



Annual Plan 2026/2027

Written Feedback

Waitematā Local Board

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Support all

Tell us why

Transport is necessary to connect all the suburbs

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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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It is good to have access to the Annual Plan and provide feedback about it.

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Cultural activities and recreation activities

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My comment throughout this is that user needs to start to pay and the council cannot keep relying on the rate payer to fund

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Parking permits should not be raised or even implemented. We pay our rates and any extra income that is accumulated by fines should help pay for the administrative costs.

Question 3: Local board priorities**Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Waitematā

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I don't know

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I don't know

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I don't know

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

Support

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Support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Do not support

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

There needs to be a more user pay than relying solely on the rate payers I don't know

Question 4: Other feedback

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Residents parking increase is excessive.

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Proposed Resident Parking Permit Fee Increase – Feedback

I am writing regarding the proposed increase to the annual resident parking permit fee from \$70 to \$114 as part of the 2026/2027 budget. I strongly oppose this change.

While I understand that this is the first fee adjustment in 13 years and that higher operating costs have been cited, I believe this proposal is disproportionate and unfair to local residents. Ratepayers already contribute significantly through general rates and are now being asked to pay more simply to park outside their own homes.

Furthermore, there appears to be inconsistency in policy application. Nearby streets such as Bassett Road and Seaview Road, a few hundred metres from my residence at **** Street, Parnell, do not appear in Auckland Transport's residential parking zone street lists and, as far as I can see from signage and practice, residents there are not subject to the same permit requirements. Bassett Road is mentioned only in the context of not being added to the proposed Remuera residential parking zone because its parking occupancy was below the 85% threshold Auckland Transport uses to justify a zone. However, the parking bottleneck at the bottom of Bassett Road, just before the roundabout leading into Brighton Road, causes delays most mornings and afternoons. If these policies are genuinely about easing congestion and supporting resident parking, rather than primarily increasing revenue from permits and fines, the decision not to include Bassett Road should be reconsidered.

I also question whether Auckland Transport has adequately considered operational efficiencies that could offset the need for such a steep increase. Technological advancements, including AI-assisted monitoring and automated enforcement systems, should by now have reduced the overall cost of permit administration and enforcement compared to 2013. Additionally, increases in parking fine revenue over recent years should help cover operating costs, rather than further burdening residents through sharp permit fee rises.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that the proposed increase be reconsidered or significantly reduced.

Regards,

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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

Support

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Support

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Support

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Do not support

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Libraries and playgrounds.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Reducing services such as rubbish collection, adding extra charges and increasing rates at more than twice the rate of inflation suggests poor cost management and a history of spending our rates on the wrong things. We were promised rates would be tightly managed and the right things focused on. We need to see money spent on essentials and things which will offer long term benefit first and a change in the attitude that rates will increase as much as Council wants every year come rain or shine.

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The increase proposed is nearly 50% that's BIG increase. However I would support increasing the admin fee for residential parking permits if the number of free and paid parking permits per year was also increased. Currently its 50 free and 50 paid. If this could be increased to say 100 free and 50 paid OR 100 free and 100 paid this would provide better service for residents who are paying on top of high rates to park in front of their own houses. All it takes is a few visitors for a family event and you have used up most of your free permits.

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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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Water infrastructure, sewerage, stormwater etc..... I'd also like you to stop putting in endless cycle lanes which cost a fortune, make many roads unsafe and significantly increase congestion. The development of Gt North Rd has made it slow, congested, very unsafe and terrible for local businesses.

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Do not support any

Tell us why

we have to live within our means, all families are looking for ways reduce spending but council seems unable to stop itself spending far more than inflation every year

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10 years ago you could park outside your house for free...now some of us have to pay \$70 a year...now you want to double that BECAUSE YOU CANT RUN THE SYSTEM FOR LESS THAN \$141 per permit...then get rid of the system!...we can't pay you to screw us!

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efficiency and savings....just like i tell my children, spend less save more

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Tell us why

As with most businesses before looking to hand costs onto customers businesses are encouraged to look at ways of cost savings internally. I personally have a number of acquaintances working for or as part of council initiatives and the sheer wasted money on consultants etc is staggering. No commercially run business would be allowed to approve such costs.

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We live in the 1011 area and already face significant rates - based on property valuations that simply are not realistic, most properties are now selling for less than CV - so this is merely inflated to increase our rates. Similarly residential parking permits were forced upon us. With limited offstreet parking in the Ponsonby area we are always challenged to find parks in our own streets - even with the residential permits being imposed, short term parking is used significantly in our street - becomes a revolving door so actually it is better for us to take our cars out rather than try to secure a park and walk.

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Support

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I don't know

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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)

Library hours can be reduced with out significantly impactinbg customers - our local library is nit that busy as is.

Reduce Maintenance of Bollard / Posts etc - unsure what that is.

Community grant and accomodation funding in our central area is nit appropriate as costs too much - allocate to lower decile areas. Support

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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#2102

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Proposal to Increase residential parking permit fees in specific areas:

I do not support any increase in the parking permit fee.

1. In the age of AI I fail to see how it could possibly cost over \$100 to process a new, or renew an existing permit. If the Council is correct as to the cost, and I doubt it is, then there is a much larger problem you need to solve.

2. No justification for the increased costs is provided, that is, we can't see your 'workings'/how the proposed increase was reached. If work was done on this, as is implied, then it should have been provided. This would allow rate payers to see where the waste is. See comment above about use of AI. This is not a manual world.

3. There is a complete silence on the revenue generated by the parking permit scheme from cars that do not have a permit and exceed the 120 minute parking limit. What is that revenue? By paying for a permit I contribute to the wider revenue stream resident parking areas have created. What is presented in the documentation we have access to only provides half of the story. Fine more 'overstayers' and leave the residents with permits alone.

4. We already pay, as ratepayers. As a Ponsonby resident with no off street parking, I have no other option as to where to park and I pay very significant annual rates, which are paid on time. What fees are being imposed on rate and other defaulters? Perhaps priorities are misaligned?

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N/A

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N/A

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



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#2108

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Support most

Tell us why

There should be no subsidy for tourism ... in fact funding for tourism promotion and infrastructure should be 100% funded from tourism levies

I couldn't identify budget allocated to address stormwater deficiencies in the region of The Strand / St George's Bay Rd

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Residential intensification plans are impacting Aucklanders lifestyles eg no room for boat / caravan parking ... and inadequate parking for cars

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

The Local Boards receive inadequate funding to deliver meaningfully on anything

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Support

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Do not support

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Support

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Do not support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Support

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

The emphasis needs to be on livable city and healthy lifestyles.

This Board has been hijacked by a small number of activists as evidenced by the Erebus monument debacle, and failed its community. Support

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The high level goals of liveable city, sustainable city, healthy lifestyles represent a simple priority framework

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#2114

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Too expensive after years of ongoing increases

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Oppose the increase in the resident parking permit cost increase

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Kia ora,

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#2121

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I don't know

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I strongly disagree with the proposed increase of residential parking permits, especially by over 50%.

1. If the Council wishes to enforce a paid parking scheme in the area as a revenue generating exercise, then the Council should bear the subsequent admin cost of providing parking permits for residents.

2. Personally, for the reasons stated above, I do not believe it is reasonable to impose a parking permit fee on residents at all. However, to increase the fee so dramatically (by well over 50%) during a cost of living crisis is an unfair imposition. I live in Grafton where my flatmates and neighbours are largely university students, who are already struggling financially. I imagine the situation is similar for most inner city suburbs that require residential permits.

3. It feels especially egregious for the Council to increase the cost of parking permits when such little effort is put into providing adequate, safe parking for residents. There are frequent car break-ins in Grafton, 4/5 of my flatmates have had their cars broken into while parked on our street. Despite requests, unwieldy trees on the street blocking the view of security cameras have not been trimmed. The street lighting is inadequate and contributes to an unsafe environment and issues such as car break-ins. It is offensive for Council to request residents to pay even more for parking permits, when they don't even provided safe, secure on-street parking,

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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

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



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

Support most

Tell us why

I'm only trying to give feedback on the Residential Parking Permits cost increases you have asked for

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

The cost you quote to create the permits is excessively high, I'm in business and would obtain quote on other options

I think \$100 for an annual Residential Parking Permit is a fair price

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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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I urge Council to include a carve-out or reduced fee for residents who have no access to off-street parking.

Residents with off-street parking can choose to avoid, or at least limit, permit fees. That choice is not available to some inner-city residents. For example, Cooper Street (Arch Hill) is one of Auckland's oldest residential streets and was largely developed without off-street parking, as private vehicles were not common at the time. This is expressly recognised in the 2025 Auckland Council Special Character Findings Report, which notes that in Arch Hill most houses do not have off-street parking. In addition, residents are often constrained in their ability to introduce carports or garages, as much of Arch Hill is subject to the Special Character Areas Overlay under the Auckland Unitary Plan.

The proposed increase to \$114 fails to account for this group of residents. Whether a household has one vehicle, or for larger families, two vehicles, this change doubles the cost and creates a genuine financial burden year after year.

Residential parking permits were introduced to prevent central suburbs from becoming free parking for commuters. They were not intended to penalise residents who live centrally and do not have access to off-street parking.

For these reasons, Council should amend the proposal to include a carve-out or reduced fee for residents without access to off-street parking.

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Waitematā

Waitematā 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 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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I don't know

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

This is feedback on price of residential parking permits: Do not increase. The price is already high to park outside my own house. The original intent of the permit was to dissuade non-residents from parking there. Therefore, use the money from parking fines (ie from the people who generated the issue in the first place) to cover the cost of the parking permit process. There is clearly significant revenue being generated currently, as the AT cars drive past frequently each day.

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

Library reduced hours: The Grey Lynn library always has people using it whenever I go there (at all different times of the day). I don't support reducing the hours. Do not support

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I'd like the council to be more user friendly and to feel like you care. Most of what I see as a resident is bureaucracy, increasing fees (or worse, money grabbing) and mismanaged spend. You treat us like children. Rather, you could encourage your people to put themselves in the shoes of residents, share what your challenges actually are and have a conversation about what solution would work best for everyone. I've pretty much given up (not quite clearly, as I'm giving you this feedback). My experience as an Auckland resident is just steadily getting worse to the extent why I wonder why I still live here.

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Tell us why

not a homeowner

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Do not support any

Tell us why

We are stuck on a cost recovery basis instead of a value basis driving efficiencies

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Increasing the costs to cover Council's running costs, while sounding sensible, simply allows costs to blow out without control. The residential parking system can be handled by AI without much human involvement. I'd rather the Council be incentivised to reduce costs rather than simply pass them on.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Ōrākei

Question 4: Other feedback

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Tell us why

the cost of living is at a record high on top of that cost of petrol.

now is not the time for increases as the community is already struggling.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I absolutely do not support this. when your a councilor you get paid a considerable amount of money to be able to afford these things.

Not everyone has that luxury cost of petrol is at its highest ever.

And the people will struggle more.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki 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

look at it not impressed

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

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

Support

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

Other

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

I don't know

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

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

Other

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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this is good

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flooding and disaster planning

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#2165

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Why should every household have to pay for a council vanity project? Putting in rail to places that most people don't need to go to, or can't access because they don't have a train near their household to get to these new stations.

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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?

Residential Parking - I think the proposal is scandalous. If a digital process is costing you \$114 per permit there are clearly huge inefficiencies in your systems. You should be treating the root cause of these inefficiencies and improving your process. Rather than charge me more to cover your lack of efficiency in your processes.

I think someone has got their reporting or their cost allocation process wrong somewhere.

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 most

Tell us why

They seem to do very little with a whole lot of money. Spend it centrally, benefit everyone.

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)

You are proposing to spend less on things that matter to people, and spend more on individual vanity projects. In a country where national obesity is at an all time high, charging more for adults to take kids and themselves to the pool will turn people off going. When the government is dictating strict new literacy in schools, closing libraries will discourage kids from reading. You have your priorities wrong. Do not support

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The standard of driving in Auckland is atrocious. The traffic calming measures in Ponsonby/Grey Lynn are prehistoric. Massive trees in the middle of an island in the middle of a road. Narrow streets, Cars parked on either side of the street. Making many roads all but unpassable. You need better traffic calming, more one way streets. Take John Street as an example. It should be one way. Or parking on one side of the street only. It's a rat run for many people through a narrow and unsuitable street. More should be done to end this rat run and make the area safer for residents

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Money is not being spent wisely - if you had competition, you would be held accountable, but as you don't you increase and spend our rates on unnecessary projects

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Rates are high enough in Ponsonby without increasing the charge to park on the street outside my home. The parking permit process is not run efficiently - AI could handle it without any increase ... probably a decrease in cost. The 'renew' option has never worked but should. I have lived in the area for 24 years and have had to apply from scratch every year the permit system has been in operation.

