

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Workshop Programme

Date of Workshop: Tuesday 01 August 2023
 Time: 9:30am – 2:30pm
 Venue: Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Office, Ground Floor, 1 The Strand, Takapuna and MS Teams
 Apologies:

Time	Workshop Item	Presenter	Governance role	Proposed Outcome(s)
9.30 – 10.30	1. Financial Strategy and Planning - Local Board Equity Funding Attachments: 1.1 JGWP 1107 Discussion Paper 1.2 JGWP 1107 Minutes 1.3 JGWP 3005 Minutes 1.4 Current Inequity Rankings 1.5 Impact of Growth projects 1.6 Option (ii) – New Funding 1.7 Transition Approach 1.8 Impact of MBS 1.9 Workshop powerpoint	Sugenthy Thomson Lead Financial Advisor Jestine Joseph Project Implementation Lead	Input into regional decision-making	Define board position and feedback
10.30 – 11.30	2. Infrastructure and Environmental Services, Healthy Waters - Making Space for Water Attachments: 2.1 DTLB Storm recovery and resilience presentation	Brandii Stephano Relationship Advisor Elizabeth Johnson Senior Healthy Waters Specialist	Input into regional decision-making	Define board position and feedback

11.30 – 1.00	3. Connected Communities - Monthly Update Attachments: 3.1 Connected Communities August Update 2023	Deb Doyle Community Broker	Keeping informed	Receive update on progress
Lunch break				
1.30 – 2.30	4. Property and Commercial - Coastal access update This workshop discussion and material is confidential under LGOIMA Section 7 (2): <i>If, and only if, the withholding of the information or material is necessary to –</i> <i>(i) enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations);</i> Attachments: 4.1 Memo	Anthony Lewis Specialist Technical Statutory Advisor	Keeping informed	Receive update on progress

Next workshop: 08 August 2023

Role of Workshop:

- (a) Workshops do not have decision-making authority.
- (b) Workshops are used to canvass issues, prepare local board members for upcoming decisions and to enable discussion between elected members and staff.
- (c) Members are respectfully reminded of their Code of Conduct obligations with respect to conflicts of interest and confidentiality.
- (d) Workshops for groups of local boards can be held giving local boards the chance to work together on common interests or topics.

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Attendees

Chairperson: Toni van Tonder

Deputy Chairperson: Terence Harpur

Members: Peter Allen
Gavin Busch
Melissa Powell
George Wood, CNZM

Staff: Trina Thompson – Local Area Manager
Maureen Buchanan – Senior Local Board Advisor
Rhiannon Guinness – Local Board Advisor
Henare King – Democracy Advisor

Apologies

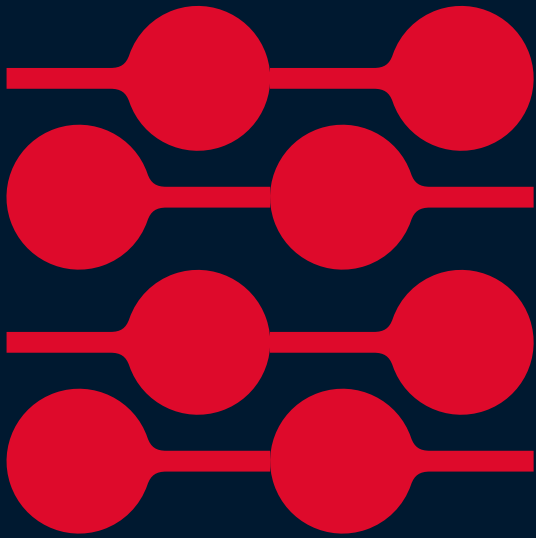
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Workshop item	Presenters	Governance role	Summary of discussion and Action points
<p>1. Financial Strategy and Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local Board Equity Funding 	<p>Sugenthy Thomson Lead Financial Advisor</p> <p>Jestine Joseph Project Implementation Lead</p>	<p>Input into regional decision-making</p>	<p>The local board was provided with an introduction to the local board equity of funding proposal.</p> <p>The local board raised the following points and questions in response to the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requested staff to provide a list of all assets included in funding model calculations including parks and reserves • The board wanted clarification that the proposed outcome is to bring all local boards up to the same level of funding as Devonport-Takapuna, not to cut back Devonport-Takapuna. • Noted concern that Devonport-Takapuna is among the boards with the lowest increases in Opex funding over the next 3 years • Requested further information on rate-take reinvestment into the local area. High rate take from DTLB yet some of the most significant reductions will be felt in this area. • Noted concern that the additional expenses of coastal and heritage assets are not considered within the scope of this proposal yet the topography of this area and the number of heritage sites and buildings we must maintain takes a disproportionate amount of out funding. • Clarified that inflation is included in the projections; numbers are inflation-adjusted first. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A report is coming to the August business meeting for the board to provide formal feedback • Feedback will then be taken to the Joint Governance Working Party

<p>2. Infrastructure and Environmental Services, Healthy Waters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Making Space for Water 	<p>Brandii Stephano Relationship Advisor Nicholas Vigar Head of Planning Craig Mcilroy General Manager Healthy Waters Caroline Tauevihi Recovery Specialist</p>	<p>Input into regional decision-making</p>	<p>The local board was provided with an update on the Making Space for Water consultation process.</p> <p>The local board raised the following points and questions in response to the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questioned if Staff were considering utilising the Takapuna Golf Course site as a flood catchment, noting that the lease for the property expires in 2025. • Questioned if staff were considering raising or removing bridges over culverts in the Wairau catchment area. Staff noted that, while no option is being ruled out, they don't believe they will be able to make any significant impact in reducing flooding around Wairau Road. • Question if Staff had any indication of which houses will be retreated. Staff noted that less than 20% of people have come forward for the categorisation process because a deal is yet to be announced by central government. • Questioned how many placards are still up as of now – staff to come back with that information. • Questioned the purpose of this consultation as surely this is considered a must-have. Staff agree, clarifying that it's an incentive for the crown to respond. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have Your Say events scheduled for August and September • Formal feedback to be provided at August business meeting • Local board input presented to the Governing Body in September
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<p>3. Connected Communities - Monthly Update</p>	<p>Deb Doyle Community Broker</p>	<p>Keeping informed</p>	<p>The local board was provided with a monthly update from Connected Communities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This was the first monthly update, and Staff were seeking local board feedback on what information they found valuable from the update. <p>The local board raised the following points and questions in response to the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requested comparison of desired outcomes vs outcomes achieved by arts partners, and what is contained within their funding agreements, at the next update. Requested outreach numbers for all arts partners Noted a desire to see a running record of delivery funded by the local board as a gaps analysis. Staff noted that a running record would be out of scope but a quarterly snapshot would be achievable. Clarified that the Board's Ethnic Plan funding is currently supporting fortnightly emails and development of the reference group. Noted concern that the Devonport's community notice boards on Lake Rd previously managed by the Devonport Peninsula Trust could be lost. Questioned if this could be picked up by the Activator role. Staff noted that there were further discussions to be had with the Devonport Peninsula Trust. Desire to share a snapshot of community delivery highlights on social media. Positive feedback regarding format of the monthly update. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next update scheduled for 5 September workshop
<p>4. Property and Commercial - Coastal access update</p>	<p>Anthony Lewis Specialist Technical Statutory Advisor</p>	<p>Keeping informed</p>	<p>This workshop discussion and material is confidential under LGOIMA Section 7 (2): If, and only if, the withholding of the information or material is necessary to – (i) enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations);</p>

The workshop concluded at 2.35pm



Discussion Paper - Local Board Funding Equity

Joint Governance Working Party

11 July 2023



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Purpose

1. To seek feedback from the Joint Governance Working Party (JGWP) and the local boards on the proposals to achieve local board funding equity, which are to be implemented through Long Term Plan (LTP) 2024 – 2034. This feedback will be considered by the Governing Body before these proposals are considered for consultation and decision making through the LTP process.

Context

2. Staff have been working on proposals to implement the October 2021 Governing Body decisions on local board funding equity through LTP 2024 -2034. In early 2023, the Mayor's office directed staff to investigate a new direction to achieve local board funding equity and for this to be considered by the JGWP and the local boards prior to implementation. This discussion paper covers:
 - (i) previous Governing Body decisions to address local board funding inequity.
 - (ii) direction from the Mayor to investigate alternative options for achieving local board funding equity in a shorter timeframe.
 - (iii) summary of discussions with, and directions from, the JGWP
 - (iv) scope and impact of the alternative options
 - (v) multi-board services (MBS) and its impact on local board funding
 - (vi) implementation analysis
 - (vii) risks and implications of the funding options.

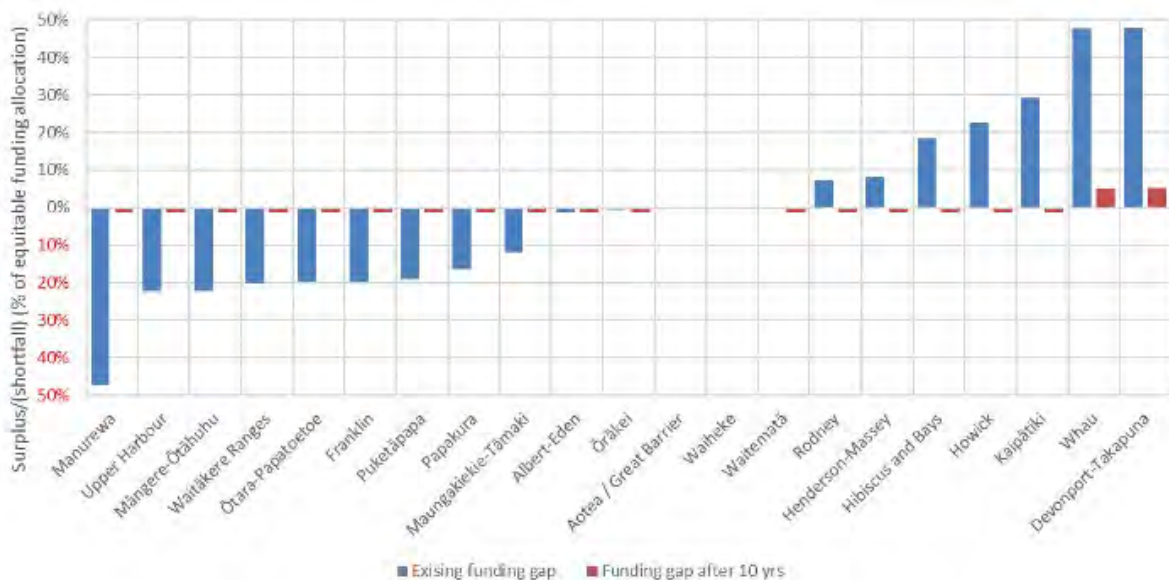
Governance Framework Review and 28 October 2021 Decisions

3. Following a report in 2016 on the state of governance of Auckland Council, the Governance Framework Review (GFR) was initiated by the Governing Body in 2017. The aim of the GFR was to investigate Auckland Council's current governance structure and recommend improvements.
4. The Governing Body established a political working party (the JGWP) to investigate the GFR recommendations. For the last two terms, the JGWP has been functioning as the primary forum for staff to discuss proposals and receive feedback and direction on the GFR, before taking the proposals to the Governing Body.
5. Following extensive investigation and consideration of options by the JGWP, on 28 October 2021 the Governing Body agreed to increase local board decision-making responsibilities to all local community services within the funding envelope allocated to each local board (GB/2021/137).
6. A key part of the Governing Body decision was to address the inequity of local boards' funding to provide these local community services, as current funding is based on the assets in each local board area, most of which were built pre-amalgamation, and have variable distribution across local boards.
7. The Governing Body agreed in principle to address this situation through the forthcoming Long-term Plan process, by:
 - (i) establishing an alternative service level equity and funding policy, that seeks to achieve funding equity for local boards within 10-15 years.

- (ii) allocating Long-term Plan (LTP) outer year funding for growth and future renewals to local boards which are underfunded, starting with the most underfunded local boards. A key aspect of this decision was that no local board would lose funding.
 - (iii) approving the funding allocation based on the 80% population, 15% deprivation and 5% land area (80:15:5) formula.
8. A fixed amount or percentage of funding to be provided for Waiheke and Aotea-Great Barrier local boards based on that used in Locally Driven Initiatives funding.
 9. Although reallocation of funding from local boards that are currently funded over an equitable funding level (based on the 80:15:5 model) was considered, this was not supported. Hence the 2021 GFR decision aimed at uplifting all local boards to an equitable funding level that aligns with the highest funded local board.

Original GFR Scope

10. The scope of the 2021 GFR investigation into local board funding equity was limited to local community services activity asset based services (ABS) budgets, as this is the majority of funding local boards have decision-making over. This included growth funding and discrete projects but excluded slips remediation and coastal renewals and locally driven initiatives (LDI) funding.
11. The GFR analysed budgets across ten years of LTP 2021 – 2031 and considered operating expenditure (opex) and capital expenditure (capex) as one funding pool. This analysis is reflected in the graph below which ranked where local boards sit in terms of the equity of their funding based on ten years of LTP 2021 – 2031 funding. This graph was part of the 28 October 2021 report to the Governing Body on which in-principle decisions to address local board funding inequity were made and has been widely seen and understood by local board members.



Change in funding gap over 10 years 2021/2022 – 2030/2031

New Direction and Alternative Options 2023

12. Since the October 2022 election, the Mayor has expressed his interest in addressing issues he sees with local board funding as a priority this term, including giving local

boards more authority and autonomy over local matters and providing them with a more equitable funding allocation.

13. On 21 April 2023, the Mayor wrote to all local board members outlining his wish to simplify the council's governance structure, to move closer to a genuine shared governance model, and enable more decisions to be made locally where possible. The Mayor indicated that this would involve changes to local board funding policies and addressing equity issues to enable local boards to exercise more control and make decisions about asset ownership and use, and to make it easier for local boards to raise revenue for specific projects. The Mayor reiterated this position in his address to the JGWP on 2 May 2023.
14. In particular the Mayor also outlined his expectation that staff would develop a plan to achieve local funding equity in a much shorter timeframe, than the 10-15 years agreed upon by the Governing Body in 2021, and ideally within 1-3 years. The Mayor indicated his preference that this be achieved by reallocating funding between local boards and potentially using new funding (if available) as opposed to the existing approach which relied on using LTP outer years renewals and growth funding.

Summary of work this term with the JGWP

15. In response to the Mayor's request, the Mayor and Council's Executive have agreed to continue using the JGWP to advance further discussions on addressing local board funding equity.
16. The JGWP was reconstituted after the 2022 elections. It consists of six councillors and six local board members, five of whom are returning from the last term and providing continuity to this discussion.
17. At the first JGWP meeting for this term on 2 May 2023 staff presented an initial report in response to direction from the Mayor's office, consisting of the following three alternative options on how local board funding equity could be achieved in a shorter timeframe (first three years of LTP 2024 – 2034):
 - a) providing new funding to bring all local boards to equity,
 - b) reallocating all existing local board funding,
 - c) a combination of options (a) and (b).

These options are in addition to the original option decided by the Governing Body in October 2021. All of these options are explained further in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Local Board Funding Options

Option	Description	Time Required to Achieve Funding Equity
(i) Governing Body October 2021 (original in-principle decision)	Achieving local community services funding equity by reallocating future unallocated growth and renewals budgets to local boards with funding gaps	10 – 15 years
(ii) providing new funding to bring all	Achieving local board funding equity by allocating new funding, provided through LTP 2024-2034, to local boards with funding gaps	3 years

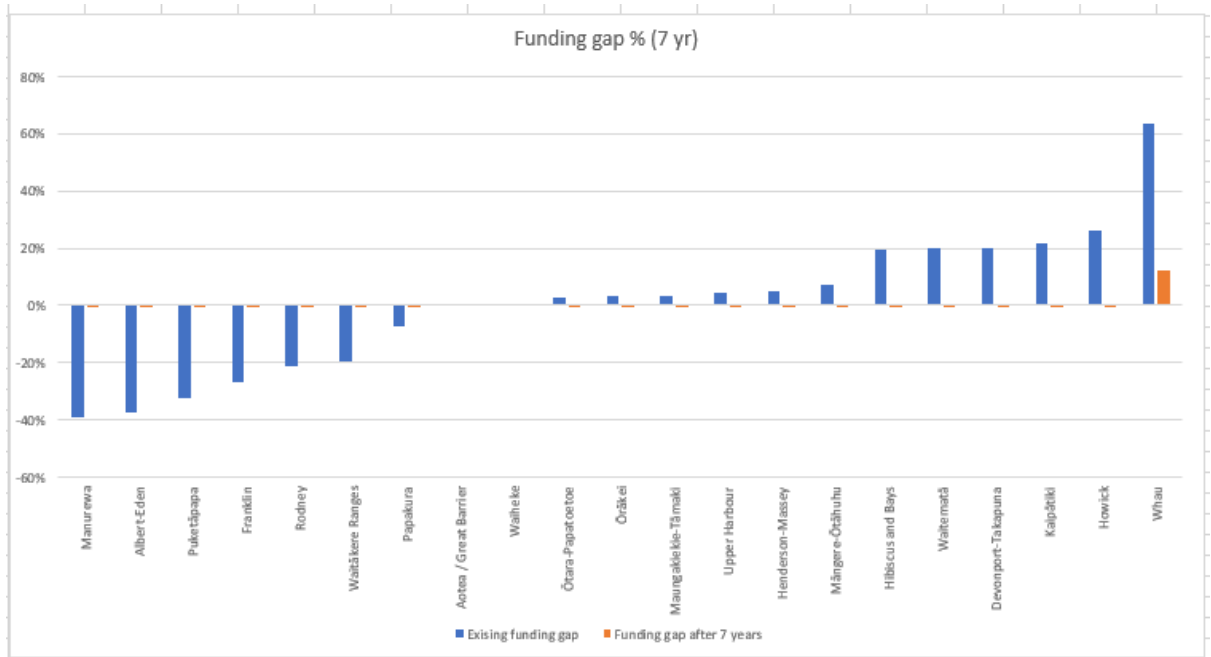
Option	Description	Time Required to Achieve Funding Equity
local boards to equity		
(iii) reallocating all existing local board funding	Achieving local board funding equity by reallocating existing local board funding (both capital and operational funding)	3 years
(iv) a combination of options (ii) and (iii)	Achieving local board funding equity by redistributing some existing local board funding and allocating some new funding, provided through LTP 2024-2034, to local boards with funding gaps	3 years

18. The Mayor attended the 2 May JGWP meeting and outlined his proposal. The JGWP supported the staff's intention to complete a more detailed analysis on these options for further consideration. This detailed analysis was presented to and discussed with the JGWP on 30 May 2023. A copy of the report to, and the minutes of the 30 May JGWP meeting are included at Attachments B and C.
19. The analysis to support the options being considered included current budgets that reflected budget changes that had been made after the October 2021 decision. These budget changes created some confusion with JGWP members. Staff were asked to provide the reasons behind these changes and reconfirm the scope change requested by the Mayor and this is covered in paragraphs 37 to 40.
20. The JGWP directed staff to focus future work on options (ii) and (iv) as it was considered that option (iii) would be politically unacceptable.
21. Further information was requested on the implications of different scenarios in relation to:
- (i) identifying the specific impacts of the components of the expanded scope e.g., impact of removing growth funding (see paragraphs 41 to 46)
 - (ii) analysis of the funding effects of removing regional, sub-regional and multi-board services and facilities from funding allocations (see paragraphs 80 to 98)
 - (iii) possible advantages and disadvantages of different percentages for a mix of reallocation and new funding, to inform principle-based decision on percentages, noting the impact of Annual Budget 2023/2024 decisions (see paragraphs 64 to 71)
 - (iv) resourcing implications for funding changes, given the shorter timeframe for implementation. (See paragraphs 101 to 103)
 - (v) analysis on transition requirements for implementation, for both opex and capex (see paragraphs 92 to 100).

Scope

Updated funding equity analysis based on the original GFR scope

22. The following graph shows the funding equity standings using the current budgets and budgets for the remaining seven years of the current LTP (2024 – 2031).



Change in funding gap over 7 years 2024/2025 – 2030/2031

23. Some of the local board equity rankings have changed when compared to 2021 analysis due to the following reasons:

- (i) the 2021 GFR model had 10 years of data (2021/2022 to 2030/2031) and the updated model only has 7 years, i.e., 2024/2025 to 2030/2031. Our current financial data only extends to 2030/2031, which is the final year of the current LTP.
- (ii) there have been refinements to local board budgets through annual plans since 2021:
 - a. With opex this mainly relates to refinements in the repairs and maintenance budgets as Council incorporated updated, more accurate information from its suppliers.
 - b. Capex budgets have changed to respond to the savings targets and capex prioritisation decided through 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 annual plans.

24. The updated 2023 graph also shows the change in equity in these seven years based on the allocation of unallocated growth and renewals budget. Analysis based on the current budget data shows that there is \$783 million of unallocated budget¹ in these seven years.

25. If the council decides to prioritise this unallocated budget for other purposes (e.g. storm response) prior to or through LTP 2024 -2034, achieving local board funding equity under this proposal will be delayed, unless additional funding is made available for this purpose.

26. Most of this unallocated budget is currently set aside for investment in growth. Repurposing funding intended for growth investment will delay the council’s investment in growth and may require the amendment of Auckland Council’s

¹ these budgets are yet to be allocated to a local board and are kept aside for future renewals and growth-related investment. This is explained in more detail in paragraphs 46 to 52.

Development Contributions (DCs) policy and the refund of some of the DCs collected.

27. Local boards that receive additional funding in the form of growth funding under this approach will be restricted in what and where they invest as investment of growth funding is guided by legislation (various sections of the Local Government Act 2002) and the DC policy.

Scope for Alternative Options

28. Staff have analysed budgets for the three financial years 2024/2025, 2025/2026 and 2026/2027 as these are the first three years of LTP 2024-2034, through which local board funding equity is proposed to be implemented under the new direction.

