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Me Heke Ki Pōneke

Ordinary Meeting of Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Rārangi | Agenda

9:30am Rāpare Thursday, 25 Haratua May 2023

Ngake (16.09)

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The Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee has responsibility for:

- 1) Māori strategic outcomes
- 2) Arts, culture, and community services
- 3) Wellington City social housing
- 4) Council's city events
- 5) Parking services
- 6) Parks, sport and recreation
- 7) Community resilience
- 8) Economic development.

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Quorum: 9 members

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1. Meeting Conduct

1.1 Karakia

The Chairperson will open the meeting with a karakia.

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| Whakataka te hau ki te uru, | Cease oh winds of the west |
| Whakataka te hau ki te tonga. | and of the south |
| Kia mākinakina ki uta, | Let the bracing breezes flow, |
| Kia mātaratara ki tai. | over the land and the sea. |
| E hī ake ana te atākura. | Let the red-tipped dawn come |
| He tio, he huka, he hauhū. | with a sharpened edge, a touch of frost, |
| Tihei Mauri Ora! | a promise of a glorious day |

At the appropriate time, the following karakia will be read to close the meeting.

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| Unuhia, unuhia, unuhia ki te uru tapu nui | Draw on, draw on |
| Kia wātea, kia māmā, te ngākau, te tinana, te wairua | Draw on the supreme sacredness To clear, to free the heart, the body and the spirit of mankind |
| I te ara takatū | |
| Koia rā e Rongo, whakairia ake ki runga | Oh Rongo, above (symbol of peace) |
| Kia wātea, kia wātea | Let this all be done in unity |
| Āe rā, kua wātea! | |

1.2 Apologies

The Chairperson invites notice from members of apologies, including apologies for lateness and early departure from the meeting, where leave of absence has not previously been granted.

1.3 Conflict of Interest Declarations

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.

1.4 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 March 2023 will be put to the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee for confirmation.

1.5 Items not on the Agenda

The Chairperson will give notice of items not on the agenda as follows.

Matters Requiring Urgent Attention as Determined by Resolution of the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee.

The Chairperson shall state to the meeting:

1. The reason why the item is not on the agenda; and
2. The reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

The item may be allowed onto the agenda by resolution of the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee.

Minor Matters relating to the General Business of the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee.

The Chairperson shall state to the meeting that the item will be discussed, but no resolution, decision, or recommendation may be made in respect of the item except to refer it to a subsequent meeting of the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee for further discussion.

1.6 Public Participation

A maximum of 60 minutes is set aside for public participation at the commencement of any meeting of the Council or committee that is open to the public. Under Standing Order 31.2 a written, oral or electronic application to address the meeting setting forth the subject, is required to be lodged with the Chief Executive by 12.00 noon of the working day prior to the meeting concerned, and subsequently approved by the Chairperson.

Requests for public participation can be sent by email to public.participation@wcc.govt.nz, by post to Democracy Services, Wellington City Council, PO Box 2199, Wellington, or by phone at 04 803 8334, giving the requester's name, phone number and the issue to be raised.

2. General Business

TE WHAI ORANGA PŌNEKE - DRAFT OPEN SPACES AND RECREATION STRATEGY

Kōrero taunaki | Summary of considerations

Purpose

1. This report to Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic asks that committee members recognise the speakers who will be speaking to their submissions regarding Te Whai Oranga Pōneke – Draft Open Spaces and Recreation Strategy.

Strategic alignment with community wellbeing outcomes and priority areas

Aligns with the following strategies and priority areas:

- Sustainable, natural eco city
- People friendly, compact, safe and accessible capital city
- Innovative, inclusive and creative city
- Dynamic and sustainable economy

Strategic alignment with priority objective areas from Long-term Plan 2021–2031

- Functioning, resilient and reliable three waters infrastructure
- Affordable, resilient and safe place to live
- Safe, resilient and reliable core transport infrastructure network
- Fit-for-purpose community, creative and cultural spaces
- Accelerating zero-carbon and waste-free transition
- Strong partnerships with mana whenua

Relevant Previous decisions

The review of this strategy is an action of the Spatial Plan that was adopted by Councillors in 2021.
The draft strategy was approved for public consultation on 2nd March 2023.