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Do not support

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I don't know

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

I don't know

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Do not support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

I don't know

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

Do not support

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Do not support increasing residential parking fees - our rates are exorbitant enough

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#2174

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Tell us why

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Tell us why

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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)

Do not support

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I do not support the parking permits in suburbs like Parnell and those adjacent to the city. If you want a vibrant city you need people to be in the city. Supply and demand will sort this issue, I get no reserved space for on-street parking as a resident and yet you want to charge me to park on the street. This all seems highly inequitable. The costs to administer the scheme could be diverted to something far more useful.

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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If you write in English I might have a chance to understand. English should be the first language.

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Transport, fix the roads, get rid of the speed bumps, Ensure the infrastructure particularly can cope with the load and is fit for purpose.

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#2181

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Tell us why

All areas targeted require improvement

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Coinciding with the exchange fee should be a rebate for those who do not get their bin emptied in any one week

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Albert-EdenSupport allHaving a local board working to improve community well-being is sensibleSupportSupportDo not supportSupportBusinesses should contribute to improving their local area, although credit should be provided for those who can show that they have invested funds into improving their local area

Question 4: Other feedback

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Infrastructure improvements to allow for greater density

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Support most

Tell us why

Seems most priorities are reasonable

Would like to see more efficiencies within the council particularly with the rise in ai

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I think the rise in At parking permit fees from 70 to 117 seems excessive to do in a single year. Accept it hasn't risen since 2013 but then it should have looked at earlier. Also have to accept that this is the true cost of the fee. No supporting explanation. The fee can certainly be increased but over a few years

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Support most

Tell us why

There are many needs to be addressed but they all can't be addressed at one time

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Do not support

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

Support

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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)

1. Libraries are an essential service and provide great community support in many different ways
2. Happy to accept this
3. In times of need we shouldn't reduce funding
4. This is a reasonable increase
5. Green spaces are important for well being and support many good activities Do not support

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Support most

Tell us why

It's not clear Auckland will actually benefit from the CRL at that level of cost. It should be a flat levy rather than based in property value to reflect cost to benefit.

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I came here to challenge the residential parking permit fee increase. It makes no sense to me that it would cost \$114 to process a residential parking permit. YOU NEED TO USE AI. I can help or find someone that can.

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Do not support most

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Support

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Support

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I don't know

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Do not support

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There should be NO!! parking charges for the owners of XX, YY and ZZ Sarsfield Street Herne Bay, until all the tunnelling for the stormwater is complete (approx. three years) as we can't park in the street for machinery. Please respond

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Support all

Tell us why

Critical infrastructure

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

All supported proposed changes, necessary infrastructure

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Waitematā

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Support all

Tell us why

Well considered.

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

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Transport critical as city is expected to grow. Managing growth and urban centres which people want to live and recreate in is critical - to make the city a desirable place to live.

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We write concerning the future of the Waitākere Rural Sewerage Scheme and associated targeted rate. We own XX Piha Road, Piha, assessment number XXX.

We support ending the scheme and associated targeted rate on 30 June 2027 (being the end of the currently contracted three-year service cycle), allowing property owners to arrange private pump-outs, likely at lower cost for most.

Thank you

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In relation to residential parking permits - I do not think the rates should be increased. We live in a residential parking permit area and therefore have to buy a permit. I do not think our street should be in the parking permit area as it was never difficult to get a park on it before the permits were introduced. It seems to just be a revenue generating scheme from the Council. I do not agree that we should have to pay more for something the council has unnecessarily introduced. If the scheme costs too much to administer I would be happy to remove the scheme instead.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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As previously mentioned, I do not agree with increasing the cost of parking permits. This has been imposed on us by Council when it was not required in the first place. It is difficult to find the funds for this as it is, and will be more difficult going forward.

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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?

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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#2223

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I don't agree with raising residential parking charges - many larger properties have garages plus off road parking. I think rates should be increased on large properties, as most smaller properties are struggling financially

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Albert-EdenSupport mostly don't knowSupportI don't knowSupport

Question 4: Other feedback

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I don't know or have an opinion about the first 3 points, but I'm ok with increasing the residential parking permit. I would just prefer a gradual increase, rather than a 63% increase in one year.

Question 3: Local board priorities**Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

Waitematā

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I don't know

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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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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)

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Support most

Tell us why

Clearly transport, water and local communities are absolute priorities, but so is responding to climate change and looking after the environment. I'd like to see more focus on this, while acknowledging that a lot of the water focus is responding to increased flood risk etc

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I'm not in favour of user pays fees, because they disadvantage the already disadvantaged.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waiheke, Waitematā Support most. It makes sense, although I'm not sure so much focus needs to be on sports grounds

Waitematā 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's hard to know what you plan to do because your whole section of the consultation document is about what you are going to cut.

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

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

Support

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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)

I get you have to find savings, but please don't do it at the expense of community or environmental funding. If you did a return on investment analysis in this area, I'm sure it would show the huge financial benefits (along with all the non-financial, wellbeing, health and other benefits) achieved through this modest funding. Not to mention we humans are killing the planet and we should NOT reduce funding in anything that supports the environmentSupport

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 make public transport and walking and cycling a bigger focus. This is the number one issue that would unlock Auckland.

All of these things are important but I get there is only so much money. I like the long term focus, which makes planning so important - planning for a future city that we have no idea about and the technological advances needed to support it.

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Support most

Tell us why

I will focus on what is missing: connecting active transport modes so Aucklanders don't need that second car. With an average of 1.8 cars per household, reducing this to one car per dwelling would significantly benefit our environment, health, and improve road efficiency for those who need to drive.

There is no comprehensive plan to develop a connected network of protected cycle lanes. Networks and safety are the main barriers to encouraging more people to ditch their cars. Instead of a

scattered approach that tries to please everyone but ends up satisfying no one, we should start with the area that has the highest concentration of schools, major attractions, and train stations (maximising CRL investment). A city wedge- covering the CBD, Freemans Bay, Ponsonby, Westmere, and Point Chevalier- has the densest cluster of 14 schools, 12 attractions, and the high-capacity CRL stations. Transitioning the car ownership of its 30,000 households, with 0 to 2 cars per household, to no more than one, is an ideal starting point. This change could lead to 6,000 fewer cars and a 30,000-ton reduction in CO2 emissions.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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Tell us why

We have a fragmented cycle network. If we are serious about improving our environmental and health outcomes and making our roads safer and less congested, then a connected network is essential. London has achieved the unthinkable of moving people out of cars by building a viable alternative; if a city like London can do it, then so can Auckland.

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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 any changes - We provide free parking for private assets; charging commercial rates for storing private property on public land would raise enough revenue to prevent any cuts. Do not support

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There are contradictions in the document. For example, the ratepayers are investing \$2.7b in the CRL, a high-capacity means of moving people, yet we are opening up Queen Street to cars this year. The main benefits are walking, decongestion, and environmental improvements valued at \$1.1b. That decision seems counterproductive. Also, an overarching strategy to reduce car dependency so households can shift to single-car households is missing. If London can do it, then we have no excuse. Making active modes of transport safe and connected is a strategic priority to encourage that shift.

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Inner-City Wedge Approach to Mode Shift in Auckland.

This is my supporting document for my submission to the council on its annual plan. The problem statement is that it lacks a coherent strategy to reduce car ownership in Auckland to below 1 car per household. There has been a \$5 billion investment in high-capacity public transport; now, how do we use that investment to accelerate the shift when most car trips are less than 5 km? London has achieved this with a connected network of cycle lanes – Auckland can make the same shift. Rather than going big or fragmented so everyone gets a small piece of the pie, start where the data shows it will have the highest impact in the smallest area.

1. Purpose

This document outlines a targeted “inner-city wedge” approach to accelerating mode shift in Auckland. It demonstrates why focusing on a small, high-potential geography can deliver faster, more certain outcomes in cycling uptake, reduced car dependency, and environmental impact.

2. The Strategic Problem

Auckland remains highly car-dependent:

- ~1.5–1.6 cars per household (region-wide)
- Cycling mode share remains low (~1–2%)
- Transport is a major contributor to emissions

3. The Wedge Strategy

Definition:

CBD / Wynyard Quarter, Freemans Bay, Ponsonby / Herne Bay, Grey Lynn, Westmere, Point Chevalier

Scale:

~30,000 dwellings (~5% of Auckland)

4. Why the Wedge Works (Evidence)

- Lower car ownership: ~0.8–1.0 cars per dwelling

- High density: 14 schools, 11 attractions, 5 stations
- Strong PT integration: CRL + Britomart + Western Line

5. Core Behaviour Shift

“Do we need a second car?”

6. Proposed Intervention

- Connected protected cycle network
- Connect schools, retail, attractions, PT
- Focus on trips <5km

7. Expected Outcomes (3–5 years)

- Cycling: 2–3% → 8–12%
- 3,000–6,000 fewer cars
- 15,000–30,000 tonnes CO2 reduction

8. Scaling Pathway

Wedge → Isthmus → Region

9. Conclusion

Start where the system can flip fastest — then scale.



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#2254

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I don't know

Tell us why

Most of it feels like cutting services whilst selling them as cost management whilst the majority of the cost is the CRL which should have been budgeted in long ago.

I'm especially concerned with library provision, which I do not personally use regularly but I feel is a very important part of the local community and has been of immense help to my family in the past.

RESPECT AREAS OF UNIQUE ARCHITECTURE

There are areas of the city with cohesive architecture which **MUST** be preserved - especially the Villa suburbs and probably the Bungalow ones/areas for years to come. They should never be allowed to be ripped down for infill housing. That would be sacrilege.

Yes-intensify the ridgeline arterials, that makes sense.

DO NOT mess about w allowing lower parking spaces in these to encourage public transport. People still keep their cars and congest the roads. We will end up with London nightmare parking

Fix The Lee's Institute. It's been far far too long.

Residential parking is charged ALL wrong. Stop it

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I'm ok with charging more for people who make more waste but it should be relevant to their volume of waste.

Residential parking permit fees are done completely wrong. You are taking advantage of these people and ironically alienating the ones who would ordinarily agree with public transport/cycle options bc they live centrally. But they still need personal transport, just maybe not driving it daily.

The issue with these areas is often that they're older and have less off street parking options. That is not the fault of the people who live there.

The inner city suburbs where they live are frequented by people wanting to drive to town but not pay for parking so they congest the areas. This is also not the fault of the residents.

AT penalises people for parking in the space to their own driveway -EVEN WHEN IT DOES NOT OBSTRUCT THE PAVEMENT- which is blatant revenue gathering when you've restricted their parking options. There is NO reason why people shouldn't be able to park here is they aren't obstructing pedestrians or emergency vehicles.

The issue about people from out of the areas driving in needs encouragement of the use of public transport. The issue with parking in these areas is actually a CITY WIDE problem and should not be

transferred to the inhabitants of that suburb via a processing fee. This process can be so automated, especially in the age of AI that no processing fee is remotely justified.

you SHOULD ETHICALLY spread this charge across the city, not tax people you believe can afford it.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

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#2256

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Do not support any

Tell us why

The monstrous vanity project of implementing mass transit rail in a city such as Auckland which lacks the necessary mass (i.e. population density) to support such a facility is a financial millstone around all our necks. I know the damage is largely done but I still oppose funding it. I would rather see the city go bankrupt and allow the creditors to cart away the rolling stock and turn the stations into commercial property than go on for decades paying for this disaster. In case you think this the ranting of an extremist you would be shocked at the number of citizens I have spoken to who agree.

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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I share my fellow residents' despair at the massive expenditure on the cycleways which are strangling city traffic and killing businesses by removing essential parking. The empty cycleways and consequently depopulated business premises on Karangahape Rd are emblematic of the cultural destruction for which I hope you will all be long remembered and cursed. My own daughter's business was driven out and has not recovered in its new location. The rest of what I think of this is not fit to print.

