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Rate increase is too high

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Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Keen to see funding go towards ensuring recreation uses for AF Thomas are actioned quickly

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Maintenance and upgrades of local parks

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As a rate payers, I noted that rates have been increasing every year and yet, services have not improved.

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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.

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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Question 4: Other feedback

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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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Community safety

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.,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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#4262

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Submitter details:

Organisation: Sunnynook Medical Centre

Local Board: Kaipātiki

Your feedback:

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

Other

Tell us why

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the recent and substantial increase in business property rates. As a local business owner, I am finding it increasingly difficult to manage the rising costs associated with maintaining and operating my business.

Over the past period, my annual rates have increased from over $10,000 to more than $14,000, representing a significant rise of approximately 40%. This sharp increase, combined with the broader impact of inflation and escalating operational expenses, is placing considerable financial strain on my business. I am being charged for standard refuse collection of nearly 200$every quarter which hasn't even been supplied being a business property.

Like many small and medium-sized enterprises, we are already facing higher costs in areas such as utilities, wages, and supplies. The added burden of increased rates is making it challenging to sustain operations and continue contributing positively to the local economy.

I respectfully request that the council reconsider the current rate increases and explore options to reduce or ease the burden on business owners. Measures such as phased increases, relief programs, or revised rate structures could make a meaningful difference in helping businesses remain viable during this challenging time.

Local businesses are vital to the community, providing employment opportunities and contributing to economic growth. Supporting us during periods of financial pressure will ultimately benefit the wider community as well.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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N/A

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

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#4299

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Local Board: Kaipātiki

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Good.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Traffic congestion.

Delayed construction.

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

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#4300

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Not applicable.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

1. Sewer safety facilities to prepare for floods

2. Exercise facilities for adults in parks

3. Installation of more streetlights

Question 6: City centre

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

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#4321

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Do not support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Not agree, rates increase 7.9% is too high in this economic situation, a lot of businesses closed and high unemployment

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

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

Albert-Eden Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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

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

Do not support

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

Support

3. Kingsland Business Society Inc is proposing to expand the geographic boundary of its Business Improvement District programme to include areas around the north end of Morningside Drive, and to increase the amount of targeted rate funds to be collected

from $245,000 to $370,000 per year. If it is successful, ratepayers of business properties located within the BID expansion area will be required to pay the associated BID targeted rate. Do you support this proposal?

Do not support

Tell us why

Aotea/Great Barrier Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

A. Improvements to the library service including additional programmes.

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

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

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

2. Due to rising costs for utilities, maintenance, staffing requirements as well as pressures on revenue, we are facing an increase in the cost of delivering existing

services. To address this, we are considering changes to service levels or fees. What do you think about the proposed changes?

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.

Do not support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

Support

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Support

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

Do not support

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

Franklin 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

Henderson-Massey Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Hibiscus and Bays Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

Kaipātiki 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

Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

Do not support

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

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

Support

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

Support

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

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

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

Manurewa Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not 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.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

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?

Do not support

Tell us why

Ōrākei Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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

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

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

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

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

Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board Feedback:

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

Tell us why

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

I don't know

Rodney 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

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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

B. Reduce grants funding.

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

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

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

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

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

Waiheke 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

Waitākere Ranges Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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

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

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

D. Progress an omnibus Waitākere Ranges Local Parks Management Plan

E. Walking and cycling connections, particularly through parks

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

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

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

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.

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)

Whau Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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

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

Support

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

Do not support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Support

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

Question 4: Other feedback

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

N/A

Question 6: City centre

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

Events and city life – attract people to the city centre through events, culture and a strong sense of place.,Safety – a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.,Streets and public spaces – improve streets, parks and public spaces so the city centre is a great place to live and spend time in.,Supporting businesses – help businesses succeed by making them easier to access by attracting more visitors to the city with well-designed streets and public spaces.

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

Support most

Tell us why

The overall plan needs to be completed. Some of it is rectifying past mistakes and paying for them now when they should have been paid for when first needed, instead of 'kicking the can down the road'.

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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?

Keep the refuse collection service as it is, it works, there is no need to change it.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

More should be done on flood resilience. Too much money is being spent on transport. It is nice to have regular bus services if you live on the bus route. Unfortunately, older people have to climb hills/slopes to get to them, which makes them useless in the real world.

Question 4: Other feedback

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How can you plan when you don't know how many people are in the city/district? Does the council know how many people are living illegally in Auckland, are under the radar and hence using the services that need to be paid for?

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

Make sure that ALL the people who use the city's services pay for them.

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

No, Rate increases are far to much for great deals of Aucklanders and should be only 2 percent. Or the rebate should increase for low income citizens.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Auckland council needs to consider whether our streets are carparks or carrage ways. Infill housing with units only have one park have left head on accident situations. Cars parked both side have left one lane only. Many on crests and corners and curves , compromising road safety. Consideration of this in planing has to be a factor at the planing level .

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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

Tell us why

Nil

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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	Flood resilience – reducing flood risks, upgrading stormwater systems and protecting waterways.

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

W.e need to plant more native trees. I have witnessed the removal of large native and exotic trees off housing developments. For all we take down We should replace .

Moreporks, tui ,fantail, white eye, wood pigeon, gery wabbler,

once abundant in kaipatiki are now fast disappearing.

Question 6: City centre

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

Other (please specify):Nil

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#4343

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Support most

Tell us why

Mostly, I understand and agree in principle but expect Council to look more closely at reducing all lower priority expenditure.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

The existing bin arrangement is good. However if the majority of recyclable waste actually ends up as landfill then there is a saving opportunity that needs closer consideration.

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Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

There are broad interests in our community and I appreciate the urge to satisfy them all but that's not practical. Priorities must be set between and within each area of expense.

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See my attached Auckland Council Plan Submission - Kaipatiki Local Board, 27 March 2026

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

Maintain, and build ahead of development, all required infrastructure including roads, lighting, underground services and prioritise these ahead of social services and providing free entertainment. Seriously consider the purpose and provision of free services such libraries, entertainment and cultural events.

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Auckland Council Plan Submission
Kaipatiki Local Board, 27 March 2026

Onepoto Domain is a beautiful family Park in a natural volcanic crater and managed tidal estuary. The park (and car park!) is full every suitable weekend day of families playing, toddlers on bikes and scooters, children in the playground, picnickers on the grass, walkers in the parkland and wetlands enjoying the pathways meandering the circumference of the Domain, sports people on the playing fields supported by spectator families and friends.

