Consultation on the draft Local Board Plans 2026

Written Feedback

Rodney Volume #4

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Better walking/cycling connections,Safer roads

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   Not very well

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Pool

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections

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   Swimming pool

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Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections,Other, please specify:A community swimming pool facility

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Decent roads

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

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A proper warm swimming pool accessible to adults and children alike. Also- we still have so many unpaved roads. Personnel come to grade the unpaved road multiple times a year. Surely the cost of the regular grading adds up.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)**

   Better community facilities,Support for local businesses,Other, please specify:A public swimming pool accessible throughout the year

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Focus on the younger generations. Our town is turning into retirement only and people under 40 are lacking in amenities especially for mothers with young children. We have no real children friendly areas for children 3 and under. We also have no place for swimming lessons.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)**

   Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections

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   Access to amenities like a swimming pool need to be open. If a pool is closed during school times it is useless for people who do not have school hours.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Healthcare. Rodney needs a hospital

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Safer roads,Other, please specify:A swimming pool in Warkworth and a hospital

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   We need a swimming pool and a hospital

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Swimming and recreational facilities for gymnastics etc

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Support for local businesses

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   Build a swimming pool and gym facilities for public use already in Warkworth. All our children should have the opportunity to learn to be safe in the water and have facilities for sports

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   The community of Milldale has been shortchanged. An ever increasing suburb consisting mainly of young families and only two small parks are provided that cater only for small children. Both have zero shade provided and one has a green space for kicking balls, the ground is so rough any child attempting this would likely twist an ankle. No major park yet, even though this was an advertisng drawcard to the area for prospective buyers. Also no community hub of any kind that might encourage community events. Large rates grab from our area with little to show for it.

   The area is growing yes, so should facilities. The Stanmore Bay pool is well past it's use by date, when might we see some benefits of all the extra revenue?

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Warkworth is quickly running out of Parks for Sports Facilities (flat land above the flood plain for a BOWLING CLUB?.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Other, please specify:Flat Reserve Land

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   When the College Swimming Pool was built, Thousands of Dollars was put into the build by a lot of the businesses & College parents in the Town & surrounding area, because they were told that the Public would have access to the Pool anytime School wasn't using it, but that never happened & in turn the College lost a lot of support from the LOCALS. Don't build another Pool, just use the one that's here now, that was built for the College & Public by the People Of WARKWORTH.

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Appears balanced across diverse priorities. Would be great to include off-road walking and cycle pathway from Baddeleys to Buckleton stretch of Takatu Rd on Tawharanui Peninsula to connect to Omaha and Matakana walkways. Need pedestrian crossings or traffic calming in Matakana Village. Community pool facilities needed given growth in population in Warkworth area.

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   We should not be paying higher rates for things like a community pool (of which we still have none)when other areas have this funded through normal rates. This as we are already paying rates towards these things in other communities that are far and inaccessible to us.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Warkworth is lacking a community council run swimming pool and recreational facility

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Better walking/cycling connections,Other, please specify:Cycle ways linking matakana to warkworth, dangerous on cycle at the moment

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   I think the council should develop a swimming pool and recreational facility. It will not work using school pools. The population is growing in warkworth and we need a place where our kids can learn to swim and also safer travel on bikes

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SWIMMING POOL

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Other, please specify:swimming pool

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Other, please specify:A pool

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   We need a leisure centre in walkworth like they have in whangaparoa

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Better community facilities,More local activities and events,Other, please specify:Love option 1 for new swimming pool and activities it can make an area like stanmore bay leisure centre something for kids and adults

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Other, please specify:More walks around the area, bush walks especially

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   Quite well

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   I think building an independent swimming pool/gym lap pool kids pool/ hydro pool with attached hall space for local events is much needed it would be used by young to old and much needed! I think an independent facility not a school!

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Many things!!! Sewage in our water & on our footpaths etc. Not enough community facilities for youth & elders. Businesses are suffering from constant roadworks in main streets of warkworth because watercare can't get their ********** together. Council rate increases & government ********** guidance causes local business owners to surfer. Lots of property

development not enough sewage setup to handle growth. We don't even have movies in the park Bus service to Whangateau and Leigh not just Omaha & Point Wells

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,More environmental restoration,Better public transport options

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Not well at all

5. Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?

Option 3: Warkworth Community & Leisure Centre that provides paid swimming pool services, sauna, spa, gym & private swimming pool for rental - āqua aerobics, swimming lessons/swimming club. Setup and run by Auckland City Council like other suburb centres/wave pool facilities: Papakura, Manurewa, Ōtara, Albany, Papaptoetoe, Birkenhead, Mt Roskill, East Coast Bays, Ellerslie, Pukekohe, Glen Innes, Glenfield, Howick, Panmure, Pakuranga, Onehunga, Otahuhu, Stanmore Bay, Parnell, Takapuna etc

We are part of Auckland as ratepayers so why can't we have the same facilities provided for our communities in Rodney area!!! We already had a rates increase forced upon us with the Auckland City Council rubbish collections & now we are expected to pay for our own community swimming pool???

Help our youth obtain job opportunities & encourage positive future skills our for next generations!!! Some children can't even swim which is an essential life saving skill.

This is the option we should be telling our Mayor 👍

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Pool

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Better community facilities,More local activities and events,Improved parks and public spaces

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   It is a necessity to built a council pool facility in Warkworth. It is criminal that this has not happened already. There is a huge demand for people of all ages and abilities that need a council pool facility without having to take a long time to either drive and pay petrol and tolls to get to Stanmore Bay, or get on a minimum of two buses, and for a lot of people it would be more than two buses. It is shocking that we pay so much in rates here and do not have this most basic facility that should be within reach of every person.

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better public transport options

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Better public transport options,Safer roads

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We desperately need a community pool. The school pools are not enough as they have very limited access. We live surrounded by water and children and adults need better access to swimming lessons and practice. We also need a bus for our teens and to get to town with out changing bus. This would also be good for everyone. The Sandspit and Maharangi East road and Pōhuehue road are death traps. Sandspit and Mahurangi East Road need better policing wider lanes and reduced speed rates where is is narrow and windy. Pōhuehue and the rest of the old SH1 needs a total overhaul. The road markings have changed so much due to accidents you can barely understand them. Passing lanes that disappeared in the flooding need reinstating or making clearer that they no longer exist. The whole area of North Rodney is a disgrace in term of every aspect of what we pay our taxes for. We are just forgotten about and left with the same problems for years on end. Even the library leaks and is cramped. When will something be done for our community which is growing very quickly?

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Room for improvement in all areas above. Safe & reliable bike paths for cyclists need to be connected throughout the Rodney area.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

More environmental restoration,Support for local businesses,Better walking/cycling connections

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   I would like a decent swimming pool to be built in the Warkworth area using ALL Council funding NOT a targeted rate, this would be aligned to other community pools in the greater Auckland Council area. We should not be discriminated against!

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Activities to support disabled families

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Other, please specify:Pool and leisure center would help with growing population and with rehabilitation and families like mine with disabilities

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   We have to travel all the way to Albany to use the public pools my children have disabilities and cannot access school. We have to go far for specialized activities i know many families who wpuld love more indoor space during the day time to support their children who have autism and other disabilities.

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Other, please specify:Focus on budget

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   I would like to see us developing and supporting existing infrastructure such as school pools and adapting them for the wider community.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

I want a focus in infrastructure. Better roaring, flood resistance, water. Not cycle ways and public transport.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces,Safer roads

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   We need an actual focus on flood resistance. Other areas of Auckland have had 10s of.millioms spent. Around Kumeu, Waimauku we have an ineffective $200k.

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All these concepts are all well and good but not at the expense of rate payers who do not use these services. A recent article I note was in one area trying to push a 13% increase of rates, ended up dropping it to 3.5% due to back-lash from rate payers. The happy medium here should be yes, these facilities are well and good BUT should be USER PAYS and not where rate payers cop the cost and push people out of their own homes because they cant afford rates.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Community: Warkworth has experienced rapid population growth but still lacks the facilities that similar-sized communities have. We need a council leisure centre with swimming pools, indoor recreation facilities and spaces for families, children and older residents.

Natural Environment: Our harbour and waterways are not healthy. After heavy rainfall, many beaches become unsuitable for swimming due to contamination from stormwater and wastewater overflows. Improving water quality should be one of Council's highest priorities.

Built Environment: Infrastructure has not kept pace with growth. Roads, public spaces, stormwater and community infrastructure continue to lag behind new development.

Economic Development: Local businesses are being constrained by inadequate infrastructure, congestion and a lack of investment in the town centre and surrounding transport network.

Transport: Rodney continues to suffer from congestion, limited public transport and poor connectivity. Improvements have not kept pace with population growth.

Overall, Rodney contributes significant rates revenue but does not appear to receive a fair share of investment compared with other parts of Auckland. I would like to see greater priority given to improving water quality, delivering community facilities such as a leisure centre, upgrading infrastructure ahead of growth, and ensuring Rodney receives investment that reflects its growing population.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections

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Not well at all

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Rodney is one of the fastest-growing areas in Auckland, yet it continues to feel overlooked when it comes to investment in infrastructure and community facilities. The draft plan contains positive aspirations, but it lacks a clear commitment to delivering the outcomes residents have been waiting years to see.

Warkworth, in particular, needs investment that reflects its growth. We need a council-owned leisure centre with swimming pools and indoor recreation facilities, better parks and public spaces, and infrastructure that is delivered before development rather than years afterwards.

The health of the Mahurangi Harbour, our rivers and local beaches should be a major priority. It is unacceptable that after heavy rain many of our beaches become unsafe due to wastewater and stormwater contamination. Protecting our natural environment requires action, not just statements of intent.

Rodney residents contribute significant rates and deserve a fair return through investment in transport, environmental restoration, community facilities and essential infrastructure. I

encourage the Local Board to focus less on broad vision statements and more on measurable projects with clear funding and delivery timeframes that will improve the everyday lives of local residents.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Road infrastructure needs to be improved and speed limits increased.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Support for local businesses,Safer roads,Other, please specify:Speed limit increase on roads like Peak rd, Old North rd, Kahikatea Flat rd, Pine Valley rd.

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   Not very well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Help the everyday worker by improving roads speed limits increases and better maintenance with keeping roads usable.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Yes, more specificity for how identity is to be preserved

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Other, please specify:Heritage preservation

4. Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?

Quite well

5. Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?

Thank you for making available the Board's draft plan for comment. It is a well presented document, and there is one topic I would like to comment on.

The draft plan includes remarks about local identity, for example:

"Over the next three years, we will focus on creating inclusive and flexible spaces, strengthening local identity and supporting community-led initiatives. "

"This plan is both practical and aspirational. It reflects the realities we face, but also the future we want to see. A future where Rodney grows without losing its unique identity."

"Support vibrant, connected communities by enabling local placemaking, events, arts, culture and community-led activities that strengthen local identity and retain rural and small-town character."

The plan has a gap that needs to be plugged, relating to how Rodney's identity is to be protected from loss, and is to be strengthened.

The identity of Rodney stems from an impressive and diverse pioneering past. The region can take pride in that. Understanding that history and the choices that shaped it to the present day, greatly helps to identify where we are headed in the future. Also people like to know where they have come from - ancestors, places and cultures.

The pace of development in some parts of our region is rapid. Many newcomers, understandably, have little idea of how the region's communities have developed. That works against social cohesion, as well as the Board's aim to retain and enhance our identity.

