In 2026/2027 that includes prioritising investment in:

- **Transport**
- **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

There is other things that matters to Aucklanders you can do to reduce the cost of living in this difficult time. No more rates increase, we cannot put up more increase to get our money wasted on these never fishished unrealistic projects

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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- **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?

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Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support any

Tell us why

They do not do anything good to help normal hard working people in the community

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.

Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

I don't know

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

Support

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Do not support

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Do not support

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

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