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Waitematā

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Support most

Tell us why

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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

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Kia ora,

Thank you for the update on the proposed residential parking permit price increase from \$70 to \$114 annually. While I appreciate the notification, I strongly oppose this change for the following reasons.

Firstly, full cost recovery for permits is inconsistent with AT's public transport model, where fares recover only about 30-34% of operating costs (with subsidies covering the rest via rates and taxes). Residential parking permit holders shouldn't be singled out for 100% cost recovery when public transport users effectively pay a fraction of true costs.

Secondly, parking zones aren't a choice—many residents, including myself, live in established areas where residential parking was designed without adequate off-street options, and resident parking zones came in many years after we moved here. Forcing full-cost pricing penalises us, unlike public transport which benefits from massive public investment.

I'd also like greater transparency on these costs: is the \$114 figure based on fully allocated overheads or just avoidable/direct costs? AT should consider ways to reduce costs, such as offering 2-yearly permits to cut processing frequency in half, or digital auto-renewals to minimise admin.

Finally, the permit price hasn't risen since 2013, but neither have processing efficiencies kept pace with technology advancements. I urge AT and Council to explore subsidies or scaled pricing rather than shifting all burden to permit holders.

Ngā mihi,

Question 3: Local board priorities**Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

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Question 4: Other feedback

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Support all

Tell us why

It is very good

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Brilliant

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Aotea/Great Barrier

Aotea/Great Barrier Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

Brilliant

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

A. Improvements to the library service including additional programmes.

Support

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

Support

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

Your doing great

Question 4: Other feedback

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Support most

Tell us why

Most budgeted works are acceptable, However there are a lot of projects which are absolutely outrageous. Upgrades to pools and community centres should not receive a cent in the current economic times. All cycleway projects should be completed where practical but not started or expanded upon - the public uptake of these projects does not result in good value for money. Road safety projects are completely unnecessary; let the people be responsible for their own safety. Painted yellow lines around intersections to improve visibility is all that is needed to improve safety.

WE ARE NOT IN GOOD ECONOMIC TIMES - STOP SPENDING ON ANYTHING THAT IS NOT NECESSARY TO HUMAN LIFE!

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Reduce spend elsewhere so additional costs beyond rates are not needed.

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Waitematā

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I don't know

Tell us why

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Other

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Support

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

I do not support the council pools at all. We have a lot of access to the ocean. People can swim there. Sell the pools. Support

Question 4: Other feedback

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Allow me to build a fence up to 1.8 meters on my front property boundary line. Nobody wants to connection to the street, they want private spaces.

Reduce council office workers by 25%. There are too many unnecessary projects wasting ratepayers money. Reducing staff will force the remaining workers to focus on the basics.

Reduce the number of cars that can be registered to a property. All registered cars should be able to be parked on the property no longer requiring street parking. This will allow for safer roads with reduced parked cars. A simple change that will cost basically nothing.

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I would rank Economic development and events high if the council could prove it actually works. I've looked into this and the funding is not yielding enough revenue.

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Other (please specify): These all sound like they will cost more than they are worth. Your version of improving streets and public spaces will not align with mine.



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

Do not support any

Tell us why

In a cost of living crisis you need to use what you have and not increase to cause more hardships

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

This 63% residential parking permit hike from \$70 to \$114 is pure greed from Auckland Transport, slapping everyday Aucklanders with a predatory cash grab under the flimsy excuse that it costs them that much to process—after sitting idle on these fees for 13 years. In the middle of a savage cost-of-living crisis, where families are already stretched thin on basics, this out-of-touch move reeks of councilors lining their pockets while pretending it's about operations. It's not—it's profiteering off struggling locals who just want to park near home without getting fleeced. AT's justifications ring hollow: 13% higher costs? More service requests? That's on your mismanagement, not ratepayers footing the bill. Nine thousand permit holders in places like Ponsonby and Grey Lynn shouldn't subsidize your inefficiencies—especially when on-street parking's already up 50c/hour. I strongly oppose this proposal. Scrap the increase, freeze fees until you automate processing properly, and show some accountability instead of bleeding us dry. Aucklanders deserve better than this tone-deaf greed.

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 most

Tell us why

Disgusting that At thinks it's OK put the parking up 63% just to park on the road I live on.. Totally cash grab.

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

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

Support

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

Do not support

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

I don't know

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)

This 63% jump from \$70 to \$114 for residential parking permits is straight-up greed from Auckland Transport, claiming it "costs" that much to process when they've sat on these fees for 13 years. In a brutal cost-of-living crisis, hitting everyday Aucklanders with this while councillors pat themselves on the back is beyond out of touch; it's predatorySupport

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: 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?

Houseing

Question 6: City centre

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Do not support most

Tell us why

With the cost of living crisis there needs to be more accountability and cost control at Council. Have management staff at the council had pay rises? Have vehicle fleets been replaced. Try imagining how it feels to have no control over a property expense and having to just accept rates increases way beyond the level of inflation. The council/staff who put the councils finances in such a weak position should be paying/ held accountable, not the poor ratepayers who keep having to hand over more and more money

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Residential paid parking permits-paying for the privilege of parking outside our home when we are already paying exorbitant rates. \$70 is rich enough, leave it alone and improve efficiencies at council

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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Support

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Support

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

Do not support

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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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N/A

Question 6: City centre

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

Support all

Tell us why

Aligned to my priorities for the city with focus on public transportation and infrastructure.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Happy with proposed rate increase.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

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SupportSupportSupportSupport

Question 4: Other feedback

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Support most

Tell us why

I understand that the opening of the CRL has brought long-term transportation convenience to Auckland and promoted its development. The operating costs need to be shared by the entire city. Investments in transportation and community services are very necessary, so I express my general support for this. However, more emphasis should be placed on operational costs and reducing the burden on residents.

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I understand that implementing the garbage recycling bins/garbage bag replacement fee requires sustainable funding support, but it might increase the daily financial burden on households. Consider adopting more refined charging methods, such as charging based on the actual amount of garbage generated, to encourage residents to reduce waste production and enhance their awareness of recycling and sorting.

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Te Whau Pathway

I fully support the establishment of the Te Whau Pathway. It not only connects the harbor and the community, but also links people with nature. It has facilitated people's travel and also provided residents with a great place for cycling and walking.

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

The Council proposes to increase the price for a residential parking permit from \$70 to \$114 annually. This is stated to reflect the full cost of processing each permit. These costs should be offset against the additional revenue the Council now receives from infringements in the residential parking areas and payments made by residents for parking vouchers.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitematā

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N/A

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Support most

Tell us why

Improve transport in New Zealand by making it more like Japan's system.

This means more buses and trains that are frequent, on time, clean, safe, and easy to use. as it would mean the students and workers are able to be punctual using these systems, it should be closer to homes and buildingss/shops as it will reduce traffic when theres more trains around, i agre

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as long as its fair and affordable to the consumers I support changes only if they improve services and provide good value tho am concerned about extra costs for households,

Question 3: Local board priorities

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N/A

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I believe we should support more funding in Te Whau Pathway at Te Atatū South, Auckland as having walked the pathway from the harbour i believe it will connect the communities together by being inclusive not only by the people with disabilities also including cyclist and family enjoy the environmental walk or more through the area for either transport, exercise or others, i believe by having this pathway finished it will connect more people to the nature rather than staying at home doomscrolling, i believe building this pathway will build a more connected community, they could create events to environmental activities, or community celebrations that helps learn the history of the city or why the pathway is important and it could support local businesses too,

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Do not support. Residential parking fees are in addition to higher rates we already pay. Are the council aware of the cost of living. I couldn't think of a worse time to implement such changes.

1) Residential parking increase

2) rate increase

When will cyclist be billed for the infrastructure right across Auckland? These cycleways took away valuable parking in our area Freemans Bay/Ponsonby. When will Council own the poor drain on rate payers this cycle way has been. It's one thing to own it; then the absurdity needs to stop expanding on it!

Park projects in the pipelines! Council are exploring projects rate payers didn't ask for nor benefit from.

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 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.

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

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

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#2345

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

On the Auckland Transport proposal to increase residential parking permit fees in specific areas, it would lower costs for us and council if the renewal function actually was activated - low confidence this is low cost or value for money when you can get that function operating after 13 years. What are the automation plans for this service

How much are the costs what's the cost of running the scheme and who do the fines go to under this proposal?

If we are to pay more, can we guarantee a carpark outside our residence

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N/A

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Support all

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Overall, I understand the need for changes to rates, fees, and charges to support Auckland's growing infrastructure and services. However, I believe these changes should be implemented carefully to ensure they remain fair and affordable for residents.

For example, the introduction of a refuse bin or bag exchange fee may help reduce waste and encourage more sustainable behaviour, but it is important to ensure that it does not place an additional financial burden on low-income households.

Similarly, increasing residential parking permit fees may help manage parking demand, but consideration should be given to residents who rely on vehicles for work or study, especially in areas with limited public transport options.

In general, I support measures that promote sustainability and efficient use of resources, but I encourage the Council to provide concessions or support for vulnerable groups and to ensure that any increases are gradual and well-communicated.

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I strongly support the continued funding and completion of the Te Whau Pathway project. This pathway will provide significant benefits by connecting communities between the Waitematā and Manukau harbours, improving accessibility for walking, cycling, and wheelchair users.

As a resident, I believe this project will enhance both physical and mental wellbeing by encouraging outdoor activity and providing access to nature. It will also improve access to parks and reserves, making it easier for people to travel sustainably without relying on cars.

In addition, the pathway has cultural and environmental importance. It helps restore and celebrate the mana of the Whau River and acknowledges historic Māori portage routes. This project will not only benefit local communities but also attract visitors and contribute to Auckland's long-term sustainable development.

I encourage the Council to prioritise funding and ensure the timely completion of this important project.

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

I believe the council should prioritise improving public transport, environmental sustainability, and community infrastructure.

Firstly, improving public transport is essential for reducing traffic congestion and making the city more accessible, especially for students and people who rely on buses and trains. Reliable and affordable transport can significantly improve daily life.

Secondly, environmental sustainability should be a key priority. Investment in green spaces, water quality, and projects like the Te Whau Pathway can improve both ecological health and residents’ wellbeing.

Lastly, the council should continue to support community infrastructure such as parks, public spaces, and facilities. These spaces help build stronger communities and improve the overall quality of life in Auckland.

Overall, prioritising these areas will support a more sustainable, liveable, and connected city.

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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.,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

Here are my justifications:

1. Affordability and cost-of-living pressure

A ~\$1,830 increase for my property alone is significant, especially with ongoing cost-of-living pressures (mortgages, rent, insurance, groceries). The increase is too steep in a single year & places disproportionate strain on a fixed-income households

2. Timing of the increase

Even if the long-term plan signaled a 7.9% rise, I oppose the timing:

Economic conditions have worsened since 2024 and we are not be in a position to absorb increases of this size right now

3. CRL funding burden

While the City Rail Link has benefits, Ratepayers are carrying a large share of costs (including interest and depreciation. These are long-term infrastructure costs that could be spread more evenly over time

4. Equity concerns

Not all ratepayers benefit equally:for instance our households rarely (if ever) use rail. Yet everyone is paying the increase

5. Stacking of targeted rates

It's not just one increase—you're facing multiple targeted rates:

Water quality

Natural environment

Climate transport

Waste management

There's a lack of prioritisation or cost control

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I strongly oppose the parking permit increase as it has a disproportionate impact on households with multiple vehicles. As someone with two permits, my cost jumps from:

\$140 → \$228 per year. That's an \$88 increase, which is significant for something that hasn't changed in service level.

The structure unfairly penalises households that need more than one vehicle (families, shift workers, tradespeople) and Cost recovery doesn't justify the size of the increase

Auckland Transport says the fee reflects admin costs, but Residents already pay rates that fund transport systems. Permit systems are part of broader parking management—not a standalone business. Full cost recovery is unreasonable for a basic residential service

There's no transparency on why admin costs are as high as \$114

A 60%+ increase is too steep in one step!

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Maungakiekie-Tāmaki

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

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

Support

Tell us why

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

The annual parking cost should not be doubled. I would ask council to look at cost of daily permits that can be purchased, they should be much more than \$5 a day. This is very low cost parking and opens up to selling parking to CBD workers at a higher cost! If you are a resident you should have annual parking and that limits the number of cars parked on streets, daily permits should be at least \$15-20 per car per day as this is for tradies or one off parking for friends of residents.

