

I hereby give notice that an ordinary meeting of the Finance and Performance Committee will be held on:

Date: Thursday, 1 June 2017
Time: 9.30am
Meeting Room: Reception Lounge
Venue: Auckland Town Hall
301-305 Queen Street
Auckland

Finance and Performance Committee

OPEN AGENDA

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TERMS OF REFERENCE

Responsibilities

The purpose of the Committee is to:

- (a) control and review expenditure across the Auckland Council Group to improve value for money
- (b) monitor the overall financial management and performance of the council parent organisation and Auckland Council Group
- (c) make financial decisions required outside of the annual budgeting processes

Key responsibilities include:

- Advising and supporting the mayor on the development of the Long Term Plan (LTP) and Annual Plan (AP) for consideration by the Governing Body including:
 - Local Board agreements
 - Financial policy related to the LTP and AP
 - Setting of rates
 - Preparation of the consultation documentation and supporting information, and the consultation process, for the LTP and AP
- Monitoring the operational and capital expenditure of the council parent organisation and Auckland Council Group, and inquiring into any material discrepancies from planned expenditure
- Monitoring the financial and non-financial performance targets, key performance indicators, and other measures of the council parent organisation and each Council Controlled Organisation (CCO) to inform the Committee's judgement about the performance of each organisation
- Advising the mayor on the content of the annual Letters of Expectations (LoE) to CCOs
- Exercising relevant powers under Schedule 8 of the Local Government Act 2002, which relate to the Statements of Intent of CCOs
- Exercising Auckland Council's powers as a shareholder or given under a trust deed, including but not limited to modification of constitutions and/or trust deeds, granting shareholder approval of major transactions where required, exempting CCOs, and approving policies relating to CCO and Co - governance
- Approving the financial policy of the Council parent organisation
- Overseeing and making decisions relating to an ongoing programme of service delivery reviews, as required under section 17A of the Local Government Act 2002
- Establishing and managing a structured approach to the approval of non-budgeted expenditure (including grants, loans or guarantees) that reinforces value for money and an expectation of tight expenditure control
- Write-offs
- Acquisition and disposal of property, in accordance with the long term plan
- Recommending the Annual Report to the Governing Body
- Te Toa Takatini

Powers

- (a) All powers necessary to perform the committee's responsibilities, including:
 - a. approval of a submission to an external body
 - b. establishment of working parties or steering groups.
- (b) The committee has the powers to perform the responsibilities of another committee, where it is necessary to make a decision prior to the next meeting of that other committee.
- (c) The committee does not have:
 - a. the power to establish subcommittees
 - b. powers that the Governing Body cannot delegate or has retained to itself (section 2).

Exclusion of the public – who needs to leave the meeting

Members of the public

All members of the public must leave the meeting when the public are excluded unless a resolution is passed permitting a person to remain because their knowledge will assist the meeting.

Those who are not members of the public

General principles

- Access to confidential information is managed on a “need to know” basis where access to the information is required in order for a person to perform their role.
- Those who are not members of the meeting (see list below) must leave unless it is necessary for them to remain and hear the debate in order to perform their role.
- Those who need to be present for one confidential item can remain only for that item and must leave the room for any other confidential items.
- In any case of doubt, the ruling of the chairperson is final.

Members of the meeting

- The members of the meeting remain (all Governing Body members if the meeting is a Governing Body meeting; all members of the committee if the meeting is a committee meeting).
- However, standing orders require that a councillor who has a pecuniary conflict of interest leave the room.
- All councillors have the right to attend any meeting of a committee and councillors who are not members of a committee may remain, subject to any limitations in standing orders.

Independent Māori Statutory Board

- Members of the Independent Māori Statutory Board who are appointed members of the committee remain.
- Independent Māori Statutory Board members and staff remain if this is necessary in order for them to perform their role.

Staff

- All staff supporting the meeting (administrative, senior management) remain.
- Other staff who need to because of their role may remain.

Local Board members

- Local Board members who need to hear the matter being discussed in order to perform their role may remain. This will usually be if the matter affects, or is relevant to, a particular Local Board area.

Council Controlled Organisations

- Representatives of a Council Controlled Organisation can remain only if required to for discussion of a matter relevant to the Council Controlled Organisation.

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1 Apologies

At the close of the agenda no apologies had been received.

2 Declaration of Interest

Members are reminded of the need to be vigilant to stand aside from decision making when a conflict arises between their role as a member and any private or other external interest they might have.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Tuesday, 23 May 2017 and the extraordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Friday, 26 May 2017, as true and correct records.

4 Petitions

There will be no petitions section.

5 Public Input

There will be no public input section.

6 Local Board Input

There will be no local board input section.

7 Extraordinary Business

Section 46A(7) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended) states:

“An item that is not on the agenda for a meeting may be dealt with at that meeting if-

- (a) The local authority by resolution so decides; and
- (b) The presiding member explains at the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public,-
 - (i) The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
 - (ii) The reason why the discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.”

Section 46A(7A) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (as amended) states:

“Where an item is not on the agenda for a meeting,-

- (a) That item may be discussed at that meeting if-
 - (i) That item is a minor matter relating to the general business of the local authority; and
 - (ii) the presiding member explains at the beginning of the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public, that the item will be discussed at the meeting; but
- (b) no resolution, decision or recommendation may be made in respect of that item except to refer that item to a subsequent meeting of the local authority for further discussion.”

8 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

Annual Budget 2017/2018 - Overview to decision-making

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Purpose

1. This report provides an overview of the process undertaken to consult and consider feedback to inform the council's Annual Budget 2017/2018.

Executive summary

2. Between 27 February and 27 March 2017, Auckland Council undertook public consultation to inform the Annual Budget 2017/2018. Consultation included potential changes to budgets and financial policy, local board priorities and the draft Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan.
3. Feedback was received across three broad feedback channels – written, in-person and digital.
4. Between 18 April and 3 May 2017 local boards considered feedback received on local matters. On 13 April 2017 the Tūpuna Maunga Authority and Finance and Performance Committee held joint deliberations on the draft Maunga Authority Operational Plan. On 26 April 2017 the Finance and Performance Committee considered feedback received on regional matters.
5. On 2 June 2017 the Tūpuna Maunga Authority will consider approving the Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan 2017/2018 and the Summary of the Operational Plan 2017/2018 for inclusion in the Annual Budget 2017/2018.
6. Between 9 May and 17 May 2017 the Finance and Performance Committee held workshops, including discussions with local boards, to consider key matters for decision-making for 2017/2018.
7. Decisions are now required in order for staff to finalise financial statements, local board agreements and the Annual Budget document ahead of adoption on 30 June 2017.

Recommendation/s

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) receive this report as background information
- b) note that other decisions required to finalise the Annual Budget 2017/2018 are set out in separate reports on this agenda.

Comments

Process undertaken to date

8. Key elements of the consultation process undertaken are set out below.
 - Consultation items were agreed by the Governing Body on 15 December 2016. The Consultation Document and Supporting Information were adopted by the Governing Body on 9 February 2017.
 - Public consultation ran between 27 February and 27 March 2017.
 - The consultation document and feedback form included questions on:
 - Issue 1: Rate increases
 - Issue 2: Rating stability

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- Issue 3: Paying for tourism promotion
 - Issue 4: Paying for housing infrastructure
 - Issue 5: Paying council staff a living wage
 - Issue 6: Priorities in your local area for 2017/2018
9. The consultation document also sought feedback on:
- Waste management and charges
 - Mass transit network
 - Changes to Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) targeted rates
 - Skypath implementation
 - Collaborations on reducing homelessness
 - Rural fire service
 - Co-governance of volcanic cones.
10. Feedback was received across three broad feedback channels – written, in-person and digital. In summary:
- 8,058 written submissions were received (7,849 related to regional matters and 708 related to local matters)
 - 2,510 people attended 70 Have Your Say events and existing community events
 - 103 feedback points were provided through digital channels (Twitter and Facebook).
11. The Finance and Performance Committee meeting on 26 April 2017 received reports on both the details of the communication and consultation campaign and a summary of feedback received. Both reports are attached as Appendices.
12. The following approach was used to ensure decision-makers are informed about feedback received on the Annual Budget 2017/2018:
- Staff with specific subject matter expertise reviewed feedback received relevant to their own area and summarised the issues raised to ensure councillors understand community views.
 - 21 reports were also prepared summarising the feedback for each local board area and were considered by each local board between 18 April and 3 May 2017.
 - A separate report was prepared summarising feedback received on the draft Tūpuna Maunga Operational Plan. This report was considered on 13 April 2017 when joint deliberations were held between the Tūpuna Maunga o Tamaki Makaurau Authority and the Finance and Performance Committee.
13. In addition to the summary of feedback report, all detailed feedback received has been made available to elected members and is publicly available on the Auckland Council website.
14. On 9 May 2017 discussions were held between local boards and the Finance and Performance Committee. These discussions provided an opportunity for local board views to be considered ahead of the Finance and Performance Committee making final decisions for the Annual Budget 2017/2018.

Agreeing the Tūpuna Maunga Operational Plan 2017/2018

15. Auckland Council is responsible for the routine management of the Tūpuna Maunga and the administered lands (under the direction of the Tūpuna Maunga Authority) along with associated costs. The Tūpuna Maunga Authority and Auckland Council must agree the Tūpuna Maunga Authority Operational Plan (Operational Plan) and a Summary of the Operational Plan every year. The Operational Plan sets out how the Council will carry out its routine management.

16. At the next hui on 2 June 2017, the Tūpuna Maunga Authority will consider approving the Operational Plan 2017/2018 and the Summary of the Operational Plan 2017/2018 for inclusion in the Annual Budget 2017/2018.
17. A recommendation to agree The Tūpuna Maunga Operational Plan 2017/2018 and the Summary for inclusion in the Annual Budget 2017/2018 will be sought from the Governing Body on 29 June 2017.

Other decision-making

18. The Mayoral report for the Annual Budget sets out the Mayor's recommendations for budgets and rates. Staff reports on all consultation items are attached to the Mayor's Report.
19. Between February and March 2017 staff undertook the required annual review process across all council budgets for the 2017/2018 year. This included a review of cost pressures, progress against savings targets and any changes to the capital expenditure programme. It also included an update on planning assumptions for key items such as inflation and dividend expectations. The key budget decisions are set out in the Budget update report attached to the Mayoral report.
20. In addition, the Finance and Performance Committee will also consider reports on:
 - local board advocacy for regional decision-making
 - decisions required to prepare local board agreements.

Consideration

Local board views and implications

21. Information on local projects and priorities was included in the consultation material to inform the development of local board agreements for 2017/2018. During the consultation process, local boards held events to engage with their communities. These events provided an opportunity for Aucklanders to provide feedback in person to local board members on local issues.
22. Reports summarising the feedback received relevant to each local board area were considered by each local board between 18 April and 3 May 2017. Local board views were then shared with the Finance and Performance Committee during discussions on 9 May 2017.
23. A separate report on the agenda for this meeting covers local board advocacy for the Annual Budget 2017/2018. Local board views are also considered in each of the relevant decision-making reports on today's agenda.
24. Following budget decisions made on 1 June 2017, local boards will meet between 1 – 20 June 2017 to adopt Local Board Agreements for 2017/2018, local activity budgets and local fees and charges schedules for 2017/2018.





Māori impact statement

25. Consultation on the Annual Budget 2017/2018 has focussed on those issues that the council potentially considered changing from the 10-year Budget. Decisions on those issues required to finalise the Annual Budget 2017/2018 are set out in separate reports on the agenda for this meeting. The impact of those decisions on Māori are covered in each report.

Implementation

26. Decisions on the Annual Budget 2017/2018 are required to enable staff to:
- finalise financial statements
 - finalise local board agreements – local boards will hold workshops and meetings between 1 - 20 June 2017 to adopt local board agreements for 2017/2018.
 - finalise the annual budget document for adoption.
27. A rates resolution will also be prepared for adoption at the 29 June 2017 Governing Body meeting for consideration following the adoption of the Annual Budget 2017/2018.

Attachments

No.	Title	Page
A  	Annual Budget 2017/2018 - Communication and Consultation - Overview	15
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Annual Budget 2017/2018 Communication and Consultation – Overview

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview on the Annual Budget 2017/2018 communication and consultation campaign.

Executive summary

- The 2017/2018 Annual Budget Consultation process is an important proof point to demonstrate continued progress towards ensuring Aucklanders having a stronger voice in shaping Auckland and elected members receiving better support to make quality decisions. These two strategic outcomes are the core focus of the Engaging and Enabling Communities pillar of the 2017-2019 Performance Plan.
- The consultation on the Annual Budget 2017/2018 was designed to raise awareness and provide an opportunity for all Aucklanders to give feedback on the key topics, as well as deliver useful insights to decision makers.
- Specific focus was given to ensuring a wide cross section of Aucklanders was involved, particularly people from communities who do not often participate. This included Māori, Pacific Peoples, Chinese, other ethnicities and younger people.
- In addition to digital, online and social media channels a total 70 events were held to raise awareness and /or collect feedback. (Of these events, 45 were run by Auckland Council, 25 were delivered by partner organisations e.g. Chinese)
- In total, 8058 submissions were made. Of those, 44 per cent of submissions were made online, 28 per cent were made through hard copy forms and 28 per cent via email, letters or proforma. Nearly 25 per cent of submissions came via the Peoples Panel. This total represents a significant increase in submissions made by Aucklanders compared to last year.
- Of those who provided submissions, 23 per cent identified as Asian, 7 per cent were Pacific and 7 per cent identified as Maori. Sixteen per cent of submitters were aged between 15 and 34 years, This represents a much more diverse profile of submitters compared to previous years.
- Communication of progress and closing the loop with stakeholders and the general public will occur via a range of channels from April to July 2017.
- Accessibility for Aucklanders to have their say was a key driver in the engagement approach, and the geographical spread of events made this approach successful.

Background

Key elements of the consultation process undertaken for the Annual Budget 2017/2018 are set out below.

- The Engaging and Enabling Communities (EEC) Pillar of the 2017-2019 Performance Plan is committed to giving Aucklanders a stronger voice in shaping Auckland and providing better support to elected members to make quality decisions. The 2017/2018 Annual Budget Consultation process is an important proof point to tangibly demonstrate progress towards delivering these two strategic outcomes.
- The Significance and Engagement Policy provides council with flexibility to design and deliver an engagement approach for the 2017/2018 Annual Budget consultation which is tailored to the diverse communities of Auckland and the scale of the issues requiring public input.
- The 2017/2018 consultation document with supporting information was adopted by the Governing Body on 9 February 2017. The consultation document focussed on the potential changes for 2017/2018.
- Public consultation ran between 27 February 2017 and 27 March 2017 – a household summary was delivered to 540,000 letterboxes in the March edition of OurAuckland.

- Mana Whenua governors and officers received early advice of the Mayor's proposal via email in January 17, along with a timeline of the overall process, the proposed 20 March elected member hui, and an invitation to meet and discuss the process.
- Public awareness raising activities were delivered from mid-February to the end of March to encourage Aucklanders to participate in the consultation process. These activities included the March edition of OurAuckland, advertisements in local and regional newspapers, ethnic media, online banner advertisements, media releases, targeted stakeholder communications and social media and media partnership with Fairfax.
- Information about the consultation process was distributed to Mana Whenua in early February. This included promotion through Māori community social media networks, and distribution of consultation material to Mana Whenua on 9 February including confirmation of the 20 March elected member hui.
- In addition, individual kanohi ki te kanohi hui and phone calls were conducted with ten Mana Whenua representatives on request to discuss the Annual Budget, other key planning for the 2017/2018 year and discuss value and scope for elected member hui.
- Council is committed to communication progress closing the loop with stakeholder organisations and the general public between April and July. This will be achieved through a variety of channels to ensure Aucklanders understand how their feedback was considered and the decisions that council have made.

Objectives

There were 4 key objectives to this consultation process:

- Raise awareness and understanding of the Annual Budget and consultation topics and key trade-offs through focussed and targeted engagement
- Make it easy for a wide range of Aucklanders to participate so they have a strong voice in shaping Auckland (EEC Outcome 1)
- Provide Finance and Performance members with useful insights into the views of Aucklanders so they can make quality decisions. (EEC Outcome 2)
- Increase overall trust and confidence in council processes, decision-making and financial management

Events and Attendance

Public Attendance

Through a targeted and focussed approach, 70 events (45 Council run and 25 partner organisation run) were held over the consultation period, with an attendance of 2510 Aucklanders.

The events ranged in style and were as follows:

Event Type	Number of events	Attendance
HYS Round Table	7	144
HYS Drop in	10	312
Existing events (inc Pasifika)	12	580
Town Hall style	2	75
Regional Stakeholder Event	1	33
Auckland Conversations	2	103
Diverse Communities		
Indian	1	36
Chinese/Korean	20	784
Māori (inc Mana Whenua)	6	81
Pacific	6	307
ESOL Classes	3	55
TOTAL	70	2510

Councillor Attendance

Of the 25 Have Your Say events (drop in, town hall style and round table), 70 per cent of Councillors attended 15 of these 25 events, with a total of 26 Councillor attendances in total. (These figures exclude the regional stakeholder event on the 20th March.)

Feedback Channels

Feedback was received across three broad feedback channels – written, in-person and digital to gain feedback from a cross section of Aucklanders. In summary:

- 8,058 written submissions were received overall
- 7,849 addressed the regional questions and/or other regional issues (7,829 Q1-5 only)
- 4,708 addressed the local questions and/or other local issues (4,336 Q6 only)
- 2510 people attended 70 Have Your Say events and existing community events
- 103 feedback points were provided through digital channels (Twitter and Facebook). In addition, nearly 60 responses were received via 'Up South' regarding the living wage.
- A targeted youth led Māori and Pasifika rangatahi engagement campaign resulted in 210 individual written submissions from under 24s, 130 of which were from rangatahi who identified as Māori.

Of the submissions received, 72 per cent were made using the council consultation feedback form (either online, posted or emailed). The remaining 28 per cent were pro-forma, letters, etc.

Submissions

Overall Written Submissions

Compared to 2016/2017, the overall written submissions have increased by 148 per cent, from 3,321 to 8,058 in total.

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Submission Type	%	n	2016/17 n
Online Form	44%	3,567	1044
Hard Copy Form	28%	2,258	1446
Non form (letter/email/pro-forma)	28%	2,233	831
	100%	8,058	3,321

All submissions will be available to view on council's website from early May.

Effectiveness of People's Panel

For the first time this year the Peoples Panel was used as a way to reach some of the more difficult to reach audiences. Three separate mailouts were sent out after awareness of the consultation was advised in a People's Panel newsletter. The mailouts generated opportunities for all 25,000 People's Panel members to give their feedback on the Annual Budget with the following success:

People's Panel	Number online submissions
Targeted young people	198
Targeted ethnic minority	314
Non-targeted	1327
TOTAL	1839

Submissions by ethnicity

Compared to the last Annual Budget consultation, there has been a significant increase in the number of submissions from some of the diverse groups that have previously been under-represented. From the 5470 Aucklanders who provided their ethnicity details, 23 per cent identified as Asian (compared to 5 per cent in 2016/2017). The proportion of Europeans submitting their feedback has decreased from 87 per cent in 2016/2017 to 66 per cent this year, indicating the approach targeted at diverse communities has been an effective one.

Ethnicity	%	n	n 2016/2017
European	66	3630	1638
Māori	7	390	61
Pacific	7	395	22
Asian	23	1245	98
African/M Eastern/Latin	1	47	10
Other	2	136	50
TOTAL	*	5470	1879

Submissions by age

Of the 5504 Aucklanders who provided their age details, we have achieved a spread across all age groups. Encouragingly this year sees a greater proportion in the 15-34 age groups than in 2016/2017.

2017/2018			2016/2017	2016/2017
Age	%	n	%	n
under 15	1	66	2	31
15-24	8	416	4	71
25-34	11	608	8	154
35-44	17	957	18	339
45-54	19	1049	19	355
55-64	19	1026	17	321
65-74	17	956	19	357
75+	8	426	12	218
		5504		1846

Have Your Say events compared to hearing style

Changes to the Local Government Act in 2014 gave councils more flexibility when it comes to consulting and receiving feedback on annual plans. For this annual plan we designed and adopted a communication process which best gave effect to the principles in the legislation.

We can now reach significantly more residents by having the option to provide a range of opportunities to provide feedback (existing events, drop-in style, social media etc) rather than solely a hearings style approach, which appealed to only a small proportion of the Auckland population.

In 2017/2018 through the 25 council Have Your Say (HYS) events, 772 people attended (this excludes those who gave feedback at existing events). This reached significantly more than with a hearings only process in 2014/2015 when only 283 gave their feedback.

For Māori communities, the more flexible approach also allowed us to explore innovative means of reaching key groups we don't usually hear from. This included engaging a Māori and Pasifika rangatahi group to undertake targeted engagement within their networks through youth groups and attendance at public events.

Regional Stakeholder Process

One of the Have your Say events was a regional stakeholder event (attended by the majority of Councillors) similar to what Council has run for other recent Annual Budgets.

The invitees to this event were representative organisations/associations which as an organisation/association had previously submitted to Auckland Council on annual plan/long term plan matters and/or which the Council considered would be likely to have an interest in the matters being consulted on. Councillors were given the opportunity to recommend organisations/groups to be added to the invitation list.

Invites and information were sent at the beginning of the Annual Budget consultation (Monday 27 February). Thirty three stakeholders attended the traditional hearing style event on Monday 20 March. Attendees were given 10 minutes to speak followed by a 5 minute question and answer time.

Council has heard from some organisations who wished to attend the event and weren't invited. These comments will be considered for any future such events. However Council gave people who may be affected by, or interested in, the proposals a number of options for giving their feedback, including the opportunity to present their views in person through the many 'Have your Say' events across the Auckland region and other engagement opportunities. All feedback, however received, is reported back to all councillors in the reports for the workshop.

Mana Whenua Engagement

The Mana Whenua (MW) governors hui with the Mayor and councillors was developed as a general check-in at the start of a new Mayoral term, with a significant level of strategic planning yet to come. This proposal was based on the awareness of a higher level of likely interest in the Auckland Plan and upcoming Long Term Plan discussions.

Initially a one hour lunch was proposed as per the process for the previous years' Annual Budget engagement. This proposal was tested with the MW who responded to January early engagement. Feedback from these representatives resulted in extending the hui to a one hour for general business followed by lunch. This amended proposal reflected MW indication of a preference for individual rather than group conversations with the Mayor at this point in the planning year, and/or progressing some priority executive level and local board relationships.

The event was scheduled within the regional stake-holders event due to availability of the elected members. Including it in the Stakeholder day resulted in confusion over the scope and partnership level of the discussion, and an inappropriate squeeze on time for the hui.

As noted above, briefing sessions were offered on the Annual Budget and 20 March hui, along with the early advice, and were taken up by 10 MW representatives.

Based on feedback on the day there is a need to ensure any future events are kept well separated, and that there is a stronger process around joint briefing perhaps closer to the time to ensure the purpose, scope and opportunity presented by these meetings is clear.

Approach to feedback analysis and reporting

The following approach has been used to ensure decision-makers are well informed about feedback received on the Annual Budget 2017/2018:

- A report has been prepared summarising feedback received on consultation items covered in the Consultation document.
- Staff with specific subject matter expertise have reviewed feedback received relevant to their own area and summarised the issues raised to ensure councillors understand community views.
- The report does not contain analysis of the implications of the feedback received. There are a series of workshops throughout May which will cover a budget update and key executives from across council will talk to their budget. Further advice and recommendations will be made ahead of final decision-making in June.
- 21 reports have also been developed summarising the feedback for each local board area and will be considered by each local board between 26 April and 9 May.
- A separate report was prepared for the Tūpuna Maunga o Tamaki Makaurau Authority and Finance and Performance committee for joint deliberation on the draft Tūpuna Maunga Operational Plan on the 13 April.

Next Steps

- General media releases (April – July)
- Go back to partner groups (including Manu Whenua) and Maatawaka to close the loop (April - July)
- Closing the loop via People's Panel newsletter (April - July)
- Print adverts following decisions end June (early July)
- Shape Auckland updates (May-July)
- Rates campaign (July)

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Annual Budget 2017/2018 Consultation – Summary of feedback

Purpose

This report summarises the feedback received during the consultation on Auckland Council's Annual Budget 2017/2018. The scope of feedback includes written submissions both hardcopy and online, feedback recorded at community events and social media comments (Twitter and Facebook). It aims to capture key views and preferences rather than detail every point of feedback received. All feedback was made available to elected members on the 21 April. This information will be made available to the public via the council's website in early May.

This report does not include advice or recommendations for making decisions on the annual budget. Council officer advice and recommendations will be included in reports to the 1 June meeting of the Finance and Performance Committee (which are also made available to the public).

It is important that the feedback summarised in this report is received with an open mind and is given due consideration when making decisions.

Executive summary

The council consulted on five key issues and questions on these were included on the feedback form.

57 per cent of written feedback supported the 2.5 per cent average rates increase. Of the 16 per cent who supported higher rates, 42 per cent identified Transport as the area of spend. Of the 26 per cent who supported lower rates, 39 per cent wanted a reduction in Governance and Support area of spend.

66 per cent of written feedback supported the proposal to change our policy so business and residential ratepayers have the same rates increase in 2017/2018. 20 per cent did not support this and 11 per cent were unsure.

66 per cent of written feedback supported a targeted rate on accommodation providers, 21 per cent did not support and 11 per cent were not sure.

66 per cent of written feedback supported changing the funding policy to allow for infrastructure for new housing developments to be funded by targeted rates alongside existing growth charges. 15 per cent disagree and 16 per cent were not sure.

71 per cent of feedback supported implementing a living wage for council staff. This figure includes the 1903 submissions received by a pro-forma. 19 per cent disagreed and 9 per cent were unsure.

Other issues - feedback

Feedback received that was not related to items within the consultation document has been summarised by theme and can be found in attachment six of this report.

Final decisions for the 2017/2018 budget will be made by the Finance and Performance Committee on 1 June and the Annual Budget 2017/2018 will be adopted by Governing Body on 29 June.

Background

Consultation items were agreed by the Governing Body on 15 December 2016. The Consultation Document and Supporting Information were adopted by the Governing Body on 9 February 2017. Public consultation ran between 27 February and 27 March 2017.

The consultation document and feedback form included questions on:

- Issue 1: Rate increases
- Issue 2: Rating stability
- Issue 3: Paying for tourism promotion
- Issue 4: Paying for housing infrastructure
- Issue 5: Paying council staff a living wage
- Issue 6: Priorities in your local area for 2017/2018 (note: feedback on these is being considered by local boards and is not part of this report).

The consultation document also sought feedback on:

- Waste management and charges
- Mass transit network
- changes to Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) targeted rates
- Skypath implementation
- Collaborations on reducing homelessness
- Rural fire service
- Co-governance of volcanic cones.

Within this report each of the five main issues are detailed in the below order:

1. Written feedback (includes online feedback form, posted or emailed)
 - a) Pie chart (i.e. this is quantitative data taken from the feedback form tick boxes)
 - b) Summary of written comments (where supplied)
 - c) Analysis by Local board area – NB this is not additional feedback; rather a summary of local board views taken from the written feedback
2. Event feedback (i.e. verbal feedback from Have your say event and existing events)
3. Social Media (Twitter & Facebook)
4. Attachments – further breakdown of feedback information.

Glossary of terms

Term	Definition
AB	Annual Budget (also referred to as Annual Plan in some documents)
ATEED	Auckland Tourism Events and Economic Development
HYSE	Have your say events
Feedback response	The number of people who provided feedback on that particular question
Feedback point/comment	An excerpt taken from a full submission

Feedback analysis

Issue 1: Rates increases

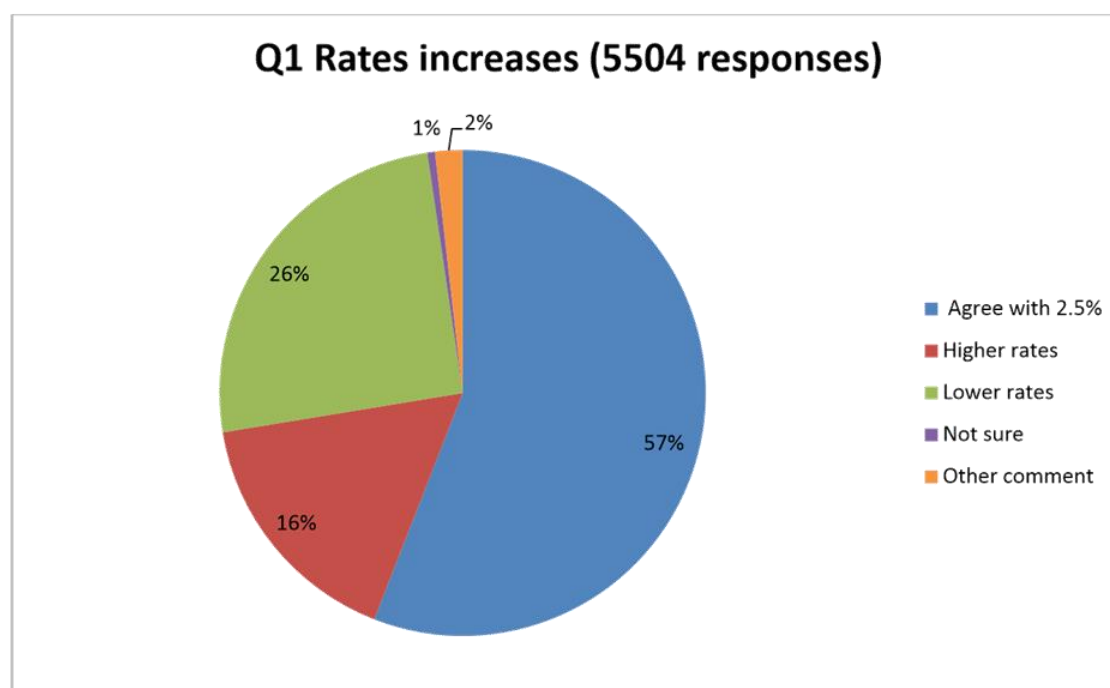
The council sought the community's views on three options for rates increases for 2017/2018:

- Retain the previously planned 3.5 per cent average rates increase
- Use identified savings to reduce the average rates increase to 2.5 per cent
- Reduce some investments and services to achieve a 2.0 per cent average rates increase.

Respondents were asked to indicate which services they would support more investment in if they favoured option A and which services they supported a reduction in if they favoured option C.

Written feedback (includes online form, hardcopy and non-form)

The council received 5504 written feedback responses related to the level of rates increase:



The table below shows a summary of comments (where supplied) on rates increases:

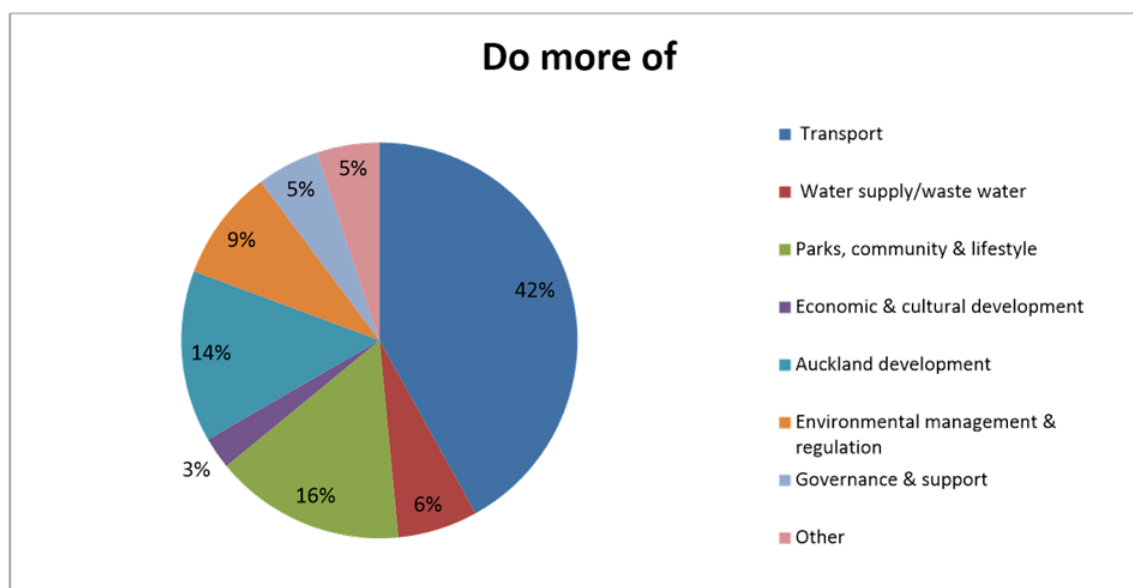
Feedback	Key points
Agree – supporting a 2.5 per cent average rates increase	<p>3,145 responses with the key themes being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> many home owners cannot afford rates increases more than 2.5 per cent the Mayor has said rates will not increase more than 2.5 per cent

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The table below shows a summary of comments (where supplied) of what council should do more of:

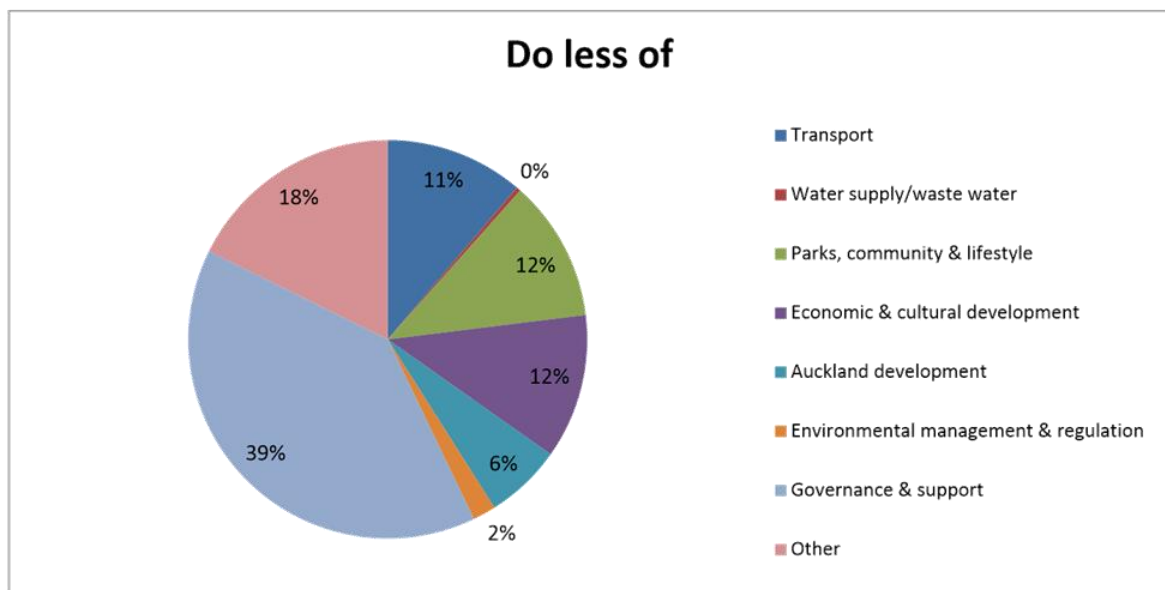
Feedback	Key points
Agree - supporting a 3.5 per cent rates increase	870 responses with the key themes being: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • we need higher rates to fund a better quality of life in the city • more investment in transport is needed • need to use all available options to ease the housing crisis • reduce what is owed and save on interest payments for the future
Areas were proposed for additional investment when agreeing with the 3.5 per cent rates increase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport - 616 responses • Water Supply / Wastewater - 96 responses • Parks, community, and lifestyle - 229 responses • Economic and cultural development - 38 responses • Auckland development - 206 responses • Environmental management and regulation - 134 responses • Governance and support - 75 responses • Other - 75 responses

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The table below shows a summary of comments (where supplied) of what council should do less of:

Feedback	Key points
Agree - supporting a 2.0 per cent rates increase	<p>1,411 comments with the key themes being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • should review cost efficiencies within council, including staff numbers, before any further rates increases • sell council assets • increase revenue rather than increase rates • superannuation does not rise by 2.5 per cent, how are pensioners supposed to keep up with rates increases • reduce or stop spending on non-core activities.
Areas were proposed for lower investment when agreeing with the 2.0 per cent rates increase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport - 126 responses • Water Supply/ Wastewater - 4 responses • Parks, community, and lifestyle - 129 responses • Economic and cultural development - 132 responses • Auckland development - 70 responses • Environmental management and regulation - 21 responses • Governance and support - 443 responses • Other - 199 responses.



Analysis by Local board area

Analysis of feedback received by local board area for question 1a shows:

- all local board areas had “2.5 per cent” as their most preferred option (receiving between 44 per cent and 64 per cent approval).

Analysis of feedback received by local board area for question 1b shows:

- 19 local board areas had “transport” as their most preferred service for additional investment (receiving between 33 per cent and 59 per cent support).
- Waiheke had “transport”, “parks, community, and lifestyle” and “Auckland development” as their most preferred areas for more investment.
- Great Barrier Island had two feedback points for further investment, one for “Water Supply/Wastewater” and one for “environmental management and regulation”.
- 17 local board areas had “governance and support” as their most preferred service for reduced investment (receiving between 32 per cent and 53 per cent support). Puketāpapa and Waiheke local board also had “other” as their most preferred area for less investment.

Event Feedback (includes ‘Have your say events’ and existing council events)

At Have your say events (HYSE), 213 participants commented on the rates increase. 33 per cent supported a 3.5 per cent increase, 25 per cent supported a 2.5 per cent increase, and 16 per cent supported a 2.0 per cent increase.

202 feedback points were received on which services should have increased investment. 35 per cent supported increased investment in transport, 22 per cent parks, community and lifestyle, and 13 per cent Auckland development.

45 feedback points were received on which services should have reduced investment. 24 per cent supported reduced investment in transport, 22 per cent Auckland development, and 18 per cent for governance.

Social Media Feedback

3 feedback responses were received via social media (ie Twitter and Facebook). One supported a 2.5 per cent increase, and two a 3.5 per cent increase.

Further Information on Feedback

Further information in Attachment one details the following:

- a) Written
 - i. Percentage breakdown of written feedback by local board area
- b) Event feedback (summary of key points received at Have your say and existing events).

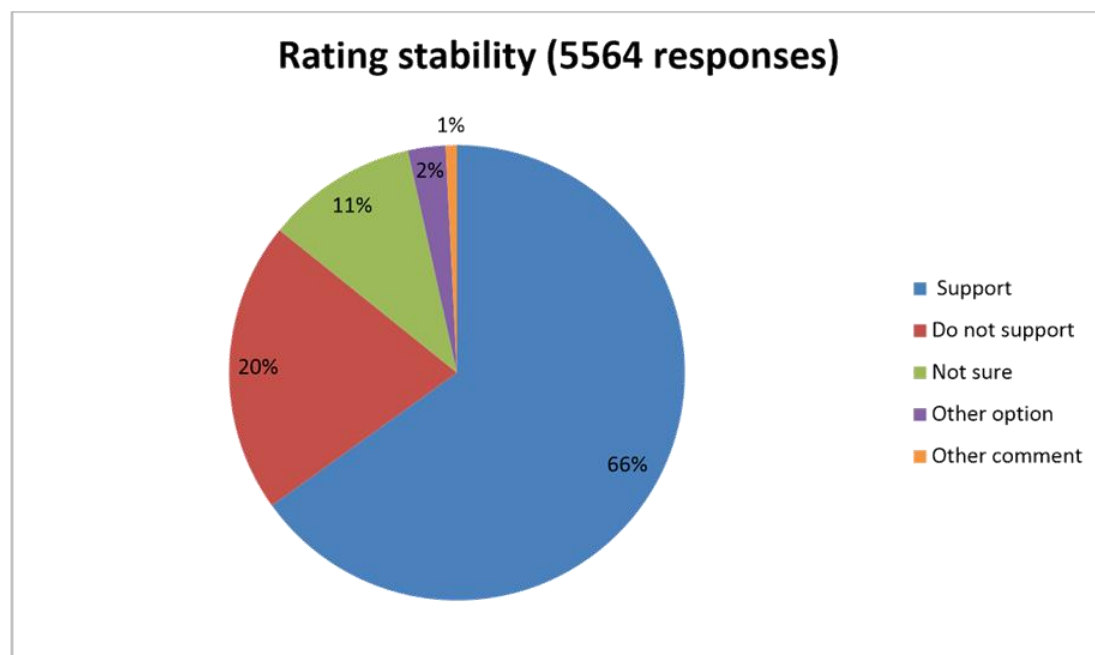
Issue 2: Rating stability

The community was asked if business and residential ratepayers should have the same rates increase in 2017/2018. This could be achieved by pausing the council's policy of gradually lowering the share of rates paid by businesses over time, which results in slightly higher annual increases for residential ratepayers.

The present rating policy considers that businesses should pay more rates than residential properties but that the current level is too high and should be reduced gradually over time in order to support economic growth. The Long-term differential strategy (LTDS) lowers general rates (UAGC and value-based general rate) for businesses in equal steps from 32.7 per cent of the total requirement in 2016/2017 to 25.8 per cent by 2036/2037. By that time it is expected that the differential will be approximately at a level that reflects the tax and GST advantages businesses have over residential ratepayers. The rate of reduction is set so that the increase in rates for residential and farm/lifestyle properties above the underlying general rates increase is around 0.5 per cent each year.