Financial considerations

- Nil Budgetary provision in Annual Plan / Long-term Plan Unbudgeted \$X

Risk

- Low Medium High Extreme

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|------------|--|
| Authors | Emily Deans, Democracy Advisor Ella Hardy, Recreation and Parks Planner |
| Authoriser | Kym Fell, Chief Customer and Community Officer |

Taunakitanga | Officers' Recommendations

Officers recommend the following motion

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee:

1. Receive the information.
2. Hear the oral submitters and thank them for their submissions.

Whakarāpopoto | Executive Summary

2. This report to Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee asks that committee members recognise the speakers who will be speaking to their submissions regarding Te Whai Oranga Pōneke – Draft Open Spaces and Recreation Strategy.

Takenga mai | Background

3. On 2nd March the draft strategy was approved by council for public consultation. The draft strategy can be found on the Kōrero Mai site [here](#).
4. Wellington City Council consulted the community from 16th March to 14th April. The key method of consultation was via an online survey on Kōrero Mai. The survey was available on our Let's Talk webpage. The survey was also available in paper form and in addition a number of submissions were made directly via email. In total, there were 388 submissions.
5. The strategy provides an overarching framework and strategic direction for the Council to manage and develop public open space, recreation facilities and recreation programmes and services over a 30-year timeframe. It is reviewed every 10 years to update our priorities to guide decisions on funding and investment.
6. The mission of Te Whai Oranga Pōneke is to create a flourishing network of parks and recreation opportunities, interwoven into everyday life, that supports Wellingtonians to live well and connect to nature and each other. This mission is underpinned by five principles that are woven through the strategy. To meet the mission, we have five strategic focus areas with approaches to support each of these, all of which are articulated in the strategy. The five focus areas are:
 - **Integrated** - Well-distributed, multifunctional, and integrated spaces, places and programmes that respond to Wellington's current and future needs.
 - **Inclusive** - Inclusive, equitable, and accessible spaces, places and programmes that make everyone feel safe and welcome.
 - **Regenerating & Resilient** - The mana and mauri of our environment will be uplifted and will support the resilience of our city.
 - **Re-indigenising** - Te ao Māori, te tiriti o waitangi, and mātauranga Māori are reflected in the decision making, management, activities and the visual presence of our places, spaces, and programmes.
 - **Diverse** - Diverse recreation experiences across our places, spaces, and programmes equitably support our communities' physical, social, and restorative wants and needs.

Kōrerorero | Discussion


- Attachment 1 documents the speakers' submissions.
- The list of speakers and the page number of their submissions are provided below:

| Submission Order | Submitter Organisation | Submitter name | Page Number |
|------------------|---|--------------------|-------------|
| 1 | Women in Urbanism Aotearoa | Gabriela Jimenez | 13 |
| 2 | Individual | Adam Adamellis | 16 |
| 3 | Kilbirnie/Rongotai/Lyall Bay Business association (Destination KRL) | Steve Walters | 19 |
| 4 | NZ Equestrian Advocacy Network | Jackie Lane | 23 |
| 5 | Individual | James Sullivan | 27 |
| 6 | Tennis Central | Tim Shanahan | 30 |
| 7 | Individual | Jill Ford | 34 |
| 8 | Island Bay Residents Association | Sally Page | 38 |
| 9 | Friends of the Tawa Bush Reserve | Gary Beecroft | 42 |
| 10 | Korimako Track Builders | Graham Weir | 46 |
| 11 | Individual | Steve Dunn | 49 |
| 12 | Ōwhiro Bay Residents Association | Hannah Quigan | 52 |
| 13 | Individual | Neil Deans | 57 |
| 14 | Individual | Ellen Blake | 61 |
| 15 | Kai Security Network | Rose Dohig | 65 |
| 16 | Trails Wellington | Matt Farrar | 73 |
| 17 | Brooklyn Trail Builders | Craig Starnes | 76 |
| 18 | Miramar Prison Garden | Patty Zais | 79 |
| 19 | Individual | Paul Forrest | 82 |
| 20 | Johnsonville Business Group | Mark Kirk-Burnnand | 84 |
| 21 | Individual | Andrew Jacombs | 89 |
| 22 | Wellington Mountain Bike Club | John Baddiley | 93 |
| 23 | Greater Brooklyn Residents Association | Katie Underwood | 97 |

Ngā mahinga e whai ake nei | Next actions

- Decisions Te Whai Oranga Pōneke – Draft Open Spaces and Recreation Strategy will be made at the Thursday 28 June Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee meeting. The full submission document will be published alongside that meeting's agenda.

Attachments

Attachment 1. Submissions [↓](#) 

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Oral submission number: 1
Submission Number: 348
Submitter: Women in Urbanism

Q1. Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, provides strategic direction for how the Council will manage our public open space, recreation facilities, and recreation programmes and services.

Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall direction? Strongly Support

Q2. The mission sets out our aspirations for Wellington's public open space and recreation network: "To create a flourishing network of parks and recreation opportunities, interwoven into everyday life, that supports Wellingtonians to live well and connect to nature and each other."

Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall mission? Strongly Support

Q3. The draft Strategy has five principles to guide the Council's decisions about managing its public open space and recreation. Do you support or oppose the following draft Strategy's guiding principles?

Tiakitanga: We recognise our intrinsic responsibility as individuals, as the Council, and as a community, to be Strongly support

guardians and stewards of all our resources. We nurture and manage our open space and recreation

resources to be environmentally and economically sustainable for all generations to come.

Wairuatanga: We recognise the importance of nurturing Strongly support

a spiritual connection of all things living by preserving the mana and mauri (life force) of the environment and

supporting the natural balance of Te Taiao. There is an unyielding spiritual connection between people and

their environments. People are part of the environment.

Whanaungatanga: We recognise that relationships and social connections are central to our wellbeing, our Strongly support

sense of belonging and social cohesion. We foster relationships throughout our recreation and open space

communities, partnering to share our knowledge, backgrounds, and resources, and strengthening our

sense of community.

Manaakitanga: We show respect, generosity and care for others and the environment. We are good hosts Strongly support

throughout our open spaces and recreation, seeking to be just, honest, and equitable, and showing respect,

humility and kindness.

Pārekareka: We recognise how important it is to have fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open Strongly support

spaces will help people to thrive by supporting balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

Strongly support the kaupapa of this strategy, at Women in Urbanism Aotearoa we continue to advocate for spaces which make our cities, brighter, happier and inclusive for all. We strongly support the efforts within the accessibility, biodiversity and inclusivity outcomes.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

2

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

not answered

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Do you support Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?
Strongly Support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Strongly support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Strongly support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

not answered

Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

Women in Urbanism Aotearoa submission - We support the plan including education and outreach initiatives to make communities more aware of what they can do in each of their spaces and the opportunities for meeting, and playing (and

what type of play). We would encourage play to be considered in all facets, gender and age groups - i.e. not just playground for children, but tables for chess and meeting for older people to also come and enjoy their open spaces, and have then be function and fun for them as well. Further we would encourage WCC to consider the role (and policies surrounding) tactical urbanism within our open spaces, and how existing features of parks and space can be refurbished to allow for adventure and creative play - for example a fallen tree branch being cleaned/tidied up to allow for tree climbing stimulates creative play (and is much cheaper than a new playground).

Q17. Which gender do you most identify with? [REDACTED]

Q18. Which ethnic group/groups do you belong to? **Other (please specify)**
Multiple person organisation - Women in Urbanism Aotearoa

Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within? [REDACTED]

Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

- Traditional organised team sport (eg. football, netball, rugby)
- Walking, hiking, jogging or running
- Biking and mountain biking
- Individual sports (eg. tennis, golf, athletics)
- Dancing

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live? Newlands

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to the Councillors. Select your answer? Oral submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person. Yes

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged. [REDACTED]

Oral submission number: 2
Submission Number: 266
Submitter: Adam Adamellis

Q1. Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, provides strategic direction for how the Council will manage our public open space, recreation facilities, and recreation programmes and services.

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Q3. The draft Strategy has five principles to guide the Council’s decisions about managing its public open space and recreation. Do you support or oppose the following draft Strategy’s guiding principles?

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

not answered

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

not answered

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Do you support Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?
Strongly Support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

I support a ki uta ki tai. But living in Houghton Valley we constantly experience the environmental degradation to our beach, park and waterways caused by the closed landfill. Increased population and housing in Houghton Bay means more people

are using the beach, park, sports fields and streams for a wide range of sports and recreational activities. Landfill leachate outflow and smell in this area are the cause of great concern for people's health and safety. Even more concerning is its flow into Tapu te renga marine reserve, threatening the mauri and regeneration of flora and fauna inhabiting this national treasure. It seems contradictory to live in this beautiful environment yet feel shame when showing an out-of-town guest his special place. I want to work with the council and mana whenua to see sensible, effective and high amenity remediations for the Houghton Valley closed landfill implemented sustainably and immediately.

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

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Q18. Which ethnic group/groups do you belong to?

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Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within?