The jewel in this crown of North Shore parks are the two small **Onepoto Lakes**. The smaller lake is always a picture of serenity and birdlife, the larger lake is designated for sailing model boats. There are 3 Clubs that sail and race radio controlled model yachts. Two clubs each race seperate internationally recognised classes of yachts every Sunday, the third sails twice each mid-week is a showcase of individual models ranging from 1 foot single masted yachts to models of huge multi-masted sailing ships of spectacular size and appearance. Times between official functions we are often seen practicing. Sailors are typically an older group enjoying the sunset years of long sailing careers and interests.

These lakes were created from the tidal estuary by Council who installed **control mechanisms** to manage tidal flows and flood waters. The mechanisms, built into a seawall, seperate the sea from the lakes and without them, the sea would flood the Domain including the lakes, (which are at 2.2 metres relative to tides - which peak range from 0.5m low and 3.5m high tide) wetlands and much of the park and play areas, each high tide.

The mechanisms are colloquially known as the "**Weir**" (dam) which holds the lake water from draining to the sea each Low tide and the "**Flaps**" which prevent the seawater flooding the Domain each High tide, and allow surplus (eg flood) water to flow out at low tide. They are also used to adjust the lake level, regulate the water exchange rate in both directions and salinity level. **The mechanisms must be maintained regularly.**

All rain and most runoff water that occurs within the Onepoto crater (boundaries of Howard Street, Exmouth Road and Sylvan Avenue) exit to the sea via these mechanisms. Hence in storms, the lakes flood. Runoff water collects rubbish, chemicals, fertilisers which in turn flows into and settles in the lakes as sediment. The **sediment must be removed periodically**, the last time being 2015.

The lakes have **rock wall** delineation along almost half their boundaries, the remainder being natural planted sloping ground. The **rock walls require regular inspection and maintenance**. There are several lengths where rocks have broken away and fallen into the water.

The Lake water abounds with life - eels, small fish, mussels, even mosquito larvae! In and around the lakes there is an abundance of ducks, pukeko, pied stilts, shags, kingfishers, seagulls, heron, pigeons - all a good sign for the general health of the area. But the lakes are brackish water with complex sediments, waste products, discards of broken branches, sticks, timber, rocks, paper, plastics, bread/bird feed are thus exposed to many potential problems. Council have detected, amongst others, chemical build-up, deoxigenation, weed and algae. Algae is always a threat, be it fresh or seawater varieties. Warmer temperatures and lower rainfalls over the last few years have caused Algol bloom which covers the lakes in a green, smelly growth prohibiting yacht sailing for 5 months over each of the last 2 years. Council successfully treated the algae in December 2025 allowing sailors to return in January. **Algae treatment should be considered a mandatory option each Summer**.

The lakes, as in all shallow, quiet waters (eg Auckland Domain Winter Gardens) lose oxygen which denies the maintenance of healthy water. Council are considering, and I wholeheartedly support, **the installation of aerators in the lakes** and suggest to KLB this approach as an inexpensive yet effective solution to dramatically improve water health.

I would welcome the opportunity to present my submission to Kaipatiki Local Board in person

[redacted]
Kaipatiki Resident.

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

Support most

Tell us why

Auckland needs key infrastructure issues resolved and to address the needs of our growing communities. This work will enable Auckland to become a more liveable and prosperous city.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Overall, my comment is that these charges are necessary to effect stronger economic development, and build a diverse and dynamic city. In the event that there are unforeseen circumstances, it is reassuring to know that there is a rates increase cap.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Kaipātiki,Waitematā

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

I think the proposals will assist the area and its people.

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

Budget savings need to be made to help create a stronger city centre but it will come at a cost in the areas where cuts are proposed.

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

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

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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.

E. Reduce funding for environmental management activities.

Do not support

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

Many organisations that are vital to the city centre rely on community grant funding and accommodation grant funding,

Reducing funding for environmental management activities, such as non-essential tree pruning, means that buildings can be damaged. For example, Q Theatre has an ongoing problem with overhanging branches and leaves on its roof. This increases costs for a non-profit organisation to keep gutters and rood areas clear from debris. It causes leaks and branches impact on the building structure.

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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I am writing in support of continued and robust investment in Q Theatre as part of Auckland Council's Annual Budget 2026/27 and the Long Term Plan, particularly in light of the stated priorities: value for money, urban regeneration, stronger economic development, revitalising the city centre, maximising the City Rail Link, and fostering a diverse and dynamic Tāmaki Makaurau.

Q Theatre is not just another venue; it is essential infrastructure in the Aotea Arts Precinct and on Queen Street. For 15 years it has provided a professional, well-equipped, multi-space home for the performing arts, enabling a unique ecosystem where emerging and established artists, independent producers, and major companies can co-exist and grow.

In particular, Q Theatre is a crucial stepping stone in the pathway for emerging artists from spaces such as Basement Theatre to larger stages and audiences. That transition is notoriously fragile. Without a venue like Q, many of our most promising artists and producers will either plateau or leave Auckland altogether. The result would be a hollowing out of our creative sector and a much less vibrant city centre.

Q Theatre directly supports the Council's budget objectives in the following ways:

1. Value for money and economic development

- Q leverages Council support to attract box office income, bar and hospitality revenue, ticketing fees, and co-investment from other funders, delivering a high level of cultural and economic return per public dollar.

- It provides year-round employment and contract work for artists, technicians, hospitality workers and creative professionals, sustaining the wider creative economy.

- The activity generated by Q – audiences, rehearsals, festivals, co-productions – spills out into local cafes, restaurants, bars and transport services, increasing spending in the CBD and supporting surrounding businesses.

2. Urban regeneration and a busier, safer city centre

- Regular, high-quality programming at Q brings people into the city centre during evenings and weekends, times when foot traffic can otherwise be low and safety perceptions poor.

- The presence of a thriving theatre on Queen Street contributes significantly to the lived-in feel of the Aotea Arts Precinct and helps counter vacant-shopfront and empty city narratives.

- Cultural destinations such as Q are proven anchors in successful international examples of urban regeneration, helping transform streets from transit corridors into places people choose to dwell and visit.

3. Maximising the City Rail Link and public transport investment

- With the City Rail Link delivering more people directly into the heart of town, the success of that investment depends on there being compelling reasons to stay, spend and participate.

- Q Theatre is precisely the kind of high-quality, accessible destination that turns a trip through the city into a visit to the city. It gives residents from across the region a reason to come in on the train, stay for a show, eat and explore the city centre.

4. A diverse, dynamic and cohesive Tāmaki Makaurau

- For 15 years, Q has consistently programmed work that reflects the depth and diversity of the people of Tāmaki Makaurau – including Māori, Pacific, Asian and other communities whose stories have historically been under-represented.

- Audiences at Q regularly experience work that speaks directly to their own lives and identities. I have seen first-hand how powerful this is: people feeling genuinely seen, feeling that this is my Auckland and others leaving with changed thinking, deeper understanding and increased empathy.