29. Staff have used the scope of option (i) (GFR) as a starting point for this investigation with three key changes. For the investigation of alternative options staff have:

(i) considered opex and capex separately for the following reasons:

- (a) the differences in opex funding across local boards is reasonably consistent, regardless of the timeframe of analysis. However, differences in capex varies considerably depending on the timeframe of analysis. This is due to the finite and lumpy nature of capex projects as opposed to opex which is ongoing. Discrete capex budgets only appear in certain years when the project is delivered, and this affects funding equity calculations. To better understand the impacts of capex funding on equity, it is useful to consider them separately.
- (b) creates an opportunity to understand opex and capex funding inequities separately and therefore address them differently. This is especially relevant when we consider the strategy of delivering differently, with less reliance on assets for service delivery adopted through LTP 2021-2031²
- (c) if a decision is made to provide new funding to achieve local board funding equity, the mechanisms to raise new opex and capex are different. Opex is generally funded through operating revenue such as rates and user charges, and capex is generally funded through debt (Auckland Council Revenue and Financing Policy).
- (d) in the current financial environment, there is limited flexibility in changing the funding mix (i.e., changing between opex and capex), for new funding, in the short term. The GFR decision of providing local boards with new funding and letting local boards decide the capex/opex funding mix is unlikely to be practical in Council's current financial environment. If an option for new funding is identified it is more feasible to provide local boards with a fixed split of new opex and capex, in the short-term.

It should be acknowledged that investment in capital projects will have an impact on future opex requirements through service and maintenance costs. Once local boards are allocated funding equitably, the future opex-requirements of new capital investment will have to be managed by the local boards from within their opex budget allocation. Staff will ensure that any future

² a three-year transition towards a more sustainable investment approach to delivering community services that is less reliant on council assets and focuses more on provision through alternative ways such as partnerships, digital channels and multi-use facilities (FIN2021/49)

investment advice provided on capital investment will include the whole of life costs of the asset which includes future opex requirements.

- (ii) included budgets funded through fees and charges, general rates and debt in the equity calculations. Some budgets were excluded due to limitations for reallocation of their funding sources, as detailed in the table below.

Table 2: Limitations of some funding sources

Funding Sources	Scope (Y/N)	Reason for being out of scope
Growth	N	Growth funding is allocated to specific projects within funding areas based on the Development Contributions (DC) policy and expected future growth population growth across Auckland. Reallocation of this budget is not possible without a change to the DC policy. Risks in changing this policy could result in growth investment being delayed in high growth areas, as inequity ranking, and growth projections do not align. This could also result in council being required to refund some DCs already collected if not able to deliver agreed growth projects in a timely manner.
External/specific funding/targeted rates	N	This is funding received to support specific purpose projects in specific local boards. This funding cannot be pooled together for reallocation.

- (iii) included LDI budgets, which funds projects across all local activities, in the scope for analysis. In October 2021 the Governing Body approved the 80:15:5 formula as an equitable allocation formula. LDI is currently allocated based on a 90:5:5 formula. Prior to implementation of increased local board decision-making local boards' discretion over ABS was limited. Under increased decision-making local boards have decision-making over both ABS and LDI. Hence staff recommend including LDI in the scope for alternative options and analysing it based on the 80:15:5 model. Once this is implemented there would be no distinction between ABS and LDI, there would only local boards' opex and capex.

Consideration of local activities for alternative options

30. Staff also analysed asset-based services budget within all four local activities:

- (i) Local community services
- (ii) Local environment management
- (iii) Local planning and development
- (iv) Local governance

For potential inclusion in the alternative options to achieve local board funding equity.

31. Staff propose to only consider the budget within local community services activity for these alternative options. The table below explains the reasons for excluding the other three activities.

Table 3: Analysis of other local activities

Local activity	Reason for being out of scope
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<p>Local Environment Management ABS</p>	<p>The ABS budget in this activity is comprised of a targeted rate collected for drainage purposes and an allocation for solid waste. These funds are collected and allocated for a specific purpose and in specific locations.</p> <p>The targeted rate is set by legislation and cannot be reallocated. The solid waste allocation is the budget for a regional service delivered in the local board areas. These do not fall within local board decision-making and cannot be considered for reallocation.</p>
<p>Local Planning and Development ABS</p>	<p>99 percent of the ABS opex budget in this activity is the BID targeted rates budget. These targeted rates are collected from the businesses on behalf of various business associations and are paid to these business associations. Local boards do not have decision-making over the allocation of these budgets.</p> <p>This activity also includes the Waitākere Ranges and Foothills Protection opex budget which is a legislative requirement under the Waitākere Ranges Heritage Area Act 2008 and cannot be considered for reallocation.</p> <p>Currently there is only one capital project under this activity which has a budget of \$19,000 in 2024/2025. This is a multi-year project which ends in 2024/2025.</p> <p>Hence, staff recommend not to include this activity in the scope.</p>
<p>Local Governance</p>	<p>The majority (55%) of the budget under this activity cover staff and other operational costs that support the local boards. Staffing is currently a statutory responsibility of the chief executive (s 42(2)(g) of the Local Government Act).</p> <p>The remaining budget under this activity relates to local board members such as elected member honorariums (40% of the total budget), training, etc. Elected member honorariums are set by legislation (Local Government Members Determination) and local boards do not have any decision-making over this.</p>

32. **Funding for other activities** such as for corporate property, transport and other CCOs are out of scope for this investigation. These are currently outside the local board allocation of decision-making or significant influence. The Mayor has indicated his preference to expand local board decision-making over some or all these activities. However, until a decision is made on this, these activities remain out of scope for this analysis. Also, any investigation that requires the inclusion of these activities would require collaboration of multiple agencies of the council, and additional resources and time.
33. **Gulf Island local boards:** For the alternate funding options, staff have followed the GFR decisions to provide fixed funding to the Gulf Island local boards. The fixed percentages are 1 percent and 2 percent of the total budgets for Aotea Great Barrier and Waiheke, respectively, which is consistent with the Local Board Funding Policy.
34. Local boards are allocated a share of the overhead costs such as interest, depreciation and corporate overheads based on the local board funding policy. Local

boards do not have direct decision-making over these budgets. Hence, these will be out of scope for this analysis.

Equity analysis based on the proposed scope for alternative options

35. The opex and capex equity rankings based on the scope for alternative options as discussed in the previous sections and based on current budget data is provided in Attachment D.
36. Local board funding equity rankings are determined by comparing the existing funding levels (2024/2025-2026/2027) to funding levels based on applying the above 80:15:5 formula to existing funding.

Responding to questions on scope from 30 May JGWP (JGWPC/2023/3 b)

37. At its 30 May 2023 meeting the Joint Governance Working Party also passed the following resolution:

(b) whakaae / agree to seek clarification from the Mayor in regard to the expanded scope

to seek clarity on this updated scope.

38. In response to the above JGWP resolution, the Mayor's office has confirmed that the scope outlined in the previous section is consistent with the Mayor's request. In confirming this, the Mayor has also asked that his overall aspiration of "fairer funding" for local boards, for them to be "bulk funded" and to make decisions on all local matters, not just local community services, is clearly signalled.
39. In response, staff advice is that this proposed extension of scope brings in a range of matters that cannot currently be accommodated within existing policy, legislative and/or resource constraints. While that work could be advanced over time, staff consider that a staged approach towards these outcomes is desirable.
40. The Mayor has also signalled his aspiration that there are fewer local boards with even greater decision-making, ideally in place in time for the coming 2025 election. The Governing Body resolved on 22 June 2023, to refer a local board reorganisation proposal to the JGWP. This proposal considers a smaller number of local boards with greater authority, to be implemented ahead of the 2025 or 2028 election. This would impact on this local board funding equity work programme. Staff will closely monitor the progress of this proposal and update the local board funding equity advice promptly.

Responding to the JGWP resolution on the impacts of the components of the scope (JGWPC/2023/3 d(i))

(i) LTP approved discrete local projects

41. These are specific projects approved through each LTP based on the priorities and strategies of the Council. Funding equity was not assessed or considered while approving funding for these projects. These projects' budgets are allocated to a specific local board and are one of the reasons behind disproportionately high funding for some local boards (example: funding for Te Hono community centre in the Whau local board).
42. After considering the benefits and drawbacks of including or excluding these projects in the funding equity analysis (refer table below), staff propose to exclude these projects.

LTP Discrete Projects	Benefits	Drawbacks
Including in the analysis	It provides a more complete picture of funding levels in the local board area	<p>If reallocation progresses as an option to address funding equity, then the local boards may end up with inadequate funding required to complete these LTP discrete projects. This would mean Council is not delivering on past decisions aligned with policy.</p> <p>These discrete projects raise the level of overfunding in the relevant local boards. This increases the amount of reallocation or new funding required to achieve local board funding equity.</p>
Excluding from the analysis	Considers past Council decisions and ensures adequate funding remains to deliver these decisions.	Does not consider all the funding invested in the local board area.

(ii) Growth funding

- 43. The JGWP requested analysis on the impact of excluding growth from the calculations for equity.
- 44. Based on current budgets there is \$39 million of growth capex funding allocated to various local boards in the first three years of LTP 2024 – 2034. Almost \$23 million of this is spread across three local boards – Upper Harbour, Hibiscus and Bays and Maungakiekie-Tāmaki. The remaining is spread across other local boards.
- 45. Attachment E illustrates the impact, of including or excluding growth funding in the analysis, on equity rankings.
- 46. However, as mentioned in the table above (Table 2 in para 29 (ii)), including growth funding will have other impacts than just impacting equity calculations. Reallocating growth funding may require a change to our DC policy and there will be limitations on local boards receiving growth funding on the type and location of assets they can invest in. For example, local boards cannot use growth funding for renewals or to invest in assets outside the adopted DC policy. Also, the reallocation of growth funding may trigger the refund of some DCs already collected.

Future unallocated budgets

- 47. Future unallocated budgets are budgets which are yet to be allocated to specific local boards in the future years (2024/2025 – 2030/2031) of the current LTP 2021-2031. Most of the future unallocated budget relates to growth funding and is proposed to be out of scope for the alternative options.

48. Unallocated opex is the consequential opex provision to cover operating costs of future investments, which mostly relates to growth funding. As growth is proposed to be out of scope in alternative options (ii). and (iv)., staff propose that unallocated consequential opex is also excluded.
49. Once a new growth investment is delivered, the asset and associated consequential opex transfers to the relevant local board's budget, which would then be considered as the local board's budget for any future equity analysis.
50. Unallocated capex (other than growth) mainly consists of response renewals kept aside for unplanned renewals and some funding provision for new investment.
51. These budgets are formulated based on the estimated future asset investments and response renewals requirements. This budget gets approved and allocated to specific local projects through annual plans or long-term plans as we start planning for the relevant financial year.
52. The unallocated capex budget is a local community services budget and can be considered for reallocation under an equitable allocation model. However, once this is allocated to local boards through the funding model, local boards will have to manage any future new investment and unplanned renewals through their allocated budgets.
53. Based on the scope for the alternative options, current budget figures indicate that in the first three years of LTP 2024 -2034 there is \$25 million of unallocated capex. The amount of unallocated budget may change as further budget decisions are made prior to or through LTP 2024 -2034 to respond to priorities such as storm response.

Alternative Options and their Impacts

54. At the 02 May JGWP staff presented three alternative options (as explained in para 17. Table 1) to achieve local board funding equity in a shorter timeframe:
 - (ii) providing new funding to bring all local boards to equity
 - (iii) reallocating all existing local board funding
 - (iv) a combination of options (ii) and (iii).
55. At the 30 May JGWP staff presented detailed analysis on these three alternative options. The JGWP at this meeting agreed to move forward with options (ii) and (iv) and requested further information on these options to be brought back to the 11 July JGWP.
56. The following sections provide further analysis on these two options reflecting the scope adjustments as outlined above.

Option (ii) - Providing new funding in the LTP 2024-2034 to bring all local boards to equity.

57. This option looks at mitigating local board funding equity through the provision of new funding through the LTP.
58. New funding if any, and the funding sources to enable this will need to be approved through the LTP 2024-2034. There is currently no source of new funding identified. Additional rates or debt is an option to raise new funding, however, this is yet to be

decided through LTP 2024 – 2034 which will have multiple priorities requiring new funding.

59. Some local boards are currently overfunded compared to the equitable funding allocation model. If there is no reduction to existing funding levels of overfunded local boards, the level of funding equity to be achieved will be relatively higher.
60. The amount of new funding required to get underfunded local boards to equity relative to the overfunded local boards, without reducing the currently overfunded local boards is approximately \$170 million in opex and \$210 million in capex across the first three years of the LTP 2024-2034.
61. Opex is generally funded through fees and charges and general rates, and capex is generally funded through debt. As an illustration of how new funding could have an impact on our financial position, for new operational funding required, a 1 percent rates increase raises around \$23 million opex and provides some extra capacity for debt. For new capital funding required, \$100 million of additional capex has impact of around a 2 percent increase against our debt to revenue ratio. It also has an associated requirement for additional opex funding through interest and depreciation.
62. The table below provides a summary of existing local board funding and new funding required in the first three years of LTP 2024 – 2034 to achieve local board funding equity.

	Existing Funding (\$m)	New Funding Required (\$m)
Opex	589	170
Capex	244	210

63. Attachment F shows the allocation of new funding to local boards.

Option (iv) - Combination of reallocation of some existing local board funding and new funding

64. This option looks at reallocating a portion (or percentage) of funding from overfunded local boards, with additional new funding to get all local boards to funding equity.
65. Staff have analysed various combinations to provide a clearer understanding of the impacts of each combination as shown in the table below.

Option	% reduction of surplus from LBs funded above an equitable level	Reduction in surplus over 3 years	New funding (including unallocated if any) required to achieve funding equity
iv(A)	10%	Opex: 1 local board reduces in funding by \$1m Capex: 1 local board reduces in funding by \$1m	Opex: \$150 m Capex: \$190m
iv(B)	25%	Opex: 1 local board reduces in funding by \$2.2m	Opex: \$125m Capex: \$160m

Option	% reduction of surplus from LBs funded above an equitable level	Reduction in surplus over 3 years	New funding (including unallocated if any) required to achieve funding equity
		Capex: 1 local board reduces in funding by \$2.7m	
iv(C)	50%	Opex: 5 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$0.7m to \$4.4m Capex: 3 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$0.7m to \$5.3m	Opex: \$80m Capex: \$110m
iv(D)	75%	Opex: 8 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$0.6m to \$6.6m Capex: 5 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$1.6m to \$8m	Opex: \$40m Capex: \$50m

66. As is evident from the table above, the higher the reallocation from overfunded local boards, the lesser the amount of new funding required to achieve local board funding equity. However, as the percentage of reallocation increases, the budgetary impact on local boards that are currently funded over their equitable funding levels increases. This is likely to have flow on impacts to their assets and services.

67. Also, given Council's LTP 2021 – 2031 commitment to delivering differently³, it may not be prudent to provide a large amount of additional capital funding as it may not incentivise lesser reliance on assets.

An alternative transition approach

68. Staff have identified an alternative transition option that is different to the above-mentioned options, i.e., allocating a lower level of new funding to uplift most local boards to within 5% equity. Any new funding and funding sources will have to be approved through LTP 2024 – 2034.

69. Under this approach most local boards could be brought to within 5% of funding equity within the first three years of the LTP 2024 – 2034. This is different to the options described previously as those options aim to achieve complete local board funding equity in the first three years.

70. Further reallocation or new funding will be required in years four to six of the LTP 2024 – 2034 to bring all local boards to complete funding equity and staff will provide advice and options on this through the development of LTP 2027 - 2037

³ a three-year transition towards a more sustainable investment approach to delivering community services that is less reliant on council assets and focuses more on provision through alternative ways such as partnerships, digital channels and multi-use facilities (FIN2021/49)

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New funding across 3 years (including unallocated if any) (\$m)	% reduction of surplus from LBs funded above an equitable level	Funding equity status	Reduction in surplus over 3 years	Funding variation across 3 years compared to an equitable allocation
Opex: 65 Capex: 75	0	18 local boards get to within 5% opex and capex funding equity 16 local boards within 3% opex funding equity	No reduction	Opex & capex – Each of the 18 local boards have shortfalls within a maximum of \$1.3m. Opex surpluses range from \$0.4m to \$5.5m. Capex surpluses range from \$0.2m to \$7m.
Opex: 55 Capex: 65	10	18 local boards get to within 5% opex and capex funding equity 16 local boards within 3% opex funding equity	Opex: 8 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$0.3m to \$1m Capex: 6 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$0.5m to 41m	Opex & capex – Each of the 18 local boards have shortfalls within a maximum of \$1.4m. Opex surpluses range from \$0.6m to \$5m. Capex surpluses range from \$0.3m to \$6.3m.
Opex: 40 Capex: 50	25	18 local boards get to within 5% opex and capex funding equity 16 local boards within 3% opex funding equity	Opex: 10 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$0.4m to \$2.2m Capex: 6 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$0.3m to \$2.7m	Opex & capex – Each of the 18 local boards have shortfalls within a maximum of \$1.4m. Opex surpluses range from \$0.6m to \$5m. Capex surpluses range from \$0.6m to \$6m
Opex: 20 Capex: 30	50	18 local boards get to within 5% opex and capex funding equity	Opex: 11 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$0.7m to \$4.4m Capex: 8 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$0.5m to \$5.3m	Opex & capex – Each of the 18 local boards have shortfalls within a maximum of \$1.3m. Opex surpluses range from \$0.2m to \$3.5m. Capex surpluses range from \$0.7m to \$4m
Opex: 0 Capex: 10	75	20 local boards get to within 5% opex funding equity	Opex: 11 local boards reduce in funding ranging	Opex shortfalls range from \$0.8m to \$1.6m. Opex surpluses range from \$0.4m to \$2.2m.

New funding across 3 years (including unallocated if any) (\$m)	% reduction of surplus from LBs funded above an equitable level	Funding equity status	Reduction in surplus over 3 years	Funding variation across 3 years compared to an equitable allocation
		18 local boards get to within 5% capex funding equity	from \$1m to \$6.6m Capex: 8 local boards reduce in funding ranging from \$1m to \$8m	Capex shortfalls are within \$0.5m. Capex surpluses range from \$0.7m to \$4m

71. Attachment G shows the analysis of these options on local board funding equity.

Continuation of the transition - Proposal for allocating new capex funding to local boards beyond 2026/2027

72. Through LTP 2021 – 2031 the Governing Body has agreed to do more in using alternative ways of delivering services, through partnerships and digital channels and multi-use facilities to reduce the reliance and associated costs of a large portfolio of community assets.

73. Over time, implementation of this new approach is expected to result in the sale of ageing local community service assets that are not fit for purpose and reinvest in services and facilities that better meet the needs of our communities.

74. To ensure that any new capital funding aligns with this strategy, staff propose a different approach for capital funding from year 4 of LTP 2024 – 2034 to achieve greater local board equity, once most local boards get to 5% equity by year 3 of LTP 2024 -2034.

75. Staff propose that new capital funding (if any) to address local board funding equity be kept aside as a pool of funding that local boards can access if they meet the below criteria:

- (i) the project aligns with Council's plans, strategies, and processes.
- (ii) the local board raises funding that satisfies the local board contribution percentage which is based on their equity ranking

76. If the local board meets these criteria a portion of the funding for the new investment will be allocated from this new funding pool by the Governing Body.

77. The funding contribution to the new investment will be based on:

- a) the percentage of new funding for a project a local board is eligible for based on their position on the equity ranking; and
- b) up to a maximum amount of funding that raises the local board to funding equity in the three years of the assessment.

78. The reasons for proposing to implement this approach from year 4 (2026/2027) are:

- (i) in the first three years of LTP 2024 - 2034, some local boards may be more ready than others to tap into this funding. This could create capex inequity.

- (ii) Under this approach it may take longer to achieve local board capex equity which may not be acceptable to local boards that are currently funded below the equitable level.

79. This is a new approach. Further analysis is required to understand the implications of this on equity and funding provisions. If the JGWP supports this approach staff will provide detailed advice on this at its next meeting.

Impact of Multi-board Services

80. This section responds to resolution JGWPC/2023/3 d (ii) from the 30 May JGWP, which requests analysis on the impact of multi-board services (MBS) on local board funding equity.

81. In October 2021 the Governing Body agreed in principle to create an MBS category. This would apply to facilities where at least 50% of users come from outside their local board area.

82. A hybrid approach to multi-board service funding was approved as below:

Approach	Description	Assessment
Hybrid (direct and pooled funding)	Host local board funds 50%	Relatively simple to administer
	Local community services funding pool funds 50%	Reasonable balance of costs

83. Under this approach 50% of the overall opex and capex budget for facilities that are part of the multi-board service programme would be pooled together as MBS funding and not considered as local board funding.

84. Attachment H shows the impacts of including and excluding MBS proposals on opex equity rankings. For this paper, staff have only assessed the impact of MBS on opex equity calculations.

85. Analysis of the impact of MBS proposals on capex equity will require more time and input from subject matter experts, as currently, we do not budget for future capex renewals or investments at such a granular level. Although our asset management planning identifies the estimated renewal requirement for each facility, the actual renewal budget for each facility is determined through work programme planning for the relevant year based on budget availability and other local board investment priorities.

86. However, the impact of considering the MBS proposal on capex equity calculation will be similar to that of the impact of opex equity, as explained in the example below.

87. Consider Waitematā local board as an example. Before considering MBS, the Waitematā local board was overfunded in opex by \$5 million in opex across the first three years of LTP 2024 – 2034. After MBS facilities are taken into consideration, their overfunding reduces to \$1 million. Although they remain overfunded, the level of overfunding reduces.

88. However, for a local board that does not have any MBS facilities (Hibiscus and Bays for example) considering an MBS programme would increase their level of relative

funding as now the total local community services budget pool they are compared against has reduced, while their budget has not reduced.