Written Feedback (includes online form, hardcopy and non-form)

The council received 5564 written feedback responses related to rating stability.



The table below shows a summary of comments (where supplied) on rating stability:

Feedback	Key points
Agree - Same increase for all ratepayers	<p>659 comments with the key themes being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> it is fair that businesses and households pay the same increase businesses should be paying more- keep the rate increases the same each year it's easier for businesses to find extra money for rates than individuals on fixed incomes
Disagree- Continue the policy of gradually	<p>723 comments with the key themes being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Businesses should continue to get a lower rates increase

Feedback	Key points
reducing business rates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many businesses are small to medium size and would have difficulty passing costs on to customers Business rates should be fairly apportioned based on business type and use of council service.
Not sure	120 comments with the key themes being: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> not enough information to make a decision small businesses may suffer rates increases should not be more than inflation business rates should be relative to the business turnover costs
Other	134 comments with key themes being: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> business rates should be comparable to other cities rates should be assessed on service usage rates should not be increased, council needs to be more efficient

Analysis by Local board area

Analysis of feedback received by local board area shows:

- all local board areas had “same increase for all ratepayers” as their most preferred option with support ranging between 55 per cent and 76 per cent.

Event Feedback (includes ‘Have your say events’ and existing council events)

At the HYSE, 143 participants commented on whether all ratepayers should have the same increase. 31 per cent supported all ratepayers having the same increase, 30 per cent were in favour of continuing the gradual reduction in business rates, and 38 per cent were categorised into “not sure” or “other”.

Social Media Feedback

3 feedback points were received opposing the proposed change in policy for business and residential ratepayers to have the same rates increase in 2017/2018.

Further Analysis of Feedback

Further information in Attachment two details the following:

- Written
 - Percentage breakdown of written feedback by local board area
 - Further detail of written feedback from business/organisations.
- Event feedback (summary of key points received at Have your say and existing events).

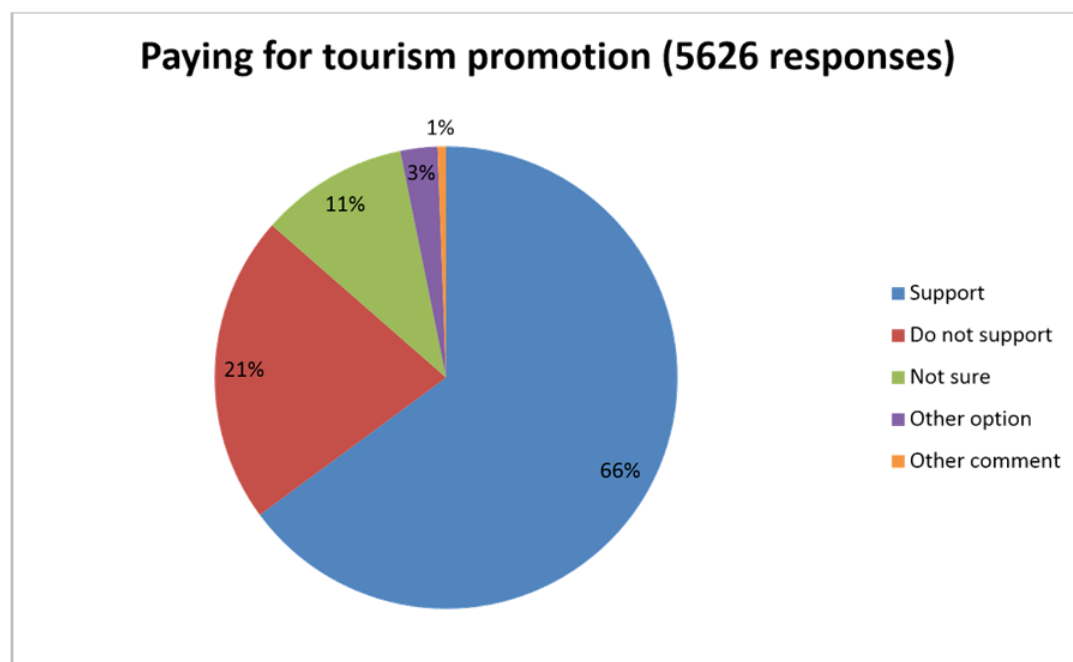
Issue 3: Paying for tourism promotion

The council sought the community's views on whether to fund expenditure on tourism promotion and major events from general rates or from a targeted rate on accommodation providers based on capital value.

The council proposes to fund \$27.8 million of visitor attraction and major events expenditure by Auckland Tourism Events and Economic Development (ATEED) with a targeted rate on commercial accommodation providers. At present all ratepayers contribute around 2 per cent of their rates to fund this expenditure if the proposal is adopted the general ratepayer funding that is freed up will be available for new infrastructure investments, including transport infrastructure projects. This would allow \$27.8 million of general rates funding to support \$180 million of capital expenditure over 5 years expanding to a total of \$250 to \$300 million over 10 years.

Written Feedback (includes online form, hardcopy and non-form)

The council received 5626 feedback responses related to funding tourism promotion. 3713 (66 per cent) supported funding tourism promotion from a targeted rate on accommodation providers.



Please note 66 per cent supported the council's proposal, most of this feedback was from individual ratepayers who did not leave additional comments. 21 per cent did not support the council's proposal with most of the comments received are from the accommodation industry.

The table below shows a summary of comments (where supplied) on funding tourism promotion:

Feedback	Key points
Agree - Fund tourism promotion and major events from a targeted rate on accommodation providers	<p>889 comments with the key themes being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> many cities internationally have a similar tax accommodation providers benefit from tourism and often increase room rates for major events, it's only fair they pay the costs

Feedback	Key points
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> residential ratepayers receive no benefit from tourism and events so should not be paying towards the promotion of these things general rates revenue should be spent on improving Auckland for the people who live here, not spent on encouraging visitors user pays is the fairest option targeted rate should also include other accommodation providers such as Airbnb and Book a Bach should be applied as a bed tax, and not apply to Auckland residents cruise ships and international students should also help fund this cost
Disagree - Continue to fund tourism promotion and major events from general rates	<p>816 comments with the key themes being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> it is inequitable to rate only accommodation providers when less than 10 per cent of visitor spend is on accommodation and four other sectors receive a larger share of visitor spend than this only 26 per cent of visitors stay in commercial accommodation businesses already pay high rates and the proposed rate is unaffordable Auckland Tourism, Events and Economic Development's (ATEED's) spend is also on events that benefit Auckland residents accommodation providers on the outskirts of Auckland have very few overseas visitors other accommodation providers like Airbnb should be included this will encourage many short term accommodation providers to become long term accommodation providers to avoid the extra rates charge, which would increase accommodation costs, therefore discouraging overseas visitors many serviced apartments are owned by individual investors and leased to a hotel group for a fixed return - current contracts mean the owner would pay the targeted rate, not the hotel group targeted rate will devalue existing businesses and investments targeted rate will discourage much needed new hotel development
Not sure/Other	<p>352 comments with the key theme being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> would rather an airport tax on tourists the council should not be involved in tourism targeted rate will penalise kiwis who travel within NZ and go to major events too much money is being spent by ATEED

Analysis by Local board area

Analysis of feedback received by local board area shows:

- All local board areas supported the accommodation provider targeted rate (with support ranging between 54 per cent and 79 per cent).

Event Feedback (includes 'Have your say events' and existing council events)

At the HYSE, 248 participants commented on the proposed accommodation provider targeted rate. 46 per cent supported the targeted accommodation rate, and 35 per cent did not support the targeted accommodation rate. Summary of these comments is included in Attachment Three.

Social Media Feedback

4 feedback responses were received via social media. 2 were in support of the proposed targeted accommodation rate, and 2 were not in support.

Further Analysis of Feedback

Further information in Attachment three details the following:

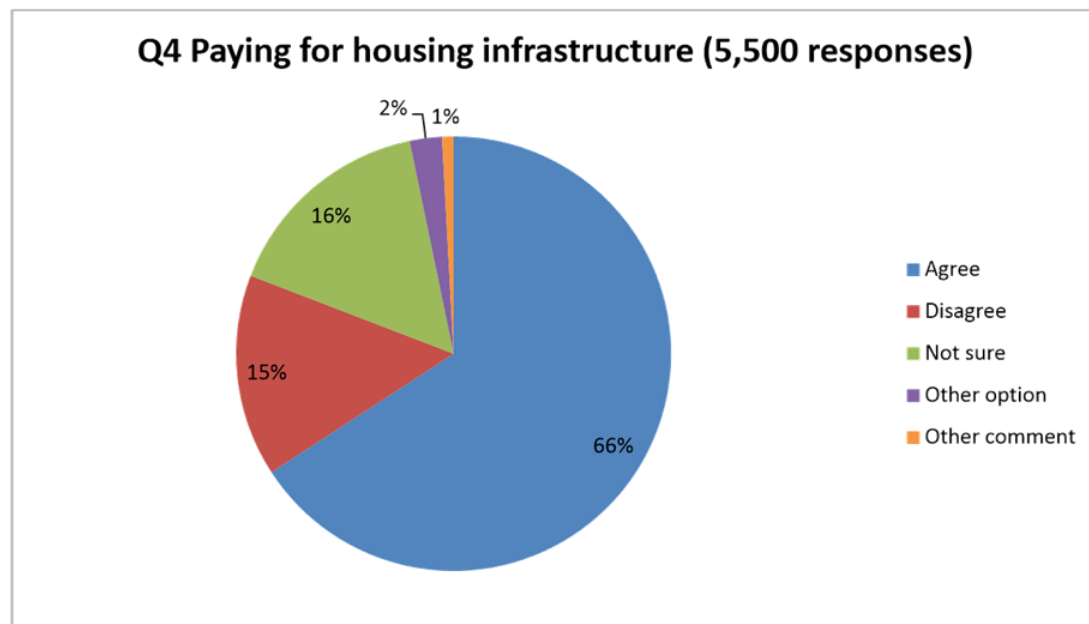
- Written
 - Percentage breakdown of written feedback by local board area
 - Further detail of written feedback from industry/business/organisations.
- Event feedback (summary of key points received at Have your say and existing events).

Issue 4: Paying for housing infrastructure

The council sought the community's views on whether to change the funding policy to allow for infrastructure for new housing developments to be funded by targeted rates alongside existing growth charges.

Written Feedback (includes online form, hardcopy and non-form)

The council received 5500 feedback responses related to paying for housing infrastructure. 3630 (66 per cent) supported a targeted rate to fund infrastructure for new housing developments.



The table below shows a summary of comments (where supplied) on paying for housing infrastructure:

Feedback	Key points
Agree	<p>673 comments with the key themes being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> this should discourage land banking new housing is being held up by a lack of infrastructure infrastructure should include public transport as long as the targeted rate is used for that particular area's infrastructure existing ratepayers do not receive any benefit of infrastructure required for new housing developments
Disagree	<p>379 comments with the key themes being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> this will increase the cost of new houses spread cost across the city evenly, more housing developments benefit the whole city no more new rates central government should pay more towards infrastructure
Not sure	<p>250 comments with the key themes being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> not sure who will be targeted by the rate need more central government input
Other	<p>122 comments with the key themes being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> infrastructure costs should be part of development fees emphasis seems to be on greenfield development rather than intensification of the

Feedback	Key points
	current city footprint

Event Feedback (includes 'Have your say events' and existing council events)

At the HYSE, 200 participants commented on funding infrastructure for new housing. 53 per cent of participants supported the proposal, 20 per cent were opposed, and 28 per cent were categorised as "not sure" or "other".

Social Media Feedback

One feedback point was received regarding paying for housing infrastructure. This feedback is categorised as "other".

Analysis by Local board area

Analysis of feedback received by local board area shows:

- all local board areas had "support" as their most preferred option (receiving between 56 per cent and 76 per cent).

Further Analysis of Feedback

Further information in Attachment four details the following:

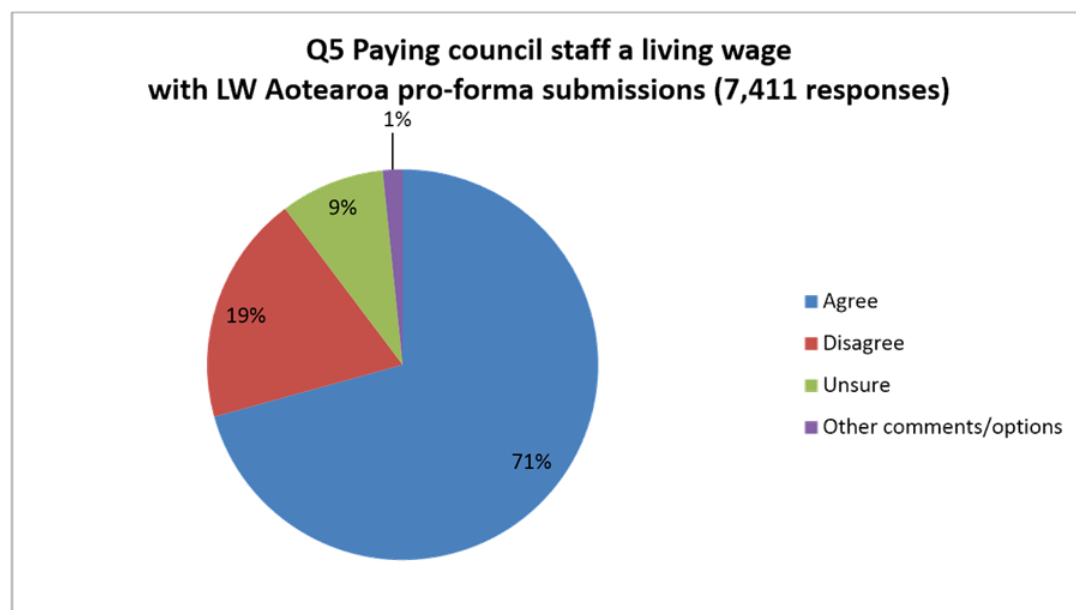
- Written
 - Percentage breakdown of written feedback by local board area
 - Further detail of written feedback from industry/business/organisations.
- Event feedback (summary of key points received at Have your say and existing events).

Issue 5: Paying council staff a living wage

The council sought the community's views on the proposal of implementing a living wage policy over the council term ending October 2019 to ensure all council staff can afford typical living costs. This would be funded from savings within the existing budgets.

Written Feedback (includes online form, hardcopy and non-form)

The council received 5508 feedback responses answering the living wage question. Additional to these, Living Wage Aotearoa has provided us with 1903 submissions in support of a Living Wage (LW).



The table below shows a summary of comments (where supplied) on paying for housing infrastructure:

Feedback	Key points
Agree	<p>2937 left comments. These were themed into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fair wage (828): The fair and just wage that is necessary to match the high cost of living here in Auckland. The wage necessary to show workers their hard work is appreciated. Ability to live (468): People need to be able to live with dignity, have the ability to buy necessities and provide for their family. It should also be applied Auckland wide (359) Cut top salaries, increase lower salaries (260): Need to close the gap between high end and low end salaries. Focus on those at bottom end first and foremost. Eliminating poverty (98) Contractors should be included (93) Take the lead (90): Good to see Auckland Council being a leader, with hope that other businesses follow. Pay equity (81) Staff numbers should be cut (75) Don't use ratepayers money (69): Living wage should not be funded by rates. Ratepayer's money could be spent elsewhere if there are savings, or there could be a decrease in rates.

Feedback	Key points
Disagree	<p>447 left comments. These were themed into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is unfair that it only applies to Auckland Council (86) • Don't waste ratepayers money (55) • Skills and market should determine wage (36) • If it is funded by a decrease in top salary earners (22) • Concern about where savings are coming from (21) • Cut staff numbers (12) • Council staff are already paid well enough (9) • Productivity needs to increase (9) • Concern about compression (7): Concern about knock on effect for all other staff's wages.
Not sure	<p>113 left comments. These were themed into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is unfair that it only applies to Auckland Council (15) • Don't waste ratepayers money (15) • Cut top salaries, increase lower salaries (14): Need to close the gap between high end and low end salaries. Focus on those at bottom end first and foremost • Concern about compression (8): Concern about knock on effect for all other staff's wages. • Private sector can't compete (6) • Productivity needs to increase (6) • Concern about where savings are coming from (5) • Council staff already get paid well enough (5) • Living wage calculation is flawed (5): Living wage is an arbitrary figure that is forever changing.
Other comments/options	<p>73 left comments. These were themed into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cut top salaries, increase lower salaries (16) • It should also be applied Auckland wide (14) • Don't waste ratepayers money (8) • Cut staff numbers (7) • Productivity needs to increase (5)

Analysis by Local board area

Analysis of feedback received by local board area shows:

- All but one local board have a greater than 50 per cent agree rate
- Papakura local board has 45 per cent agrees and 43 per cent disagrees.

Event Feedback (includes 'Have your say events' and existing council events)

At the HYSE, 126 participants left feedback on the living wage implementation.

58 participants (46 per cent) agreed with the council's implementation of the living wage. 26 per cent did not agree, 7 per cent were not sure and 21 per cent was recorded as 'other'.

Social Media Feedback

Three participants left feedback via social media:

- Two participants agreed
- One participant disagreed.

Further Analysis of Feedback

Further information in Attachment five details the following:

- a) Written
 - i. Percentage breakdown of written feedback by local board area
 - ii. Further detail of written feedback from industry/business/organisations.
 - iii. Pro-forma information
- b) Event feedback (summary of key points received at Have your say and existing events).

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Other topics

Waste management and charges

The council proposed further steps to implement standard regional waste management charges and services. The proposals were to align charging and service provision with the implementation of a:

- standardised recycling service offering a choice of bin size; 120 litre, 240 litre or 360 litre
- rates funded, 120 litre bin refuse collection service in the former Manukau City Council area to replace the current bag pick up.

The proposed changes are:

- waste management rate for base services at \$102 per property (or per service) to cover the cost of recycling, inorganic collection and other regional services
- waste management rate for refuse service at \$119 per property (or per service) to cover the cost of a standard 120 litre refuse collection in the former Auckland City and Manukau City areas
- a charge of \$62 per annum where an additional recycling bin is requested (this was previously free in some areas)
- removal of the free cardboard collection offered in some commercial areas in the former Waitakere, North Shore and Rodney
- an additional charge of \$55 per annum for a larger 240 litre refuse bin in the former Manukau City Council area (in 2017/2018) and the former Auckland City Council area (in 2018/2019).

The Consultation Document also noted that a review was underway of the planned implementation of food waste and user pays refuse collections element of the Waste Minimisation and Management Plan.

Feedback

Around 60 specific feedback points were received on this topic including the implementation of council's waste plan, waste services and support for specific initiatives as detailed below.

Additionally 67 submitters made reference to waste in their general environmental management and regulation comments with strong support for good streetscape and litter management throughout the region.

Twelve feedback points requested increased enforcement for illegal dumping alongside seven points advocating for education and behaviour change programmes.

No feedback was received on the introduction of a standardised waste management rates for base services of \$102 per property.

Standardisation of Recycling Charges and Services

Three feedback points suggested there may be a commercial opportunity for the council in the collection of cardboard waste and one feedback point did not support the cessation of the free commercial cardboard collection service because of the impact it may have on small to medium businesses.

- There was support for business user pays collections, with a suggestion that an extra charge for large amounts of rubbish should be made to encourage recycling.
- One feedback point supported the option of paying an additional charge for the larger bins but noted a desire to have access to the waste audit referred to in the supporting documentation

as they felt that this size is impractical for most premises which produce domestic type recycling.

Charge for Larger Refuse Bins in former Manukau City Council and Auckland Council areas

One submission was received on this topic expressing concern about the impact of the extra charge on illegal dumping.

Implementation of new Waste Management and Minimisation Plan

There was general support for the implementation of the new waste management plan, in particular the provision of an organic waste collection. Three submitters requested that this be implemented as soon as possible.

Mass transit network

There were 28 feedback comments relating to the Mass Transit Network with the majority (19) in support of the proposal. The Property Council New Zealand gave its support for \$40 million for Auckland Transport to investigate a Mass Transit option for the city. Heart of the City Auckland felt there was insufficient information to provide an adequate response and would like to engage with Auckland Council and Auckland Transport on solutions being considered on the matter.

Business Improvement District (BID) Rates

The council proposed to:

- Establish a new Henderson-Lincoln BID
- Expand the Uptown, Wiri and Manukau BIDs.

423 feedback points were received on these proposals and on BID rates and the BID policy. The feedback is summarised below. There was no feedback on the proposal to establish a new Henderson-Lincoln BID.

Expansion of the Uptown BID

335 feedback points were received on the expansion of the Uptown BID. 160 supported the proposal and 30 were opposed. Some of those opposed were concerned that residents quality of life would be impacted by the larger BID. Concerns were also raised about traffic congestion and heritage and character being lost from intensification of housing and commercial construction.

Expansion of the Wiri and Manukau BID

The proposed extension to these BIDs was presented as a single question in the online feedback forms for the Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board. Of the 72 respondents 32 were in favour and 10 opposed. Most of the commentary was generic. Only 5 respondents appeared to have a direct relationship to business in the relevant areas and were in support. The other commentary for and against was generic in regard to the role of business in the local economy and council's role in supporting this activity.

BID rates

12 feedback points were received on this topic from existing BIDs. Overall the feedback received from BIDs supported the current level of BID targeted rate set out in the Annual Budget 2017/2018.

BID policy

Four respondents commented on the BID policy.

The New Zealand Council of Shopping Centres (NZCSC) supported the principle behind the BID rating regime but raised concerns around the formulation of BID rates and requested for more transparency. Their feedback also raised concerns around a disparity between the level of funding that the member provides and the influence they have within that BID. As a result, they requested the council to reform the BID structure.

The Panmure Business Association asked that the Governing Body progress property investment and development in the Panmure BID.

The North West BID welcomed the opportunity to partner with the Local Board and Auckland Council to deliver on improvement projects in their commercial centres.

One submitter expressed concern around the supply of alcohol and cigarettes by businesses and how BIDs are balancing the business objectives with the social needs of the communities they are in.

Skypath Implementation

Skypath received 70 responses in total. 56 of these were in support with 7 that did not support and 7 with another comment. All of the identified organisations that placed feedback on Skypath were in support of its progression. The identified organisations were Squash Auckland, Property Council NZ, Newmarket Business Association, Heart of the City Auckland and Civic Trust Auckland. All of the organizations were in support of the council's efforts to improve and increase the level of walking and cycling infrastructure in the city.

Collaboration on reducing Homelessness

Around 300 feedback points were received on this topic.

The majority of the feedback points support council's involvement in working to a solution on homelessness. Comments focus on the welfare of homeless people, access to shelter, creating a safe street environment and improving the image of Auckland. Some comments link begging, overcrowding and family dysfunction to homelessness.

Around a quarter of the feedback points take the view that the problem of homelessness is a central government responsibility, not a local government responsibility. These comments focus on the need for central government to deal with homelessness at a national level, using levers like immigration policy, improving housing supply and affordability, police and social interventions. Some are clear that council should play no part in finding a solution to homelessness, while others consider that central government should set a national framework and local government should then play a role within that.

Rural fire service

No feedback was received on this item.

Co-governance of volcanic cones

The feedback on this topic was received at Finance and Performance workshop on 13 April 2017. A copy of this report is Attachment Eight.

Requests for funding

There were 13 requests for funding received during consultation on the annual budget. Requests relating to contestable grants activities will be acknowledged and the submitter advised to make an application to the appropriate contestable grants scheme at the local or regional level. Seven requests relating to local activities have been included in feedback to local boards.

Attachment Seven contains a schedule of six requests for funding for regional non-contestable grants. This includes the amount requested (where stated) and background information (including current funding arrangements).

Next steps

The table below outlines the steps to finalise the annual budget for 2017/2018.

Phase	Timing
Finance and Performance Committee briefing on consultation feedback	26 April
Finance and Performance Committee hold discussions with local boards	9 May
Finance and Performance Committee workshop budget issues	3, 10, 11, 17 May
Finance and Performance Committee workshop decision-making for annual budget	31 May
Finance and Performance Committee meeting make recommendations to Governing Body for final decisions for the annual budget	1 June
Governing Body workshop annual budget	28 June
Governing Body meet to adopt the final annual budget	29 June
Documentation will be published and made available to the public and information on the decisions made will be shared with people who participated in the consultation process.	July

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Attachment B

Attachment One: Further analysis of feedback received for Issue 1: Rates increase

This attachment provides a summary of the feedback received on the proposed rates increase, in the following categories:

- percentage breakdown of written feedback by local board area
- event feedback (summary of key points received at Have your say and existing events).

Question 1: The council sought the community's views on three options for rates increases for 2017/2018

- Retain the previously planned 3.5 per cent average rates increase
- Use identified savings to reduce the average rates increase to 2.5 per cent
- Reduce some investments and services to achieve a 2.0 per cent average rates increase.

Feedback by Local Board area

The table below shows an analysis of feedback received on the preferred rate increase by local board area. Feedback where the local board area was not stated or was from outside the region has not been included.

Local board area	Agree with 2.5%	Higher rates	Lower rates	Not sure	Other comment	Total Count
Albert-Eden Local Board	56.85%	22.02%	19.78%	0.00%	1.35%	445
	253	98	88	0	6	
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	58.30%	15.79%	25.91%	0.00%	0.00%	247
	144	39	64	0	0	
Franklin Local Board	59.09%	14.20%	25.00%	0.57%	1.14%	176
	104	25	44	1	2	
Great Barrier Local Board	46.15%	15.38%	38.46%	0.00%	0.00%	13
	6	2	5	0	0	
Henderson-Massey Local Board	63.86%	11.58%	23.51%	0.00%	1.05%	285
	182	33	67	0	3	
Hibiscus and Bays Local Board	59.52%	18.45%	20.83%	0.00%	1.19%	336
	200	62	70	0	4	
Howick Local Board	57.74%	9.73%	31.19%	0.22%	1.11%	452
	261	44	141	1	5	
Kaipātiki Local Board	60.32%	15.87%	22.86%	0.00%	0.95%	315
	190	50	72	0	3	
Mangere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board	44.72%	13.57%	41.21%	0.00%	0.50%	199
	89	27	82	0	1	
Manurewa Local Board	56.65%	13.29%	28.32%	0.00%	1.73%	173
	98	23	49	0	3	
Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board	48.61%	18.06%	31.94%	0.00%	1.39%	216
	105	39	69	0	3	
Ōrākei Local Board	53.91%	17.97%	26.82%	0.26%	1.04%	384
	207	69	103	1	4	
Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board	55.13%	15.38%	29.49%	0.00%	0.00%	156
	86	24	46	0	0	

Local board area	Agree with 2.5%	Higher rates	Lower rates	Not sure	Other comment	Total Count
Papakura Local Board	55.70%	17.45%	24.83%	0.00%	2.01%	149
	83	26	37	0	3	
Puketāpapa Local Board	49.43%	20.69%	29.89%	0.00%	0.00%	87
	43	18	26	0	0	
Rodney Local Board	61.02%	14.06%	24.28%	0.00%	0.64%	313
	191	44	76	0	2	
Upper Harbour Local Board	54.29%	16.67%	28.10%	0.00%	0.95%	210
	114	35	59	0	2	
Waiheke Local Board	61.36%	6.82%	31.82%	0.00%	0.00%	44
	27	3	14	0	0	
Waitakere Ranges Local Board	64.55%	21.16%	13.23%	0.00%	1.06%	189
	122	40	25	0	2	
Waitematā Local Board	57.01%	21.26%	20.56%	0.70%	0.47%	428
	244	91	88	3	2	
Whau Local Board	59.41%	16.74%	22.59%	0.00%	1.26%	239
	142	40	54	0	3	

As part of question 1, Respondents were asked to indicate which services they would support more investment in if they favoured option A and which services they supported a reduction in if they favoured option C.

The following table shows an analysis of feedback received by local board area on what services respondents would support more investment in if they favoured option A.

Local board area	Transport	Water Supply/ Wastewater	Parks, community, and lifestyle	Economic and cultural development	Auckland development	Environmental management and regulation	Governance and support	Other	Total Count
Albert-Eden Local Board	41.24%	7.34%	14.12%	0.56%	15.25%	9.60%	5.08%	6.78%	177
	73	13	25	1	27	17	9	12	
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	39.73%	5.48%	13.70%	2.74%	12.33%	9.59%	12.33%	4.11%	73
	29	4	10	2	9	7	9	3	
Franklin Local Board	41.03%	5.13%	12.82%	0.00%	25.64%	7.69%	5.13%	2.56%	39
	16	2	5	0	10	3	2	1	
Great Barrier Local Board	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	50.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2
	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	
Henderson-Massey Local Board	36.36%	6.82%	11.36%	0.00%	20.45%	9.09%	9.09%	6.82%	44
	16	3	5	0	9	4	4	3	
Hibiscus and Bays Local Board	47.83%	8.70%	14.13%	0.00%	14.13%	7.61%	5.43%	2.17%	92
	44	8	13	0	13	7	5	2	

Howick Local Board	59.26%	3.70%	16.67%	0.00%	7.41%	7.41%	0.00%	5.56%	54
	32	2	9	0	4	4	0	3	
Kaipatiki Local Board	36.62%	7.04%	19.72%	1.41%	16.90%	5.63%	5.63%	7.04%	71
	26	5	14	1	12	4	4	5	
Mangere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board	30.30%	9.09%	21.21%	6.06%	6.06%	15.15%	6.06%	6.06%	33
	10	3	7	2	2	5	2	2	
Manurewa Local Board	41.94%	9.68%	9.68%	0.00%	9.68%	9.68%	9.68%	9.68%	31
	13	3	3	0	3	3	3	3	
Maungakiekie - Tamaki Local Board	50.00%	9.26%	12.96%	1.85%	11.11%	11.11%	3.70%	0.00%	54
	27	5	7	1	6	6	2	0	
Ōrākei Local Board	52.04%	1.02%	10.20%	2.04%	21.43%	3.06%	3.06%	7.14%	98
	51	1	10	2	21	3	3	7	
Otago-Papatoetoe Local Board	38.46%	0.00%	19.23%	0.00%	11.54%	7.69%	15.38%	7.69%	26
	10	0	5	0	3	2	4	2	
Papakura Local Board	44.44%	8.33%	22.22%	0.00%	11.11%	5.56%	0.00%	8.33%	36
	16	3	8	0	4	2	0	3	
Puketāpapa Local Board	41.38%	3.45%	10.34%	6.90%	6.90%	17.24%	6.90%	6.90%	29
	12	1	3	2	2	5	2	2	
Rodney Local Board	46.43%	7.14%	16.07%	0.00%	17.86%	3.57%	5.36%	3.57%	56
	26	4	9	0	10	2	3	2	
Upper Harbour Local Board	57.14%	4.76%	14.29%	2.38%	7.14%	9.52%	2.38%	2.38%	42
	24	2	6	1	3	4	1	1	
Waiheke Local Board	33.33%	0.00%	33.33%	0.00%	33.33%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	3
	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	
Waitakere Ranges Local Board	41.27%	4.76%	14.29%	4.76%	12.70%	19.05%	1.59%	1.59%	63
	26	3	9	3	8	12	1	1	
Waitematā Local Board	40.00%	5.38%	13.85%	3.85%	14.62%	12.31%	6.15%	3.85%	130
	52	7	18	5	19	16	8	5	
Whau Local Board	38.57%	8.57%	17.14%	1.43%	12.86%	10.00%	4.29%	7.14%	70
	27	6	12	1	9	7	3	5	

The following table below shows an analysis of feedback received by local board area on what services respondents would support less investment in if they favoured option C.

Local board area	Transport	Water Supply/Wastewater	Parks, community, and lifestyle	Economic and cultural development	Auckland development	Environmental management and regulation	Governance and support	Other	Total Count
Albert-Eden Local Board	7.59%	1.27%	13.92%	10.13%	6.33%	1.27%	40.51%	18.99%	79
	6	1	11	8	5	1	32	15	
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	13.56%	0.00%	10.17%	16.95%	6.78%	1.69%	33.90%	16.95%	59
	8	0	6	10	4	1	20	10	
Franklin Local Board	12.20%	0.00%	12.20%	12.20%	0.00%	0.00%	41.46%	21.95%	41
	5	0	5	5	0	0	17	9	
Great Barrier Local Board	33.33%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	66.67%	3
	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	
Henderson-Massey Local Board	6.35%	1.59%	12.70%	12.70%	3.17%	3.17%	36.51%	23.81%	63
	4	1	8	8	2	2	23	15	
Hibiscus and Bays Local Board	11.43%	1.43%	10.00%	7.14%	5.71%	4.29%	42.86%	17.14%	70
	8	1	7	5	4	3	30	12	
Howick Local Board	3.45%	0.00%	14.94%	13.79%	9.20%	0.00%	43.68%	14.94%	87
	3	0	13	12	8	0	38	13	
Kaipātiki Local Board	10.77%	0.00%	13.85%	12.31%	6.15%	1.54%	40.00%	15.38%	65
	7	0	9	8	4	1	26	10	
Mangere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board	20.59%	0.00%	8.82%	14.71%	2.94%	2.94%	38.24%	11.76%	34
	7	0	3	5	1	1	13	4	
Manurewa Local Board	10.34%	0.00%	13.79%	3.45%	0.00%	3.45%	41.38%	27.59%	29
	3	0	4	1	0	1	12	8	
Maungakiekie - Tamaki Local Board	8.51%	0.00%	19.15%	12.77%	8.51%	2.13%	34.04%	14.89%	47
	4	0	9	6	4	1	16	7	
Ōrākei Local Board	10.26%	0.00%	10.26%	12.82%	4.27%	0.85%	40.17%	21.37%	117
	12	0	12	15	5	1	47	25	
Otago-Papatoetoe Local Board	6.25%	0.00%	0.00%	18.75%	6.25%	0.00%	37.50%	31.25%	16
	1	0	0	3	1	0	6	5	
Papakura Local Board	10.00%	5.00%	10.00%	5.00%	5.00%	5.00%	25.00%	35.00%	20
	2	1	2	1	1	1	5	7	
Puketāpapa Local Board	14.29%	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	9.52%	0.00%	23.81%	23.81%	21
	3	0	3	3	2	0	5	5	
Rodney Local Board	11.69%	0.00%	10.39%	10.39%	3.90%	1.30%	45.45%	16.88%	77
	9	0	8	8	3	1	35	13	

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Local board area	Transport	Water Supply/Wastewater	Parks, community, and lifestyle	Economic and cultural development	Auckland development	Environmental management and regulation	Governance and support	Other	Total Count
Upper Harbour Local Board	7.69%	0.00%	12.82%	5.13%	5.13%	2.56%	53.85%	12.82%	39
	3	0	5	2	2	1	21	5	
Waiheke Local Board	5.56%	0.00%	5.56%	11.11%	11.11%	0.00%	33.33%	33.33%	18
	1	0	1	2	2	0	6	6	
Waitakere Ranges Local Board	16.00%	0.00%	8.00%	28.00%	8.00%	0.00%	32.00%	8.00%	25
	4	0	2	7	2	0	8	2	
Waitematā Local Board	11.11%	0.00%	6.94%	9.72%	4.17%	4.17%	47.22%	16.67%	72
	8	0	5	7	3	3	34	12	
Whau Local Board	10.81%	0.00%	10.81%	8.11%	13.51%	0.00%	51.35%	5.41%	37
	4	0	4	3	5	0	19	2	

Event feedback (includes 'Have your say events' and existing council events)

The table below summarises the key points from feedback received from the participants at the HYSE regarding the preferred rates increase.

Feedback	Count	Per cent	Key points
3.5 per cent	71	33%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Willing to pay more as the areas of transport, infrastructure, water treatment/drainage needs things done properly/quicker and should save money in the long run as well as improving quality of life sooner. This increase would be ok if it helps out the right areas
2.5 per cent	54	25%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.5% is manageable but need more transparency around where money is being spent, especially with big projects With the city growing rapidly there should be more revenue coming in without having to increase rates any further
2.0 per cent	35	16%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why is a rate increase needed at all People are struggling to meet their bills as it is
Not Sure/ other	53	25%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need more transparency around where money is being spent Council should stick to its core responsibilities Rate increases are more than wage increases, people can't afford it Could implement a 'roof tax' where empty houses sitting empty are taxed to help with housing shortage Council should reduce costs rather than increase rates Difficult for residents to pay a 2.5% increase but fear losing services and leisure centres
Total	213	100%	

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Attachment B

Attachment Two: Further analysis of Issue 2: Rating stability

This attachment provides a summary of the feedback received for the proposed change in policy for business and residential ratepayers to have the same rates increase in 2017/2018, in the following categories:

- percentage breakdown of written feedback by local board area
- business/organisations feedback summary
- event feedback (summary of key points received at Have your say and existing events).

Feedback by Local Board area

The table below shows an analysis of feedback received on rating stability by local board area. Feedback where the local board area was not stated or was from outside the region has not been included.

Local board area	Support	Do not support	Not Sure	Other option	Other comment	Total Count
Albert-Eden Local Board	67.11%	18.54%	11.92%	2.21%	0.22%	453
	304	84	54	10	1	
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	69.53%	19.14%	8.98%	2.34%	0.00%	256
	178	49	23	6	0	
Franklin Local Board	67.23%	16.95%	9.60%	3.95%	2.26%	177
	119	30	17	7	4	
Great Barrier Local Board	69.23%	7.69%	23.08%	0.00%	0.00%	13
	9	1	3	0	0	
Henderson-Massey Local Board	65.96%	16.14%	15.79%	1.40%	0.70%	285
	188	46	45	4	2	
Hibiscus and Bays Local Board	74.34%	17.20%	6.41%	2.04%	0.00%	343
	255	59	22	7	0	
Howick Local Board	66.88%	21.13%	9.59%	2.40%	0.00%	459
	307	97	44	11	0	
Kaipātiki Local Board	73.23%	15.81%	7.74%	2.90%	0.32%	310
	227	49	24	9	1	
Mangere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board	63.11%	22.33%	9.22%	2.91%	2.43%	206
	130	46	19	6	5	
Manurewa Local Board	56.90%	28.74%	11.49%	1.72%	1.15%	174
	99	50	20	3	2	
Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board	69.72%	22.48%	5.50%	1.83%	0.46%	218
	152	49	12	4	1	
Ōrākei Local Board	72.02%	16.06%	8.03%	3.11%	0.78%	386
	278	62	31	12	3	
Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board	55.70%	31.01%	12.03%	0.63%	0.63%	158
	88	49	19	1	1	
Papakura Local Board	57.62%	27.81%	12.58%	1.32%	0.66%	151
	87	42	19	2	1	
Puketāpapa Local Board	63.33%	15.56%	16.67%	4.44%	0.00%	90
	57	14	15	4	0	
Rodney Local Board	76.10%	13.84%	7.23%	2.20%	0.63%	318
	242	44	23	7	2	

Local board area	Support	Do not support	Not Sure	Other option	Other comment	Total Count
Upper Harbour Local Board	59.22%	21.36%	15.53%	3.88%	0.00%	206
	122	44	32	8	0	
Waiheke Local Board	65.22%	23.91%	6.52%	2.17%	2.17%	46
	30	11	3	1	1	
Waitakere Ranges Local Board	72.31%	15.38%	8.72%	2.05%	1.54%	195
	141	30	17	4	3	
Waitemata Local Board	61.57%	26.85%	9.26%	2.08%	0.23%	432
	266	116	40	9	1	
Whau Local Board	70.29%	18.41%	9.21%	1.26%	0.84%	239
	168	44	22	3	2	

Business/organisations feedback

Of the 17 feedback comments received from business or organisations, 14 disagreed with the proposal. They considered that small businesses were unfairly weighted in the rating system and any extra demand they put on services such as transport does not justify an increase in rates.

Event feedback (includes 'Have your say events' and existing council events)

The table below summarises the key points from feedback received from participants at HYSE regarding rating stability.

Feedback	Count	Per cent	Key points
Support	45	31%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residential and business rates should have the same increase Business owners can afford a higher rate
Do not support	43	30%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This would increase house rental prices which are already very high Keep lowering businesses share of rates
Not sure/Other	55	38%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Businesses are penalised when they contribute to the wealth of the city Rate the business on size This should be connected to inflation
Total	143	100%	

Attachment Three: Further analysis of Issue 3: Paying for tourism promotion

This attachment provides a summary of the feedback received for the proposed targeted accommodation rate to pay for tourism promotion, in the following categories:

- percentage breakdown of written feedback by local board area
- further detail of written feedback from industry/business/organisations
- event feedback (summary of key points received at Have your say and existing events).

Feedback by Local Board area

The table below shows an analysis of feedback received by local board area. Feedback where the local board area was not stated or was from outside the region has not been included.