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Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

- Walking, hiking, jogging or running
- Ocean and water activities (eg. swimming, boating, paddle boarding, surfing)
- Biking and mountain biking
- Individual sports (eg. tennis, golf, athletics)
- Environmental volunteering
- Skateboarding
- Dog walking

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Houghton Bay

Yes

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to the Councillors. Select your answer? Oral submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person.

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.

Oral submission number: 3

Submission Number: 347

Submitter: Kilbirnie/Rongotai/Lyall Bay Business association (Destination KRL)

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a spiritual connection of all things living by preserving the mana and mauri (life force) of the environment and supporting the natural balance of Te Taiao. There is an unyielding spiritual connection between people and their environments. People are part of the environment.

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fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open spaces will help people to thrive by supporting balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

not answered

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

It's important that recreational venues and activities are simple to access for all ages and abilities. The Kilbirnie/Rongotai/Lyall Bay (KRL) area is a dynamic, activity-rich environment that needs an improved range of access options. We have Akau Tangi, Wgtn Regional Aquatic Centre, Kilbirnie Recreation Centre, Toitu Pōneke & Kilbirnie Park, Lyall Bay beach, Leonie Gill Pathway for walking/scooting/roller-blading/cycling, and many school fields and open spaces all in our area. There are a lot of options for Wellingtonians to come to KRL and enjoy themselves compared to other parts of Wellington. As the population increases and demand for these recreation sites grows, we need to ensure the public transport system works in harmony with this demand, not against it. This is heightened by the potential Let's Get Wellington Moving plans have for Kilbirnie as a transport hub to the eastern suburbs; we need to ensure all transport options to and around the KRL area are planned for in the mid to long term, to allow hassle-free and efficient to this recreation-rich area of Wellington.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

The Kilbirnie/Rongotai/Lyall Bay area has great ethnic and socio-economic diversity. We celebrate this and appreciate any steps taken to welcome all of our community into recreation activities. We have one of the lowest green/tree counts (9%?) for any suburb in Wellington. We need more greenery and trees in our area to make it a more desirable place to engage in recreational activity, gain shelter from the wind and elements, help sustainability through carbon and water-runoff reduction, and provide a stronger sense of place.

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Somewhat support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

We support caring for our natural environment. KRL has Lyall Bay, the natural flora & fauna living in the Melrose hills to the west of KRL, and Taputeranga Marine Reserve at our south coast. We celebrate the natural environment and want our growing population to respect and enjoy all that nature has to offer in KRL. Infrastructure planning for the increased population growth in KRL over the next 30+ years while respecting and celebrating our natural assets is critical.

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Strongly support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

KRL has a rich Maori history, but not many people are aware of it. We want to celebrate our Maori history to create a unique

sense of place as much as possible.

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Strongly support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

KRL is one of the windiest areas of Wellington. We celebrate the wind via our Zephyrometer, the Meridian wind walk with wind sculptures along Cobham Drive, surfing, windsurfing, and kitesurfing in Lyall Bay, windy take-offs and landings at the airport, and the potential commercial opportunities wind-powered electricity offers the area. Any activities that celebrate our dynamic, active, diverse KRL area we endorse.

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We need more spaces in the KRL area that can allow for evening/night time activities. This could include plans for the regional skate park on the old Kilbirnie Bowling Club site that would allow people to be active but social together at night, especially in the warmer, lighter months, or commencing work on the planned Huetepara Park at the east end of Lyall Bay to create a community space where people can both socialise and be active together outside at all times of the day.

Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

The importance of a great network to connect recreation sites and activities can't be stressed enough. As the population increases in our area, there will be more people using more modes of transport to move around. This includes the young, the old, and the disabled. An improved and extended off-road Leonie Gill Pathway connecting all our recreation sites is critical to ensuring increased use and activity in our area. The public transport network needs to be a real option for people coming to and moving around our Kilbirnie/Rongotai/Lyall Bay area. At present Lyall Bay has one of the highest bus cancellation rates in Wellington. It is currently unreliable and needs improvement if we expect people to rely on public transport to get to and from our opportunity-rich area for recreation and activity.

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Biking and mountain biking
Community gardening
Individual sports (eg. tennis, golf, athletics)

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Lyall Bay

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Submitter: NZ Equestrian Advocacy Network

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Support

mission?

