



Waiheke Local Board Grants Programme 2023/2024



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Waiheke Local Board Grants Programme

2023/2024

Our Local Grants Programme aims to provide contestable and discretionary community grants to local communities.

Outcomes sought from the local grants programme

The Waiheke Local Board recognises the vital role that community groups and organisations play in developing diverse, strong, inclusive, connected and sustainable communities.

Our grants programme will be targeted towards supporting the priorities in our [Local Board Plan](#) – such as environmental, cultural, arts, community development, recreational and heritage initiatives, and supporting our youth.

We aim to assist groups to provide activities, projects, programmes, initiatives, and events that make a positive contribution within our local board area.

Our priorities for grants

The Waiheke Local Board prioritises applications that:

- Create opportunities for community connectedness
- Enable diverse participation and inclusion
- Develop community capability and capacity, or build local resilience
- Promote sustainability, support lower carbon shifts, and protect our natural environments
- Support and grow community and landowner conservation efforts and environmental initiatives
- Recognise Te Ao Māori and contribute towards Māori outcomes
- Involve collaboration and working together with other community organisations
- Projects are based on the island and use local suppliers
- Promotes Waiheke as a sanctuary in the gulf and a sustainable tourism destination

Additionally, grants that align with the local board plan priorities will be more likely to be funded.

Higher Priority

- collaboration with other community organisations
- local procurement

Lower Priorities

The Waiheke Local Board has identified the following activities as lower priorities:

- commercial entities and promotion of commercial entities
- ticketed events
- sporting uniforms and travelling for sports.
- activities that primarily benefit communities outside the Waiheke Local Board area
- activities that primarily benefit a third party (e.g. activity to gain money for an organisation)
- grants to support that purchase of or maintenance associated with motor vehicles
- wages and/or operational costs
- individuals with projects on private land

In addition to the eligibility criteria outlined the Community Grants Policy, the Waiheke Local Board will not fund:

- exclusion One: Alcohol
- exclusion Two: Applications for Liquor licenses

Waiheke Environmental Grants:

The local board aims to support and grow community and landowner conservation efforts and environmental initiatives within the Waiheke Local Board area.

Grant outcomes:

Outcome 1. Islands, coastlines, forests, wetlands and marine areas are flourishing and protected.

Outcome 2. Our community is engaged with their natural environment and is actively involved in the care, protection and restoration of their environment.

Outcome 3. Community projects follow good practice and achieve long term benefits.

Outcome 4. Contributes towards resolving global environmental issues, including low carbon initiatives

Who can apply?

Grants are available to all community groups, environmental groups and landowners operating within the Waiheke Local Board area.

Applications are accepted for work on private land or public land.

In addition to the higher priorities for grants, the environmental grant round will prioritise material costs associated with environmental projects (e.g. plants, fencing material, and equipment) and for projects which enhance sites with high biodiversity values.

Investment approach

The Waiheke Local Board will allocate budget annually to support the local grants programme which will be divided into three approaches:

- Quick Response Grants: for grants \$500 to \$2,000
- Local Grants: For grants \$2,500 to \$10,000
- Environmental Grant: For grants \$2,000 to \$10,000 and a requirement for applicant contribution (financial, in-kind or voluntary labour) towards project costs

Accountability measures

The Waiheke Local Board requires that all successful applicants provide:

- Accountability measure one: Accountability forms must be completed and submitted by the due date, proving that grants have been used for the right purpose.
- Accountability measure two: Any grant money that is unspent and not used for the project must to be returned to Council.
- Accountability measure three: Recognition of the Waiheke Local Board's support of your initiative.
- Accountability measure four: An invitation to the funded project, programme, activity or event should be extended to the members of the board, where appropriate.

Application Dates

Table 1 – Quick Response

2023/2024	Opens	Closes	Decision Made	Project to Occur After
Round one	17 July 2023	18 August 2023	27 September 2023	1 October 2023
Round two	15 April 2024	17 May 2024	26 June 2024	1 July 2024

Table 2 – Local Grants and Environmental grants

2023/2024	Opens	Closes	Decision Made	Project to Occur After
Round one	7 August 2023	22 September 2023	22 November 2023	1 December 2023
Round two	8 January 2024	23 February 2024	24 April 2024	1 May 2024

Table 3 – Multi-board funding

We will work with the neighbouring local boards to deliver multi-board funding. The applicant will need to clearly demonstrate how the proposal benefits people and communities in the Waiheke area.

2023/2024	Opens	Closes	Decision Made	Project to Occur After
Round one	03 July 2023	1 September 2023	22 November 2023	1 December 2023
Round two	15 January 2024	15 March 2024	24 April 2024	1 May 2024

Accountability measures

In addition to the measures in the community grants policy the Waiheke Local Board requests that all successful applicants as far as possible provide photographs of the activity funded.