Local Board	3 Year Opex budget (\$m)	Opex equity ranking	3 Year Opex budget after considering MBS (\$m)	Equity ranking after considering MBS
Waitematā	15	15	13	11
Hibiscus and Bays	17	14	17	15

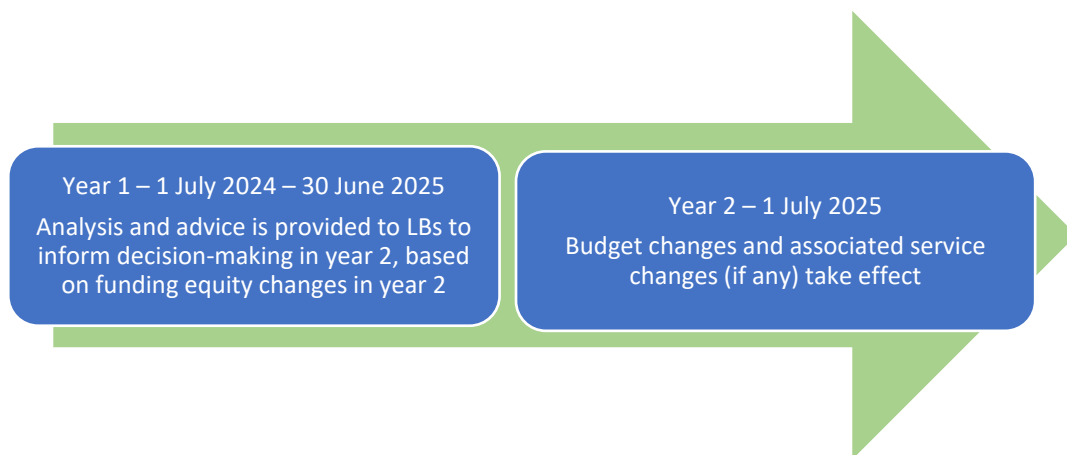
Shared governance

89. The 2021 Governing Body decision requested staff to investigate shared governance proposals for MBS facilities that enable joint decision-making by the local boards and the Governing Body over MBS facilities.
90. Further analysis is required on a shared governance model between affected local boards and the Governing Body to understand if the complexity, logistics, and costs of such a shared governance model justify the benefits achieved.
91. JGWP and local boards' feedback on the inclusion, or otherwise of MBS for funding equity will help guide future work on this.

Implementation Analysis

92. The aim of these proposals is to achieve complete or significant local board funding equity in the first three years of the LTP 2024 – 2034.
93. Staff will provide investment advice to the local boards to manage their assets and services based on the adopted funding approach, increased decision-making and their assets and services portfolio. This investment advice will align with local board plans and LTP 2024-2034 priorities and will be similar to the community investment advice provided to the local boards for the development of their 2023 local board plans.
94. Regardless of which option is adopted, staff recommend adopting a transition approach to implementing local board funding equity over the first three years of the LTP. This gives staff and local boards reasonable time to adapt to the changes under equity of funding.
95. This also provides time for Council to assess the budgetary and other impacts of the 2023 storm and flood damage which could have an impact on the equity analysis. The funding provision for storm damage would be excluded from equity analysis but may have an impact on the overall funding availability.

96. Proposed approach:



Impact on LTP 2024 - 2034

97. The level of local board funding equity that is achieved by year three of the LTP 2024 – 2034, is to be considered as the base level of funding for future years.
98. Any new funding provided in the first three years of the LTP 2024 – 2034 to achieve local board funding equity, will have to continue through the remainder of the LTP to maintain local board funding equity.
99. For example, to maintain the levels of equity achieved by the provision of \$65m of opex and \$75 million capex across the first three years of the LTP, would mean approximately \$200 million of opex and approximately \$250 million of capex over the 10 years of the LTP.
100. Staff propose to reassess the equity ranking of local boards through each LTP refresh, based on the latest available statistics and local board funding pool. Further advice on the funding implications of achieving or maintaining funding equity will be provided through the development of each LTP.

Resourcing

101. Further analysis is required to understand the resourcing impact of achieving local board funding equity in a shorter time frame.
102. Resourcing requirements would also depend on the option chosen to achieve this.
103. The Governing Body approved \$2.8 million per year through annual plan 2022/2023. Resource required to implement increased decision-making has been appointed, with \$1 million remaining per year. Any additional resourcing requirement to implement local board funding equity would initially be covered with this remaining budget. However, resourcing requirements beyond this will require additional budget approvals through the LTP 2024 – 2034.

Risks and Implications

General Risks

Change	Risk	Mitigation
Change in local board funding allocation on elected members and the organisation	Moderate risk: Under an equitable funding approach, local boards may have to consider a lot more complex advice on trade-offs and service prioritisation before making investment decisions.	Ensure that elected members are provided adequate training and there is adequate support (staff and systems) to develop the advice needed to assist local boards with decision-making
	Moderate risk: Inadequate resourcing to support the implementation of funding equity in a shorter timeframe.	Provide analysis of the resource requirements of implementing local board funding equity in a shorter timeframe and ensure adequate resourcing is approved through LTP 2024 -2034 to support the implementation.
	Moderate risk: Lack of understanding and maturity in the organisation about local board decision-making and the impacts of local board decision-making on the Council's operations. Also, some of our systems do not align with or respond well to local board decision-making.	Additional staff resources (using the \$2.8m per year approved by the Governing Body) for the implementation of GFR will help in staff training/capability and improvement to our systems
Changes to budget and impact on analysis	Moderate risk: The analysis in this paper is based on currently available budget data. Budget decisions prior to and through LTP 2024 – 2034 will have an impact on this budget data and on the analysis and the equity calculations	Ensure that analysis is regularly updated and reflects the latest available budget data.

104. Other risks and implications are discussed below:

Option	Risks	Mitigation
Any option that involves reallocation	Moderate Risk: Impact on local assets and services – a reduction in funding could lead to the necessary closure of some facilities and an associated reduction in service levels unless feasible alternate delivery methods were supported. Likely to be less support from local boards that may lose funding.	Investment advice from staff will support local boards to consider options to deliver services differently and more cost-effectively, including via partners, technology or the consolidation of services
Any option that involves new funding	Low risk: Risk of unplanned or unjustified investment where local boards receive new capital funding to mitigate inequity, that is not necessarily aligned to adopted policy requirements.	A staged transition approach with whole of life investment advice is necessary to mitigate this risk. Staff will provide advice that aligns with Council's and local boards' plans and strategies.

Option	Financial Implications	Mitigation
Any option that involves new funding	Given Council's current financial conditions and the additional impact of events such as the storm recovery it could be difficult to raise new funding. Any new funding may have impacts on our rates and other financial policies. Future events weather and other events may have further impact on Council's financial position which increases the risk of raising new funding.	Ensure that any new funding is within our financial policies
	Ability to deliver projects within budget timeframes due to inadequate planning time, delays could result in escalating cost.	Capex for new projects is allocated following prudent investment advice through business cases and/or other business processes.

105. **MBS:** The 2021 Governing Body approved in-principle to investigate a shared governance model for MBS. This paper discussed the impacts of MBS on funding equity. However, further analysis is required to understand the costs and complexity of implementing a shared governance model to assess whether the benefits justify the costs involved.

Next Steps

106. Discuss the proposed options included in this paper with all elected members at a joint briefing on 24 July 2023.
107. Following this the discussion paper will be workshopped with local boards in the months of July and August 2023, prior to seeking their formal feedback through August business meetings.
108. Local feedback will be provided to the September 2023 JGWP meeting.
109. JGWP feedback and directions and local board feedback will be presented to the Governing Body in October/November 2023, prior to LTP 2024-2034 Mayoral Proposal being published.

Joint Governance Working Party

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Joint Governance Working Party held in the Meeting Room 1, Level 26, 135 Albert Street, Auckland on Tuesday, 11 July 2023 at 2.02pm.

TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

Deputy Chairperson	Member Cath Handley	Presiding
Members	Cr Andrew Baker	via electronic link from item 5, 3.38pm
	Member Brent Catchpole	via electronic link
	Member Angela Fulljames	via electronic link
	Member John Gillon	via electronic link
	Cr Shane Henderson	
	Cr Kerrin Leoni	via electronic link, until item 5, 2.55pm
	Cr Daniel Newman, JP	via electronic link
	Member Richard Northey, (ONZM)	

TE HUNGA KĀORE I TAE MAI | ABSENT

Chairperson	Cr Julie Fairey
Members	Member Kay Thomas
	Cr John Watson

TE HUNGA ĀPITI KUA TAE MAI | ALSO PRESENT

Cr Angela Dalton

1 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

Resolution number JGWPC/2023/4

MOVED by Deputy Chairperson C Handley, seconded by Member R Northey:

That the Joint Governance Working Party:

a) **whakaae / accept the apologies from members:**

Absence

Cr A Baker

Chairperson J Fairey

Member K Thomas

Cr J Watson

CARRIED

2 Te Whakapuaki i te Whai Pānga | 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.

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Te Whakaū i ngā Āmiki | Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number JGWPC/2023/5

MOVED by Member R Northey, seconded by Cr S Henderson:

That the Joint Governance Working Party:

a) **confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Tuesday, 30 May 2023 as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

4 Ngā Pakihi Autaia | Extraordinary Business

There is no extraordinary business

5 Discussion paper on Local Board Funding Equity

Cr K Leoni retired from the meeting at 2.55pm.

The meeting adjourned at 3.32pm.

Cr A Baker joined the meeting at 3.38pm.

The meeting reconvened at 3.45pm.

Resolution number JGWPC/2023/6

MOVED by Member R Northey, seconded by Cr S Henderson:

That the Joint Governance Working Party:

- a) **whakaae / approve the discussion paper on local board funding equity with any changes or further direction, for local board workshops to be held during July and August 2023, for report back to a further working party meeting in late September 2023.**
- b) **tūtohungia / recommend that Joint Governance Working Party's view is that**
 - i) **their preferred option is to achieve this change by funding a combination of both new funding and reallocation of existing funding**
 - ii) **further consideration is given to a possible and appropriate transition process provided that it makes major and early progress on equity**
 - iii) **urge that the following categories are excluded for reasons of legislative requirements and/or fairness:**
 - **Growth funding**
 - **Special purpose funding**
 - **Targeted rate funding**
 - **Local environment management**
 - **Local planning and development**
 - **Local governance**
 - **Most unallocated funds**
 - iv) **urge that the work be done to determine the criteria for appropriate exclusion of sub regional and multi board services and facilities**
 - v) **seek to achieve equity funding as soon as can be achieved practically, fairly, and in an informed way**
- c) **whakaae / agree to ask that the current funding formula for the two Hauraki Gulf local boards be reviewed to ensure alignment with any changes**

CARRIED

Note: Under Standing Order 1.8.6, member John Gillon requested that his dissenting vote be recorded against clause b) i).

6 Te Whakaaro ki ngā Take Pūtea e Autaia ana | Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

4.26pm

The chairperson thanked members for their attendance and attention to business and declared the meeting closed.

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Joint Governance Working Party

OPEN MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Joint Governance Working Party held in the Meeting Room 1, Level 26, 135 Albert Street, Auckland on Tuesday, 30 May 2023 at 10.00am.

TE HUNGA KUA TAE MAI | PRESENT

Chairperson	Cr Julie Fairey	
Deputy Chairperson	Member Cath Handley	
Members	Member Angela Fulljames	via electronic link
	Member John Gillon	via electronic link
	Cr Shane Henderson	
	Cr Kerrin Leoni	via electronic link, in person from item 5, 11:32am
	Cr Daniel Newman, JP	
	Member Richard Northey, (ONZM)	
	Member Kay Thomas	
	Cr John Watson	via electronic link

TE HUNGA KĀORE I TAE MAI | ABSENT

Members	Cr Andrew Baker
	Member Maria Meredith

TE HUNGA ĀPITI KUA TAE MAI | ALSO PRESENT

Members	Cr Angela Dalton
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1 Ngā Tamōtanga | Apologies

Resolution number JGWPC/2023/1

MOVED by Chairperson J Fairey:

That the Joint Governance Working Party:

- a) **whakaae / accept the apology from Andrew Baker for Council Business.**

CARRIED

2 Te Whakapuaki i te Whai Pānga | Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Te Whakaū i ngā Āmiki | Confirmation of Minutes

Resolution number JGWPC/2023/2

MOVED by Chairperson J Fairey:

That the Joint Governance Working Party:

- a) **whakaū / confirm the ordinary minutes of its meeting, held on Tuesday, 2 May 2023, as a true and correct record.**

CARRIED

4 Ngā Pakihi Autaia | Extraordinary Business

There was no consideration of extraordinary business.

5 Discussion Paper - Local Board Funding Equity

Cr Newman left the meeting at 10.50am.

Cr Newman joined via electronic link at 10.56am.

Cr Henderson left at 11.21am.

Cr Leoni joined the meeting in person at 11.32am.

Cr Henderson returned to the meeting at 11.34am.

Meeting adjourned for 15 minutes from 11.40am until 11.55am.

Cr Newman returned in person at 12.12pm.

Resolution number JGWPC/2023/3

MOVED by Chairperson J Fairey, seconded by Deputy Chairperson C Handley:

That the Joint Governance Working Party:

- a) **whakaae / agree to provide direction to staff on its preferred option or options for further investigation and/or engagement with local boards in July and August 2023**

- b) whakaae / agree to seek clarification from the Mayor in regard to the expanded scope
- c) ohia / support in principle focusing future work on options based on new funding or a mix of reallocation and new funding
 - i) with significant change to be achieved within the first three years and,
 - ii) acknowledging that further changes may take a further term if the scope is expanded
- d) tono / request further information for the implications of different scenarios in relation to:
 - i) separating out the impacts of the components of the expanded scope eg impact of removing growth funding
 - ii) analysis of the funding effects of removing regional, sub-regional and multi-board services and facilities from funding allocations
 - iii) possible advantages and disadvantages from different percentages for a mix of reallocation and new funding, to inform principle-based decision on percentages, noting the impact of the forthcoming Annual Budget decisions
 - iv) resourcing implications for funding changes, given the shorter timeframe for implementation
 - v) analysis on transition requirements for implementation, for both opex and capex
- e) whakaae / agree to encourage members to report back to the local board clusters and Governing Body prior to the July 11th meeting, to socialise the discussions to date and possible ways forward.

CARRIED

6 Te Whakaaro ki ngā Take Pūtea e Autaia ana | Consideration of Extraordinary Items

There was no consideration of extraordinary items.

12.27 pm

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

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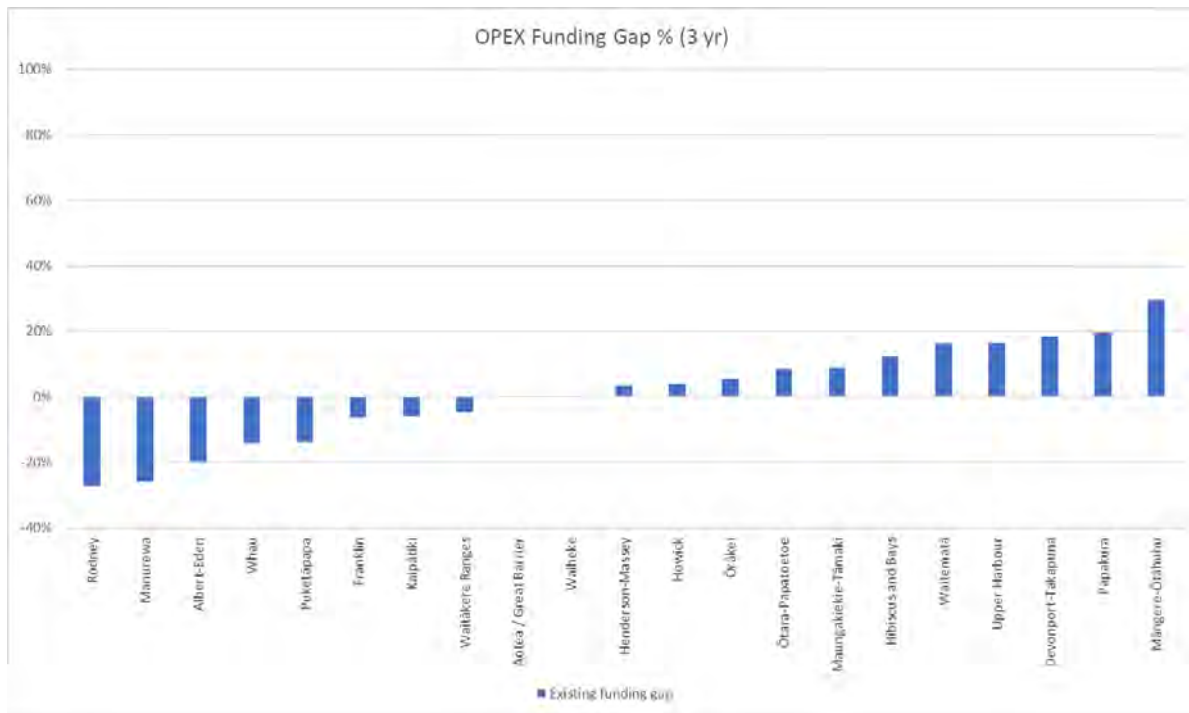
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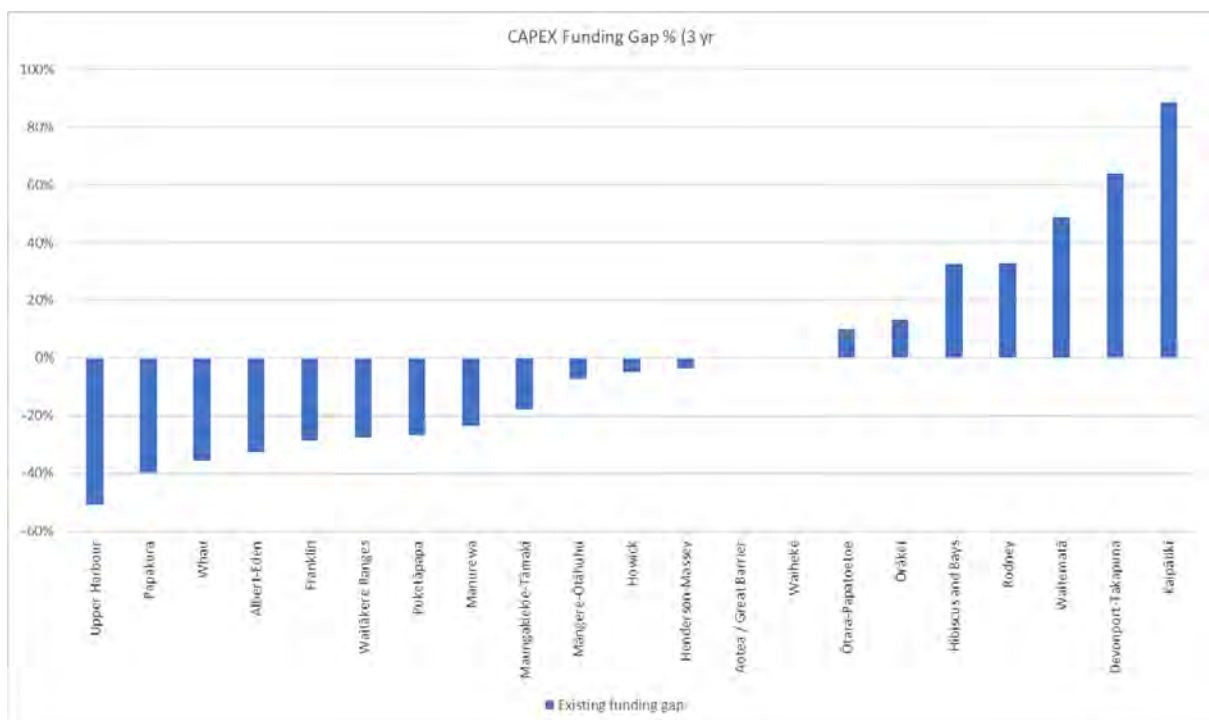
Attachment D: Current funding equity rankings (2024/2025 to 2026/2027)

The below graphs show the percentage of funding variance across three years when existing funding is compared against a funding allocation based on the 80:15:5 (population:deprivation:land area) model

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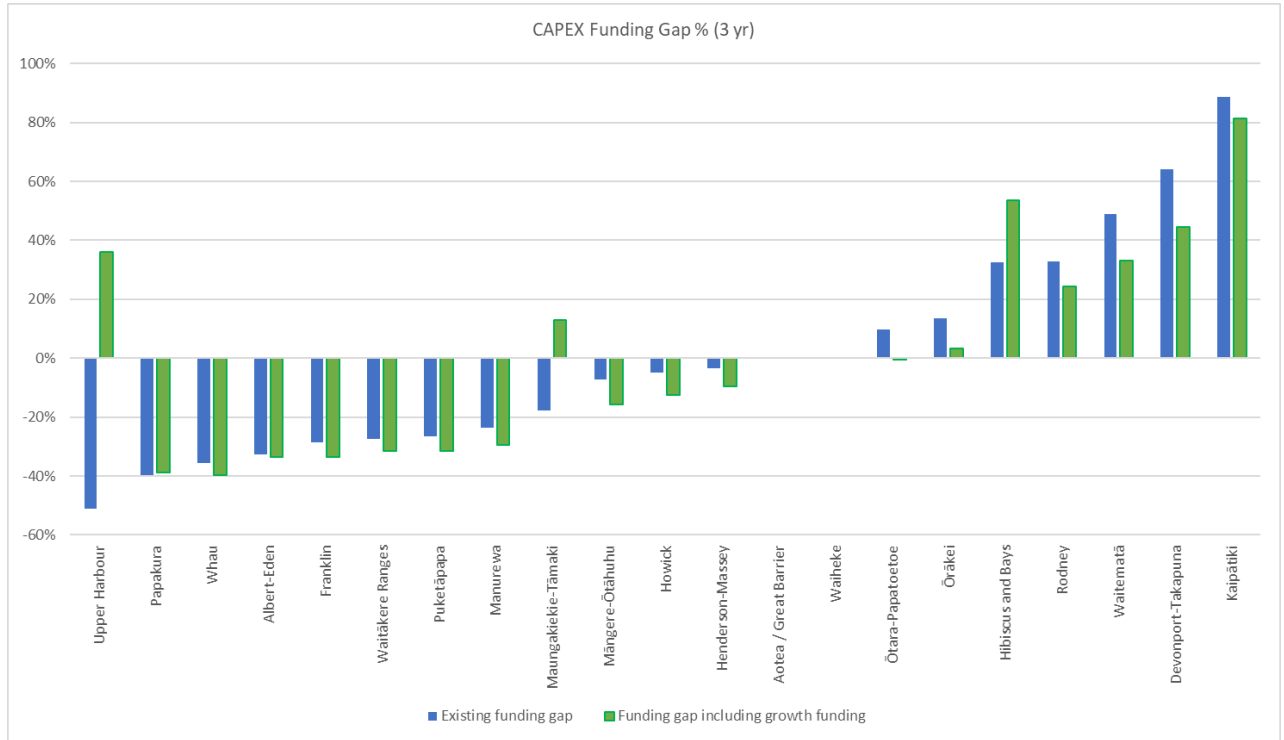


This analysis is based on budget data as of 07 June 2023. LTP 2024 – 2034 decisions will have an impact on this analysis.