There are hundreds of people across Rodney - mostly unsung volunteers - who are custodians, on our collective behalf, of thousands of items capturing our past from early settlement through to today. Those custodians exhibit how our regional identity evolves, through cared-for collections of materials, artefacts, equipment and archives (documentary, visual and audio). They preserve heritage items against degradation, and they facilitate widespread community access to them through topical displays, educational activities, research help and special events. Obtaining even the basic storage and display materials and the money to meet operating costs is a very real challenge.

Some of the more obvious groups of custodians that spring to mind are:

- The Puhoi Historical Society and Puhoi Heritage Museum preserving Bohemian settlement and development.

- Warkworth & District Museum containing thousands of artefacts and archives about the founding and development of the district, including vintage equipment and reconstituted historic buildings.

- Silverdale & Districts Historical Society and the Silverdale Pioneer Village reflecting early Hibiscus Coast life through restored cottages and local archives.

- Albertland Heritage Museum celebrating the Albertland settlement, including family history and archival databases.

- Helensville & District Historical Society maintaining the Te Awaroa Museum housing exhibits of historic buildings.

- Family history societies, such as at Wellsford, Hibiscus Coast and Warkworth, assisting people to access their past.

These groups give reality to the Board's aspirations relating to local identity. They preserve the evidence of our heritage and promote knowledge of it. They are community-led. They are an important resource and are accessible to the whole community.

Custodians of Rodney's heritage are not specified in the Community section of the Board's draft plan. They deserve recognition and support, and the Board's plan should say so explicitly.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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   Quite well

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Better community facilities,Other, please specify:A public pool is the most important to me. Having young children they need a safe place to learn to swim.

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   I don’t know

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   I feel a public pool is the most important part of community activities that is missing in Warkworth. It is something that benefits children of all ages and would be accessible to multiple surrounding areas that are seaside providing safe education to young children and even adults that would greatly benefit from education around water.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Hubs for young people to be active in Warkworth, skate park, pump track, basketball court. Safe places for kids to be active. Swimming pool in Warkworth or surrounds

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Safer roads

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Cultural community involvement in all focus areas Addressing Rodney and Auckland Northern Gateway at Te Hana. Identify specific towns in plan would help identifying community input to such things as basic needs and requirements in road safety, footpaths, drainage and road improvement, signage. These things maybe outside the local plan focus areas however, these are important to our community, residents & ratepayers. Te Hana seems to be forgotten. Over

4 million vehicles pass through little Te Hana yearly and possibly these numbers may grow even higher in future. Rodney & Auckland Boards have the resources and contacts to bring Te Hana in par with all other Rodney towns and community areas. I welcome face to face engagement with whomever to discuss our concerns and how our little community will make a difference in the growth of Rodney future.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)**

   More environmental restoration,Support for local businesses,Other, please specify:A town beautification plans for Rodney Northern Gateway

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   Lack of local board members feedback on previous issues raised by local community members. Issues raised during prior local board plan. Worried any new or old issues raised during this feedback on local board plan 26/27/28 will fall on deaf ears.

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Roads need more attention-

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

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   Roads are not in good condition- Rodney Road needs metalling to make it a Tarseal road

   A segment of Pakiri road needs attention that has been waiting to be tarsealked for a number of years. This segment is after Rodney Rd connection towards Pakiri beacc connection

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

There are no rubbish bins in Milldale and as a result there is litter everywhere

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Other, please specify:Rubbish bins in milldale

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Better community facilities,More local activities and events,Better public transport options

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Whilst each of these topics is important in their own right I submit that there needs to be a further step being integration of works and projects so that works are not done in isolation from wider community benefits. There needs to be a further emphasis on providing for community resilience led by the Board to help protect what we have, particularly from flood damange.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)**

   More environmental restoration,Better walking/cycling connections,Other, please specify:More stategic planning particualrly around environmental strategy planning to proection what we develop. This is different to restoration which is a step along the resilience pathway.

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   It does not seem to be very specific on actions. Having Integrated Catchment Plans is critically important in order to properly plan community development, restoration work, asset protection and resilience, particularly from flooding and land instability. A lot of the catchment is in farming or horticulture and these land uses need reliable access and where appropriate financial support to help protect the wider environment. For example, rates relief on private land set aside for the wider public benefit, like wetlands and riparian planting strips.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

A swimming pool.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Better walking/cycling connections,Better public transport options

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5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   A swimming pool would be a great community initiative in Warkworth.

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This is an opinion regarding tap water. There is too much calcium carbonate, causing a lot of white water stains on sinks,bathrooms, etc. Even the bottom of the kettle builds up limescale, so you have to wipe it every day. Please solve this problem. Please use a filter to remove limescale.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)**

   More environmental restoration,Other, please specify:Please use a filter to remove limescale.

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   Please create a place where swimming pools, hot springs, and sauna facilities can be used for the health of the local community,

   Thank you

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Our transport bus centre is dangerpus for young people, we have no dog parks, no rubbish bins in public spaces.....

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Support for local businesses,Better walking/cycling connections,Other, please specify:A fenced dog park would be great.

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   I live on the Coast, our roads, paths, rubbish colllection is nothing like the other side of the bridge even our poor fire service is poorly manned by paid staff and no hospital or after hours medical facility compared to other areas. On the short stretch of road from my work to home there are in excess of 50 road repairs in a short section of Wainui Rd that have taken months and months of work, the repairs are an absolute disgrace, wspecially since those roads were all quite new :(

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Missing community facilities, council swimming pool, council gym and indoor sports centres. Lacking in parks and gardens.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,More environmental restoration,Improved parks and public spaces

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   Council facilities and areas for storing Wakas for outrigger canoeing is needed in coastal areas.

   Warkworth's river is in need of environmental restoration. The main town’s tourism and business could thrive on the river area being revamped as eateries, shops and additional car parking.

   Connecting events and activities included for the teenage and middle aged. Beautiful outdoor walkways, gardens and cycle ways would enhance the community.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Public Swimming pool

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Support for local businesses,Better walking/cycling connections

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better walking/cycling connections,Better public transport options,Safer roads

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

I support the objective to "Reduce waste and pollution through local recovery initiatives, education and stronger, more proactive compliance."

However, I believe this objective should also include improving public waste collection infrastructure, particularly in rapidly growing communities where it is currently lacking.

In Milldale, there are no public rubbish bins in the area. Without convenient places to dispose of waste, litter is more likely to end up on streets, in parks, waterways, stormwater drains and other natural areas. The lack of bins also discourages responsible disposal of dog waste, negatively affecting both public spaces and the environment.

I encourage the Local Board to include a commitment to provide well-placed public rubbish and recycling bins in parks, walkways and other high-use public spaces, especially in growth areas. Where possible, these should support waste separation and recycling to encourage sustainable habits.

Providing appropriate waste collection infrastructure is a simple but effective way to complement education and compliance initiatives. It makes it easier for residents to do the right thing and helps protect Rodney's natural environment from unnecessary pollution.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?**
   (Select up to 3 options)

   Better community facilities,More environmental restoration,Improved parks and public spaces

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

   Quite well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Other than the point raised above, I think this is a well-structured and thoughtful plan. I look forward to seeing the tangible actions and initiatives that will bring these priorities to life over the coming years.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

The connection between rural and urban does not appear in this plan.

As a rural resident we require more support to protect our local environment from flooding, by the council keeping streams clear of fallen trees, willows and debris. I can see several trees

that about to fall over the Weranui Road stream that will cause a flooding problem ion the future.

Currently the Waiwera Valley association working bees have achieved more stream clearing than any provided by Healthy waters.

Provision needs to be make to seal more roads so the tar sealed or chip sealed areas can be connected. Our roads metal are always full of potholes, I am often driving on the wrong side of the road to avoid them.

Larger park n ride hubs as people do not live where they work.

Our power infrastructure is not reliable, even in moderate winds we often lose power due to trees.

Planning for transport networks for the new subdivisions and how everyone is expected to merge at only two points onto the motorway. How do they think it is going to function without another access and we are not even at capacity yet.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?**
   (Select up to 3 options)

   More environmental restoration,Improved parks and public spaces,Other, please specify:Seal more rural roads with the priority of connecting the sections already sealed to other sealed roads.

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   Not very well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Being rural with no town centre, the local Waiwera Valley needs a hub for our community- we had offered to take on some of the flood zoned land, but we were refused by council.

   From this hub site we will be offering rural lifestyle courses, community garden, possibly a recycling centre, and place to meet.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections,Better public transport options

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

   Very well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

   Quite well

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   I SUPPORT OPTION ONE VFOR TGE SWIMMING POOL

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

We need an all purpose leisure centre, much like every other region of Auckland has. We need pools, including swimming lessons for children, with lane swimming, aquarobics, spa/sauna and gym facilities. There is NO leisure centre in the upper Rodney region and we desperately need one.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)**

   Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Safer roads

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

   Not very well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   While it is great having public transport (buses), I don't think it is fair we should have to pay a targeted rate, for something other regions of Auckland get from general rates.

   I would like to see better resources for our children & teenagers at our parks. I would like to see outdoor exercise equipment in our parks, like I've seen in many other areas of Auckland region.

   Most of all we need an all purpose leisure centre, without having to pay another targeted rate, same as other regions of Auckland, with various pools, saunas and gym facilities.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Walk ways/footpathd connecting kumeu and Riverhead to Westgate.

Biking is in safe and e-scooters. People can walk safely on coatsville/Riverhead Highway.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,More local activities and events,Better walking/cycling connections

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   Quite well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

No green areas in milldale

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

More local activities and events,More environmental restoration,Improved parks and public spaces

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

NA

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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   Milldale playgrounds and recreation centers are left behind. This master plan is the reason we bought a property here. We are paying CIP with Millwatet having more parls and recreation. Be fair!

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Parks, soccer field, basketball field and playgrounds

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,More local activities and events,Improved parks and public spaces

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Local activities and venues where sports and programs for all ages can be catered

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

More local activities and events,Support for local businesses,Better public transport options

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

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5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   I think it would be beneficial for Milldale, as a rapidly growing community, to prioritise the following facilities and services:

   1 A local supermarket – providing residents with easier access to everyday essentials and reducing the need to travel to neighbouring suburbs.

   2 Improved public transport options – particularly school bus services for students travelling to and from Orewa College, as well as additional bus routes that better serve residents within Milldale itself.

   3 More outdoor parks and recreational spaces – including larger green areas, walking paths, and jogging tracks that encourage an active and healthy lifestyle.

   4 A sports and community centre – offering facilities for sports, fitness, and community activities for people of all ages.

   These additions would greatly enhance the quality of life for residents and help support Milldale's continued growth.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Wider coverage of public transport in Milldale, nearest bus stop is 900m away from our home and it is hard to walk that far for a pregnant woman

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces,Support for local businesses,Better public transport options

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   Not very well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Local board plan does not seem to be meeting target timelines.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Public areas. Good transportation

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4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

   Not well at all

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   In milldale there are NO public toilets. With the amount of little kids around, having public toilets is a necessity as it makes going to any park a quick trip as you have to rush home. But speaking of parks. WHERE ARE THEY, the 2 in milldale are rather lack lustre. Where are the slides, climbing frames, wobbly bridges etc. They're not thought out and don't have any variety or enticement.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Improved Bus services for Milldale

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options,Other, please specify:Restoration of trees and birdlife and public facilities in Milldale

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

   Not very well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   In Milldale, the maintenance of council created walkways is abysmal and the rain gardens need more professional and regular input. Plant more trees for goodness sake.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

No

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections,Better public transport options

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

   Quite well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   See attached

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Milldale

I support the Draft Rodney Local Board Plan's acknowledgement that there is often a significant delay between new development and the delivery of public spaces and essential infrastructure, particularly in high-growth areas such as Milldale.