- This kind of shared experience is not a nice-to-have; it is part of the social glue that underpins cohesion and unity in a super-diverse city. Theatre builds empathy in a way few other mediums can, and Q provides an accessible, welcoming space for that to happen together.

5. Supporting a sustainable creative pipeline

- Q Theatre is an indispensable middle rung on the ladder for artists: not as small and risk-constrained as development venues, not as large and commercially pressured as our biggest stages. It also enables established artists to develop and showcase new work.

- By enabling artists and companies to scale up and develop work – creatively, technically and in terms of audience reach – Q helps ensure that local work can graduate to festivals, touring circuits and larger houses. This strengthens Auckland's reputation as a producer of original, exportable cultural product.

- Losing or weakening this stepping stone and development platform would damage the long-term health and competitiveness of Auckland's arts sector and the city's wider appeal as a creative, liveable metropolis.

To enable a value-for-money budget that strengthens economic development, regenerates the city centre and makes the most of the City Rail Link, then venues like Q Theatre are not peripheral – they are central. They convert infrastructure and capital spend into lived experience, community pride and ongoing economic activity.

I urge Auckland Council to maintain its commitment to Q Theatre as core cultural infrastructure. Doing so will help ensure that the heart of our city is not only busier, but also more welcoming, more cohesive and more reflective of the people who call Tāmaki Makaurau home.

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Creative Industries for the reasons previously articulated to drive econmic growth, rebuild a busier city centre, and create a truly diverse and dynamic city.

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Do not support most

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

In addition to the overal increasing cost of living, it will add burden to household

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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Look for opportunities on limit the rubbish and recycle collection by providing additional bins

Look for opportunities to run small buses at lean time thus saving fuel used to run a big bus

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Again it seems like the costs of everything are going up, running a central rail which will be only used by people in the CBD. Why isn't it funded by people who use it?

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

It seems unfair to charge a blanket 7.9% increase for making adjustments focused in two suburbs and rural areas with the price of everything going up and seeing wartime economies emerging. This is one thing the government has direct control over and could be used to ease the burden on many families struggling to pay mortgages, fuel, and groceries. It feels hurtful that these costs are being ignored, public transport just went up again too.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki 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 wording for projects is incredibly vague. What communities? How will it be decided? It doesn't sound inclusive for introverted people

Question 4: Other feedback

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Rebuilding Northcote library

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Support most

Tell us why

Central rail link has been an excessive expense & doesn't assist those living on the North Shore of Auckland. A New Harbour crossing is more of a priority for the future of Auckland, especially the growth experienced

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Poor, my rates went up circa 11.11%.

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Te Whau Pathway - Aware this is a costly project, however the completion of this project will unlock the full benefits. In light of the state of our roads, congestion, petrol costs, look to pathways that are useable for pedestrians, cyclists etc.

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Roads are in a very poor shape, perhaps more focus on pathways that do provide alternative routes for people.

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Cool with it, I know operating costs go up so we gotta fund those

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I would love to see more dedicated bus lanes (longer hours too) and cycle lanes around the whole city, and especially in Kaipatiki. Even if it takes away parking, especially with this fuel crisis we all need to be driving less. Also, more frequent bus service and later services on Fridays and on the weekend.

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I don't know

Tell us why

I don't know why depreciation costs us actual money. How does the drop in value of something mean you need to increase rates?

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Support most

Tell us why

I want a way to get to around the area safely by bike. I see excellent resources in other areas, like Te Whau walkway over near Henderson. But Beach Haven's coast connection is nice, but not practical as a way to get anywhere

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Stop funding roads. Reduce the use of road by funding walking, cycling and public transport. That'll make the roads easier to use for those who still need them because there will be fewer people on them

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Cycling, Walking and Public transport.

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parks and public spaces so the city centre is a great place to live and spend time in.,Other (please specify):Ways to get there from the shore

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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Tell us why

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

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

Do not support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Do not support

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

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Do not support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

The library and the grants to local arts and community organisations.

Question 4: Other feedback

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support for local community organisations and the library

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Do not support any

Tell us why

Watercare have already increased their rates to fund repairing infrastructure. New builds should include new infrastructure costs or increase the costs to fund the infrastructure required. CRL should fund itself similar to toll roads, there will be a lot of people that can't use the rail line.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I don't support the CBD rail link. Too much spent on it. Only goes around city. Destroyed a lot of business's. Stop raising rates!!!! Live within your budget. Residents have to live within our budgets. Tired of Council constantly wasting our money. Leave heritage buildings alone too.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We pay extra in our rates yearly for refuse on North Shore already.

I am against 7.9% rates increase and less and less services from Council.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

stop with the rates increases. We cant afford it!!!

Why does Ventia have the parks contract?? Its owned by the gangs

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Not happy with it but Council appears to not care what the ratepayers want

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Protecting parks and waterways for everyone to enjoy

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N/A

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Question 4: Other feedback

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Finish the Te Whau pathway. This is an investment in our community, reducing the reliance on fossil fuels, cars and road networks, while increasing physical activity, improving mental health and providing space for families and the community to come together. This path provides a destination for tourists to explore the portage, and for all to learn about the history and ecology of this important area. It will also link existing parks and paths, providing a eco-friendly network for communities to grow for generations to come.

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

Support most

Tell us why

Transport and water make sense. Real concerns about reductions by a number of local boards in community services, in particular libraries, which in current economic climate are coming increasing important in the services they offer.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

OK

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

As stated, a real concern that DTLB, like several other LBs, is considering reducing library hours, in this case from 7 days to 6 days. Libraries provide an inclusive community and educational space, a safe environment for students, with activities for all ages, especially in the current economic climate.

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

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Support

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Do not support

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

Do not support

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Other

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Other

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

See above re libraries - there is already talk about reducing the days libraries are open instead of shrinking the daily hours they are open to the public.

In terms of community funding there is now very little viable alternative sources for funding or grants.

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I do not support the City Rail Link (CRL). During this period, the Auckland Council has been earning significant revenue from property development and businesses such as Auckland Airport, Contact Energy and etc, yet it has not been clear how this money is being spent.

Former Auckland Mayor Len Brown proposed the City Rail Link (CRL) as his flagship project to address downtown congestion, but it faced strong opposition from the central government. Why should taxes be increased to fix these issues?