Attachment E: Impact of growth funding on equity analysis

The graphs in this attachment show the change in capex equity rankings depending on the inclusion or exclusion of growth funding in the equity analysis

Change in capex equity ranking with and without growth funding



This analysis is based on budget data as of 07 June 2023. LTP 2024 – 2034 decisions will have an impact on this analysis.

Attachment F - Option (ii) - Allocation of new funding to local boards to achieve complete funding equity in 3 years of LTP 2024-2034

The tables in this attachment show the distribution of new funding to achieve local board funding equity in the first three years of LTP 2024 – 2034. Aotea / Great Barrier and Waiheke are allocated 1% and 2% of the total funding.

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	Current 3 year funding	New funding	After 3 Years
Albert-Eden	25.3	15.3	40.6
Aotea / Great Barrier	4.1	3.5	7.6
Devonport-Takapuna	22.7	2.0	24.6
Franklin	31.9	12.0	44.0
Henderson-Massey	42.3	10.4	52.7
Hibiscus and Bays	38.0	5.6	43.6
Howick	47.1	11.2	58.4
Kaipātiki	27.2	10.0	37.2
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	38.9	0.0	38.9
Manurewa	25.7	19.0	44.7
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	31.1	5.7	36.8
Ōrākei	27.9	6.2	34.1
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	34.7	6.6	41.3
Papakura	28.9	2.2	31.1
Puketāpapa	18.8	9.3	28.1
Rodney	27.4	21.1	48.5
Upper Harbour	27.4	2.9	30.3
Waiheke	11.1	4.1	15.2
Waitākere Ranges	19.1	6.7	25.8
Waitematā	34.2	3.7	37.9
Whau	24.7	12.4	37.1
	588.5	170.1	

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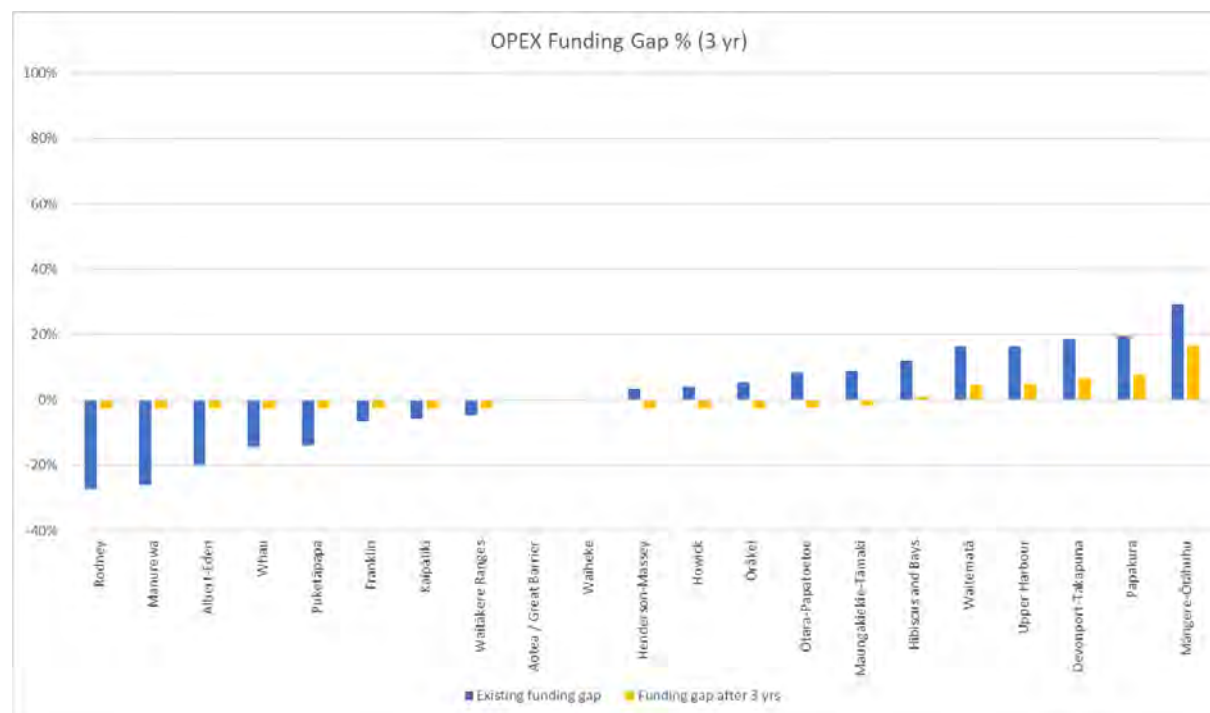
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	Current 3 year funding	New funding	After 3 Years
Albert-Eden	8.8	15.6	24.4
Aotea / Great Barrier	1.3	3.2	4.6
Devonport-Takapuna	13.0	1.8	14.8
Franklin	10.1	16.3	26.5
Henderson-Massey	16.4	15.3	31.7
Hibiscus and Bays	18.6	7.6	26.2
Howick	17.9	17.2	35.1
Kaipātiki	22.6	0.0	22.6
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	11.5	11.7	23.3
Manurewa	11.0	15.9	26.9
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	9.7	12.4	22.1
Ōrākei	12.5	8.1	20.5
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	14.6	10.2	24.9
Papakura	6.0	12.7	18.7
Puketāpapa	6.6	10.2	16.9
Rodney	20.8	8.4	29.2
Upper Harbour	4.8	13.5	18.2
Waiheke	5.9	3.2	9.1
Waitākere Ranges	6.0	9.5	15.5
Waitematā	18.2	4.6	22.8
Whau	7.7	14.6	22.3
	244	212.0	

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Attachment G - Transition Approach - Allocation of some new funding to local boards to achieve reasonable funding equity for most local boards in three years of LTP 2024-2034 (new funding - \$65m opex and \$77m capex)

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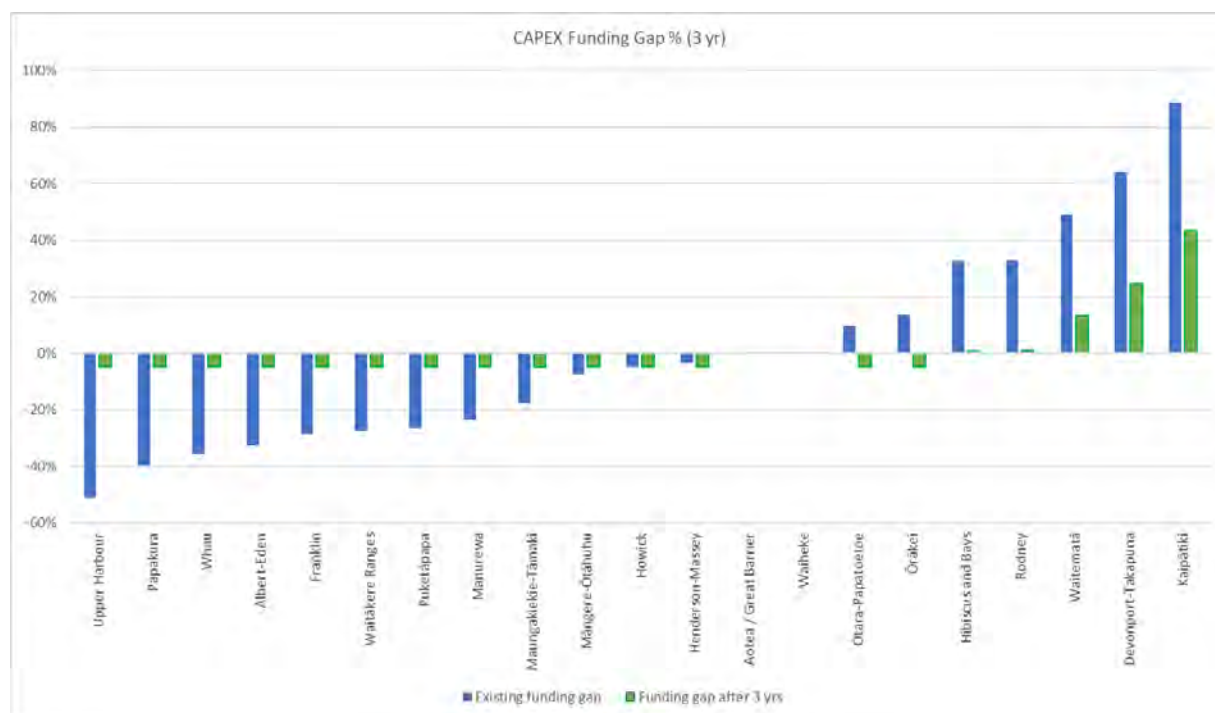


	Current (\$m)	Funding Movement (\$m)	After 3 Years (\$m)
Albert-Eden	25.3	8.7	34.0
Aotea / Great Barrier	4.1	2.3	6.4
Devonport-Takapuna	22.7	0.0	22.7
Franklin	31.9	5.0	36.9
Henderson-Massey	42.3	1.9	44.2
Hibiscus and Bays	38.0	0.0	38.0
Howick	47.1	1.8	49.0
Kaipātiki	27.2	4.0	31.2
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	38.9	0.0	38.9
Manurewa	25.7	11.8	37.5
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	31.1	0.0	31.1
Ōrākei	27.9	0.7	28.6
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	34.7	0.0	34.7
Papakura	28.9	0.0	28.9
Puketāpapa	18.8	4.8	23.5
Rodney	27.4	13.3	40.7
Upper Harbour	27.4	0.0	27.4
Waiheke	11.1	1.7	12.7
Waitākere Ranges	19.1	2.5	21.6
Waitemata	34.2	0.0	34.2
Whau	24.7	6.5	31.1
Total	588.5	65	

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Aotea / Great Barrier and Waiheke are allocated 1% and 2% of the total funding.

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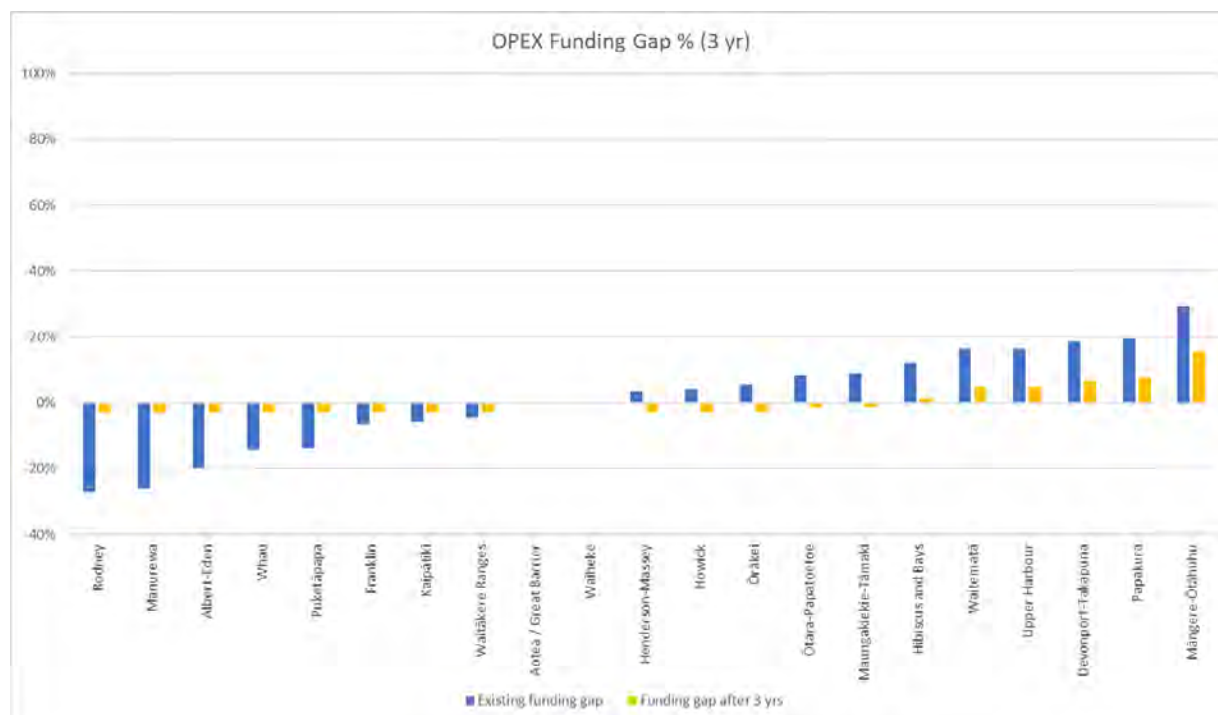
	Current (\$m)	Funding Movement (\$m)	After 3 Years (\$m)
Albert-Eden	8.8	7.5	16.3
Aotea / Great Barrier	1.3	1.7	3.1
Devonport-Takapuna	13.0	0.0	13.0
Franklin	10.1	7.6	17.7
Henderson-Massey	16.4	4.8	21.2
Hibiscus and Bays	18.6	0.0	18.6
Howick	17.9	5.6	23.5
Kaipātiki	22.6	0.0	22.6
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	11.5	4.0	15.6
Manurewa	11.0	7.0	18.0
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	9.7	5.1	14.8
Ōrākei	12.5	1.3	13.7
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	14.6	2.0	16.6
Papakura	6.0	6.5	12.5
Puketāpapa	6.6	4.7	11.3
Rodney	20.8	0.0	20.8
Upper Harbour	4.8	7.4	12.2
Waiheke	5.9	0.2	6.1
Waitākere Ranges	6.0	4.4	10.4
Waitematā	18.2	0.0	18.2
Whau	7.7	7.2	14.9
	244.2	77	

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Aotea / Great Barrier and Waiheke are allocated 1% and 2% of the total funding.

Transition Approach - Allocation of some new funding to local boards to achieve reasonable funding equity for most local boards in three years of LTP 2024 -2034 (10% reallocation, new funding - \$55m opex and \$65m capex)

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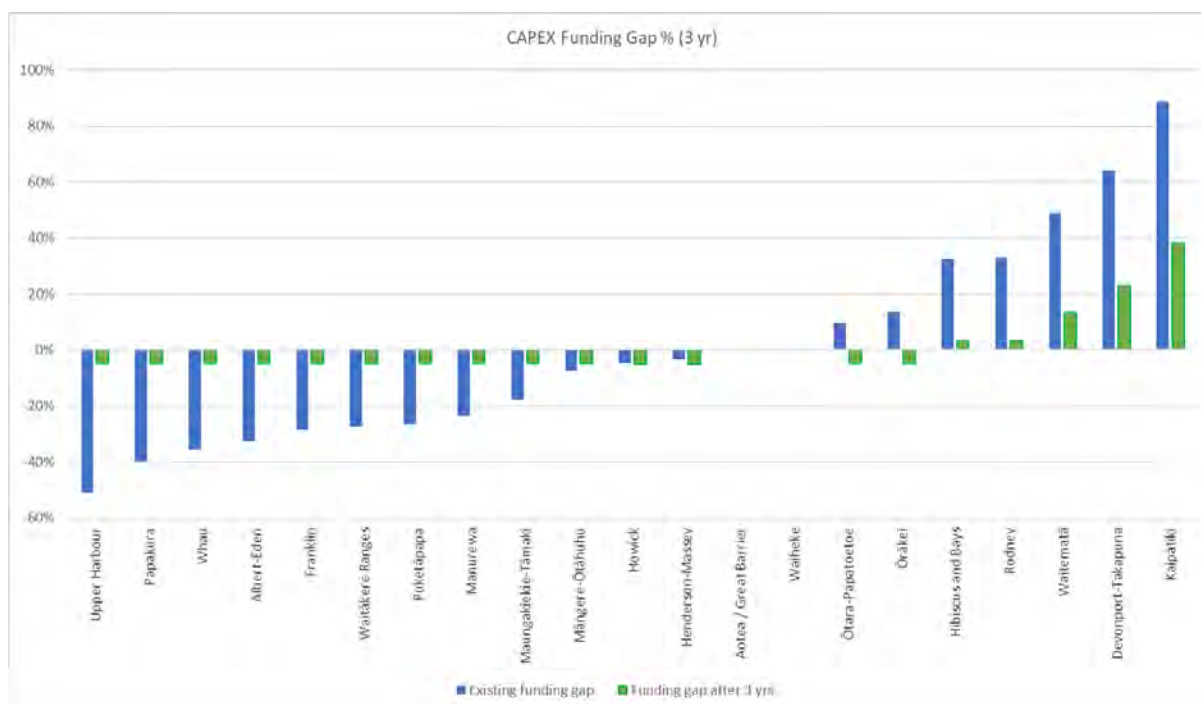


	Current (\$m)	Funding Movement (\$m)	After 3 Years (\$m)
Albert-Eden	25.3	8.2	33.5
Aotea / Great Barrier	4.1	2.2	6.3
Devonport-Takapuna	22.7	-0.4	22.3
Franklin	31.9	4.4	36.3
Henderson-Massey	42.3	1.2	43.5
Hibiscus and Bays	38.0	-0.4	37.6
Howick	47.1	1.0	48.2
Kaipātiki	27.2	3.5	30.7
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	38.9	-0.9	38.0
Manurewa	25.7	11.2	36.9
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	31.1	-0.3	30.8
Ōrākei	27.9	0.2	28.2
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	34.7	-0.3	34.5
Papakura	28.9	-0.5	28.4
Puketāpapa	18.8	4.4	23.2
Rodney	27.4	12.6	40.1
Upper Harbour	27.4	-0.4	27.0
Waiheke	11.1	1.5	12.5
Waitākere Ranges	19.1	2.2	21.3
Waitematā	34.2	-0.5	33.7
Whau	24.7	6.0	30.6
Total	588.5	55	

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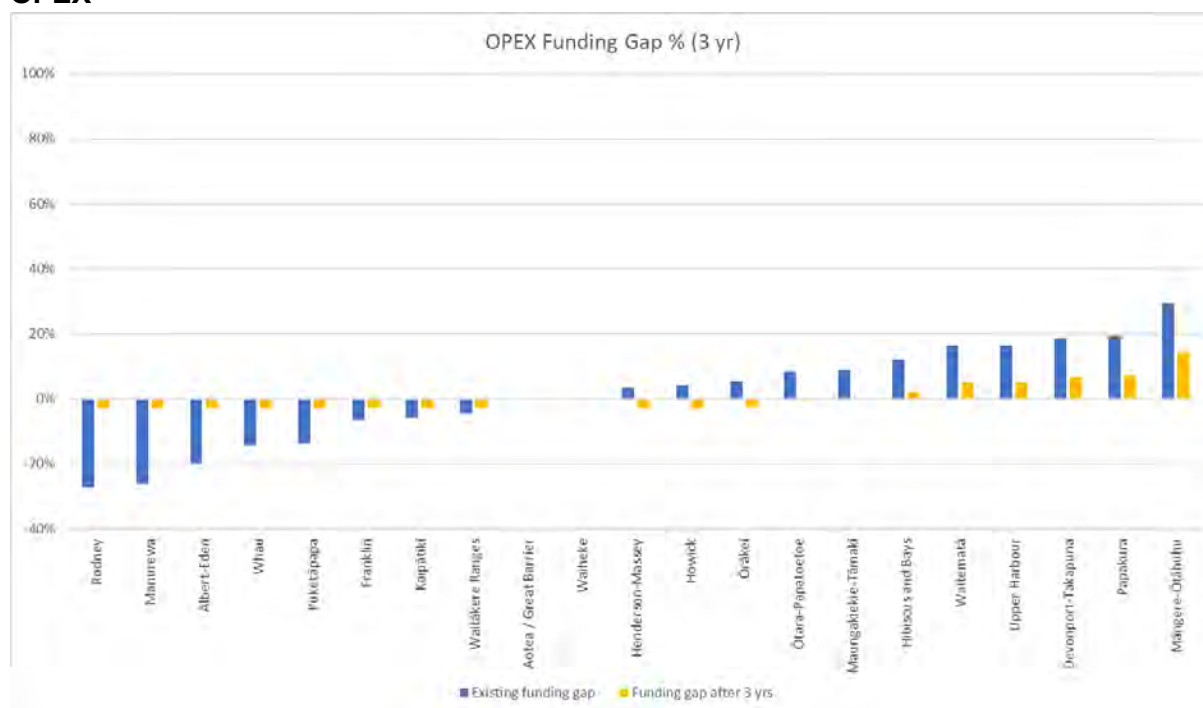
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Aotea / Great Barrier	1.3	1.6	2.9
Devonport-Takapuna	13.0	-0.5	12.5
Franklin	10.1	6.9	17.0
Henderson-Massey	16.4	4.0	20.4
Hibiscus and Bays	18.6	-0.5	18.2
Howick	17.9	4.7	22.6
Kaipātiki	22.6	-1.1	21.6
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	11.5	3.4	15.0
Manurewa	11.0	6.3	17.3
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	9.7	4.5	14.2
Ōrākei	12.5	0.7	13.2
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	14.6	1.4	16.0
Papakura	6.0	6.0	12.0
Puketāpapa	6.6	4.2	10.9
Rodney	20.8	-0.5	20.3
Upper Harbour	4.8	7.0	11.7
Waiheke	5.9	-0.1	5.9
Waitākere Ranges	6.0	4.0	10.0
Waitematā	18.2	-0.6	17.6
Whau	7.7	6.7	14.4
Total	244.2	65	

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Aotea / Great Barrier and Waiheke are allocated 1% and 2% of the total funding.