However, for residents of Milldale, this is not a future risk. **It is already happening.**

Milldale has been under development for many years and has grown into a substantial community, with thousands of additional homes still planned. Despite this rapid growth, the delivery of community facilities, recreation spaces and public transport has failed to keep pace with residential development.

Community and recreation spaces: promised, but still not delivered

The draft plan states that the Local Board intends to:

> *"Plan new parks and public spaces in growth areas like Milldale ... and coordinate infrastructure upgrades like transport, stormwater and open spaces so delivery keeps pace with development."*

While this acknowledgement is welcome, the commitment to merely **“plan”** new parks and public spaces is inadequate when community and recreation areas have already been shown and promised as part of the Milldale development for years and have still not been delivered.

A new park and community recreation area near the local shops has been anticipated since the early stages of the subdivision, yet years later it has still not eventuated. Residents have repeatedly been left in a situation where responsibility appears to be passed between Auckland Council and the subdivision developer. Regardless of which organisation is ultimately responsible, the result for the community is the same: **thousands of homes have been built and occupied, while promised community infrastructure remains undelivered.**

This demonstrates a fundamental lack of foresight, coordination and accountability in the planning and delivery of infrastructure for high-growth areas. The final plan should not simply repeat an intention to plan future parks. It should clarify what has happened to the recreation and community spaces already anticipated for Milldale, who is responsible for delivering them, what funding has been secured, and when residents can realistically expect delivery.

Public transport is another clear example of infrastructure failing to keep pace

Milldale was planned and promoted as a modern, well-connected development intended to support public transport and provide alternatives to private vehicle use. The subdivision's design, density and ongoing growth should make it well suited to an effective public transport network.

In practice, the public transport provision currently falls woefully short of that objective.

Despite the scale and continuing growth of Milldale, the community is effectively served by **one bus route travelling through only a small portion of the subdivision**, leaving many residents without convenient access to public transport. The service does not even provide a direct connection to **Silverdale Mall**, one of the nearest major retail and service destinations for Milldale residents.

For a development that was designed to promote and support public transport, this is clearly inadequate.

The problem is not simply the frequency of the existing service. It is the lack of a coherent network connecting residents with the places they actually need to reach, including Silverdale's retail centre, employment areas, schools and wider public transport connections.

The Draft Local Board Plan talks about expanding public transport coverage in growth areas, improving frequency and reliability, and identifying future park-and-ride and interchange locations. These are worthwhile objectives, but they remain broad aspirations rather than a clear plan for one of Rodney's fastest-growing communities.

A subdivision cannot credibly be described as supporting public transport if the houses and population are delivered years before a useful public transport network.

Public transport should be planned and delivered as an integral part of growth, not treated as infrastructure that can be retrofitted once a new community is largely complete. Bus routes, stops, connections, interchange locations and future transport corridors should be established alongside residential development and progressively expanded as the population grows.

The current situation instead encourages car dependency from the outset. Residents who might otherwise use public transport are effectively forced to establish daily travel patterns around private vehicles because the available service does not provide adequate coverage or connect conveniently with key destinations. Once those habits are established, it becomes considerably more difficult to achieve the public transport uptake that the original planning of the subdivision was intended to support.

Milldale's current public transport provision therefore represents not only a failure to keep pace with growth, but a failure to deliver on one of the fundamental principles on which a modern, higher-density growth area should have been planned.

Milldale needs delivery, not another round of planning

The Draft Local Board Plan itself acknowledges that infrastructure delivery is lagging behind development in Milldale. However, the proposed response does not provide sufficient certainty that this situation will actually change.

There are no clearly identified Milldale-specific commitments for:

- delivery of the long-promised community recreation and park areas;
- a timeframe for those facilities;
- clarification of whether Auckland Council or the developer is responsible for their delivery;
- identified or ring-fenced funding;
- improved bus coverage throughout the growing subdivision;
- a useful direct public transport connection to Silverdale's retail, employment and transport facilities; or
- a coordinated long-term public transport strategy for Milldale, Wainui and the wider Dairy Flat growth area.

The plan also advocates for new development not to proceed before essential infrastructure is in place and for growth to contribute toward the infrastructure it creates. That principle should apply equally to **community facilities, recreation and transport**, not simply water, wastewater and roads.

What I would like to see included in the final plan

The final Rodney Local Board Plan should include a specific commitment to develop a **coordinated infrastructure and community facilities programme for Milldale**, with clear responsibilities, funding mechanisms and indicative delivery timeframes.

1. **Clarify responsibility and establish a delivery programme** for the community recreation and park areas that have formed part of the planned Milldale development for years but remain undelivered.
2. **Identify what funding has already been allocated, collected or secured** for parks, recreation and community facilities in Milldale, including through Council budgets, development contributions, infrastructure agreements or developer obligations.
3. **Develop a comprehensive public transport plan for Milldale** that reflects both its existing population and substantial future growth.
4. **Improve bus coverage within Milldale**, rather than relying on a single service covering only a limited part of the subdivision.
5. **Provide practical connections to key nearby destinations**, including Silverdale's retail, employment and transport facilities.
6. **Coordinate the future transport needs of Milldale, Wainui and Dairy Flat**, rather than planning these rapidly growing areas in isolation.
7. **Protect land now for future community facilities, recreation and public transport infrastructure** before remaining development makes suitable land unavailable or prohibitively expensive.

Milldale is no longer a small subdivision at the beginning of its development. It is already a substantial and rapidly growing community.

Milldale was planned as a modern growth area intended to support greater use of public transport, yet years into its development the actual service remains extremely limited. Similarly, community recreation and public spaces that formed part of the planned development remain undelivered. These are not unforeseen needs arising after the fact; they are fundamental components of a functioning community that should have been planned, funded and delivered alongside residential growth.

The failure to deliver community spaces, recreation facilities and adequate public transport alongside residential development should not be repeated as the remaining stages of Milldale and the wider surrounding growth areas are developed.

The Draft Local Board Plan correctly identifies the problem. The final plan now needs to move beyond acknowledging it and establish **clear accountability, measurable commitments and a pathway to actual delivery.**

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Too many houses in Milldale but the roads are getting smaller. Provide more yellow lines, to make sure that not all cars park just anywhere.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Public transport in Milldale needs to be expanded

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

More local activities and events,Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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No

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Better public transport options

4. Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?

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5. Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?

No

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Milldale park still not built

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Support for local businesses

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

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5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Milldale infrastructure not keeping up with growth. Where is the money from the infrastructure levy going? Rates are so high and can’t see any benefit

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Milldale has great people living here but sadly lacking in a number of things. The bus route seems crazy as it could loop past Orewa and Silverdale mall.

We have no rubbish bins, great to have new shops opening but there needs to be rubbish bins especially outside dairies,and a few bins for dog waste wouldn't go a miss either, save people leaving the waste in the gardens!

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?**
   (Select up to 3 options)

   Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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Milldale is very poorly designed for public transport, the roundabouts and speed bumps make timely and healthy (driver and passenger health) options difficult.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections

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   Promised parks in Milldale is still not delivered. Lack of safe walking/cycling access to the park and ride facilities is a major concern especially when the public transport from Milldale is so limited.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

More environmental restoration,Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections

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   Not well at all

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   Broken promises. Milldale was planned with a child/youth recreational facility opposite the newly built local shops. Many residents purchased houses because of the promotion of these facilities which was to be completed 2 years ago. The last communication was of a disagreement between Fulton Hogann he developer and Auckland council over who was paying for it. Also there has been poor or no maintenance of the walkway plantings and the many rain gardens outside property's. Grasses that have died have not ben replaced. Recently these gardens have been filled with bark mulch to cover weeds and fill gaps which is not how they were designed.

   The cycle and walkways are also poorly maintained with many weeds taking over.

   Council may put forward grand plans but on going care and maintenance falls way short. How about completing existing projects and maintaining these are they should be.



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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Safe spaces for dogs. Enclosed dog park and allowed to be off leash

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces

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5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Dog park please

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Transport, build faster

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections

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5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   We need Milldale facility like Park & transport be speed up. We pay a lot of rate, so we deserve the return on our tax money

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Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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   Quite well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Security at bus stops

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Local parks promised.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections

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   Not well at all

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   The parks need to be built as promised. Especially near dendro ring. Its taken far too long.

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Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,More environmental restoration

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   I don't know

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

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No

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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   Not very well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Actually getting promised plans completed. Milldale is missing a lot of infrastructure that was promised and not delivered

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Milldale has so many houses and less nature places for public

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections

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Safer roads

4. Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?

Very well

5. Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?

Would love some information on what will be happening to surrounding rural property we are on Gervin road and still under rural production and also Wainui road speed limit needs to drop as it is still 100

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   Quite well

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   Too broad at the moment. People and living here is the most important thing. Give us outdoor facilities to enjoy, more shopping options at our doorstep. The Developers don’t need to control the agenda, we the people do before you all really stuff it up even more. Lose the ego you guys it’s about us not you!7{

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Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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   Residents in Milldale need the public transport to Silverdale mall and Orewa library. An indoor playing area is desperately needed for those babies and young kids during bad weather times.

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milldale kids park, better roads from existing narrow roads , too many narrow roundabouts , too many new houses without keeping much space for nature

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   we were promised kids play parks, better roads, but roads are very narrow, when there was. a fire it took more time for firefighters to arrive due to narrow roads and many roundabouts, and new houses are built too close to each other

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Improvement of equestrian facilities and

creation of bridleways / trails in Warkworth and Matakana region. Inclusion of horses on

future shared trail initiatives, as per the Greenways Path & Trails Plan Pūhoi to Pakiri (May

2017): https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/content/dam/ac/docs/about-council/local boards/Rodney/puhoi-pakiri-greenways-part-one.pdf Plus the National Equestrian Facilities Strategy 2023.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces,Other, please specify:As the local climate becomes increasingly tropical, I recommend investing in improved equestrian facilities, including all-weather arenas and dedicated horse riding trails in the Warkworth / Matakana area. Riding on public roads is no longer a safe or practical option due to increasing traffic and associated safety risks. Enhancing these facilities would provide a safer environment for riders and horses while supporting the continued growth of the local equestrian community.

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The need for dedicated equestrian facilities in the Warkworth and wider Rodney area needs serious consideration. There is a large and diverse equestrian community, encompassing many disciplines beyond Pony Club, all of who would benefit significantly from investment in safe, accessible, year-round facilities, regardless of the season.

Road riding is hazardous due to growing traffic and population

volumes, purpose-built equestrian infrastructure is essential to ensure the safety of

both horses and riders while supporting the continued growth of this important multi

generational and primarily female, recreational and sporting community.

There are many potential untapped opportunities at Regional Parks such as Te Muir,

Wenderholm and other recreation areas such as Whangateau, Pūhoi that may be enhanced.