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balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Strongly support

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Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

It all sounds great, I'm all for having more accessible recreation spaces where every person can enjoy the form of recreation that suits them. Please don't forget that horses are a part of Wellington's diverse community and have been happily sharing city streets and tracks and trails with road and other recreation users for more than a century. While few in number, they are equally as important for many as a way of maintaining physical and emotional wellbeing, teaching respect and building relationships. They are well loved and a drawcard for the city. We have been able to share all tracks, trails and beaches (except dedicated mtb tracks). There is no reason for this to change and every reason to ensure horse access is also considered in any new tracks/trails and connections. The new system of access to off road areas using the lockvue app is revolutionary to allow registered horse riders (including those from out of town) free and easy access to tracks while preventing vehicle access. It would not be difficult to extend this system to any track area that must have locked gates to prevent vehicles. It would be nice to have horse tie points and mounting blocks (concrete or rocks) at these gates too. The mere act of sharing a trail with horses generates respect between users. Horses may be large and imposing, but they have much sharper senses than humans, can detect oncoming trail users well in advance and have an astonishing braking system, so are generally not involved in any form of collision. Horse riders are very aware of the size of their horse and the fear that this can generate for other trail users, so are usually extra courteous and careful when sharing spaces with others. In terms of the community outcomes, ensuring that horse access is included in recreational planning is important for the following reasons: Personal health and wellness. Horseriding and horse management as a recreational activity obviously promotes health and wellbeing for those who actively and passively take part. But the effects of passive recreation through horses, for example, being able to see, touch and smell a horse, while out for a walk or sitting on your front step or balcony can also provide a sense of peace and connection and improve wellbeing. The connection that horses enable between people and horses, within and between people, and between people and their environment and cultures is significant and contributes to wellness. Community Cohesion. Sharing spaces with horses fosters a sense of community. Horses enable individuals and communities to connect with each other. They are fascinating and approachable creatures and form a bridge between age and culture, with many wanting to share stories of riding to school many decades ago, or of the horses their families owned in their much-missed home countries. The horses are a part of the community that many locals are proud of and want to share with visitors. Environmental wellbeing Being browsers and foragers, horses need a wide variety of plants and varied terrain to stay healthy. Healthy horse pastures are extremely diverse and this, combined with inevitable areas of shorter grass along tracks provides a perfect habitat for NZ's birds, insects and reptiles. Horses also need mental stimulation, so access to a variety of riding experiences is necessary to create a happy, well-balanced and safe equine companion. By ensuring that there are plenty of safely accessible riding areas close to grazing facilities, the need to transport horses to access these is reduced or eliminated, lessening the impacts on the environment. Additionally, horses do not require wide, flat trails and can navigate almost any terrain without the need for extensive infrastructure, further reducing environmental impact. Economic wellbeing Equestrian tourism exists. Wellington has some spectacular horse-riding opportunities which could be promoted to encourage those from out of town to enjoy. There are already some (limited) facilities which could be utilised for overnight stays for this purpose. The equestrian industry is huge and a 2012 study, 'Economic impact report on the New Zealand sport horse industry' by Matheson, Alex; Akoorie, Michèle E.M. (and recognizing the report was based on the work of Viv Dostine) estimated the recreational (non 'racing industry') horse sector provided 0.5% of NZs GDP. Wellington could also benefit financially from the presence of horses in the community. Further to this and specifically in relation to the strategic focuses: It is vital that the plan allows horse riders to respectfully and carefully use footpaths and berms to safely navigate city streets and access beaches, tracks and trails. It not only provides extra safety to the horse and rider and allows traffic flow to continue without impediment, but it also enables horses to be ridden to areas which might ordinarily be more than 5 minutes walking distance from an open space, thereby bringing the benefits of passive recreation to more people. As horses are an attractive recreation option for girls and young women, ensuring horses continue to be welcomed in Wellington's streets and recreation areas will provide recreational activities and options for those who are reluctant to participate in other sports. There is a lot more to horses than riding and having the opportunity to learn about and participate in the care of horses can involve more physical activity than any organised sport. Horses are very popular with the Pacific and Asian communities whose families may have owned horses before they moved to New Zealand. Horses also have a long and very strong history with the Māori community which should be recognised. So for Wellington's open space and recreation opportunities to be considered integrated, inclusive, diverse, resilient and to support the regenerating of the natural environment and the re-indigenising of our spaces, places and activities by 2053, we need to ensure that horses retain access to all recreational areas where safe and practical as they are a valuable member of

our community and contribute vastly to our inclusivity, diversity and wellbeing.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

not answered

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

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Strongly Support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

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Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Strongly support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

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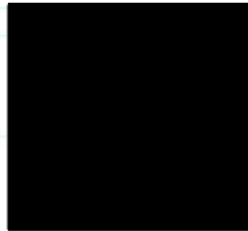
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Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically

asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

Horses provide many benefits to communities and there is huge scope for more community access to horses through existing clubs which use Council grazing land under license, eg Wellington City Light Horse Club. Sadly, the management of these clubs can be more exclusive than inclusive and membership and community involvement is often not encouraged by long standing 'owners'. The Council has taken a 'hands-off' approach only requiring that the organisation be incorporated, but ignoring how the organisation is managed. There should be regular, objective review of these organisations with the option to open up grazing licenses under a tender process, enabling the merits of organisations to be considered and allow more community minded groups to take over the grazing licenses.