Transition Approach - Allocation of some new funding to local boards to achieve reasonable funding equity for most local boards in three years of LTP 2024 -2034 (25% reallocation, new funding - \$40m opex and \$50m capex)

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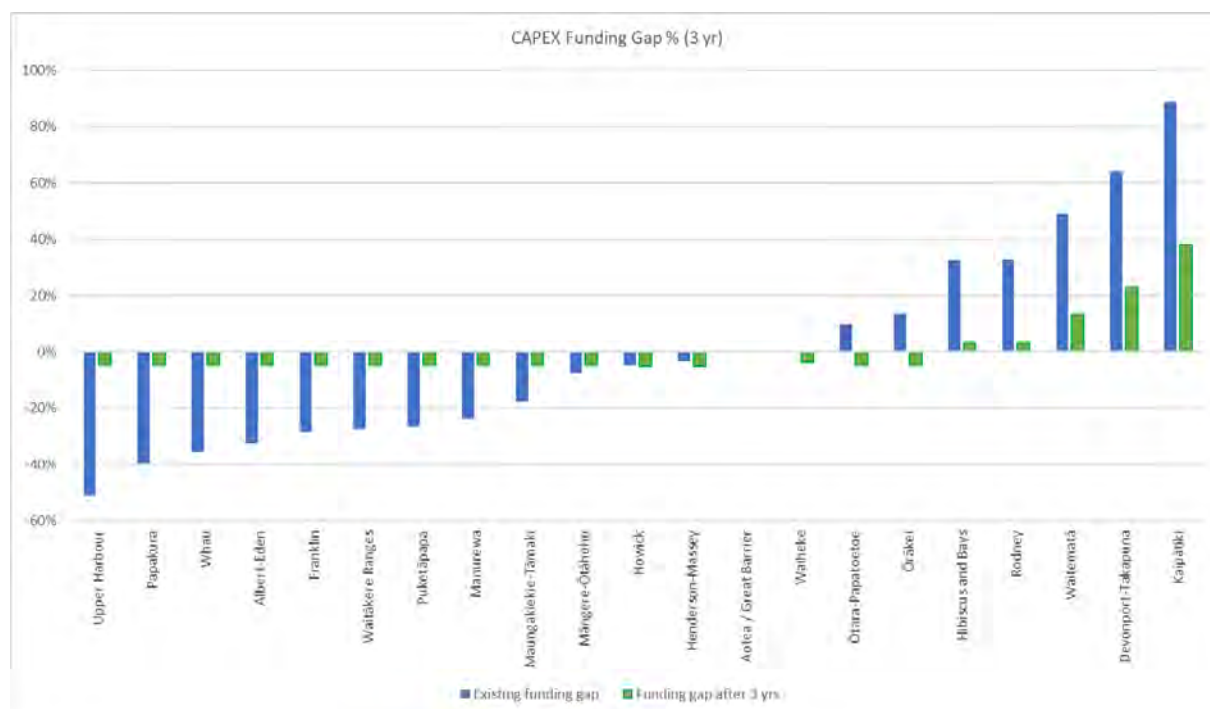


	Current (\$m)	Funding Movement (\$m)	After 3 Years (\$m)
Albert-Eden	25.3	7.4	32.6
Aotea / Great Barrier	4.1	2.0	6.1
Devonport-Takapuna	22.7	-0.9	21.8
Franklin	31.9	3.5	35.4
Henderson-Massey	42.3	0.1	42.4
Hibiscus and Bays	38.0	-1.0	36.9
Howick	47.1	-0.2	47.0
Kaipātiki	27.2	2.8	30.0
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	38.9	-2.2	36.6
Manurewa	25.7	10.3	36.0
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	31.1	-0.6	30.5
Ōrākei	27.9	-0.4	27.6
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	34.7	-0.7	34.1
Papakura	28.9	-1.2	27.7
Puketāpapa	18.8	3.8	22.6
Rodney	27.4	11.6	39.1
Upper Harbour	27.4	-1.0	26.4
Waiheke	11.1	1.1	12.2
Waitākere Ranges	19.1	1.7	20.7
Waitemata	34.2	-1.2	33.0
Whau	24.7	5.2	29.8
Total	588.5	40	

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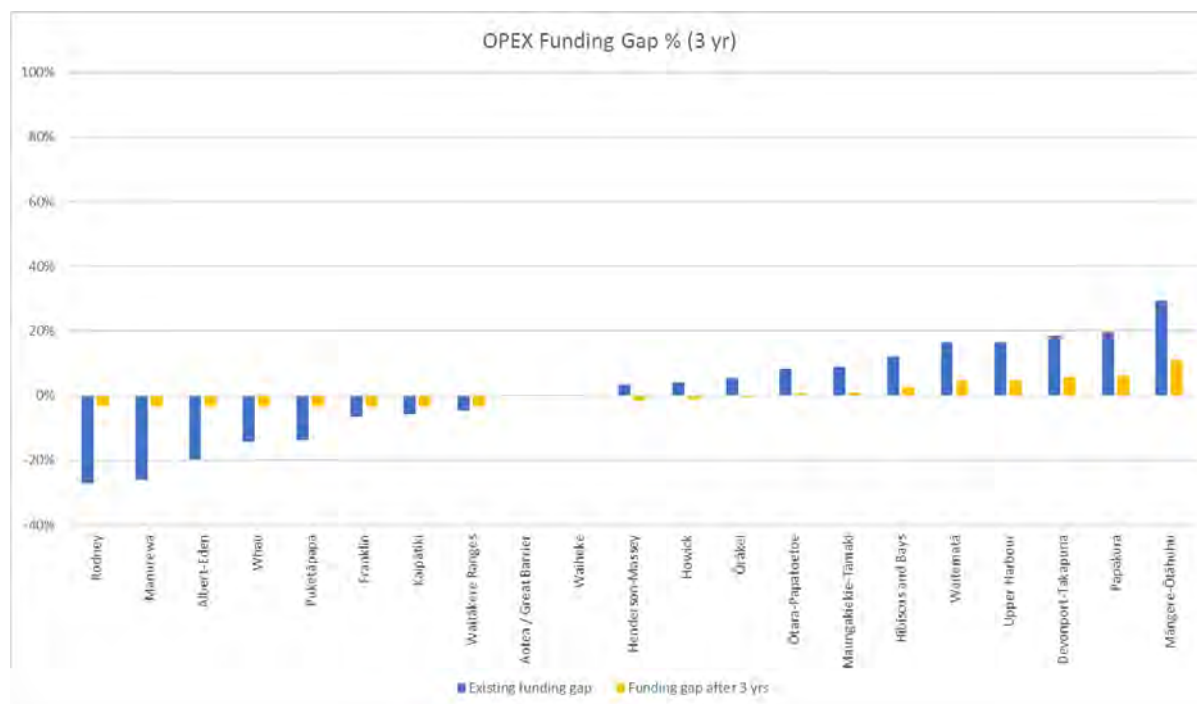
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Albert-Eden	8.8	6.2	15.0
Aotea / Great Barrier	1.3	1.5	2.8
Devonport-Takapuna	13.0	-1.3	11.8
Franklin	10.1	6.1	16.2
Henderson-Massey	16.4	3.1	19.4
Hibiscus and Bays	18.6	-1.1	17.5
Howick	17.9	3.6	21.5
Kaipātiki	22.6	-2.7	20.0
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	11.5	2.7	14.3
Manurewa	11.0	5.5	16.5
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	9.7	3.8	13.6
Ōrākei	12.5	0.1	12.6
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	14.6	0.6	15.2
Papakura	6.0	5.4	11.5
Puketāpapa	6.6	3.7	10.3
Rodney	20.8	-1.3	19.5
Upper Harbour	4.8	6.4	11.2
Waiheke	5.9	-0.3	5.7
Waitākere Ranges	6.0	3.5	9.5
Waitemātā	18.2	-1.5	16.7
Whau	7.7	6.0	13.7
	244.2	50	

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Aotea / Great Barrier and Waiheke are allocated 1% and 2% of the total funding.

Transition Approach - Allocation of some new funding to local boards to achieve reasonable funding equity for most local boards in three years of LTP 2024 -2034 (50% reallocation, new funding - \$20m opex and \$30m capex)

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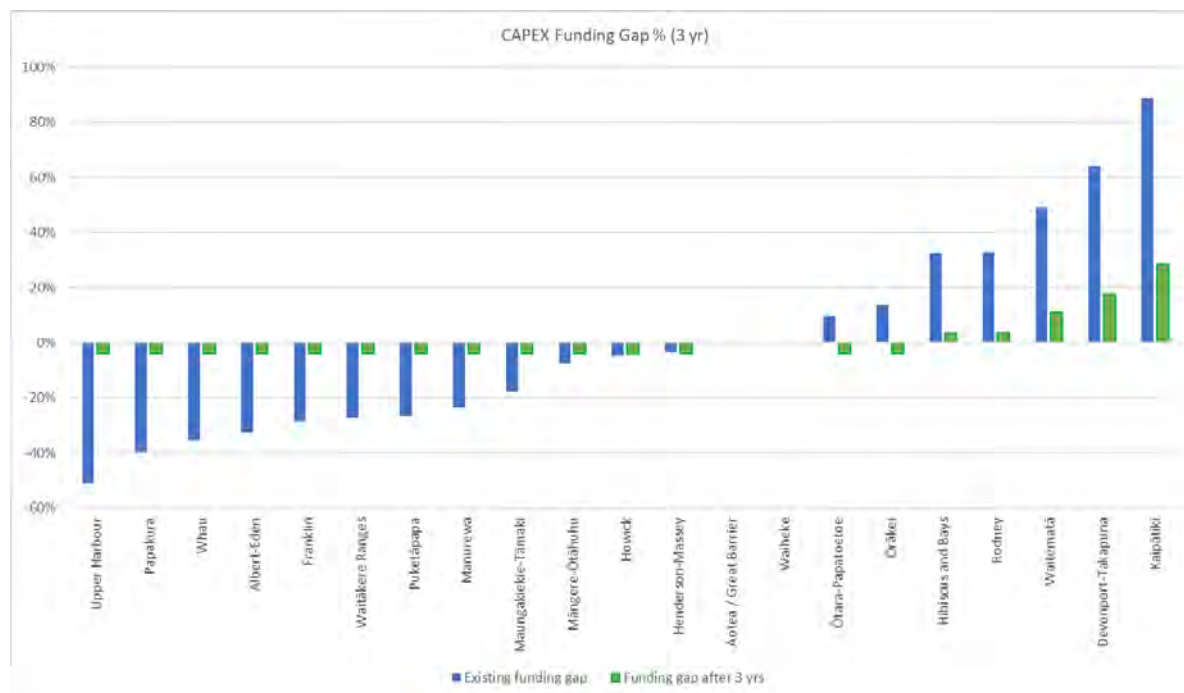


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Albert-Eden	25.3	6.2	31.5
Aotea / Great Barrier	4.1	1.8	5.9
Devonport-Takapuna	22.7	-1.8	20.9
Franklin	31.9	2.2	34.1
Henderson-Massey	42.3	-0.7	41.6
Hibiscus and Bays	38.0	-2.1	35.9
Howick	47.1	-0.9	46.2
Kaipātiki	27.2	1.7	28.9
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	38.9	-4.4	34.4
Manurewa	25.7	9.0	34.7
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	31.1	-1.3	29.8
Ōrākei	27.9	-0.7	27.2
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	34.7	-1.3	33.4
Papakura	28.9	-2.4	26.5
Puketāpapa	18.8	3.0	21.8
Rodney	27.4	10.2	37.7
Upper Harbour	27.4	-1.9	25.5
Waiheke	11.1	0.7	11.8
Waitākere Ranges	19.1	0.9	20.0
Waitematā	34.2	-2.4	31.8
Whau	24.7	4.1	28.8
	588.5	20	

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Aotea / Great Barrier and Waiheke are allocated 1% and 2% of the total funding.

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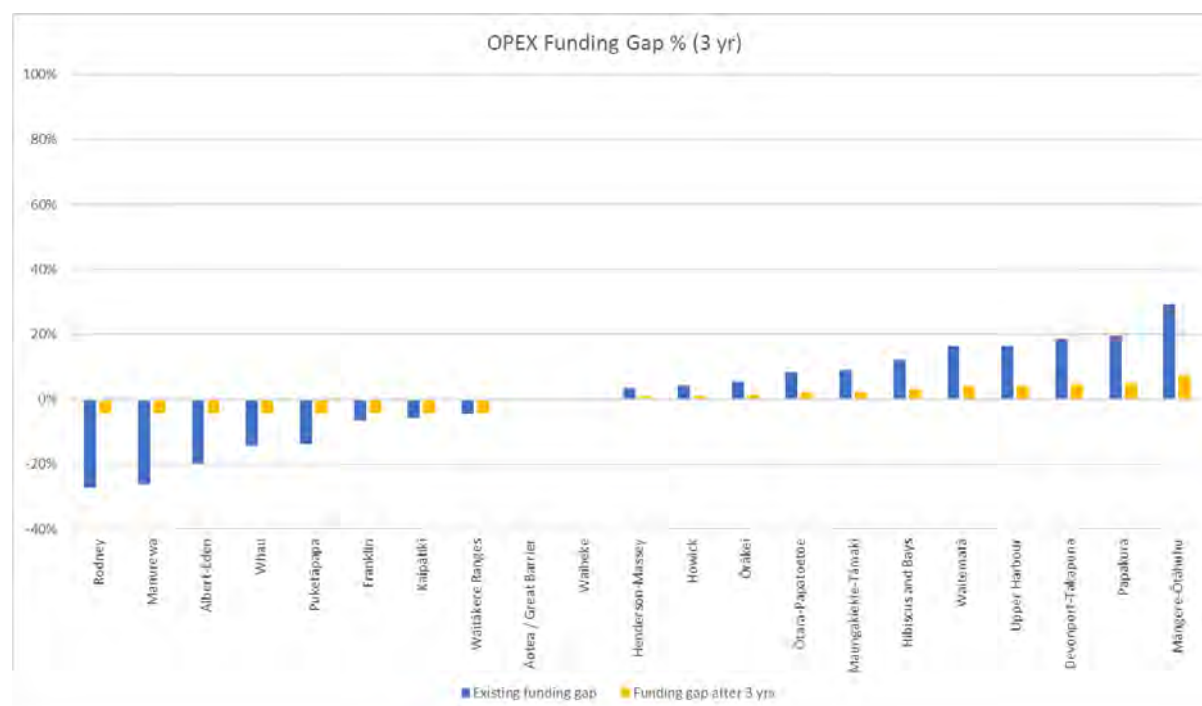
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Aotea / Great Barrier	1.3	1.3	2.6
Devonport-Takapuna	13.0	-2.5	10.5
Franklin	10.1	5.1	15.3
Henderson-Massey	16.4	1.9	18.3
Hibiscus and Bays	18.6	-2.3	16.3
Howick	17.9	2.4	20.3
Kaipātiki	22.6	-5.3	17.3
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	11.5	1.9	13.4
Manurewa	11.0	4.5	15.5
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	9.7	3.0	12.8
Ōrākei	12.5	-0.6	11.8
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	14.6	-0.3	14.3
Papakura	6.0	4.8	10.8
Puketāpapa	6.6	3.1	9.7
Rodney	20.8	-2.6	18.2
Upper Harbour	4.8	5.8	10.5
Waiheke	5.9	-0.5	5.4
Waitākere Ranges	6.0	2.9	9.0
Waitematā	18.2	-3.0	15.2
Whau	7.7	5.2	12.9
	244.2	30	

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Aotea / Great Barrier and Waiheke are allocated 1% and 2% of the total funding.

Transition Approach - Allocation of some new funding to local boards to achieve reasonable funding equity for most local boards in three years of LTP 2024 -2034 (75% reallocation, new funding – no additional opex and \$10m capex)

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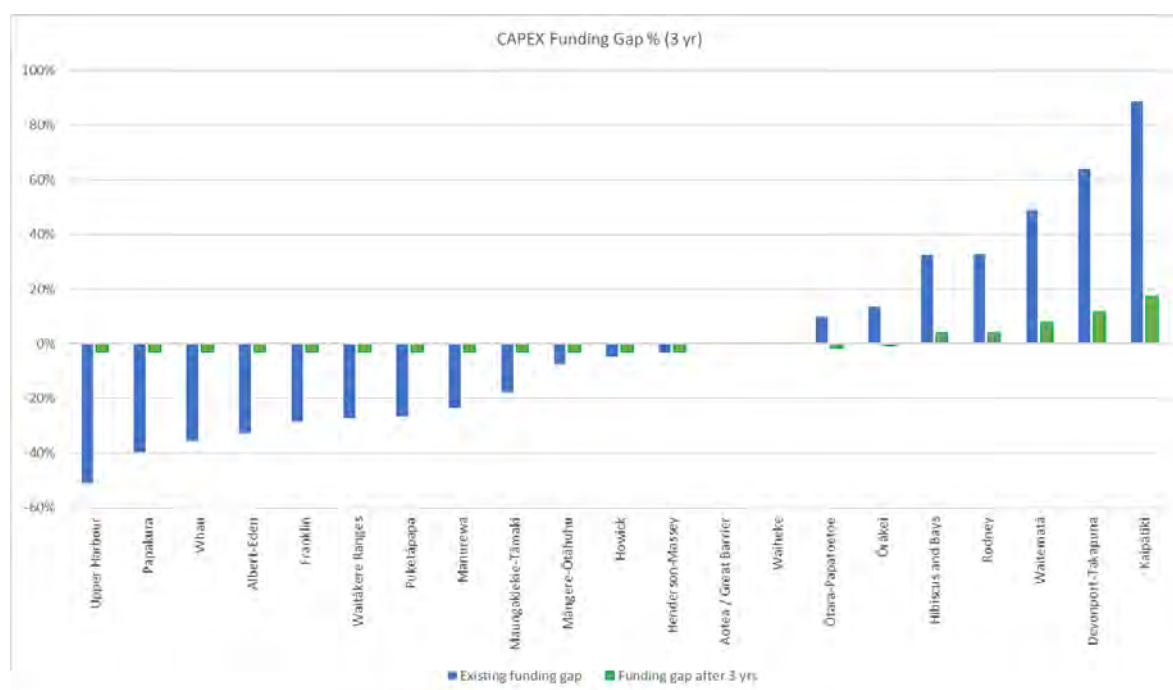


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Albert-Eden	25.3	4.9	30.2
Aotea / Great Barrier	4.1	1.8	5.9
Devonport-Takapuna	22.7	-2.7	20.0
Franklin	31.9	0.8	32.7
Henderson-Massey	42.3	-1.1	41.3
Hibiscus and Bays	38.0	-3.1	34.9
Howick	47.1	-1.4	45.8
Kaipātiki	27.2	0.5	27.7
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	38.9	-6.6	32.2
Manurewa	25.7	7.5	33.3
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	31.1	-1.9	29.2
Ōrākei	27.9	-1.1	26.8
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	34.7	-2.0	32.7
Papakura	28.9	-3.6	25.3
Puketāpapa	18.8	2.1	20.9
Rodney	27.4	8.7	36.1
Upper Harbour	27.4	-2.9	24.5
Waiheke	11.1	0.7	11.8
Waitākere Ranges	19.1	0.1	19.2
Waitematā	34.2	-3.6	30.6
Whau	24.7	2.9	27.6
	588.5	0	

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Aotea / Great Barrier and Waiheke are allocated 1% and 2% of the total funding.

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	Current (\$m)	Funding Movement (\$m)	After 3 Years (\$m)
Albert-Eden	8.8	4.4	13.2
Aotea / Great Barrier	1.3	1.1	2.5
Devonport-Takapuna	13.0	-3.8	9.2
Franklin	10.1	4.2	14.3
Henderson-Massey	16.4	0.7	17.1
Hibiscus and Bays	18.6	-3.4	15.2
Howick	17.9	1.1	19.0
Kaipātiki	22.6	-8.0	14.7
Māngere-Ōtāhuhu	11.5	1.0	12.6
Manurewa	11.0	3.5	14.5
Maungakiekie-Tāmaki	9.7	2.2	11.9
Ōrākei	12.5	-1.1	11.4
Ōtara-Papatoetoe	14.6	-1.0	13.6
Papakura	6.0	4.1	10.1
Puketāpapa	6.6	2.5	9.1
Rodney	20.8	-3.8	16.9
Upper Harbour	4.8	5.1	9.8
Waiheke	5.9	-0.8	5.2
Waitākere Ranges	6.0	2.3	8.4
Waitematā	18.2	-4.5	13.7
Whau	7.7	4.4	12.0
Total	244.2	10	

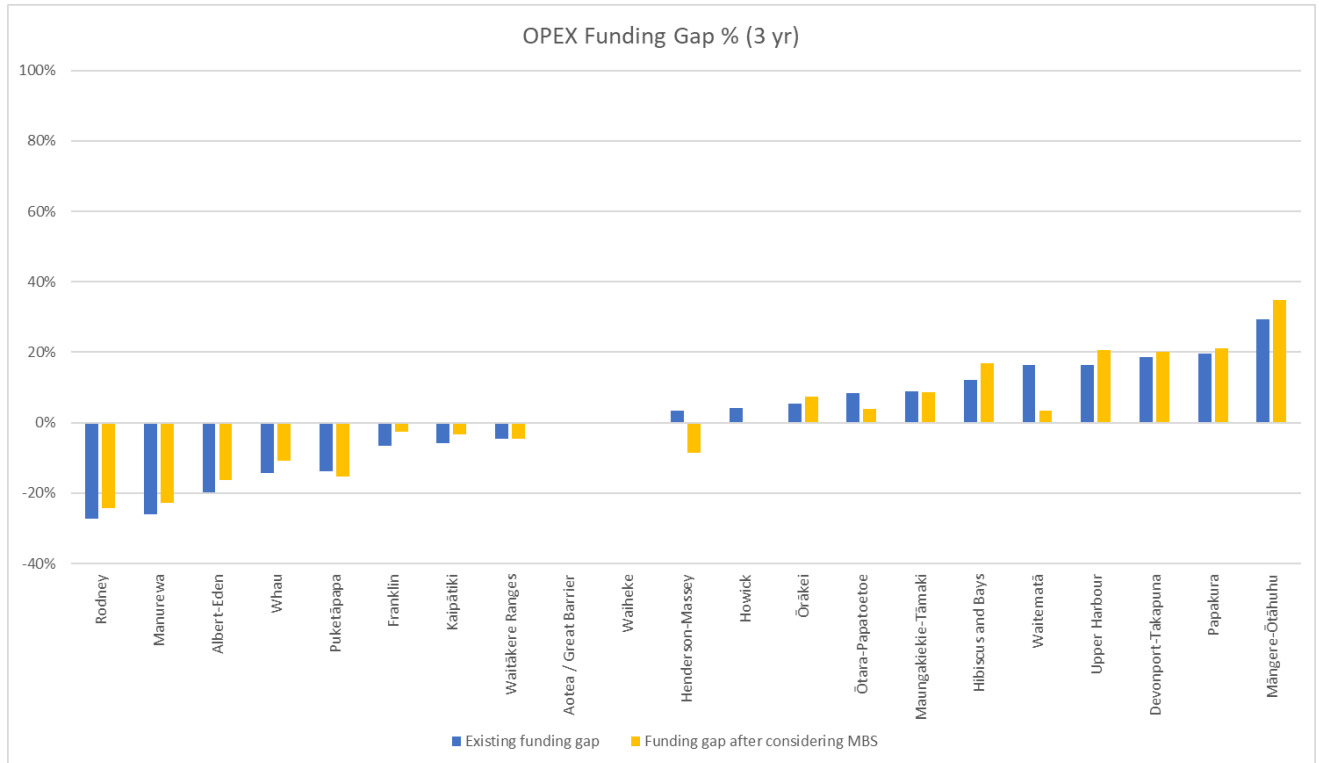
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Attachment H - Impact of MBS on Opex Equity

The graphs in this attachment show the change in opex equity rankings depending on the inclusion or exclusion of MBS programme in the equity analysis

Opex equity ranking showing the impact of considering MBS programme



This analysis is based on budget data as of 07 June 2023. LTP 2024 – 2034 decisions will have an impact on this analysis.