MAHURANGI EQUESTRIAN ADVOCATE GROUP

Equestrians in Rodney

Intro

- For the new members of the board, the beginning of this presentation you may not have seen the first slides
- Apologies if repetition but it is important to summarise where we have evolved from
- The following slides summarise a survey we did on facebook alone to understand the equestrians in our area an justify the continue lease of Matakana Pony Club (MPC)
- The results, when presented to Greg Sayers, evolved in to Mahurangi Equestrian Advocate Group (MEAG)
- As MEAG, we have actively involved ourselves with the Regional Parks, MCTT, local elections etc.
- We would like to be Stakeholders for Equestrians in the Rodney area

Key results from a questionnaire on behalf of Matakana PC

- Riders are multi-generational; kids, mothers and grandmothers
- Riders are primarily female[1]

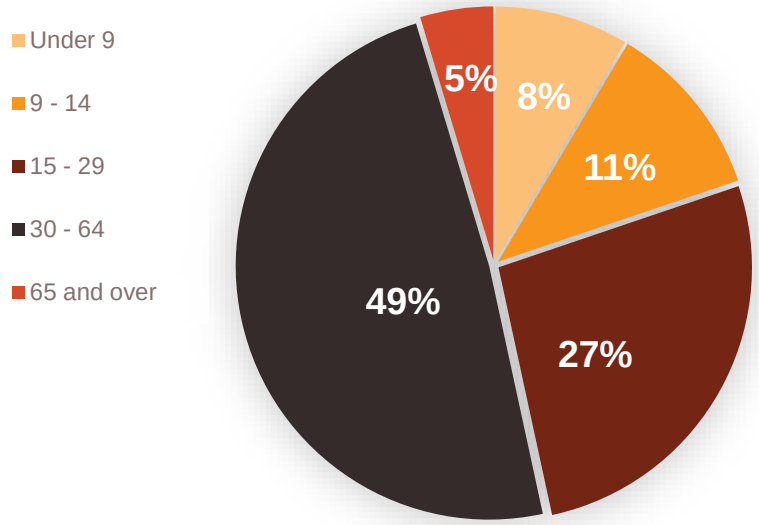
MEMBERSHIP COMPOSITION [2]

The overall membership profile for ESNZ and NZPCA is summarised below:

ESNZ	33% AGED UNDER 18	44% AGED 19-50	92% FEMALE
NZPCA	45% AGED UNDER 18	44% AGED 26+	93% FEMALE



Number of Riders in your household and ages:



Women and girls' participation

Our aim is to see more women and girls physically active through play, active recreation and sport.

SPORT NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand Government

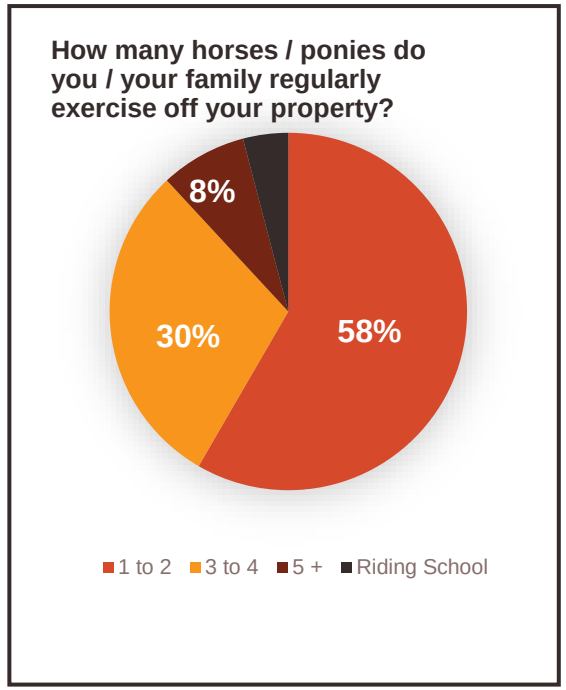
"We know that women and girls are underrepresented in decision-making roles within sport and active recreation, there are clear participation differences, and opportunities for females in sport and active recreation are not always fair and equal"
PETER MISKIMMIN, CEO SPORT NZ, OCTOBER 2018

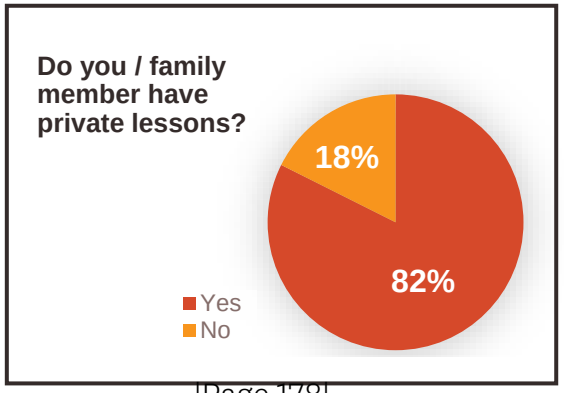
- Vision – "Enabling women and girls to realise their potential in and through sport and active recreation."
- Three key priority areas that underpin the strategy:
  1. Leadership – more women and girls are leading, working, coaching and volunteering at all levels.
  2. Participation – more women and girls are physically active.
  3. Value and Visibility – women and girls in sport and active recreation are valued and visible.

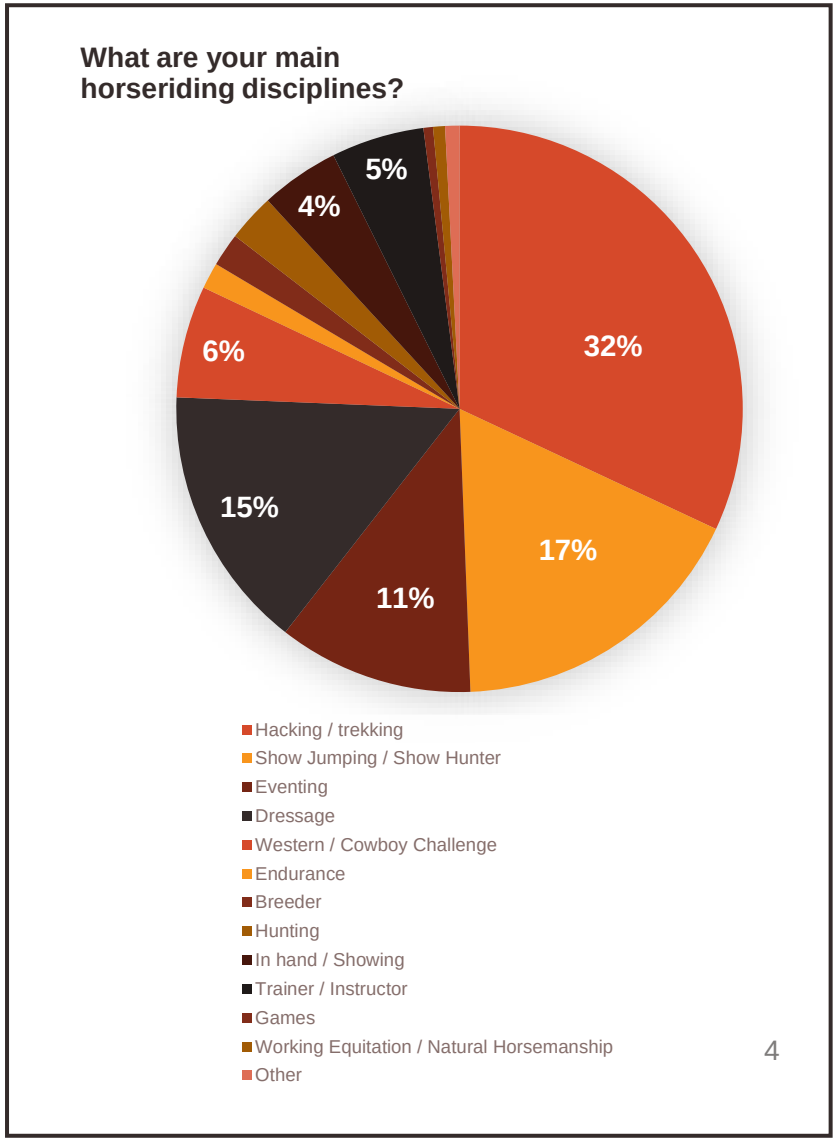
1: 100% of Matakana PC members are female / 98.5% of questionnaire respondents are female
2: National Equestrian Facilities Strategy 2023

Key results from a questionnaire on behalf of Matakana PC

- Around the 739 horses identified in the Warkworth area are exercised OFF the property
  - NB: This is not a total number of horses owned by responders. There will be horses on properties that are young, retired, brood mares etc. that are not included in this number – we are trying to ascertain shared, public access, not horse ownership.
- Of the large list of riding disciplines, around 455 require an all weather equestrian facility to conduct their sport
- 82% invest in private lessons, requiring an all weather equestrian facility

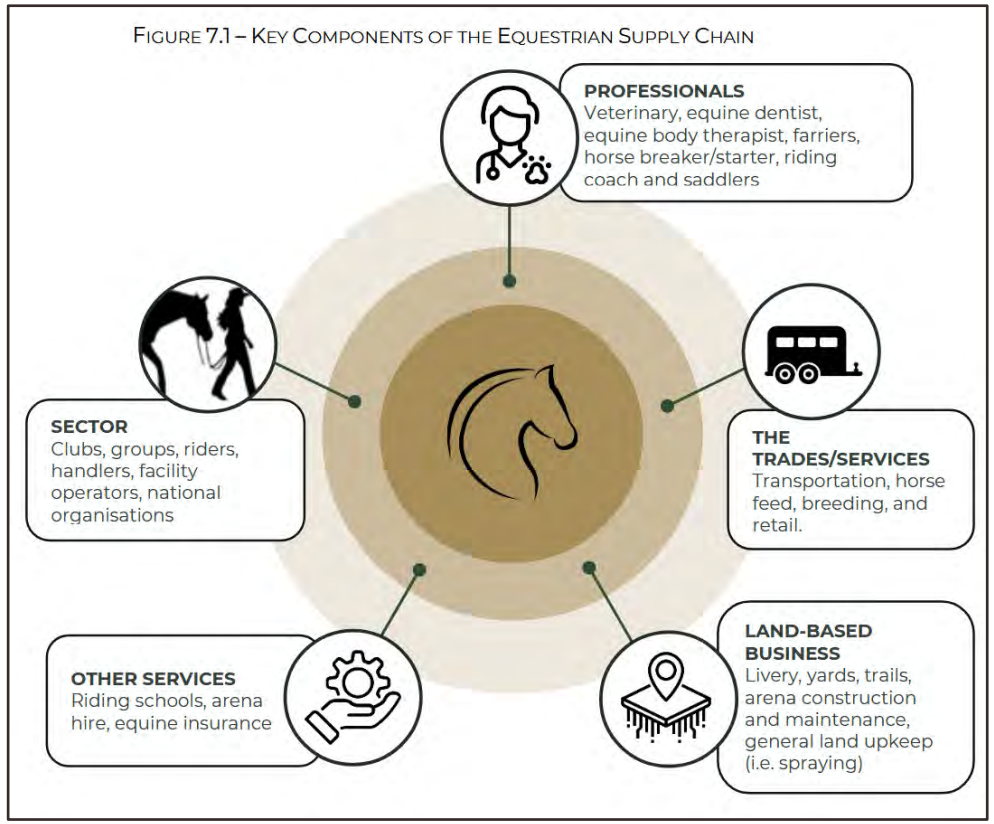






Key results from a questionnaire on behalf of Matakana PC

- Equestrians make a substantial economic contribution at the local, regional, and national levels, distinguishing them from many other sports and recreational activities. Key components of the equestrian supply chain are outlined in Figure 7.1[1]
- Some of the key findings in a 2012 University of Waikato research document[2] *(13 years ago so these numbers will be considerably higher now):*
  - Estimated 80,000 sport horses in New Zealand
  - $12,500 average total annual spend per horse
  - Contributes over $1 billion to the New Zealand economy annually, this is greater than 0.5% of GDP
  - Directly sustains the equivalent of 12,000 full time equivalent (FTE's) jobs
  - Sport horse owning land owners spent an additional $5 billion on land purchases to support their interests





Total Spend = $17,231 per horse pa

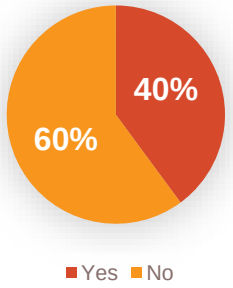
Chat GPT: To adjust $12,500 NZD from 2012 to its equivalent value in 2025, we can consider the cumulative inflation over that period. According to data from the World Bank and OECD, the New Zealand dollar has experienced a cumulative inflation of approximately 23.12% from 2012 to 2022 . Assuming an average annual inflation rate of around 2.5% for the subsequent years, we can estimate the 2025 equivalent.Official Data
Using this approach, $12,500 in 2012 would be approximately equivalent to $17,231.39 NZD in 2025.