Local board area	Support	Do not support	Not Sure	Other option	Other comment	Total Count
Albert-Eden Local Board	70.11%	17.80%	10.11%	1.76%	0.22%	455
	319	81	46	8	1	
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	68.36%	22.27%	7.81%	1.56%	0.00%	256
	175	57	20	4	0	
Franklin Local Board	58.15%	29.89%	10.87%	1.09%	0.00%	184
	107	55	20	2	0	
Great Barrier Local Board	61.54%	30.77%	7.69%	0.00%	0.00%	13
	8	4	1	0	0	
Henderson-Massey Local Board	57.80%	20.92%	18.44%	2.13%	0.71%	282
	163	59	52	6	2	
Hibiscus and Bays Local Board	71.43%	18.37%	8.16%	1.46%	0.58%	343
	245	63	28	5	2	
Howick Local Board	71.05%	17.54%	9.21%	1.97%	0.22%	456
	324	80	42	9	1	
Kaipātiki Local Board	75.00%	13.14%	8.65%	2.88%	0.32%	312
	234	41	27	9	1	
Mangere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board	65.53%	16.02%	16.50%	1.46%	0.49%	206
	135	33	34	3	1	
Manurewa Local Board	63.16%	18.13%	16.37%	2.34%	0.00%	171
	108	31	28	4	0	
Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board	66.06%	19.00%	12.22%	2.71%	0.00%	221
	146	42	27	6	0	
Ōrākei Local Board	72.68%	14.43%	10.05%	2.58%	0.26%	388
	282	56	39	10	1	
Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board	69.62%	14.56%	13.92%	1.90%	0.00%	158

Local board area	Support	Do not support	Not Sure	Other option	Other comment	Total Count
	110	23	22	3	0	
Papakura Local Board	64.00%	18.00%	16.00%	2.00%	0.00%	150
	96	27	24	3	0	
Puketāpapa Local Board	62.64%	19.78%	16.48%	0.00%	1.10%	91
	57	18	15	0	1	
Rodney Local Board	62.26%	22.33%	10.69%	4.40%	0.31%	318
	198	71	34	14	1	
Upper Harbour Local Board	74.41%	14.69%	6.64%	2.84%	1.42%	211
	157	31	14	6	3	
Waiheke Local Board	58.70%	32.61%	4.35%	4.35%	0.00%	46
	27	15	2	2	0	
Waitakere Ranges Local Board	62.11%	19.47%	13.16%	4.21%	1.05%	190
	118	37	25	8	2	
Waitematā Local Board	54.22%	32.22%	10.00%	3.11%	0.44%	450
	244	145	45	14	2	
Whau Local Board	79.83%	10.08%	7.14%	2.10%	0.84%	238
	190	24	17	5	2	

Industry Feedback

Of the total 5,626 feedback responses received regarding the proposed targeted accommodation rate there were 114 from:

- 72 hotels or motels
- 13 hostels, backpackers, and camping grounds
- 19 business groups including BID's
- 10 tourism or accommodation industry organisations.

Of the 114 feedback responses received from accommodation providers and industry bodies there were 44 detailed written submissions regarding the proposed targeted accommodation rate. The main theme of these submissions was that the rate is inequitable and the submitters strongly oppose the proposed targeted accommodation rate. The key reasons for opposing the targeted accommodation rate expressed by the industry are:

Fairness of targeted rate

- Four other sectors receive a larger share of visitor spend than commercial accommodation. Accommodation is only 9.3 per cent of visitors spend, but the accommodation sector is being asked to fund 100 per cent of ATEEDs visitor attraction and major events expenditure.
- Many guests are domestic especially for providers operating outside the city centre. Some accommodation providers report more than 50 per cent of their guests are domestic.

- In 2016, 13 percent of all commercial accommodation guest nights in Auckland were taken by Aucklanders. The percentage of Auckland guests for each accommodation type is:
 - Hotels 7 per cent
 - Motels 9 per cent
 - Backpackers 1 per cent
 - Holiday Parks 37 per cent.
- If the targeted rate is passed on to customers, it will penalise Aucklanders and other domestic guests.
- Tourism spend is a benefit to all of the community so the cost should be shared.
- Capital value is not a fair basis for establishing rating liability as it does not take into account the revenue of the business or the benefits received from ATEED's spend. This method also means that businesses who are direct price and product competitors but have a different capital value will need to charge different amounts to customers, creating a price variance for the same product and disadvantaging some competitors.
- Of visitors to Auckland in 2016, 26 per cent of visitors stayed in commercial accommodation, 20 per cent of visitors stayed in other accommodation such as Airbnb, and 54 per cent of visitors stayed with friends and family. Therefore this rate is only targeting 26 percent of visitors to Auckland.
- The proposed rate excludes the informal accommodation providers such as residential properties offering rooms through Airbnb. The informal accommodation provider sector is growing in market share as an accommodation provider.

Benefits to accommodation sector of ATEED's spend

- Many of ATEED's activities are for the benefit of Auckland residents, such as Diwali, the Lantern Festival and Pasifika.
- ATEED's expenditure is of little value for accommodation providers, especially outside of the city and airport areas.
- Auckland hotels already contribute to ATEED through joint venture marketing initiatives.

Impact on owners

- The targeted rate will have a huge financial impact lowering the value of existing businesses, and may force some providers to close down.
- The targeted rate is a huge unbudgeted cost. To manage the impact of the new rate, owners will have to reduce staff and the opportunities and benefits offered to remaining staff. Spending on refurbishment, corporate citizenship and reinvestment will be decreased.
- The complexity of ownership across the accommodation sector hasn't been considered. Many of the buildings are not owned by the operator of the accommodation. Strata title arrangements mean that there are more than 3000 owners across the 330 properties that have been identified as commercial accommodation providers. Many of these owners are individual investors who have contracts that will not allow the cost of the new rate to be passed on to the hotel operator. Building owners will have to absorb the cost of the rate that cannot be passed on, in some cases for many years, driving down the value of their investment. In addition, where contracts allow, individual investors may withdraw the apartment from hotel management and rent it out long term to avoid the new rate, decreasing availability of much needed hotel rooms.

Passing on the cost of the targeted rate

- A lot of accommodation providers have contracted rooms over the next three years, with some having forward contracted up to fifty per cent of their rooms, meaning cost cannot be passed on to those customers.
- Data provided to Tourism Industry Association by 24 Auckland hotels shows that as a group pre- contracted room nights equal 35 per cent of their total capacity in 2017, and 17.5 per cent of their total capacity in 2018.
- The idea that the cost of the new rate can be passed on to customers is not true. As it is an operating cost not a tax it cannot legally be added to room rates as a surcharge. In addition, the Commerce Commission has noted that accommodation providers would be in breach of the Commerce Act if they were to discuss a pricing approach or agree to one.
- Room rates in Auckland are only now starting to return to the level of the late 1990s after more than a decade of decline.
- Accommodation providers are already charging the maximum room rate the market will bear.

Reinvestment and new investment

- Both the government and the council have identified the need for new hotel developments in Auckland to keep up with population growth and increasing visitor numbers. However the proposed targeted rate in addition to high land and building costs will impact the economic feasibility of some hotel developments, discouraging much needed new hotel development, with Tourism Industry Aotearoa estimating up to \$500 million of investment could be lost.

There were also 129 feedback responses received were from serviced apartment owners opposing the targeted accommodation rate. Their key reasons for opposing the targeted accommodation rate were that the rate is inequitable, the rate is unable to be passed onto the hotel operator in many cases, and their return on the investment and the value of the investment would be significantly impacted.

The table below summarises key points made in industry (or which staff consider there is merit in setting out more fully).

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Hotels		
Accor Hotels	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Largest hotel operator with over 1400 rooms under their management. They currently manage their Auckland hotels on behalf of a variety of owners including major hotel investors and individual apartment owners in properties such as Sebel Quay west, Sebel Viaduct Harbour, and Sofitel Auckland. Accor Hotels earns management fees for managing the hotels on behalf of the owners. The structure of these management agreements is one of an agency agreement with the risk and reward being borne by the hotel owners. Accor Hotels is not a lessee nor tenant of the hotel owners. Therefore the impact on the proposed targeted rate adds significant cost to the hotel owners. • Key reason for the Auckland market hotel performance, with increases in occupancy and average rate is due to strong visitor demand without a commensurate increase in room supply. Their data shows that this demand is driven primarily by NZ domestic travel, which accounted for 65% of room nights sold in their hotels in 2016. • Potential impact of targeted rate to Accor Hotel owners return is \$3.8M- average increase of 271% on current council rates. To pass this on to customers would be an average of \$16-\$20 per room per night.
Best Western President Hotel	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rate would mean an extra \$350k per annum for this property • Would have to look at becoming a long term accommodation provider if the rates goes ahead, meaning less visitor accommodation in Auckland City

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May legally challenge the legitimacy of the rate
City Towers Serviced Apartments	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are a small accommodation business in Newmarket/Epsom with 17 available rooms in our complex. 80% of our guests are out of town hospital patients and their support people Don't agree at all with the proposal to tax accommodation providers to fund Auckland infrastructure. The costs should be more fairly spread. If this accommodation tax is imposed, we will increase prices to offset the cost making us not affordable any more for the people who really need us and our income will drop and we will likely change our business to avoid having to pay the extra costs. Both of these actions will impact on our guests, room affordability and on the council's income.
Crowne Plaza Auckland (managed by Intercontinental Hotels Group)	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Already pay general rate of \$492K plus targeted rates of \$176K. proposed rate will be and extra \$900K ATEED's \$637,000 spend on working with MFAT and NZTE to attract hotel investment in Auckland is included in this proposed rate – bizarrely the existing operators are being asked to pay for efforts to attract their competitors to the city. ATEED's \$995,000 spend on attracting international students is included in this proposed rate but this market has little benefit for the commercial accommodation sector.
Fu Wah NZ Ltd	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developers and owners of the new Park Hyatt Auckland which is currently under construction. Fu Wah won the rights to develop this hotel on this having been attracted to invest in Auckland by both Waterfront Auckland and ATEED. This project will see Fu Wah investing some \$300m in Auckland. Our next project will require over \$400m. We have purchased another hectare of freehold land in the Wynyard Quarter where we intend to build another hotel/serviced apartment with approximately 155 rooms and 330 apartments- both will make a significant contribution to Auckland's current requirements in this area. The new rate could be as much as \$2.79m per annum, 10% of the amount to be raised by the targeted rate. A reduction of hotel revenue to this extent will have a significant impact on the value of this investment. While construction at Park Hyatt will continue to go ahead, if we had known about the rate at the time we made our commitment to Auckland, the project would likely not have gone ahead The targeted rate has a direct impact on the feasibility of our next project in Wynyard Quarter, and our interest in the proposed hotel that is being promoted by VHHL at One Market Square
Great Eagle Asset Management LTD (owners of the Langham Hotel)	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Langham hotel is the second largest hotel in NZ Currently running feasibility studies and ROI scenarios on future investment, including a \$35m refurbishment of the current Langham Auckland and a potential expansion on our foot print of additional accommodation with an investment in excess of \$125m. However, the potential impact of the targeted rate severely compromises our investment and puts these projects at considerable risk. As a result, the refurbishment due to commence in mid-2017 has been put on hold. Similarly, despite having already invested considerable amounts in the feasibility of the potential expansion of accommodation, we will have no choice but to shelve plans and re-look at other cities with a more accommodating business environment. Proposed targeted rate would be an increase of 147% on current rates, bringing total annual rates to \$1.9m
Heritage Hotel Management Ltd	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our hotels are designated as serviced apartments operating on a strata title system, meaning each apartment is owned separately by numerous individual investors. As CBD hotel operators, the targeted rate would be our third Council rate. We pay commercial rates, Heart of the City rates and now the proposed targeted rate. This extra rate is a 113 per cent rise equating to an

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		<p>additional 1.1 million dollars, making our rates bill over two million dollars (2.063 million) effective from 1 July 2017.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three quarters of our 2017/8 rates are already contracted. • Each year we donate in excess of 100 room nights and supply discounted rates to numerous visiting tourism trade initiatives, such as TRENZ for the international travel wholesale market; Meetings – the show to bring conference planner buyers to Auckland; plus, many media on the visiting international media programme. In many cases, these requests for assisted accommodation come to us from ATEED. We also pay \$3000 annually to be a silver supporter of ATEED's Auckland convention bureau. • This is targeting a sector that has the potential of growing the Council's overall long term rate income base if new hotel developments are encouraged to come here, secure in the knowledge they can operate on a fair playing field. • Our belief is that no business operation of any kind can tolerate increases of this magnitude, unbudgeted, particularly on such a short lead time and little dialogue
Jet Park Airport Hotel & Conference Centre	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than 55% of guests are from NZ. • Rates will increase by 202% to a total of approximately \$700k, meaning council will be getting more from the business than the owners will. • Already pay a membership fee to ATEED. • Council should review the need for ATEED. • Increasing room rates in order to pass on cost of rate will push customers towards Airbnb type accommodation or out of Auckland.
Millennium and Copthorne Hotels New Zealand LTD	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerned about the accountability of ATEED's spending. Many of its activities do not generate additional visitor room stays. ATEED's activities and the budget to fund them must be examined for effectiveness, relevance and total accountability. • In Millenniums view the true purpose of this targeted rate is to fund Auckland's infrastructure shortfall. • Capital value is not a fair base for this targeted rate.
Mount Richmond Hotel	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed rate would mean an increase of rates from \$25k to \$73k per annum • Have contracts in place for nearly two thirds of annual business for the next two years so rate cannot be passed onto guests • Given their location they see no benefit from ATEED, their events or initiatives
Mocles Holding & The Spencer on Byron Hotel	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hotel and Motel management and ownership arrangements are extremely complicated with an infinite number of complex commercial arrangements in the market place. Targeted rates will skew the playing field with those leaseholders not responsible for absorbing the rates undercutting other operators. • 65 % of Spencer on Byron visitor nights are local tourism and corporate/government clients. • Terry Ngan, director of operations with CP Group has publicly stated that four major new hotels are currently planned for the city and the hundreds of extra rooms they will provide are now at risk. • A large majority of the major events that are being targeted by ATEED will be utilising council owned and operated facilities. Council is therefore also a benefactor of the efforts of ATEED. As such it should also share in these costs.
New Bay Investments Limited (Rydges Auckland)	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the upcoming financial year 60% of their projected business is already secured at contracted rates. • To pass on a rate of \$700k to the remaining 40% of guest nights would mean a \$20.53 increase on the room rate. • 42% of room nights sold to domestic guests in the last year. • Rydges spends \$931k on their own marketing. There is a clear correlation between their marketing efforts and the number of guests they attract, who are by and large not influenced by the work of ATEED. • Rydges planned refurbishments of approximately \$500k will likely not go

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		ahead if the targeted rate is implemented.
Onetangi Beach Apartments	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small seasonal business with tight margins. Operate in a strata title property, managing owner's apartments. Owners return will be wiped out if rate goes ahead, therefore venture will no longer be viable. 60% of guests are from Auckland.
Quality Hotel Parnell Ltd	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality Hotel Parnell is a registered charity- proposed rates would be decreasing the available funds to be put back into the community. We are of the view that ATEED could be abandoned, and Auckland Hotels rely on promotion from Tourism NZ and other government agencies, plus Air NZ. Hotel businesses are of a cyclical nature and when occupancies fall hotels could still be paying the targeted rate even though occupancy rates fall back to low levels. In addition, external events such as volcanic ash, terrorism, and political uncertainty on the international front would affect occupancies in Auckland Hotels. Would support road tolls on roads to and from the airport as well as an airport arrivals/departures tax.
Russell Property group	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hotel apartments already face higher rates than residential apartments, with guests using less council services than your average resident There is the risk of decreased hotel development and refurbishment due to decreased profit margins that may be below what investors and banks will accept
Safari Group (NZ) Ltd	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One of the largest hotel developers in NZ. Many of their developments are under the Ramada brand. Developer of mixed use accommodation properties. 90 percent of these units are sold to small investors with the term commercial lease in place which is 30 years. Under this lease, the investors will be responsible for the targeted rate. The effects of this targeted rate are totally at odds with the objective of the Governments Project Palace initiative. Based on legal advice, it is Safari Groups view that there are serious questions of legality with the targeted rate that is being proposed. There is no data showing the additional visitor spend that results from ATEEDs spend. If the targeted rate was to be implemented in a manner consistent with the council's policy and statutory provisions, the accommodation sector should only be rated for a total cost of \$2.78m. It would be much more appropriate for the issue to be considered comprehensively and accurately as part of the 2018/2019 Long term plan process.
Scenic Hotel Auckland	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scenic Hotel Auckland guests are 60% international and 40% domestic. Current rates are \$208K, and proposed rate would be an additional \$254K- simply don't have a business model that could absorb that. Many marginal accommodation businesses may choose to close due to a lack of affordability.
Skycity Auckland	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed rate may be an additional \$1.53m per annum for Skycity Skycity estimates that 65% of its hotel guests are domestic, and 35% international. Skycity submits that there is no robust connection between who would pay the rate and who is receiving the benefits from the services to be funded, as required by Auckland Council Revenue and Financing Policy and Local Government Act. Skycity Auckland is a highly integrated mix use complex. They are concerned that any rating assessment would not be confined to the infrastructure they operate, but the entire asset.
Stamford Plaza Auckland	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stamford Plaza Auckland does not currently feature in the ATEED hotel search

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 36% of Stamford Plaza's guests are corporate clients who are staying in Auckland due to the location of their business interests, not because of tourism promotion. Already have over 70,000 room nights booked for 2017-19 that cannot have their rate increased. Stamford Plaza is already facing a reduction in average daily rate and occupancy due to the CRL project. Guest complaints are daily around noise and visual impact- this incurs additional costs for the hotel in terms of room moves, system changes, and complimentary service recovery items to dissuade complaints. Targeted rate would be an additional \$917k per annum.
Motels		
Airport Manor Inn	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This business leases the property and is responsible for paying rates. With previous net surplus being below \$50k in the last three years, to pay the proposed rate they will have to increase room rates, cut number of staff, or terminate business/ change business mode.
ASURE Camelot Arms Motor Lodge and Conference Centre	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 July is not an appropriate time to start introducing any new rate. That is the lowest time of the accommodation cycle ATEED's objectives clearly indicate that ATEED roles claim to benefit the Auckland region, NOT just accommodation providers. In the last ten years of running a motel business in Auckland, the only time they have engaged with ATEED is when a booking comes from I-Site. This is not a free service, they charge a 15% commission for it, and this can be easily done by any private agent. Auckland does not need promoting There is not much point continuing in accommodation business if proposed rate goes ahead
BK counties motor lodge	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 88% of guests are domestic Rates have already increased dramatically since becoming a part of Auckland super city Does not feel that ATEED event and tourism promotion has any benefit for their business
Papakura Colonial	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are not directly affected by ATEED's work as they are away from the centre. The rate is unaffordable for their ten unit motel. In addition, unforeseen events can affect occupancy rates such as severe weather, financial crisis etc. but the targeted rate would remain the same
The Waiuku Motel	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A large portion of guests are there to work locally, staying from Monday to Friday. A lot of the Maps used to promote Auckland finish at Papakura so Waiuku doesn't get a mention. Since becoming part of Auckland Super City, Waiuku Motel's rates have gone up by 90% and water rates by 250%.
B&B's, Hostels, Backpackers, and Camp grounds		
Base Backpackers Auckland	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The majority of events ATEED arranges are in summer when we are full anyway. The reality is that we book out ahead of time which doesn't leave any room for the backpackers. They are then forced to leave the hostel to find somewhere else. They then may not return. Then, the day after the event, a mass exodus occurs and a gaping hole is left which takes days of heavily discounting the beds in a desperate plea to reoccupy them. As a backpackers we operate in a high volume, low margin environment. We are located in a central city location which inherently has a high property value. This could mean we will have to absorb an additional rate of \$296,000 per annum. This targeted rate will potentially absorb up to 58% of earnings before income tax, depreciation & amortization. This is also before any capital reinvestments, innovations, product development & refurbishments. The reduction in our EBITDA of 58% means a resulting loss in business value of the same percentage.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Across the board, this will lead to aging bed stock, decline in inner-city operators hence a decline in destination satisfaction & therefore overall loss of visitor nights
Clarks Beach Holiday Park	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The domestic market accounts for 80% of our room nights including camping and Motor Home traffic Average occupancy of 22% achieved in last 12 months We have not been able to find any evidence of ATEED marketing promoting holiday parks or more specifically Clarks Beach Holiday Park. We have found evidence promoting Freedom Camping as an option for our Motorhome market -an activity that undermines the operation of our business. Receive no benefit from ATEED activity To recover the extra cost, we would need to increase our tariff by \$5 per guest per night. Such an increase will see our camping charges rise by 22% and will send more of our motorhome market to Council funded Freedom Camping Sites. It will also make the cost of a camping holiday for a family of four rise by \$20 per day, from \$66 to \$84. Motor home rental companies should also be targeted. Motor homes have the facility to sleep in, making them an accommodation provider Will consider becoming a leased holiday home venue if rate goes forward
Jucy World	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EBITDA of less than \$100k in 2015/2016 financial year, targeted rate would wipe \$93k off bottom line Budget accommodation providers are unable to just increase prices by \$6 per night- potentially an increase of 20% or more Visitors expect budget accommodation options in the city
Keith Hay Group (owns Pakiri Beach Holiday Park)	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have had a 109% increase in rates over the last 5 years. The council owned Port Company benefits from tourism through cruise ships and so will Watercare who benefit from water and wastewater charges to cruise ships but neither will be targeted by the proposed rate. Council has expanded its offer of free camper van sites throughout the region in direct competition to Pakiri Beach Holiday Park, funded by rates. Located at the edge of Auckland, no benefit is received from tourism and events in the city. In addition, Pakiri is a holiday destination for New Zealander's and most guest stay over the Christmas holiday period, with all annual caravan site holders being New Zealander's. This breaks the promise of a maximum rates increase of 2.5%.
Pinewoods Motor Park Ltd	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We operate as a holiday park but a high proportion of our accommodation is committed under long term usage rights and is not available for use by tourists. If the proposed rate were to be applied in full to Pinewoods it would seriously damage our operation and our continued viability. The company has 245 shareholders and each shareholder has a perpetual licence to occupy one of the 245 baches on the property; consequently the baches are not generally available for use by tourists. Pinewoods is also licensed as a camping ground. The majority of the camping sites (presently about 80) are occupied on a semi-permanent basis by caravans. The caravan owners have annual occupancy licences and a very high proportion of these are rolled over from year to year. As with the baches it's difficult imagine that any of council's tourism promotion activities are relevant to the level of caravan occupancy. Council's web site shows the Pinewoods property as having a capital value of \$22,850,000 and being liable this year for rates of \$209,043. Our annual revenue from casual accommodation sales is around \$200,000 and, as noted above, about half of this comes from overseas tourists. If the proposed capital value rate of \$0.01394584 was applied this would cost us \$318,662 in the coming year, increasing our annual rates bill by 152% and absorbing about 318% of our overseas tourist revenue.
Sandspit Motor Camp	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 98% of guests are domestic, specifically staying to work in the area.
YMCA	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Over the last twelve months, only 13.55% of guests to YMCA's two

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		<p>properties were international guests.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Profits from these properties are what enable YMCA to fund so many community initiatives. The proposed rate will decrease profitability and impact YMCA's ability to continue to provide these vital community services.
YWCA	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The new rate would likely be \$93k Is a not for profit hostel with mostly long term residents Asking for an exemption from the new rate as it would be a significant rent increase for its residents and would mean many of YWCA's community programmes could no longer be funded.
Industry bodies		
Auckland Chamber of commerce	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council's Revenue and Financing Policy with the Local Government Act makes it clear that when setting a targeted rate evidence is required establishing a connection between who is being asked to pay the rate and who receives the benefits from the services to be funded. The draft Budget indicates that around \$1 million of the money the accommodation sector is being asked to raise will be spent on attracting international students to study in Auckland. If the user pay-benefit principle applies, a targeted rate for this revenue should be levied against Auckland's tertiary education sector – it has nothing to do with Auckland's direct tourism promotion and is of no benefit to Auckland's hotels, motels or camping grounds.
Backpacker Youth and Adventure Tourism Association (BYATA)	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The presentation of the proposal is ill informed, with almost no research provided to understand the financial implications of the rate for individual business owners. Auckland requires investment across the full range of accommodation not just high value facilities. The impact of the proposed tax structure will have the greatest impact on investment into middle range hotels and backpacker accommodation. Reduced investment will exasperate the already limited accommodation supply. Recommends Auckland City Council undertake more comprehensive research over the next twelve months to structure a taxation proposal that is more equitable across the full range of business and community beneficiaries of increased visitor numbers. If council approve this taxation proposal BYATA recommends that the control of ATEED promotional activity is delegated to a sub-committee of Council made up of a majority of representatives from the accommodation sector with full authority to revise the direction and priorities to ensure those that fund the organisation benefit directly from its activity and to ensure transparency around how their funding is spent The benefit to the accommodation sector by ATEED activity is unproven. In fact, investment in events during the periods of December through to April are actually harmful to the accommodation sector as they impact on long term contracts with established travel wholesalers. There is no benefit in hosting events during peak travel periods yet this is where the bulk of the spend lies. BYATA has 65 members in NZ
Conventions & Incentives NZ	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The positioning of Auckland as the largest international gateway to New Zealand sees the region by default benefit from this growth and spend. ATEED as the marketing arm of the Council are not the only organisation in the international market promoting the region. Auckland Airport undertake significant in market activity to ensure that arrival numbers and airline carriers show growth year on year. Large hotels in Auckland have significant budgets for marketing and sales activity. Where commercial accommodation providers are part of a large international chain, they contribute to a corporate sales/marketing line to ensure representation at the international level, well beyond the current reach of ATEED. Much of ATEED's funding is spent on events for Auckland residents. In addition, ATEED's staff travel costs have increased by 43% over the last

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		two years accumulating to \$926k.
Destination Orewa Beach	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accommodation levy / targeted rate models across Europe and the UK as detailed in the Annual Budget Supporting Document (pages 28 & 29) are based on 'per occupied' room or 'per room' night model. This is a more viable and appropriate model for New Zealand Visitors may choose to pass through Auckland's Satellite and smaller towns to stay in places such as Whangarei where this targeted rate doesn't apply. It could also encourage visitors to stay in Air BnB accommodation which (although often of good quality) are not governed in either standard or rate, and do not add to the economic growth / viability of town centres. At the decision of ATEED the Orewa iSite was removed 3 years ago, leaving the town with no official information centre. As a tourist destination and being a gateway to Northland – this was at great loss to the town. There currently IS NO tourism service delivered from ATEED to the Orewa area. A key priority for Auckland Councils Most Liveable City is to sustain positive business environment. In effect, the proposed targeted rate will counteract the councils own priorities.
Franklin Tourism Group Inc.	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feedback from our members who operate hotels, motels and campgrounds in the Franklin region, is that the majority of their guests travel to the area for work such as seasonal farming or horticultural or at NZ Steel. In off peak times many of these operators have very low occupancy and yet under the proposed scheme, would still have to pay the same rate as a hotel in Auckland city. To pass on the rate would far exceed \$6-\$10 per night. Many of our smaller operators struggle as it is, due to the ever-rising costs imposed on them by Auckland Council for very little return on services, particularly when they are situated in rural areas with significantly lower visitor numbers and even less services than provided to their town & city counterparts. A targeted rate on private residences offering accommodation might be a more appropriate way to raise additional funds for tourism and events, rather than targeting registered accommodation businesses who are already paying their taxes. Visitor tax at airports would be a better option
Heart Of The City	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns about the impact on the tourism industry as a whole and feedback indicates it will impact on desire to invest Annual Budget year is not the right time in the planning cycle to hold a discussion on a significant new policy and rating instrument, should be a discussion left for the Long Term Plan
Holiday Parks Association of NZ	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council is currently introducing 26 free camping sites for international visitors. The proposed rate would mean an additional annual cost of \$16,000 for the small Big Bay Holiday Park and \$67,000 for Sandspit Holiday Park. It is not realistic that these additional costs would be able to be recovered from guests. If introduced this rate would result in a number of our member parks being forced to close.
Hospitality New Zealand	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submission is on behalf of their 67 commercial accommodation members in the Auckland region. Hospitality New Zealand believes the imposition of a commercial accommodation targeted rate is the wrong mechanism to fund visitor promotions for Auckland City or to divert funds to general infrastructure projects in Auckland There is nationwide concern at the precedent an ill- considered targeted rate might set and fears that other Councils may follow Auckland Councils lead if this proposal is implemented. At a national level, we would support Auckland Council in initiating a

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Tourism Export Council NZ	Disagree	<p>national conversation either in regard to a national visitor tax or levy or in changes to the Local Government Act enabling Councils to generate revenue through other well considered and equitable levers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Tourism Export Council NZ (TEC) inbound tour operators and hoteliers met recently to discuss the lack of hotel inventory and pricing in Auckland. The meeting was called by inbound tour operators as they struggle to gain access to rooms with New Zealand estimating to be losing up to 20% of new business, despite international holiday arrivals being up 15% percent. (IVS January 2017) There was general recognition by both parties all sectors of business are up (wholesale, corporate, crew, groups & FIT), and that limited hotel inventory and unreasonable price increases, were contributing factors re the substantial loss of business for this season and going forward. Inbound members advised the word from offshore travel trade was that New Zealand had reached its ceiling for accommodation pricing and careful consideration needs to be had in regards to more price increases. New Zealand is viewed as a very expensive destination compared to Europe and others parts of the world and we need to check our 'value proposition' re price ie. paying 5 star prices for a 3 star hotel, and the ability to complete itineraries which is not able to happen if the gateway destination makes this unrealistic.
Tourism Industry Aotearoa (TIA) (supported by Colliers International, Marriot NZ, Horwath HTL, and Bed & Breakfast Association NZ)	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TIA is the peak body for the tourism industry in NZ with over 1500 members. TIA represents a range of tourism related activities including accommodation. Commercial accommodation providers in Auckland are willing to pay their fair share towards tourism promotion. There is, however, no justification for the proposed targeted rate solely on commercial accommodation providers. It is poorly designed and based on incorrect information. The targeted rate is not the appropriate funding tool for Auckland Council's purposes. There has been very limited information sharing with the affected sector, few alternative funding streams considered, and no examination of the current level and effectiveness of the spending of Auckland Tourism, Events and Economic Development (ATEED) It is demonstrably unfair and inequitable to target solely the commercial accommodation sector with a targeted rate when the benefits are spread across the entire Auckland economy. The sector receives 9% of the visitor spend in Auckland but is being asked to fund 100% of Council efforts (through ATEED) to grow this spend. The proposal has been misleadingly described as a Visitor Levy, when it clearly is not. Councils in New Zealand do not have the authority to impose a bed tax or visitor levy. The proposal is for an average rates increase of 150% on the owners of 330 buildings in Auckland from which commercial accommodation is provided. In some cases, the rates increase will exceed 300%. The Council has erroneously claimed that the targeted rate can be passed on by showing a charge on the guests' bill. This is not correct. A visitor levy could be added to the bill; a targeted rate cannot. The Mayor continues to insist that the rate can easily be recovered by accommodation providers adding \$6 to \$10 to the daily bill. This is not correct. The complexity of the ownership arrangements in much of the commercial accommodation sector has been ignored. The building owners are frequently a different party to the operator of the accommodation. Building owners will have to absorb the huge cost of the new rate, in some cases for years, before being able to pass it through to the operators of the accommodation service. Strata title arrangements mean that there are actually over 3000 owners across the 330 properties. Many of these are mum and dad Auckland investors who are facing huge new costs that they cannot recover from the hotel operator, driving down the value of their investment. In addition, a lot of accommodation business is contracted up to 3 years in

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		<p>advance and providers simply cannot pass on increased costs when prices have already been agreed to.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auckland Council has incorrectly presumed that the overwhelming majority of visitors to Auckland stay in the commercial accommodation operated from the 330 targeted properties. In fact, only a quarter of the total visitor nights are spent with these providers. In aiming to have visitors pay for the full cost of visitor services, the Council is missing three-quarters of the target. If the true purpose of the targeted rate is to part-fund Auckland's huge infrastructure deficit, it is questionable whether this is an 'appropriate' funding mechanism under the Local Government Act. The Council has claimed the commercial accommodation sector gets 99% of its revenue from visitors to Auckland and somehow this justifies targeting the sector. This is wildly inaccurate. Auckland residents stay and use the sector's facilities to a far greater extent than this. It is also completely irrelevant – the share of income received from ratepayers is not the test to be used when determining the appropriateness of a targeted rate. The commercial accommodation sector, along with all commercial ratepayers, is already paying more than their fair share of rates. The differential between commercial rates and residential rates is 2.7 to 1; something acknowledged in the Council documents as being unfair and needing to be reduced over time. There are other existing targeted rates. This new targeted rate would take the differential to between 6 to 1 and 8 to 1 for commercial accommodation providers. ATEED's stated mission is to stimulate economic development for the benefit of the entire city. If funded directly by the commercial accommodation sector, all activities covered by this funding will instead have to be considered solely with regard to the number of room nights generated. If the Council wishes to introduce user pays to ATEED, then the users doing the paying must get the benefit and this benefit must be measurable. If the proposed rate was implemented, an urgent and detailed review of ATEED's visitor attraction and events programme would be required from the perspective of: how many commercial accommodation rooms does it fill? The financial impact of the proposed rate is immense. It will lower the valuations of existing businesses by over \$400m, and may well force some smaller operators to close down. Auckland Council is incorrectly assuming that the commercial accommodation sector can easily increase its room rates as these room rates have been steadily increasing in the last few years. However, in real terms room rates in Auckland are only now starting to return to the level of the late 1990s after more than a decade of decline. Over the long term, the average return on funds employed in the accommodation sector in New Zealand has been around 4% pa. Returns of 7-8% are required to allow for refurbishment and updates. Focusing on the occasional spike in room rates for major events is a misunderstanding of how pricing works in the sector. This is no indication of the long-term returns to a business. The proposed targeted rate will put a strain on employment. Accommodation providers will have to find cost savings and as employment costs can make up to 30% of accommodation operating costs, jobs are likely to be lost. The Auckland Council has not recognised the significant contribution the commercial accommodation sector makes to promoting both their own businesses and the city, or the wider community contributions made. If the proposed rate goes ahead, operators will understandably and justifiably review their current support of joint marketing efforts and general community support. The proposed rate is in direct contrast to the Central Government and ATEED's push to encourage new hotel and tourism development in Auckland. It will have an immediate impact on the economic feasibility of new projects.

	Position	Key points from industry/business/organisations
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hotel owners and developers are reviewing their commitment to Auckland. More than \$500 million in capital investment could be immediately lost from Auckland if this rate proceeds. Auckland's economy will be damaged by this poorly designed measure, and as Auckland is the international gateway, New Zealand's interests will also be harmed. The Average return on funds deployed in the accommodation sector in New Zealand is about 4 per cent. The required return to allow for refurbishments and updates is 7-8 per cent. In addition, in terms of providing for tourism related infrastructure, TIA is working closely with central government on the provision of national solutions.
Youth Hostels Association of NZ	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed rate will put a strain on businesses and employment – it is likely to have a significant negative impact on the viability of many accommodation businesses, with a high risk of job losses and a reduction in quality standards due to reduced investment in refurbishment. In addition, at a time when investment in accommodation is needed in Auckland, this proposal and the increased bottom-line costs will clearly impact on the economic feasibility of some accommodation developments; in fact, the development of mid-range hotels and backpackers is unlikely to be viable. Impact on Youth Hostels two Auckland properties would be an additional \$58k and \$46K
Other organisations		
Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unless residential rates decrease by an equal amount to the targeted accommodation rate, than no option is suitable. Auckland Ratepayers Alliance reject that tourism promotion, or at least the current extent of council spending on tourism, is necessary or justified. There is no evidence that the cost to ratepayers of Councils tourism promotion is less than the economic benefits gained. Auckland Ratepayers have requested such analysis but have not received anything to date. It speaks volumes that hotels and lobbyist for the accommodation sector have questioned the necessity of ATEED's spending. In principle, targeted rates are fairer and focus on those who receive the benefit of the spending. However, the targeted accommodation rate does not generate savings for general rate payers. Instead of reducing the general rates increase, the targeted rate frees up an extra \$250 to \$300 million. The proposal appears to be in breach of the Ratepayer Protection Pledge.
Federated Farmers	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Federated Farmers supports the principle of the targeted accommodation rate and that tourists should be targeted to help pay for infrastructure they use. However, there are a number of deficiencies with the proposal, such that it should not be implemented this year. The proposed rate is particularly unfavourable to accommodation providers in rural Auckland, such as camping grounds. Federated Farmers have information that suggests 75% of guests staying at these camping grounds are Auckland residents. The proposal should be put on hold and better developed so that it targets visitors from outside of Auckland and avoids placing unjustifiable charges on rural accommodation providers.

Event feedback (includes 'Have your say events' and existing council events)

The table below summarises the key points from feedback received from participants at HYSE regarding the proposed targeted accommodation rate.

Feedback	Count	Per cent	Key points
Agree - Fund tourism promotion and major events from a targeted rate on accommodation providers	113	46%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This will ensure tourist pay a fairer share Accommodation providers should have to pay more if they are getting the benefit of this tourism promotion Agree, but rate should be spread over the wider tourism industry Good user pays way to increase revenue
Disagree - Continue to fund tourism promotion and major events from general rates	87	35%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ratepayers should fund events Tourism is a benefit to many people not just accommodation providers Businesses will be hit twice with rates and tourism levy This may turn tourist away Targeted rate is completely unfair and unaffordable
Not sure/Other	48	19%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Close ATEED Some areas are receiving too many tourists, no more promotion is needed Proposal feels rushed Tourist come to travel all of New Zealand, Auckland is just the gateway Tax the visitors when they arrive The concept of user pays is good but the targeted rate is too much Levy should be returned to the local board Bed tax is a better option Tourism budget should be halved

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Attachment Four: Further analysis of Issue 4: Paying for housing infrastructure

This attachment provides a summary of the feedback received on paying for housing infrastructure, in the following categories:

- percentage breakdown of written feedback by local board area
- further detail of written feedback from industry
- event feedback (summary of key points received at Have your say and existing events).

Feedback by Local Board area

The table below shows an analysis of feedback received on paying for housing infrastructure. Feedback where the local board area was not stated or was from outside the region has not been included.

Local board area	Support	Do not support	Not Sure	Other option	Other comment	Total Count
Albert-Eden Local Board	66.59%	10.54%	19.51%	2.69%	0.67%	446
	297	47	87	12	3	
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	66.94%	13.88%	17.55%	1.63%	0.00%	245
	164	34	43	4	0	
Franklin Local Board	63.43%	17.14%	17.14%	1.71%	0.57%	175
	111	30	30	3	1	
Great Barrier Local Board	69.23%	15.38%	15.38%	0.00%	0.00%	13
	9	2	2	0	0	
Henderson-Massey Local Board	56.58%	17.44%	24.20%	1.07%	0.71%	281
	159	49	68	3	2	
Hibiscus and Bays Local Board	74.04%	12.09%	12.09%	1.47%	0.29%	339
	251	41	41	5	1	
Howick Local Board	74.51%	9.89%	13.19%	1.98%	0.44%	455
	339	45	60	9	2	
Kaipātiki Local Board	73.79%	9.39%	13.59%	1.94%	1.29%	309
	228	29	42	6	4	
Mangere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board	60.19%	16.99%	19.90%	1.94%	0.97%	206
	124	35	41	4	2	
Manurewa Local Board	60.82%	20.47%	16.96%	1.75%	0.00%	171
	104	35	29	3	0	
Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board	66.97%	17.89%	11.01%	2.29%	1.83%	218
	146	39	24	5	4	
Ōrākei Local Board	74.87%	8.12%	14.40%	1.83%	0.79%	382
	286	31	55	7	3	
Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board	64.81%	15.43%	14.81%	1.23%	3.70%	162

Local board area	Support	Do not support	Not Sure	Other option	Other comment	Total Count
	105	25	24	2	6	
Papakura Local Board	71.62%	15.54%	11.49%	1.35%	0.00%	148
	106	23	17	2	0	
Puketāpapa Local Board	76.67%	6.67%	15.56%	1.11%	0.00%	90
	69	6	14	1	0	
Rodney Local Board	61.98%	18.85%	16.61%	1.60%	0.96%	313
	194	59	52	5	3	
Upper Harbour Local Board	62.98%	13.94%	19.71%	1.44%	1.92%	208
	131	29	41	3	4	
Waiheke Local Board	56.82%	11.36%	27.27%	4.55%	0.00%	44
	25	5	12	2	0	
Waitakere Ranges Local Board	64.77%	15.03%	18.13%	1.55%	0.52%	193
	125	29	35	3	1	
Waitematā Local Board	58.64%	22.20%	16.12%	1.64%	1.40%	428
	251	95	69	7	6	
Whau Local Board	70.59%	11.34%	17.65%	0.42%	0.00%	238
	168	27	42	1	0	

Industry Feedback

Of the 19 feedback submissions received from relevant businesses and groups 13 of them were in disagreement with the proposed change to the funding policy to allow infrastructure for new housing developments to be funded from targeted rates, rather than ratepayers across Auckland. Of those that disagreed, most felt it was not suitable for the Annual Budget but should be a discussion left for the Long-term Plan. The organisations felt that it is not the right time in the planning cycle to hold a discussion on a significant new policy and rating instrument. A&M Solomon properties do not support the proposal as from their experience with development there are already huge costs involved. CDL Land NZ Ltd, which is a nationwide land developer, voiced concerns over the lack of detail regarding the potential targeted rate and recommended that council continue to use existing funding tools until such time the public are provided with a fully detailed consultation document.

Auckland Chamber of Commerce and Property Council of NZ are in support of the proposal. However, Auckland Chamber of Commerce believe that other funding options such as infrastructure bonds and value capture programmes should be explored, and land owners or other interested parties should be consulted before any targeted rate goes ahead. Property Council of NZ shared their concerns around the lack of detail regarding the targeted rate, and felt that the revenue received must be used for the services and infrastructure in the area in which the rate was imposed.