Therefore, I believe I should be exempt from the 7.9 percent rates increase applied to an average-value residential property.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I do not support the introduction of a refuse bin or bag exchange fee, as it feels like paying taxes on top of taxes. These additional charges should be removed when the service returns to a standard rubbish bin system.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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

I do not support this Annual Plan 2026/2027. Because rain gardens were introduced in Auckland in the early 2000s, well before the 2010 super city amalgamation. They were approved as a regulatory

tool for water quality treatment, with the Auckland Regional Council (ARC) implementing them as part of a low-impact design approach. This has led to the conversion of lower-cost land into higher-profit developments, such as in areas like Flat Bush.

If the Auckland Council has made significant revenue in the past, why should my taxes be increased? Therefore, I believe I should be exempt from this increase.

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Do not support most

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I am not happy with the propose rate increase because I cannot afford to pay the increases every year.

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N/A

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N/A

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Support most

Tell us why

Local boards' 資金缺口總計似乎僅約 630 萬紐幣，且絕大部分與成本上漲有關。我認為我們不應在此事上斤斤計較，直接撥款支應這項無法避免的增支即可。

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That's fair. Users pay.

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Kaipātiki

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Support all

Tell us why

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Given the current geopolitical risks, I believe a contingency margin should be included in the budget. Pre-emptive deployment through fine-tuning the Contingency Margin is crucial to mitigating budget deviations caused by the conflict with Iran, which escalated only after the financial assumptions of the current plan were finalized. This forward-looking adjustment aligns with prudent financial management principles and ensures the resilience of Auckland's long-term infrastructure and service delivery.

Reasons for support:

Outdated budget assumptions:

The financial models for the 2026/2027 consultation paper and the 2025/2026 Auckland Transport budget (NZ$1.537 billion in operating expenses) were finalized before the conflict escalated at the end of February 2026. Therefore, the baseline data does not incorporate the current economic turmoil caused by the black swan event.

Unbudgeted Operating Pressure:

Fuel costs have fluctuated dramatically since the outbreak of the conflict. With petrol prices rising sharply in March 2026 (from NZ$2.50 to NZ$3.29 per liter), the bus and ferry services now face a significant unbudgeted funding gap.

Rising Debt Interest Expense:

The City Rail Network (CRL) pays approximately NZ$167 million in interest annually. The conflict caused New Zealand's 3-year swap rate to rise from 3.19% to 3.93%, creating a real risk that existing allocations are insufficient to cover the NZ$5.5 billion project debt.

Inflation Expectation Bias:

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Revenue and supply chain vulnerabilities:

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Transportation / infrastructure

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Tell us why

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I wish there were many streetlights.

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Opposition to the introduction of trash can fees

Opposition to the increase in parking fees

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N/A

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N/A

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Putting the electric tower underground

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Support all

Tell us why

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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Support all

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I hope that the increase in fuel prices will revitalize public transportation.

Please provide more job opportunities for young people so that they do not leave NZ.

I think the economy would revive if more immigrants were accepted.

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I don't know

Tell us why

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Do not support

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Do not support

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Do not support

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

Time are tough. Its difficult to know what to support

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Rural sewage planning is good.

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Tell us why

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It seems we need to open up avenues through tourism, studying abroad, or immigration.

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Tell us why

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Support

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Do not support

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

Council should focus on new ways to make capitial so they can give more to the community instead of doing less. The shore is the most beautiful place n Auckland, if theres more to do then people will do more. Instead of doing less to save, we should do more and make more money.

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Waitematā

Waitematā Local Board Feedback:

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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.

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.

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#5465

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

Other

Tell us why

I thought there is going to be a rates cap of 4%. The Auckland Council has an open check book with the Auckland ratepayer. Auckland Council puts up rates every year. In fact more than the inflation rate. The Auckland ratepayer doesn't get value for money. Auckland Council needs to live within their means but they don't. Auckland Council never thinks about people's ability.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

How are changing charges beneficial to the average Auckland ratepayer. I feel Auckland Council like juggling charges about.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki 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

Question 4: Other feedback

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Auckland Council, live within your means. Currently you are hopeless in that department. you have an open cheque book with the Auckland ratepayer. On a scale of 1 to 10 Auckland Council does a 5 out of 10.

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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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Spend more money on the basics ie. rubbish bins. Auckland Council have taken a lot of rubbish bins away. Result - people throw cans, bottles, fast food containers, e.g. McDonalds on the ground. Cleaning gutters of local streets. Weeds growing in the gutters, leaves in the gutters. The local council contractors don't seem to do a good job. Reducing staff at Auckland Council.

Question 6: City centre

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

Annual Plan 2026-2027

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I don't know

Tell us why

I don't have my own house

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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?

Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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

I don't know

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Removal of bags does help the carbon emissions. But increase on parking permit restricts people especially shoppers (affects local businesses)

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Kaipātiki

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Support most

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

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Public transport

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Support most

Tell us why

I believe investment in transport is beneficial to Auckland and its growth this plan supports that.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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Prioritise public transport, especially in the North Shore due to it lacking efficiency. Better connections and frequency, as well as an urgency and understanding the need for heavy rail in North Shore. Also understand not to future proof projects because it gets expensive in the future.

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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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Tell us why

Need to adjust the inflation. Not only to think of investments.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Need to expense on specific things, prioritise urgent matters/may be reduce over papers and create digital forms. Use of AI,

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

Question 4: Other feedback

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With economic development everything can be maintained

Recreation services to be affordable/like swimming pools

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Support most

Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Every year rates, fees are increasing but I am retired, our superallowance is not increasing. So for the rates and other fees should be considered

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

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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

Good planning for good changing rates is good but maybe in every five years then change it. Some families have different situations.

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Rates should change in every five years.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

Good connection with our people

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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For happy people, Happy life, safety and wellbeing of our community.

Question 6: City centre

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Support all

Tell us why

7.9% increment is not going to be enough — make it 790%, please.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I support all of them, and I don't think this will be enough, please increase it more.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Waiheke

Question 4: Other feedback

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Guide us on how to go to Aussie

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Māori identity and culture – reflect and celebrate Māori identity and culture throughout the city centre.,Other (please specify):Maori is the best

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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Manurewa

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

At this stage, any expenditure on a railway loop is unacceptable. The current contracting/operating companies are completely failing to demonstrate their value.

Consulting fees paid on transportation and water-related issues are utterly unreasonable. Consulting fees should not be paid if the advice is unadopted or has no practical use; otherwise, it should be considered a form of embezzlement.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Do not increase waste recycling fees. This is part of the government's welfare and social security for the people.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Rodney

Question 4: Other feedback

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First, ensure the basic land security for existing housing, then consider other infrastructure.

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

You don't get back as much as you pay in taxes. In reality, it's the working people who pay taxes, but the return in welfare is too limited.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Few people will be able to feel the benefits of these adjustments without them.