Examples of possible MBS facilities

The following list provides examples of services and facilities that may meet the criteria for MBS's. In all cases the service costs are at least \$200,000pa to operate and in some cases initial analysis shows that at least half of users come from outside the host local board area.

This list is slightly different to the list presented in 2021 as current budget analysis has revealed that some of the facilities in the previous list do not cost at least \$200,000pa to operate.

Further detailed analysis is required to better understand the location of the users of these facilities.

Type	Examples	Host Local Board
Sports fields, courts and stadia	Lloyd Elsmore Park Colin Maiden Park	Howick Ōrākei
Swimming pools	Albany Stadium Pool Glen Innes Pool Parnell Baths Pt Erin Pool Tepid Baths West Wave Aquatic Centre	Upper Harbour Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Waitematā Waitematā Waitematā Henderson-Massey
Other large parks	Barry Curtis Park Bruce Pulman	Howick Manurewa
Libraries and community places	Central City Library Pioneer Hall Te Manawa Multipurpose Facility	Waitematā Waitematā Henderson-Massey
Arts, Culture and Heritage	Corbans Estate Arts Centre Lopdell House Te Uru (Lopdell) Howick Historic Village Otara Music and Art Centre Wallace Art Centre	Henderson-Massey Waitākere Ranges Waitākere Ranges Howick Ōtara-Papatoetoe Puketāpapa

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Local Board Funding Equity - Alternative Options



Today's Discussion

- ❖ Intended Outcomes
- ❖ Past decisions
- ❖ New Direction
- ❖ Summary of JGWP sessions to date
- ❖ Summary of Discussion Paper for LB feedback
- ❖ Next steps



Intended Outcomes

Governance Framework Review (2017-2021) identified inequities in local board funding

Current funding model
– asset based





2021 GFR decisions (in-principle) to achieve LB funding equity

- By utilising unallocated growth and renewals
 - Funding to go to LBs based on equity ranking
 - Equity to be based on the 80:15:5 model
 - Funding equity to be achieved in 10-15 years
 - No reallocation between LBs i.e., no reduction to local board funding levels
 - Implementation through LTP 2024-2034
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- Limited to local community services ABS budget
 - LDI was out of scope for equity calculations

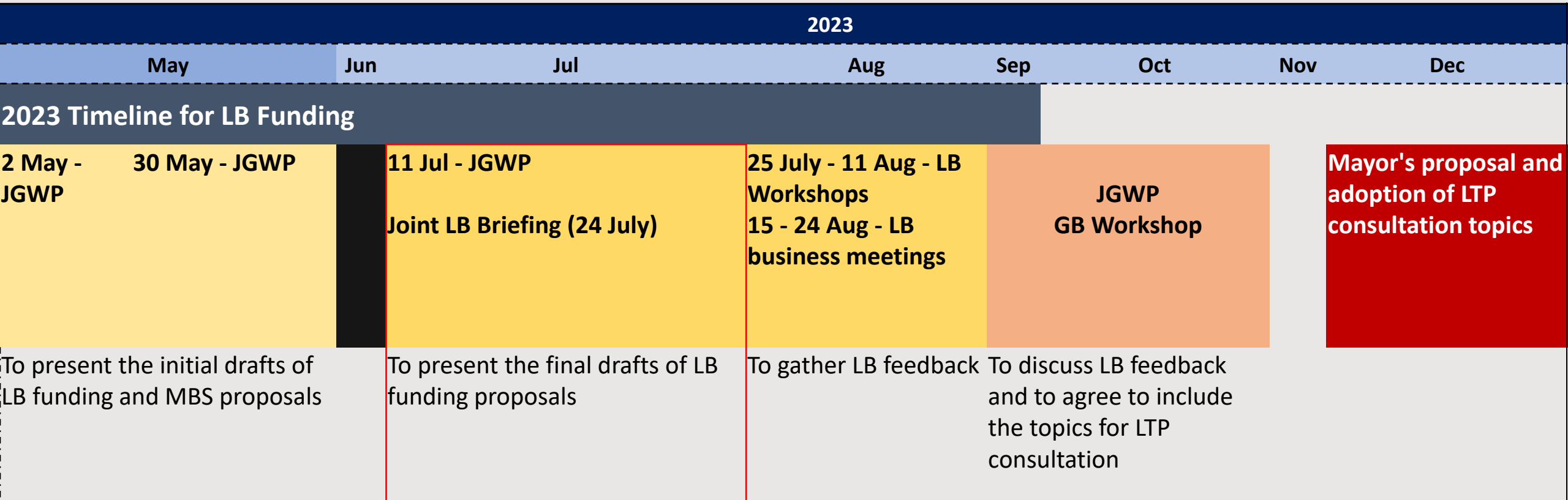




New Direction from the Mayors office in 2023

- Achieving equity in a shorter timeframe
- Scope could be wider than that of earlier GB decisions – all local activities and funding sources
- Funding options include reallocation of existing funding, new funding or a combination of funding



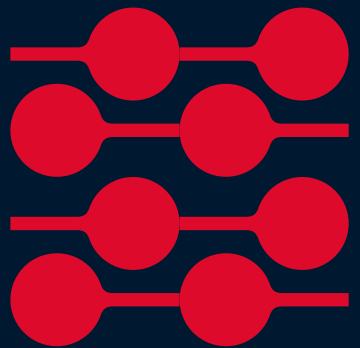




Options Summary – 02 & 30 May JGWP

#	Option	Description	Time required to achieve funding equity
1	GFR October 2021 (original in-principle decision)	Achieving local community services funding equity by reallocating future unallocated growth and renewals budgets to local boards with funding gaps	10 – 15 years
2	Providing new funding to bring all local boards to equity	Achieving local board funding equity by allocating new funding, provided through LTP 2024-2034, to local boards with funding gaps	3 years (will need further analysis) ✓
3	Reallocating all existing local board funding	Achieving local board funding equity by redistributing existing local board funding (both capital and operational funding)	3 years (will need further analysis)
4	Combination of options 2 & 3	Achieving local board funding equity by redistributing some existing local board funding and allocating some new funding, provided through LTP 2024-2034, to local boards with funding gaps	3 years (will need further analysis) ✓





Discussion Paper - Local Board Funding Equity



11 July 2023



Scope of Alternative Options

Changes to scope from GFR

- Includes LDI
- Opex and capex separately
- Excluding growth and other specific funds

The scope for the alternative options will be **local community services**

Expanding the scope beyond local activities(eg: CCOs) cannot currently be accommodated but could be advanced over time





Discussion Paper | LDI

- Considered all budgets as one pool and analysed based on the approved equitable model 80:15:5
- Moving forward staff propose not to have budget classifications within opex or capex (i.e., no ABS or LDI)



Discussion Paper | Proposed Scope Exclusions

Growth

- Reallocation requires the amendment of the DC policy
- May lead to Council refunding some of the DCs already collected
- LBs that receive growth funding through reallocation will be limited in their investment decisions by the conditions of the DC policy and legislation

Discrete projects

- Reallocation may result in inadequate funding for LBs to deliver these projects



Discussion Paper | Unallocated budgets

Budget provision yet to be assigned to a specific project or LB

Unallocated opex is:

- mostly consequential opex related to new growth investment and therefore is proposed to be out of scope

Unallocated capex is:

- some renewals (minor capex and response renewals)
- about \$15m of unallocated budgets for new investment (FY25-FY27)

Reallocation of these unallocated budgets would mean, future investments or renewals that were planned from these budgets will be LB's responsibility



Options Summary

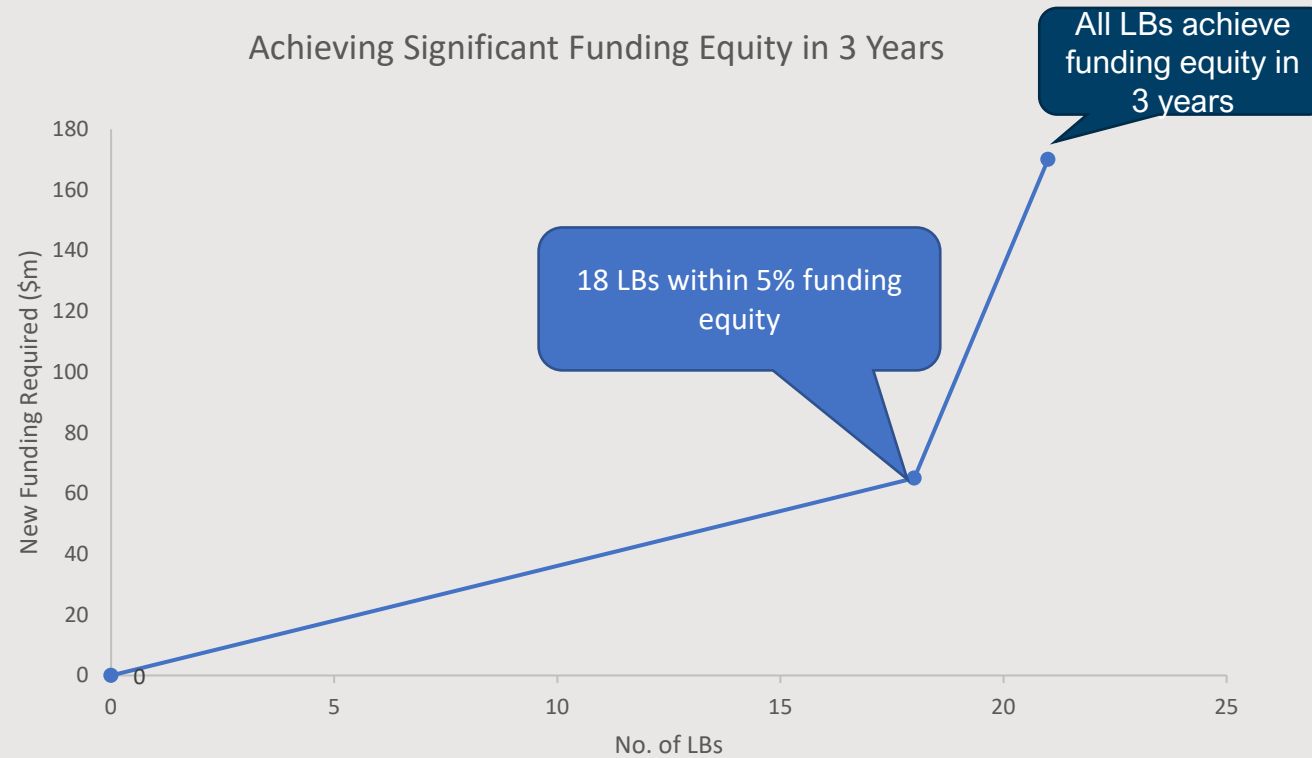
Options	Reallocation%	Approx. New funding required (\$m)	Equity achieved in 3 years
Option (ii): New funding	0	Opex: 170 Capex: 210	Complete
Options (iv)A to (iv)D Combination of reallocation and new funding	10 to 75	Opex: 150 to 40 Capex: 190 to 50	Complete
Transition approaches A lower amount of new funding and lower percentage of reallocation	0 to 75	Opex: 65 to 0 Capex: 75 to 10	18 local boards get to within 5% opex and capex funding equity

1% rates increase = \$20m opex

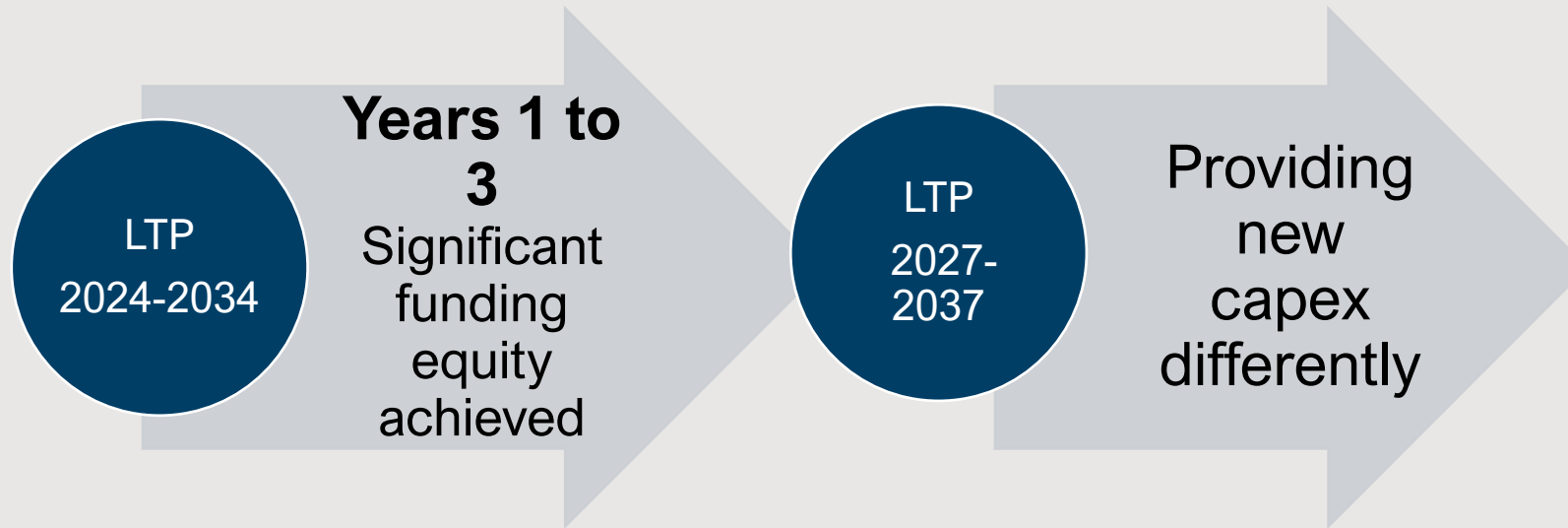
\$100m additional borrowing = +2% on our debt to revenue ratio



Transition Approach



Continuation of Transition Approach through LTP 2027 - 2037



- New capex funding to be kept as a pool LBs can apply to
- LBs to co-contribute to receive capex budget from the pool
- Split of contributions (LB vs new funding) will depend on LB's equity ranking
- Further work to be done to determine the finer details of this approach



Discussion Paper | Impact of Multi-board Services on Equity Analysis

- Have only discussed opex impact due to limitations of data
- However, capex impact would be similar

Hybrid funding

Approach	Description	Assessment
Hybrid (direct and pooled funding)	Host local board funds 50% Local community services funding pool funds 50%	Relatively simple to administer Reasonable balance of costs

Example

Local Board	3 Year Opex budget (\$m)	Opex equity ranking	3 Year Opex budget after considering MBS (\$m)	Equity ranking after considering MBS
Waitemata	15	15	13	11
Hibiscus and Bays	17	14	17	15



Discussion Paper | Implementation

Staged Implementation:

Year 1: 1 July 2024 – 30 June 2025

Analysis and advice is provided to LBs to inform decision-making in year 2, based on funding equity changes in year 2

Year 2: 1 July 2025

Budget and associated service changes (if any) to give effect to funding equity take effect

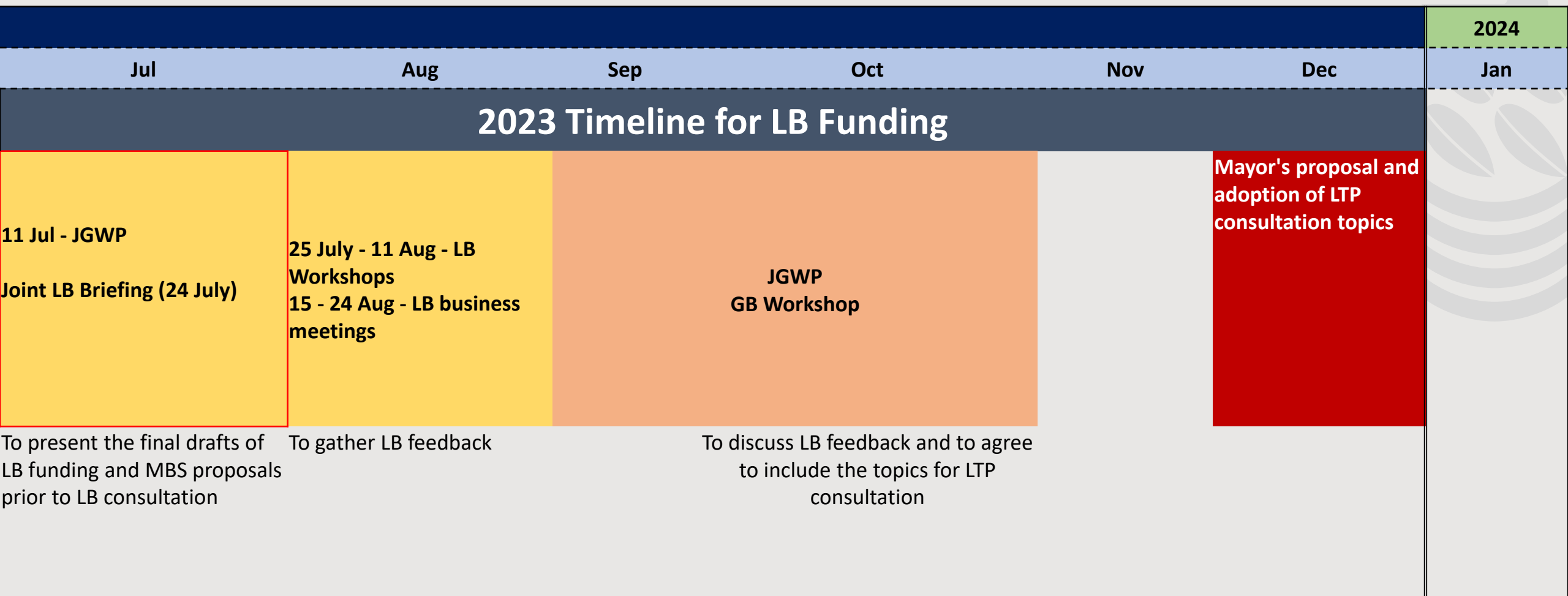


Discussion Paper | Multi-board Services

- Further work is required to analyse the cost-to-benefit value of implementing a MBS programme and shared governance approach
- This work will be undertaken during the LB feedback period to inform further advice to the JGWP



Next Steps





Pātai



Storm recovery and resilience

Devonport-Takapuna local board workshop



Extreme weather events have impacted Tāmaki Makaurau in 2023

- Record-breaking rainfall, floods, landslides and winds
- Loss of life
- 4,500 + households assisted
- Almost 600 households needed emergency accommodation
- Access to around 3,000 homes restricted or prohibited
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Heavily soaked ground and high winds can cause landslides, erosion and fallen trees. This can cut off essential services like power, water, communications and transport links, and pose a threat to nearby houses.



Devonport-Takapuna impacts



245 stormwater requests for service

10 red placards

250 yellow placards

Top stormwater issues

- 1) Catchpit blocked or overflowing
- 2) Manhole damage
- 3) Property flooding
- 4) Blockage (ie streams)



The Recovery Office



Auckland
Council



- Coordinates the recovery efforts and processes on behalf of the council group, central Government and partners
- Led from within the council on behalf of all organisations within the Recovery whānau
- Prioritises resources to support our most impacted communities as they deal with the after-effects of the storms
- Directs recovery in a way that acknowledges future changes and challenges, ensuring local recovery is sustainable.

Our purpose

Bring about the immediate, medium, and long-term holistic regeneration and enhancement of Tāmaki Makaurau as a result of the tragic and extreme weather events of 2023

from the CDEM Act 2002



Our 4 whenu (strands)



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Recovery in Devonport-Takapuna



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- Interim Recovery Plan was developed to detail the immediate response, the scale of impacts and the mandate for recovery
- Now we need Aucklanders to help us develop a detailed Tāmaki Makaurau Recovery Plan (TMRP) to guide our long-term activities for both region-wide and local recovery.
- The plan will detail the programmes, funding mechanisms and delivery partners that will support the repair, regeneration, and resilience for the region.
- We're seeking input from all Aucklanders so that our plan reflects the needs and aspirations of our communities.
- Devonport-Takapuna has communities that were seriously affected by the storms and continue to face the impact of these extreme weather events.
- We'll have focused engagement opportunities for your communities to ensure your community members have online and in-person opportunities to shape your local recovery plan





Making Space for Water

We're proposing four objectives for managing flood risks:



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Raise people's awareness of flood risks

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Be prepared for flood events

Reliable data and systems underpin the council's and Aucklanders' storm preparations.





Making space for water in Devonport-Takapuna

Operations and maintenance

- Increased maintenance
- Flood intelligence

Neighbourhood solutions

- Community led flood resilience
- Stream rehabilitation
- Culvert & bridge upgrades
- Blue-green networks

Site specific interventions

- Overland flow path management
- High-risk properties



Totaravale and Lower Sunnynook blue-green area



Blue-green networks have catchment-wide benefits



Reduce surface flooding and associated damages



Ensure public safety and protect private and public assets



Support development without causing new flood risks



Improve the urban ecosystem, community interactions and wellbeing, amenity values



Improve water quality



Funding recovery



**Making Space for Water:
\$1.65b**



**Consultation on rates
impact later**



**Cost share and delivery
negotiations (government,
water reform)**



**Further costs for
geotechnical and
community recovery**



Engagement approach



Engagement objectives



Collaborative engagement

Combine Recovery Office and Making Space for Water engagement and align where possible with Local Board Plan and Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan consultation activities to be efficient and reduce consultation fatigue.