Event feedback (includes 'Have your say events' and existing council events)

The table below summarises the key points from feedback received from participants at HYSE regarding paying for housing infrastructure.

Feedback	Count	Per cent	Key points
Support	106	53%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> target the developer to help pay for infrastructure infrastructure needs to happen at the same time as new subdivisions it is an incentive for developers to build or sell quickly
Do not support	39	20%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> costs will be passed on to home buyers, further increasing the unaffordability of Auckland housing all rate payers should be contributing to the development of the city
Not sure/other	55	28%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central government should contribute more
Total	200	100.00%	

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Attachment Five: Further analysis of Issue 5: Paying council staff a living wage

This attachment provides a summary of the feedback received, in the following categories:

- percentage breakdown of written feedback by local board area
- further detail of written feedback from industry/businesses/organisations
- pro-forma information
- event feedback (summary of key points received at Have your say and existing events).

Local Board Feedback area

The table below shows an analysis of feedback received. Feedback where the local board area was not stated or was from outside the region has not been included.

Local board area	Agree	Disagree	Not Sure	Other	Total Count
Albert-Eden Local Board	65%	23%	10%	2%	445
	290	101	44	10	
Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	61%	26%	11%	2%	251
	153	65	29	4	
Franklin Local Board	57%	29%	13%	1%	178
	101	51	23	3	
Great Barrier Local Board	77%	15%	8%	0%	13
	10	2	1	0	
Henderson-Massey Local Board	61%	20%	17%	2%	277
	169	55	46	7	
Hibiscus and Bays Local Board	62%	26%	9%	3%	339
	209	87	32	11	
Howick Local Board	55%	30%	14%	1%	456
	252	138	62	4	
Kaipātiki Local Board	66%	21%	10%	3%	310
	206	64	32	8	
Mangere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board	67%	17%	14%	2%	204
	136	35	28	5	
Manurewa Local Board	56%	25%	17%	2%	172
	97	43	29	3	
Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board	60%	29%	9%	2%	218
	130	63	20	5	
Ōrākei Local Board	61%	29%	9%	1%	386
	234	112	34	6	
Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board	60%	24%	9%	7%	157
	100	40	15	2	
Papakura Local Board	43%	42%	11%	4%	148
	66	64	16	2	
Puketāpapa Local Board	67%	21%	11%	1%	89
	59	19	10	1	
Rodney Local Board	58%	32%	8%	2%	312

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Local board area	Agree	Disagree	Not Sure	Other	Total Count
	181	101	25	5	
Upper Harbour Local Board	56%	29%	11%	4%	208
	117	60	23	8	
Waiheke Local Board	80%	9%	9%	2%	44
	35	4	4	1	
Waitakere Ranges Local Board	69%	17%	10%	4%	189
	130	33	18	8	
Waitemata Local Board	65%	21%	11%	3%	431
	281	89	49	12	
Whau Local Board	66%	21%	12%	1.3%	234
	154	50	27	3	

Industry Feedback

156 organisations, which include business associations, community groups and unions, provided feedback on the council's implementation of the living wage.

Agreed	Disagreed	Unsure	Other option/comment
69 organisations (45%)	55 organisations (35%)	23 organisations (14%)	9 organisations (6%)

The below table shows the types of organisations that provided feedback and how they responded:

Type of organisation	Agree	Disagree	Unsure	Other option/comment	Total responses
Accommodation	11	19	7	2	39
	28%	49%	18%	5%	
Business associations	6	9	2	3	20
	30%	45%	10%	15%	
NGO/community groups	9	5	0	3	17
	56%	28%	0%	17%	
Unions	2	0	0	0	2
	100%	0%	0%	0%	
Other	41	22	14	1	78
	54%	28%	18%	1%	

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The table below shows comments by businesses/organisations.

Business name	Position	Key points
Auckland North Community and Development	Agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retain staff
City Towers	Agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut higher salaries, increase lower salaries
Endeavour House, Maui and Hector's Dolphin Defenders NZ Inc.	Agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lead the way, other businesses will follow
EthNix Links & Advocacy Network	Agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on the low earners first and foremost
Living Wage Auckland	Agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make Auckland a great place to live
Maui and Hector's Dolphin Defenders NZ Inc.	Agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eliminating poverty Reward workers respectfully
My Fat Puku, Great Barrier Island	Agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Needs to be phased in over time
Te Taurahere o Ngati Porou ki Tamaki	Agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern about where savings are coming from. Shouldn't compromise current projects/plans.
Tenants' Protection Association, The Peace and Plenty Inn, The Great Ponsonby Arthotel, Auckland North Community and Development, Living Wage Auckland	Agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should include contractors too
A&M Solomon Properties	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff shouldn't lose their jobs
Auckland Chinese Community Centre, Iona Security Systems, Tourism Holdings Limited	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Savings can be spent elsewhere i.e. infrastructure, housing
Auckland Volleyball Academy, Lada Commercial Investments, Matakana Community Group, Papakura Colonial	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should apply Auckland wide
Ellerslie Business Association, Onehunga Business Association, Parklane Motor Inn Takapuna	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a central government issue
Four Corners	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Don't waste ratepayers money
HQH Fitness, Quest on Beaumont, Eagles Nest Accommodation	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Market, skill and productivity to determine wage
Jucy World, Traditional Chinese Medicine	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private sector can't compete
Naxos Trust, Papakura Colonial	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut top salaries, increase lower salaries
Orewa Motor Lodge	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Living Wage figure is arbitrary
The Kentish Hotel	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Productivity / efficiency must increase
Auckland's Waitakere Estate	Other comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Don't waste ratepayers money
Business North Harbour	Other comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Should apply Auckland wide
Business North Harbour,	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut staff numbers

Business name	Position	Key points
Remuera Business Association	comment	
Manoach Inns Ltd (Taupo)	Other comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Market, skill, performance to determine wage
Newmarket Business Association	Other comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a CEO matter, not an elected members matter
Remuera Business Association	Other comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central government issue
Netball Manurewa Inc.	Unsure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern about where savings are coming from. Shouldn't compromise current projects/plans
Waipoua Lodge (Northland)	Unsure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Needs to apply Auckland wide
Other organisations		
Auckland Ratepayers' Alliance	Disagree	<p>Council should continue with their current pay policies for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A living wage hurts most the people it is intended to help. Lower-skilled workers are crowded out of the market by higher-skilled candidates attracted by the higher wage. The burden of these higher wages is passed onto ratepayers and business owners. The Council is not subject to market competition and the higher costs are simply taken from general rates. It would be unjust to shift the burden of these higher costs on to ratepayers who themselves may be earning less than the living wage. There is no consensus on the calculation of the living wage. Unlike a market-rate, the living wage is entirely politically subjective. Up to 40% of any living wage earnings increase will be abated by a reduction in government transfers and increased income tax obligations. There are obvious risks and potential for litigation in breaching the Local Government Act. It is common knowledge that the Auckland Chamber of Commerce is opposed to such a policy, and there may be threats of legal action, as experienced by Wellington City Council. Auckland Ratepayers Alliance also references a report produced by New Zealand Taxpayers Union on the consequences of Wellington City Council implementing the living wage. The report titled 'Best of intentions, worst of results' states that 17 parking wardens lost their job as a result of the living wage implementation and "living wage policies, rather than help the poor, are likely to crowd out low-skilled workers from employment while inequitably placing the tax burden on ratepayers".
Federated Farmers	Disagree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council should be using the most efficient and effective mechanisms available in the marketplace to carry out its activities. It is of concern that Council claims that the costs of implementing the policy would be covered by savings from improved productivity and retention and from existing budgets. Federated Farmers considers that the Council should constantly strive to make savings, and any savings should go towards infrastructure that all Auckland Residents can benefit from. Federated Farmers considers that matters to do with minimum wages, basic wages, and the "living wage" are matters that are within the purview of central government, not that of local government

Business name	Position	Key points
Grey Power	Agree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a member of the Living Wage movement, Grey Power strongly supports the proposed living wage policy, and believes it should also apply to contractors. Member of Grey Power have family members who earn less than the living wage and rely on financial help from senior family members.

Pro-forma information

	Without LW Aotearoa pro-forma submissions	With LW Aotearoa pro-forma submissions
Agreed	3338	5241
Disagreed	1410	1410
Not sure	641	641
Other comment	88	88
Other option	33	33

Additional to this, Living Wage Aotearoa sent in 1903 pro-forma submissions, in support of the implementation of the living wage. These included submissions from members of:

- PSA Union
- E'tu Union.

The table below summarises the feedback from Living Wage Aotearoa, via pro-forma submissions in full support of the implementation of the living wage.

	Key points
Living Wage Aotearoa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E'tu PSA (1903 submissions received from Living Wage Aotearoa)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fair wage (379) Ability to live (234) It should also be applied Auckland wide (148) Cut top salaries, increase lower salaries (91) Take the lead (90) Support the lowest paid (61) Eliminating poverty (48) Pay equity (38) Include contractors too (31)

Event feedback

The table below summarises the key points from feedback received from participants at HYSE regarding paying council staff a living wage.

Feedback	Count	Per cent	Key points
Support	58	46%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Auckland Council should lead the way Eliminate poverty Pay equity It should also be applied Auckland wide Cut salaries at top, increase lower salaries.
Do not support	33	26%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compression issues It is unfair that it only applies to Auckland Council Cut salaries at top, increase lower salaries Private businesses can't compete.
Not sure	9	7%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is unfair that it only applies to Auckland Council Issues of inflation.
Other comments / options	26	21%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut salaries at top, increase lower salaries Cut staff numbers Productivity/efficiency must increase Don't waste ratepayer's money.
Total	126	100.00%	

Attachment Six: Analysis of feedback by theme

This attachment summarises feedback by theme received through the Annual Budget (AB) consultation process on areas related outside the consultation document.

The themes have been broken down by:

- Financial Strategy
- Transport
- Auckland Development
- Water supply and waste water
- Parks, Community and Lifestyle
- Environmental Management and Regulation
- Economic & Cultural Development
- Regional Governance and Support and;
- Consultation and document feedback.

Financial Strategy

Approximately 338 feedback points on this theme were received.

The key themes from submissions in this area were:

- Concern about the level of council spending
- Calls for council to focus on core services and keep costs down by eliminating non-essential services
- Council has too many employees and that many staff are overpaid
- Support for new forms of targeted transport funding including congestions charges, motorways tolls, and a regional fuel tax.

Transport

Feedback Received

Approximately 1615 feedback points on this theme were received.

The key themes from the feedback were:

- Rooding
- Public Transport
- Travel Demand Management
- Parking
- Key Transport Projects.

Feedback on these areas is summarised below.

Rooding

- There was 416 feedback points received on rooding.
- The largest group of comments (140 points) related to upgrading the road conditions and widening existing ones to cater for increased traffic flows. Other themes were to work to relieve congestion (87 points), improve street lighting (21 points), improving the quality of walking and cycling facilities (93 points) and improve safety on dangerous roads/intersections

(42 points). Road conditions received mixed views with some saying poor roads needed repairs and others saying perfectly good condition roads were being repaired.

- There were 14 specific feedback comments that asked for more attention to horse rider safety, these were mostly from the Rodney and Franklin local boards.
- There were a lot of comments asking for widening of specific roads which commonly experienced bad congestion.
- The largest proportion of comments that wanted congestion to be improved were from the North (34 points) followed by the South (17 points).
- Hill Street intersection received quite a few comments specifically asking for something to be done to it as it was a cause of congestion and a safety hazard.

Public Transport

- Received 343 feedback points.
- The main message that was coming through was an improved level of service on the public transport network (279 points) through new routes and improved frequencies during am/pm peaks across all modes. Popular comments included having improved public transport reach, and improved access to both the CBD and Airport. The Howick and Waitemātā local boards received the most comments in regards to an improved public transport level of service and reach with 45 and 39 comments respectively.
- The public transport to route to the Airport was reinforced with the strong supporting feedback comments received for an Airport Link (90 points).

Travel Demand Management

- Received 179 feedback points with 147 of them to do with increasing the amount of walking and cycling facilities.
- Comments were aimed at increasing the priority of walking and cycling facilities and improving the quality of some current ones.
- Some comments believed that increasing the walking and cycling facilities would incentivise more people to give up single occupancy vehicle commutes which may also help to ease congestion in the am/pm peaks.
- A couple of comments pushed for more footpaths for disability access to certain areas such as public transport stops and shopping centres.

Parking

- There was 74 feedback points for parking with nearly the entire majority wanting protection of local parking spots and increased availability of parking near public transport hubs. There were a lot of comments relating to building public transport car parks with multiple levels to increase capacity and help save on property purchases of land.
- Some comments wanted increased disability parking at public transport hubs.
- Many people said that they would be inclined to use the Park and Ride facilities closest to them but that often they were full.

Key transport projects

- Received 324 feedback points relating to a variety of key transport projects.
- The project that received the most feedback was the Airport link with 90 feedback comments in support of some sort of quick reliable public transport option to the Airport.
- Skypath was the second most supported project with 56 comments in support followed by Light Rail (37) and then Penlink (29).

- Most of the comments for not supporting light rail argued that it should not compete with buses it should instead be one or the other. Others felt it was not a good choice as they believed it would not tie in with the current rail system.

There were 279 comments which landed in the 'Other' category. They showed some broad common themes of prioritising the transport issues in general and making sure that public transport and roading infrastructure is put in place for new housing areas to be able to use. There was concern that housing was getting built before the proper transport infrastructure was in place to cater for the extra usage and increased demand.

Blind Citizens NZ was seeking for Auckland Transport to identify budget money to help realise their goal of seeking a safe pedestrian access from Royal Oak roundabout to the Onehunga Railway Station. Grey Power commented on asking for Councils support in keeping the SuperGold Card transport concessions the same and for increasing the amount of Council owned parking in the city. Heart of the City was in support of Skypath and creating a better Cycle Network for Auckland. They felt they would like more information before supporting Light Rail, Mass Transit Network and an Additional Harbour. Lastly, Property Council of New Zealand gave its support for both a Mass Transit Network and Skypath.

Auckland Development

Just over 700 feedback points on this theme were received.

The majority of feedback was received on the following topics:

- Infrastructure needs and funding
- Housing
- Bylaws.

Feedback on these areas is summarised below.

Infrastructure needs and funding

- Around 150 feedback points were received on this topic.
- The majority of the feedback points focus on a current lack of infrastructure or the need to deliver infrastructure in advance of new housing. Concerns are raised around traffic, in particular, and the need to improve road capacity and public transport options.
- Around half of the feedback points comment on infrastructure funding, generally supporting targeted rates for new housing areas or greater development contributions to pay for infrastructure.

Housing

- Around 100 feedback points were received on this topic.
- About half of the feedback points were concerned about housing affordability and how difficult it is for most people to buy a house in Auckland. Linked to this were concerns about the supply of housing – the need for more houses, concerns about location of houses ie. not on the prime horticultural soils of the south, supporting or opposing greater intensification within existing suburbs, the quality of housing.

Bylaws

- Around 85 feedback points were received on this topic.

- About a third of the feedback points related to dogs, particularly a lack of consistency of on/off leash rules across the region, the need for more dog parks and concerns about the safety of children and smaller dogs on beaches and in off-leash areas.
- About a third of the feedback points related to the need to deal with begging and the removal of beggars from the street. Some feedback points linked begging with homelessness.
- The last third of feedback points related to other bylaw issues, including smokefree environments and window-washers at traffic lights.

The other comments received under the Auckland Development theme relate to more generic planning matters including green belts, requesting an emphasis (or de-emphasis) on development in various parts of the region and the need to protect historic heritage. There were also a number of points requesting a reduction in immigration numbers into Auckland, stopping growth and the importance of policies to grow the regions rather than Auckland.

Water supply and waste water

Approximately 47 feedback points on this theme were received.

Feedback was received on the topics or areas of feedback identified are:

- Water/wastewater charges (general)
- Water fluoridation
- Water supply
- Wastewater.

Feedback on these areas is summarised below.

Water/wastewater charges (general)

- Around 5 feedback points were received on this topic.
- Some comments indicated that the current water charges are too high and concerns were raised around the accountability of Watercare to ratepayers.

Water fluoridation

- Around 4 feedback points were received on this topic.
- All feedback received were in opposition of water fluoridation.

Water supply

- Around a total of 13 feedback points were received on this topic.
- A number of feedback points raised concern about the Oratia water-treatment plant proposed by Watercare Services Limited. There were 4 feedback points opposing the proposal. Concerns were also raised around the water quality in Auckland and the pressure on water supply, especially on raining days.
- Other comments received recommended improving water quality in Rodney, subsidising households to install their own water tanks and requested the Council to replace old water pipes in Moana Avenue.

Wastewater

- Around 19 feedback comments were received on this topic.
- The majority of the feedback points raised concerns about the sewage issue in Auckland, particularly in the West, North and Central area. The feedback from Stop Auckland Sewage

Overflows Coalition supported a separated system to eliminate sewage overflows and requested funding to be provided for Mayor Goff's water review.

- A few feedback points related to requests for better management of wastewater and there was one feedback point suggesting rates to be spent on the maintenance of waterways in Rodney.
- One feedback point was received from Heart of the City Auckland, one of the Regional Stakeholders. It supported the advocacy from Waitematā Local Board to complete the Central and Waterfront Interceptors at the earliest opportunity. It also supported the Board's advocacy on developing and delivering localised solutions for all four catchments prior to the completion of the Central Interceptor and Waterfront Interceptor.
- Other comments touched on matters such as proposing a discounted wastewater tariff for sports groups, not-for-profit and community-good organisations and protecting our harbour from pollution.

The other comments received under the Water supply and wastewater theme related to more generic matters(6 points) including allocating more staff to clean up drains, emphasising on cleaning up waterways, and the need to improve road runoff systems.

Parks, Community and Lifestyle

Approximately 269 feedback points on this theme were received.

The key themes from the feedback were:

- Funding for Libraries
- Social housing
- Public safety
- Community events
- Provision of parks and open spaces, including trees and green spaces.

Feedback on these areas is summarised below.

Funding for Libraries

- Around 69 feedback points were received on this topic.
- All but one feedback point related to proposed changes to funding and staffing of Libraries. Around 60 feedback points opposed changes to funding and staffing.
- 4 feedback points support the introduction of user pay charges for Libraries.

Social housing

- Around 31 feedback points were received on this topic.
- The majority of feedback points supported council's provision of social housing.
- The majority of feedback points support more funding to increase the provision of social housing.

Public safety

- Around 25 feedback points were received on this topic.
- The majority of feedback points requests that council does more to improve public safety and security.

Community events

- Around 22 feedback points were received on this topic.

- 18 feedback points do not support community events, including Music and Movies in Parks. 4 feedback points support Music in Parks.

Provision of parks and open spaces, including trees and green spaces

- Around 21 feedback comments were received on this topic.
- The majority of the feedback points support continued provision of parks and open spaces, particularly as growth and development occurs.
- Improving existing green spaces, as well as providing more of them, and protecting all open spaces from development was a key theme.

The other comments received under the Parks, Community and Lifestyle theme relate to more generic matters including the maintenance of parks, playgrounds sport fields and beaches, the type of weed control in parks (e.g. the use of chemicals) and investment in arts and culture activities.

Environmental Management and Regulation

This theme includes feedback on all of council's regulatory and environmental functions such as building consents, street trading and alcohol licences, waste and environmental services and stormwater management.

Approximately 250 feedback points on this theme were received, generally focusing either with concern or interest on waste collection services, stormwater management and protecting and cleaning up the environment. The majority of feedback received demonstrated strong support for effective waste services and environmental protection. A number of pro forma submissions asked for council to stop using chemical sprays for weed control.

The key themes from the feedback were:

- Waste management and charges – is covered in the main report.
- Waste collections
- Support for community recycling initiatives
- Stormwater Management
- Environmental Management
 - Protection and restoration
 - Weed management – sprays
- Regulation.

Feedback on these areas is summarised below.

Waste Collections

Fortnightly rubbish collections were a concern for three submitters, who suggested a weekly collection would be necessary for larger families. There was also a concern that a fortnightly collection would result in nuisance odours during the warmer months. Fortnightly rubbish collections are proposed in the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan however they will not be implemented during the 2017/18 period or prior to the introduction of an organics collection.

Concerns were raised about the difficulties experienced with the operation of the inorganic waste collection service in 2016, with four submitters requesting a re-instatement of the old inorganic collection process.

Support for community recycling initiatives

Recycling initiatives and community recycling centres were generally supported, although one submitter's support was on the basis that these were commercial operations and not community-driven. A suggestion was made for council to work with the operators of local markets to promote recycling and reduce the use of plastic bags.

Stormwater Management

- Around 45 feedback comments were received on this topic but the subject of stormwater infrastructure and water quality of waterways and beaches was raised as part of many other submissions.
- The majority of the feedback points focus on stormwater upgrades and the need to prioritise the water quality improvement of our beaches and waterways.
- The lack of maintenance of stormwater drains was raised as a key issue, in particular the impact this may have had on recent flooding events
- Concerns were raised around the need for more strategic planning and funding of infrastructure to meet the demands of growth. Allocating adequate funding to meet these demands and controlling development in constrained areas was also noted.
- The impact of stormwater discharges on water quality on harbours and local beaches was a concern, in particular at Howick and Mellons Bay beaches
- A general desire to improve water quality in our waterways and harbours was noted.
- Additionally stormwater infrastructure and water quality improvements were frequently described as a core council function in many submissions.

Environmental Management

- Around half of the feedback (128 feedback points) received in this theme is under the sub-topic of 'environmental management'.
- Feedback points spanned a large scope of general environmental protection and the importance of nature. The majority of these comments focused on weed management specifically the use of sprays.

Environmental Protection and Restoration

- Around 33 feedback points called for the council to focus on the 'green', or to make Auckland green and specifically to clean up our environment.
- Several feedback points requested more native plantings to clean up run off, investment in biodiversity and education about climate change and infrastructure to stop pollution of our waterways and harbours
- A theme of tree protection and planting was strong in this sub-topic with calls to protect areas of bush rather than individual trees, alongside requiring plant nurseries to be certified and incentives for people who plant and maintain trees.
- Cleaning up waterways like Herne Bay, Cox's Creek and Weymouth Beach were also noted.
- Some thanked specific local boards like Whau for their continued support for environmental issues and one submission point urged Waiheke to go pest free.
- Some noted that developers should contribute to environmental protection and enhancement.
- One feedback point was received asking council to stop the release of a rabbit control virus RHDV1A-K5.

Weed Management

- Approximately 90 feedback points asked council to reduce its agrichemical use. Most were from individuals with made up of pro-forma submissions.
- These submissions requested council to *'implement non-chemical street weed control methods ... and pesticide minimisation in parks, reserves and sportsfields across the whole Auckland region'* and that *'non chemical vegetation management of the streets as per the Council's Weed Management Policy must be a top priority'*.
- Specifically these feedback points did not want glyphosate replaced with another chemical and they noted that this should be regionally funded.
- Conversely a smaller number of submission points noted that they believed weed spraying is more cost effective and efficient than mechanical edging. Other feedback points noted that the minimising agrichemical use should be a low priority and that any reduction of chemical use should not be at the expense of delivering other services such as much needed community open space.
- Some feedback points noted that the control of pest plants needs to ramp up, detailing that there is *'too much gorse, wandering dew, wild ginger, and the like.'*
- Some urged increased investment described to deal with the *'exponential growth in weeds'*.
- One feedback point commented that Housing NZ is not doing enough weed control on its properties. Another feedback point encouraged council to look into Electrothermal weeding technology which is about to be trialled by a council contractor in the Bay of Plenty.

Regulation

- Very little feedback was received on this topic. Comment received focused on the need to ensure infrastructure is built to avoid later costs to council such as the leaky building issues, that there is too much red tape in this area, alongside a call to make building and resource consents more efficient.

Economic & Cultural Development

Approximately 69 feedback points on this theme were received.

Feedback was received on the following Groups of Activities:

- Economic growth and visitor economy – delivered by ATEED
- Regional facilities – delivered by RFA (not including Museums and ARAFA)

Feedback on these areas is summarised below.

Economic growth and visitor economy – delivered by ATEED

- Around 56 feedback points were received on this group of activities.
- The majority of the feedback points related to the funding for ATEED.
- 5 of the feedback points were in support of disbanding ATEED. Also, 17 of the feedback points supported less or no spending on promotional activities for tourism. There were 6 feedback points supporting the user-pays principle and indicating the promotional activities should be paid by businesses that benefit from them rather than general rates.
- Around 5 comments requested funding to be cut on festivals and events that don't provide much benefit to the community.
- Some comments raised concerns with the increasing pressure on the infrastructure, as impacted by a large number of tourists, immigrants and international students coming into Auckland. There were 8 feedback points in support of placing restrictions on migration into Auckland.

- The other comments received indicated the need for more jobs, more cultural events, and sustainable growth, and also suggested the rates revenue to be spent on infrastructure first.

Regional facilities – delivered by Regional Facilities Auckland (RFA)

- Around 13 feedback points were received on this topic.
- There were 10 feedback points in opposition of a new Waterfront stadium. Other comments raised the need for another science or modern art museum in the CBD and an international standard cricket venue in areas such as Western Springs and Victoria Park.

There was 1 feedback point requesting RFA to leave Speedway at Western Springs.

Regional Governance and Support

Approximately 232 feedback points on this theme were received.

The key themes from the feedback were:

- Regional Governance and Support
- Local Governance and Support
- CCO Review
- Māori Outcomes
- Independent Māori Statutory Board (IMSB)

Feedback on these areas is summarised below.

Regional Governance and Support

- Around 227 feedback points were received on this topic.
- Sixty of the feedback points relate to staff costs and salaries. Much of the feedback on this topic is also related to the question on council adopting a living wage policy. Most feedback is on cutting staff costs and salaries.
- Twenty three feedback points related to central government funding and policy relating to growth and infrastructure in Auckland. The majority of this was on central government alleviating the funding burden on ratepayers
- Approximately seventy feedback points were given on matters relating to the cost effectiveness of council, including council reducing the scope of its activity to basic services. Most of the feedback reflected a general dissatisfaction with council cost effectiveness.
- Eight feedback points relate to improved representation and accountability.

Local Governance and Support

- Twenty six submission points relate to this topic, with approximately half seeking CCO Review.
- Just over a hundred feedback points were specifically about Auckland's CCOs, the vast majority of which relate to ATEED. The overwhelming focus on this CCO is related to the question on the visitor levy.
- Other concerns raised relate to the accountability of CCOs generally and to staff costs and salary levels in CCOs.

Māori Representation

- Twenty nine feedback points relate to Māori representation in council decision-making, most expressing opposition.

Independent Māori Statutory Board

- Six submission points relate to the Independent Māori Statutory Board and Māori representation on council.

Consultation and Document feedback

A total of 44 feedback points were received that commented on the approach taken to consultation. The key themes from the feedback were:

- information couldn't be found or that there was insufficient detail to comment (14 feedback points)
- improvement required in the feedback form questions (4 feedback point)
- felt the consultation process was meaningless and decisions were already made (5 feedback points)
- too much money spent on consultations (5 feedback points)

Other feedback included general agreement/disagreement with the plan, disagreement with have your say / regional stakeholder event process, increased targeted consultations locally and regionally, and not enough time allowed for consultation. Feedback on the consultation process will be used to help develop the consultation process for the next annual budget.

Attachment Seven: Requests for funding

Department	AP #	Submitter Name	Description of Request	Value of Request	One off or ongoing	Current State (existing funding level; confirmed agreements/plans; relevant historic info)	Officer Comment
I & ES	2637	MIRA Companions for Development	Request for funding to support South Titirangi Peninsula, to create a weed and pest free peninsula by 2022. Budgetary commitment from each Council Departments (Auckland Transport, Regional Parks and Local Parks) to partner us.			Council has not worked closely with this group on providing funding to date. It appears to have been established recently.	Council endorses pest free objectives of all such groups (consistent with Pest free Auckland) but is not in a position to commit regional funding to such groups until the regional prioritisation exercise is complete. It may be more appropriate to provide funding to this group via grants and local board funds
Transport	4950	Newmarket Business Association	Request for financing and fast-tracking the following projects: (1) Station Square: (2) Traffic Calming and Signage:	35,000	One-off		This is currently on hold pending investigation
			(3) Newmarket Laneways:				Newmarket Laneways is a joint project with AC and AT as joint sponsors so is treated as a capex code. The design phase is now complete and the construction contract to be awarded in May.
Community and Social Policy	5706	Cancer Society	Request for funding to enable delivery on councils smoke free policy		On-going		A 2016 review of councils Smoke-free Policy found that local board implementation within community facilities, parks and open space has been hindered by lack of funding available for smoke-free signage. A budget request has been prepared for consideration as part of this annual plan. Ongoing resource for future implementation costs could also be considered as
PCL	5708	Netball Manurewa Inc.	Request for funding to complete Netball Manurewa redevelopment - various requests. Please see submission for all funding requests including capital spend for maintenance of playing surfaces, associated car parking, rubbish, toilets and renewals	5,500,700	one-off capital investment. Also request for free usage which could have ongoing operational impacts	This was a legacy Manukau City Council project and stages 1 and 2a were funded through the LTP. There is no current funding for future stages in the 2015-2025 LTP or Manurewa Local Board budgets.	The regional sporting code has not identified this project as one of their priorities for implementation- the centre is considered to be meeting current needs for the sport.
I & ES	5950	Waitākere Ranges Protection Society	Request for funding \$232,000 per annum to support WRHA and \$100,000 to fund the 5-year monitoring report	332,000	On-going	\$132,000 allocated for 2017 / 18, and this amount will be over-subscribed in terms of matters that could be budgeted for	The Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area (WRHA) Act work programme budget is a regional budget held by the North West and Islands Planning Team in the Chief Planning Office. The biodiversity team of I&ES deliver some parts of the work programme for the North West and Islands Planning Team. The proposed reduction of the budget by \$100,000 will cause the cessation of some multi year programmes, and significantly constrict the ability of the Local Board to commence new initiatives in the Waitakere Ranges Heritage Area.
PCL	5109	Norwa Swann	Request for funding to support a South Auckland fashion show	Not specified	One off	n/a	Events comment: Funding potentially available through Regional Event grant funding. An application was made by submitter for a fashion show in the 15/16 year. In the form presented event did not have high alignment with Events Policy priorities. Was also requesting very high level of funding for a low level of attendance, with no other funders identified. Further applications would be considered through the contestable process but would need to be on a basis more aligned with priorities and capacity to fund.

Attachment Eight:



Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority Annual Budget 2017/2018 – Summary of Feedback

PURPOSE

This report summarises public feedback on the Tūpuna Maunga o Tāmaki Makaurau Authority Annual Budget 2017/2018 ("Annual Budget").

FEEDBACK RECEIVED

The Tūpuna Maunga Authority received 95 submissions as follows:

- Tūpuna Maunga Authority process - 5 written submissions;
- Auckland Council's "Have Your Say" - online process - 86 online submissions; and
- Tūpuna Maunga Authority hearing (10 April 2017) - 4 submissions.

OVERALL NATURE OF FEEDBACK

Seeking an increase in the overall annual budget for the Tūpuna Maunga Authority was the common theme of submissions.

Additional funding is sought in the following areas:

- Restoration of tracks and archaeological features (including heritage features)
- Tree planting on the Tūpuna Maunga
- Information and signage for the Tūpuna Maunga
- For the purchase of the remaining part of Matukutururu Maunga.

Submitters also suggested the Tūpuna Maunga Authority should initiate various cost-saving and income-earning initiatives, including charging tourists.

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SPECIFIC FEEDBACK

Restoration of tracks and archaeological features (including heritage features)

- More should be set aside for the restoration of damaged natural and archaeological features on the Tūpuna Maunga, including heritage features/historical sites.
- More should be budgeted for track maintenance with increased erosion from growing numbers of Tūpuna Maunga visitors (both locals and tourists) and due to climate change. In particular, tracks are needed to connect the Stonefields subdivision and Golan Road at Maungarei Maunga and more for the Batger Road to Hillside Crescent, and tihi sections of the Maungawhau tracks, and interconnection with Te Araroa Walkway.
- More than \$8,000 should be set aside for building maintenance at Takarunga as the heritage features there require specialist restoration and care.

Planting and removal of trees on the Tūpuna Maunga

- Support more funding for limited planting of native flora around non-archaeological sites and away from tihi.
- Support additional funding for removal of pest plant species and non-native trees so long as they are not heritage trees.

Information and signage for the Tūpuna Maunga

- Not enough funding has been set aside for the development of a design guide and in particular for signage.
- Phone apps and QR codes could be used for signage and site information.
- More needs to be invested in telling the stories about the Tūpuna Maunga.
- More funding to engage mana whenua and the public with the Tūpuna Maunga.
- More funding needed for welcoming signs and support for the creation of entranceways that acknowledge Tūpuna Maunga ownership.
- Use some funding to partner with other entities such as the Auckland Museum and Mangere Mountain Education Trust.

Providing various cost-saving and income-earning initiatives on the Tūpuna Maunga

- Funding is needed to support a volunteer kaitiaki or kaitiaki programme.
- Volunteer pest management.
- Establishing a koha/donation scheme would assist.
- Perhaps installing parking meters on Tūpuna Maunga.

Matukutururu Maunga

- Mana whenua submitters requested the Auckland Council to fund the acquisition of Matukutururu maunga land.

Other comments received:

- Insufficient budget is set aside for an information centre on Maungawhau.
- Support necessary budget for removal of various assets such as water infrastructure, fences and cattle-related assets.

- Suggest funding for the Tūpuna Maunga Authority to better link in with Auckland Council policies relating to walkways, greenways and viewshafts.
- A new performance target for volunteer groups could be set that focuses on the numbers of active volunteer groups that make regular reports over any one year.

Fees for Tourists visiting the Tūpuna Maunga

- Some sort of tourist levy or fee is needed for the Tūpuna Maunga given the high impact tourists are having and without charges to them.
- Targeted rates might be a pathway, but any rates should be focused on fixing the damage caused by tourists on the Tūpuna Maunga.

OUT OF SCOPE SUBMISSIONS

For completeness, there were submissions on matters outside the scope of the Annual Budget. These included submissions on Tūpuna Maunga Authority decisions to pedestrianise five Tūpuna Maunga and to remove cattle from, various Tūpuna Maunga.

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Attachment B: Final Update Report 2017/2018

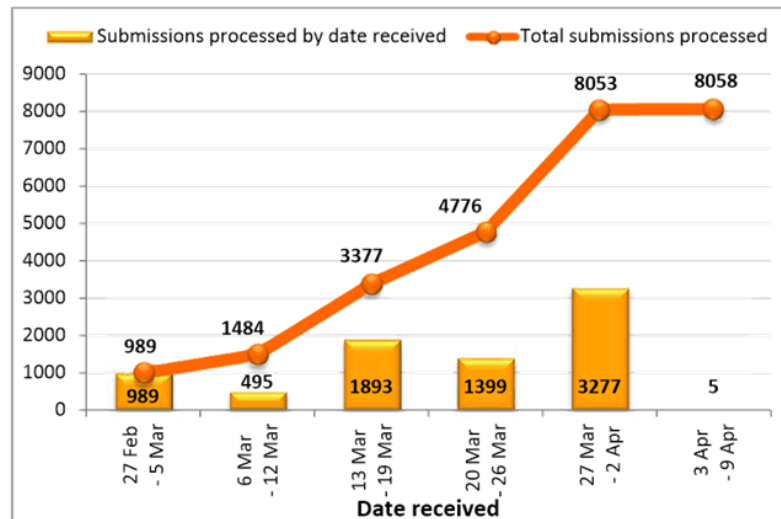
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FINAL UPDATE

Total submissions received: 8,058

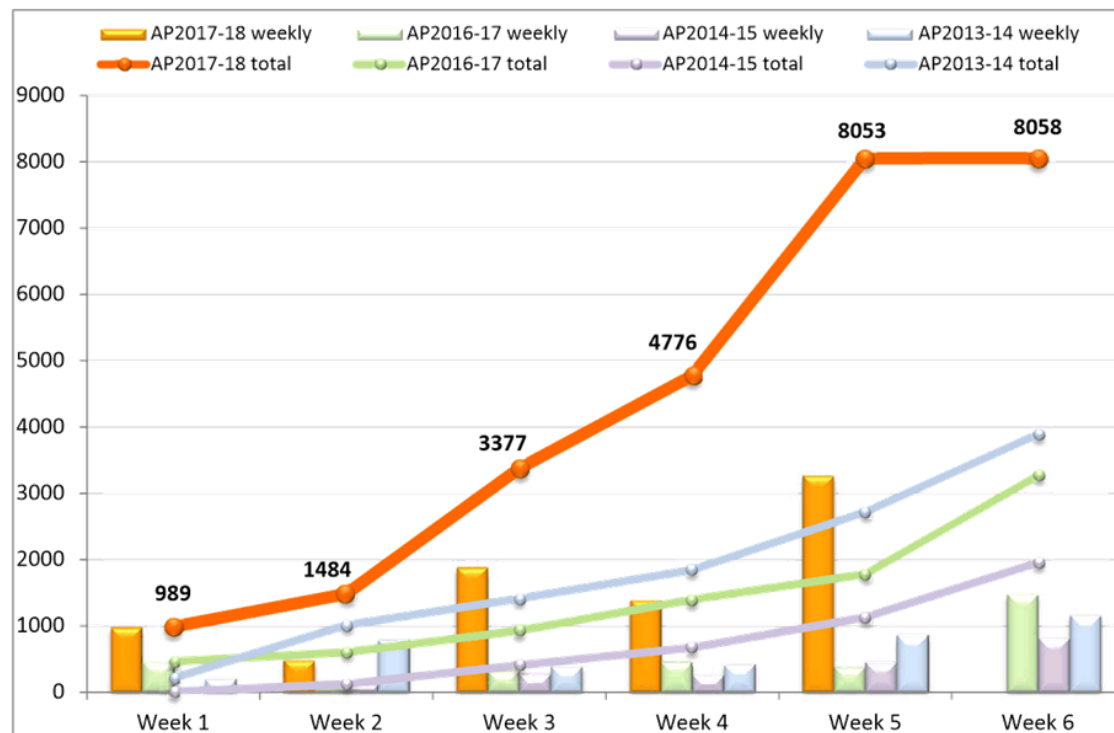
The following information relates to Annual Budget 2017/2018 submissions received and processed prior to 7 April 2017. This includes submissions via online form, hard copy form, letters or emails. Please note – 48 submissions were received late and that feedback was not coded for analysis, however these submissions will still be available for consideration.

Processing as at 7 April 2017	
Submissions processed since 27 March	4,488
Submissions processed total	8,058



HISTORICAL COMPARISONS

The graph below compares submissions received to the three previous Annual Budget/Plan consultations.

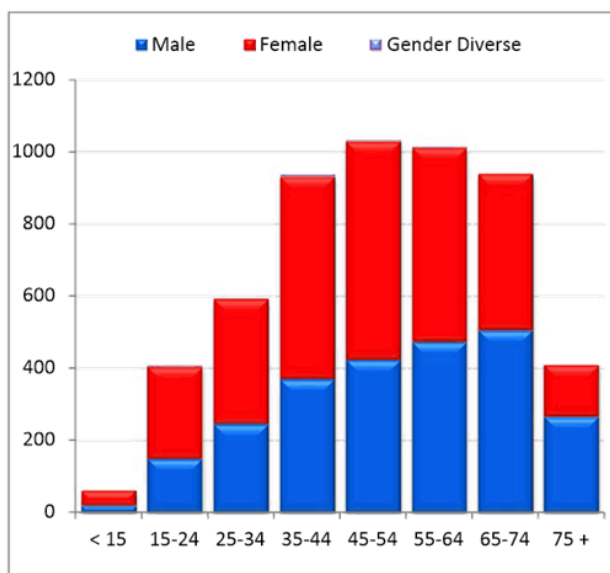


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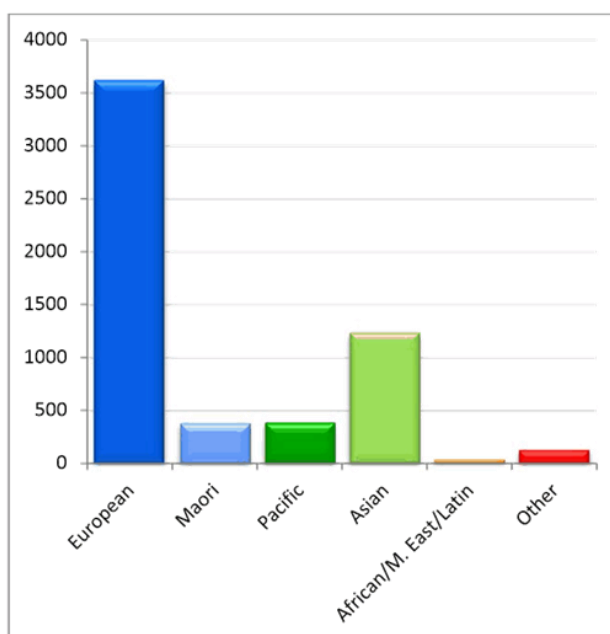
The tables and graphs on this page indicate what demographic categories people identified with. This information only relates to those submitters who provided demographic information (e.g. 5,523 people out of 8,058 gave a gender response).