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Upper Harbour

Question 4: Other feedback

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When developing plans, we must consider the current economic situation. Only when the economy is maintained can we support other welfare programs.

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

Do not support any

Tell us why

I strongly oppose the proposed 7.9% increase in property rates outlined in the 2026/2027 Annual Plan.

For many years, the government and council have repeatedly used transportation issues as a justification for raising costs in various areas. Yet despite these continuous increases, the actual state of transport in Auckland has not improved. In fact, it has become increasingly chaotic,

inefficient, and frustrating for residents. Commuting times remain long, congestion continues to worsen, and public transport reliability is still far from acceptable.

It is deeply concerning that residents are being asked to pay more again while the underlying problems remain unresolved. Simply attributing a large rates increase to the operating and holding costs of the City Rail Link does not address the broader issue: there has been little evidence of effective leadership or meaningful improvements in transport management.

At some point, accountability must be taken. Continually shifting the financial burden onto residents without delivering visible results is unacceptable. Raising rates should not be the default solution when governance, planning, and execution appear to be failing.

This situation raises serious doubts about the government's ability to manage infrastructure projects and public finances responsibly. Before imposing further financial pressure on households, the council should demonstrate clear improvements in transport outcomes, better planning, and stronger leadership.

I strongly urge the council to reconsider this proposed increase and provide a credible plan that delivers real improvements rather than repeated cost increases.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

We don't need that many trash cans

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Kaipātiki

Question 4: Other feedback

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Feedback on the Draft Tūpuna Maunga Operational Plan 2026–2027

1. Limited improvement in performance targets

The performance indicators remain unchanged for several years. For example, the number of engaging events Mana Whenua remains at 30 per year, and the number of protected sites remains 13.

Question:

How will progress and improvement be demonstrated if the targets remain the same across multiple years?

2. Capital expenditure increase needs clearer explanation

The plan shows a noticeable increase in capital expenditure around 2026–2027. However, the document does not clearly explain which projects are responsible for this increase.

Questions:

What specific projects are driving the increase in capital spending?

How will the outcomes of these investments be evaluated?

3. Revenue strategy appears limited

Most revenue still comes from leases, venue bookings, and events. The plan mentions exploring new funding opportunities but provides limited detail.

Questions:

Are there plans to diversify revenue sources, such as tourism or cultural programmes?

How will commercial activities support the long-term sustainability of the Maunga?

4. Project priorities are unclear

Many projects appear in short-term, medium-term, and long-term timelines simultaneously, making it difficult to understand which initiatives are most urgent.

Question:

Which projects are the highest priority for the 2026–2027 period?

5. Monitoring and evaluation could be clearer

The plan outlines several programs (ecological restoration, community engagement, cultural initiatives), but specific performance indicators are not clearly defined.

Question:

What metrics will be used to measure the success of these programmes?

Conclusion

The plan presents a strong vision for protecting and enhancing the Tūpuna Maunga. However, clearer information on performance targets, project priorities, financial justification, and monitoring frameworks would improve transparency and strengthen confidence in the plan's implementation.

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

In the current global economic climate, I believe the council should prioritize economic development and activities. Many cities around the world are facing economic uncertainty, rising costs of living, and slower economic growth. Strengthening Auckland's economy by supporting tourism, local events, and creative industries can help create jobs, attract investment, and maintain the city's competitiveness. Economic stability is essential because it provides the financial foundation needed to support other public services and infrastructure in the long term.

At the same time, flood resilience should remain a key priority. Recent extreme weather events have shown that Auckland's infrastructure must be better prepared for climate-related risks. Investing in stormwater systems and flood protection is necessary to reduce future damage and protect communities.

I also believe that long-term planning and infrastructure development should continue to be carefully managed to support population growth and ensure the city develops in a sustainable and coordinated way.

Overall, in a time of global economic uncertainty, it is important for the council to focus on initiatives that strengthen economic resilience while still protecting communities and preparing the city for future challenges.

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Yes, CRL would be the way to enhance economic of Auckland, but at what cost? Who did tell the rates will increase significantly just because of the CRL, before you decide to build it? That's unacceptable, the rates payers have listened too much lies, stop the lies, do something real rather than surface level work.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

disagree with the rates increase of 7.9 per cent

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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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#5858

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Do not support most

Tell us why

N/A

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

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Devonport-Takapuna

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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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I think it would be more beneficial to the people to consider ways to attract tourism businesses or foreign companies to New Zealand rather than imposing taxes on the public due to budget shortages, and it would be wise to focus support on the self-employed who are struggling these days due to the poor economy and fluctuations in international oil prices.

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I emphasize once again that initiating diplomatic projects will be more beneficial to the people than collecting taxes.

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Urgent support is needed for self-employed individuals facing bankruptcy.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Reduce government spending

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Upper Harbour

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Don't put too much economic pressure on the people. We will offer suggestions and support to the government within the residents' means.

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Upper Harbour

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

Support most

Tell us why

1. The rail loop line is extremely expensive to build and maintain, making it a less urgent project for Auckland.

2. The property tax increase is too large, placing a heavy burden on residents.

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The increase was too large

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Upper Harbour

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I do not support a 7.9% increase in property tax.

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Recommendations:

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2. Relocate the city center container terminal to another location, freeing up space to develop a tourist and leisure area.

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Upper Harbour

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Do not support most

Tell us why

7.9% is too high and unaffortable for most families

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Wastewater treatment

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Question 6: City centre

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Financial Burden, can't afford 7.9% extra.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

Trash can replacement is free; most damage is not caused by human error.

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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Everything is important

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Support all

Tell us why

N/A

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

hard to live

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

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

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

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

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

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

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

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

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

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

Question 4: Other feedback

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Question 6: City centre

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

I think that while the implementation of the CRL is valuable of 7.9% increase in rates is far too large and will affect housing affordability significantly

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Kaipātiki

Question 4: Other feedback

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Ensuring that buses and other forms of transport are consistently on time with the time of arrival given to passengers

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Support most

Tell us why

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Support most

Tell us why

As the infrastructure is being improved

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N/A

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Kaipātiki

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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Do not support most

Tell us why

Improving sporting facilities is bs. Toilets blocks are costly and benefit private companies in the construction

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

I think that maintaining and improving the quality of Auckland is good. Improving roads is a win, however most maintenance will be improved by improving education on the matter. The problem of rubbish isn't going to be solved by having more rubbish bins, it's better to educate people and give them a reason why to remove rubbish.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

This was a very difficult decision, because I am for improving all of these, I've just put the ones that I think will benefit me in my own life higher.