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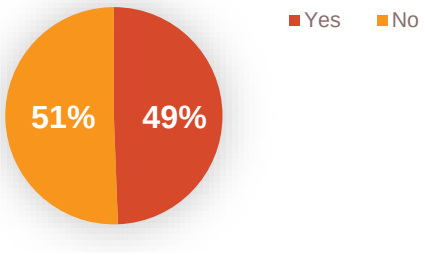
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- Existing statistics do not represent full equestrian activity in our area and this questionnaire helps to fill the gaps:
  - 55% or respondents do not have a family member belonging to NZPCA
  - 60% or respondents do not have a family member belonging to ESNZ
  - 92% of people said ‘yes’ to riding in Regional Parks or public spaces but only 49% have a permit
- In this area, the only Regional Park with a dedicated parking and marked horse tracks is Ātui Creek (NB: Pacific Rd now significantly improved)
- Other public spaces identified do not have horse parking or designated areas
- 80% of respondents would use the Matakana Coastal Trail
  - NB: The 19% ‘Maybe’ will be because their horses are unsuitable to mix with cyclists – equestrians won’t put themselves or others at risk.

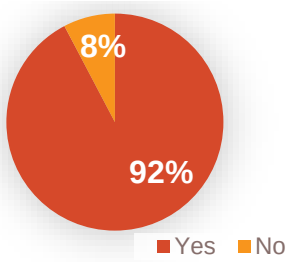
Are you registered with ESNZ?



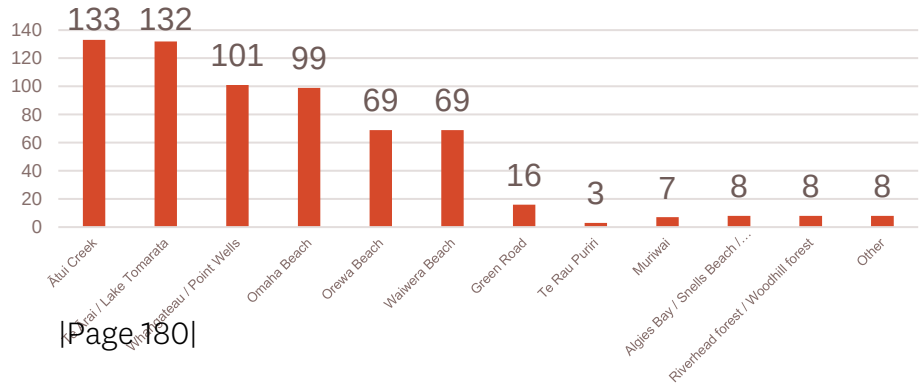
Do you / family member own a Auckland Regional Council Horse Riding Pass?



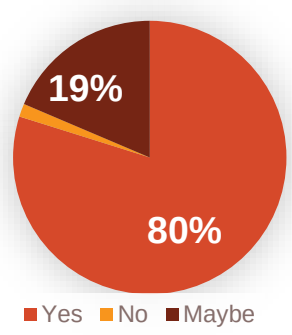
Do you / family member ride in any of the Regional Parks or Public spaces?



If yes, which ones?



Would you ride on the **Matakana Coastal Trail**, a shared pathway with bicycles and pedestrians (currently under construction) if horses were allowed?



National Equestrian Facilities Strategy 2023

- Rodney is under resourced and opportunities exist:

- There are a high number of sites to overall land mass in Auckland comparative to the rest of country (with higher membership per site).

Recommendation 1: *some opportunities appear to exist for exploring the possible consolidation of sites across wider Rodney. Short drive times/overlapping catchment areas and varying levels of membership exist. This will require more detailed analysis and stakeholder engagement.*

Recommendation 2*: Future provision should be explored within Rodney to reduce travel barriers (with focus placed on both day-to-day use and events to provide continuity of use) – this should be completed alongside Recommendation 1.*



- We are aware of the current *Auckland Council Equestrian Provision Study - Rodney Local Board Area* which is greatly appreciated. This gauges the need for facilities, but not necessarily the need for shared **Cycleways, Walkways and Bridleways**

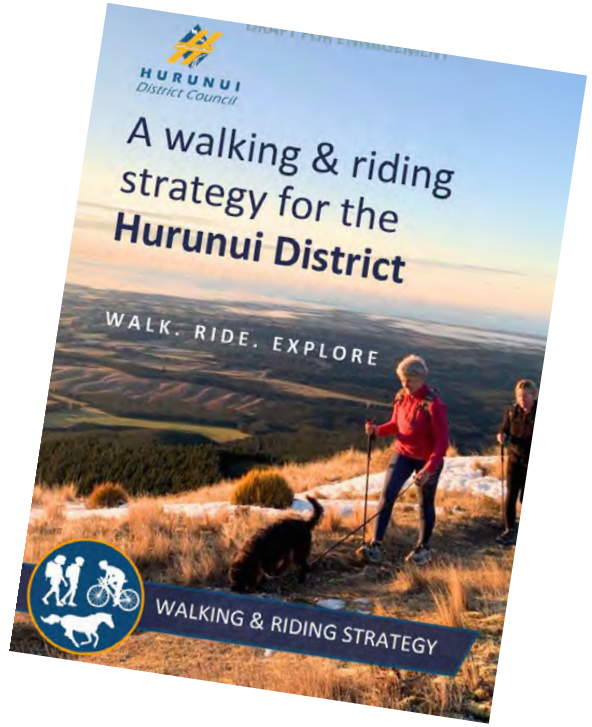
- This is how the MEAG was formed with the aim to be a Stakeholder with the Local Board to provide advice when required and work together to find solutions to shared facilities

- Many councils in NZ do not understand equestrians and have made decisions without considering them, plus the cost of maintenance. Kapiti is a classic example of when all users can come together and share open spaces successfully.

Kapiti Coast Example

- A combined **Cycleways, Walkways and Bridleways Strategy** is successfully being used in Kāpiti Coast District, endorsed by the council and other agencies.
  "This strategy takes a broad view of walking so that people with physical or cognitive disabilities, limited or no vision or hearing and those in wheelchairs or on mobility scooters are included. Walking, cycling and horse riding are vital for healthy, happy individuals and safe, vibrant and sustainable communities. Providing facilities and support for these activities is a priority for the Kāpiti Coast District Council"[1].
- As with Kāpiti Coast, these bridleways become a visitor destination, bringing more to the community
- Tourism is now higher with cyclists, walkers, equestrian visiting the region and it is becoming a more attractive place to live for *Health and Wellbeing* and economic reasons
- There is now a 'Trail Trust' comprising of all user groups, that help with the maintenance costs so the council do not need to fund it all
- Equestrians need the least amount of track consideration – tracks do not need to be formed unless a wet area – Pacific Road is a great example of how the Regional Parks are gradually making it easier with tracks, dedicated parking areas and mounting blocks. They are actively asking MEAG's advice which is much appreciated.

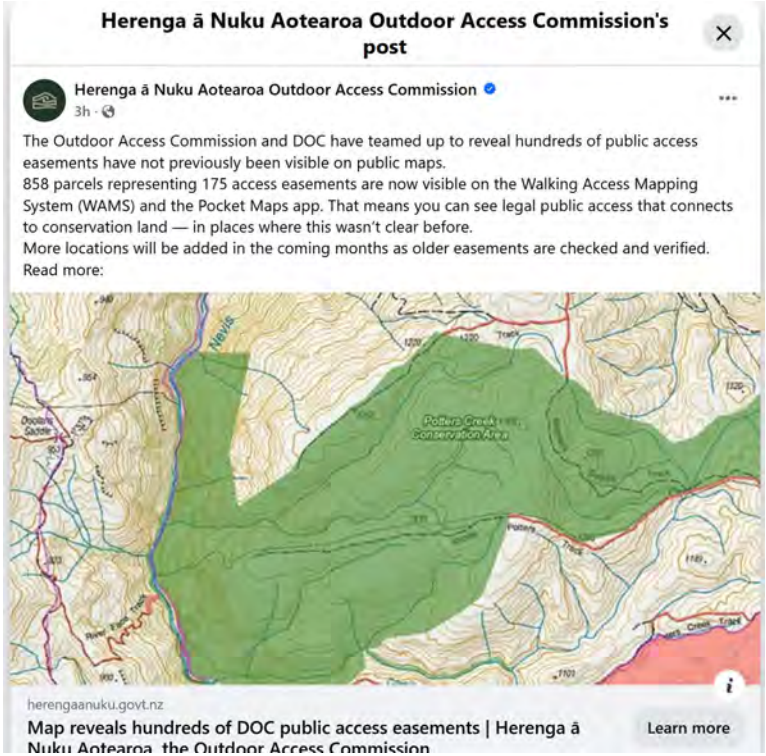




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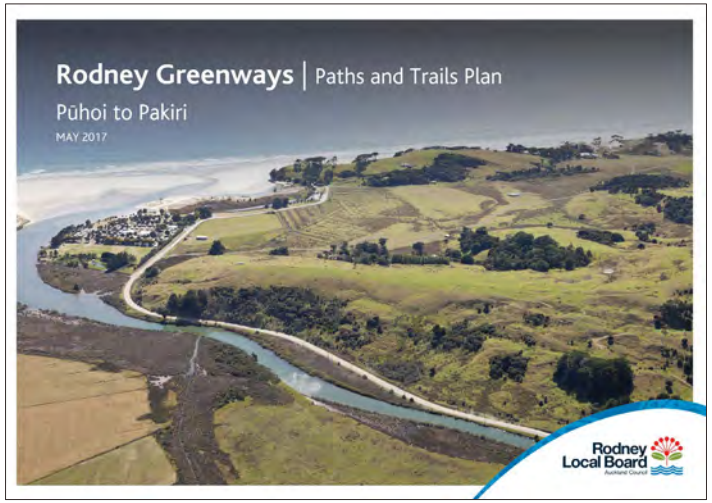
- We have also actively been actively corresponding with Herenga ā Nuku and attended live seminars of how to work with the local council
- Unformed legal roads provide the key for multi- users to share a space, as per the example with Kaipiti
- Ideally we would like 5 loop rides in our local area – other equestrians in the area will also have their wish list
- There are opportunities at:
  - Ti Point (10 ha – could be planted, shared use, more tracks) – could have access to the ‘gravel pit’ which also has access to the harbour
  - the Dome Valley
  - plus other identified routes in the local area to us
- Further routes can be identified in other Rodney areas