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Q18. Which ethnic group/groups do you belong to?

Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within?

Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

- Walking, hiking, jogging or running
- Community gardening
- Environmental volunteering
- Other (please specify)**
- horseriding

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Ōwhiro Bay

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to the Councillors. Select your answer? Oral submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person.

Yes

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.



Oral submission number: 5

Submission Number: 11

Submitter: James

Q1. Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, provides strategic direction for how the Council

will manage our public open space, recreation facilities, and recreation programmes and services.

Do you support or oppose the overall direction of the strategy? Strongly support

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not answered

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

So much of Wellington has been optimised for private motor vehicles that it has hidden access to much of the space around us. Without access to a vehicle most parks or other open spaces are beyond the reasonable reach of most healthy people. Let alone those with movement difficulties. Low traffic neighbourhoods and efforts to discourage travel by vehicle for trips that can be done just as effectively by other modes is vital for this plan as restricting unstructured play to parks is not fair or reasonable for many, especially children that still feel safer near home. Such streets are also vital for encouraging a sense of community instead of people moving from the box house to their box vehicle to their box destination with no human interaction.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Somewhat support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

I think this is just a reasonable direction in general. A lot of the existing infrastructure was designed by a small section of society for their personal desires. Whether it was intentional or not. Correcting this mistake is good. Even if it means those previously prioritized groups feel they are being attacked when it's just others are being brought up to the same level.

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Strongly Support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

This just makes sense. Even if we cannot influence global warming on a global scale from this area. We can do better to build the level of resilience that will be needed.

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Somewhat support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

No real opinion honestly. This is a bigger issue for others than myself.

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

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Somewhat support

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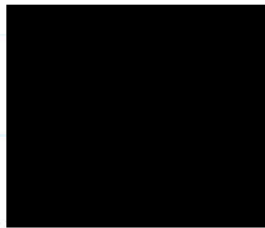
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P2, P3, P13, D2, and D12 would have great shorter term impact and should be considered for acceleration. D9 is nice. I would tweak it so that moderate traffic disruption is also acceptable. The wording in the draft still prioritizes the use of motor vehicles over any other usage.

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It would be great to see reference to efforts such as the cycle network as part of this effort. The cycle network should become a core part of the open spaces by being the best way of accessing and transiting between all of them. This can also influence the cycle network by providing prioritization suggestions for access.

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Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

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Yes

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.



Oral submission number: 6
Submission Number: 373
Submitter: Tennis Central

Submission to the:
WELLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

on the:
TE WHAI ORANGA PŌNEKA OPEN SPACE and RECREATION STRATEGY 2023

Submission from:
TENNIS CENTRAL REGION (INC.)

This submission is representing the 17 tennis clubs in Wellington City and 3,500+ members and casual participants of Tennis Central Region Inc. who reside in Wellington City.

Date:
14 April 2023

Representatives of Tennis Central Region (Inc.) wish to discuss the main points in this written submission at a hearing.

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Executive Officer
Tennis Central
Region Inc.

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Introduction

Tennis Central Region (Inc.), on behalf of the 17 tennis clubs located in Wellington City and more than 3,500 tennis club members and casual participants that reside in Wellington City, appreciates the opportunity to present this submission to Wellington City Council on the Te Whai Oranga Pōneke Open Space and Recreation Strategy.

Background

Tennis Central Region (Inc.) is one of six regional tennis organisations recognised by Tennis New Zealand as responsible for the delivery of grass-roots tennis. Created in 2007, Tennis Central Region services the lower part of the North Island, specifically Taranaki, Manawatu, Wanganui, Wairarapa, Kapiti Mana, Hutt Valley and Wellington.

Tennis Central has four key focus areas, which are:

- x Participation and development – successfully supporting clubs to grow the game; and guiding players and coaches through the participation pathway. x
- Performance – successfully deliver a range of events and tournaments for performance-focused participants; and support performance achievement.
- x Organisational excellence – continuous improvement in our organisational performance.
- x Sustainability – operating a sustainable business underpinned by secure revenues and prudent reserves.