GENDER	#	%
Male	2,520	46%
Female	2,985	54%
Gender diverse	18	<1%
Total	5,523	100%



AGE	Male	Female	Diverse	Total	%
< 15	20	43	1	66	1%
15 – 24	150	256	4	416	8%
25 – 34	247	347	0	608	11%
35 – 44	371	563	5	957	17%
45 – 54	425	606	4	1,049	19%
55 – 64	475	539	2	1,026	19%
65 – 74	507	434	0	956	17%
75 +	267	144	1	426	8%
Total				5,504	100%

ETHNICITY	#	%
European	3,630	66%
NZ European	3,356	61%
Other European	274	5%
Maori	390	7%
Pacific	395	7%
Samoan	226	4%
Tongan	93	2%
Other Pacific	76	1%
Asian	1,245	23%
Chinese	729	13%
Indian	147	3%
Other Asian	369	7%
African/Middle Eastern/Latin	47	1%
Other	136	2%
New Zealander/Kiwi	83	2%
Other	53	1%
Total	5,470	NA*



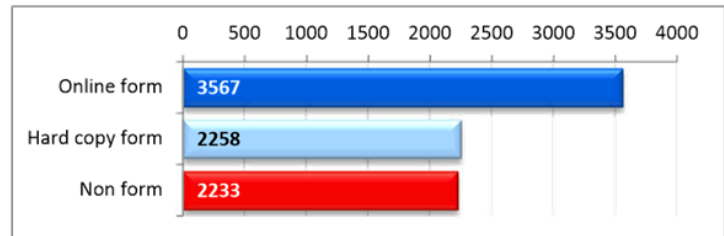
* Does not add to 100% due to some people selecting more than one ethnicity

SUBMISSION TYPE

256 submissions (3%) received were from organisations. The high number of non form submissions is largely due to a pro forma campaign from the Living Wage Aotearoa who generated 1,903 submissions to their pro forma submission in support of the living wage policy.

SUBMISSION TYPE		
Online form	3,567	44%
Hard copy form	2,258	28%
Non form*	2,233	28%
Total	8,058	100%

* Feedback received via anything other than a Council form (e.g. letter, email, pro forma)



SUBMISSION BY LOCAL BOARD

The table below indicates the number of submissions processed by the local board that each submitter lives in.

	Local Board	Total	Percentage
NORTH	Devonport-Takapuna Local Board	257	4%
	Hibiscus and Bays Local Board	351	6%
	Kaipatiki Local Board	316	5%
	Rodney Local Board	354	6%
	Upper Harbour Local Board	218	3%
WEST	Henderson-Massey Local Board	328	5%
	Waitakere Ranges Local Board	228	4%
	Whau Local Board	247	4%
CENTRAL	Albert-Eden Local Board	482	8%
	Great Barrier Local Board	14	<1%
	Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board	227	4%
	Orakei Local Board	397	6%
	Puketapapa Local Board	94	2%
	Waiheke Local Board	54	1%
	Waitemata Local Board	472	8%
SOUTH	Franklin Local Board	198	3%
	Howick Local Board	463	7%
	Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board	211	3%
	Manurewa Local Board	182	3%
	Otara-Papatoetoe Local Board	175	3%
	Papakura Local Board	152	2%
OTHER	Regional (i.e. organisations whose views are not specific to a local area)	53	1%
	Not Supplied (i.e. local board not supplied and unable to be determined)	686	11%
	Outside Auckland	89	1%
	TOTAL	8,058	100%

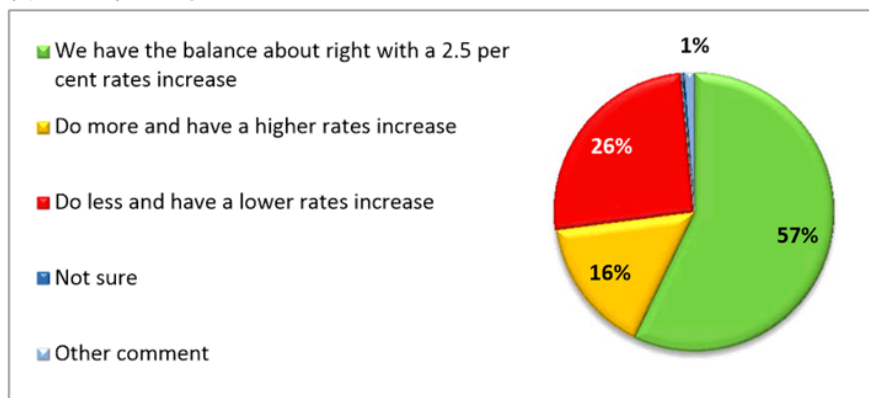
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CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

The graphs below summarise responses to the consultation questions.

Q1. Delivering our planned investments and services will require an average rates increase of 2.5 per cent for 2017/2018. A higher rates increase would enable us to do more, while a lower rates increase would mean we can do less. What do you think?

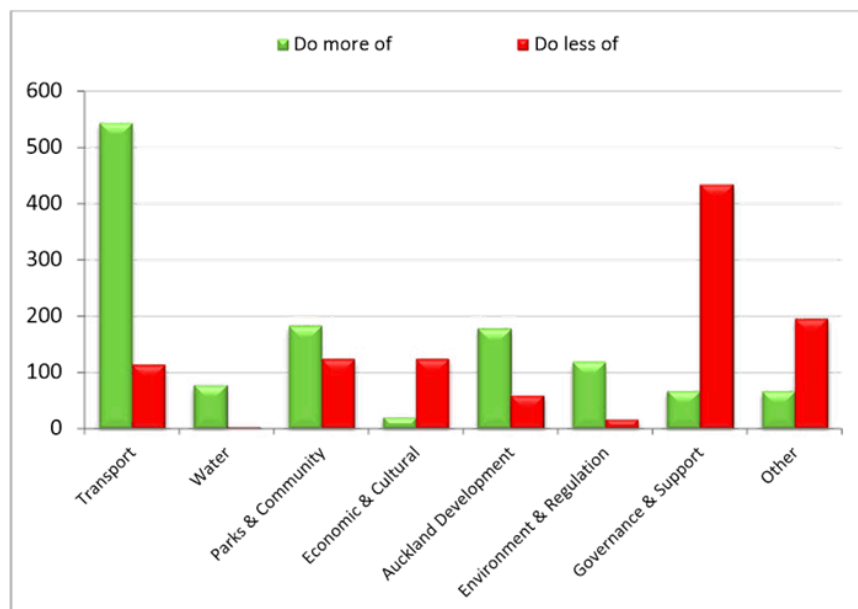
(5,504 responses)



Q1b. What should we do more/less of?

If a submitter selected 'do more and have a **higher** rates increase' they were asked what they thought Council should do **more** of. If a submitter selected 'do less and have a **lower** rates increase' they were asked what they thought Council should do **less** of. Their responses were coded to Council's activity areas below.

(1,697 responses)



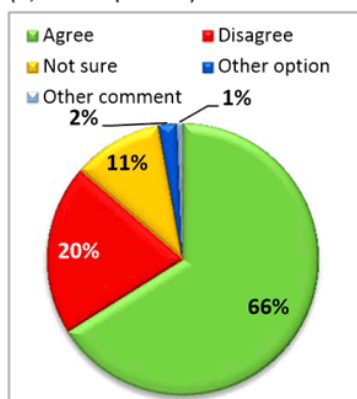
Two common themes emerged in the response to this question:

1. Submitters thought Council should do **more** to improve transport
2. Submitters thought Council should **reduce** the number of staff and/or the amount Council staff are paid.

Q2. The council has been adjusting the share of general rates between businesses and residential ratepayers over time. This has resulted in businesses having a smaller increase than residential ratepayers.

We are proposing that for 2017/2018 both should receive the same rates increase. What do you think?

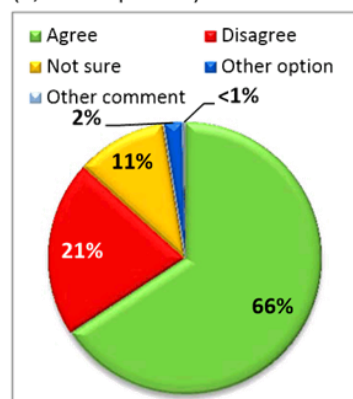
(5,564 responses)



Q3. The council spends \$20-30 million on tourism promotion and major events each year.

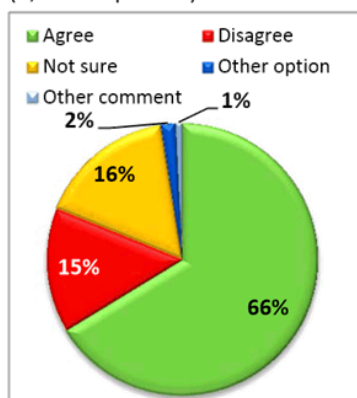
We are proposing to fund this from a targeted rate on accommodation providers rather than general rates. What do you think?

(5,626 responses)



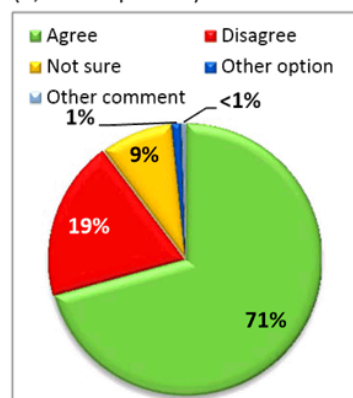
Q4. The council is proposing to change our funding policy to allow infrastructure for new housing developments to be funded by targeted rates, rather than ratepayers across Auckland. What do you think?

(5,500 responses)



Q5. The council is proposing to implement a living wage policy over the council term ending October 2019 to ensure all council staff can afford typical living costs. This would be funded from savings within the existing budgets. What do you think?

(7,411 responses)



OTHER FEEDBACK

The top themes from comments unrelated to the consultation questions are outlined below.

Rank	Theme	Topic	Comments
1	Auckland Development	Homelessness	340
2	Governance and support	Regional governance and organisational support	231
3	Transport	Roads	222
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ADDITIONAL FEEDBACK RECEIVED NOT AS PART OF A SUBMISSION

Overall, a total of 42 events were attended or held by Auckland Council across the region whereby the general public and stakeholder organisations were given opportunities to provide feedback. The format of these events ranged from organised round table discussions with elected members, town hall style meetings where an elected member presented a topic and held a discussion with the public, to drop-in sessions at shopping malls and stalls at existing community events e.g. Pasifika. We received feedback from 1,497 members of the public or stakeholders who attended these events during the consultation period.

A total of 103 pieces of feedback were received via social media, i.e. Facebook and Twitter. In addition, nearly 60 responses were received via 'Up South' regarding the living wage.

Annual Budget 2017/2018 - Local Board budget update

File No.: CP2017/10097

Item 10

Purpose

1. To provide an update on the local board process to finalise the Annual Budget for 2017/2018 and outline local proposals that require Governing Body decisions to enable this process to continue.

Executive summary

2. Following the annual budget consultation, briefing reports on local consultation feedback were provided to local boards in April to inform advocacy and review local priorities.
3. Discussions were held between the Finance and Performance Committee and local boards on key consultation feedback themes, advocacy and local issues prior to budget decisions being made.
4. Following budget decisions made on 1 June 2017, local boards will meet between 1 – 20 June 2017 to adopt Local Board Agreements for 2017/2018, local activity budgets and local fees and charges schedules for 2017/2018.
5. In reviewing local priorities, proposals have been identified by local boards where Governing Body approval is required to enable local boards to continue developing their local board agreement. These proposals are detailed in this report.
6. As part of the local board funding policy, local boards can resolve to defer those projects that are funded by their Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI) operating fund where there was an agreed scope and cost but have not been delivered. The local boards have identified 2016/2017 projects that meet the criteria for deferral to 2017/2018.

Recommendation/s

That the Finance and Performance Committee recommend that the Governing Body:

- a) release reserve funds of \$389,085 held from legacy councils
- b) note that Great Barrier Local Board and Waiheke Local Board have the option to negotiate their Locally Driven Initiatives funding annually with the Governing Body as part of the Local Board Funding Policy
- c) approve a Locally Driven Initiatives increase of \$57,230 for Great Barrier Local Board and \$12,671 for Waiheke Local Board
- d) approve the deferral of the operating budget amount of \$3,086,025 (as detailed in Attachment A to the agenda report) from 2016/2017 to 2017/2018.

Comments

Process

7. In April 2017, local boards received annual budget local consultation feedback briefing reports reflecting views of each local board area. This information was used to support advocacy and review local priorities.
8. On 9 May 2017, a workshop was held between local boards and the Finance and Performance Committee to discuss key consultation feedback themes, advocacy and local issues.

9. Following budget decisions made on 1 June 2017, local boards will meet between 1 – 20 June 2017 to adopt Local Board Agreements for 2017/2018, local activity budgets and local fees and charges schedules for 2017/2018.

Local budgets

10. It is the responsibility of the Governing Body to give approval to each of the following proposals. This approval will enable the local boards to finalise budgets in June 2017.
11. Release of \$389,085 from special reserve funds.

Local Board	Proposal	Amount
Albert-Eden	Release of \$85,491 from the Parking Reserve Fund for a parking project on Alba Road, Epsom	\$85,491
Henderson-Massey	Allocation and use of up to \$120,000 of funds collected by the legacy Waitakere City Council through a Uniform Annual Charge initiated in 2001, to fund the development of a master plan for Harbourview-Orangihina park	\$120,000
Orakei	Release of \$183,594 from the Parking Reserve Fund for the Shore Road East Reserve and Waiatarua Reserve car park upgrades	\$183,594
Total		\$389,085

12. Under the local board funding policy, LDI operational funding for Waiheke and Great Barrier Local Boards is agreed with the Governing Body and able to be negotiated on an annual basis. For all other local boards the LDI budgets were set under the local board funding policy using the formula of 90 per cent population, five per cent deprivation and five per cent land area and cannot be negotiated annually.
13. Additional funding for Great Barrier and Waiheke Local Boards of \$69,901 as part of their annual negotiation process.

Local Board	Proposal	Amount
Great Barrier	Request additional LDI funding to offset the additional costs that arose from the implementation of the empowered communities model	\$57,230
Waiheke	Request additional LDI funding to offset the additional costs that arose from the implementation of the empowered communities model	\$12,671
Total		\$69,901

14. Local boards have identified projects from their LDI operating fund where there was an agreed scope and cost which have not been delivered totaling \$3,086,025. Details of these projects for deferral can be found in Attachment A.
15. Rodney Local Board advises the Governing Body that they no longer wish to take up the option to convert LDI operating expenditure to capital expenditure in the 2017/2018 year for footpath construction as resolved in June 2015. This is based on advice received from Auckland Transport.

Consideration

Local board views and implications

16. Local board views and advocacy were expressed through a workshop held between local boards and the Finance and Performance Committee on 9 May 2017.
17. A summary of advocacy, key consultation feedback themes and local priorities is outlined in the Local Board Advocacy report on the agenda for this meeting. These should be considered when making final budget decisions.


Māori impact statement

18. Many local board decisions are of importance to, and impact on, Māori. Local board agreements and long-term plans are important tools that enable and demonstrate council's responsiveness to Māori. Local board plans, which were developed in 2014 through engagement with the community including Māori, form the basis of local priorities.
19. There is a need to continue to build relationships between local boards and iwi and, where relevant, the wider Māori community. Ongoing conversations will assist local boards and Māori to understand each other's priorities and issues. This in turn can influence and encourage Māori participation in council's decision-making processes. In particular, local board plans and budget decisions made today will influence future annual budgets and local board agreements for 2017/2018 and beyond.

Implementation

20. Following budget decisions made on 1 June 2017, local boards will meet between 1 – 20 June 2017 to adopt Local Board Agreements for 2017/2018, local activity budgets and local fees and charges schedules for 2017/2018.

Attachments

No.	Title	Page
A 	LDI Opex projects for deferral	103

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Attachment A – Local board Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI) projects for deferral

Local boards have identified projects from their Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI) operating fund where there was an agreed scope and cost which have not been delivered in 2016/2017 totalling \$3,086,025. As per the local board funding policy, these are able to be deferred to the 2017/2018 financial year.

Local Board	Project name	Budget to defer
Albert-Eden	Sports and recreation facility investigation fund	20,000
Albert-Eden	Pa Harakeke planting and maintenance at Walmer Reserve	16,000
Albert-Eden	Maori Cultural heritage study	10,000
Albert-Eden	Greenwoods Corner and Sandringham Town Centre transformation	50,000
Albert-Eden	Identify and design upgrades to community facilities	60,000
Devonport-Takapuna	Takapuna Camping Ground EOI process	50,000
Devonport-Takapuna	Korean Garden Grants	150,000
Franklin	LED programme Hunua Cycle Trail	25,000
Franklin	LED programme - Tongzhu	6,000
Franklin	Community safety - NS/Civil Defence	30,000
Great Barrier	Heritage Planning	5,000
Great Barrier	Marine Protection Initiative	20,000
Great Barrier	Biodiversity/biosecurity officer (part time)	25,000
Great Barrier	Social enterprise	10,000
Great Barrier	View shaft extension	5,000
Henderson Massey	Migrant Business support	4,500
Hibiscus and Bays	Youth Development (Youth Panel Initiatives)	20,000
Hibiscus Bays	Actions from centre plans	151,000
Hibiscus Bays	Capacity building programme	45,000
Hibiscus Bays	Greenways plans	84,000
Hibiscus Bays	LDI Parks Volunteers	25,000
Hibiscus Bays	Metropark changing room	20,000
Hibiscus Bays	Reserve management plans opex	30,000
Hibiscus Bays	Sherwood toilet planning	50,000
Howick	Green Assets	50,000
Howick	Youth focussed facility	30,000
Howick	Community Arts Programmes	38,000
Howick	Local Arts Grants	25,000
Howick	Facility Partnerships	300,000
Howick	Local community grants	235,000
Kaipātiki	Economic Development Initiatives - Highbury impact assessment	15,000
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	Mangere Town Centre Collective Promotion	20,000
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	Mangere-Otahuhu LED Action Plan Implementation	10,000
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	Assess options for multi-use facility in Mangere East	50,000
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	Teaching Gardens Otahuhu	12,000

Local Board	Project name	Budget to defer
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	Community safety	20,000
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	Mangere Arts Centre Business Plan Initiative	35,000
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	Activation of Parks	8,000
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	CCTV and town centre safety initiatives	20,000
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	Housing Quality Improvement Project	32,000
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	Capacity building programme	45,000
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	PO2312198 - Community Places programme top	14,000
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	Art in public places	45,000
Ōrākei	Coastal ecological restoration - Hobson Bay Mangrove	64,000
Ōrākei	Coastal ecological restoration - Tahuna Torea Mangrove	60,000
Ōrākei	OBAG state of basin/management plan revision	5,000
Ōrākei	Enhancing council-owned heritage features area	75,000
Ōrākei	Local economic development planning initiatives	25,000
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	Skills Shed operations	30,000
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	Pursuit of Excellence Award	15,000
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	Local Arts Grants	15,000
Papakura	Mangrove removal	300,000
Papakura	Community Arts Programmes	30,000
Puketāpapa	Community Arts Programmes	5,000
Puketāpapa	Mt. Roskill Village revitalisation	25,000
Puketāpapa	Revitalisation of town centres	10,000
Rodney	Feasibility Study Kumeu Arts Centre	15,000
Rodney	Rodney Econ Development Implementation Plan	25,000
Rodney	Feasibility study for swimming pool	40,000
Rodney	Design the upgrade of indoor facilities - community partnership	19,000
Upper Harbour	Opening of Albany Coco (Hub)	10,000
Waiheke	Networks for walking, cycling and horse riding (Greenways Plan)	20,000
Waitākere Ranges	Local Parks design guidelines	10,000
Waitākere Ranges	Gateway Signs	40,000
Waitākere Ranges	WHRA residents pack	15,000
Waitematā	Good Citizens Award	5,000
Waitematā	Community Empowerment Fund	30,000
Waitematā	Facility partnership programme	20,000
Waitematā	Local plan for MOTAT, Western Springs, Auckland Zoo and Seddon Fields	20,000
Waitematā	Western Springs native bush restoration plan	186,000
Waitematā	Youth Hub feasibility	15,000
Whau	Avondale development	16,000
Whau	Greenways plan	20,000
Whau	Migrant Business support	5,525
TOTAL		3,086,025

Annual Budget 2017/2018 - local board feedback

File No.: CP2017/10035

Item 11

Purpose

1. To provide local board feedback on regional financial policy issues, key advocacy issues, Business Improvement District (BID) targeted rates, and local targeted rates, for the Finance and Performance Committee's consideration when agreeing the 2017/2018 budgets.

Executive summary

2. Local boards, in fulfilling their role in council's shared governance model, have been providing feedback and views on various issues as part of the annual budget process. This has included considering:
 - regional issues (rates increase, rating stability, paying for tourism promotion, paying for housing infrastructure, paying council staff a living wage)
 - other changes for 2017/2018 (waste management and charges, mass transit network, SkyPath implementation, collaborations on reducing homelessness)
 - key initiatives for business case development that the local boards would like to progress through the local board plan and Long-term Plan processes
 - BID targeted rates
 - local targeted rates.
3. Local boards have now considered the feedback received for their local area, from public consultation which took place between 27 February and 27 March 2017, and resolved on these issues.
4. This report summarises the feedback from local boards, and focuses on common themes. As such, it does not include all of the matters raised in local board resolutions. A complete list of local board advocacy priorities is included in Attachment A, and a complete set of the local board resolutions on regional issues, advocacy, BID targeted rates, and local targeted rates can be found in Attachment B.
5. Key themes arising from those local boards that resolved on regional financial policy issues included:
 - support for reducing the rates increase from 3.5 per cent to 2.5 per cent
 - support for both businesses and residential ratepayers receiving the same rates increase
 - support for changing council's Revenue and Financing Policy to allow for the use of targeted rates, alongside existing growth charges, to fund infrastructure for new houses
 - support for paying council staff a living wage.
6. Local boards had differing views on whether to pay for tourism promotion through a targeted rate on accommodation providers.
7. In general, the advocacy issues raised by local boards had a focus on what will be required to cope with the demands of Auckland's projected population growth, development and intensification. The key themes include:
 - the need for integrated transport infrastructure to support growth and development, including various transport improvements, particularly roading and rail priorities, and well-connected networks
 - the provision of community facilities (including pools, multi-use sports and recreation facilities), particularly to accommodate growth
 - addressing environmental concerns, such as coastal erosion, pest and weed management, waste management and water quality issues.

8. Some boards provided views on BID targeted rates matters.
9. Māngere-Ōtāhuhu and Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Boards resolved on local targeted rates.

Recommendation/s

That the Finance and Performance Committee:

- a) when agreeing 2017/2018 budgets, consider feedback from local boards on regional financial policy issues, advocacy and proposals for Business Improvement District (BID) targeted rates and local targeted rates.

Comments

10. Local board views are summarised below and their resolutions in full can be found in Attachment B.

Rates increase

11. Based on an assumption of future savings being achieved, council had previously projected that an average rates increase of 3.5 per cent would be needed for 2017/2018 to deliver our planned investments and services.
12. The latest review of council budgets identified additional savings that would allow council to deliver the same things for approximately \$15 million less. These savings could be used to reduce the rates increase for 2017/2018 from 3.5 per cent to 2.5 per cent. Any further revenue reductions would put council's Standard and Poor's credit rating (AA) at risk, resulting in higher interest costs and requiring decisions about reducing investment or services. As part of consultation on the annual budget, council sought the community's views on options for rates increases of 2.0, 2.5 or 3.5 per cent.
13. The majority of local boards that provided views on this issue supported reducing the rates increase from 3.5 per cent to 2.5 per cent:
 - the following local boards supported reducing the rates increase from 3.5 per cent to 2.5 per cent: Devonport-Takapuna, Hibiscus and Bays, Kaipātiki, Māngere-Ōtāhuhu, Maungakiekie-Tāmaki, Ōtara-Papatoetoe, Puketāpapa, Rodney, Upper Harbour, Waiheke, Waitemātā, and Whau Local Boards
 - there was no support for a rates increase of 2.0 per cent from any of the local boards
 - Henderson-Massey, Manurewa, and Waitākere Ranges Local Boards supported maintaining a rate increase of 3.5 per cent
 - Great Barrier Local Board supports a 3 per cent increase due to the extent of spending needed to deliver planned investments and services and it notes that Aucklanders' rates are significantly lower than elsewhere in NZ
 - Ōrākei Local Board noted that 81 per cent of respondents in the Ōrākei Local Board area indicated that they did not want a rates increase any higher than 2.5 per cent.

Rating stability

14. Council's current long-term rates differential strategy involves progressively moving to lower rates for businesses by shifting some of the general rates coming from business ratepayers to residential ratepayers over time (32.7% of general rates coming from businesses in 2016/2017 to 25.8% in equal steps by 2036/2037). Consultation sought the community's views on changing council policy so council pauses this reduction for 2017/2018 and both businesses and residential ratepayers receive the same rates increase.

15. Most local boards that provided views on this issue supported both businesses and residential ratepayers receiving the same rates increase:

- the following local boards supported a pause in business reduction: Albert-Eden, Devonport-Takapuna, Great Barrier, Henderson-Massey, Hibiscus and Bays, Kaipātiki, Manurewa, Maungakiekie-Tāmaki, Ōrākei, Papakura, Puketāpapa, Rodney, Waiheke, Waitākere Ranges, Waitematā, and Whau Local Boards.

Paying for tourism promotion

16. The council currently spends \$27.8 million on visitor attraction and major events funded by general rates from Auckland ratepayers. The Consultation Document sought the community's views on a proposal to free up these general rates by funding visitor attraction and major events with a targeted rate on commercial accommodation providers. The ratepayer funding freed up will be available for new infrastructure investments, including transport infrastructure projects.
17. The local boards that provided views on this issue had differing views on whether to free up general rates by funding visitor attraction and major events with a targeted rate on commercial accommodation providers:
- Funding tourism promotion and major events from a targeted rate on accommodation providers was supported by Albert-Eden, Henderson-Massey, Kaipātiki, Ōrākei, Puketāpapa, Rodney, Waitematā, and Whau Local Boards.
 - Henderson-Massey Local Board believes that coverage should be universal, and notes that Airbnb businesses may not be covered by the targeted rate, creating a market distortion. The board also supports continued advocacy to central government for a more nuanced means of collection, such as taxes on overseas visitors
 - Ōrākei Local Board supports the targeted rate in principle for all commercial accommodation providers, subject to any necessary amendments which ensure practicality and fairness
 - Puketāpapa Local Board supports in principle the targeted rate with consideration to be given to any necessary amendments to recognise geographic location and type of accommodation to allow for practicality and equity
 - Rodney Local Board supports the proposed targeted rate noting that it is anticipated that Rodney will be excluded from the target area in the amended proposal.
 - Devonport-Takapuna, Great Barrier, Manurewa, Maungakiekie-Tāmaki, Papakura, Waiheke and Waitākere Ranges Local Boards did not support a targeted rate on accommodation providers:
 - Great Barrier Local Board noted it does not support this targeted rate as there are only a small number of licensed accommodation providers on Great Barrier Island that would be levied whereas there are numerous unlicensed accommodation providers who would not be included
 - Manurewa Local Board notes of the 182 Manurewa submitters there was 57% support for a targeted rate on accommodation providers. The board also notes there was a limited amount of information pertaining to the targeted rate for the community or the local board to give an informed response
 - Papakura Local Board considers that the targeted rate would add to already high accommodation costs and were concerned that the rate did not cover the wider tourist industry
 - Waiheke Local Board noted that while the board notes the proposed targeted rate on accommodation providers was supported in community feedback, it believes that it is hard to apply a genuinely fair 'user pays' policy to the tourism industry

- Waitākere Ranges Local Board is not against a form of levy for international tourists to be used for improvement of infrastructure and addressing visitor impact. The board is concerned that the current proposal may impact smaller local providers in a disproportionate way and has potential to diminish the level of council control over Auckland Tourism, Events and Economic Development. The local board considers that this should be a central government and industry-led process such as a bed or airport tax.
- Hibiscus and Bays Local Board supports the principle that central accommodation providers should help fund tourism promotion costs however feels that a city tax may be a fairer way to apply this
- Māngere-Ōtāhuhu and Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Boards noted that tourist operators should be contributing to the infrastructure costs to council that arise from tourism. Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board noted this would be subject to any necessary amendments to give consideration to differing levels of targeted rate based on geographic location and type of accommodation to ensure practicality and fairness
- Upper Harbour Local Board noted from limited feedback, there is support in principle for this targeted rate, subject to the refinement of the implementation mechanisms.

Paying for housing infrastructure

18. Council's consultation sought the community's views on changing council's Revenue and Financing Policy to allow for the use of targeted rates, alongside existing growth charges, to fund infrastructure for new houses.
19. Most local boards that provided views on this issue supported changing council's Revenue and Financing Policy to allow for the use of targeted rates:
 - Proposed changes to the Revenue and Financing Policy were supported by Albert-Eden, Devonport-Takapuna, Great Barrier, Henderson-Massey, Hibiscus and Bays, Kaipātiki, Manurewa, Maungakiekie-Tāmaki, Ōrākei, Puketāpapa, Rodney, Upper Harbour, Waiheke, Waitemātā, and Whau Local Boards
 - Henderson-Massey Local Board noted that the board is concerned that the targeted rate proposed may not assist in equality of access to services with those who can afford it getting immediate access. This may result in a widening of inequality between areas of the city. The board appreciates the approach of looking for alternative funding sources and would support further investigation of different mechanisms
 - Māngere-Ōtāhuhu and Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Boards noted the money raised should be fairly allocated to infrastructure within the local board's area
 - Papakura Local Board understands the high costs of infrastructure and the need to pay for it. However, the board is concerned that by using a targeted rate developers will transfer this cost onto potential occupiers leading to rising house prices
 - Waitākere Ranges Local Board supported in principle the costs of new housing infrastructure growth being met at least in part by developers through the use of targeted rates over agreed development areas. The board considers housing infrastructure to be a government issue in terms of unchecked regional growth, lack of a comprehensive government policy, and of availability of alternative funding sources.

Paying council staff a living wage

20. A living wage is defined as the income necessary to provide workers and their families with the basic necessities of life, to live with dignity and to participate as active citizens in society. It is currently \$19.80 per hour based on the published rate by Living Wage Movement Aotearoa New Zealand and council estimates it may increase to be around \$20.20 per hour in 2017/18 based on council projections. At present around 2,200 staff employed by the council and its substantive council-controlled organisations (CCOs) earn less than \$20.20 per hour. Consultation sought the community's views on implementing a living wage policy for staff of Auckland Council and its substantive CCOs, commencing late 2017.

21. The majority of the local boards that provided views on this issue supported a living wage:
- Paying council staff a living wage was supported by Albert-Eden, Devonport-Takapuna, Great Barrier, Henderson-Massey, Hibiscus and Bays, Kaipātiki, Māngere-Ōtāhuhu, Manurewa, Maungakiekie-Tāmaki, Ōtara-Papatoetoe, Puketāpapa, Upper Harbour, Waiheke, Waitākere Ranges, Waitematā, and Whau Local Boards, with a few local boards also mentioning the inclusion of CCOs and contractors.
 - Albert-Eden Local Board requested that this is implemented in a financially prudent way and doesn't have the unintended consequence of job losses
 - Devonport-Takapuna Local Board supported this proposal, as long as this does not result in service level reductions, and is funded from savings
 - Henderson-Massey Local Board noted council should be seen as leaders in the community and in the business world as a good employer. Implementation of a living wage has obvious benefits for the workers, but also assists with positive perceptions of Auckland Council as a whole. The living wage policy will have a disproportionately positive effect for Māori and Pacific workers, and also will provide benefits in gender pay equality.
 - Papakura Local Board supported the living wage morally as a concept. However, the board questions how council will be able to fund this and is concerned about the budget implications and further savings required if such a policy was to be implemented
 - Ōrākei Local Board noted that this initiative was the proposal least supported by Ōrākei Local Board residents.

Other changes for 2017/2018

22. Local board views on other matters outlined in the annual budget consultation documents are set out below.

Waste management and charges

23. As part of the Waste Management and Minimisation Plan, Auckland Council has successfully introduced region-wide inorganic and recycling collections and is establishing a network of Community Recycling Centres. In 2017/2018 every ratepayer will be provided with the same inorganic collections and recycling services, funded by a standard region-wide rate of \$102 (including GST). The new recycling service will offer all residents the choice of a 120, 240 or 360 litre bin. The council will charge an additional \$62 per annum for an additional bin and will no longer provide a free commercial cardboard collection in selected town centres and commercial areas in the former Rodney, North Shore and Waitakere council areas. Council is also introducing 120 litre bins for rubbish collection in the former Manukau area, with the option of requesting a larger 240 litre bin for an additional \$55 per year.
24. The local boards that provided views on this issue had differing views:
- Hibiscus and Bays Local Board supported this initiative
 - Kaipātiki Local Board did not support removing the free cardboard collection offered in the town centres in Kaipātiki
 - Manurewa Local Board did not support a change from a weekly to fortnightly rubbish collection (non-food) or residents having to pay for a larger wheelie bin
 - Waitematā Local Board would like to see the fostering of composting and a free collection of food waste for those who don't or can't compost.

Mass transit network

25. Auckland continues to face serious transport access issues involving the city centre, the inner suburbs, the Airport and the South. In 2017/2018, \$40 million is budgeted for AT to progress work to determine an effective public transport solution to this issue

26. This initiative was supported by Hibiscus and Bays, Manurewa, Papakura and Waitematā Local Boards:
- Waitematā Local Board supported this proposal and would like to see the early introduction of light rail from the city centre and along Dominion Road and on other routes on the isthmus as well as an appropriate form of rail transport to the airport.
27. Kaipātiki Local Board advocated for planning for a mass transit network to be developed to the North Shore which includes services to meet the needs of Kaipātiki residents.

SkyPath implementation

28. The SkyPath is a pathway attachment to the Auckland Harbour Bridge which completes a missing link in the walking and cycling network. The private sector would fund (by pedestrian and cyclist user charges) the construction and operation of SkyPath. On 28 July 2016, the Governing Body agreed to proceed with the SkyPath project and make a budget provision in the Annual Budget 2017/2018 and the Long-term Plan 2018-2028.
29. This initiative was supported by Kaipātiki and Waitematā local boards.
- Kaipātiki Local Board advocated for Seapath (naturepath) to be ready for when Skypath is completed
 - Waitematā Local Board is keen to see the Skypath accompanied by improved walking and cycling links from it and development of a park at the southern side.

Collaborations on reducing homelessness

30. Auckland faces a significant challenge in relation to homelessness. A budget of \$500,000 is proposed for the council to play a coordinating role bringing together central government agencies like Housing New Zealand, Ministry of Social Development, District Health Boards and Police with non-governmental organisations (NGOs), private businesses supporting the homeless and groups representing the homeless.
31. This was supported by the Hibiscus and Bays, Kaipātiki, Māngere-Ōtāhuhu, Manurewa, and Waitematā Local Boards.

Other issues

32. Under the Local Boards Funding Policy, funding for expenditure on local activities for Great Barrier and Waiheke local boards is agreed with the Governing Body each year.
33. Great Barrier and Waiheke local boards requested that their Locally Driven Initiative (LDI) budgets be adjusted annually for inflation.
34. Great Barrier and Waiheke Local Boards requested additional LDI funding to offset the additional costs imposed under the empowered communities model overhead calculation on the basis that the boards' LDI funding is fixed and adversely impacted by this increase:
- Great Barrier Local Board requests LDI funding of \$57,230
 - Waiheke Local Board requests LDI funding of \$12,671.
35. Recommendations and decisions in relation to the additional LDI funding requests are being considered in the Local Board Budget Update report for the Finance and Performance Committee's consideration on 1 June 2017.

Key advocacy themes

36. Each year, as part of Annual Plan and Long-term Plan processes, local boards identify initiatives they would like the Governing Body to consider funding.
37. This triennium, a longer term approach is being taken for local board advocacy initiatives. The approach seeks to provide more comprehensive information on a narrower range of initiatives to progress through the Long-term Plan process.

38. Local boards have a wide range of advocacy items but after considering public feedback from consultation on advocacy issues, most local boards (at their May 2017 business meetings) identified one key priority or initiative that they would like the organisation to provide advice on. Some boards identified additional advocacy issues, including some issues in common.
39. There are common issues across many local boards, including:
- the need for integrated transport infrastructure to support growth and development, including various transport improvements, particularly roading and rail priorities, and well-connected networks
 - the provision of community facilities (including pools, multi-use sports and recreation facilities), particularly to accommodate growth
 - addressing environmental concerns, such as coastal erosion, pest and weed management, waste management and water quality issues.

Key priorities for the organisation to work on

40. The one key initiative identified by local boards at their May 2017 meetings for business case development and to progress through the local board plan and Long-term Plan processes, are:

Local Board	Key advocacy initiative
Albert-Eden	Funding to implement the future stages of the Chamberlain Park Master Plan
Devonport-Takapuna	Lake Road upgrade budget prioritisation
Franklin	Best use of council assets in order to provide fit for the future community facilities that cater for population growth
Great Barrier	Advancing alternative energy and sustainability initiatives for the island
Henderson-Massey	Strategic land purchase for recreation purposes
Hibiscus and Bays	Funding for Orewa Beach Esplanade Enhancement Plan
Howick	Assets required to provide fit for the future community facilities that cater for population growth in the Flat Bush area
Kaipātiki	Developing Birkenhead War Memorial Park Reserve, including resolving the recent closure of the grandstand due to its condition
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	Developing the Mangere East precinct as a priority to enhance this centre as a thriving and livable community
Manurewa	<p>Creating, building and sustaining partnerships:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investing in Te Mahia train station • Enabling Manu Tukutuku (Randwick Park) to thrive using a community led approach • Creating a multi-use shared space at War Memorial Park • Progressing the development of the Manurewa town centre <p>[Key part of initiative for business case development to be determined]</p>
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	[Maungakiekie-Tāmaki still determining key initiative for business case development]
Orākei	A feeder link in the Gowing Drive, Meadowbank area that will connect to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	Discontinue the board's payment of interest on borrowing for Colin Dale Park
Papakura	Alleviate traffic congestion through building transport infrastructure before intensification
Puketāpapa	Affordable social housing at Liston Village

Rodney	Access to local indoor sports facilities in Kumeu-Huapai
Upper Harbour	Multi-sport, multi-use indoor recreation facility
Waiheke	Matiatia Strategic Plan and Quality roading and infrastructure
Waitākere Ranges	Full funding and implementation of the Glen Eden Urban Design Framework and Implementation Plan in the next Long-term Plan
Waitematā	Funding, resource and support to deliver Ponsonby Park at 254 Ponsonby Road
Whau	Funding for a Whau pool/recreation centre in Long-term Plan

41. The full set of advocacy initiatives identified by the local boards are compiled in a table in Attachment A and are also included in the full local board resolutions in Attachment B.

Business Improvement District (BID) targeted rates

42. The council is proposing changes to BID targeted rates at the request of the Henderson-Lincoln (new BID), Manukau Central, Wiri and Uptown (extension to BID area) business associations.
43. Some local boards provided views on this issue:
- Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board supported the Governing Body approving the new boundaries for the Wiri and Manukau BIDs
 - Albert-Eden Local Board approves the Uptown Incorporated proposed BID boundary. The board recommends to the Governing Body the striking of the Uptown BID targeted rate amount of \$270,000.
44. BID expansion proposals and changes to other BID rates will be included in the rates setting report scheduled for 29 June 2017. This will allow time for relevant local boards to consider the outcomes of the special general meetings that business associations are required to have prior to adopting an expansion proposal. The rates setting report will note the relevant local board resolutions. At this stage of the annual budget process, Albert-Eden, Devonport-Takapuna and Franklin local boards resolved on BID issues:
- Albert-Eden Local Board would like the Governing Body to strike the targeted rates for the Dominion Road, Kingsland and Mt Eden BID programmes for the 2017/2018 financial year and include these amounts in the 2017/2018 Annual Plan
 - Devonport-Takapuna Local Board would like the Governing Body to strike the targeted rates for the Devonport, Milford and Takapuna BID programmes for the 2017/2018 financial year and include these amounts in the 2017/2018 Annual Plan
 - Franklin Local Board would like the Governing Body to strike the target rate of \$440,000 for the Pukekohe BID programme and \$121,000 for the Waiuku BID programme for the 2017/2018 financial year.

Local targeted rates

45. Some local boards resolved on local targeted rates:
- Māngere-Ōtāhuhu and Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Boards would like the Governing Body to continue with a targeted rate set as a uniform charge per separately used or inhabited part of a property, on residential properties in these local board areas, for the purpose of fully subsidising entry to swimming pools for persons 17 years and over. The rates are estimated to be \$31.06 including GST for Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board area, and \$29.37 including GST for Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board area.

Consideration

Local board views and implications

46. Local boards have been involved at key stages throughout the development of the Annual Budget 2017/2018. Local board views and feedback have been provided in this report.



Māori impact statement

47. Many local board decisions are of importance to and impact on Māori. Local board agreements and the annual budget are important tools that enable and can demonstrate council's responsiveness to Māori. The local board agreement is based on the local board plan and the Annual Budget 2017/2018 which have both been developed through engagement with the community, including Māori. These plans document many initiatives that address Māori aspirations.