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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.;Better connections - improve links between the city centre, the waterfront and nearby neighbourhoods;Streets and public spaces - improve streets, parks and public spaces so the city cnetre 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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i don't know

Tell us why

It doesn't really affect me

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Some things are good and others are no so good

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

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I don't know

B. Reduce grants funding.

Do not support

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

Other

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

Do not support

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

I don't know

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)

Idk

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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

Maori identity and culture -reflect and celebrate Maori identity and culture throughout the city centre;Getting around - make it easier to walk, drive, cycle and use public transport in the city centre and from east to west, including better traffic flow.

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Support most

Tell us why

It costs alot

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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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Badminton

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Safety - a safer and more welcoming city centre, both day and night, for residents, workers and visitors.;Events and city life - attract people to the city centre through events, culture and a strong sense of place. ;Better connections - improve links between the city centre, the waterfront and nearby neighbourhoods;Getting around - make it easier to walk, drive, cycle and use public transport in the city centre and from east to west, including better traffic flow.

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Support most

Tell us why

N/A

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Support all

Tell us why

I think the access to water is a basic human right, and their effort to put in more money is a good cause. Water is also something Aucklanders drink daily, and which can affect their health if there is dirty water. Transport is also a good thing to invest in allowing faster traffic especially in busy hours. I believe local boards are the foundation to the wellbeing of each community supporting people all across and aiding people in need.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Feedback:

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

Tell us why

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

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

Do not support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Do not support

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

Do not support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

I don't know

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

Do not support

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

Support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Support

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

Other

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

I support reduced volunteer money because they shouldn't be paid for free acts and I believe thag more people will do it as an result because they aren't paid so they can log in s.v.a hours on the website.

Question 4: Other feedback

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No, because I believe that the council is on the right track to supporting areas that the community is in need of.

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

Prioritise transport because it can improve traffic . Also local communities like Shore Junction where children are supported.

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Tell us why

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

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Question 4: Other feedback

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Make buses run more often

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More busses

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Support most

Tell us why

Supporting the needs of local people such as the homeless requires more funding and resources.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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Support most

Tell us why

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Do not support

B. Reduce grants funding.

I don't know

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

Do not support

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Other

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

Other

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

Do not support

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

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Transport and infrastructure resources, public transport (esp in Auckland) isn't managed well and needs a great overhaul

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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#6753

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Local Board: Kaipātiki

Your feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

I like using public transport

Question 2: Changes to other rates, fees and charges

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

Make swimming free

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

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

I don't know

B. Reduce grants funding.

I don't know

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

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)

I don't know

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

Support

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

I support making the fees for Albany pools cheaper to make it more accessible for people

Question 4: Other feedback

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

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

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

Local parks because I like to spend there (hanging out on the playground with my friends and siblings)

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#6754

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Local Board: Kaipātiki

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

Support all

Tell us why

I personally think that we need better funding in public infrastructure and the current housing crisis is in par to the scarcity in houses

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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

Transport for more routes

Question 6: City centre

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Your feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

I think better transport system is really important for New Zealand right now, especially to modernise and make transport more accessible and affordable

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Upper Harbour

Upper Harbour Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

I support them but I think the money can be allocated better in some ways, like transportation of courae

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

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Support

B. Reduce grants funding.

Support

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

Do not support

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Support

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Support

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Do not support

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

The supervising adult fee will likely dissuade adults from supervising

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Q5 Comment: What specific council activities or services do you most want us to prioritise, and why?

Transport please 🙏🙏🙏

Question 6: City centre

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#6757

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Doesn't Auckland already have a crippling house price issue? Everyone is broke and things were already expensive.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Devonport-Takapuna

Devonport-Takapuna 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?

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.

I don't know

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

Do not support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

I don't know

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

Do not support

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

Support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Support

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

Do not support

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

Support the lowest up, parks don't matter if people can't eat. If people are safe, it matters less, but priority for people at risk.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Man, even the government is broke. Christ.

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?

Transport, I have a feeling nobody is going to be able to afford fuel soon. That, or actually improving your public transport system and making it reliable will fix traffic and reduce emissions while cutting down on fuel usage.

Question 6: City centre

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#6758

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Local Board: Kaipātiki

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Support most

Tell us why

I support it.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Devonport-Takapuna, Kaipātiki

Devonport-Takapuna 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?

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Support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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Do not support

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

Other

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Do not support

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

Do not support

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

Allow theatres especially the pumphouse to host private functions when activities set out on its charter are not running, this would generate significant revenue for the pumphouse and could be a way for the local board to reduce its funding.

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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

Support most

Tell us why

With how much money is being spent im not seeing significant progress.

Question 4: Other feedback

Q4: Do you have any other comments on the Annual Plan 2026/2027?
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Look into private funding in community areas which can help subsidise costs

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

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Auckland Live in house teams which deliver events for significantly less than outside contracters, move the lantern festival back into the city.

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Parks and such to make sure people arnt smoking litering and such

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Do not support any

Tell us why

The city is already running fine as is and the roads in the cbd / north shore are all still new and fine and the city link has still not yet been finished/ opened up to the public fully yet so why need all that extra funding. Doesn't make sense to me at all

And op top of that almost a 8% increase on rates is just insane stupidity and realistically impossible due to the state of the world right now with gas prices and the war. People are already struggling as is why make it harder on people and potentially ruin people careers/ life's

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Devonport-Takapuna, Kaipātiki

Devonport-Takapuna 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?

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Do not support

B. Reduced library hours over 7 days.

Do not support

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

Do not support

D. Reduced budget available for contestable grants.

I don't know

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

Support

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

Do not support

G. Reduced funding for parks volunteers.

Do not support

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

Support

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

Kaipātiki Local Board Feedback:

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

Support all

Tell us why

They are managing the money better and still having operations like Beach Haven Coastal Connection (Stage 3)

Birkenhead War Memorial Masterplan

Little Shoal Bay / Wai Manawa Reserve improvements

On going which is good

And keeps the community moving and still keeping in mind that they don't over spend any money at all

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I submit my opposition to the proposed average 7.9 percent residential rates increase and urge a comprehensive tightening of non-essential and discretionary Council spending.1) Rates and fiscal responsibility- The proposed 7.9% average increase is excessive for households already facing significant living costs. The Council should aim to keep rate increases below inflation with a target aligned to the Ratepayers' Alliance plan to cap increases at around 3% by cutting non-prioritised spend.- Since 2010 rates have risen by 85% vastly above inflation and population growth. A hard look at overall cost structures is overdue.2) Wasteful and non-core spending- I support significant