The ability of Tennis Central Region to achieve desired outcomes specific to these key focus areas is aligned to having the resources to enable the sport of tennis to be played. Central to this is the availability of tennis courts in sufficient quantity and quality.

Support for the Strategy

Tennis Central is in support of the Strategy. The listed Vision and Principles are appropriate for a city of Wellington's stature and the stated Roles of the Wellington City Council in supporting the Strategy and the general provision of sport and recreation in Wellington are well stated.

Acknowledgement Of Tennis Courts in the Strategy

It is appreciated that the draft Strategy acknowledges tennis courts as being part of the network of open space and recreation facilities available to the people of Wellington. The tennis courts at the 17 Wellington-based tennis clubs are well utilised throughout the year, in particular during the summer sport season. Not having access to these facilities / courts would be detrimental to the sport of tennis, and also impact Wellington's position as a city to cater for the wide array of sport and recreation interests of its residents.

Significance of the Wellington Renouf Tennis Centre

Access to adequate quantity and quality of tennis facilities is an important consideration in the provision of sport and recreation and the Wellington Renouf Tennis Centre, as the regional hub for the sport in the Central region, holds centre stage. Many of the regional, national and international tournaments held at the Wellington Renouf Tennis Centre each year can simply not be held at any other location in the Central region. No other tennis facility meets the requirements in terms of number of courts (6 indoor and 12 outdoor) and supporting infrastructure (e.g. changing rooms, spectator capacity). For this reason the Wellington Renouf Tennis Centre is of strategic significance to tennis and to Wellington.

Recognition of the Wellington Renouf Tennis Centre in the Strategy

Given the unique position of the Wellington Renouf Tennis Centre in the provision of tennis opportunities in Wellington, and the related benefits to Wellington in bringing people to the city to participate / compete at tennis events held at the Centre, it is important that the Wellington City Council appropriately recognises the Centre in any sport and recreation and / or facility strategies. With this in mind it would be desired to have the Centre specifically identified in the pictorial on page 10 of the Strategy.

It has been advised by Council staff that the Centre was not included because it does not hold 'national' status in the Tennis New Zealand National Facilities Strategy 2018. Instead, Tennis New Zealand has identified the Centre as one of six 'regional facilities', because it is operated by Tennis Centra Region, one of six regional sport organisations in New Zealand's tennis structure. However, as a venue that has hosted international tennis tournaments attracting players and teams from overseas, it is performing a function that is equivalent to a national or international facility in the national facilities strategy of other national sport organisations.

Equivalent Status to National Hockey Centre

The equivalencies between the National Hockey Centre and the Wellington Renouf Tennis Centre are extensive.

Those equivalencies include:

x Operated by regional sport organisations (Tennis Central Region vs Wellington Hockey Association); x Hosting of games at a local level for junior, senior and masters players; x Hosting of regional and national tournaments that are allocated by the respective national sport organisations; and x Hosting of international tournaments and fixtures as allocated by the respective national sport organisations.

Given the equivalencies, it is only appropriate that both facilities receive equivalent status in terms of recognition in the Strategy. The pictorial on page 10 does list '1 National Hockey Centre', however it does not reference the Wellington Renouf Tennis Centre. It is requested that the Wellington Renouf Tennis Centre is included in the pictorial on page 10 with that reference being '1 Tennis Centre' or something equivalent to that wording.

Conclusion

Tennis Central supports the draft Te Whai Oranga Pōneke Open Space and Recreation Strategy and considers it to be a document appropriate for adoption and implementation.

However, it is requested that one change is made to the Strategy and that is specifically that the final Strategy identifies the Wellington Renouf Tennis Centre in the pictorial on page 10 as a listed facility available to the people of Wellington given its significance nationally to the sport of tennis and the equivalencies with another listed facility – the National Hockey Stadium.

Representatives of Tennis Central Region Inc. would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this request further at the next stage of the process for reviewing the draft Strategy by being invited to make an oral submission.

Thank you for your consideration of this submission.

Oral submission number: 7
Submission Number: 330
Submitter: Jill Ford

Q1. Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, provides strategic direction for how the Council will manage our public open space, recreation facilities, and recreation programmes and services.

Do you support or oppose the overall direction of the Neutral strategy?