Implementation

48. The Governing Body will adopt the Annual Budget 2017/2018 on 29 June 2017.

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Local board advocacy priorities - Annual Budget 2017/2018

Local Board	Advocacy Initiatives
Albert-Eden	Advocate to the Governing Body for funding to implement future stages of the Chamberlain Park Master Plan Advocate to the Governing Body for the continuing provision of aquatic facilities in the Mt Albert area to replace the Mt Albert Aquatic Centre, which is due for replacement in 4 - 7 years Advocate to the Governing Body for a budget for land acquisition in the central isthmus area for open space Advocate to the Governing Body and Auckland Transport for light rail as the mass transit solution for the central isthmus and request that the funding and construction timing is brought forward Advocate to the Governing Body for planning and funding for the future use of land made available for open space due to the transformation of the Unitec Mt Albert campus Lake Road upgrade budget prioritisation
Devonport-Takapuna	New Bayswater Ferry Terminal Ongoing investment and provision for new open spaces Pest and weed management
Franklin	Funding growth: Franklin should receive sufficient growth funding to ensure that projects and initiatives supporting growth can be implemented. Franklin communities are experiencing rapid growth. It is important that growth in Franklin is well-planned and funding is provided for the necessary infrastructure. There is currently a perception that the benefits of development contributions are not directly seen in areas they are collected. To help plan for growth, the board has developed a Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan which will help inform decisions on the future provision of sporting facilities in Franklin. This will guide where growth funding is required. The Auckland Transport Alignment Project (ATAP) sets out priorities for road infrastructure over the next 30 years. Projects relating to Franklin include in 2018-2028, rail electrification to Pukekohe and addressing the bottleneck on the motorway from Papakura to Drury. In 2028-2038, a new strategic road to Pukekohe is included. To fund future transport infrastructure, user-pays funding methods are supported. They are more equitable for rural residents and businesses, ensuring that the burden of funding the transport programme falls more with frequent users of major roads. The retention of the regional transport levy is supported. A review of the levy would be timely, and should include the consideration of central government match funding. The levy is more equitable than a regional fuel tax, which places an unfair burden on members of rural communities who are infrequent users. The introduction of tolls for major road users in the Auckland region is also supported. Tolling encourages car-pooling, fuel saving and travelling at off peak times which helps ease congestion. As an area of high growth (particularly in greenfield areas), it is important that Franklin receives sufficient growth funding to ensure the projects and initiatives supporting growth can be implemented. A regional planning programme is required to enable growth to be well-planned across Franklin, particularly for Beachlands, Waiuku and Drury. Coastal erosion: A regional approach should be taken to funding the management of coastal erosion, as part of the implementation of the regional Coastal Management Strategic Plan. Franklin Local Board does not have the ability to address the erosion issues on our large coastlines to the west and east effectively. Management of coastal erosion should be dealt with on a regional basis, rather than individually by local boards. This would provide a consistent regional approach and cost savings. Implementation of the regional Coastal Management Strategic Plan with associated regional funding should be a priority to ensure erosion issues are dealt with in a consistent and timely way across the region. Fit for purpose and safe roads: Rural roads should be fit for purpose and safe, including consideration of projected growth. Increased levels of traffic caused by growth require some rural roads to deal with higher volumes of traffic than originally intended. Routes used by heavy industry, particularly quarry trucks, need to be improved and made safer for all users. Implementation of recommendations in the Self Explaining Rural Roads (SERR) project across Franklin should be given priority by Auckland Transport to ensure safety issues are addressed and roads are safe for all forms of transport. The impact that projected future growth will have with regards to the increased usage of rural roads also needs to be considered. Local paths and trails: Local paths and trails should be viewed as part of a regional and national network and not only for local benefit. Many local boards have now developed plans for a network of walking and cycling paths in their area. More investment is required to implement the paths across the region. Paths are not solely for the use of those living in a particular local board area; they are a regional network and need to be considered as such. Regional partnerships with external organisations, such as the Walking Access Commission, local businesses and service clubs would help facilitate the development of the paths network. It would also help to ensure that links to national initiatives, such as the Te Araroa Walkway, are made.
Great Barrier	All our main communities will have cell phone and internet coverage within five years: We have spent over \$600,000 of our LDI to install new cellphone facilities in Medlands and Okiwi. We are seeking support for investigations into extending cellphone coverage to communities without adequate or any service Retrofit all council buildings to run on alternative energy. Investigate the feasibility of a solar powered electric vehicle charging station. Over time, replace the council's vehicle fleet with electrical vehicles: We request that council lead the way in operating in a more sustainable way both regionally and on island, by: • Installing alternative energy systems for its council buildings. • Investigating electric vehicle infrastructure for an on island fleet. Fund courses to upskill our community : We request assistance to advocate to the Ministry of Education for an on island Learning Hub that can be used for the correspondence school children and for adult upskilling classes. Lead the Auckland region on ecological enhancement, sustainability, and renewable energy use: We are currently funding extra costs of mechanical weed management in parks and seek governing body and Auckland Transport support for moving towards herbicide free weed management practises island wide. Increase regional road seal budgets so key roads can get sealed. Investigate environmentally friendly products for our unsealed residential roads to reduce dust nuisance: We seek more budget towards road sealing on Great Barrier and an interim solution with dust suppression. Our ferry and air services will meet our communities' needs: We request that Auckland Transport begin a full review of the current and future needs of our wharves We are seeking that Great Barrier and Waiheke LDI budgets be adjusted annually for inflation as unlike the other 19 boards we don't get population increase adjustments The empowered communities overhead has added \$57,230 to our limited LDI opex budget. Great Barrier & Waiheke have fixed LDI which don't change as populations grow unlike the other 19 boards so are disadvantaged by this. We seek additional LDI funding to offset these costs.
Henderson-Massey	Strategic land purchase for recreation purposes: Advocate to ensure provision of a swimming pool, sports fields and local community facilities to service the rapidly expanding NorthWest area including Red Hills. More people living in Henderson: Resource Panuku to effectively work in partnership with appropriate Council departments and external stakeholders for regeneration and successful residential growth in Henderson.
Hibiscus and Bays	Funding for Orewa Beach Esplanade Enhancement Plan Deliver Penlink earlier Realign of the East Coast Road/Lonely Track/Glenvar Roads Intersection

Howick	Budget in the Long-term Plan 2015-2025 (LTP) for the aquatic facility (at Ormiston Town Centre, Flat Bush) to be brought forward from FY2021 to FY2018.
	Continued development of the multi-use community facility and library at Flat Bush
	Continued development of the Pakuranga – Reeves Road Flyover.
	Prioritise public transport projects and address traffic congestion issues including East/West connections and SMART projects with a focus on the linkages in and out of the Howick area
	Development contributions collected to be used in the respective local board area
	Development of a consistent regional funding approach in response to managing coastal erosion and beach replenishment
	Supports investment in infrastructure in existing and new areas of growth
	Supports the identification of private as a controlled pest species to enable council enforcement
Kaipātiki	Provision for quality public realm, public art and community facilities investment in Northcote to support and complement the Panuku Development Auckland and Homes, Land and Community's planned investments to make Northcote an exemplar for urban renewal
	Continued investment into the implementation of the Kaipātiki Connections Network Plan (2016), including an emphasis on connections to schools, local urban centres, sports facilities and along the coast
	Support the implementation of the Pest Free Kaipātiki strategy (2016) by resourcing the components which are council responsibilities and refining council and council controlled organisation delivery models to enable the successful delivery of this community-led initiative
	Ensure our community and arts facilities are 'resourced for success' by providing sufficient operational funding grants and support for capital works where required to provide an equitable level of base funding to that provided elsewhere in the region
	Ensure the 'fit for future' initiative doesn't negatively impact the community satisfaction with libraries in Kaipātiki
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	Māngere East Precinct: A priority focus and initiatives to enhance this centre as a thriving, liveable community: The Māngere East area requires coordinated investment for planning and implementation. The local community facilities are rundown, old or not fit for use. A community facility needs assessment was completed in 2015 and next steps need to be progressed. For this, coordinated planning and investment is vital to shape a high-quality built area for a liveable community. The local board requests the governing body commit to capital funding through the next review of the Long-term Plan (LTP) for delivery of the Community Facilities Network Plan. Further to coordinate work through Panuku Development Auckland and Auckland Transport to focus on Māngere East area to develop this centre as a liveable community
	Waste management and our environment: The city's waste-minimisation plan implementation requires that communities are prepared, equipped and supported to reach waste reduction targets. There is a need to get communities ready for change and finding opportunities in the way waste will be managed. Proactive support at this stage of the roll-out of changes in how council manages waste is important. This needs to be for multiple actions - communication, engagement, encouraging social enterprise and community-led initiatives. Ongoing work to develop local community recycling centres and waste reduction is a priority in the southern area. The board requests continued action for the regional scoping exercise to investigate the siting of various regional resource recovery centres and support for local community recycling centres
	Fund the Portage Spatial Priority Area project: The Portage project is a priority for the local area and the site is of national significance. This is also a work stream of the Otāhuhu-Middlemore Spatial Priority Area, however no funding has been prioritised for this project. The board advocates that this project is funded in the next LTP budget, including exploring funds from council departments that are involved in this spatial priority area's work streams
	Boarding houses and high quality neighbourhoods: The Māngere-Ōtāhuhu local board area has seen gradual proliferation of boarding houses and council's investigation has confirmed very poor standards and breaches of the building code on these sites. The board recognises the pressure on land, need for affordable housing and a range of provision for all. However the concern is that this is at the cost of deteriorating neighbourhoods and poor living standards in the area. There is a need for balanced, planned growth that is monitoring for the environmental impacts - traffic, noise- as there is also an "intensification by stealth" taking place. Currently, council has limited means to assess or address the impacts of the proliferation of boarding houses. The board continues to advocate for better monitoring of boarding houses. It must ensure that building code standards and a decent standard of living are maintained. Currently, council has limited means to assess or address the impacts of the proliferation of boarding houses. Data from regular monitoring can better improve boarding house conditions for the tenants.
	Alcohol harm minimisation initiatives: Supporting community voice and empowerment. Reducing harm from alcohol in the local communities is of high priority for Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board. The Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act (the Act) came into effect in late 2013. The Local Alcohol Policy, a key instrument for addressing the negative impacts of alcohol on our communities, is yet to be finalised. The board will continue to supporting local communities to have their say through the hearings processes afforded them by the recent legislation. There are challenges for the community in responding to issues surrounding reducing harm from alcohol. Inaccessible language used by the District License Committee (DLC), inconsistency in decisions across the region and limited integration to address signage inconsistencies between by-laws, district plans and those resulting through DLC decisions are key examples. The board will continue to voice their concerns to ensure that these issues are identified and addressed as it is critical to assess the overall success of the act in achieving its intent. The board seeks a framework to monitor the success of the Act in practice and consideration of legislative change
	Development of an Auckland gateway programme: Leverage key opportunities with major stakeholders like Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) and to utilise the unique natural and cultural characteristics of Māngere-Ōtāhuhu to achieve economic outcomes. The airport is New Zealand's gateway to the world. Their longer term plans to be a major hub connecting Asia and South America over the next 30 years, second runway offer opportunities for partnerships and attracting tourism. Council's investment in the Otāhuhu-Middlemore Spatial Priority Area, Greenways and Local Paths can be leveraged for economic and community outcomes by aligning efforts with stakeholders. The board sees potential to achieve local as well as citywide aspirations of more jobs via new industry growth, support for Māori tourism and heritage tourism initiatives – such as "Ōtāhuhu Portage Crossing" project – narrowest part of the North Island. The board request Auckland Tourism, Events and Economic Development (ATEED) to prioritise a gateway programme in the local board area to establish and grow Auckland's cultural and heritage tourism industry
	To advocate for heavy rail as the preferred option, and include light rail for central city (CBD) to airport under the Rapid Rail model: The airport to CBD rapid transit project has long-term strategic importance for Auckland's future commuter and freight. The current selection for light rail between central Auckland and Māngere fails to consider major growth implications for areas in the south, north and west. Auckland's strategic long-term transport security for both commuter and industrial heavy freight will not be served by the current plans for industry. The board would like that the Rapid Rail to support heavy and light rail link to the airport option is reconsidered and requests Governing body and Auckland Transport investigate into the heavy rail option

Manurewa	<p>Creating, Building and Sustaining Partnerships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investing in Te Mahia train station Enabling Manu Tukutuku (Randwick Park) to thrive using a community led approach Creating a multi-use shared space at War Memorial Park Progressing the development of the Manurewa town centre <p>Waste management and recycling processes and activation of the Southern resource recovery centre</p> <p>Intensification and improvement of the delivery of hard/soft infrastructure</p> <p>Retention of Onehunga port in public ownership as a local asset: Acquire the Port of Onehunga following the anticipated East West Link construction and investigate the potential for retaining and managing this as a local asset. Advice is being sought on potential options for revenue generation from a future port development that will directly benefit the local board and local communities. The local board would also like to seek, through discussions between Governing Body and NZTA/Central government, the gifting of the port as part of a mitigation package for the East West Link.</p> <p>Ruapotaka and Maybury Reserves masterplan implementation: Secure investments and improvements to the cluster of community buildings in Ruapotaka Reserve and Maybury Reserve</p> <p>Addressing coastal erosion: Put in place coastal protection measures in some of the local coastal areas that are experiencing coastal erosion with a focus on prioritising action at Pt England, Wai-o Taiki Bay and Dunkirk Reserve.</p> <p>Undergrounding of Transpower transmission lines in Onehunga: Advocate to Transpower Ltd for the burial of transmission lines and removal of pylons in and around the Onehunga foreshore.</p> <p>For the Ōrākei Local Board to continue advocating for a Gowing Drive area feeder link to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path;</p> <p>To end the subsidies provided towards venue hire for specific groups and encouraging them to apply via the contestable local board grants rounds;</p> <p>To discontinue the Winter Splash event and to not implement an additional Movies in Parks event</p>
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	<p>Discontinue paying interest on borrowing for Colin Dale Park: Review the ongoing liability of \$280k pa for debt servicing, because it is an unfair burden on the board (16% LDI), reducing the board's place making and community programmes, and the rest of Auckland should be contributing.</p> <p>Refurbish and Renewal of community and sports facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kingswood Reserve – new changing room/toilet block Hayman Park – new playground Papatoetoe Recreation Reserve – new artificial surface playing field Papatoetoe Town Hall and Chambers, East Tāmaki Community Centre. Manukau Sports Bowl – development for athletics Rongomai Reserve- sand carpet for playing fields Te Puke o Tara Sports Park – new changing room/toilet block Complete the renewal of the Ōtara Creek footbridge. <p>Request policy reviews to the district licensing committee model: The District Licensing Committee (DLC) model is not improving the alcohol fuelled harm in the local area. Request policy reviews to the district licensing committee model The board will continue to support the community in the alcohol objectives hearings.</p> <p>Support Smokefree programmes and policies that limit Pokies, Psychoactive substances shops: The board will continue to provide input into relevant policies, and continue to advocate for 'Sinking Lid' policies Co-funding agreements with Health providers, and other groups that support Minimising Pokie machines and Psychoactive shops; support Smokefree Programmes</p> <p>Manage the impact of street prostitution: On-going advocacy. No funding required at this stage, as this policy needs to be reviewed after the Local Bill was rejected.</p> <p>Improve water quality of the harbours and improve the regional Waste Management: Ask GB to prioritise the remediation of Otara Lake, and improve the water quality of the lake, and streams flowing into the lake. Also ask GB to improve the regional Waste Management and Watercare programmes in this local board area</p> <p>Support the inclusion of affordable housing in the local area: Work with potential developers and council with a focus on achieving a better urban design, as well as providing affordable housing within the development mix.</p> <p>Improve youth employment and training opportunities for young people: To promote and secure funding, for all young people under 25 to be engaged in appropriate education and training. Maintain current funding partners, and seek governing body input to scope opportunities for more funding and within the council family</p> <p>Better local road intersections and other transport issues: Advocacy and submissions through the statutory transport planning documents and long term plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intersection upgrade – Ormiston Rd/Preston Rd/East Tamaki Rd Realignment – Portage Road/ Gray Ave/ Station Road Realignment – St. George/Kolmar Rd/Wallace Rd Park and Ride - Puhinui. <p>Promote Transform Manukau: Promote the Transform Manukau project to create an exciting and vibrant lifestyle and business.</p>
Papakura	<p>Advocate to Auckland Transport for funding for the grade separation of the Takanini rail crossings with Walters Road and Manuroa Road being the priority rather than closure of the latter.</p> <p>Advocate to Auckland Transport to develop a multi-story park & ride at the Papakura train station</p>
Puketāpapa	<p>Advocate for affordable social housing to remain at Liston Village: The Council does not currently own or offer social housing in Puketāpapa Local Board area or the wider Auckland isthmus. To this end, the board has been advocating for the retention of the existing social housing at Liston Village which the Council is set to acquire in the future.</p> <p>Why is it a priority? Housing is one of the most pressing issues Auckland faces. Providing affordable options for our aging population is crucial and must be undertaken with care and fairness. The Puketāpapa Local Board's commitment to social housing is expressed through its local board plan and part of this is increasing the local stock of affordable housing, with a particular emphasis on housing for older people so that older community members can continue to live locally or close by</p> <p>Advocate for increased regional recognition of the Manukau Harbour, with a particular focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The collaboration between nine local boards to support integrated management of the harbour through the Manukau Harbour Forum. Resources, including officer input and budget, are required to support the delivery of a Marine Spatial Plan Support on-going investment in the continued development of the Manukau Harbour/Waikowhai coastal tracks, which will contribute to recreation, tourism, transport and environmental benefits for the wider region Removal of the high voltage transmission power pylons within the coastal environment <p>Light rail on Sandringham, Dominion, Mt Eden and Manukau Roads (the priority is Dominion Road)</p> <p>Integrated spatial planning for Three Kings, Mt Roskill Village and the Stoddard and May Rd areas</p> <p>Restoration of the Whare in Monte Cecilia Park for use as a community facility.</p> <p>Living Wage to apply to all Auckland Council employees</p>

	Expanding the greenways network
	A local site as part of the resource recovery network
Rodney	Request that national and Auckland Transport funding for walkways and cycleways is extended to peri-urban environments e.g. the proposed connection between Warkworth and Snells Beach
	Request that legacy levels of operational funding for arts facilities be reflected in ABS budgets. This means a minimum of \$20k for Rodney
	Request that structure plans for future urban zoned land in Kumeu-Huapai and Warkworth be brought forward and commenced in the 2017/2018 financial year
Upper Harbour	A multi-sport, multi-use indoor recreation facility for the Upper Harbour Local Board area
	A long term solution for Library provision within Upper Harbour
	Transport feeder bus provision and the provision of additional park 'n ride facilities
Waiheke	<p>Matiatia Strategic Plan: The board is progressing a Strategic Plan for council owned land at Matiatia and requests that any future development is guided by this plan and appropriate funding is allocated within the Long-term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP) for both transport and non-transport infrastructure related priorities.</p> <p>This plan is being developed in collaboration with Auckland Transport, the governing body, mana whenua, and the local community. It recognises the importance of Matiatia as a gateway and transport hub, addresses community aspirations and protects our environment and cultural heritage now and into the future.</p> <p>The board requests that as part of this plan, the governing body review the status of the Development Auckland Panuku managed land at Matiatia on the basis that a significant financial return on investment (at purchase) is clearly unrealistic and this status is delaying an outcome to the multitude of issues that exist at Matiatia</p>
	<p>Quality roading and infrastructure that supports Waiheke's character and water management needs: The board requests appropriate funding to deliver quality roading, footpaths and a cycling network to a standard consistent with the rest of Auckland (taking into account Waiheke character). This includes effective water management using water sensitive design techniques.</p> <p>Funding for the development and implementation of Watershed / Catchment managements plans is also essential. This includes flooding and stormwater management, monitoring of the drainage network and appropriate maintenance and infrastructure development</p> <p>Visitor impact: The board seeks funding for increased services, infrastructure maintenance and improvement projects which address the impact of tourism while also providing local benefit.</p> <p>This could include implementing a visitor levy or advocating to Council's governing body for visitor growth funding.</p>
	Community swimming pool: The board requests provision for funding of a Community Swimming Pool within the Long-term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP) as this is a local priority and an identified gap within the Community Facilities Network Plan
	Marine protected areas: The board supports the creation of a network of marine reserves and other protected areas linking the islands in its area of jurisdiction
Waitākere Ranges	<p>Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governing Body to fund the Waitākere Ranges Heritage area Programme at previous levels including an additional allowance for the writing of the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area Monitoring Report in 2018, and each 5 years thereafter Auckland Council to properly identify and resource WRHA objectives Council to prioritise financial resources to support the WRHA in the long-term particularly around environmental matters
	Glen Eden:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Glen Eden Urban Design Framework and Implementation Plan to be fully funded in the next Long-term Plan: \$32m, and resourcing to be included.
Waitematā	<p>Affordable Housing: Ensure Auckland Council actively builds or enables others to provide affordable housing through appropriate mechanisms and tools</p> <p>Auckland Council should be more actively building or enabling others to be providing affordable and fully accessible housing meeting universal design criteria on its own land, including building more intensified affordable housing on its existing and new pensioner housing complexes. Council should also prioritise, support and partner affordable housing to be provided by iwi and by community housing associations and providers through advice, bonds, guaranteeing loans, and resource and building consents.</p> <p>Housing solution for homeless people: Deliver short term housing solutions for homeless people</p> <p>To provide immediate assistance to homeless people to ensure they have a shelter in the short term. The Liston House Project is a good start in the right direction, but more space needs to be made available.</p>
	Pt Erin Pool Redevelopment Initiative: Prioritise Pt Erin Pool for redevelopment according to the recommendations endorsed by the Waitematā Local Board in 2013 in relation to two potential development concepts.
	Pt Erin Pool is an aging and tired facility in need of a major redevelopment. The two options endorsed by the Waitematā Local Board seek to retain the special character of Pt Erin Pool, increase local use and undertake comprehensive improvements to provide a wider range of aquatic activities.
	Minimise Agrichemical Use Initiative: Secure a budget to provide as a base level service the costs of minimising or eliminating when possible the use of agrichemicals in accordance with the Council's Weed Management Policy
	The Governing Body needs to allocate funds to conduct extensive non-chemical weed control and maintenance in parks, open spaces and the road corridor.
	As part of the 2017 Parks and Building Maintenance Contracts, Auckland Council should include progressive reduction of chemical pest control on an annual basis.
	Reduction of wastewater flows into waterways and the Waitematā Harbour: Advocate for projects which deliver localised solutions for all four catchments (Meola Reef, Grey Lynn, City Centre and Parnell/ Newmarket) to provide a major and early reduction in the volume and frequency of wastewater entering waterways and the Harbour and take steps to improve water quality.
	As a result of the historic combined stormwater and wastewater system overflows regularly enter our waterways and the Waitematā Harbour. This detrimentally impacts on the health of our waterways, Harbour and beaches and is a major concern for many of our residents. The Central and Waterfront Interceptor project should be completed at the earliest opportunity, and in the interim localised solutions, such as in St Marys Bay, to address this issue should be immediately developed, funded and delivered.
Whau	Funding for a Whau pool/recreation centre in next LTP: Planning for recreation and aquatic facilities is in progress. The board wishes to continue to highlight the importance of delivering this facility in a timely manner, recognising the rapidly increasing population in the Whau
	Funding for land purchase / reorientation for better open space provision: Access to funding for purchasing and reorientation of local open space. The Whau Open Space Network Plan has considered the regional policy in a local context and identifies under-resourced areas. There are opportunities for purchase as well as reorientation of specific sites to address low access areas, poor park connections and community safety concerns
	Increased support for local economic development : The Whau Economic Development Plan has identified the need improved business and job numbers and quality in Whau's town centres and industrial areas. New Lynn has had significant infrastructural investment in recent years and this investment was premised on both residential and business/employment growth. Avondale is experiencing intense development and alongside Rosebank and Kelston industrial areas and Blockhouse Bay and Green Bay town centres should be supported to improve business and job opportunities

ALBERT-EDEN LOCAL BOARD



3 May 2017 Extra-ordinary Business Meeting

11 Annual Budget 2017/2018 consultation feedback report for the Albert-Eden Local Board

Resolution number AE/2017/30

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Chairperson P Haynes:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- a) **Receives the public feedback on its local projects and advocacy initiatives from submitters on the draft Annual Budget 2017/2018.**

CARRIED

Resolution number AE/2017/31

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Chairperson P Haynes:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- c) **Supports the 2017/2018 Annual Budget proposal to change the Auckland Council policy so business and residential ratepayers have the same rates increase in 2017/2018.**

CARRIED

Secretarial Note: *Under Standing Order 3.15.5 Members Corrick, Lee and Langton voted against motion c) requested their dissenting votes be recorded.*

Resolution number AE/2017/32

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Chairperson P Haynes:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- d) **Supports, in principle, the 2017/2018 Annual Budget proposal for a targeted rate for all commercial accommodation providers subject to any necessary amendments which ensure practicality and fairness with consideration given to geographic details and accommodation provider type.**

CARRIED

Resolution number AE/2017/33

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Chairperson P Haynes:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- e) **Supports the 2017/2018 Annual Budget proposal to change the Auckland Council funding policy to allow for the use of targeted rates, alongside existing growth charges, to fund infrastructure for new houses where this reduces the incentive for land banking.**

CARRIED

Secretarial Note: *Members Langton, Corrick and Rose abstained for voting on the above resolution.*

Resolution number AE/2017/34

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Chairperson P Haynes:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- f) **Supports the 2017/2018 Annual Budget proposal to implement a living wage policy for staff of Auckland Council and council-controlled-organisations**

(CCOs) and requests that this is implemented in a financially prudent way and doesn't have the unintended consequence of job losses.

CARRIED

12 Annual Budget 2017/2018

Resolution number AE/2017/35

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Member M Watson:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

a) Agrees to the following 2017/2018 locally driven initiative operating expenditure budgets, by activity area:

- i. Local Community Services: \$952,000
- ii. Local Parks, Sport and Recreation: \$189,000
- iii. Local Environmental Management: \$85,000
- iv. Local Planning and Development: \$143,000.

CARRIED

Secretarial Note: *Under Standing Order 3.15.5 Members Langton, Corrick and Lee voted against a) and requested their dissenting vote be recorded.*

Resolution number AE/2017/36

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Member M Watson:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

b) Agrees to the following advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement:

- i. Advocate to the Governing Body for funding to implement future stages of the Chamberlain Park Master Plan.
- ii. Advocate to the Governing Body for the continuing provision of aquatic facilities in the Mt Albert area to replace the Mt Albert Aquatic Centre, which is due for replacement in 4 - 7 years.
- iii. Advocate to the Governing Body for a budget for land acquisition in the central isthmus area for open space.
- iv. Advocate to the Governing Body and Auckland Transport for light rail as the mass transit solution for the central isthmus and request that the funding and construction timing is brought forward.
- v. Advocate to the Governing Body for planning and funding for the future use of land made available for open space due to the transformation of the Unitec Mt Albert campus.

CARRIED

Secretarial Note: *Under Standing Order 3.15.5 Members Langton, Corrick and Lee voted against motion b) i. and requested their dissenting vote be recorded.*

Member Rose abstained from voting on motion b) v.

Resolution number AE/2017/37

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Member M Watson:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

c) Agrees that its key advocacy initiative for the Organisation to develop a business case for is 'Advocate to the Governing Body for funding to implement the future stages of the Chamberlain Park Master Plan' as follows:

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Continue to implement the Chamberlain Park Masterplan Proposal:	<p>Requests that the Governing Body considers the appropriate funding to reconfigure Chamberlain Park into a high-quality nine-hole golf course.</p> <p>Overview of initiative:</p> <p>The local board has adopted a master plan which proposes to re-develop the existing site to create active and passive recreation spaces (e.g. a local park, sports fields and a reconfigured golf course) at Chamberlain Park.</p> <p>Currently council staff are in the process of a number of sub-projects in order to progress the master plan, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> financial modelling and feasibility of the redeveloped golf course shared path network feasibility and rationalisation study stream restoration engineering concept design sports fields initial engineering design local park design including relocation of 3 golf holes. <p>At present the local board has allocated funding for the development of a local park to be delivered to be delivered in 2017/2018. Funding has been proposed for the sports fields, but this is yet to be confirmed.</p> <p>The local board is advocating to the governing body for funding for the development of a high-quality nine-hole golf course to replace the current 18-hole course, which will allow room for other planned facilities.</p> <p>It is intended to develop a full business case to support this advocacy once the feasibility studies are completed and costings known. The amount of funding sought by the local board is still being determined.</p>	Governing Body

CARRIED

Secretarial Note: *Under Standing Order 3.15.5 Members Langton, Corrick and Lee voted against motion c) and requested their dissenting vote be recorded.*

Resolution number AE/2017/38

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Member M Watson:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- d) **Recommends to the Governing Body the release of \$85,491 from the Parking Reserve Fund for a parking project on Alba Road, Epsom.**

CARRIED

Resolution number AE/2017/39

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Member M Watson:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- e) Recommends that the following 2016/2017 Locally Driven Initiatives operating expenditure projects and their allocated budgets be deferred to 2017/2018:

Resolution	Project	Amount to carry forward
AE/2016/107	Sports and recreation facility investigation fund	\$20,000
AE/2016/107	Pa Harakeke planting and maintenance at Walmer Reserve	\$16,000
-	Maori Cultural heritage study	\$10,000
AE/2016/188	Identify and design upgrades to community facilities	\$60,000
Total		\$106,000

CARRIED

Resolution number AE/2017/40

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Member M Watson:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- f) Recommends to the Governing Body that the 2017/2018 Town Centre transformation budget of \$1.425 million, that has been moved out to 2018/2019 by staff without consultation with or approval from the board, be returned to 2017/2018 as the budget is required to deliver the Mt Albert Town Centre Upgrade project which staff have confirmed will be completed in the 2017/2018 financial year.

CARRIED

14 Proposed Uptown Inc Approval of the Uptown Business Improvement District BID Programme and Target Rate

Claire Siddens, BID Growth Specialist, was in attendance to speak to this report.

Resolution number AE/2017/41

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Member L Corrick:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- a) Approves the Uptown Incorporated proposed Business Improvement District boundary expansion to include properties identified in a map of the proposed BID boundary attached as Appendix A.
- b) Recommends to the Governing Body the striking of the Uptown Business Improvement District targeted rate amount of \$270,000, as shown in the Draft Annual Plan 2017-2018.

CARRIED

26 April 2017 Business meeting

16 Business Improvement District (BID) Programme Annual Report to Albert Eden Local Board

Steven Branca, BID Programme Specialist, was in attendance to speak to this report.

Resolution number AE/2017/42

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Fryer, seconded by Member J Rose:

That the Albert-Eden Local Board:

- a) Recommends to the governing body to strike the targeted rate for the Dominion Road BID programme for the 2017/2018 financial year and include this amount in the 2017/2018 Annual Plan.
- b) Recommends to the governing body to strike the targeted rate for the Kingsland BID programme for the 2017/2018 financial year and include this amount in the 2017/2018 Annual Plan.
- c) Recommends to the governing body to strike the targeted rate for the Mt Eden BID programme for the 2017/2018 financial year and include this amount in the 2017/2018 Annual Plan.
- d) Thanks Steven Branca, BID Programme Specialist, for his attendance.

CARRIED

Item 11

Attachment B

DEVONPORT-TAKAPUNA LOCAL BOARD

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Annual Plan Resolutions from their extra-ordinary
meeting on 2 May 2017

12 Annual Budget 2017/2018

Resolution number DT/2017/1

MOVED by Chairperson G Gillon, seconded by Member J McKenzie:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- a) makes the following decisions on final 2017/2018 LDI budgets by project, within funding envelopes:

Activity area	Allocation
Local community services	\$1,047,000
Local parks, sport and recreation	\$140,000
Local environmental development	\$50,000
Local planning and development	\$108,000
Total	\$1,345,000

CARRIED

Resolution number DT/2017/2

MOVED by Member J McKenzie, seconded by Member M Sheehy:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- a) agrees to the following advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement:
- i) Lake Road upgrade budget prioritisation;
 - ii) New Bayswater Ferry Terminal;
 - iii) Ongoing investment and provision for new open spaces;
 - iv) Pest and weed management;

CARRIED

Resolution number DT/2017/3

MOVED by Chairperson G Gillon, seconded by Member M Sheehy:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- c) agrees that the Lake Road upgrade budget prioritisation is the key priority for the

organisation to work on;

CARRIED

Secretarial note: The following items for resolution d) were taken separately.

Resolution number DT/2017/4

MOVED by Member M Sheehy, seconded by Member J O'Connor:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- d) confirms their feedback on the following Annual Budget 2017/2018 regional topic regarding rates increases;
 - i) The local board supports for a 2.5% average rates increase.

CARRIED

Resolution number DT/2017/5

MOVED by Chairperson G Gillon, seconded by Member M Cohen:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- d) confirms their following feedback on the following Annual Budget 2017/2018 regional topic regarding the rating stability;
 - ii) The local board supports the same rate increase for both businesses and residential ratepayers over time.

CARRIED

Resolution number DT/2017/6

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Wood, seconded by Member M Sheehy:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- d) confirms their following feedback on the Annual Budget 2017/2018 regional topic regarding a targeted rate to pay for tourism promotion;
 - iii) the local board does not support a targeted rate to pay for tourism promotion.

CARRIED

Secretarial note: Under Standing Order 3.15.5 Member Cohen requested that his vote against motion d) iii) be recorded.

Secretarial note: Chairperson Gillon abstained from voting on the above resolution d) iii).

Resolution number DT/2017/7

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Wood, seconded by Member M Cohen:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- d) confirms their following feedback on the Annual Budget 2017/2018 regional topic regarding a targeted rate to pay for household infrastructure;
- iv) the local board supports greenfield developments to be funded from targeted rates or growth charges.

CARRIED

Resolution number DT/2017/8

MOVED by Member M Cohen, seconded by Chairperson G Gillon:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- d) confirms their following feedback on the Annual Budget 2017/2018 regional topic regarding a living wage for council staff;
- v) the local board supports a living wage for council staff, as long as this does not result in service level reductions and funded from savings.

CARRIED

Resolution number DT/2017/9

MOVED by Member J O'Connor, seconded by Chairperson G Gillon:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- e) recommends the budgets for the following 2016/2017 LDI OPEX projects be deferred to 2017/2018;
 - i) \$150,000 for the Korean Gardens;
 - ii) \$50,000 for the Takapuna Camping Ground Expressions of Interest.
- f) notes that the local board resolved on the proposed targeted rates for the three Business Improvement Districts at the April 2017 business meeting.

CARRIED

13 Annual Budget 2017/2018 – feedback from public consultation

Resolution number DT/2017/10

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson G Wood, seconded by Member J McKenzie:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- a) receives feedback on its local projects and advocacy initiatives from Devonport-Takapuna submitters on the draft Annual Budget 2017/2018.

CARRIED

14 Approval of the draft Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2017

Resolution number DT/2017/11

MOVED by Member J McKenzie, seconded by Chairperson G Gillon:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- a) approves the draft Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2017 for public consultation using the special consultative procedure (SCP);
- b) approves the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan household summary document as attached to the agenda report;
- c) notes that, in the event minor edits are required to the draft local board plan or the household summary, the board delegates to the Chairperson to finalise edits with staff as a matter of urgency;
- d) approves the scheduled formal engagement events, as follows:
 - drop-in session 1 – Sunnynook Community Centre, 148 Sycamore Drive, Sunnynook, Thursday 25 May, 11am-1pm;
 - drop-in session 2 – Takapuna Sunday Market, 17 Anzac St, Takapuna, Sunday 18 June, 8am-12pm; and
 - drop in session 3 – Allen Hill Stadium, 25A Lake Road, Devonport, Saturday 10 June 8am –11am.
- e) approves \$15,000 from the operational budgets towards a social media campaign that targets engagement with the 18-40 year old age group in Devonport-Takapuna.

CARRIED

Secretarial note: Under Standing Order 3.15.5 Member Cohen requested that his vote against motion a) be recorded).

Under Standing Order 3.15.5 Member O'Connor requested that her vote against d) be recorded).

FRANKLIN LOCAL BOARD

Franklin Local Board

2 May 2017 resolutions on Annual Budget 2017/2018

17 Annual Budget 2017/2018

Resolution number FR/2017/1

MOVED by Chairperson A Fulljames, seconded by Member N Kloeten:

That the Franklin Local Board:

- a) agrees the following 2017/2018 locally driven initiatives operational budgets (by activity area):
 - i. Local Community Services - \$1,028,000
 - ii. Local Parks, Sport and Recreation - \$354,000
 - iii. Local Environmental Management - \$74,000
 - iv. Local Planning and Development - \$31,000
- b) agrees the advocacy initiatives listed in attachment D of the report entitled '*Annual Budget 2017/2018*', for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement
- c) agrees that the key priority for the organisation to work on is the best use of council assets in order to provide fit for the future community facilities that cater for population growth;
- d) recommends to the governing body to strike the target rate of \$440,000 for the Pukekohe Business Improvement District programme and \$121,000 for the Waiuku Business Improvement District programme for the 2017/18 financial year, as set out in Franklin Local Board resolution number FR/2017/43 (18 April 2017);
- e) recommends that \$61,000 of 2016/2017 locally driven initiatives operational expenditure be deferred to 2017/2018 (attachment C of the report entitled '*Annual Budget 2017/2018*').

CARRIED

Attachment D – Advocacy

The following is the most recently approved list of advocacy for the Franklin local board, adopted in December 2016 as part of the annual plan process.

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Funding growth	<p>Franklin should receive sufficient growth funding to ensure that projects and initiatives supporting growth can be implemented. Franklin communities are experiencing rapid growth. It is important that growth in Franklin is well-planned and funding is provided for the necessary infrastructure. There is currently a perception that the benefits of development contributions are not directly seen in areas they are collected.</p> <p>To help plan for growth, the board has developed a Sport and Active Recreation Facilities Plan which will help inform decisions on the future provision of sporting facilities in Franklin. This will guide where growth funding is required.</p> <p>The Auckland Transport Alignment Project (ATAP) sets out priorities for road infrastructure over the next 30 years. Projects relating to Franklin include in 2018-2028, rail electrification to Pukekohe and addressing the bottleneck on the motorway from Papakura to Drury. In 2028-2038, a new strategic road to Pukekohe is included.</p> <p>To fund future transport infrastructure, user-pays funding methods are supported. They are more equitable for rural residents and businesses, ensuring that the burden of funding the transport programme falls more with frequent users of major roads.</p> <p>The retention of the regional transport levy is supported. A review of the levy would be timely, and should include the consideration of central government match funding. The levy is more equitable than a regional fuel tax, which places an unfair burden on members of rural communities who are infrequent users.</p> <p>The introduction of tolls for major road users in the Auckland region is also supported. Tolling encourages car-pooling, fuel saving and travelling at off peak times which helps ease congestion.</p> <p>As an area of high growth (particularly in greenfield areas), it is important that Franklin receives sufficient growth funding to ensure the projects and initiatives supporting growth can be implemented. A regional planning programme is required to enable growth to be well-planned across Franklin, particularly for Beachlands, Waiuku and Drury.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p> <p>Auckland Transport</p>

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Coastal erosion	<p>A regional approach should be taken to funding the management of coastal erosion, as part of the implementation of the regional Coastal Management Strategic Plan. Franklin Local Board does not have the ability to address the erosion issues on our large coastlines to the west and east effectively. Management of coastal erosion should be dealt with on a regional basis, rather than individually by local boards. This would provide a consistent regional approach and cost savings.</p> <p>Implementation of the regional Coastal Management Strategic Plan with associated regional funding should be a priority to ensure erosion issues are dealt with in a consistent and timely way across the region.</p>	Governing Body
Fit for purpose and safe roads	<p>Rural roads should be fit for purpose and safe, including consideration of projected growth. Increased levels of traffic caused by growth require some rural roads to deal with higher volumes of traffic than originally intended. Routes used by heavy industry, particularly quarry trucks, need to be improved and made safer for all users.</p> <p>Implementation of recommendations in the Self Explaining Rural Roads (SERR) project across Franklin should be given priority by Auckland Transport to ensure safety issues are addressed and roads are safe for all forms of transport.</p> <p>The impact that projected future growth will have with regards to the increased usage of rural roads also needs to be considered.</p>	Auckland Transport
Local paths and trails	<p>Local paths and trails should be viewed as part of a regional and national network and not only for local benefit. Many local boards have now developed plans for a network of walking and cycling paths in their area.</p> <p>More investment is required to implement the paths across the region. Paths are not solely for the use of those living in a particular local board area; they are a regional network and need to be considered as such.</p> <p>Regional partnerships with external organisations, such as the Walking Access Commission, local businesses and service clubs would help facilitate the development of the paths network. It would also help to ensure that links to national initiatives, such as the Te Araroa Walkway, are made.</p>	Governing Body

Great Barrier Local Board resolution on the Annual Budget 2017/2018 report

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Michele Going – Lead Financial Advisor was in attendance to present to the Great Barrier Local Board in respect to the Annual Budget 2017/2018 report.

Documents were tabled in respect this item. A copy of the tabled documents has been attached to the official minutes and can be viewed on the Auckland Council website.