Equitable approach

Inclusively engage all Aucklanders, with a greater focus on communities with the greatest need and where impacts were more severe.



Community engagement

Partner with community groups and champions to increase awareness, facilitate diverse conversations and support recovery.



Accessible information

Provide digital and in-person opportunities, as well as hard copy information and feedback forms in all libraries and council service centres. Information will be translated into Te Reo Māori, NZ Sign Language, Simplified-Chinese, Traditional-Chinese, Samoan, Tongan, Korean and Hindi.



Awareness

Drive widespread awareness of the consultation through prominent mentions in communications.



Engagement audiences – wide reaching



Affected
property
owners

Priority
impacted
areas

All
residents

Peoples'
Panel

Mana
whenua

Community
partners

Advisory
panels





Multiple engagement techniques and channels

Digital	Face to face	Hard copy
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Translated summary information and feedback forms on AK Have Your Say websiteWebinars and webinar recordingsScheduled feedback sessions for organisationsEmailed information and feedback through partners, People's Panel and stakeholder groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none">20+ drop-in sessions to talk with subject matter experts and support staffFurther activities to align with Local Board and community led engagement eventsOpportunity to provide verbal feedback for council officers to recordParticipatory forumScheduled feedback sessions for organisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Translated summary information and feedback forms in libraries & other council venuesInformation available at engagement events to take away



Devonport-Takapuna events



Location	Date	Time
Milford Mall	Monday 21 August	3PM-5PM
Aristotle's Motel	Tuesday 22 August	5PM-7PM





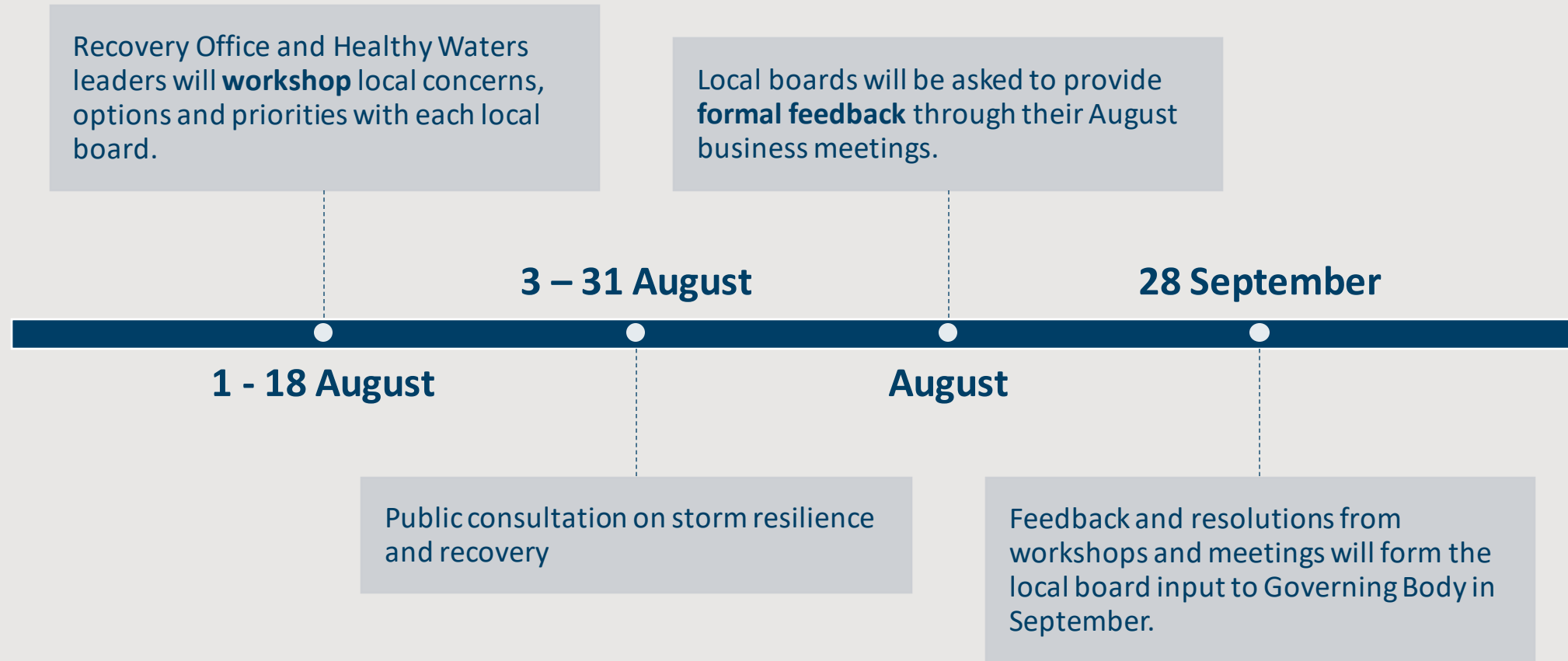
Consultation questions

- How were you, and your local community, affected by the extreme weather events in early 2023?
- Was your home flooded or damaged during the extreme weather events in early 2023?
- In the months following the storms, what has helped you and your community get through?
- What would help you and your community feel like you had 'recovered' from these extreme weather events?
- How can Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland be more prepared for events like these in the future?
- There are nine possible initiatives outlined in Making Space for Water (see the Storm Recovery and Resilience consultation document for details). Our initial budget suggests it will cost \$1.65 billion to deliver them and will require additional rates from Aucklanders. Do you have any comments on the initiatives?
- Are there any other activities that you think are important to manage flooding that haven't been included in Making Space for Water?





Consultation through August and September





Te Mahere a te Rōpū Ārai Mate Whawhati Tata me Te Raru Ohore me Tāmaki

Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland Civil Defence and Emergency Management Group Plan

August 2023. Consultation Version.

aem.org.nz



**Auckland
Emergency
Management**
Tokonga Māto Ohotata o Tāmaki Makaurau



- Sets strategic direction for our work on Auckland's Civil Defence Emergency Management system
- 5-year timeframe
- Covers 4 Rs of emergency management – reduction, readiness, response and recovery
- Required by the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act
- Consultation running through August







**AK
Have
Your Say**



Storm Recovery and Resilience

Tāmaki Makaurau Recovery Plan







2023 has seen a series of extreme weather events impact Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland, with record-breaking rainfall, floods, landslides and high winds. Thousands of people needed assistance during and after the floods, and there is long-term damage to many homes, businesses and communities. After so much rain, the ground is saturated, making our communities and infrastructure more vulnerable to flooding and slips.

We're developing the Tāmaki Makaurau Recovery Plan to help us respond to the considerable challenges we face. It's organised around four key outcomes, that we call whenu (strands):

-  **Community and social recovery**
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-  **Economic recovery**
Sustainable economic activity is re-established enabling equity and economic prosperity.
-  **Natural and built environment**
Repaired and reinstated housing, infrastructure, facilities, and services are more resilient, and our natural environment is regenerated.

To help develop this plan, we want to hear from you about how the storms have affected you, both immediately following the events and since then. We want to understand what has worked for you, what is important for your recovery and the recovery of your community, and how you think Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland can be more prepared for events like these in the future.

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Making Space for Water

We can't stop the rain, but we can make changes to our neighbourhoods, to make space for water to flow safely through.

We have identified nine initiatives that can help manage flood risks in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland, with an estimated cost of \$1.65 billion*. These initiatives will equip everyone with the information they need to manage their own risks and prioritise support for some of the most at-risk communities.

Making Space for Water initiatives
1. Increased maintenance: Keeping the stormwater network ready to handle lower-level flooding events.
2. Flood intelligence: Investing in planning and modelling tools to understand flood patterns and assess future risk.
3. Community-led flood resilience: Ensuring we all know what to do before, during and after a flood, and are active in managing our own risks.
4. Stream rehabilitation: Rehabilitating critical high-risk streams to be more resilient to floods.
5. Rural settlements: Developing flood management solutions for rural communities, marae and papakāinga.
6. Culvert and bridge upgrades: Improving the capacity and resilience of critical culverts and bridges.
7. Blue-green networks: Creating new waterways (blue) and parks (green) to hold and convey stormwater in areas identified as having critical flood risks, feasible stormwater solutions, and wider community benefits.
8. Overland flow path management: Keeping private overland flow paths clear of obstructions.
9. High risk properties: Working with property owners to develop solutions where occupants are exposed to high flood risk.

Blue-Green Networks

Technical experts are assessing the potential for blue-green approaches in:

- Harania Creek – Māngere
- Kumeū River – Kumeū
- Opanuku Stream – Henderson
- Opoututeka / Coxs Creek – Grey Lynn
- Porters Stream – Glen Eden
- Sandringham, Epsom, Mt Eden
- Te Ararata Creek – Māngere
- Te Auaunga Stream – Mt Roskill
- Waimoko Stream – Swanson
- Wairau Creek – Wairau Valley
- Whangapouri Creek – Pukekohe
- Whau Stream – Blockhouse Bay/ Lynfield



Funding options

Storm recovery and resilience will be funded by central government and Auckland Council. Cost-sharing is still being decided, so council's funding amount isn't known yet. Making Space for Water has been costed at \$1.65 billion. There will be other recovery and resilience costs that are still being worked through (eg. relating to landslides).

To cover our share of Making Space for Water, we have the option to introduce a targeted rate. This could be allocated across the region (in the same way general rates are applied) or could be tiered so that people pay more if significant investment is made in their local area. If the council had to fund all the flood management solutions by itself, this could translate to a targeted rate equivalent to around an eight per cent general rates rise for the average residential property, additional to already-forecast increases from

*The total cost of \$1.65 billion is made up of around \$700 million for land acquisition, \$550 million of capital investment in improvements to our networks, and \$400 million of operating expenditure to improve our service levels.

next year. This would be a significant impact for ratepayers, so we need to carefully consider the options for moving forward. We will be seeking central government co-funding to reduce the impact for ratepayers.

We will consult with Aucklanders on the financial options before any decisions are made.

For now, we want to know if you think we've got the mix of activities right, or if you think there's anything else we should do as part of Making Space for Water. We will use your feedback to inform our final programme proposals.

Ways to have your say

To have your say on the Storm Recovery and Resilience Consultation you can:

- Scan the QR code or visit akhaveyoursay.nz/stormrecovery
- visit your local library or service centre
- email stormrecoveryconsultation@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

We encourage you to read the storm recovery and resilience consultation document before giving your feedback.

Feedback must be received by 31 August 2023.



Auckland Council Flood Viewer

To find out more about the types of flooding that may affect your property and how to prepare your property and whanau for a flood, check out Auckland Council's online flood viewer tool at aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/floodviewer





Recovery Office and Healthy Waters:

Storm Recovery and Resilience Consultation

August 2023



Introduction

2023 has seen a series of extreme weather events impact Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland, with record-breaking rainfall, floods, landslides and high winds. Tragically, six people lost their lives. Over 4,500 households needed assistance, including almost 600 who needed emergency accommodation. Access to around 3,000 homes was restricted or prohibited, and many are still being assessed. There has also been extensive damage to marae, commercial buildings, inventory, infrastructure, utilities, and our productive lands around the region.

While the scale, complexity, and challenges are considerable, we have an opportunity for residents of Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland to recover in a way that acknowledges that our region will continue to face more weather-related events in the future.

The Auckland Council group, in partnership with central government, iwi, and the private sector, has a role in supporting the region's recovery from these events. Together, we are focussed on building back stronger, and supporting Aucklanders to be more informed and empowered to take action to increase their personal resilience to extreme weather.

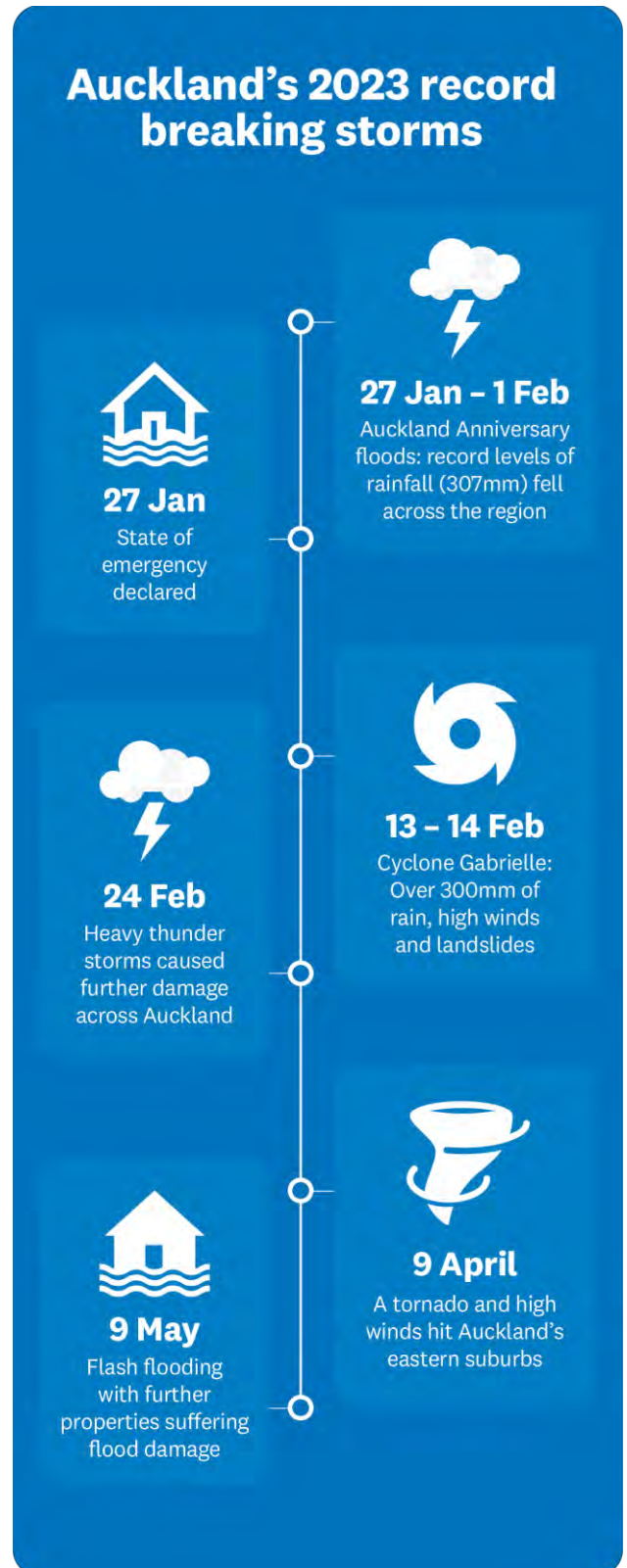
This won't make Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland storm-proof, but it will reduce the risk to life and to critical systems.

We need to hear from you

The purpose of this engagement is to:

1. Understand Aucklanders' experiences of the extreme weather, and their aspirations for recovery. This will inform the Tāmaki Makaurau Recovery Plan and guide our region's recovery activities.
2. Seek feedback on the options identified as part of the proposed Making Space for Water programme. This will help us determine the scope and scale of the programme and the funding required.

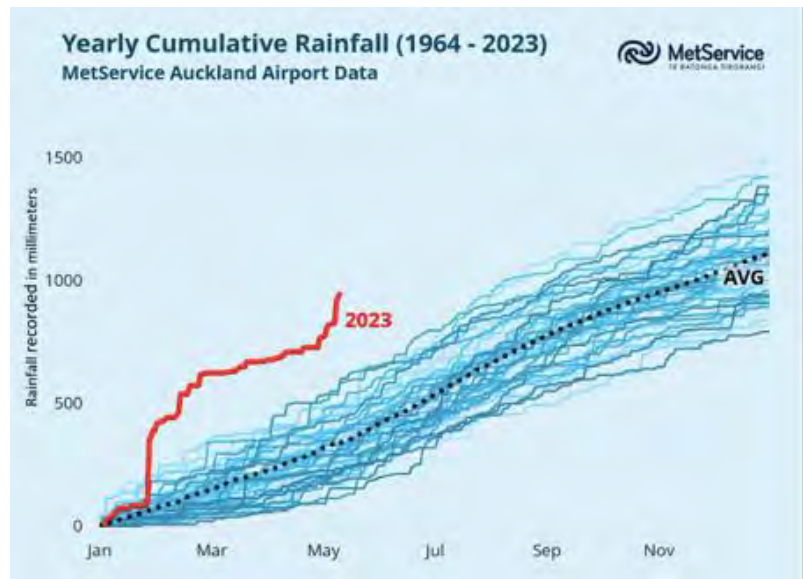
The valuable feedback you provide will help us to shape Auckland Council's recovery and prioritise the things that matter most to Aucklanders.



The challenge

A stormy year...

2023 is breaking rainfall records. By July, Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland had already received over 100 per cent of its annual average rainfall. Much of that rain fell in two events: the Auckland Anniversary Weekend storm and Cyclone Gabrielle. The rain from these storms fell on land that was already saturated from an unusually wet spring. It caused unprecedented levels of flooding, slips and damage to communities.



... and a stormy future

Image courtesy of MetService

Climate change means that Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland needs to be prepared for more frequent and severe storms. There are many challenges:

- We can't predict exactly when and where rain will fall in any given storm; many parts of the region are vulnerable.
- Thousands of homes have been built in areas of flood risk.
- Building flood resilience is a long-term and expensive prospect – we need to change the physical form of our city.

How does climate change affect storm intensity?

Warmer and wetter atmosphere A warmer atmosphere holds more moisture, increasing overall rainfall.	More intense rainfall More moisture in the atmosphere means that more of our rain falls as intense downpours, increasing flash flooding.
More energy for storms Extra heat in the atmosphere creates more energy for larger weather systems with high wind speeds and extreme rainfall.	Coastal flooding Higher sea levels and stronger winds increase coastal flooding and storm surges where more water encroaches on the land.

Charting a course for recovery: the Tāmaki Makaurau Recovery Plan

After the extreme and tragic weather events of 2023, a Recovery Office was established. The Recovery Office is coordinating the repair and rebuild of our region's built and natural environment, and giving support to our most impacted communities as they deal with the after-effects of the storms.

The Recovery Office brings together partners from across the Auckland Council group, central government, iwi, and other industry. For many, this will represent a new way of working that epitomises kotahitanga (unity).

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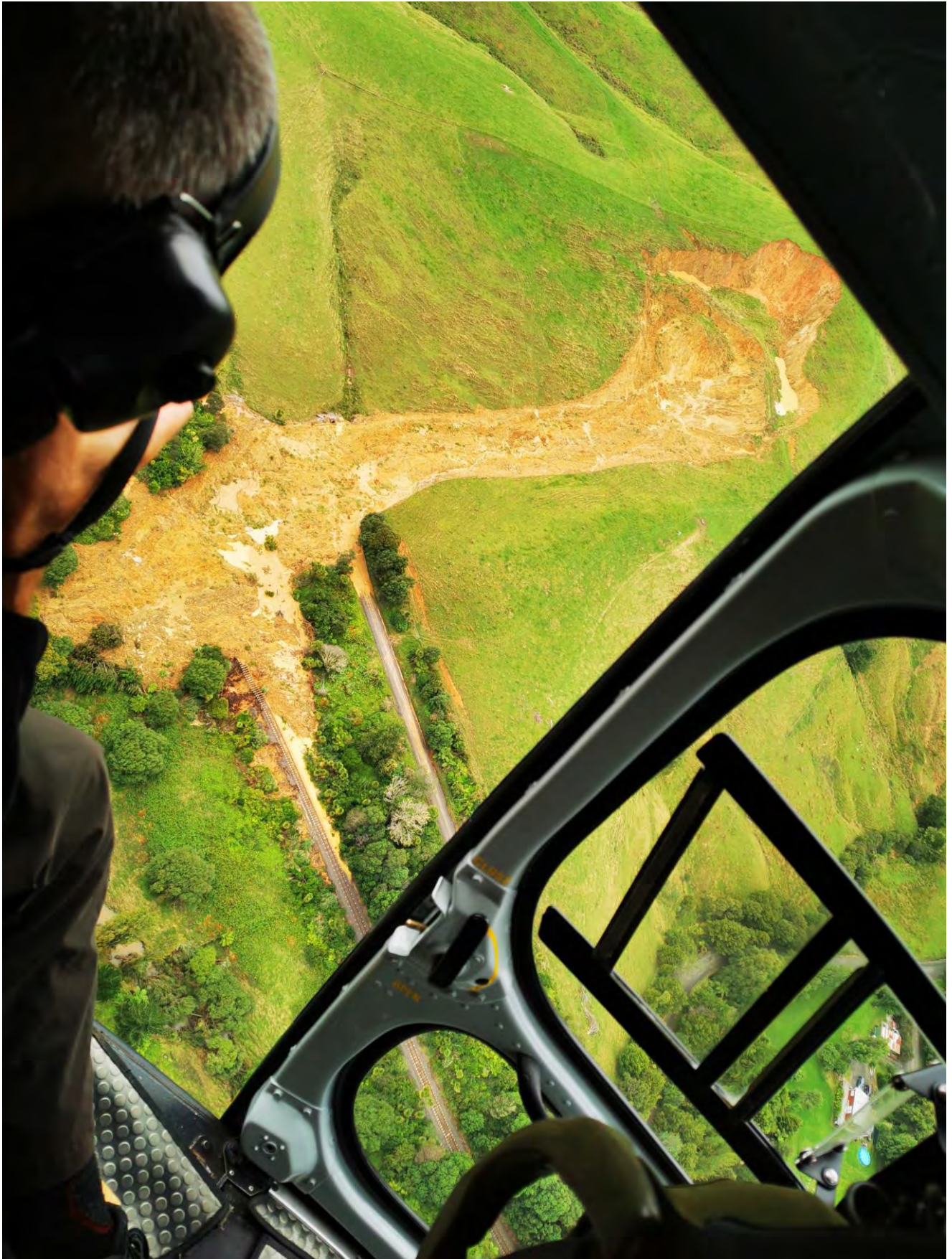
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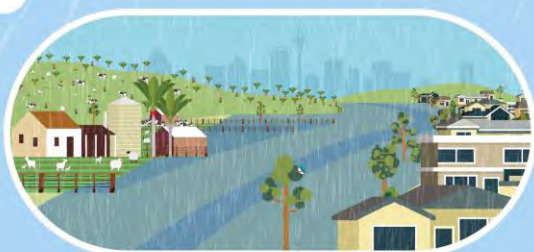
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Making space for water

One area where we know we need to make improvements is in our stormwater management. We want to prioritise flood readiness and risk reduction in the council's stormwater operations, and support communities, households and businesses to be ready for future storm events.