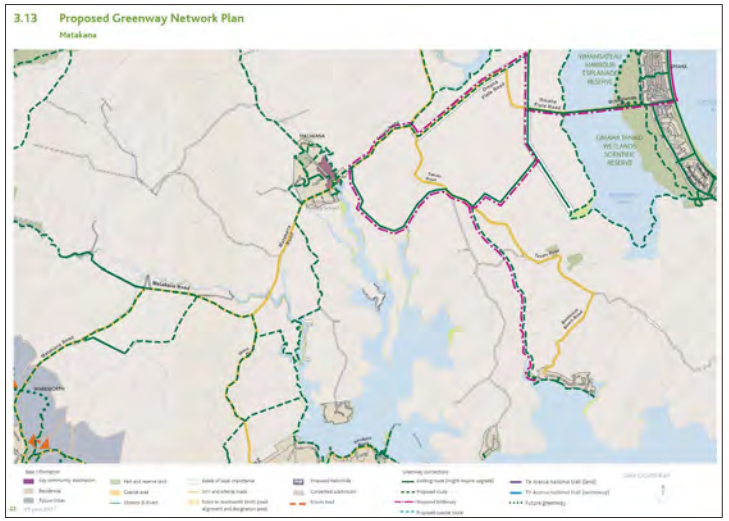


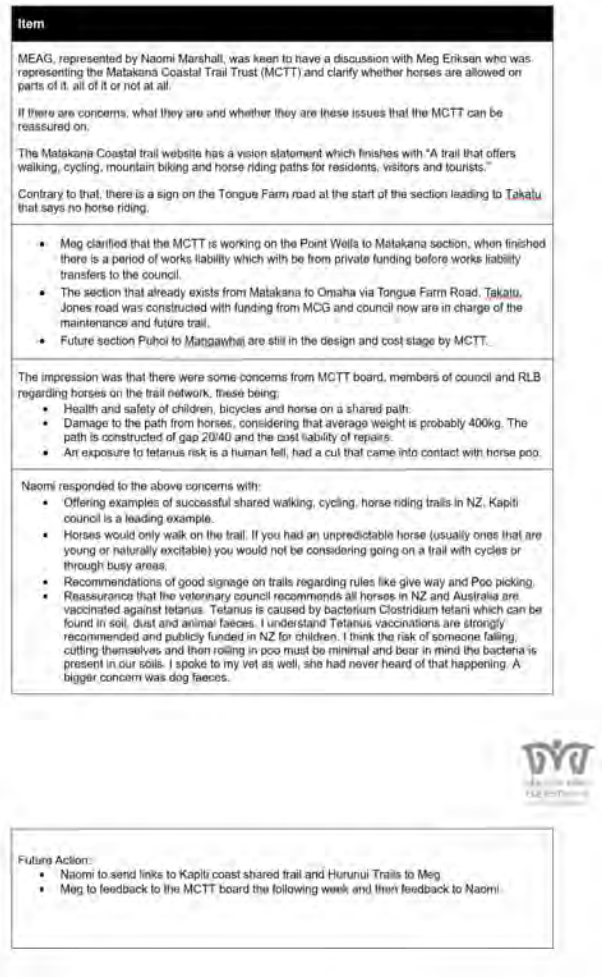
Rodney Greenways

- There are several proposed bridleways in the Rodney Greenways Plan: https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/content/dam/ac/docs/about-council/local-boards/rodney/puhoi-pakiri-greenways-part-one.pdf
- One of our questions was why were we excluded from the Greenways proposal run by the MCTT
- To the right is the summary of the meeting with Matakana Coastal Trail – this lack of real information, for no fault of the people involved, shows a need us to be a Stakeholder to advise
- The feedback was from MCTT was to exclude horses and take it off their website
- MEAG is part of the NZEAN and we are currently doing a fact sheet about myth and fact (which includes horse poo) – hopefully these info sheets will help councils and groups with their decisions
- We have had very positive meetings with the Regional Parks and making great progress

NEW ZEALAND EQUESTRIAN ADVOCACY NETWORK







Item

MEAG, represented by Naomi Marshall, was keen to have a discussion with Meg Eriksen who was representing the Matakana Coastal Trail Trust (MCTT) and clarify whether horses are allowed on parts of it, all of it or not at all.

If there are concerns, what they are and whether they are these issues that the MCTT can be reassured on.

The Matakana Coastal trail website has a vision statement which finishes with "A trail that offers walking, cycling, mountain biking and horse riding paths for residents, visitors and tourists."

Contrary to that, there is a sign on the Tongue Farm road at the start of the section leading to Takatu that says no horse riding.

- Meg clarified that the MCTT is working on the Point Wells to Matakana section, when finished there is a period of works liability which with be from private funding before works liability transfers to the council.
- The section that already exists from Matakana to Omaha via Tongue Farm Road, Takatu, Jones road was constructed with funding from MCG and council now are in charge of the maintenance and future trail.
- Future section Pūhoi to Mangawhai are still in the design and cost stage by MCTT.

The impression was that there were some concerns from MCTT board, members of council and RLB regarding horses on the trail network, these being:

- Health and safety of children, bicycles and horse on a shared path.
- Damage to the path from horses, considering that average weight is probably 400kg. The path is constructed of gap 20/40 and the cost liability of repairs.
- An exposure to tetanus risk is a human fell, had a cut that came into contact with horse poo.

Naomi responded to the above concerns with:

- Offering examples of successful shared walking, cycling, horse riding trails in NZ, Kapiti council is a leading example.
- Horses would only walk on the trail. If you had an unpredictable horse (usually ones that are young or naturally excitable) you would not be considering going on a trail with cycles or through busy areas.
- Recommendations of good signage on trails regarding rules like give way and Poo picking.
- Reassurance that the veterinary council recommends all horses in NZ and Australia are vaccinated against tetanus. Tetanus is caused by bacterium Clostridium tetani which can be found in soil, dust and animal faeces. I understand Tetanus vaccinations are strongly recommended and publicly funded in NZ for children. I think the risk of someone falling, cutting themselves and then rolling in poo must be minimal and bear in mind the bacteria is present in our soils. I spoke to my vet as well, she had never heard of that happening. A bigger concern was dog faeces.

Future Action:

- Naomi to send links to Kapiti coast shared trail and Hurunui Trails to Meg.
- Meg to feedback to the MCTT board the following week and then feedback to Naomi.

Development of Assets

- Upgrading car parking used by equestrians in areas such as Whangateau, Lake Tomarata, Omaha etc.
- Including horses in loop tracks
- Maintain adequate open space - drainage in Jubilee Park to allow all year round community use
- Equestrian all weather arena surface that allows all year riding

To conclude

- Please involve us with
  - Opportunities for multi use tracks
  - Beach by laws
  - Reserve by laws
  - Consider a Trust involving walkers, cyclists and equestrians
  - Let’s work together to make **Open Space** all year round, enjoyed by multi users, encouraging women, health & wellbeing and continue to create Rodney a destination and place to live

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Please give more support to the Warkworth Museum. History is such an important part of a community's identity and having a place that preserves and shares those archives for generations is to be cherished. We were lucky enough to have a community that cared enough to build the museum. Now it needs the funds to meet the costs of keeping its treasures safe and available for all to see and experience.

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You mention transport but not walkways and roading and buses the right size for our roads and area, and how about banning large trucks from using small tight roads unless necessary?

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

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Better walking/cycling connections,Better public transport options,Safer roads

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   If it is anything like the last few years then it needs a real look over, footpaths not created for over 3 years and again supposed to be completed in this school holidays with nothing at all being done, so wasted rates money that continue to rise and give less and less, just new expensive bins that did not need replacing at all - waste of ratepayers money especially as we now pay extra for rubbish anyway. ITS JUST TAX AND RATES ON TAXES AND RATES - daylight robbery!

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Please maintain the roads better. Still too many potholes.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

More local activities and events,Better walking/cycling connections,Safer roads

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These are nebulous non measurable "goals", meaningless fluff statements. Set some real acheivable targets. As usual zero accountability.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Support for local businesses,Better public transport options,Safer roads

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   Not well at all

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   Focus on less things that can actually make a difference, improve the infrastructure and the community will fund events. We don't need to throw our rates money at nice to haves when our infrastructure is falling apart, practice some restraint like the rest of us.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

There need to be more areas for equestrians. Rodney being one of the areas with lots of equestrians and very limited and shrinking facilities. Not enough bridle ways.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces,Other, please specify:More bridal trails/Multi purpose trails

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   I think it is really sad that the few equestrian areas e.g. Matakana PC and WW Pony club are constantly under threat of losing their grounds. Considering there are no other equestrian areas here. I think the board needs to protect some areas for the equestrians, and it would be nice to see that trails can be shared with walkers/bikers like in other areas of the country rather than excluding horses all the time.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Youth - we need more programs, activities, outside school learning opportunities locally for youth

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

More local activities and events,More environmental restoration,Other, please specify:More zero waste and sustainability

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   Need more about future proofing the community, water, all this housing going in and no understanding of where the water will come from. More environmental work on storm water, sustainable design etc

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   Promised community recreation areas and parks are still not delivered years after the subdivision began.

   Despite Milldale being designed to promote public transport, we have one bus service covering only a small part of the subdivision — and it doesn't even go directly to Silverdale Mall.

   The draft plan acknowledges these problems, but Milldale needs more than another promise to "plan". We need delivery.

   Where is the funding? Who is responsible? When will these facilities and better public transport actually be delivered?

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Years after the subdivision began, promised community recreation areas and parks remain unfulfilled.

Milldale, designed to encourage public transport, only has a single bus service covering a small portion of the subdivision and doesn't even reach Silverdale Mall.

The draft plan acknowledges these issues, but Milldale needs more than just promises of "planning". We need tangible delivery.

Where is the funding coming from? Who is responsible for these projects? When will these facilities and improved public transport finally be completed?

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I am from Taupaki, we have a growing community IE: Redhills development, Countryside Living subdivisions, location of Rapid Transit Network at Westgate, will all bring population increases. Safe Community Facilities are important. We want to see Category Three land used for parks, space for sport, more facility for youth while most importantly making way for

water - development of 'wild' space around constructed wetland including Wetland planting and environmental development.

We need Roading before we need development of places like Waimauku West.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces,Safer roads,Other, please specify:While outside the RLB remit, the Fast Track work for Rapid Transit to Westgate and the Redhills SH16 Applications need our support.

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As I could not tick more than 3 things in Section 4, I sacrificed the Environment and Walking and Cycling. I want to thank the RLB for all they have funded in relation to community Environmental Projects and hope that budget can be earmarked for continuing this vital work along with the implementation of the long awaited Greenways Plan that would improve walking and cycling.

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Roading and Road maintenance - extremely poor council maintenance on roading, drains, sealing on rural roads in particular.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Safer roads,Other, please specify:Pot hole repairs, better maintenance on gravel roads, plans to seal gravel roads, maintain drains and infrastructure in rural areas.

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Better community facilities,More environmental restoration,Better public transport options

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   With regard to parks and reserves and environmental sustainability outcomes, funding should be directed directly to local community groups who are doing the actual mahi of restoration, rather than to administrative roles or "support" organisations which contribute little.

   We need to explore transport options for this century, so rather than buses to connect rural communities to town hubs, what other options could be offered? Ride sharing apps, scooters/cars available for 2-3 hours hire, on demand micro transit to book point to point rides, vans instead of buses to accommodate smaller numbers, subsidised ride share partnerships, on demand shuttles have all been trialed in other countries. Pīkau in Whangarei is an example of an on demand bus service locally. What could work for us in Rodney?