Resolution number GBI/2017/1

MOVED by Chairperson I Fordham, seconded by Member S Johnson:

That the Great Barrier Local Board:

- a) confirm its final 2017/2018 LDI budgets by project, within the funding envelopes as outlined in Attachment B and confirm its final 2016/2017 LDI carry forward list as outlined in Attachment C.
- b) confirm its advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement as outlined in Attachment D noting that the board is no longer required to fund extra costs of mechanical weed management.
- c) confirm that its key priority advocacy area for the organisation to work on is around advancing off the grid, alternative energy and sustainability initiatives for the island which it will be advocating for support and funding for in the 2017/18 annual budget and subsequent 10 year budget.
- d) confirm its views on regional financial proposals as included in Attachment E noting in particular it does not support the imposition of a targeted rate on accommodation providers as there are only a small number of licensed accommodation providers on Great Barrier Island that would be levied whereas there are numerous unlicensed accommodation providers who would not be included. The board considers that it is highly unlikely that any of this fund would be spent on the island as priorities would almost certainly be elsewhere where real visitor impacts are felt.
- e) recommend \$65,000 of its LDI opex 2016/2017 to be deferred to 2017/2018.
- f) request additional Locally Driven Initiative funding of \$57,230 to offset the additional costs imposed under the empowered communities model overhead calculation on the basis that the board's LDI funding is fixed and adversely impacted by this increase as outlined in Attachment D – Advocacy.
- g) note that it has \$17,000 for Locally Driven Initiative capex and \$196,122 for LIPs project to allocate in 2017/2018 financial year.

CARRIED

Attachments

- A Attachment B - Great Barrier Local Board LDI
- B Attachment C - Great Barrier LDI projects to be carried forward
- C Attachment E - Great Barrier views on Regional Issues
- D Attachment D - Advocacy

Item 11

Attachment B



Date: Tuesday 2 May 2017
Time: 1.00pm
Meeting Room: Claris Conference Centre
Venue: 19 Whangaparapara Road
Claris
Great Barrier Island

Great Barrier Local Board

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Great Barrier Local Board
Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI)

Project	Funding requirement (\$000) *
	2017/2018
Operational Expenditure	\$000 / yr
Local Community Services	
Community Grants (incl events)	227
Skills Development	20
Iwi responsiveness	5
Community response fund	23
Education (Community)	30
Community Services Support	88
Total Local Community Services	393
Local Parks, Sports and Recreation	
Visitor Maps Printing	5
View shaft extension	5
Total Local Parks, Sports and Recreation	10
Local Environment Development	
Pest Control co ordinator	15
Water Quality projects	20
Bio Security Initiatives	70
Biodiversity/biosecurity officer (part time)	45
Ecology Vision	20
Total Local Environment Development	170
Local Planning and Development	
Technology connectivity	15
Key Entry points	10
Visitor Strategy	10
Water Supply feasibility study	15
Dark Sky Sanctuary	20
Cemeteries	10
Total Local Planning and Development	80
Total LDI Planned	653
Total LDI Budget	653

Attachment C – Great Barrier Local Board

2016/17 LDI Operational projects that meet the criteria for deferral

- Heritage Planning - \$5,000
- Marine Protection Initiative - \$20,000
- Biodiversity/biosecurity officer (part-time) - \$25,000
- Social enterprise - \$10,000
- View shaft extension - \$5,000

ATTACHMENT E

Great Barrier views on Regional Issues

1. Rating increase	The board supports a 3% increase due to the extent of spending needed to deliver planned investments and services and it notes that Auckland's rates are significantly lower than elsewhere in NZ.
2. Rating Stability	The board supports the proposal to pause the realignment of business and residential rates and for both to receive the same rates increase for 2017/18.
3. Paying for tourism promotion	The board does not support this proposal as there are only a small number of formal accommodation providers on the island that would be levied whereas there are numerous unofficial accommodation providers who would not be included. The board considers that it is highly unlikely that any of this fund would be spent on the island as priorities would almost certainly be elsewhere where real visitor impacts are felt.
4. Paying for housing infrastructure	The board supports the proposal to amend its Revenue and Financing Policy allow it to use targeted rates, alongside existing growth charges (e.g. development contributions), to fund infrastructure for new houses.
5. Paying council staff a living wage	The board supports the proposal to implement a living wage policy phased in ending October 2019.

Attachment D – Advocacy

The following is the most recently approved list of advocacy for the Great Barrier local board, adopted in February 2017 as part of the annual plan process.

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
All our main communities will have cell phone and internet coverage within five years	We have spent over \$600,000 of our LDI to install new cellphone facilities in Medlands and Okiwi. We are seeking support for investigations into extending cellphone coverage to communities without adequate or any service.	Governing Body
Retrofit all council buildings to run on alternative energy Investigate the feasibility of a solar powered electric vehicle charging station Over time, replace the council's vehicle fleet with electrical vehicles	We request that council lead the way in operating in a more sustainable way both regionally and on island, by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installing alternative energy systems for its council buildings. • Investigating electric vehicle infrastructure for an on island fleet. 	Governing Body
Fund courses to upskill our community	We request assistance to advocate to the Ministry of Education for an on island Learning Hub that can be used for the correspondence school children and for adult upskilling classes.	Governing Body
Lead the Auckland region on ecological enhancement, sustainability, and renewable energy use	We are currently funding extra costs of mechanical weed management in parks and seek governing body and Auckland Transport support for moving towards herbicide free weed management practises island wide.	Governing Body Auckland Transport
Increase regional road seal budgets so key roads can get sealed Investigate environmentally friendly products for our unsealed residential roads to reduce dust nuisance	We seek more budget towards road sealing on Great Barrier and an interim solution with dust suppression.	Governing Body Auckland Transport
Our ferry and air services will meet our communities' needs	We request that Auckland Transport begin a full review of the current and future needs of our wharves.	Auckland Transport

	We are seeking that Great Barrier and Waiheke LDI budgets be adjusted annually for inflation as unlike the other 19 boards we don't get population increase adjustments.	Governing Body
	The empowered communities overhead has added \$57,230 to our limited LDI opex budget. Great Barrier & Waiheke have fixed LDI which don't change as populations grow unlike the other 19 boards so are disadvantaged by this. We seek additional LDI funding to offset these costs.	Governing Body

HENDERSON LOCAL BOARD

14 Annual Budget 2017/2018

Resolution number HM/2017/1

MOVED by Member B Brady, seconded by Member W Flaunty:

That the Henderson-Massey Local Board:

a) Agrees the final 2017/2018 LDI funding envelopes:

Total Local Community Services \$1,480,000

Total Local Parks, Sports and Recreation \$212,000

Total Local Environment Development \$152,000

Total Local Planning and Development \$47, 000

b) agrees their advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement as following:

i) Strategic land purchase for recreation purposes:

Advocate to ensure provision of a swimming pool, sports fields and local community facilities to service the rapidly expanding NorthWest area including Red Hills.

ii) More people living in Henderson

Resource Panuku to effectively work in partnership with appropriate Council departments and external stakeholders for regeneration and successful residential growth in Henderson.

c) agrees Strategic land purchase for recreation purposes is the key priority for the organisation to work on.

d) provides the following views on the annual budget regional financial policy consultation issues:

i. **Rates increase** - The Henderson-Massey Local Board supports retaining the previously planned 3.5% average rates increase noting that:

- future infrastructure provision must be adequately resourced to enable successful community outcomes when growth occurs. Like many others, this Board is poised to welcome thousands of new residents, particularly in growth areas of the North-west, and without proper resourcing we may embed structural problems that would be difficult and expensive to retro-fit in the future.
- investigation of diversifying income streams beyond residential and commercial ratepayers is encouraging.
- the board supports investigation of mechanisms to vary the rates burden for example rebate or delay for first home buyers.
- the board sees this option as the only way Council can be financially prudent, as it would be difficult to ensure our borrowings ratio maintains an AAA rating. Loss of that rating would have significant onflow, and it would be irresponsible to burden future ratepayers with the consequences of those effects.
- it is Important that communication with ratepayers continues to identify positive benefits and services provided to every household

ii. **Rating stability** - Henderson-Massey Local Board supports changing the policy so business and residential ratepayers have the same increase in 2017/2018

noting that:

- there should be greater central government redistribution of funding collected in Auckland to be returned to Auckland, given our uniquely high growth future and importance to the national economy.

iii. **Paying for tourism promotion** - Henderson-Massey Local Board supports funding with a targeted rate on accommodation providers noting that:

- the principle of using a targeted rate is supported as it is a simple way to collect the revenue, with minimal collection costs.
- despite supporting the collection, the benefits to the Henderson-Massey area relative to costs of its resident businesses are unclear.
- the board believes that coverage should be universal, and notes that Air BnB businesses may not be covered by the targeted rate, creating a market distortion.
- the board also supports continued advocacy to central government for a more nuanced means of collection, such as taxes on overseas visitors.

iv. **Paying for housing infrastructure** - Henderson-Massey Local Board supports Council's proposal for investigation noting that:

- the board is concerned that it may not assist in equality of access to services and those who afford it get immediate access. There is a structural risk that in planning for the decades to come, such a proposal may result in a widening of inequality between areas of the city.
- the board appreciates the approach of looking for alternative funding sources and would support further investigation of different mechanisms.

v. **Paying Council staff a living wage** - Henderson-Massey Local Board support implementing a living wage policy for Auckland Council staff and its substantive CCOs noting that:

- Auckland Council should be seen as leaders in the community and in the business world as a good employer. Implementation of a living wage has obvious benefits for the workers, but also assists with positive perceptions of Auckland Council as a whole.
- the Living Wage policy will have a disproportionately positive effect for Maori and Pacific workers, and also will provide benefits in gender pay equality.

- e) recommends the carry forward of \$4,500 2016/2017 LDI opex - Migrant Business Support (ATEED) to 2017/2018.
- f) allocate a further \$12,000 grant from LDI community response opex 2016/2017 to Kakano/UNITEC for the design and installation of window film over the glass walls of the Henderson Train Station Skybridge to enable greater detail design and further coverage in this space.
- j) noting that this additional grant is added to the 18 April grant for \$8,000 (resolution number HM/2017/57), making a total grant of \$20,000 to Kakano/Unitec for this initiative.

CARRIED

Secretarial note: Member P Chan did not support resolution (d) (i)

Item 11

Attachment B

HIBISCUS AND BAYS LOCAL BOARD

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Annual Budget 2017/2018

Michelle Sanderson, Senior Local Board Advisor spoke to the item.

Resolution number HB/2017/1

MOVED by Chairperson J Parfitt, seconded by Member D Cooper:

That the Hibiscus and Bays Local Board:

- a) confirms 2017/2018 Locally Driven Initiatives budgets by project, within funding envelopes (as per Attachment B)
- b) agrees the key advocacy issues (as per Attachment D) as follows:
 - i. Funding for Orewa Beach Esplanade Enhancement Plan
 - ii. Deliver Penlink earlier
 - iii. Realign of the East Coast Road/Lonely Track/Glenvar Roads Intersection
- c) agrees that 'Funding for Orewa Beach Esplanade Enhancement Plan' is the key priority for the organisation to work on in preparation for the Long-term Plan 2018-2028
- d) provides the following feedback on regional issues recently consulted on:
 - i. Issue 1: Rates increases
Supports a 2.5% rate increase
 - ii. Issue 2: Rating stability
Supports a policy change so business and residential ratepayers have the same increase in 2017/2018
 - iii. Issue 3: Paying for tourism promotion
Supports the principle that central accommodation providers should help fund tourism promotion costs however feel that a city tax may be a fairer way to apply this
 - iv. Issue 4: Paying for housing infrastructure
Supports a change to the funding policy to allow for growth infrastructure targeted rates, so those who benefit from the infrastructure, including those who get the resulting increase in their land values, pay for it, rather than the ratepayers across Auckland
 - v. Issue 5: Paying council staff a living wage
Supports the introduction of a living wage for council staff
- e) provides the following feedback on other changes proposed:
 - i. Waste management and charges:
Supports the standardisation of charges across Auckland for waste management
 - ii. Mass transit network:
Supports the proposed priorities to progress investigations and design of mass transit options for Auckland's important gateway corridors and for Auckland to advance opportunities for route protection and early acquisition of strategically important land
 - iii. Skypath implementation

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Is unable to provide a comment as the supporting information document contained only a reference to the governing body resolution on this item from 28 July 2016. Information within that item provide failed to provide a indication of the financial impact and the implications for provision in the 2017/2018 Annual Plan

iv. Collaborations on reducing homelessness

Supports the proposal to include additional budget of \$500k in 2017/2018 enable council to collaborate with central government agencies and community organisations to address the issue of homelessness

v. Rural Fire Service

Notes the supporting information document contained only a reference to the current Fire and Emergency New Zealand Bill and failed to provide any implications for the council's 2017/2018 budget

- f) advises there are no new or amended Business Improvement District targeted rates in the local board area
- g) advises there are no new or amended local targeted rate proposals
- h) advises there are no proposed Locally Driven Initiatives capital projects, which are outside local boards' decision-making responsibility
- i) recommends \$430,000 of 2016/2017 Locally Driven Initiatives opex to be deferred to 2017/2018.

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Howick Local Board
04 May 2017



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Resolution number HW/2017/1

MOVED by Chairperson D Collings, seconded by Member A White:

That the Howick Local Board:

- a) agree the following 2017/18 locally driven initiatives operational budgets (by activity area):
 - Local Community Services - \$1,281,000
 - Local Parks, Sport and Recreation - \$652,000
 - Local Environmental Management - \$103,000
 - Local Planning and Development - \$144,000.
- b) agree advocacy initiatives listed in attachment D of the report entitled 'Annual Budget 2017/18', for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement.
- c) agree that the key local priority for the board to work on is assets required in order to provide fit for the future community facilities that cater for population growth in the Flat Bush area.
- d) agree that the key regional priority for the board to work on is the development of a consistent regional funding approach in response to managing coastal erosion and beach replenishment in common with other local boards.
- e) the board notes the feedback received through public consultation on the Annual budget summarised in Appendix A and further notes that in general this feedback supports Auckland Councils' preferred options on the Regional financial policy issues.
- f) recommend that \$678,000 of 2016/17 locally driven initiatives operational expenditure be deferred to 2017/18.

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Attachment D – Advocacy

The following is the most recently approved list of advocacy for the Howick local board, adopted in December 2016 as part of the annual plan process.

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
	Budget in the Long-term Plan 2015-2025 (LTP) for the aquatic facility (at Ormiston Town Centre, Flat Bush) to be brought forward from FY2021 to FY2018.	Governing Body
	Continued development of the multi-use community facility and library at Flat Bush.	Governing Body
	Continued development of the Pakuranga – Reeves Road Flyover.	Auckland Transport
	Prioritise public transport projects and address traffic congestion issues including East/West connections and SMART projects with a focus on the linkages in and out of the Howick area.	Auckland Transport
	Development contributions collected to be used in the respective local board area.	Governing Body
	Development of a consistent regional funding approach in response to managing coastal erosion and beach replenishment.	Governing Body
	Supports investment in infrastructure in existing and new areas of growth.	Governing Body
	Supports the identification of privet as a controlled pest species to enable council enforcement.	Governing Body

Kaipātiki Local Board 3 May 2017

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Resolution number KT/2017/1

MOVED by Chairperson D Grant, seconded by Deputy Chairperson J Gillon:

That the Kaipātiki Local Board:

- a) approve the 2017/2018 locally driven initiatives budgets by activity, within the following funding envelopes:
 - i. Local community services - \$1,027,000;
 - ii. Local parks, sport and recreation - \$225,000;
 - iii. Local environment management - \$153,000; and
 - iv. Local planning - \$36,000.
- b) confirm the following advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement:
 - i. provision for quality public realm, public art and community facilities investment in Northcote to support and complement the Panuku Development Auckland and Homes, Land and Community's planned investments to make Northcote an exemplar for urban renewal;
 - ii. continued investment into the implementation of the Kaipātiki Connections Network Plan (2016), including an emphasis on connections to schools, local urban centres, sports facilities and along the coast;
 - iii. support the implementation of the Pest Free Kaipātiki strategy (2016) by resourcing the components which are council responsibilities and refining council and council controlled organisation delivery models to enable the successful delivery of this community-led initiative;
 - iv. ensure our community and arts facilities are 'resourced for success' by providing sufficient operational funding grants and support for capital works where required to provide an equitable level of base funding to that provided elsewhere in the region; and
 - v. ensure the 'fit for future' initiative doesn't negatively impact the community satisfaction with libraries in Kaipātiki
- c) agree the following as their one key local priority for the organisation to work on to help inform the board's position on this initiative:
 - i. developing Birkenhead War Memorial Park Reserve, including resolving the recent closure of the grandstand due to its condition.
- d) agree the following common issues for the organisation to work on:
 - i. pest management; and
 - ii. adequate provision of parks, sports and recreation facilities.
- e) provide the following feedback on regional financial policy issues:

The Kaipātiki Local Board supports:

 - i. a 2.5 per cent average rates increase for 2017/2018;
 - ii. businesses and residential ratepayers both receiving the same rates increase for 2017/2018;
 - iii. funding tourism promotion and major events from a targeted rate on accommodation providers rather than general rates;
 - iv. allowing infrastructure for new housing developments to be funded by targeted rates, rather than ratepayers across Auckland;
 - v. implementation of a living wage policy over the council term, ending October

- 2019, to ensure all council staff can afford typical living costs.
- vi. planning for a mass transit network to be developed to the North Shore which includes services to meet the needs of Kaipātiki residents;
- vii. implementation of Skypath and advocates for Seapath (naturepath) to be ready for when Skypath is completed; and
- viii. coordinating support for reducing homelessness.

The Kaipātiki Local Board does not support:

- i. removing the free cardboard collection offered in the town centres in Kaipātiki as part of the waste management and charges proposal.
- f) request \$20,000 of 2016/2017 locally driven initiatives operational expenditure to be deferred to 2017/2018 as the following projects had an agreed scope and cost but have not been delivered:
- i. Highbury Improvements Impact Assessment Project - \$15,000; and
 - ii. Volunteer Awards - \$5,000.

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MANGERE- OTAHUHU LOCAL BOARD

Annual Budget 2017/2018

Replacement of Attachment C tabled at the meeting and amended Attachment D are attached to the back of the minutes.

Resolution number MO/2017/1

MOVED by Chairperson L Sosene, seconded by Deputy Chairperson W Togiamua:

That the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board:

- a) **Approve the final 2017/2018 Locally Driven Initiative budgets by project, within funding envelopes (Attachment B).**
- b) **Agree the advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement (Attachment D).**
 - i) **Include progressing the Portage spatial priority area project within our advocacy items in attachment D.**
- c) **Confirm the local board's key advocacy priority for the organisation to work on as follows: develop the Mangere East precinct as a priority to enhance this centre as a thriving and liveable community (first initiative Attachment D).**
- d) **Confirm the board's views on these regional financial policy issues:**
 - i) **acknowledge that the majority of the local submitters support a 2.5% rates increase which the board supports accordingly;**
 - ii) **paying for tourist promotion: tourist operators should be contributing to the infrastructure costs to council that arise from tourism subject to any necessary amendments to give consideration to differing levels of targeted rate based on geographic location and type of accommodation to ensure practicality and fairness. The money raised should be fairly allocated to infrastructure within the local board's area;**
 - iii) **paying for housing infrastructure: the money raised should be fairly allocated to infrastructure within the local board's area;**
 - iv) **the board strongly support paying council staff a living wage and urge council officers to explore the business case in advocating to contractors in paying their employees a living wage.**
 - v) **Housing First approach on reducing homelessness: The board strongly supports collaborations and Auckland Council's investment in developing and implementing this comprehensive approach to reduce homelessness together with appropriate access to lockers, showers and toilets, to assist homeless people to move on to appropriate accommodation.**
- e) **Recommend that the governing body adopts for inclusion in the Annual Plan 2017/2018 a targeted rate set as a uniform charge per separately used or inhabited part of a property, on residential properties in the Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board area, for the purpose of fully subsidising entry to swimming pools for persons 17 years and over. Further, that the local board notes the rate is estimated to be \$31.06 including GST, based on current cost estimates and the number of separately used or inhabited parts of a residential property in the Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board area.**
- f) **Recommends \$175,000 of 2016/2017 LDI opex be deferred to 2017/2018 and approves Attachment C tabled at the meeting.**

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- g) Note the public feedback on the draft annual plan, and refer all feedback to relevant council departments for their consideration and reporting as appropriate (Attachment A).

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Attachment C Mangere-Otahuhu Local Board

2016/17 LDI Operational projects that meet the criteria for deferral

- Mangere Town Centre Collective Promotion - \$20,000
- Mangere-Otahuhu LED Action Plan Implementation \$10,000
- Assess options for multi-use facility in Mangere East \$50,000
- Teaching Gardens Otahuhu \$12,000
- Community safety \$20,000
- CCTV and town centre safety initiatives \$20,000
- Mangere Arts Centre Business Plan Initiative \$35,000
- Activation of Parks \$8,000

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Attachment D – Advocacy

The following is the most recently approved list of advocacy for the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu local board, adopted in December 2016 as part of the annual plan process.

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Māngere East Precinct: A priority focus and initiatives to enhance this centre as a thriving, liveable community	The Māngere East area requires coordinated investment for planning and implementation. The local community facilities are rundown, old or not fit for use. A community facility needs assessment was completed in 2015 and next steps need to be progressed. For this, coordinated planning and investment is vital to shape a high-quality built area for a liveable community. The local board requests the governing body commit to capital funding through the next review of the Long-term Plan (LTP) for delivery of the Community Facilities Network Plan. Further to coordinate work through Panuku Development Auckland and Auckland Transport to focus on Māngere East area to develop this centre as a liveable community.	Governing Body Panuku Development Auckland Auckland Transport
Waste management and our environment	The city's waste-minimisation plan implementation requires that communities are prepared, equipped and supported to reach waste reduction targets. There is a need to get communities ready for change and finding opportunities in the way waste will be managed. Proactive support at this stage of the roll-out of changes in how council manages waste is important. This needs to be for multiple actions - communication, engagement, encouraging social enterprise and community-led initiatives. Ongoing work to develop local community recycling centres and waste reduction is a priority in the southern area. The board requests continued action for the regional scoping exercise to investigate the siting of various regional resource recovery centres and support for local community recycling centres.	Governing Body
Fund the Portage Spatial Priority Area project	The Portage project is a priority for the local area and the site is of national significance. This is also a work stream of the Otāhuhu-Middlemore Spatial Priority Area, however no funding has been prioritised for this project. The board advocates that this project is funded in the next LTP budget, including exploring funds from council departments that are involved in this spatial priority area's work streams.	
Boarding houses and high quality neighbourhoods	The Māngere-Ōtāhuhu local board area has seen gradual proliferation of boarding houses and council's investigation has confirmed very poor standards and breaches of the building code on these sites. The board recognises the pressure on land, need for affordable housing and a range of provision for all. However the concern is that this is at the cost of deteriorating neighbourhoods and poor living standards in the area. There is a need for balanced, planned growth that is monitoring for the environmental impacts - traffic, noise - as there is also an "intensification by stealth" taking place.	Governing Body

	Currently, council has limited means to assess or address the impacts of the proliferation of boarding houses. The board continues to advocate for better monitoring of boarding houses. It must ensure that building code standards and a decent standard of living are maintained. Currently, council has limited means to assess or address the impacts of the proliferation of boarding houses. Data from regular monitoring can better improve boarding house conditions for the tenants.	
Alcohol harm minimisation initiatives: Supporting community voice and empowerment	Reducing harm from alcohol in the local communities is of high priority for Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board. The Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act (the Act) came into effect in late 2013. The Local Alcohol Policy, a key instrument for addressing the negative impacts of alcohol on our communities, is yet to be finalised. The board will continue to supporting local communities to have their say through the hearings processes afforded them by the recent legislation. There are challenges for the community in responding to issues surrounding reducing harm from alcohol. Inaccessible language used by the District License Committee (DLC), inconsistency in decisions across the region and limited integration to address signage inconsistencies between by-laws, district plans and those resulting through DLC decisions are key examples. The board will continue to voice their concerns to ensure that these issues are identified and addressed as it is critical to assess the overall success of the act in achieving its intent. The board seeks a framework to monitor the success of the Act in practice and consideration of legislative change.	Governing Body
Development of an Auckland gateway programme	Leverage key opportunities with major stakeholders like Auckland International Airport Limited (AIAL) and to utilise the unique natural and cultural characteristics of Māngere-Ōtāhuhu to achieve economic outcomes. The airport is New Zealand's gateway to the world. Their longer term plans to be a major hub connecting Asia and South America over the next 30 years, second runway offer opportunities for partnerships and attracting tourism. Council's investment in the Otāhuhu-Middlemore Spatial Priority Area, Greenways and Local Paths can be leveraged for economic and community outcomes by aligning efforts with stakeholders. The board sees potential to achieve local as well as citywide aspirations of more jobs via new industry growth, support for Māori tourism and heritage tourism initiatives – such as “Ōtāhuhu Portage Crossing” project – narrowest part of the North Island. The board request Auckland Tourism, Events and Economic Development (ATEED) to prioritise a gateway programme in the local board area to establish and grow Auckland's cultural and heritage tourism industry.	Governing Body Auckland Tourism, Events and Economic Development (ATEED)
To advocate for heavy rail as the preferred option, and include light rail for central city (CBD) to airport	The airport to CBD rapid transit project has long-term strategic importance for Auckland's future commuter and freight . The current selection for light rail between central Auckland and Māngere fails to consider major growth implications for areas in the south, north and west.	Governing Body, Auckland Transport, New Zealand Transport Authority

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under the Rapid Rail model.	Auckland's strategic long-term transport security for both commuter and industrial heavy freight will not be served by the current plans for industry. The board would like that the Rapid Rail to support heavy and light rail link to the airport option is reconsidered and requests Governing body and Auckland Transport investigate into the heavy rail option.	
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MANUREWA LOCAL BOARD

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Resolution number MR/2017/1

MOVED by Member K Penney, seconded by Member A Cunningham-Marino:

That the Manurewa Local Board:

- a) agree to the final 2017/2018 Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI) budgets by project, as outlined in Attachment B to the report entitled “Annual Budget 2017/2018: Manurewa Local Board”, within funding envelopes as follows:

2017/2018 Operational Expenditure	Amount
Activity	
Total Local Community Services	\$907,000
Total Local Parks, Sport and Recreation	\$289,000
Total Local Environmental Development	\$75,000
Total Local Planning and Development	\$202,000
Total	\$1,473,000

- a) agree the following key advocacy initiative for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Manurewa Local Board Agreement:

Initiative
<p>Creating, Building and Sustaining Partnerships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investing in Te Mahia train station Enabling Manu Tukutuku (Randwick Park) to thrive using a community led approach Creating a multi-use shared space at War Memorial Park Progressing the development of the Manurewa town centre

- b) agree the following key priorities for the Auckland Council organisation to work on:

Priority
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> waste management and recycling processes and activation of the Southern resource recovery centre intensification and improvement of the delivery of hard/soft infrastructure.

- c) provide the following views on regional financial policy issues:

Topic	Comment
Rates increases	The local board notes of the 182 Manurewa submitters there was 57% support for the 2.5% rates. The board is aware of the financial challenges that 2.5% rates increase presents in supporting unprecedented growth for Auckland

	and is of the view it would be fiscally responsible to support a 3.5% rate increase while the organisation continues to realise internal savings.
Rating stability	The local board supports the rating stability proposal for 2017/2018 but notes this needs to be reviewed for the Long-term Plan.
Paying for tourism promotion	The local board supports alternative funding options. The local board notes of the 182 Manurewa submitters there was 57% support for an targeted rate on accommodation providers. The board also notes there was a limited amount of information pertaining to the targeted rate for the community or the local board to give an informed response and that the information continues to evolve. Therefore the local board determines it cannot support the proposal.
Paying for housing infrastructure	The local board supports this.
Paying council staff a living wage	The local board supports this.
Other changes for 2017/2018 (regarding waste management and charges, the mass transit network, SkyPath implementation, collaborations on reducing homelessness and the rural fire service)	<p>The local board does not support a change from a weekly to fortnightly rubbish collection.</p> <p>The local board does not support residents having to pay for a larger wheelie bin.</p> <p>The local board supports greater investment in and use of, an integrated public transport system.</p> <p>The local board supports the collaborations on homelessness.</p>

- e) note the Wiri Business Improvement District (BID) expansion project.
- f) note that there is no deferral of 2016/2017 Locally Driven Initiative (LDI) operational expenditure (opex) budget to the 2017/2018 financial year.

CARRIED

MAUNGAKIEKIE-TAMAKI LOCAL BOARD

Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board business meeting – 2 May 2017

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A document was tabled at the meeting. A copy is available for viewing via the minutes attachment document on the council website.

Resolution number MT/2017/72

MOVED by Chairperson J Bartley, seconded by Member B Diver:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- a) confirm its draft 2017/2018 LDI budgets (Attachment B of the report) noting the following change:
 - i) the \$1,000 allocated to Young Enterprise Scheme to be transferred to Youth Co-design events;
- b) agree the following advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement:

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Retention of Onewunga port in public ownership as a local asset	Acquire the Port of Onewunga following the anticipated East West Link construction and investigate the potential for retaining and managing this as a local asset. Advice is being sought on potential options for revenue generation from a future port development that will directly benefit the local board and local communities. The local board would also like to seek, through discussions between Governing Body and NZTA/Central government, the gifting of the port as part of a mitigation package for the East West Link.	Governing Body, NZTA/Central Government
Ruapotaka and Maybury Reserves masterplan implementation	Secure investments and improvements to the cluster of community buildings in Ruapotaka Reserve and Maybury Reserve.	Governing Body, Tamaki Regeneration Company
Addressing coastal erosion	Put in place coastal protection measures in some of the local coastal areas that are experiencing coastal erosion with a focus on prioritising action at Pt England, Wai-o Taiki Bay and Dunkirk Reserve.	Governing Body
Undergrounding of Transpower transmission lines in Onewunga	Advocate to Transpower Ltd for the burial of transmission lines and removal of pylons in and around the Onewunga foreshore.	Governing Body Transpower Ltd, NZTA

- c) recommends \$136,000 unspent 2016/2017 LDI opex to be deferred to 2017/2018.

CARRIED

Resolution number MT/2017/73

MOVED by Chairperson J Bartley, seconded by Member B Diver:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board adjourned the meeting at 4.25pm and reconvened at 5.45pm.

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MOVED by Member B Diver, seconded by Member D Burrows:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- d) supports a 2 percent rates increase (regional financial policy issues).

The motion was LOST 3 votes to 2.

LOST

Resolution number MT/2017/74

MOVED by Member A Verrall, seconded by Chairperson J Bartley:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- d) supports a 2.5 percent rates increase (regional financial policy issues).

CARRIED

Note: Member B Diver and D Burrows requested their votes be recorded against.

MOVED by Member B Diver, seconded by Member D Burrows:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- e) does not support a freeze on the business differential (regional financial policy issues).

The motion was EQUAL 2 votes to 2.

Member N Henry abstained.

The chairperson exercised her casting vote against the motion, the motion was LOST

LOST

Resolution number MT/2017/75

MOVED by Chairperson J Bartley, seconded by Member A Verrall:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- e) support a freeze on the business differential (regional financial policy issues).

The motion was EQUAL 2 votes to 2.

Member N Henry abstained from voting.

The chairperson exercised her casting vote for the motion, the motion was CARRIED

CARRIED

Note: Member B Diver and D Burrows requested their votes be recorded against.

Resolution number MT/2017/76

MOVED by Member D Burrows, seconded by Member N Henry:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- f) does not support paying for tourism promotion through a targeted rate on accommodation providers (regional financial policy issues).

CARRIED

Note: Chairperson J Bartley requested her vote be recorded against.

Resolution number MT/2017/77

MOVED by Member B Diver, seconded by Member D Burrows:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

- g) support the proposed changes to the revenue and financial policy to allow for the use of targeted rates, along-side existing growth charges to fund infrastructure for new houses.

CARRIED

Note: Member A Verrall abstained from voting.

Resolution number MT/2017/78

MOVED by Chairperson J Bartley, seconded by Member A Verrall:

That the Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board:

h) support paying council staff a living wage.

CARRIED

Note: Member B Diver and D Burrows requested their votes be recorded against.

Attachments

A Report attachment C - List of LDI Opex projects to be carried forward

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Attachment C Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board

2016/17 LDI Operational projects that meet the criteria for deferral

- * Housing Quality Improvement Project \$32,000
- * Capacity building programme \$45,000
- * Community Places programme LDI top \$14,000
- * Arts in Public Places \$45,000

Ōrākei Local Board - 4 May 2017

11 Annual Budget 2017/2018

Documents were tabled in support of this item. A copy has been placed on the official minutes and is available on the Auckland Council website as a minute attachment.
Resolution number OR/2017/1

MOVED by Chairperson C Davis, seconded by Member T Millar:

That the Ōrākei Local Board:

- a) receive the public feedback on its local projects and advocacy initiatives from submitters on the draft Annual Budget 2017/2018, who indicated their support;
 - i. for the Ōrākei Local Board to continue advocating for a Gowing Drive area feeder link to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path;
 - ii. to end the subsidies provided towards venue hire for specific groups and encouraging them to apply via the contestable local board grants rounds;
 - iii. to discontinue the Winter Splash event and to not implement an additional Movies in Parks event.

- b) receive the public feedback on its local projects and advocacy initiatives from submitters on the draft Annual Budget 2017/2018.

- c) agree its 2017/2018 locally driven initiatives opex budgets by activity area, within funding envelopes, as follows:

Activity	2017/2018
Local community services	\$468,000
Local parks, sport and recreation	\$210,000
Local environmental management	\$395,000
Local economic development	\$27,000
TOTAL	\$1,100,000

- d) agree that its key advocacy initiative for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement is a feeder link in the Gowing Drive, Meadowbank area that will connect to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path and provide a safe, direct walking and cycling route between Meadowbank and Kohimarama.

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Shared path connection between Gowing Drive and the Ōrākei Spine	<p>Purpose:</p> <p>The number one advocacy initiative of the Ōrākei Local Board is to develop a cycling and pedestrian feeder link from the Gowing Drive area to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path (the Shared Path). The main purpose of this connection is to provide a safe and direct transport connection between the Gowing Drive area and the Kohimarama area by crossing the Shared Path.</p> <p>The board is advocating to the Governing Body to recognise the substantial contribution (up to \$2 million) the Ōrākei Local Board is making and to join in partnership to assist in constructing the Gowing Drive feeder link.</p> <p>Commissioners' Recommendation:</p>	Governing Body and Auckland Transport

	<p>One of the recommendations of the Commissioners following the hearing of the Notice of Requirement (NZTA) August 2016 was that the Requiring Authority (NZTA in this case) needed to provide additional connections to both sides of the Shared Path. They strongly supported a statement by a submitter that the Gowing Drive connection was necessary for the fulfilment of the objectives of the project.</p> <p>The Hearing Report states... "The Commissioners endorse this point and strongly recommend that the Requiring Authority continue to investigate (and then assist in the funding) of linkages across the Pourewa Valley..."</p> <p>Background:</p> <p>The Shared Path currently has one of four sections complete, with the stage from St John's Road to Ōrākei Basin currently in detailed design.</p> <p>For the last two years, the Shared Path and Gowing Drive connection have been the two most heavily commented upon items in the Annual Budget feedback with near unanimous support for these projects.</p> <p>There are three other main feeder links that are confirmed for the Shared Path - from John Rymer Place, Kepa Bush and Tahapa Reserve connections. The Gowing Drive connection will enable a nearly direct transport mode across the Shared Path to local schools, shopping and community facilities. Currently most school pupils who live in the St Johns/Meadowbank area get to and from school by car. This involves a circuitous route driving up through the suburban streets then entering the traffic flow along St Johns Road then into Kohimarama Road. This route becomes severely congested on weekdays between 8-9 am and 3-6pm. Links to the pathway from both the Kohimarama and St Johns/Meadowbank sides of the pathway are necessary to make walking to and from school for local students via the pathway a safe and realistic proposition. A direct connection between both sides of the Shared Path will assist greatly at peak time in getting cars off the St Johns/ Kohimarama arterial roads.</p> <p>Strategy:</p> <p>Given that the section of the Shared Path that this Gowing Drive connection will attach to is now in detailed design, there is urgency to confirm funding so that the connection can be added to the design.</p> <p>The Local Board sees this project as having local, sub-regional and regional significance which can realise the co-benefits of active transport and connecting communities. Due to the wider than local benefits of this link, the board is seeking</p>	
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	<p>partnership between the Governing Body, NZTA, Auckland Transport with the Local Board.</p> <p>The Ōrākei Local Board is prepared to commit up to \$2 million of discretionary local board funding for this feeder link and is inviting the other bodies to collaborate with us in funding this significant connection to realise the benefits of the Shared Path noting that without other parties contributing funding, this project cannot go ahead. Pending further feasibility studies, the current best estimates of the connection are between \$3-6 million depending which connection option – underpass or overbridge, is deemed most feasible.</p>	
<p>e) agree to allocate up to \$2,000,000 of discretionary capital funding to a feeder link directly connecting Gowing Drive to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path, based on the condition that the Governing Body, Auckland Transport and NZTA collaborate with the Ōrākei Local Board to provide the remaining funding of this feeder link which was recognised by the Hearing Commissioners as necessary for the fulfilment of the objectives of the Government/ NZTA Shared Path project.</p> <p>f) request that Auckland Transport release up to \$150,000 from the Local Board Transport Capital Fund to conduct phase 2 of the feasibility study for the Gowing Drive link to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path .</p> <p>g) provide to the Governing Body the following views on regional financial policy issues based on feedback from Ōrākei residents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. note that 81 per cent of respondents indicated that they did not want a rates increase any higher than 2.5 per cent; ii. support the same percentage rates increase be applied to both business and residential ratepayers in 2017/2018; iii. support in principle, the 2017/2018 Annual Budget proposal for a targeted rate for all commercial accommodation providers, subject to any necessary amendments which ensure practicality and fairness; iv. support the 2017/2018 Annual Budget proposal to change the Auckland Council funding policy to allow for the use of targeted rates, alongside existing growth charges, to fund infrastructure for new development where this reduces the incentive for land banking and that a percentage of development contributions collected from the local board area are spent on infrastructure development in the local board area in which the development contribution is collected; v. note that the 2017/2018 Annual Budget proposal to implement a living wage policy for staff of Auckland Council and its substantive council-controlled organisations was the least supported by Ōrākei Local Board residents. <p>h) recommend to the Governing Body the release of \$183,594 from the Parking Reserve Fund for the Shore Road East Reserve and Waatarua Reserve car park upgrades.</p> <p>i) recommend that \$229,000 of 2016/2017 locally driven initiatives budgets to be deferred to 2017/2018:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Coastal ecological restoration – Hobson Bay Mangrove \$64,000 ii. Coastal ecological restoration – Tahuna Torea Mangrove \$60,000 		

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- iii. OBAG state of basin management plan revision \$5,000
- iv. Enhancing council-owned heritage features in the area \$75,000
- v. Economic development planning initiatives \$25,000.
- j) note the tabled information from the St Heliers regional annual budget consultation event hosted by the St Heliers/Glendowie Residents Association (attached to minutes).
- k) request the PSR Portfolio Manager, as part of the 2017/2018 work programme, to expedite an expression of interest process commencing in June 2017 to seek proposals for the redevelopment of Liston Park.

CARRIED**Attachments**

- A St Heliers regional annual budget consultation event feedback

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Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board held in the Woodside Room, Level 1, Manukau Civic, 31-33 Manukau Station Road, Manukau on Tuesday, 2 May 2017 at 12.45pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Lotu Fuli
Deputy Chairperson	Ross Robertson, QSO, JP
Members	Apulu Reece Autagavaia
	Mary Gush
	Donna Lee
	Dawn Trenberth

ABSENT

Member	Dr Ashraf Choudhary, QSO, JP
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ALSO PRESENT

IN ATTENDANCE

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1 Welcome

Deputy Chair R Robertson led the meeting in prayer.

2 Apologies

Resolution number OP/2017/63

MOVED by Chairperson L Fuli, seconded by Member M Gush:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) accept the apology from Member A Choudhary for absence.

CARRIED

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Resolution number OP/2017/64

MOVED by Chairperson L Fuli, seconded by Deputy Chairperson R Robertson:

That the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board:

- a) approve the final 2017/2018 Locally Driven Initiative budgets by project, within funding envelopes (Attachment B)
- b) agree the advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement (Attachment C).
- c) confirm the local board's key advocacy priority for the organisation to work on: discontinue the board's payment of interest on borrowing for Colin Dale Park (first initiative, Attachment C)
- d) confirm the board's views on these regional financial policy issues:
 - i) acknowledge that the majority of the local submitters support a 2.5% rates increase which the board supports accordingly;
 - ii) paying for tourist promotion: tourist operators should be contributing to the infrastructure costs to council that arise from tourism, and the money raised should be fairly allocated to infrastructure within the local board's area;
 - iii) paying for housing infrastructure: the money raised should be fairly allocated to infrastructure within the local board's area;
 - iv) paying council staff a living wage: the board supports this proposal in principle.
- e) recommend that the governing body approves the new boundaries for the Wiri and Manukau business improvement districts (BIDs).
- f) recommend that the governing body adopts for inclusion in the Annual Plan 2017/2018 a targeted rate set as a uniform charge per separately used or inhabited part of a property, on residential properties in the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board area, for the purpose of fully subsidising entry to swimming pools for persons 17 years and over. Further, that the local board notes the rate is estimated to be \$29.37 including GST, based on current cost estimates and the number of separately used or inhabited parts of a residential property in the Ōtara-Papatoetoe Local Board area.
- g) recommend \$30,000 of 2016/2017 Locally Driven Initiatives operational expenditure be deferred to 2017/2018.
- h) note the public feedback on the draft annual plan, and refer all feedback to relevant council departments for their consideration and reporting as appropriate, and

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- i) refer to Community Services Department (Parks Sport and Recreation) and Auckland Transport the feedback received about Swaffield Road litter, general untidiness and suggested development for the adjoining reserve;
- ii) include the Papatoetoe Museum and Arts facility project into the board's advocacy list
- iii) refer to the Community Services Department (Parks Sport and Recreation) and Auckland Transport the feedback received about the trees in Flatbush Road, and request staff to take all necessary steps to avoid any nuisance to residents from a build-up of fallen leaves this autumn.
- iv) refer to Community Services Department (Community Empowerment Unit) the feedback received on a seniors symposium, as the local board would like to progress this concept in 2017/2018.