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Transport. But not to reduce flow by removing lanes for bikes as this is causing chaos. Share footpaths as other countries do, do not reduce traffic to disable business

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RodneyI don't knowThe information provided in supporting doc is very general and without any examples of projects being funded. Is there mandatory reporting to local board on achievement of measurable outcomes that are presumably part of funding applications?

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Lobby central govt for some teeth to enforce proper planning rather than ad hoc market led plan changes and resource consented developments. Planning in NZ seems to be a guideline rather than a plan to be followed. The general public seem to be under the misapprehension that non complying activities mean the activity is prohibited, which it is not. It is an opportunity for opportunists to apply for a resource consent and more often than not get approval

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Tell us why

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Don't agree

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Tell us why

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Do not support

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Support

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Do not support

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

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Support most

Tell us why

Excited about the CRL link

What would have been the cost to council if the regional fuel tax had remained in place? It was short sighted to stop that. Obviously now due to current war in middle east any additional cost to owners of ICE bur should be considered in the future to fund public transport rather than impose further costs on rate payers

Would like rail service to be extended to kumeu area as there is already rail there

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Support most

Tell us why

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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)

Concerned about impacts on health and well being to increasing costs for utilising council pools.

Support reducing library weekday hours as long as access is maintained on Saturdays for those who cannot attend during normal working hours

Unsure how reducing community and accommodation grant funding will impact on users of those services -not specified what community services will be impacted Other

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improving public transport and cycle ways. Building housing in a way that prioritises quality over quantity, that is sensitive to the environment and allows communities to thrive and be healthy. To not allow developers to be in control of our housing infrastructure. To have parks and facilities that improve health and well being and connectivity . Love the swimming pool down in the viaduct basin!

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The increase to permits is very disappointing. It's very difficult to get consent for a garage and then we have to pay to park. It should be free for residents as long as we can prove we live there. Or provide everyone driveways and parking like on Franklin Road. To double the cost is ridiculous.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I understand you are increasing the fee for resident parking permits in Ponsonby area.

Why do you even bother with it? Please remove residential parking permits from my area.

- The website for managing parking is atrocious, It looks like it was designed by a database engineer to a specification for the lowest possible price. seriously it is unusable.

- Whenever I need a park outside my house, I can't get one. Whenever I don't need a park there are plenty.

- It is too difficult to get a permit, even if i wanted to. Why am i forced to prove to you that I live in my house?

in summary, the whole scheme absolutely riles me up. just stop it and go away please.

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Maungakiekie-Tāmaki

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

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

Support

Tell us why

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Support all

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

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

Support

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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

Support most

Tell us why

I do support public transport but I think you have a golden opportunity now to get Aucklanders on board with the huge increase in petrol prices. However try to cover the cost by increasing patronage and not make rate payers pay this HUGE increase in a time where most people are struggling to find the money for the most basic needs.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I oppose the outrageous increase in residential parking permit fees. First you just give us a \$114 fee based on what YOU say it cost to process BUT without any breakdown of where that money goes. Second you don't account for ALL the funds that you receive from illegal parking and terrorizing neighbourhoods who have difficulty due to the narrow carriage way from parking on the footpath. I have has so many scrapes of the years including the rubbish trucks that come down our street RENALL ST FREEMANS BAY. We had an incident last week with a tow truck which got stuck at the bottom of our street and our street was blocked until we could find the owner of a huge 4 wheel drive vehicle that certain residents wish to own. The vehicle was parked legally. I don't know WHAT happens when we have a major fire. So I already paid an extra \$70 in the past year for a parking fine. I think that easily makes up for the fee I paid. AND I know dozen of other residents who wind up paying this footpath parking fine as well. AT is making good money off the residents already. No need to raise the FEE at all and \$114 out of the blue. Honestly what are you thinking other than an easy way to bring in the bucks. No I DO NOT SUPPORT THIS INCREASE.

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

Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

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I don't know

Tell us why

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

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

I don't know

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

I don't know

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

I don't know

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

Do not support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Do not support

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

I don't know

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I would like to advocate continued support for the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra who provide Aucklanders with a wide range of services which enhance our lives and provide education and outlets to our youngsters and community.

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Auckland CBD planning

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Lower Queen St Association Incorporated (LQSA) Submission to Auckland Council – Annual Plan 2026/2027

From: Lower Queen St Association Incorporated 50250808

Date: 27 February 2026

Contact: [REDACTED]

Councillor Briefing Note – Key Points

Auckland's CBD is the economic engine of the region and a critical contributor to Auckland Council's commercial rates base and targeted-rate revenue.

Several indicators suggest the CBD economy has not yet fully returned to pre-COVID conditions, including pedestrian activity, commercial vacancy levels and retail performance.

Vehicle access to key corridors such as Queen Street has reduced significantly since pre-2020 conditions, affecting deliveries, trades, mobility access and visitor accessibility.

Major city centre planning and transport decisions should be evaluated using transparent economic indicators including vacancy rates, spending data, visitation trends and safety perceptions.

LQSA recommends Auckland Council publish an annual City Centre Economic Performance Dashboard so that street design and access decisions are assessed against measurable economic outcomes.

The Mayor has recently emphasised the importance of ensuring Auckland's transport system works for everyone. We support that direction and believe improved economic monitoring will help ensure city centre policies deliver the best outcomes for Auckland.

Executive Summary (For Elected Members)

LQSA supports the Mayor and Council's objective of restoring Auckland's city centre as a vibrant, safe and economically successful gateway for residents, visitors and businesses.

As a group of targeted-rate paying property owners and businesses, we submit that it is prudent and responsible for Council to review major CBD transport and access initiatives against measurable economic and social performance data.

The Local Government Act 2002 requires Council to act prudently, transparently and in the long-term interests of the community. Where policy changes materially affect access, commercial viability and social inclusion, decisions should be grounded in objective evidence.

We request that Council:

- Commission an independent economic performance review of CBD access changes
- Publicly report retail spend, vacancy rates and business performance indicators
- Guarantee equitable vehicular access to essential facilities for elderly and disabled Aucklanders
- Protect goods loading zones and emergency service access
- Provide transparent reporting on City Centre Targeted Rate return on investment

A responsible Council reviews significant projects when performance signals suggest economic or social harm. That is not opposition — it is good governance.

1. Introduction – Lower Queen Street Precinct

LQSA was incorporated on 23 December 2025 to represent property owners and businesses in the Lower Queen Street precinct of Auckland's city centre.

LQSA exists to represent the interests of property owners, businesses and stakeholders within the Lower Queen Street precinct and to support the development of a safe, accessible and economically vibrant city centre.

The Association seeks to promote evidence-based policy, balanced transport access and public investment that strengthens the long-term economic vitality of Auckland's CBD.

2. Legal and Governance Framework

Under section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA), Council's purpose is to enable communities to provide for their social, economic, environmental and cultural wellbeing.

Section 14 requires Council to act in an open, transparent and democratically accountable manner and to act prudently in managing revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities.

Section 101 requires prudent financial management and section 82 requires meaningful consultation.

Where CBD access changes materially affect economic performance, safety and inclusion, Council has both a statutory and fiduciary obligation to review outcomes against objective data.

3. Evidence-Based Decision Making – Economic Indicators

Publicly available indicators provide insight into the economic performance of Auckland's city centre compared with pre-COVID conditions.

Vehicular Access

Available Auckland Transport monitoring indicates that vehicle volumes on some CBD corridors have declined significantly since 2019. Queen Street traffic movements, for example, have reduced from approximately 10,000+ vehicles per day per direction pre-COVID to around 5,000+ movements following the introduction of bus priority lanes and access restrictions.

Pedestrian Activity

Pedestrian monitoring undertaken by Heart of the City indicates that central city foot traffic has recovered substantially since the pandemic but remains approximately 5–15% below 2019 levels in several monitored locations.

Cycle Monitoring and Data Transparency

Auckland Transport operates more than 80 automated cycle counters across the region, which provide useful trend information. However, these sensors record movements past counters rather than unique riders, meaning a single cyclist may be counted multiple times as they pass different sensors. Some counters may also detect other micro-mobility devices such as e-scooters.

While helpful for monitoring trends, the data does not necessarily show how many individual cyclists use specific routes within the city centre.

To better inform street design and access decisions, it would be valuable for Auckland Council and Auckland Transport to publish corridor-level utilisation data for key cycle routes, including Market Place, Quay Street, Beach Road and other CBD corridors.

This would support more informed decision-making and help ensure transport investments deliver the greatest benefit for Aucklanders.

Retail Spending

Retail spending in the CBD softened following COVID-19 and changes to commuter patterns. Real (inflation-adjusted) retail spending growth has been modest since 2022 and remains sensitive to hybrid working patterns and visitor numbers.

Retail Vacancy

Commercial property reports from Colliers indicate that CBD retail vacancy increased from roughly 6–7% pre-COVID to approximately 10–11% in recent reporting. Office vacancy increased from around 5% in 2019 to approximately 14–15% in recent years.

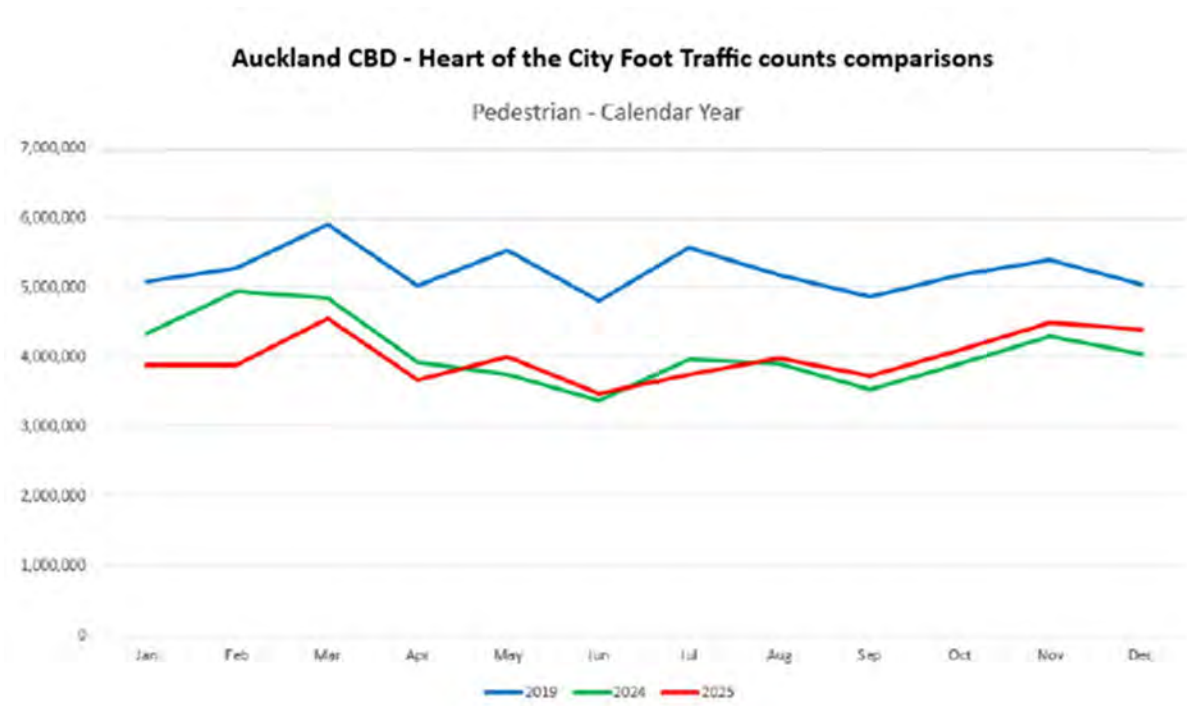


Figure 1 – Auckland CBD Pedestrian Activity (2019 baseline vs recent years)



Figure 2 – Auckland CBD Retail and Office Vacancy Rates (Colliers)

4. Equitable Access and Inclusion

Council must prioritise equitable access to essential CBD facilities for elderly residents and people with mobility impairments.

Public transport improvements are welcome but do not adequately serve many elderly residents and people with mobility impairments who rely on door-to-door vehicle access. City centre planning must therefore ensure that essential civic facilities remain practically accessible to all Aucklanders, not only those able to walk long distances or cycle.