   Rodney is sadly in need of more leisure centres with swimming pools. These cater to all ages and interests in a community, in contrast to just one group eg cyclists. There is no or limited access to swimming lessons for children and nowhere for older people to maintain fitness through water based activities. Public private partnerships may be needed, but these facilities should be part of the RLB plan over the next ten years.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Yes. An indication of the means by which they will be achieved.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

More environmental restoration,Better walking/cycling connections,Better public transport options

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   I think the plan is light on how the proposed outcomes will be financed and achieved. Without dedicated funding to e.g. environmental restoration projects they will become meaningless aspirations.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

We need better public transport and to sort our traffic congestion stop building developments and sort our roads first

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces,Support for local businesses,Safer roads

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Decent playground in milldale

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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   Quite well

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   Milldale has mininal infrastructure to sustain its growth . No secondary school for milldale millwarer silverdale . Too many speed bumps in milldale and connectivity to wainui road is taking far too long

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

More environmental restoration,Better public transport options,Safer roads

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   Very well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Its nice to be asked but action to improve transport and environmental restoration is whats most important.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Other, please specify:Dont like being forced into having rubbish bins we are now paying for something we never wanted and dont needpeople should have a choice instead if a compulsory payment added to rates bill

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Identity as a region—or are we all just "Westies?"

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Improved parks and public spaces,Safer roads,Other, please specify:Better energy/data infrastructure and flooding/disaster resilience.

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Quite well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

1. Community & Built Environment: Upgrading Sinclair Park

As an active football player, my top local priority is seeing Sinclair Park upgraded. Helensville is growing, and with that growth comes increased demand on our local sports facilities—along with the facilities to host other teams.

Currently, the facilities and playing surfaces need investment to remain fit-for-purpose for the community. I strongly urge the Local Board to allocate funding under the "Community" theme to upgrade Sinclair Park. Providing high-quality, reliable sports infrastructure is essential for community wellbeing, physical health, and youth engagement in our area.

More specifically, lights and a refurbished pavilion would go a long way!

2. Natural Environment: Park Protection, Access, and Fishing

Our natural environment is our greatest asset. Under the plan's "Natural Environment" priority, I want to see a strong commitment to protecting local ecological areas and improving public access/signage to our local and regional parks.

Furthermore, as a keen fisher, the health of our marine environment is highly important to me. I want the Local Board to prioritize:

Water Quality: Continued investment in restoring local waterways that feed into the Kaipara Harbour to protect fish stocks and marine ecosystems.

Coastal Infrastructure: Ensuring that our local boat ramps, wharves, and coastal access points are properly maintained and upgraded to meet the needs of recreational fishers.

3. Built Environment & Transport: Infrastructure that Keeps Pace

Helensville and the wider rural North-West are experiencing significant growth, but our infrastructure often feels like it is lagging behind. Under the "Built Environment" and "Transport" themes, my priority is ensuring that basic infrastructure—from reliable, safe roads to stormwater management and public facilities—is funded before or alongside new housing developments, not years later.

The Local Board must advocate strongly to the Governing Body and Auckland Transport to ensure Helensville receives its fair share of infrastructure investment to handle the pressure currently being placed on our local network.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

People living in Puhoi do not have a bus service

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

More environmental restoration,Better walking/cycling connections,Better public transport options

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

A recognition of the importance of heritage

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

More environmental restoration,Better public transport options,Other, please specify:recognition of heritage

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   Puhoi has many groups of volunteers who give their time, energy, resources to further the aims of the Rodney Local Board included in this plan - maintaining and restoring our reserve areas, putting on community events, maintaining our public buildings, preparing for emergency situations, and preserving heritage. I submit that the Local Board should recognise the valuable assistance given by volunteers in all the districts and give some monetary support to help them achieve more.

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Infrastructure

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better public transport options,Safer roads

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

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Warkworth deserves to have a leisure centre pool where families can take children for fun - definitely not Northern Arena where a subscription is required and only for lane swimming or lessons, which are available via Kowhai Swimming Club. We pay Auckland rates, and in the summer it's almost impossible to get to the beaches due to the traffic. . In Bell Block New Plymouth there is a community run pool that has provided me with the figures to run it that I think Warkworth would be capable of running if we could get the community behind it.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

saving historical heritage

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

More environmental restoration,Better public transport options,Other, please specify:support for non profit organisations

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Quite well

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I would like to submit to the council the need to preserve the historical heritage of some of our communities, in particular the area of Puhoi.

Puhoi is one of the few places in NZ that was settled by just one ethnic group, the Bohemians in 1863 (the other being Akaroa by the French) It has few remaining buildings erected by those settlers but an immense amount of history which has been collected and preserved by the local museum. These early settlers earned money making shingles which were sent down by cutter for roofing as the newly expanding town of Auckland was being built.

I do acknowledge the work the council have done to preserve the original Roading house now the library.

As the descendants of the original settlers pass away so much of what they brought and made is being lost as the community doesn't have the space to preserve it. The Puhoi Museum is the font of so much information and history and is run by a dedicated but aging group of locals that willingly share their knowledge to locals, tourists and groups from around Auckland. These people have researched and recorded all the family trees of the original settlers and they are made available to all those interested and kept up to date with many painstaking hours of work-all voluntary.

Even before the flooding of the 2023 cyclone there was a need for a permanent larger museum to house artifacts. I myself requested that some of the land bought for the motorway extension be put aside for a museum and information centre but was informed that it had to be put back to native scrub etc. I feel this was a missed opportunity to make the most of the horse/walking/cycle trails that had been developed and the tourism-Puhoi is within the area those from the cruise ships will venture on a day out.

There is a great need to protect the local identity of such a unique village with such a rich heritage that is an opportunity for teaching of local history and knowledge of the area, its original inhabitants always acknowledged that they wouldn't have survived the first few years without help from local Maori.

Whilst an area had been made available to the Puhoi Museum on the death of a Bohemian descendant it's position on the flood plain of the Puhoi River and council restrictions made it untenable within the limited budget of its band of volunteers.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Full equestrian facilities for all weather and events

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Safer roads,Other, please specify:As we are NZ biggest equine community improving this with designated facilities for use all year round and hold events

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5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Other, please specify:before Auckland Council our roads were repaired properly. Now the repairs only last a couple of weeks

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   See above Re: Roads (before Auckland Council our roads were repaired properly. Now the repairs only last a couple of weeks)

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Other, please specify:All except better public transport options

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   Quite well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Better boat ramp / parking for boat trailer and cars

   Horse tracks

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   The Rodney Local Board has played a vital role in supporting conservation groups across the region. This investment has enabled environmental education, strengthened collaboration, increased community awareness, and created meaningful opportunities for Rodney residents to get involved in protecting the places they love.

   Community and conservation go hand in hand in Rodney. People care deeply about their local environment, take pride in enhancing their rohe, and value the return of native birdsong to their backyards. Continued support from the Rodney Local Board helps empower local communities to take action, creating lasting environmental and social benefits. Let's continue to build on this success and ensure Rodney sets the benchmark for what community-led conservation can achieve when it is backed by local government.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

As a broad outline - no.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Support for local businesses,Better public transport options,Other, please specify:Equestrian facilities

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5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

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N/A

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Improved parks and public spaces,Better walking/cycling connections,Safer roads

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   Enclosed / Fully fenced off lead dog park within Huapai Domain is well overdue and would be utilized by the local community.

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Supporting environmental work also supports the Economic, Social, Cultural elements of our community.

Ka ora te taiao ka ora te tangata - When the environment is healthy, the people will thrive.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

More environmental restoration

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Very well

5. Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?

I strongly support continued and increased Rodney Local Board investment into environmental work.

Ka ora te taiao ka ora te tangata. When the environment is healthy, the people will thrive.

As a community member and someone that works across many areas of our community, I see the health of our local environment as deeply connected to the wellbeing of our people, places and future. Our forests, wetlands, streams, harbours and coastlines are part of what makes Rodney special. Protecting and restoring them also supports our local economy, community resilience, cultural values, recreation, farming and tourism.

Environmental work should not be seen as separate from economic, social or cultural outcomes. Healthy waterways reduce erosion and sediment loss, healthy forests and wetlands support native species, particularly our special manu/birds to thrive, and pest control and planting help restore balance to the landscape. These actions also bring people together, create learning opportunities, support local contractors and volunteers, and strengthen pride in our communities.

I encourage the Rodney Local Board to prioritise practical environmental action, including support for landowners, iwi, community groups and volunteers who are already doing important work on the ground. Investment in fencing waterways and bush, predator and weed control, revegetation, wetland restoration, biodiversity monitoring and community education will create long-term benefits for both people and nature.

Rodney also has a special role to play in supporting New Zealand’s largest city to have a thriving kiwi population, giving the capital city some healthy competition and showing that Auckland can be a leader in protecting our iconic native species.

Rodney has a real opportunity to lead in caring for the environment at a landscape scale. I ask the Local Board to keep strong environmental outcomes in the final plan and to back them with meaningful funding and support.

A thriving environment is the foundation for thriving communities.

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we need more environmental protection, but also beach access for dogs. Strict lead only while accessing the beach, ok, but off leash past family areas.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

More environmental restoration,Other, please specify:beach access (eg Forestry Beach)for dogs. Strict lead only while accessing the beach, ok, but off leash past family areas.

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restore Forestry beach access for dogs. Strict lead only while accessing the beach, ok, but off leash past family areas. There are no fairy terns nesting there, and the community overwhelmingly supported dog beach access. We have already lost Pakiri, and Te Arai.

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As the area is growing, I feel the need for better cycling and walking options. A lot of areas don't have any footpaths. Making walking not an option. Alternative options like the developing Coastal Trail cycleway, but this is just taking too long and seems to be very limited in its scope. It should be much wider and a more robust surface. We should be a world class area for walking and cycling especially on the eastern coast. The tourism benefits would be huge, and getting cars off the road in peak times over the holiday seasons would make a big difference to people's experiences. Being able to park at Warkworth (or Puhoi) and then ride to Omaha, Tawharanui or Goat Island, amazing opportunity for the area's tourism. Another idea is promoting/supporting the Te Araroa trail as it passes from Mangawhai to Auckland.

The other area is the environment; we need more funding for protecting our environment. Rodney has some very important remnant forests, waterways, coastal ecosystems and rare and endangered species that need protecting. I would like to see Omaha beach north end from surf club being a dog on leash area or even no dogs. other areas are doing this (Mangawhai) its about time Rodney took the big step and does the same. Same with domestic cats, all new developments must be cats in doors only or no cats. we already have a big problem with feral cats and as the region grows more and more people are moving in with cats and dogs. Our kiwi population is growing fast we need to protect it, not from just feral pests but domestic animals also. Council need to start developing policy around domestic animals as these new developments pop up.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Better public transport

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

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   Our community needs better pedestrian linkages to keep people safer when walking around the village from nearby residential areas in Rosa Villa Lane and Bruce McGregor Road.

   A footpath from this roads to the central village should be a priority when considering improvements for Puhoi residents.

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Focus on climate change resilience and clear strategies to reduce harmful impacts of sea level rise and coastal erosion on our communities and houses

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,More local activities and events,Better walking/cycling connections

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5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   You need to engage with young people and families more to get their input.

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School faculties - Warkworth school huge numbers and open plan/community which just doesn't suit all kids. This has been now revoked by MOE but Warkworth still staying in a community structure.

Till road for SH1! Simply ridiculous! There's a tunnel out to the airport on the western motorway free.

Community pool - again simply unacceptable. Most other areas in Auckland have this. We are surrounded by water here, it should be a focus for our families safety. Recently put out that could be an option if we pay extra in our rates! We do pay extra - our rates here are very high! My single retired mum paying $9000/year!!

In our rates we have had to pay for facilities like the train in south Auckland which is not something anyone in our area would ever use.

Town water supply is bore - new house and our tap ware is destroyed by the hard water! And shower glass. Imagine what this does to our bodies!?? We have to buy spring water to drink! Can't drink our tap water knowing this.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)**

   Better community facilities,Support for local businesses

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

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More local activities and events,Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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   I don’t know

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

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More environmental restoration,Better public transport options,Other, please specify:Careful housing development, eg, infrastructure before buildings

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   It's general and laudable, that it's difficult to see what could be wrong, and I don't know what options were also contenders. The list at #3 could have been more targetted and longer.