There are some key areas where we think we can make improvements – we want to hear whether you think the options we've identified are the right ones.

We estimate the total cost of Making Space for Water to be just under \$1.65 billion over six years. This would require additional rates from Aucklanders, so we need to carefully consider the options for moving forward. We will be seeking central government co-funding to reduce the impact for ratepayers.

With your feedback, we can develop a Making Space for Water programme, to include in the Tāmaki Makaurau Recovery Plan.

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Nine ways to make space for water

We have identified nine ways we could help to make space for water in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland.

While it is not feasible to eliminate all future flood risks, these initiatives serve as a solid foundation, equipping everyone with the information they need to manage their own flood risks, and prioritising support for some of the most at-risk communities.

Operations and maintenance	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Increased maintenance2. Flood intelligence
Neighbourhood solutions	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Community-led flood resilience4. Stream rehabilitation5. Rural settlements6. Culvert and bridge upgrades7. Blue-green networks
Site-specific interventions	<ol style="list-style-type: none">8. Overland flow path management9. High risk properties

Increased maintenance

What's this about?

Keeping the stormwater network ready to handle lower-level flooding events.

How would this help with flooding?

Increased street sweeping and catchpit clearing can help keep the stormwater network flowing and reduce the risk of localised flooding. It's especially important in urban areas where hard surfaces like roads, footpaths and driveways mean there is nowhere else for the water to go.



Debris and materials blocking pipe network

What could be involved?

- More frequent street sweeping, targeting higher risk and heavy leaf-fall areas
- More frequent catchpit cleaning, at least three times a year in high risk areas, and twice a year everywhere else
- Network upgrades such as building new catchpits with bigger inlets
- Targeted public overland flow path management and stream clearance.

Flood intelligence

What's this about?

Investing in planning and modelling tools to understand flood patterns and assess future risk.

How would this help with flooding?

Having detailed and robust data helps us to respond to storm events as they happen. It also helps us to provide good advice about flood risk for new developments.

What could be involved?

- Incorporating data from recent storms into flood maps
- Enhancing hotspot monitoring technology, and exploring systems for early warning alerts
- Sharing information with the public via a Flood Viewer tool to improve flood hazard awareness

Community-led flood resilience

What's this about?

Ensuring Aucklanders know what to do before, during and after a flood, and are active in managing their own risks.

How would this help with flooding?

Local knowledge is invaluable for flood management.

Empowering communities to become the guardians of their stormwater and waterways can help to tackle potential flood risks before they occur. We need to make sure this happens safely, in conjunction with the council's operations and in a manner that supports environmental best practices.

When flooding does happen, it is crucial for the public to understand the potential dangers, so that they know what to do to prepare, to survive, and to recover.

What could be involved?

- Community flood readiness resources for Aucklanders, including strategies to manage flood risks at home, and what to do before, during and after a flood.
- Support for community groups to undertake flood resilience activities by providing advice, tools and resources. This includes stream and riparian management to restore impacted stream banks.



Community stream cleaning

Stream rehabilitation

What's this about?

Rehabilitating critical high-risk streams to be more resilient to floods.

How would this help with flooding?

When streams are healthy, they help to move floodwaters safely away from people and property. Weeds, rubbish and erosion can block streams and leave less space for water.

What could be involved?

- Rehabilitation works by council on critical streams, including vegetation management, slope stabilisation, bank battering and stream channel modification to improve the flow dynamics of the stream and reduce erosion.
- Advice to owners with streams on their properties.

With over 15,000km of streams in the Auckland region, we need to prioritise the most at risk of flooding, and the most likely to cause health and safety risks. Streams are graded from 1 to 5, with grades 4 and 5 being 'highly critical' and 'very highly critical'. Around 10% of the region's streams have been classified as grade 4 or 5.

Rural Settlements

What's this about?

Developing flood management solutions for rural communities, marae and papakāinga.

How would this help with flooding?

Rural settlements have different flood risk management needs, compared to urban areas, especially where rapid growth has changed the flood risk profile for these communities.

What could be involved?



Flooded sports field in Puhoi

- Identifying the specific flood management needs of rural settlements and helping to implement appropriate solutions.
- Building capability of marae as resilience centres and community hubs. This might include physical works to reduce vulnerability to effects of flooding and extreme weather events.
- Providing advice on managing private rural water systems when floods happen, including bores, rainwater tanks and on-site wastewater systems.

Culvert and bridge upgrades

What's this about?

Improving the capacity and resilience of critical culverts and bridges.

How would this help with flooding?

Allowing more water to flow through culverts and under bridges and reducing the risk of blockages from debris floating downstream.

What could be involved?

- Upgrading the capacity and safety of high-priority culverts and bridges, including expanding the area of inlets and managing downstream effects.



Damage to culvert on Great North Road

Blue-green networks

What's this about?

Creating new open spaces in areas identified as having critical flood risks, feasible stormwater solutions, and wider community benefits.

How would this help with flooding?

Blue-green networks provide open spaces for water (blue) to flow through the landscape (green). In heavy storms, rainfall collects in these areas reducing risk to people and property.

Blue-green networks also provide benefits to their communities: when we make space for water, we also make space for people and nature, with walking tracks, cycleways, trees and wildlife.

What could be involved?

Developing new blue-green spaces in areas where there are serious flooding risks. This requires detailed analysis of the risk and design suitability of candidate sites.

This could include stream naturalising, widening and realignment, and replanting of surrounding areas. In some situations, it may be possible to look at redeveloping adjacent land with housing built to be protected from flooding.

It is expected that this initiative will require the removal of some homes in flood-prone areas, and would work in with the central government process underway that is identifying high-risk 'Category 3' houses.

Technical experts are assessing the potential for blue green approaches in:

- Harania Creek - Māngere
 - Kumeū River - Kumeū
 - Opanuku Stream - Henderson
 - Opoututeka / Coxs Creek - Grey Lynn
 - Porters Stream - Glen Eden
 - Sandringham, Epsom, Mt Eden
 - Te Ararata Creek - Māngere
 - Te Auaunga Stream - Mt Roskill
 - Waimoko Stream - Swanson
 - Wairau Creek - Wairau Valley
 - Whangapouri Creek - Pukekohe
 - Whau Stream - Blockhouse Bay/ Lynfield
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The blue-green approach is already in place around Auckland, including Te Auaunga/Oakley Creek (Wesley)

Overland flow path management

What's this about?

Keeping private overland flow paths clear of obstructions.

How would this help with flooding?

Improving the management of overland flow paths presents the greatest opportunity for flood management in Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland.

Overland flow paths need to be kept clear of barriers like fences, retaining walls, buildings and overgrown vegetation, so that water can move safely through neighbourhoods. In most circumstances, it is the responsibility of individual property owners to keep overland flow paths clear. The actions they take impact not only their own property, but also their neighbours'.

An 'overland flow path' refers to land that conveys rainwater during a storm. It acts like a natural stream, collecting and moving rainwater across the land, eventually to streams and coastlines. Overland flow paths are a vital component of the stormwater network and are mapped on Council's Geomaps viewer.

What could be involved?

- Providing information to homeowners, community groups and industry professionals about how to correctly manage an overland flow path on their property.
- On-site assessment to identify blockages on properties and advise owners of their responsibilities, with potential for infringement notices and legal action where necessary.
- Investigating larger scale projects to improve a catchment's overland flow paths, where on-site solutions aren't enough.



Overland flow blocked by a fence

High risk properties

What's this about?

Working with property owners to develop solutions where occupants are exposed to high flood risk.

How would this help with flooding?

Some properties that have been severely affected by flooding are scattered around the region and will need to be dealt with individually. In some cases, there may be engineering solutions to mitigate risk from future floods. Where there is no practical or affordable infrastructure solution, the home may need to be removed. This process will require careful engagement with property owners and residents, and coordination with central government.

What could be involved?

As part of the Cyclone Recovery process with central government, Auckland Council is currently identifying high-risk homes and determining appropriate mitigation options. This work is part of improving flood risk management, and includes:

- Inspection & engagement: site specific visits to identify high risk properties and practical solutions to mitigate flooding.
- Flood plain management: identifying potential options for land where houses are removed through a property buyout process. This includes connecting into blue-green networks and possible redevelopment where land redevelopment makes housing a safe option.

Working in partnership

Our region's recovery will require a new spirit of kotahitanga, or working together, across entities because of the sheer scale of what we need to achieve.

Mana whenua and Māori are active partners and participants in the recovery of Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland. Establishing connections and relationships with iwi and marae on this programme has begun and will continue to be a priority.

Different stakeholders will be engaged based on the needs of each initiative. This includes Auckland Transport, Waka Kotahi, Auckland Emergency Management, NIWA, Kainga Ora, local boards, community groups, and residents.

Funding the improvements

Treasury has estimated that the Auckland Anniversary Weekend storms and Cyclone Gabrielle have led to between \$9 billion and \$14 billion damage¹ across the North Island, including in Auckland.

We estimate the total cost of Making Space for Water to be just under \$1.65 billion over six years (made up of around \$700 million for land acquisition, \$550 million of capital investment in improvements to our networks, and \$400 million of operating expenditure to improve our service levels). This includes a large proportion for Blue-Green networks which can only go ahead if high-risk properties are removed.

Central government has proposed entering into funding agreements with councils in cyclone and flood affected regions to support them to offer voluntary buy-out for owners of high-risk (Category 3) properties and to co-fund work needed to protect properties where risk can be managed (Category 2).

It's not yet known how much funding Auckland Council will need to find, in a time of already-high financial pressure. Before we can develop a complete budget, we need to know:

- the number and value of the high-risk houses that need to be removed
- the proportion of co-funding that will come from central government to support Tāmaki Makaurau/ Auckland's recovery.

There will also be other recovery and resilience costs that are still being worked through (eg. relating to landslides).

To cover our share of Making Space for Water, we have the option to introduce a targeted rate. This could be allocated across the region (in the same way general rates are applied) or could be tiered so that people pay more if significant investment is made in their local area.

If the council had to fund all the flood management solutions by itself, this could translate to a targeted rate equivalent of around an 8 per cent general rates rise for the average residential property, in addition to increases already forecast from next year. This would be a significant impact for ratepayers, so we need to carefully consider the options for moving forward. We will be seeking central government co-funding to reduce the impact for ratepayers. Your feedback is a part of this process.

Once we have the numbers we need, we'll share them with the public and ask for feedback about different funding options. This will happen before we make any final decisions about projects.

What happens next?

We want to hear from you about your experience of the Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland floods, and what you want to happen next? What are your thoughts on the proposed initiatives in Making Space for Water?

To have your say on the Storm Recovery and Resilience Consultation fill in a feedback form, scan the QR code on the back page of this document or visit [akhaveyoursay.nz/stormrecovery](https://www.treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2023-04/impacts-from-the-north-island-weather-events.pdf). Feedback must be received by 31 August 2023.

The results of this public engagement will be reported back to the council's Governing Body in September and will be used to inform the final shape of the Tāmaki Makaurau Recovery Plan and the Making Space for Water programme. We value the views of all Aucklanders, and we thank you for your participation in this consultation.

¹ <https://www.treasury.govt.nz/sites/default/files/2023-04/impacts-from-the-north-island-weather-events.pdf>

To find out more about the types of flooding that may affect your property and how to prepare your property and whanau for a flood, check out Auckland Council's online flood viewer tool at www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/floodviewer





Storm Recovery and Resilience Consultation

Feedback must be received by **31 August 2023**

To inform the Tāmaki Makaurau Recovery Plan and guide recovery, we want to hear from you about how the storms have affected you, your aspirations for recovery, and how you think Tāmaki Makaurau can be more prepared for events like these in the future.

We'd also like to hear your views on our flood mitigation options. We have identified ways to make space for water which will improve the council's stormwater operations, and support communities, households and businesses to be more resilient to future floods. We want to know if you agree with the council making these activities a priority.

We encourage you to read the storm recovery and resilience consultation document before answering any of the following questions. You can give feedback online at akhaveyoursay.nz, or:

Scan and email your completed form to:

stormrecoveryconsultation@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Post your completed form to:

Auckland Council
Attention: Storm Recovery
Freepost Authority 190153
Private Bag 92300, Victoria Street West
Auckland, 1142

Your details

Your name and feedback will be included in public documents. All other personal details will be kept private.

First name: _____ Last name: _____

Email address or postal address: _____

Suburb: _____

Your local board: _____

Is your feedback on behalf of a group, Māori organisation or business?

(If yes, this confirms you have authority to submit on the organisation's behalf)

Yes No

Name of organisation / rōpū / business: _____

Important privacy information

The personal information that you provide in this form will be held and protected by Auckland Council in accordance with our privacy policy (available at aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/privacy and at our libraries and service centres) and with the Privacy Act 1993. The privacy policy explains how we can use and share your personal information in relation to any interaction you have with the council, and how you can access and correct that information. You should familiarise yourself with this policy before submitting this form.

These questions are optional but will help us understand which groups of the community are engaging with us.

What gender are you?

- Male Female Another gender (please specify): _____

What age group do you belong to?

- Under 15 15-17 18-24 25-34 35-44
 45-54 55-64 65-74 75+

Which ethnic group(s) do you feel you belong to? (Please select as many as apply)

- Pākehā/NZ European Other European Māori
 Cook Islands Māori Samoan Tongan
 Indian Chinese Southeast Asian
 Other (please specify): _____

Would you like to subscribe to any of the following (tick all that apply):

- People’s Panel – to take part in council surveys
 Our Auckland – your weekly guide to what’s happening in Auckland
 Auckland Conversations - free public events, offering ideas, inspiration and action for world-class cities

You can also visit AK Have Your Say at akhaveyoursay.nz to find out about, or register to receive regular updates on, consultation activities happening across Auckland

Your feedback (all questions are optional)

1. How were you, and your local community, affected by the extreme weather events in early 2023?

2. Was your home flooded or damaged during the extreme weather events in early 2023?

- Affected by floods Affected by slips or landslides
 Other damage to my home No damage to my home
 I don’t know

3. In the months following the storms, what has helped you and your community get through?

4. What would help you and your community feel like you had 'recovered' from these extreme weather events?

5. How can Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland be more prepared for events like these in the future?

6. There are nine possible initiatives outlined in Making Space for Water (see the Storm Recovery and Resilience consultation document for details). Our initial budget suggests it will cost \$1.65 billion to deliver them and will require additional rates from Aucklanders. Do you have any comments on the initiatives?

7. Are there any other activities that you think are important to manage flooding that haven't been included in Making Space for Water?

Need more room? You can attach extra pages.

Connected Communities Monthly Update

August 2023



Purpose: Regular Updates on CC work programme



- Community Delivery
- Arts Partners
- Grants updates
- Community Houses
- Libraries



Community Delivery Key Updates August 2023

- Arts Partners
- Grants Updates
- Ethnic Plan
- Digital Seniors
- Youth
- Waiwharariki/ANZAC activation
- Food Security
- Activators





Arts Partners Updates



Pumphouse Theatre; Chocolate Carnage Matariki Performance— another original production by this team. There were 575 attendees across 5 performances, involving 15 creatives.



DEPOT Artspace’s Āhuru-Mōwai; with guest curator Louise Davis, is a group exhibition showcasing the work of 15 artists. The exhibition formally opened with a mihi whakatau and kapa haka performance on Saturday 1 July. A series of workshops and artist talks are planned for the rest of the month. There were 291 attendees at the opening event with another 950 further visits expected.



North Shore Brass; North Shore Brass play as part of the Morning Melodies concert series at Bruce Mason Theatre for an audience of approx 350. At the National Brass Championship in Dunedin 5-8 July; including Junior winner, 4 years in a row, Matt Donaldson.



Michael King Writer's Centre at Devonport Library; Paula Morris and Caroline Barron, Winner of the 2020 New Zealand Heritage Literary Award for Best Non-fiction Book, Ripiro Beach, speak to an audience of about 60 attendees. **MKWC** have just welcomed their 11th resident for 2023 with a total of 18 writers in residence for the full calendar year. In September, a writer departs Aotearoa for a residency in China.



Lake House Arts:

Harmony in Culture exhibit at Watershed Gallery in Shore City 14-28th July

Matariki Hau Ora workshops supported include:

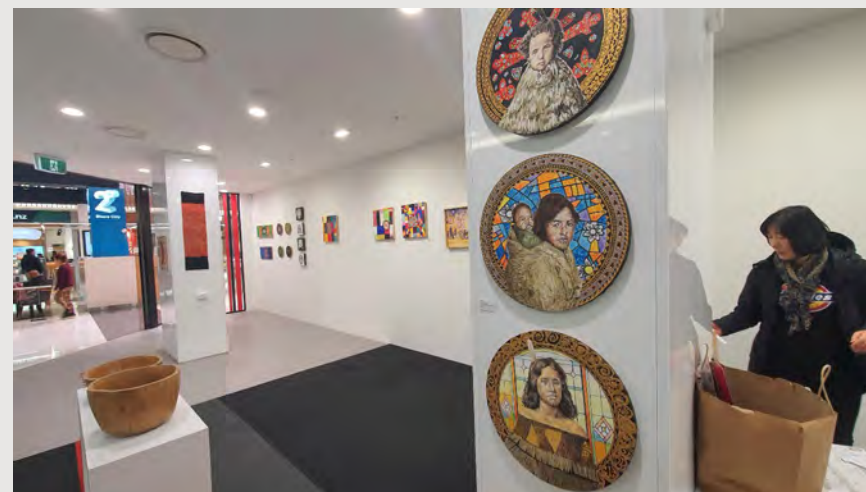
- Māori Martial Arts
- Carving with Toi Wakairo
- Harekeke, Harvesting and Hautapu
- Creative Music Lab


Shared ties run deep for Māori and Korean artists during Matariki

Eda Tang · 05:00, Jul 16 2023



[Stuff article](#)






Open and Connect NZ
9 June · 🌐

On June 18th, we are hosting a tree-planting event for Mandarin speakers. We welcome families to come together. Bring your gear, chat with others and enjoy finding out more about what is happening in the community. Scan code to RSVP.

Also thanks to [Devonport-Takapuna Local Board](#) for supporting us to work collaboratively with other local communities. Together, we have created a welcoming and inclusive environment that embraces diversity and increases a sense of belonging for... [See more](#)




North Shore CMA
8 June · 🌐

Thank you to our wonderful funders, who continue to support us and see the impact we are making in our local community 🥰

[Devonport-Takapuna Local Board](#) tēnā koutou 🙏

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[#buildingcommunities](#)
[#...](#) [See more](#)



PHAB NZ
28 March · 🌐

Phab Dirty Dancing movie night was a HIT!

A huge turn out to share fun times together.

Our favorite part was the huge dance off to the last song, "Your The One That I Want"!!

popcorn was crunched, laughter was everywhere and so many amazing prizes were handed out to our members.

Thanks to all of you who attended, members, staff parents, friends and support staff.

A massive thanks to:

[Speedy Signs Takapuna](#) for providing the giant movie screen and for staying for the whole event to keep thinks flowing.

[Devonport-Takapuna Local Board](#) and [Auckland Council](#) for helping to fund this event, it would not have been possible without their support.

Check out the photos of the fun times....



Grants Updates

Regular updates on Grants after projects have been completed



Grants 22/23- Devonport Community House



From Patricia Stevenson from Belmont: "I also attend the knitting sessions on Wednesdays and Active Aging on Tuesdays. With so much being offered at the Community House recently, I am having to use my diary to slot in the many activities I would like to attend!" "

Active Aging Classes a big success!



Grants 22/23- Blue Light Ventures



857 copies
distributed to Yr
13s

200 pgs of
information



Grants 22/23- Takapuna Playcentre



Takapuna Playcentre

27 March · 🌐



We are very grateful to [Foundation North](#) and the [Devonport-Takapuna Local Board](#) for helping us with the cost of our new roof. Thanks so much your support!





Community Delivery Updates

PUTTING *Community*
Wellbeing **AT THE**
HEART OF ALL WE DO.



Ethnic Plan- project plan

**Fortnightly
emails**

Stakeholders
emailed regularly
with board updates
and opportunities

**Draft
completed**

Formatting and
design in progress

**Official
Launch**

Oct 2023

**Reference
Group
established**

Concept design in
progress



Ethnic Plan- food for thought

**Knowledge
seeking**

IRD, Watercare,
Grants information,
etc.

Third Spaces

Utilising halls and
community spaces
differently

**Cultural
Events**

Desire for cross
cultural events and
lots of kai

**Two-way
relationships**

Acknowledgment of
sometimes insular
communities



Digital Seniors



22

SATURDAY FROM 10:00-12:00

Digital Seniors Hub - Drop-in Sessions

Takapuna Library

Sat, 1 Jul Sat, 8 Jul Sat, 22 Jul Sat, 29 Jul +25

- 30 volunteer coaches now registered
- 221 seniors helped last quarter- 102 from DTLB
- Pilot evaluation will be completed in Sept/Oct
- Funding for this year will cover expansion into Sunnynook
- New GM appointed
- Chorus sponsorship secured





Youth seat feedback

Lakehouse Partnership to bring youth in

- Slam Poetry
- Two-week art exhibition
- Mātauranga Māori training
- Events planning and budgeting training



Waiwharariki/ANZAC Square Activation



- Out and About activations confirmed
- Positive conversations with the Lakehouse
- TBBA to be engaged



Food Security



Purpose

Increase community wellbeing and connection through activation and participation in gardening and kai activities.



Establish

Establish an online resource of pantries, community gardens, public fruit trees/edible plants, produce swaps and food banks



Identify

Identify gaps and opportunities in partnership with community



Action

Resource innovative solutions to local food security, sustainability and climate change by working with local people to create sustainable gardens, food hubs and food sharing opportunities.



Community Activator Transition and Establishment



- Funding agreements for TNCT and DPT in progress
- Positive conversations with Sunnynook Community Centre and Devonport Community House
- PD developed



Community Activator Position Description

The Role:

Reporting to the House manager, your role will leverage the Community House's networks, programming, and partnerships to reach out into the wider community and fulfil the local board's community delivery strategy.

You will focus on building strong relationships with community partners and members to create opportunities for community development actions in the area. Your work will focus on building community connection, mindfulness and resilience while keeping in mind strong sustainability practises and the importance of community at the forefront of a circular, zero waste economy.



Patai?