We recommend:

- Dedicated drop-off areas adjacent to entrances
- Short-term mobility parking
- Protected goods loading zones for businesses
- Guaranteed unimpeded emergency vehicle access

5. Data Transparency and Accountability

Given the targeted nature of this rate, there is a reasonable expectation that expenditure should demonstrate a clear and direct connection to improving the commercial vitality and functioning of the CBD.

The City Centre Targeted Rate was introduced to enhance economic performance. We request transparent annual reporting on:

- Retail spend trends
- Vacancy rates by precinct
- Crime and safety metrics
- Return on CCTR-funded projects

6. Require Economic Impact Monitoring

We recommend Auckland Council publish an annual City Centre Economic Performance Dashboard including:

- Retail vacancy rates by precinct
- Retail and hospitality spending trends
- Pedestrian counts and visitation data
- Commercial occupancy levels
- Safety perception surveys

This data should be used to assess whether access and street design changes are supporting the economic vitality of the City Centre and delivering value for Auckland ratepayers.

7. International Benchmarking

International experience shows that pedestrianisation and large-scale street reallocations are most successful where they are introduced into city centres that already have very high public transport mode share, strong inner-city residential populations and continuous economic monitoring of retail performance. Cities such as Copenhagen and Barcelona have coupled traffic-calmed or pedestrian-only streets with dense metro and bus networks, sustained investment in public space and systematic use of footfall sensors and spending data to track local business impacts over time.

By contrast, Australian examples frequently cited in Auckland debates, such as Melbourne's CBD pedestrian and transit malls, rely on a heavy-rail loop delivering large volumes of peak-hour passengers directly into the city, a level of rail access that Auckland has not yet achieved.

Even in these cities, outcomes have been mixed: some pedestrian malls have required redesign or reintroduction of traffic following complaints of reduced trade, underscoring that pedestrianisation alone does not guarantee retail recovery.

For Auckland, an evidence-based approach would mean that any further changes to Queen Street or the city centre street network are accompanied by clear economic baselines and ongoing monitoring of indicators such as pedestrian counts, public transport usage, retail spending, vacancy rates and business sentiment.

This would allow Auckland Council to draw on international lessons while ensuring that street design and access decisions are tested against real-time data about the CBD's performance, rather than assuming that overseas pedestrianisation models will automatically translate to local success.

8. Importance of CBD Economic Vitality to Council Revenue

Accordingly, the effective use of targeted-rate funding to support CBD performance is not only a localised issue but one that has broader fiscal implications for Council's overall revenue base.

The economic health of Auckland's city centre has direct implications for Auckland Council's long-term financial sustainability.

CBD commercial properties represent a significant portion of the city's high-value rating base and generate a disproportionate share of general rates and the City Centre Targeted Rate.

A strong and economically successful CBD therefore benefits not only businesses and workers, but every Auckland ratepayer.

9. Strategic Planning Consideration

Major changes to city centre street layouts should be accompanied by clear performance metrics so that Council and the public can see whether the intended transport, economic and social outcomes are being achieved.

Where robust performance data is available, it becomes significantly easier for elected members to confidently adjust or refine street design decisions to ensure Auckland's transport network works effectively for the greatest number of Aucklanders.

10. Learning from Other Cities During Policy Transitions

This reinforces the importance of ensuring that targeted-rate funded initiatives remain clearly aligned with their core purpose of strengthening the economic performance and accessibility of the city centre.

International experience shows that major cities frequently use periods of governance or policy transition as an opportunity to reassess large-scale city centre transport initiatives.

Transport strategies implemented during one policy phase are often reviewed when governance arrangements or economic conditions change, particularly where those initiatives have significant implications for central business districts and regional economic activity.

In many cases, cities have taken the opportunity to reassess the balance between different transport modes, evaluate the economic performance of their city centres, and refine street-network strategies to ensure that accessibility, public transport efficiency, commercial vitality and public safety are considered together.

Auckland now finds itself in a comparable position. The combination of transport governance reform, ongoing CBD economic recovery following the pandemic, and the scale of planned city centre transport changes creates a logical moment for Council to step back and confirm that the current direction remains the most effective way to support the long-term success of the city centre.

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Given that the City Centre Targeted Rate is funded directly by property owners and businesses within the CBD, it is important that these stakeholders have a meaningful opportunity to contribute to discussions about how those funds are prioritised and allocated.

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Closing Statement

Auckland's city centre remains the economic heart of the region and a critical contributor to Auckland Council's commercial rating base and targeted-rate revenue. Its continued vitality is therefore a matter of importance not only to businesses and property owners, but to every Auckland ratepayer.

Ensuring that the CBD remains economically competitive, socially inclusive, safe and accessible must remain a central objective of city centre policy.

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Why do we as a tax payer have to pay for CRL that went way over budget and something that we may not even use at all? Shouldn't that cost be primarily met by public transport users? This is very unfair on many residents and owners who have nothing to do with the CRL/public transport, rather who have been heavily penalised by way long delayed CRL project.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We currently has no off-street parking in St Marys Bay and we are relying on the parking permit. This means we have no other options available to us at all to park our cars safely if we don't have the parking permit. Almost 63% of the suggested increase seems to be very unfair for people who simply do not have other options available. It's simply a monopoly and price gouging by the council/AT to manipulate. Some people may not be able to afford this increased parking permit and it is a safety risk and issue, not only to their vehicles but also to their health and well-being, especially at challenging weather situations. Our suggestion is that for residents who do not have any off-site parking/garage should not have the parking permit price increases, or at least differentiated increases from people who already own garage spots, but simply are purchasing parking permits because they have so many cars and simply because they can with the money. This suggested increase could end up resulting in number of residents who actually need the permit but can't afford to apply miss out on the permit, while it opens up more space for those who do not actually need the parking permit, down at much lower priority, to get parking permit a lot more easily. simply because they can afford it. These inequalities should not happen. Those people who have no access and no other option to a safe car park space should be looked after, protected and exempted from this increase. The permit should be issued based on needs, not based on who can afford it or not.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Albert-Eden,WaitematāSupport mostSupportDo not supportSupportSupport

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.

Support

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

Support

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

Support

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

Do not support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Support

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

Support

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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There needs to be clear reasons communicated as to why some tax payers have to bear the rates increase cost simply because CRL had a huge cost blow-out and it should be targeted rates collection for public transport users. And for the parking permit price increases, we strongly suggest that residents who do not have any off-site parking/garage should not have the parking permit price increases, or at least differentiated increases from people who already own garage spots, but simply are purchasing parking permits because they have so many cars and simply because they can with the money. This suggested increase could end up resulting in number of residents who actually need the permit but can't afford to apply miss out on the permit, while it opens up more space for those who do not actually need the parking permit, down at much lower priority, to get parking permit a lot more easily. simply because they can afford it. These inequalities should not happen. Those people who have no access and no other option to a safe car park space should be looked after, protected and exempted from this increase. The permit should be issued based on needs, not based on who can afford it or not.

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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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#2746

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Local Board: Waitematā

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Completely unethical and unjustified. Costs are rising which is understandable but you cannot tell me it costs you \$114 to process ONE permit just for someone to park outside their own house, and then also increase their rates AND start charging for bins. That's absolutely shameful! If it's that much of a cost to you then your processes need assessing internally, not charging people for your unnecessarily expensive process.

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

As above. Tell us what you've done to decrease costs on your side that justify such huge % increases to us.

2. What do you think about the proposed changes to service levels, fees and charges?**A. Reduce library hours at Central City, Little Leys, Grey Lynn and Parnell Libraries.**

Do not support

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

I don't know

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

I don't know

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

I don't know

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Do not support

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

The amount of money being elsewhere l. You need to reshuffle what you spend, not start charging for services which have always been included in rates etc. Otherwise why are rates not going down if you're going to charge so much outside of rates. Do not support

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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Never been this disappointed about an AC plan like I am with this one.

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

Transport. Focus on finishing one set of road works before digging up the whole city and doing small/slow work everywhere. Also get better traffic management, the light phases etc in Auckland are ridiculous.

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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#2771

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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 most

Tell us why

I do support less mowing, it is good for the insect population.

As a working adult it is hard enough to get to the library so reducing hours in the evening will make it more difficult and take away from this population.

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Do not support

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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)

As a working adult it is hard enough to get to the library so reducing hours in the evening will make it more difficult and take away from this population.

I am in a position to pay more for swimming but so many people aren't, I am happy to pay more rates so more people can enjoy these facilities. Do not support

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?

Public transport, cycling and walking - reduce our dependance on fossil fuels

Maintaining Auckland vibrancy and cultural events, I know there is a focus to do the basics but these events are so vital to a healthy community,

Want to see more intensification of inner-city land, we need to protect fertile farming land from poor housing development. It is expensive to built outwards especially as these places will need council infrastructure. Better to invest in land already built.

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



#2811

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I agree with all these changes

Question 3: Local board priorities**Q3: Which local board(s) would you like to provide feedback on?**

N/A

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I do not like paying higher rates but investment is necessary in infrastructure and transport if this is going to be a proper modern and international city worthy of being the gateway to New Zealand. I would spend less on Local Boards (I struggle to see what they achieve and certainly have no idea what my local board does or achieves). Increased rates should be targeted at those things we most need like infrastructure and transport. Given the current oil crisis we should be focusing as much as possible on trains and electrification and generally making it easier to get around the city without cars

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

Infrastructure - because without that the city cannot grow and be ready for the kind of economic growth we need to be a world class city

Transport - Without proper transport alternatives - rail and electrification - the city becomes hamstrung. The oil crisis we now face makes this plain.

Economic Development - to grow, we need more people using our city and spending money in it so this should be a major focus. Support hospitality, make the central city safe and inviting, support creativity and great events

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Absolutely ridiculous to expect of the entire Auckland population to pay more rates and taxes for the updated public transport system which is far behind most major cities and only accessible by few. Upfront Capex cost and subsequent Opex cost should have been considered when the upgrade works got signed off and not just passed on to the residents.

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Waitematā

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Do not support most

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Do not support

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Do not support

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Support

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

Support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

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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Parks

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Support all

Tell us why

Public transport improvements and decreased reliance on fossil fuels are top of the importance list. The council should be doing everything in its power to deliver the CRL ahead of schedule in light of the current world events. This is the time to maximize usage of public transport and its moment to shine! Auckland is a beautiful city and will be so much more liveable with less traffic. It'll save money in the long run on roading maintenance.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Fine with them

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Albert-Eden I don't know Not sure on specifics I don't know Support Support I don't know No comment on this

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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All of these feel equally very important!! Hard to rank

Question 6: City centre

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#2860

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

Support most

Tell us why

Don't see valid reasoning for price increases to rates.

Auckland should scrap the compost bin pickups from private residences.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Do not agree with refuse bags - we have bins, they are working so just keep them.

Dogs or stray animals will rip into plastic bags lying on the ground.

Also low income families who are pressed for funds may opt not to purchase refuse bags, which could lead to illegal dumping in parks etc

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Forget about Auckland city. You let two Chinese brothers build a white elephant, eyesore and biggest blot on the landscape which came to a standstill last year as they went bankrupt. Then have the check to say don't worry the pedestrians are safe as it won't fall down. What a joke. Also the crane has two very small red lights on it at night. Wait until a helicopter hits it one misty morning or evening. Oh that is right nothing between councillors ears.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

council sure knows how to waste money. All the green gremlins dished out to every apartment owner are not being used. Where the heck do you think we are to put them out on the footpaths? We still have the large bins down in our garage taking up space.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Get rid of the electric scooters. Another dangerous decision by council to give them another five years. Take a good look how the lunatics ride them. Not to mention leave them. Ban the ***** things.

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Support most

Tell us why

There is positive improvements been made across the city.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I don't think there should be an increase in residential parking permit fees. Or alternatively the permits should have a longer duration. What does this fee actually cover? These residents already pay for road maintenance in their rates.

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Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:**1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?**

Support most

Tell us why

It is a shame to reduce the library hours as these are such a great community asset. More clarity is required on the proposed tree work - is this actually required?

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.**

Other

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

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'm a big fan of user pays so I think increasing swimming pool fees is reasonableOther

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It's unclear how the CCO reform is saving any money for the council. Surely it would have been more efficient to just get on with it.

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

The new headland park on the waterfront. This will be such a great asset for the city centre.

Better connectivity for cycle lanes so this can be a safer mode choice for everyone

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Support most

Tell us why

Largely it seems to be aiming to do the things that will make Auckland a good place to live.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

They seem fair. The parking fee rise seems overdue.