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Horse riding is not being considered enough, in winter in warkworth their is no where to go apart from on the road and this is extremely dangerous and no one follows the road rules, we need more public areas to ride.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)**

   Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Other, please specify:Horse riding areas

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Yes the word Horse and equestrians. They are severely ignored and need to be included as much as cyclists and walkers are mentioned. More inclusion than exclusion please

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Better walking/cycling connections,Safer roads,Other, please specify:More inclusion of Equestrians. It should read and reflect better walking, cycling and equestrian connections Safer roads for equestrians, acknowledge that equestrians have right to be on the roads and they need greater protection. They need to be classed as Vulnerable Road users.and signage and transport plans need to reflect this

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   As above

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Opening Statement:

As a resident of the Rodney district, I appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback on the Draft Rodney Local Board Plan 2026. Our region is facing unprecedented growth and unique environmental challenges. I am writing to advocate for essential community infrastructure and fairer resource allocation to ensure Rodney remains a vibrant, healthy, and sustainable place to live.

1. Community and Parks Facilities

- Advocacy for a Warkworth Swimming Pool: I strongly urge the Rodney Local Board to advocate for the establishment of a council-owned swimming pool in Warkworth. Rodney currently has zero community pools compared to the rest of Auckland. Given that Warkworth's population is forecast to grow substantially, this critical recreational and safety infrastructure is urgently needed.

2. Environment & Biodiversity Support

- Sandspit Reserve Future Planning: I advocate for and support the Sandspit Residents and Ratepayers Association (SRRA) future planning proposal for "the Spit". The council must act to preserve and reinstate Sandspit Reserve as a dedicated recreation reserve, enhancing both its amenity value and natural beauty.

- Direct Funding for Grassroots Predator Control: While I highly support the financial aid given to large-scale regional initiatives like Restore Rodney East and The Forest Bridge Trust, more funding must trickle down to the grassroots level. Local groups like Predator Free Sandspit currently receive no direct funding or targeted grant opportunities. I support expanding local board grants to directly fund these community-led groups.

- Ecosystem Connectivity: I support community-led conservation that restores connectivity between fragmented habitats. Creating safe ecological corridors allows indigenous biodiversity to flourish through resilient populations across Rodney.

3. Climate Resilience & Waste Management

- Nature-Based Climate Solutions: I support the plan's goal to strengthen climate resilience. This should be achieved by prioritizing nature-based solutions, improving local land and soil management, and implementing adaptive planning.

- Alternative Waste Solutions: I strongly support the advocacy to move away from a reliance on large-scale landfilling, specifically regarding Redvale and the proposed Dome Valley landfill. The Governing Body must prioritise the expansion of Community Recycling Centres (CRCs), innovative waste recovery technologies, and science-based solutions for waste reduction.

- Closing Statement:

Thank you for considering my submission. I look forward to seeing the Rodney Local Board champion these changes to secure better infrastructure, empower our passionate grassroots environmental groups, and protect our rural character.

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Safe cycling options, secure locking stations for bikes, verges (and footpaths) alongside Matakana road and Sandspit Road. Pedestrian and walking path connecting Hill Street Intersection to the Link Road cycle/pedestrian path.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better walking/cycling connections,Safer roads,Other, please specify:Locking stands for bikes. Presently only 2 or 3 in the Warkworth area New Workd, Warehouse and ??

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The plan is very broad and open to interpretation that may or may not be what they mean.

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Other, please specify:Better horse trails

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Safe spaces for horses to be ridden

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Support for local businesses,Safer roads

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

   Not very well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

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#302

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A hockey turf. We would like a hockey turf in wellsford. We play for Warkworth Club and want to train and practice in our own time as well and there isn't a hockey turf for us to use in wellsford. So a hockey turf would be great with some hockey goals as well.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)**

   More local activities and events,Improved parks and public spaces,Better public transport options

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Local history as this area was settled very early in NZ European History

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
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Better community facilities,More environmental restoration,Improved parks and public spaces

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   Our local Warkworth museum (and others in Rodney) are run mainly by volunteers but house artefacts and records pertaining to local history of the area. I believe there should be recognition of this and some financial support from the Local Board. Auckland Council building requirements have recently added to the costs of running the museum.

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Yes. The ideals are perfect but imho don't reflect the reality of empty shops, inadequate and unaffordable housing, and the possibility that there may be no " growth" in the years to come.. Mich of the plan is ' nice to have' in the face of constrained budgets, and a priority for me is addressing current shortfall in basic necessities

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)**

   Better community facilities,Better public transport options,Other, please specify:Connection hubs, perhaps using libraries and community centres, for the improved community services including public transport, and free connectivity (wifi, electricity for charging devices) to enable rural ppl facing outages that occur regularly now and that will happen more in the future

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   Very well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Endorse the spirit of the plan and commend the Rodney Local Board for a balanced, equitable and long sighted vision

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   Would like to see a focus on creating public spaces in our towns and villages that give them more of a heart. A place for people to gather, sit, chat, watch the world go by. Urban centres in Auckland have heaps of this. Nothing in Rodney. Need to be more intentional about this, places are looking good generally but lacking something quite simple but critical. More opportunities are needed for people to connect in easy ways in these divisive times.

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3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

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It would be good if there were more opportunities for people to have input on the things that are happening in their areas. Parks, public spaces, what is happening, what things look like.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,More local activities and events,Better walking/cycling connections

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   It’s good that we are starting to see more community events and programmes, we need more of this. Also to make public spaces in our towns and villages more inviting and attractive so we have great places for people to gather and connect.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Swimming pool and sports Centre / gym

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Other, please specify:Fitness Centre and swimming pool.

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   More needs to be done as to how water is directed onto people's property. Graders do what they feel like. Do to water being pushed onto my land I can't use 10 acres of bush as it is filled with mud. Trying to negotiate with AT has resulted in them blaming the property owners. Everyone needs to work together. Our rural road has been tragic by my house for years.

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Places that are safe for equestrians to go, safe bridleways, shared spaces. How about including horses in future planning of trailways.

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Other, please specify:Invest in some equestrian facilities/shared bridle/pathways so horses and their riders can go about their day being safe OFF the roads.

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

   Not very well

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PUBLIC TRANSPORT: The introduction of the 999 Loop Bus service has proved to be a much needed service in particular for the 360 elderly residents of the Summerset Falls retirement village in Warkworth. While the current 999 service is a trial funded by the Targeted Rate, it is NOT GUARANTEED to be continued beyond its extended trial date in 2027. This would be an absolute disaster for the elderly residents (av. age 86) of Summerset Falls village the

majority of whom are unable to drive and now rely heavily on the 999 loop bus service. The additional spin-off benefit relates to car parking in the Warkworth CBD which is very limited for longer term parking - particularly disability parking spaces.

PUBLIC LIBRARY: The Warkworth Public Library has been NOT FIT FOR PURPOSE for far too long. Meanwhile, Wellsford and Snells beach libraries have been substantially upgraded and Warkworth has been agregiously overlooked for decades. Since being designated as a "Satelite Town" Warkworth's population has increased from approx 4500 to conservatively 7500. The massive 1600 building site "Stubbs Farm" development in now well underway and adds to the "Ridge" and "Hudson" residential developments. To make matters worse Auckland Transport has set up a enquiry/service counter within the library space thereby exacerbating an already OVERCROWDED space.

3. **Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?**
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   Power to the people.....give the Local Boards more autonomy to provide services, etc that are appropriate for each community.

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Quite well

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Transport As Rodney is outer fringe area of Auckland City it is great to have Public Bus Transport Provided But AT Should be told COMMON Sense to use smaller more efficient Fit For Purpose Buses Not these Large Heavy Mostly ones Running around Near Empty All Day Every Day Costing Hundreds of Thousands Dollars Each Week and Causing Road Damage Weekly Time for Rodney local board to put Pressure onto Auckland Transport to take Notice

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Horse trails

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Other, please specify:Better access for horse riders

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   Quite well

5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   Milldale is a fast-growing area with a high proportion of families so where are the playgrounds (other than the 2 small ones) and sports fields, please?

   Some people point to the school but this is unavailable most weeks from 8.30-3 pm so it's not the answer.

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Your feedback:

1. How well do these focus areas reflect what matters most to your community?

Community - Rodney has connected, resilient communities supported by parks, facilities, and spaces for all ages and abilities, that reflect local identity and help people to thrive.	**1**
Natural Environment - Rodney's natural environment is healthy, resilient and restored, providing clean waterways, thriving ecosystems and high-quality natural spaces that protect our future and improve everyday wellbeing.	1
Built Environment - Rodney grows well with resilient, high-quality public spaces and infrastructure that reflect local character and support healthy, well-designed communities.	1
Economic Development - Rodney has a strong, diverse local economy where businesses and town centres thrive and people can access local jobs, skills, and sustainable tourism opportunities.	2
Transport - Rodney has a safer, more reliable, and better-connected transport network that supports rural communities, town centres and access to key destinations.	2

2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

Thanks for the opportunity to provide feedback.

1. One thing that is a bigger problem which you may not have direct control over but can influence and which you mention is large scale property development. These developers are simply adding undesirable homes to the Warkworth area and creating a huge bottleneck on

local resources including water, waste, power and services like our schools and doctors etc... why do we take the ambulance at the bottom of cliff approach and instead ensure infrastructure and services are in place before letting these developers make a quick buck.

2. Our region contributes well above its weight via rates to fund the wider Auckland area. In recent discussions on Facebook communities led by your team it was suggested that targeted rates or reusing Mahu high school pool would help facilitate a community swim complex. We should not have to anymore in rates and Warkworth should have a community sports and swimming complex planned and delivered under this plan. The option to use Mahu is not the answer

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney? (Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Improved parks and public spaces,Support for local businesses

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2. Is there anything you think is missing from these focus areas?

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?
(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,More environmental restoration,Improved parks and public spaces

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   Quite well

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   When does the Local Board plan to complete the construction of all playgrounds in our area? In Paihia playgrounds adequately protect their younger generation from the sun. I have attached a photograph recently taken in Paihia. What is the local board's plan to similarly build sun protection on all playgrounds it has responsibility for?



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Your plan talks a lot about 'Rodney', but just about everything revolves around urban centers, not rural communities

3. Which improvements would you most like to see in Rodney?

(Select up to 3 options)

Better community facilities,Safer roads,Other, please specify:keeping communities accessible during weather events

4. **Overall, how well does the draft Rodney Local Board Plan, as a whole, reflect the priorities of your community?**

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5. **Do you have any other feedback you would like to share about the draft local board plan?**

   just about everything in the local board plan is about supporting urban centers and helping them thrive. How about acknowledging that rural communities are isolated and cut off during weather events and doing something for them to remain accessible during flooding? What about the lack of funding and services that are given to rural communities when we all pay rates that go towards keeping your urban centers thriving.

   Attached is a simple flooding plan, showing two main areas where our local community is cut off during heavy rain fall, and not even close to a weather event.


Motorway bridge
448 Weranui
Reservoir
Hbc Highway bridge
Noakes
UWR #2
UWR #1
329 UWR Regular flooding
B
388 UWR
626 Weranui
500 Weranui
Opp. 12 McCathie
Bus culvert
Woods access
Flood corner 802 Weranui - Regular flooding
A
Wool shed 260 Weranui
996 Weranui
1139 Magnolia
1134 Weranui
1255 Weranui
1466 Weranui
Mercator Projection
WGS84
UTM Zone 0H
CALTOPO
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8km
1 2 3 4mi
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