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

I oppose the average residential rates increase of 7.9% and urge a revised approach that prioritises essential services while cutting wasteful spending.Key concerns- The proposed 7.9% increase is above inflation and well beyond what families can sustain. The current average residential rates bill is $4069 with a real increase since 2022 of around 30% in 2022 dollars while inflation has been approximately 12%. A 7.9% rise compounds this burden.- Spending pressures are unsustainable if driven by expanding backroom and consultant costs. Council and CCO payroll totals reach about $1.3 billion with $590 million spent on consultants and contractors. Eighteen corporate and

business support functions alone account for $868.4 million in direct expenditure.- The Council's growth in costs must be addressed by reducing wasteful expenditure not by repeatedly raising rates. The Council should prioritise statutory and essential services over discretionary funding and grants.Agreed positions (as provided)- Oppose the average residential rates by at least 7.9%.- Reduce expenditure on corporate and backroom office functions across the Council and CCOs.- Reduce spend on consultancy and professional services rather than continuing to increase these items.- Cancel the Food Scraps Programme which costs about $36 million per year and emits more carbon than it saves.- Freeze staffing and/or reduce payroll costs by not hiring for vacant non-essential roles which could save at least $17 million immediately.- Cut Māori-specific spending such as the $10 million per year on the Māori outcomes department (Ngā Mātārae) on the basis that this is not a role for local government.Constructive alternativeThe Ratepayers' Alliance proposes a 2% reduction in new Council spending to cap the rate rise at around 3% achieved by: $50 million from personnel costs through organisational changes and hiring freezes $50 million from capping consultants $30 million from contract renegotiations and vendor consolidation and $20 million from prioritising statutory and essential services over discretionary grants.ClosingI request that the Council seriously consider these savings and adjust the plan accordingly.I do not wish to speak to my submission at a hearing.

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1. I oppose the 7.9% rise. The proposed increase translates to about $320 more for the average household on top of a rate increase that has produced a 30% real rise since 2022. Rates have grown far faster than inflation or population growth since the Super City amalgamation and residents deserve a more disciplined approach to spending.2. Wasteful spending must be reduced. I agree that expenditure on corporate and backroom office functions across the Council and CCOs should be cut and that consultancy and professional services should be restrained rather than continually increased.3. Specific savings measures. The Council should cancel the Food Scraps Programme

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Do not support most

Tell us why

With the current average residential rates bill at $4069 and a real increase since 2022 of 30% this level of increase is not affordable for households particularly given inflation and ongoing cost pressures.I support the Council taking decisive steps to reduce wasteful expenditure across the Council and CCOs. In particular I urge:- A reduction in personnel costs by freezing vacancies and not hiring for non-essential roles which could save at least $17 million immediately.- Cutting spend on consultants and professional services including a cap or substantial reductions in external advice to lower recurring costs.- Canceling the Food Scraps Programme which costs $36 million per

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

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Tell us why

I submit in a constructive and solution-focused manner to oppose the proposed average residential rates increase of 7.9% for 2026/27 and to advocate for reduced wasteful spending across the Council and CCOs.Position and key arguments- Oppose the 7.9% rates rise: The proposed increase is well above inflation and amounts to an average rise of about $320 for the typical household on top of a real rates increase of 30% since 2022 in 2022 dollars. I urge the Council to confront unaffordable costs while protecting essential services.- Reduce corporate and backroom expenditure: There is a clear need to scale back staff and non-frontline costs embedded in the organisation and the CCOs

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Based on current data this would mean an average bill rise of about $320 for the typical household on top of a 30 percent real increase since 2022 and cumulative expense growth far outpacing inflation.Key concerns and preferred actions1) Expenditure reductions to cap rates growth. The Council should reduce overall expenditure on corporate and backroom office functions across the Council and CCOs. This is a more efficient path than passing costs onto ratepayers.2) Cut consultancy and professional services. Spending on consultants is excessive and growing. Reducing these costs should be a priority to bring rates increases in line with inflation and essential

services.3) Cancel the Food Scraps Programme. The programme costs about $36 million per year and according to external analysis emits more carbon than it saves. Abandoning this project would reduce operating costs without compromising core Council functions.4) Freeze staffing or reduce payroll costs. Not filling vacant non-essential roles and a pause on hires would save at least $17 million immediately aligning staffing with real needs rather than growth targets.5) Reduce Māori-specific spending. The $10 million per year allocated to the Māori outcomes department (Ngā Mātārae) should be reassessed as local government has a statutory focus on core services. Reallocating funds to essential services would better serve all ratepayers.These measures align with the Ratepayers' Alliance alternative budget which demonstrates a feasible path to cap the average rate rise at around 3 percent by trimming personnel costs limiting consultants renegotiating contracts and prioritising statutory services over discretionary grants.ConclusionI urge the Council to reconsider its proposed 7.9 percent increase and pursue a disciplined spending plan that prioritises essential services and genuine cost containment not perpetual rate hikes.I do not wish to speak to my submission at a hearing.

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Q2: What do you think about these proposed changes?

N/A

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N/A

Question 4: Other feedback

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Annual Plan 2026-2027

#7035

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

I submit my strong opposition to the proposed average residential rates increase of 7.9% for 2026/27 and to ongoing growth in Council expenses that outstrip inflation. The current average rates bill is around $4069 and since 2022 rates have risen by 30% in real terms while inflation has been about 12%. The proposed 7.9% rise represents a significant burden on households and is not justified by the level of service improvements projected.I support a reduction in expenditure on corporate and backroom office functions across the Council and CCOs and a reduction in spend on consultancy and professional services. The Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance alternative budget shows that

capping new Council spending by $150 million (2%) could deliver an average residential rate increase of around 3%. This would require:- Reducing personnel costs through organisational changes and a hiring freeze: $50 million- Capping spending on consultants: $50 million- Contract renegotiations and vendor consolidation: $30 million- Prioritising statutory and essential services over discretionary grants: $20 millionAdditionally I call for the cancellation of the Food Scraps Programme which costs $36 million per year and in my view emits more carbon than it saves. I would also support freezing staffing and/or reducing payroll costs by not hiring for vacant non-essential roles a measure that would deliver at least $17 million in savings immediately. I oppose continuing to fund the Māori Outcomes department (Ngā Mātārae) at around $10 million per year which I believe falls outside the proper scope of local government.The current breakdown of the 7.9% increaseâ€2% for maintaining existing assets 1.5% for new assets as Auckland grows and 4.4% for CRL operating costsâ€highlights how much of the rise is driven by operating costs rather than essential service expansion. Given these pressures I urge Council to prioritise statutory and essential services curb wasteful back-office and consultancy spending and align rates increases with inflation plus genuine need.I do not wish to speak to my submission at a hearing.