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 most

Tell us why

The cut to the library hours seems unnecessary. Is it based on actual usage? Rather than closing earlier I would suggest opening later. That would give people who work better access.

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

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Do not support

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

Support

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Do not support

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

These seem to cut across the stated overall aims of the plan. Do not support

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

I would like priority given to keeping the excellent bus services going and improving on them where possible. Just the present fuel crisis shows why this is necessary. I would also like it made easier to walk around. The state of Ponsonby Rd footpaths, to give one example, is lamentable. Much lip service is given to walking but little is done for it. It is not made easier by the proliferation of advertising boards and e-scooters. In order to go for an stress-free walk, I have to drive out of the area I live in.

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Support most

Tell us why

By in large the plan is good, however I would like to make the following points:

1. AT cannot drop train/bus services at will and without consultation, place yourselves in the shoes of the individuals that rely on these services, advertising and PR does little to improve the confidence in the system.
2. Trains terminate so close to the airport. Q is there plans in play for a terminal at Auckland airport given the airport redesign?

3. Are AT and council really serious about emissions and taking vehicle off the road, if so why not fast track line to airport via the two terminations point in Auckland?

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Parking fees, are you guys serious, one only has to see the number of vacant retail shops across various regions, how about working with businesses rather seeing parking as a business opportunity

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Albert-Eden, Maungakiekie-Tāmaki, Ōrākei Support most Do not support Do not support Do not support Do not support

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Feedback:

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

I don't know

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

I don't know

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

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

I don't know

Tell us why

Ōrākei Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

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Transport, rail services to airport, sometime one just had to take on the bigger projects don’t shy away from this issue, opening rail to airport would enhance tourism, reduce transport costs for everyone, reduce green house gases, bring back a sense of pride in our rail network

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Publish a detailed breakdown of water spending and an independent audit of outcomes.

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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?**

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

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

Other

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Support

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

Other

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

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

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.

Other

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Support most

Tell us why

City rail link is of vital importance to a global city

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Not supportive of increased residential parking permit fees

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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Note there does not appear to be any reference to exempting the city from seismic strengthening rules. Several inner city buildings face unnecessary financial stress and such exemption would help to revitalise the city centre. This was requested of the government by the Auckland city mayor last year but there is no mention of any progress or outcome in the plan.

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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

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Waitākere Ranges

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

Support

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

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

I very much support cycling path improvements and safety for cyclists and motorists- roads were originally designed for cars;

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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Most people are very proud of Waitakere and our institutions that keep it accessible, beautiful, safe and healthy

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Albert-Eden, Maungakiekie-Tāmaki, Ōrākei, Waitākere Ranges, Waitematā

Waitematā 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 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

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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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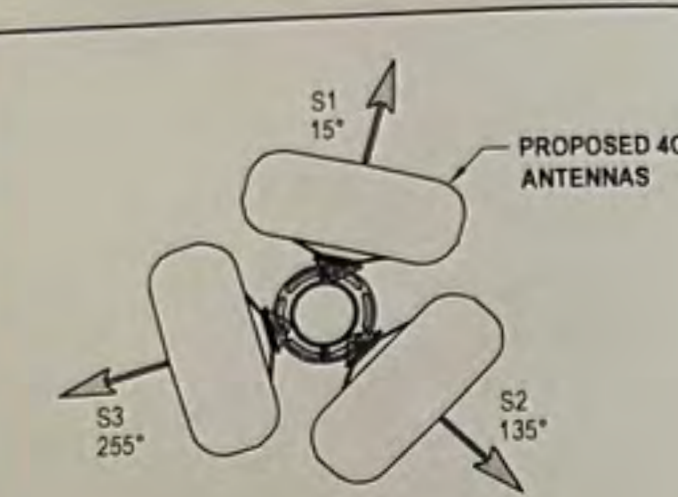
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3. ACCESS ROUTE FROM BRISBANE STREET.
4. PROPOSED POWER & FIBRE ROUTE - TO BE CONFIRMED ON SITE BY BUILD CONTRACTOR, OWNER AND/OR LOCAL AUTHORITY.

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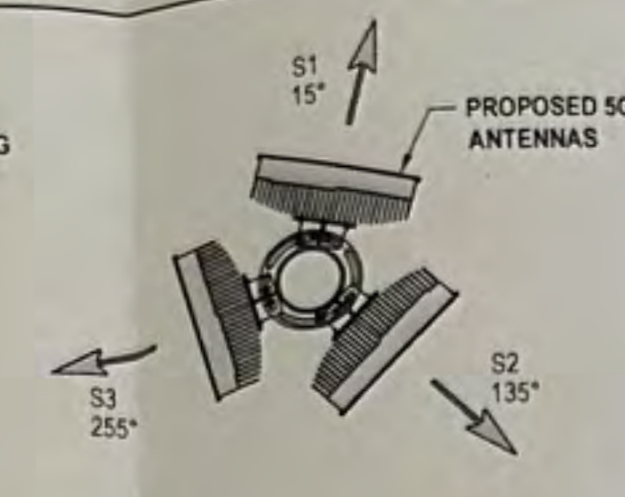
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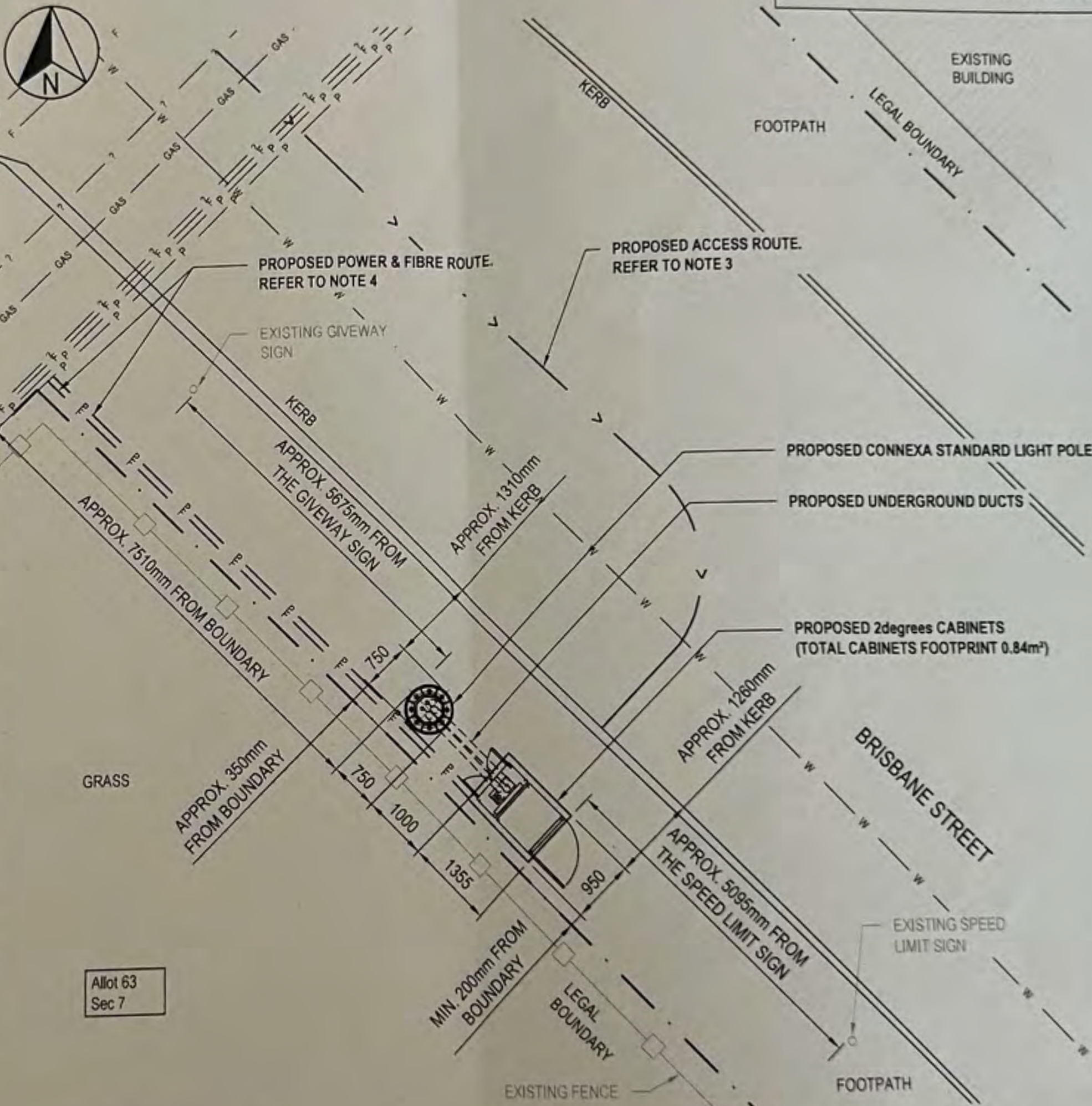
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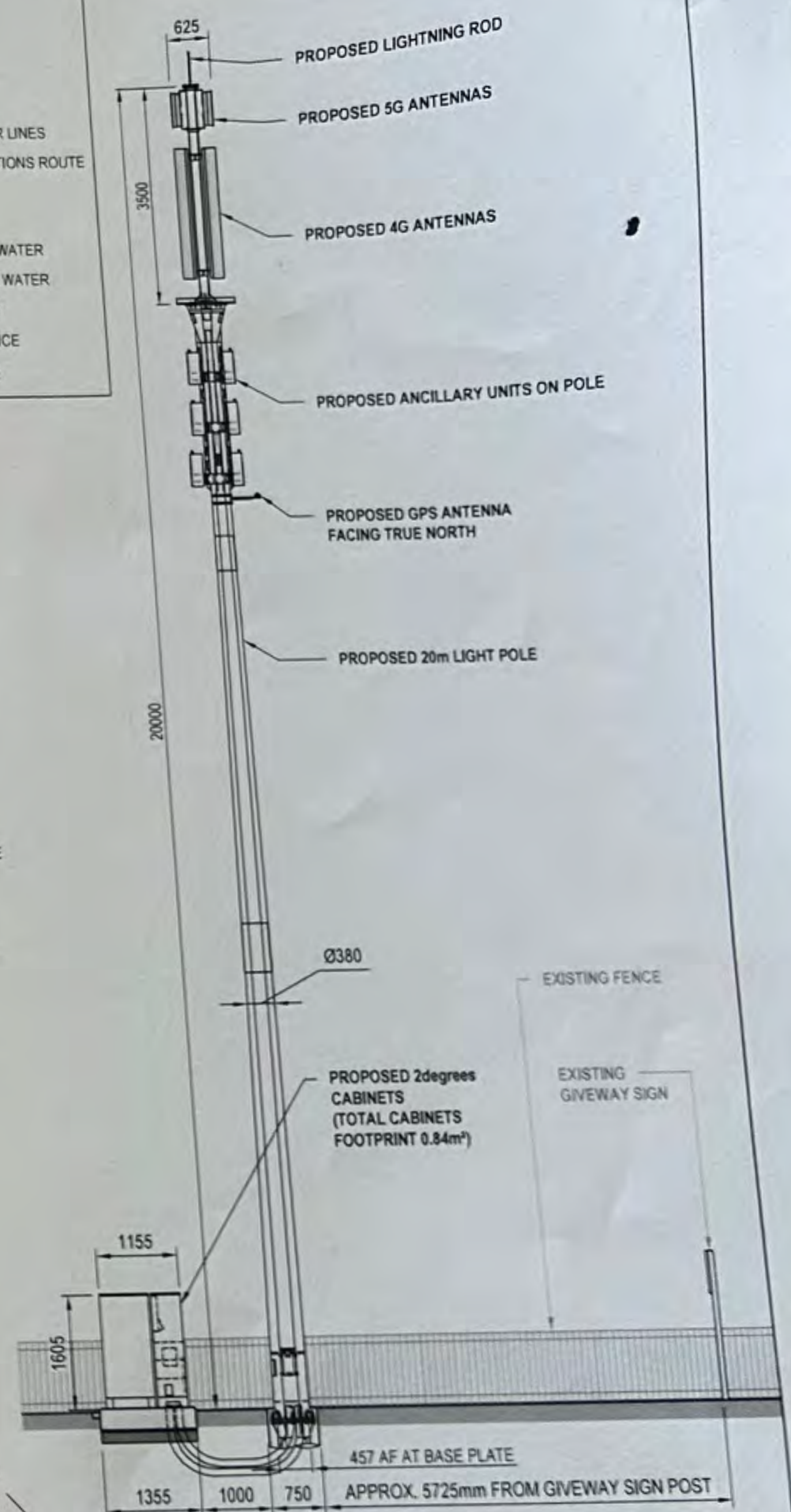
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PROPOSED SITE DETAIL PLAN
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Do not support most

Tell us why

I applaud the council's desire to make Auckland a world class city. This includes initiatives like the CRL. However you cannot continue to spend money on behalf of hard-working taxpayers without identifying budget savings and efficiencies. This is what normal humans do in their everyday lives. You are spending money ON BEHALF OF your ratepayers. Act like you care. Focus on core services and efficient/targeted deliverables that the city needs.