CARRIED

12.59 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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Attachment C – Advocacy

The following is the most recently approved list of advocacy for the Ōtara-Papatoetoe local board, adopted in December 2016 as part of the annual plan process.

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Discontinue paying interest on borrowing for Colin Dale Park	Review the ongoing liability of \$280k pa for debt servicing, because it is an unfair burden on the board (16% LDI), reducing the board's place making and community programmes, and the rest of Auckland should be contributing.	Discuss with the Governing Body (GB) what funding or alternative options are available to support.
Refurbish and Renewal of community and sports facilities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kingswood Reserve – new changing room/toilet block Hayman Park – new playground Papatoetoe Recreation Reserve – new artificial surface playing field Papatoetoe Town Hall and Chambers, East Tāmaki Community Centre. Manukau Sports Bowl – development for athletics Rongomai Reserve- sand carpet for playing fields Te Puke o Tara Sports Park – new changing room/toilet block Complete the renewal of the Ōtara Creek footbridge. Museum and Arts Facility 	GB through the 10 year Budget that aligns with the Community Facilities Network Plan principles and Sports Code Facility Plans
Request policy reviews to the district licensing committee model	The District Licensing Committee (DLC) model is not improving the alcohol fuelled harm in the local area. Request policy reviews to the district licensing committee model The board will continue to support the community in the alcohol objection hearings.	The Governing Body to review the DLC model
Support Smokefree programmes and policies that limit Pokies, Psychoactive substances shops	The board will continue to provide input into relevant policies, and continue to advocate for 'Sinking Lid' policies Co-funding agreements with Health providers, and other groups that support minimising Pokie machines and Psychoactive shops; support Smokefree Programmes	GB and also co-funding agreements with Health providers, and other groups that support these issues
Manage the impact of street prostitution and Homelessness	On-going advocacy. No funding required at this stage, as this policy needs to be reviewed after the Local Bill was rejected. The growing number of homeless people needs to be addressed.	Advocate to GB for a policy review and made priority
Improve water quality of the harbours and improve the regional Waste Management	Ask GB to prioritise the remediation of Otara Lake, and improve the water quality of the lake, and streams flowing into the lake. Also ask GB to improve the regional Waste Management and Watercare programmes in this local board area	Proposal to the Governing Body to request planning /research funds
Support the inclusion of affordable housing in the local area	Work with potential developers and council with a focus on achieving a better urban design, as well as providing affordable housing within the development mix.	The Governing Body
Improve youth employment and training	To promote and secure funding, for all young people under 25 to be engaged in appropriate education and training. Maintain current funding partners, and seek governing body	Seek GB input to scope opportunities

opportunities for young people	input to scope opportunities for more funding and within the council family	for more funding and within council family
Better local road intersections and other transport issues	<p>Advocacy and submissions through the statutory transport planning documents and long term plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intersection upgrade – Ormiston Rd/Preston Rd/East Tamaki Rd • Realignment – Portage Road/ Gray Ave/ Station Road • Realignment – St. George/Kolmar Rd/Wallace Rd • Park and Ride - Puhinui. 	Continue discussions with Auckland Transport to prioritise in the Regional Land Transport Plan.
Promote Transform Manukau	Promote the Transform Manukau project to create an exciting and vibrant lifestyle and business.	Panuku Development Auckland

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Resolution number PPK/2017/1

MOVED by Member K Winn, seconded by Member G Hawkins:

That the Papakura Local Board:

- a) adopt the final 2017/2018 Locally Driven (LDI) budgets by project, within the funding envelopes as per attachment B of the report entitled "Annual Budget 2017/2018".
- b) agree the following advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Papakura Local Board Agreement:
 - advocate to Auckland Transport for funding for the grade separation of the Takanini rail crossings with Walters Road and Manuroa Road being the priority rather than closure of the latter.
 - advocate to Auckland Transport to develop a multi-story park & ride at the Papakura train station.
- c) agree the following one key priority for the organisation to work on:
 - the alleviation of traffic congestion through building transport infrastructure before intensification.
- d) provide the following views on the regional financial policy issues:
 - Issue 1: Rates increases - The Papakura Local Board members did not reach consensus on the level of the rates increases. Some members support option B (2.5% increase) whilst others considered a 3% rates increase to be appropriate.
 - Issue 2: Rating stability - The Papakura Local Board is supportive of the proposal to increase business and residential rates at a similar amount.
 - Issue 3: Paying for tourism promotion - The Papakura Local Board does not support the targeted rate on accommodation providers. Members considered that accommodation in the Auckland region is already expensive and such a rate would add to this cost. Additionally, members views were that the proposed targeted rate was focused on one part of the tourism economy and if such an action was to be implemented it should target the wider tourist industry.
 - Issue 4: Paying for housing infrastructure - The Papakura Local Board understands the high costs of infrastructure and the need to pay for it. However, the board is concerned that by using a targeted rate developers will transfer this cost onto potential occupiers could lead to rising house prices.
 - Issue 5: Paying council staff a living wage - The Papakura Local Board supports the living wage morally as a concept. However, the board questions how council will be able to fund this and is concerned about the budget implications and further savings required if such a policy was to be implemented.

- Other changes for 2017/2018 (regarding waste management and charges, the mass transit network, SkyPath implementation, collaborations on reducing homelessness and the rural fire service) - The Papakura Local Board would like to see more details on how the SkyPath will be implemented and funded. The board supports the investment in the mass transit network.
- e) agree that a total of \$300,000 for mangrove removal of the 2016/2017 Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI) operational expenditure (opex) budget be deferred to 2017/2018.

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The resolutions were taken separately

Resolution number PKTPP/2017/61

MOVED by Member S Kaushal, seconded by Member A-M Coury: _

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- a) make decisions on final 2017/2018 LDI budgets by project, within funding envelopes

CARRIED

MOVED by Member S Kaushal, seconded by Member A-M Coury

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- b) agree their advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement

CARRIED

MOVED by Deputy Chair J Fairey, seconded by Member D Holm

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- c) confirm affordable social housing at Liston Village as the key advocacy initiative.
- d) confirm the restoration/protection of the Manukau Harbour and further development of its coastal tracks as the priority advocacy initiative held in common with other local boards that it would like the organisation to work on

CARRIED

MOVED by Deputy Chair J Fairey, seconded by Member A-M Coury

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- e) provide the following feedback on regional financial policy issues:
 - i. note the feedback received as part of the Board's consultation concerning the 2017/18 annual budget
 - ii. support a rates increase of 2.5%
 - iii. support the proposal that business ratepayers receive the same increase in general rates as residential ratepayers
 - iv. support in principle a targeted rate on accommodation providers with consideration to be given to any necessary amendments to recognise geographic location and type of accommodation to allow for practicality and equity.
 - v. support the addition to the Revenue and Financing Policy of a targeted rate on new housing developments to fund infrastructure
 - vi. support implementing a living wage policy for Council staff

CARRIED

MOVED by Member E Kumar, seconded by Member D Holm

That the Puketāpapa Local Board:

- f) recommend \$41,000 of 2016/2017 LDI opex to be deferred to 2017/2018.

CARRIED



Date: Thursday 4 May 2017
Time: 10.00am
Meeting Room: Fickling Convention Centre
Venue: 546 Mt Albert Road
Three Kings

Puketāpapa Local Board

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Attachment E – Advocacy (amended 4 May 2017)

The following is an amended list of advocacy priorities for the Puketāpapa Local Board, discussed at an April 2017 workshop as part of the annual plan process.

1. The key initiative for the Puketāpapa Local Board:

Initiative	Description
Opportunities for affordable social housing at Liston Village	<p>Advocate for affordable social housing to remain at Liston Village.</p> <p>The Council does not currently own or offer social housing in Puketāpapa Local Board area or the wider Auckland isthmus. To this end, the board has been advocating for the retention of the existing social housing at Liston Village which the Council is set to acquire in the future.</p> <p><i>Why is it a priority?</i> Housing is one of the most pressing issues Auckland faces. Providing affordable options for our aging population is crucial and must be undertaken with care and fairness.</p> <p>The Puketāpapa Local Board's commitment to social housing is expressed through its local board plan and part of this is increasing the local stock of affordable housing, with a particular emphasis on housing for older people so that older community members can continue to live locally or close by.</p>

2. The priority initiative held in common with other local boards:

Initiative	Description
Restoration / protection of the Manukau Harbour and further development of its coastal tracks	<p>Advocate for increased regional recognition of the Manukau Harbour, with a particular focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The collaboration between nine local boards to support integrated management of the harbour through the Manukau Harbour Forum. Resources, including officer input and budget, are required to support the delivery of a Marine Spatial Plan Support on-going investment in the continued development of the Manukau Harbour/Waikowhai coastal tracks, which will contribute to recreation, tourism, transport and environmental benefits for the wider region Removal of the high voltage transmission power pylons within the coastal environment <p><i>Why is it a priority?</i> Auckland is shaped by unique coastal features. The Manukau Harbour is recognised and valued as a significant cultural, ecological, social and economic treasure/taonga.</p> <p>A programme of integrated harbour management and development will ensure that it has a rich and diverse marine and terrestrial environment that is able to be enjoyed by all. It should be afforded the appropriate level of resources to ensure that the tracks and walkways are developed and delivery of the Marine Spatial Plan is not delayed.</p>

3. Other advocacy initiatives importance to the board:

- light rail on Sandringham, Dominion, Mt Eden and Manukau roads (the priority is Dominion Road).
- integrated spatial planning for Three Kings, Mt Roskill Village and the Stoddard and May Rd area.
- restoration of the Whare in Monte Cecilia Park for use as a community facility.
- a Living Wage to apply to all Auckland Council employees
- expanding the greenways network
- a local site as part of the resource recovery network.

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An amended Attachment B was tabled at the meeting. A copy of the document has been placed on the file copy of the minutes and can be viewed on the Auckland Council website.

Resolution number RD/2017/1

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson P Pirrie, seconded by Member B Bailey:

That the Rodney Local Board:

- a) confirm its 2017/2018 Locally Driven Initiatives budgets by activity (opex and capex), within funding envelopes, as set out in the updated Attachment B (dated 4 May 2017) to the Annual Plan 2017/2018 agenda report
- a) note resolution RD/2015/81 “Adoption of Local Board Agreement 2015/2016” made at the meeting on 15 June 2015, and agree to rescind the following words of the resolution a) ii) a. “two years of” and “and \$500,000 in the 2017/2018 financial year” so the resolution becomes:

request that the initiative ‘Construct footpaths to complete the pedestrian network within our towns and villages (\$1 million)’ be amended to change the value to \$750,000 with the remaining funds being \$750,000 in the 2016/2017 financial year
- c) agree following advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement:
 - i) request that national and Auckland Transport funding for walkways and cycleways is extended to peri-urban environments e.g. the proposed connection between Warkworth and Snells Beach
 - ii) request that legacy levels of operational funding for arts facilities be reflected in ABS budgets. This means a minimum of \$20k for Rodney
 - iii) request that structure plans for future urban zoned land in Kumeu-Huapai and Warkworth be brought forward and commenced in the 2017/2018 financial year
- d) agree that “residents and sports clubs in Kumeu-Huapai have access to local indoor sports facilities” will be its one key priority for the council and relevant departments in the organisation to work on
- e) provide the following feedback on regional financial policy issues:
 - i) support the planned rates increase of 2.5 per cent for 2017/2018
 - ii) support the proposal that both businesses and residential ratepayers receive the same rates increases in 2017/2018
 - iii) support the proposed targeted rate on accommodation providers noting that it is anticipated that Rodney will be excluded from the target area in the amended proposal
 - iv) support the proposal to change the funding policy to allow infrastructure for new housing developments to be funded by targeted rates
- f) recommend \$100,000 of 2016/2017 locally driven initiatives opex to be deferred to 2017/2018, as follows:
 - i) Feasibility Study Kumeu Arts Centre - \$15,000
 - ii) Rodney Econ/ Devel Implementation Plan - \$25,000
 - iii) Feasibility study for swimming pool – \$40,000

- iv) Partner with community to design the upgrade of indoor facilities (Rodney) - \$20,000.

CARRIED

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Rodney Local Board
Locally Driven Initiatives (LDI)

Project	Funding requirement (\$000) * 2017/2018
Operational Expenditure	\$000 / yr
Local Community Services	
Anzac	18
Local Civic Functions	18
Arts Facility grants	60
Community participation & engagement	15
Community led placemaking initiatives	20
Additional support for volunteer libraries Pt Wells	2
Community Response Fund	10
Targeted Events	30
Subsidise Revenue/Fees for facilities	15
Community Services Support	178
Total Local Community Services	366
Local Parks, Sports and Recreation	
Indoor sports investigation Kumeu/Huapai/Helensville	30
PSR Assessments	100
Complete Greenways plans	40
Greenways plans project selection	20
Enhance existing playgrounds to make more challenging	10
Construct footpaths (AT)	150
Consequential opex for Skateparks & Playgrounds (Cap Grants)	31
Identify the scope and methods to address coastal erosion	20
Volunteers Parks	100
Arboriculture Improvements	40
Parks Response Fund	5
Community Parks Playspaces	50
Community grants feasibility and design Greenways	250
Town Centre Improvements - feasibility & design	100
Total Local Parks, Sports and Recreation	946
Local Environment Development	
Mahurangi river dredging	20
Environmental Grants administrator	40
Ecological Health (Healthy Waters)	250
Total Local Environment Development	310
Local Planning and Development	
Total Local Planning and Development	0
Total LDI Planned	1,622
Total LDI Budget	1,622

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UPPER HARBOUR LOCAL BOARD FEEDBACK
BUSINESS MEETING OF 4 MAY 2017

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Resolution number UHCF/2017/1

MOVED by Chairperson L Whyte, seconded by Deputy Chairperson M Miles:

That the Upper Harbour Local Board Community Forum:

- a) confirm the final 2017/2018 locally driven initiative budgets by project, within funding envelopes as shown below:

Activity	2017/2018
Local community services	604,000
Local parks, sport and recreation	228,000
Local environmental management	90,000
Local planning	29,000
TOTAL	951,000

- b) agree the following advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement:

- a multi-sport, multi-use indoor recreation facility for the Upper Harbour Local Board area;
- a long term solution for Library provision within Upper Harbour;
- transport feeder bus provision and the provision of additional park 'n ride facilities

- c) agree that the multi-sport, multi-use indoor recreation facility is the key priority for the organisation to work on.

- d) provide the following response on regional financial policy issues:

- support a rates increase at a minimum of 2.5 % to retain current service levels;
- we note from limited feedback, there is support in principle for the introduction of payment for tourism promotion, subject to the refinement of the implementation mechanisms;
- support the principle of paying for infrastructure development, through proposed changes to the Revenue and Financing policy to allow for the use of targeted rates, alongside existing growth charges, to fund infrastructure for new houses;
- support the principle of paying council staff a living wage.

- e) recommend \$10,000 of 2016/2017 locally driven initiative operating expenditure to be deferred to 2017/2018.

CARRIED

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Waiheke Local Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Waiheke Local Board held in the Local Board Office, 10 Belgium Street, Ostend, Waiheke on Thursday, 4 May 2017 at 5.15pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Cath Handley
Deputy Chairperson	
Members	Shirin Brown John Meeuwsen Bob Upchurch

ABSENT

Chairperson	Paul Walden	On council business
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1 **Welcome**

Deputy Chairperson Cath Handley welcomed everyone present and led the meeting with a karakia.

2 **Apologies**

Resolution number WHK/2017/55

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson C Handley, seconded by Member B Upchurch:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) accept the apology from Chair P Walden for absence on Council business.

CARRIED

3 **Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

4 **Leave of Absence**

There were no leaves of absence.

5 **Acknowledgements**

There were no acknowledgements.

6 **Petitions**

There were no petitions.

7 **Deputations**

There were no deputations.

8 **Public Forum**

8.1 **Budget and Annual Plan 2017/2018 - Roger Bryant**

Roger Bryant was in attendance to speak to the board regarding the Annual Budget 2017/2018.

Resolution number WHK/2017/56

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson C Handley, seconded by Member S Brown:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) note the tabled document and attach it to the minutes.
b) thank Roger Bryant for his attendance and presentation.

CARRIED

A copy of the tabled document has been placed on the file copy of the minutes and can be viewed on Auckland Council's website.

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- A 8.1 Budget and Annual Plans 2017 - Roger Bryant

9 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

10 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

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Resolution number WHK/2017/57

MOVED by Member B Upchurch, seconded by Member S Brown:

That the Waiheke Local Board:

- a) approve final 2017/2018 LDI operational budgets by project, within funding envelopes as follows;

Activity	2017/2018
Local community services	308,000
Local parks, sport and recreation	348,000
Local environmental management	64,000
Local planning	-
TOTAL	720,000

- b) approve the advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement as outlined below, with any minor changes delegated to the chair:

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Matiatia Strategic Plan	<p>The board is progressing a Strategic Plan for council owned land at Matiatia and requests that any future development is guided by this plan and appropriate funding is allocated within the Long-term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP) for both transport and non-transport infrastructure related priorities.</p> <p>This plan is being developed in collaboration with Auckland Transport, the governing body, mana whenua, and the local community. It recognises the importance of Matiatia as a gateway and transport hub, addresses community aspirations and protects our environment and cultural heritage now and into the future.</p> <p>The board requests that as part of this plan, the governing body review the status of the Development Auckland Panuku managed land at Matiatia on the basis that a significant financial return on investment (at purchase) is clearly unrealistic and this status is delaying an outcome to the multitude of issues that exist at Matiatia.</p>	Governing Body Auckland Transport Development Auckland Panuku
Quality roading and infrastructure	The board requests appropriate funding to deliver quality roading, footpaths and a cycling network to a standard consistent with the rest of Auckland (taking	Governing Body Auckland Transport

that supports Waiheke's character and water management needs	<p>into account Waiheke character). This includes effective water management using water sensitive design techniques.</p> <p>Funding for the development and implementation of Watershed / Catchment managements plans is also essential. This includes flooding and stormwater management, monitoring of the drainage network and appropriate maintenance and infrastructure development.</p>	
Visitor Impact	<p>The board seeks funding for increased services, infrastructure maintenance and improvement projects which address the impact of tourism while also providing local benefit.</p> <p>This could include implementing a visitor levy or advocating to Council's governing body for visitor growth funding.</p>	Governing Body
Community Swimming Pool	The board requests provision for funding of a Community Swimming Pool within the Long-term Plan 2018-2028 (LTP) as this is a local priority and an identified gap within the Community Facilities Network Plan.	Governing Body
Marine protected areas	The board supports the creation of a network of marine reserves and other protected areas linking the islands in its area of jurisdiction.	Governing Body Department of Conservation

- c) note previous advocacy issues not yet resolved as per Attachment E, are still considered active.
- d) agrees that 'Matiatia' and 'Quality roading and infrastructure that supports Waiheke's character and water management needs' are the highest priority areas for the organisation to work on.
- e) provide any views it may have on regional financial policy issues;
 - i) support the planned rates increase of no more than 2.5 per cent for 2017/2018;
 - ii) support the proposal that both businesses and residential ratepayers receive the same rates increases in 2017/2018;
 - iii) while the board notes the proposed targeted rate on accommodation providers was supported in community feedback, we believe that it is hard to apply a genuinely fair 'user pays' policy to the tourism industry and question the objective of further 'rapid growth in tourism numbers'. The Local Board therefore opposes the targeted rate on accommodation providers;
 - iv) support the proposal to change the funding policy to allow infrastructure for new housing developments to be funded by targeted rates on the development;
 - v) support the proposal to pay council staff a living wage;
- f) note Financial Planning has confirmed continuation of the Governing Body approval to allocate LDI funding to enable up to \$1m debt funded towards development of a swimming pool in FY18.
- g) recommend \$20,000 of 2016/2017 LDI opex be deferred to 2017/2018.

- h) request additional LDI funding of \$12,671 to offset the additional costs imposed under the empowered communities model overhead calculation on the basis that the board's LDI funding is fixed and adversely impacted by this increase.

CARRIED

12 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

The Deputy Chairperson closed the meeting with a karakia.

5.57 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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CHAIRPERSON:.....

WAITAKERE RANGES LOCAL BOARD

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Resolution number WTK/2017/1

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Member D Yates:

That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:

- a) agrees the following final 2017/2018 LDI funding envelopes:
 - i) Total Local Community Services - \$827,000
 - ii) Total Local Parks, Sports and Recreation - \$116,000
 - iii) Total Local Environment Development - \$361,000
 - iv) Total Local Planning and Development - \$28,000
- b) agrees the following advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement:
 - i) Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area
 - Governing Body to fund the Waitakere Ranges Heritage area Programme at previous levels including an additional allowance for the writing of the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area Monitoring Report in 2018, and each 5 years thereafter
 - Auckland Council to properly identify and resource WRHA objectives
 - Council to prioritise financial resources to support the WRHA in the long-term particularly around environmental matters
 - ii) Glen Eden
 - Glen Eden Urban Design Framework and Implementation Plan to be fully funded in the next Long-term Plan: \$32m, and resourcing to be included.
- c) agrees that full funding and implementation of the Glen Eden Urban Design Framework and Implementation Plan in the next Long-term Plan is the key advocacy point for the organisation to work to.
- d) provides the following views on regional financial policy issues:
 - i) supports a rates level of 3.5% as identified in the current Long-term Plan, as a reasonable means to prevent cuts in services and to respond to community needs.
 - ii) supports business and residential ratepayers each receiving the same rates increase in 2017.
 - iii) does not support a targeted rate on accommodation providers for providers within the Waitakere Ranges Local Board area to be used for tourism promotion.

The local board is not against a form of levy for international tourists to be used for improvement of infrastructure and addressing visitor impact. The board is concerned that the current proposal may impact smaller local providers in a disproportionate way and potential to diminish the level of Council control over ATEED. The local board considers that this should be a central government and industry-led process such as a bed or airport tax.

- iv) supports payment of a living wage to council staff and contractors
- e) recommends \$65,000 of 2016/2017 LDI Opex to be deferred to 2017/2018
2016/17 LDI Operation projects that meet the criteria for deferral
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| Local Parks design guidelines | \$10,000 |
| Gateway Signs | \$40,000 |
| WHRA residents pack | \$15,000 |
- f) that the Glen Eden Town Square development funding allocation of \$372,000 (capex) in 16/17 carry forward to the next financial year to give certainty to the project.

CARRIED

Resolution number WTK/2017/2

MOVED by Chairperson G Presland, seconded by Deputy Chairperson S Toms:

That the Waitākere Ranges Local Board:

- g) supports in principle the costs of new housing infrastructure growth being met at least in part by developers through the use of targeted rates over agreed development areas.

The local board considers housing infrastructure to be a government issue in terms of unchecked regional growth, lack of a comprehensive government policy, and of availability of alternative funding sources.

CARRIED

Secretarial note: Members Neil Henderson and Sandra Coney wished for their vote against the above resolution be recorded.



Waitematā Local Board

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of an extraordinary meeting of the Waitematā Local Board held in the Waitematā Local Board Office, Ground Floor, 52 Swanson Street, Auckland on Tuesday, 2 May 2017 at 4.00pm.

PRESENT

Chairperson	Pippa Coom
Deputy	Shale Chambers
Chairperson	
Members	Adriana Avendano Christie
	Richard Northey, ONZM
	Vernon Tava
	Rob Thomas

ABSENT

Member	Mark Davey
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Attachment B

1 Welcome

2 Apologies

There were no apologies.

3 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Leave of Absence

There were no leaves of absence.

5 Acknowledgements

There were no acknowledgements.

6 Petitions

There were no petitions.

7 Deputations

There were no deputations.

8 Public Forum

There was no public forum.

9 Extraordinary Business

There was no extraordinary business.

10 Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

11 Annual Budget 2017/2018

An updated LDI operational budget and advocacy initiatives documents were tabled at the meeting and are attached to the minutes.
Resolution number WTM/2017/56

MOVED by Chairperson P Coom, seconded by Deputy Chairperson S Chambers:

That the Waitematā Local Board:

- a) approve final 2017/2018 LDI operational budgets by activity, within funding envelopes as follows:

Activity	2017/2018
Local community services	831,000
Local parks, sport and recreation	338,000
Local environmental management	102,000
Local planning	85,000
TOTAL	1,356,000

- b) approve the advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement as outlined in the tabled advocacy list dated 2 May 2017, subject to deletion of 'facilities partnership fund' other advocacy initiative and delegates any minor changes to the chair.

- c) agree one unfunded capital project as the key advocacy priority for the organisation to work on as follows:

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Ponsonby Park at 254 Ponsonby Road Secure funding, resource and support to deliver the community's agreed vision and chosen design for Ponsonby Park 254 Ponsonby Road.	The former Auckland City Council purchased 254 Ponsonby Road in 2006 to create an open space in the Ponsonby town centre for future communities. A community-led design process was commenced at the end of 2014. A design by LandLab has been chosen by the public who were given an opportunity to vote on fourteen designs and choose their preferred design. The Landlab design received very strong public endorsement. Funding is now required to deliver the project.	Governing Body

- d) provide the following views on regional annual budget consultation issues:

- (i) **Rates Level:** Council budget is generally sound and the overall level of expenditure is justified to maintain valued council services and projects. The cost of growth, particularly of accommodating population growth and providing infrastructure means council need adequate income to pay for this. Therefore, the board supports a 2.5% rates increase which is needed both to maintain services and respond to growth.
- (ii) **Rating stability:** The board supports council's proposal to change its policy to pause the reduction of the relative proportion of business rates for 2017/2018 and that both residential and business ratepayers receive the same 2.5% rates increase.

- (iii) Targeted rate to pay for tourism promotion: The board supports a targeted rate on commercial accommodation providers subject to any necessary amendments to give consideration to differing levels of targeted rate based on geographic location and type of accommodation to ensure practicality and fairness.
 - (iv) Targeted rate for housing infrastructure: The board supports the change to council's revenue and financing policy to allow for the use of targeted rates to fund infrastructure for new houses particularly where this reduces the incentive for land banking.
 - (v) Living wage: The board strongly supports council paying a living wage.
 - (vi) Waste management and charges: The board supports a central community recycling centre at the identified site at Western Springs and would like to see the fostering of composting and a free collection of food waste for those who don't or can't compost.
 - (vii) Mass transit network: The board supports the funding for the proposed work on mass transit options and route protection and would like to see the early introduction of light rail from the city centre and along Dominion Road and on other routes on the isthmus as well as an appropriate form of rail transport to the airport.
 - (viii) SkyPath implementation: The board supports the budget provision for SkyPath implementation and are keen to see it accompanied by improved walking and cycling links from it and development of a park at the southern side.
 - (ix) Collaborations on reducing homelessness: The board strongly supports Council's investment in developing and implementing a comprehensive Housing First approach to reduce homelessness together with appropriate access to lockers, showers and toilets, to assist homeless people to move on to appropriate accommodation.
- e) note that a recommendation on the Uptown BID Targeted Rate and their proposed expansion will be made at the 16 May 2017 business meeting
- f) recommend \$276,000 of 2016/2017 LDI opex to be deferred to 2017/2018 from the following budget lines:
- (i) Good Citizens Award - \$5,000
 - (ii) Community Empowerment Fund - \$30,000
 - (iii) Youth Hub Feasibility Study - \$15,000
 - (iv) Develop a local plan for the area that includes MOTAT, Western Springs, Auckland Zoo and Seddon Fields – \$20,000
 - (v) Facility Partnership Programme - \$20,000
 - (vi) Western Springs Native Bush Restoration Plan – \$186,000

CARRIED

Attachments

- A 2017/2018 LDI operational budget table
- B Advocacy initiatives dated 2 May 2017

12 Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

4.50 pm

The Chairperson thanked Members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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DATE:.....

CHAIRPERSON:.....

Appendix A: Advocacy initiatives

2 May 2017

A key role of the local board is to advocate for initiatives that the local board may not have decision-making responsibilities or funding for this annual plan, but recognise the value it will add to the local community. Key advocacy areas for this local board include:

1. The following is the priority unfunded capital project for the local board:

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Ponsonby Park at 254 Ponsonby Road Secure funding, resource and support to deliver the community's agreed vision and chosen design for Ponsonby Park 254 Ponsonby Road.	The former Auckland City Council purchased 254 Ponsonby Road in 2006 to create an open space in the Ponsonby town centre for future communities. A community-led design process was commenced at the end of 2014. A design by LandLab has been chosen by the public who were given an opportunity to vote on fourteen designs and choose their preferred design. The Landlab design received very strong public endorsement. Funding is now required to deliver the project.	Governing Body

2. The following are priority advocacy areas for the local board:

Initiative	Description	Advocating to
Affordable Housing Ensure Auckland Council actively builds or enables others to provide affordable housing through appropriate mechanisms and tools.	Auckland Council should be more actively building or enabling others to be providing affordable and fully accessible housing meeting universal design criteria on its own land, including building more intensified affordable housing on its existing and new pensioner housing complexes. Council should also prioritise, support and partner affordable housing to be provided by iwi and by community housing associations and providers through advice, bonds, guaranteeing loans, and resource and building consents.	Governing Body
Housing solution for homeless people Deliver short term housing solutions for homeless people	To provide immediate assistance to homeless people to ensure they have a shelter in the short term. The Liston House Project is a good start in the right direction, but more space needs to be made available.	Governing Body
Pt Erin Pool Redevelopment Initiative Prioritise Pt Erin Pool for redevelopment according to the recommendations endorsed by the Waitematā Local Board in 2013 in relation to two potential development concepts.	Pt Erin Pool is an aging and tired facility in need of a major redevelopment. The two options endorsed by the Waitematā Local Board seek to retain the special character of Pt Erin Pool, increase local use and undertake comprehensive improvements to provide a wider range of aquatic activities.	Governing Body
Minimise Agrichemical Use Initiative Secure a budget to provide as a base level service the costs of minimising or eliminating when possible the use of agrichemicals in accordance with the Council's Weed Management Policy.	The Governing Body needs to allocate funds to conduct extensive non-chemical weed control and maintenance in parks, open spaces and the road corridor. As part of the 2017 Parks and Building Maintenance Contracts, Auckland Council should include progressive reduction of chemical pest control on an annual basis	Governing Body and Auckland Transport

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<p>Reduction of wastewater flows into waterways and the Waitematā Harbour</p> <p>Advocate for projects which deliver localised solutions for all four catchments (Meola Reef, Grey Lynn, City Centre and Parnell/ Newmarket) to provide a major and early reduction in the volume and frequency of wastewater entering waterways and the Harbour and take steps to improve water quality.</p>	<p>As a result of the historic combined stormwater and wastewater system wastewater overflows regularly enter our waterways and the Waitematā Harbour. This detrimentally impacts on the health of our waterways, Harbour and beaches and is a major concern for many of our residents. The Central and Waterfront Interceptor project should be completed at the earliest opportunity, and in the interim localised solutions, such as in St Marys Bay, to address this issue should be immediately developed, funded and delivered.</p>	<p>Governing Body and Watercare</p>
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3. The following are other advocacy areas for this local board:

Initiative	Advocating to
<p>Open and Closed Cemetery Maintenance Budget - Secure a regional maintenance budget to maintain a base service level for open and closed cemeteries. There is currently no budget for specialist conservator services to deal with the repair and maintenance and specialist graffiti removal on monuments. Therefore a base service level at Auckland's open and closed cemeteries is not able to be maintained.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>
<p>Parnell Station – Parnell Station opened in early 2017 to limited services. The Board wants to ensure Parnell Train Station is operational to full services and accessible to all users at the earliest opportunity. This station has the potential to be the fourth busiest station on the network and will be an essential connection for the University of Auckland, Parnell Town Centre, the Domain, Stanley Street and Beach Rd.</p>	<p>Auckland Transport</p>
<p>Parnell Train Station Pedestrian and Cycling Connections - Provide accessible pedestrian and cycling connections to Parnell Station. Open the Greenways route from the Strand through the old Parnell tunnel and create an accessible pedestrian connection from Parnell Station to the Domain, the Strand and Parnell Town Centre.</p>	<p>Auckland Transport</p>
<p>Auckland Domain Capital Improvements Budget – Secure adequate capital funds to progress the Auckland Domain Master Plan.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>
<p>Central Community Recycling Centre Drop Off sites - Secure the acquisition of a second drop-off facility and the completion of a main processing site which, together with the site being developed on Great North Road, will comprise a regional waste management network that will service the needs of Waitematā, Albert-Eden and Puketāpapa local boards. This is part of council's adopted Waste Management and Minimisation Plan forward work programme and the resource recovery network which underpins part of this work.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>
<p>Child and Youth Friendly City - Continue to put children and young people first and become a child and youth friendly city that is fit for all. The Board advocates for a city where the voices, needs, priorities and rights of children are an integral part of public policies, programmes and decisions. A child and youth friendly city can help build social and economic conditions for strong families and connected communities and help achieve a city that is fit for all.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>
<p>Auckland Cycle Network - Completion of the Auckland Cycle Network. The completion of the Auckland cycling network will provide improved cycle infrastructure through safe, connected, dedicated cycle ways. The Auckland Plan includes a target of completing the Auckland Cycle Network by 2030.</p>	<p>Governing Body, Auckland Transport</p>
<p>Ponsonby Road Arts Precinct - support the creation of an arts precinct at 1-3 Ponsonby Road through transferring 3 Ponsonby Road from a commercial lease to a community arts facility, subject to the outcome of a business case.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>
<p>Local Area Plans – budget to be allocated to the development of local area plans.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>
<p>Community-led vision projects – continue to support and provide advice for community-led local area planning and visioning.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>
<p>Carlile House - ensure the restoration and protection of Carlile House and consider acquisition if necessary.</p>	<p>Governing Body</p>

Built Heritage Acquisition Fund – support an effective built heritage acquisition fund to help save at risk buildings or other built features that have heritage merit from destruction by neglect, by purchase, short term hold or sale	Governing Body
Broadway and Station Square Access - improve access between Broadway and Station Square in Newmarket and link to the Newmarket Laneways Plan.	Governing Body, Auckland Transport
Restoration and protection of the St James Theatre - council provides support to the Auckland Notable Properties Trust in the restoration and protection of St James Theatre.	Governing Body
Housing Affordability - Panuku Development Auckland to take a leadership role in pursuing opportunities to improve housing supply, affordability, quality and choice on Council owned land to help achieve the affordability target	Panuku Development Auckland
Auckland Council Living Wage - ensure that there is budget provision of a 'living wage' for council employees and progressively for contractor employees.	Governing Body
CCO Low Carbon Targets - advocate to the Governing Body for CCOs to include low carbon targets in their Statements of Intent.	Governing Body, CCOs
Disposable Plastic - support mechanisms to reduce or eliminate single use plastic.	Governing Body
Full Council ownership of Ports of Auckland - ensure Ports of Auckland Ltd remains in full council ownership.	Governing Body
Investment Policy - follow a policy of social and environmentally responsible investment.	Governing Body
Light Rail - develop light rail within the isthmus.	Governing Body, Auckland Transport
Greenways Regional Fund - Secure a regional budget to enable the implementation of Greenways across Auckland. Greenways provide safe, high amenity walking and cycling connections along with improved ecological and storm water outcomes, including expanded habitats, movement corridors and food sources for native fauna. They also provide the ability to increase recreational opportunities and open space facilities.	Governing Body, Auckland Transport
Safer Streets - Auckland Transport to adopt a target of zero serious injuries or deaths on our roads as part of a comprehensive safe systems approach to road safety including safe road design, enforcement, safer speeds and driver education.	Auckland Transport
Residential Slow Speed Zone - Auckland Transport to undertake a trial of a slow speed zone in a residential area and/or a town centre.	Auckland Transport
City Centre 30km per hour Zone - Auckland Transport to implement the city centre 30km per hour speed zone (as described in the City Centre Masterplan) and the Wynyard Quarter slower speed zone.	Governing Body, Panuku Development Auckland
Maximise Renewal and Maintenance Opportunities - Consider how every renewal and maintenance project can be leveraged to improve the road design for all users including layouts that include bus lanes, greenways, and cycle lanes, remove cycle pinch points and add better pedestrian crossings.	Auckland Transport
Improved Safety and Amenity for Pedestrians - Auckland Transport to improve intersections with substantial foot traffic for pedestrians and developing solutions to improve safety and amenity for pedestrians. This includes: all intersections with left-slip lanes and no pedestrian facility; intersections with long pedestrian crossing delays undertaking route optimisation for pedestrians in the city centre including automatic pedestrian phases on one way streets.	Auckland Transport
Change Give Way Rule - Auckland Transport to advocate for a change of the give way rule requiring motorists to give way to pedestrians crossing parallel to the priority (main) road at intersections.	Auckland Transport, central government
Residential Parking Schemes - Auckland Transport to implement residential parking schemes to manage commuter parking in central Auckland suburbs following consultation with residents.	Auckland Transport

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Consultation on the Footpath Renewal Plan - Auckland Transport to develop the 2017/2018 foot path renewal programme in consultation with the Waitematā Local Board.	Auckland Transport
Greenways Prioritised Routes - Auckland Transport to work with Auckland Council to deliver the Waitematā Local Board Greenways prioritized routes.	Auckland Transport
Other Waitematā Local Board Plan priorities - Council Controlled Organisations (CCOs) to support other Waitematā Local Board Plan priorities including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> support the introduction of low impact storm water solutions in the local board area; support delivery of green walls, roofs and community gardens on CCO assets such as car parking buildings; implementation of the Waitematā Local board's Low Carbon Action Plan. 	CCOs
Street trees and greenery – Auckland Transport to provide opportunities for greenery in every streetscape improvement and renewal and Auckland Council to meet the consequential operational expenditure for maintenance.	Governing Body and Auckland Transport
Implementation of the Smoke Free Policy - Auckland Transport continue to implement the Auckland Council smoke free policy in relation to all transport areas, including train stations, train platforms, bus stations, bus shelters and ferry terminals in the Waitematā Local Board area.	Auckland Transport
Additional Auckland Harbour Crossing – Auckland Transport to design the Additional Harbour Crossing incorporating dedicated rapid public transport connections.	Auckland Transport

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WHAU LOCAL BOARD

12 Annual Budget 2017/2018

Resolution number WH/2017/1

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson S Zhu, seconded by Member D Macdonald:

That the Whau Local Board:

a) confirm the 2017/2018 LDI budgets of:

Activity	2017/2018
Local community services	938,900
Local parks, sport and recreation	202,000
Local environmental management	205,100
Local planning	106,000
TOTAL	1,452,000

b) agree the following advocacy initiatives for inclusion in the 2017/2018 Local Board Agreement:

Funding for a Whau pool/ recreation centre in next LTP	Planning for recreation and aquatic facilities is in progress. The board wishes to continue to highlight the importance of delivering this facility in a timely manner, recognising the rapidly increasing population in the Whau.
Funding for land purchase / reorientation for better open space provision	Access to funding for purchasing and reorientation of local open space. The Whau Open Space Network Plan has considered the regional policy in a local context and identifies under-resourced areas. There are opportunities for purchase as well as reorientation of specific sites to address low access areas, poor park connections and community safety concerns.
Increased support for local economic development	The Whau Economic Development Plan has identified the need improved business and job numbers and quality in Whau's town centres and industrial areas. New Lynn has had significant infrastructural investment in recent years and this investment was premised on both residential and business/employment growth. Avondale is experiencing intense development and alongside Rosebank and Kelston industrial areas and Blockhouse Bay and Green Bay town centres should be supported to improve business and job opportunities.

c) provide the following views on regional financial policy issues:

Rates increase	Support 2.5% increase
Rating stability	Support pause in business reduction
Tourism promotion	Support funding tourism promotion and major events from a targeted rate on accommodation providers
Housing infrastructure	Support developing targeted rate option

	in funding policy noting that any specific targeted rates will be further consulted on
Living Wage for Council staff funded from savings	Support

d) recommend the following 2016/2017 LDI opex to be deferred to 2017/2018:

Avondale Development coordination	16,000
Greenways co-ordination and promotion	20,000
Whau migrant business support	5,525

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Final Annual Budget 2017/2018 - Mayoral Proposal

File No.: CP2017/10319

Item 12

Purpose

1. To present the Mayoral proposal for the final Annual Budget 2017/2018 for deliberation and decision-making.

Executive summary

2. A more comprehensive report was not available when the agenda went to print and will be provided prior to the meeting in an addendum agenda.

Recommendation/s

The recommendations will be provided in the comprehensive report.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

Signatories

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