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Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#7076

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Your feedback:

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

I oppose the proposed average residential rates increase of 7.9% and support a reduction in wasteful council spending to protect households from unaffordable bills.Key concerns and positions:1) Rates affordability: The 7.9% average increase translates to about $320 per household on an already high average rates bill of $4069. Since 2012 rates have risen by 85% far outstripping inflation (34%) and population growth (22%). A more modest increase is necessary to reflect economic realities and taxpayer expectations.2) Expenditure reform: The Council must trim spending on corporate and backroom office functions across the Council and CCOs and reduce consultancy and professional

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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?

Annual Plan 2026-2027

#7089

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

The current average residential rates bill is $4069 up from $2781 in 2022 with a real increase since 2022 of 30% versus 12% cumulative inflation. A key concern is that the proposed 7.9% rise is not aligned with the level of service changes or the rate of inflation.I support the Council taking decisive steps to reduce expenditure on corporate and backroom office functions across the Council and CCOs and to curb consultancy and professional services costs. The Alliance reporting highlights annual consultancy spend of $126 million across the Council group with the average consultant receiving about $200k. Direct operating expenditure and staff costs have risen well above inflation

while payroll and six-figure salaries continue to grow. A more prudent value-for-money approach is required.Specific measures I urge the Council to adopt include:1) Cancel the Food Scraps Programme which costs $36 million per year and emits more carbon than it saves.2) Freeze staffing and/or reduce payroll costs by not hiring for vacant non-essential roles a measure that could save at least $17 million immediately.3) Reduce Māori-specific spending such as the Ngā Mātārae 'Maori outcomes' department (about $10 million per year) on the basis that this is not inherently a local government role.4) Implement the Ratepayer Alliance Alternative Budget: reduce new Council spending by $150 million (a 2% reduction) capping the average residential rates increase at around 3%. This includes: $50 million from personnel costs via organisational change and hiring freezes $50 million from limiting consultants $30 million from contract renegotiations and vendor consolidation and $20 million from prioritising statutory/essential services over discretionary grants.These measures can achieve meaningful rate relief while safeguarding essential services. I request that the Council consider these steps and publish a detailed transparent plan for achieving the targeted 3% cap.I do not wish to speak to my submission at a hearing.

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N/A

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

I submit my opposition to the proposed 7.9 percent average residential rates increase for 2026/27 and urge a focus on reducing wasteful Council spending.1. Rate rise and fairness- The proposed 7.9% average residential increase is well above inflation and places a larger burden on households already doing it tough. The current average residential rates bill is $4069 up from $2781 in 2022 with a real increase of about 30% since 2022 while overall inflation sits around 12%. I oppose increasing rates beyond inflation and support targeted savings to cap rises closer to 3%.2. Cutting wasteful spending and backroom costs- Council spending on consultants is unsustainable: $126

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N/A

Question 3: Local board priorities

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

Key concerns and positions:- The proposed 7.9 percent increase is excessive in today's environment. With the current average residential rates bill around $4069 a roughly $320 rise per household represents a continuation of rate growth well above modest inflation and population-driven needs.- The Council must reduce expenditure on corporate and backroom office functions across the Council and CCOs. A concerted programme to streamline operations will reduce overhead while protecting essential services.- Cancel the Food Scraps Programme which costs about $36 million per year and as claimed emits more carbon than it saves. Redirecting these funds to core services

will better serve ratepayers.- Freeze staffing and/or reduce payroll costs by not hiring for vacant non-essential roles. This measure alone would deliver immediate savings of at least $17 million.- Critically cut Māori-specific spending such as the $10 million per year allocated to the Māori outcomes department (Ngā Mātārae). Local government should prioritise statutory and essential services over discretionary programmes.Context and rationale:Since the 2010 amalgamation rates have risen by 85% outpacing both inflation (34%) and population growth (22%). The current spending trajectory demonstrates a pattern of increasing operating costs and personnel expenses rather than delivering proportional service improvements. In particular direct operating expenditure has grown substantially faster than inflation and payroll costs dominate the Council's cost structure. A responsible budget must prioritise essential services asset management and prudent cost control.Alternative budget framing:I support the Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance approach to cap rate increases by restraining new spending. A targeted reduction of $150 million (approximately 2%) would align with a 3% average rates increase preserving essential services while improving affordability for ratepayers.Closing:I do not wish to speak to my submission at a hearing.

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#7189

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

Do not support most

Tell us why

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specialist services and six-figure payrolls.- Reduce consultancy and professional services expenditure. The current profile shows $126 million per year in consultants across the Council group with an average consultant payment around $200000. This is unsustainable while ratepayers face higher bills.- Cancel the Food Scraps Programme which costs about $36 million per year and emits more carbon than it saves. It does not align with prudent fiscally responsible local governance.- Freeze staffing and/or reduce payroll costs by not hiring for vacant non-essential roles. This step alone could save at least $17 million immediately.- Cut Māori-specific spending including the $10 million per year allocated to the 'Maori outcomes' department (Ngā Mātārae). In local government these functions should be funded within a narrow statutory scope not as broad discretionary programmes.RationaleThe Alternative Budget proposed by Ratepayers' Alliance suggests reducing new Council spending by $150 million (2 percent) to cap average rate rises at around 3 percent. The reduction would come from: freezing non-essential staffing cutting consultants renegotiating contracts and prioritising statutory services over discretionary grants. Such adjustments would protect ratepayers while maintaining essential services.I request consideration of these points in the submission process and urge careful scrutiny of every line item in the operating and capital plans to ensure responsible budgeting.I do not wish to speak to my submission at a hearing.

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Rate increases should not exceed inflation

Question 3: Local board priorities

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N/A

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Do not support most

Tell us why

I submit in a strong and direct manner to oppose the proposed average residential rates increase of 7.9% for 2026/27 and to advocate for substantial reductions in wasteful Council spending.1. Rates and affordability- The proposed 7.9% average increase is well above inflation and the means of ordinary households. It equates to about $320 extra per year for the average household adding to a current average bill of $4069. Since 2022 rates have risen by 30% in real terms while general inflation has run higher than this over time. I oppose continued increases at this level.2. Expenditure priorities and wasteful spend- The Council must reduce expenditure on corporate and backroom

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N/A

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Tell us why

I oppose the proposed 7.9% average residential rates increase. This translates to approximately $320 for the average household and represents a real burden on households already enduring higher costs: rates have risen 85% since the 2010 Super City amalgamation outpacing inflation (34%) and population growth (22%). The proposed splitâ€2% to maintain existing assets 1.5% for new assets as Auckland grows and 4.4% for CRL operating costsâ€does not demonstrate sufficient restraint or prioritisation of essential services.I urge the Council to reduce wasteful expenditure in corporate and backroom functions across the Council and CCOs and to curb consultancy and professional

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Tell us why

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