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The rate increase is too high, given the history of high rate increases. Where are the savings?

Question 3: Local board priorities

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N/A

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I applaud key infrastructure initiatives like the CRL. A cross-harbor train capability is obviously expensive but should be considered for a city of Auckland's size and ambition.

Focus on targeted, efficient infrastructure and services, not glamour, vanity or populist burn projects.

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Long-range planning, and embed shorter range planning within that, including basic infrastructure (roads, rail, water, sewerage, sporting venues, etc)

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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Auckland council had shown it's total incompetence with handing rubbish etc. They need to let private industry compete for this business.

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

Ōrākei

Ōrākei Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

Get council finances in order first.

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

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

I don't know

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

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Parking permits should be fully automated and you should focus on reducing the cost of administration instead of doing the same thing and passing on costs.

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N/A

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Submission on Auckland Council Annual Plan 2026/2027

██████ – Auckland Ratepayer & Technology Business Founder

Submitted: 29 March 2026

Summary

I support the broad direction of the Annual Plan 2026/2027, including the investment in the City Rail Link, water infrastructure, and the CCO reform programme. However, I am concerned that Auckland Council is pursuing a 7.9% rates increase and a \$106 million savings target without any stated strategy for using artificial intelligence and modern technology to drive operational efficiency, reduce costs, and improve service delivery for ratepayers.

New Zealand's national AI strategy was launched in July 2025. The Public Service AI Framework explicitly encourages agencies to pursue AI to create value and enable more efficient, responsive public services. Auckland Council's annual plan makes no reference to AI, digital transformation, or technology-led efficiency. This is a significant omission for a council group managing \$6.4 billion in annual operating expenditure and \$47 billion in public assets.

I write this submission as both a ratepayer and as the founder of Cradle, an AI-native cloud communications platform serving approximately 200 businesses across New Zealand and Australia. I see first-hand how AI is transforming operational efficiency in the private sector, and I believe the council is missing a major opportunity to do the same for Aucklanders.

1. The Rates Increase Lacks a Technology Efficiency Mandate

The proposed 7.9% rates increase is primarily driven by CRL ownership and operational costs. While I support the CRL as transformative infrastructure, the annual plan's approach to offsetting this cost relies on generic "savings and efficiency" language without specifying *how* those efficiencies will be achieved.

The \$106 million savings target (3.5% of rates) is welcome but appears to be driven by structural reorganisation and shared services rather than technology adoption. In the private sector, AI-driven automation is delivering 20–40% cost reductions in administrative functions. Council should be setting explicit targets for technology-led savings and reporting against them transparently.

Recommendation: The council should publish a technology efficiency roadmap alongside the annual plan, with measurable targets for AI and automation adoption across the council group, and report progress annually.

2. AI in Public Transport: Scheduling, Operations & Passenger Experience

Auckland Transport already uses Optibus, an AI-powered planning and scheduling platform, and has invested in a digital twin for real-time traffic visualisation. These are good foundations, but they are not mentioned in the annual plan and do not appear to be part of a broader strategy to maximise the return on CRL investment.

With the CRL launch, Auckland has a once-in-a-generation opportunity to redesign its public transport network around AI-optimised scheduling. Specific opportunities include:

- **Demand-responsive scheduling:** Using real-time ridership data and AI to dynamically adjust bus frequencies and routes to match actual demand, particularly for feeder services connecting to CRL stations.
- **Predictive disruption management:** AI models that anticipate service disruptions (weather, events, infrastructure failures) and proactively reroute services and notify passengers before problems escalate.
- **Passenger-facing AI in the AT mobile app:** Personalised journey planning, real-time crowd-level information, and proactive nudges to incentivise off-peak travel or alternative routes. The current AT app is widely criticised; this is a concrete opportunity to improve the passenger experience and drive patronage.
- **Dynamic pricing and incentives:** AI-driven fare optimisation to encourage off-peak usage, reduce overcrowding, and maximise network utilisation – directly supporting the business case for CRL investment.

Recommendation: The council should require Auckland Transport (or its successor under CCO reform) to publish an AI and digital strategy for public transport, with specific initiatives tied to CRL launch readiness.

3. CCO Reform: A Technology Opportunity Being Missed

The CCO reform programme is focused on structural alignment – bringing Eke Panuku and Tātaki Auckland Unlimited functions in-house, with Auckland Transport reform pending legislation. This is welcome, but the reform is entirely about organisational charts, not about how technology can enable the integrated decision-making that reform is supposed to deliver.

The council's own diagnosis identifies “strategic misalignment” and “wasteful spending and duplication” as core CCO problems. These are precisely the problems that shared data platforms and AI coordination tools are designed to solve. For example:

- **Infrastructure coordination:** Watercare digging up roads that Auckland Transport has just resurfaced is a well-known Auckland problem. A shared infrastructure digital twin – which the council's ICT team has previously discussed – could schedule works across utilities, transport, and stormwater in coordinated windows, reducing cost and disruption.
- **Integrated planning:** AI tools can align capital works programmes across CCOs so that transport investments, water renewals, and urban development projects are sequenced to maximise shared benefits rather than operating in silos.
- **Customer service automation:** The council already uses RPA bots for consultation feedback processing. This should be expanded to AI-powered customer service across the group – handling the thousands of routine enquiries that currently consume staff time across multiple CCOs.

Recommendation: CCO reform should include a mandatory requirement for a shared data and AI platform across the council group, with specific efficiency targets and a programme of work to eliminate duplication through technology.

4. Alignment with New Zealand's National AI Strategy

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The annual plan represents a significant missed opportunity to signal to ratepayers, staff, and the technology sector that Auckland is serious about using AI to deliver better outcomes at lower cost. This is particularly relevant given that the plan asks ratepayers to absorb a 7.9% increase; demonstrating a commitment to technology-led efficiency would go some way toward building confidence that the council is doing everything it can to manage costs.

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Closing Remarks

I recognise the scale of Auckland's infrastructure challenge and the complexity of managing a \$3.9 billion capital programme. However, asking ratepayers for a 7.9% increase without a credible technology strategy for efficiency is asking them to fund a 20th-century operating model for a 21st-century city.

Auckland has the foundations – Optibus for transport scheduling, digital twins for traffic management, RPA for process automation. What is missing is a strategic commitment from the council to scale these initiatives, invest in AI capability across the group, and hold itself accountable for technology-driven savings.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss these recommendations further with the council.

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Auckland Ratepayer



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Support all

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)

Everything must change for a better future !Support

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Do not support most

Tell us why

While I am happy to support the use of rates to fund additional CRL SERVICES, I do not support an increase in rates to fund additional STATIONS and DEPRECIATION COSTS.

I am very supportive of the benefits that the CRL services will offer but the delays due to the need to build fancy and large new stations has been farcical. I live near the revamped Maungawhau station and have advocated for more than two years to open the station as a stop for the Western

line, as part of the Community Liaison Group and working with Councillors. However, the impression I got was that the station is not ready yet and that's not possible. It has been really insulting to have to deal with the disruptions and see trains pass by everyday, without being able to use the SERVICES- to serve the community, the priority should have been about delivering the services, not the building itself. I would have been happy to have access to just a plain platform, rather than waiting for the fancy STATION BUILDING. If CRL are being so precious about their station building, they should fund this privately- for example, from rent of the new space to retailers, and sale of land acquired for the construction. The fact that depreciation costs and station operating cost have not been planned suggests that due diligence has not been conducted appropriately in the planning stages.

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Albert-EdenSupport mostI want to stress how important it is that investigating how to respond to future growth expected in our area as a result of Proposed Plan Change 120: Housing Intensification and Resilience, and the opening of the City Rail Link are done in consultation with the local community. I currently look at my window and can see a barren construction site around Maungawhau station, with construction workers who seem to just move things around everyday but with no new developments. The area has so much potential for revitalising the live of the area and it should be a priority. The development should be done holistically to encourage a place that we all want to live in- and therefore consulting with local community about what type of space they want to live in.

Overall, it's encouraging to see that services will continue to be maintained but it is disappointing that there are no new concrete plans for the Local Board area.SupportSupportSupportSupport

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.,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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#3014

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Local Board: Waitematā

Your feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

in this economy and what's happening in the world we should focus on supporting our local businesses protect our own citizen

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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 most

Tell us why

I support the below however libraries can now be done all online we should be more innovative protect and support the businesses in the city and the people who lives in CBD they are your drivers of the city if its supported and protected it will look lively enhance visitors experience supports each others community

delay non-essential tree work • reduce community grant funding • reduce accommodation grant funding to community groups, to help meet the costs associated with their premises • increase adult swim fees at council pools by up to \$3.

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.

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)

libraries should be converted online thats a waste of resources and space we can commercialize that betterDo not support

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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In this day and age, with the economic pressures and global uncertainty we're all experiencing, it has never been more important to focus on our people—the business owners, workers, and residents who keep this city alive. At the end of the day, it's the locals who sustain the CBD. They are the ones who use public transport, support hospitality and retail operators, activate public spaces, and contribute to the cultural and economic energy of the area.

For the Annual Plan 2026/2027, I strongly encourage prioritising initiatives that make the CBD a thriving, safe, and accessible place for people to live, work, and visit. This means continued investment in:

Public transport that is reliable and affordable

Local hospitality and small businesses, who rely heavily on foot traffic

Vibrant public spaces, events, and infrastructure that attract people into the city

Safety and maintenance, ensuring the CBD remains welcoming

Community-focused programmes that support connection and wellbeing

The Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan also plays an essential role. Our maunga are taonga and cultural anchors across Tāmaki Makaurau. Their care, accessibility, and integration into the identity of the city help create a sense of place that residents and visitors feel deeply connected to. Continued investment in protecting and enhancing these spaces is both culturally responsible and community-strengthening.

Overall, a people-first approach—centred on locals, small businesses, transport users, and vibrant community spaces—is what will keep our city strong, resilient, and alive.

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

looking after local businesses and people who live and work in CBD

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

Trying to pull money from people who working hard for this country, people who doesn't want to work they're giving everything for them giving the housing water free, those people is still making money more than as they are the rich, we're working hard to pay more tax every year housing rate is going up bill is going up Bank interested going up until we die bills for this country or government, doesn't want to help us, I'm working hard work overtime in my bank balance end of month overdraft, late payment council rate \$80 why I'm late for payment because I don't have enough money on time. System need to be fair for everyone all the bill coin of every year income staying same. I Take

my kids out but who people stay benefit and housing NZ, there's every year going to holiday overseas,

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Feeling bad 😞

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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It's not going to help with anything for me I don't even have money if i accidentally I did mistake parking or lat payment penalty

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Flood resilient

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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#3029

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Local Board: Waitematā

Your feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

it's good

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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

Question 4: Other feedback**Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?**

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James Greig: Submission for Annual Plan 2026/2027

Topic: Collaborative Community Safety & The ROCK COLLEGE Street Intelligence Initiative

As a lead peacekeeper with 8 years of experience on the ground at the Central Library, Ellen Melville Centre and the Grand Millennium Hotel, I wish to provide the following feedback:

* Cohesive Safety Teams: I support a model where community-led Street Intelligence works alongside Private Security, Compliance Wardens, and Police as a unified team.

My goal is to build a culture of mutual respect where we all use our unique skills to keep the CBD safe and welcoming for everyone.

* The ROCK COLLEGE Initiative: I want to partner with the council to develop ROCK COLLEGE Street Initiative. This project would provide training and certification pathways- including First Aid Wananga and Security C.O.A units- for street level leads. This professionalises the roles of those who already hold the trust of the whanau, ensuring we move correctly as first responders in our space.

*Shared Waste Management: I currently coordinate with Ventia workers using their blue bags to manage waste at street feed sites. I want to see the Council provide more gear (bags and gloves) to support this grassroots pride in our hometown.

*Positive Visibility: I want to highlight the excellent work of Library staff and Wardens,

By working together we can turn Auckland into a world- class ‘City of Peace’ through collaboration rather than conflict.

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

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Question 6: City centre

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

Support most

Tell us why

Rates are low in Auckland and should be increased as needed rather than going for false economy. There are long-term issues that have been somewhat avoided.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Generally support increasing rates, fees and charges as needed.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

Support City Centre Master Plan generally.

Oppose re-opening Queen St to general traffic.

Support increasing active transport and public transport but feel more would be advisable.

Accept most cost-cutting measure of local board except cuts to library service.

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.

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)

Support some local board cost-cutting but only on basis that budget has already been set.

More generally feel that Auckland rates can still be increased as they are low and good value.

There are mitigating options for minority who can not afford higher rates.

Do not support

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?

- 1) Maintain existing levels even if rates increases are needed.
- 2) Fix things already known to be substandard.
- 3) Future growth/improvements should address known future challenges such as fossil fuel dependency, climate change.

Question 6: City centre

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#3054

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Support most

Tell us why

\$16m to Nga Hianga Maori .

Auckland rates are paid by multi cultural people

The Council is over represented with Maori Cultural advisors so why more 'Mataawaka to engage with Auckland Council decision making progress' this money needs to go into benefits for all rate payers. This is absolute preferential racism.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

As above, otherwise all seems to be good governance

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

All seems fine, but not sure the Council is sticking to its core business. Getting involved in racist expenditure again.

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

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Support

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

Support

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

I don't know

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

Support

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

I don't know

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

Grant funding seems vague and therefore not sure what all the grants are

same with enviromental fundingSupport

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?

Future infrastructure planning to support our largest City geared to reach a high International standard & the resultant economical benefits this will generate

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.,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

#3097

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Can't afford 7.9%rates increase

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Bad

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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It's impossible to keep changing more

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

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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?

agree with this (1, 2,3 and 4)

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Albert-EdenSupport mostSupportSupportSupportI don't know

Question 4: Other feedback

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Increasing the rates year on year has become unaffordable for our family.

We have seen no evidence of the council being careful with rates payer money,

No other business or organisation has this arrogance.

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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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Listen to your ratepayers

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Tell us why

Firstly I think your form is overly complex and almost impossible for the average ratepayer to complete..

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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?

Aotea/Great Barrier

Aotea/Great Barrier Local Board Feedback:

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

I don't know

Tell us why

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

A. Improvements to the library service including additional programmes.

I don't know

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

I don't know

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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Yes. The form has obviously been designed at great expense.

Surely it would be simpler and easier if you asked questions and then devised a plan,

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Planning

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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.



Annual Plan 2026-2027

#3165

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

I spent 20 minutes filling this out in detail and all my comments were lost in a non initiated refresh - I am not filling it out again. I'll be brief. The proposed rate increase is obscene in a cost of living crisis. Council should cut more discretionary spending. Current bed tax is a joke and needs to be standardised flat fee. It should look to partly fund destination marketing events etc proportionate to its take on that market (there are many other businesses that prosper. Hauraki gulf should be the focus of environment funding and education. With Shane Jones somehow at the helm it needs all the protection it can get from him and other invasive species. I strongly support all move to de-

power AT of any decision making. If councillors really want to fund millions for maori infrastructure I would ask that they do that out of their own salaries.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Albert-Eden, Aotea/Great Barrier, Devonport-Takapuna, Hibiscus and
Bays, Ōrākei, Rodney, Upper Harbour, Waiheke, Waitākere
Ranges, Waitematā Support Support Support Support

Aotea/Great Barrier 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 services?

A. Improvements to the library service including additional programmes.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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

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.

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.

Other

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

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)

You have grouped too much stuff together in the above questions.

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.

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.

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.

Other

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

Ōrākei 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 services?

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Tell us why

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

A. Reduce 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)

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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

Tell us why

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

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

I don't know

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

I don't know

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

I don't know

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

I don't know

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

Support

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

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.

Support

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

Do not support

C. Reduce community grant funding and accommodation grant funding.

Support

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

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)

Support

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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Protecting and revitalising the hauraki gulf

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Tell us why

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Albert-Eden

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Tell us why

Rates are already too high

While I accept increases are inevitable to pay for deferred infrastructure projects, there should've assistance to ratepayers who might otherwise lose their homes ie, postponement of rates or charges against property at rates below market.

Also, the plan to allow developers to build high rise buildings in residential areas without proper restrictions is ad hoc both in terms of location and other criteria. It's as if someone has just randomly marked up a street map. This process has not been sufficiently transparent or rationale

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Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Taking slasbury park for the central interceptor project places an undue and unfair burden on people already seriously impacted by the street drilling and construction which is long term and seriously disruptive

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.

I don't know

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)

Critical infrastructure should be prioritised and funding put into a scheme to assist ratepayers with rising rates bills I don't know

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

Infrastructure - it has been deferred too long ie placing an unfair onus on future generations

It is not the job of ratepayers to provide economic assistance to business

Focus should remain on core responsibilities ie safe travel/ transport, water, parks, beaches, safe building regulatory standards and keeping rates affordable to the elderly and economically vulnerable (families and first home buyers)

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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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Not good

Unfair to pay tax to park on the road

The council already tasted money on the good scrap bin !!!

It did not work

Leave the refuse collection as it is !!!

Some bored council member is introducing change for the sake of change !!

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Ōrākei

Ōrākei Local Board Feedback:**1. What do you think of our proposals for your local board area in 2026/2027?**

Do not support any

Tell us why

No need to change

What for??

You cannot bring culture into change

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

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Remuera is not a kids suburb

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Tell us why

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The city and all the disruption has already closed plenty of businesses - this project should have been funded from other sources and government budgets - NOT RATES.

8%???????

No one can afford that these days.

Wake up - peopel are crippled currently with meeting BASIC NEEDS...let alone anything else

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

This is ridiculous.

WE ARE IN A COST OF LIVING CRISIS

Earth to council. earth to council - are you actually in touch with reality in Auckland?!

Doesnt seem like it from any of these propsed changes.

No one can afford this.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Albert-EdenSupport mostYes support the oldies with more discounts.

Yes restore waterways and invest our money in our envrionment.

Support all commjnityg focused efforts - libraries fixed etc

Do not agree with zoming changes to intensify habitation of our area. You are devaluing our properties and increasing rates. This is NOT ON. SupportDo not supportSupportI don't knowI'm not sure anyone can sustain any rates increases for any reason right now. Look at the nationla and global situation. How is this supporting the cost of living crisis and managing current community businesses with empathy to the BIGGER PICTURE?

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If we were in a booming economy - i dont see any problem with this plan - but we are not. Sadly the reality is we are in a Cost of Living crisis which is only getting worse - we have more enviornmental factors to future proof against with our properties - also forecasted to get worse, global instabikiuty and financial markets looking like a potential big impact to NZ as they are faltering and we have sold off all our asstest that make us an independant nation! This plan seems completely out of touch with the reality of life in Auckland. perhaps look at the fihgures of how many people are being pushed out rurally as they can no longer afford Auckland prices - in any regard.

Gas prices are currently over \$4 a litre for Diesle!!!

Come on - get with the program Auckland Council.

Priorities need to be PEOPLE and maintaining our city right now given the economic climate and general state of the nation.

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Environmental protection - our living environment that is FREE for all given these challenging times. Costs jutrs go up - ages do not. It is not sustainable. People are struggling and one of those categories should be 'community management' (or similar)to support the existing community, their businesses, infrastructure and do more with what we have, make connections and utilkise each other so everyone wins.

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Do not support any

Tell us why

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You want to build townhouse and cram everyone not give enough parking and then increase parking permits fees, sounds like extortion.

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

They seem to be fine.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waitematā

Waitematā 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

Making our city, and our environment worse does not feel like the answer to these challenges. Tree maintenance is already poor in the city centre, with damaged or removed trees rarely replaced, Albert Park is in desperate need of a planting plan, and reducing cleaning of signs/repairs to bollards is just going to lead to the city feeling messier and less cared for.

And when we represent our city that way, people treat it the same way. Which will lead to more costs, more repairs, worse behaviour and more.

I really would like to see some aspirational leadership here, and a plan to raise funds in other ways that allow us to invest and improve, not stagnate or degrade. Because if the board sees this funding situation staying as is, is the plan to perpetually reduce services and reduce maintenance of our environment every year?

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

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Do not support

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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.

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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As always I'm disappointed by the lack of ambition in our cities plans. There seems to be very little appetite for improvement, and we don't appear to have a vision that doesn't largely involve things getting gradually worse as the funding model falls apart. I'm happy to pay my rates, but I honestly think looking at this plan I will spend 8% more, and just see services cut, and the spaces around me degrade.

I think Auckland Council needs to take a very strong stance on advocating for a change in how local government is funded. For example we should not be paying for 50% of the CRL, that doesn't happen on other infrastructure projects. We should have a bed tax.

Auckland should be our most vibrant city, and it should be growing, improving and be showing leadership, not scraping by, barely able to fund plans.

I also support the existing 2020 City Centre Masterplan, and Access for Everyone. I want to see this implemented, we agreed to them, voted in favour of them, please do them. Stop watering them down, stop giving into Viv Beck and others about putting more cars in the city centre, it doesn't work, and we have a mountain of overseas evidence to show what we should be doing.

Please have some aspiration for this city I love, but love less every year at the moment.

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



#3291

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Local Board: Waitematā

Your feedback:

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

We already pay high rates bills that keep rising, with less and less services. We have power outages, playgrounds that need attention. We have to mow our own curbs. All the money spent on rates go to unnecessary road works and middle management. Unless everyone is also given a 7.9% wage increase - at a time like this where our wages arent even keeping up with inflation, its criminal to expect this amount of increase in rates.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

So, charging more in rates and then charging extra for rubbish removal. So what exactly will the huge rates increase pay for. Services keep being taken from us, while our rates bill keeps going up.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Albert-EdenDo not support mostSupportDo not supportSupportDo not support

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Why do we as a tax payer have to pay for CRL that went way over budget and something that we may not even use at all? Shouldn't that cost be primarily met by public transport users? This is very unfair on many residents and owners who have nothing to do with the CRL/public transport, rather who have been heavily penalised by way long delayed CRL project.

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We currently has no off-street parking in St Marys Bay and we are relying on the parking permit. This means we have no other options available to us at all to park our cars safely if we don't have the parking permit. Almost 63% of the suggested increase seems to be very unfair for people who simply do not have other options available. It's simply a monopoly and price gouging by the council/AT to manipulate. Some people may not be able to afford this increased parking permit and it is a safety risk and issue, not only to their vehicles but also to their health and well-being, especially at challenging weather situations. Our suggestion is that for residents who do not have any off-site parking/garage should not have the parking permit price increases, or at least differentiated increases from people who already own garage spots, but simply are purchasing parking permits because they have so many cars and simply because they can with the money. This suggested increase could end up resulting in number of residents who actually need the permit but can't afford to apply miss out on the permit, while it opens up more space for those who do not actually need the parking permit, down at much lower priority, to get parking permit a lot more easily. simply because they can afford it. These inequalities should not happen. Those people who have no access and no other option to a safe car park space should be looked after, protected and exempted from this increase. The permit should be issued based on needs, not based on who can afford it or not.

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Franklin, Waitematā

Franklin Local Board Feedback:

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There needs to be clear reasons communicated as to why some tax payers have to bear the rates increase cost simply because CRL had a huge cost blow-out and it should be targeted rates collection for public transport users. And for the parking permit price increases, we strongly suggest that residents who do not have any off-site parking/garage should not have the parking permit price increases, or at least differentiated increases from people who already own garage spots, but simply are purchasing parking permits because they have so many cars and simply because they can with the money. This suggested increase could end up resulting in number of residents who actually need the permit but can't afford to apply miss out on the permit, while it opens up more space for those who do not actually need the parking permit, down at much lower priority, to get parking permit a lot more easily. simply because they can afford it. These inequalities should not happen. Those people who have no access and no other option to a safe car park space should be looked after,

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