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Do you support or oppose the strategy’s overall mission? Strongly Support

Q3. The draft Strategy has five principles to guide the Council’s decisions about managing its public open space and recreation. Do you support or oppose the following draft Strategy’s guiding principles?

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Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

Given climate change and loss of biodiversity much greater emphasis needs to be on. 1. Regenerating our Nature spaces,

ie natural environment - and actual action. 2. Much greater emphasis on accessibility for people to the natural environment rather than organised sports / recreation. Happy places survey results - greatest number reported nature 902 - as their happy place, 752 local parks vs 194 Sports grounds. That 1,210 went to exercise, vs 323 - organised sport and 382 for festivals. Active NZ survey had following stats for Wellingtonians - • Wellington - walking is the most popular physical activity by a considerable margin, 89%, followed by running, 44%, cycling 30%, MT Biking 15%, (Sport NZ) • In comparison to the most popular sports played on WCC grounds; soccer 7%, Rugby + League – 3%, Touch 3%, cricket 6%. **Berhampore Golf club – averages 7 players a day and 100 members.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Somewhat support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

To achieve 13 - then far greater funding is needed. Currently in the Annual plan - OPEX - Walkways maintenance is 1.342M for TOTAL area - town belt is 520 hectares (eighth of city) whilst the outer green belt = 3,000 hectares, total 3,520 hectares and include over 380km of track. Yet just 5-6 staff are employed to manage all this. The Akau Tangi Sports Centre has more staff than the Town belt, as does the Kilbirnie Aquatic centre. In addition volunteers are putting in huge hours to develop accessibility to nature spaces and revegetation- The number of volunteer hours over the last year the total being 12,861 hours, and that's likely an underestimate. Value - According to WCC budget a grounds person is paid \$51 per hour, Volunteer time is equivalent to \$655,911 = an equivalent FT staff = 7.46 staff. Volunteers aren't expected to maintain sports fields, museums, or community art centres. 40 sports grounds cover approx. 28.83 hectares (based on average size of rugby / football fields). That's Annual Plan - Funding - Walkways and reserves - OPEX - 7.2M, CAPX 815,000 walkways renewal for 3,250 hectares. Sports and recreation facilities - OPEX - 40.10 M CAPX - 13.868M of which 4.8M has been allocated to Khandallah pool which very few use, is open a few months of the year and is just 3km from Johnsonville Pool. So Khandallah Pool will receive nearly 6x the funding for the whole outer and town belt - ie our nature spaces.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Somewhat support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Given the far greater numbers participating in 'unorganised' recreation in nature spaces - • Wellington - walking is the most popular physical activity by a considerable margin, 89%, followed by running, 44%, cycling 30%, MT Biking 15%, (Sport NZ) • In comparison to the most popular sports played on WCC grounds; soccer 7%, Rugby + League – 3%, Touch 3%, cricket 6%. **Berhampore Golf club – averages 7 players a day and 100 members. AND women are more likely to participate in things like walking than competitive sport then funding needs to be MORE EQUITABLY allocated to increase accessibility to town / outer belt so tracks are in better condition, more tracks are installed and on some major tracks, lighting, so it's safer at night. There is also inequitable funding for things like Basin reserve - CAPX - 1.6m (twice that allocated to walkway) New Convention centre - is budgeted to make an OPEX LOSS of \$10.5 M, yet it's supposed to be commercial. Toi Poneke Arts centre - \$1.437M - a very niche and small number of people use this.

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

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AGAIN greater funding is needed - lots of nice words BUT NO ACTION ie HOW his will be achieved. Our nature spaces. ie environment has been in Aotearoa for 540 million years, yet humans have been here for just 700-800 years in that time our biodiversity has been decimated, and human impact of climate change means we are now more prone to heavy rainfall in Wellington. If we allocated the same to planting trees and increasing accesability (so trees can be planted and more predator control installed) as we do to Sports facilities or the LGWM (\$28.2M) then we could make a huge difference in the long term to our environment, our Carbon zero goal, plus gain income from carbon credits and have a healthier popu.

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

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Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

While its important to work with mana whenua in managing, restoring, and protecing te taiao (natural environment) there must also be equal support and collaboration with / for all the community groups already doing managing and restoring te taiao. Yet in the whole document there is barely a mention of the community groups doing this work, just one paragraph on page 49. BUT without these volunteers there would be hardly any tracks as the current funding for WCC Tracks / team doesnt even enable adequate maintenance of he main WCC walkways let alone all the otehr tracks.

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

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Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Where is the equity in funding when far more is given to traditional sports which have far less par icpa ion than he natural outdoor spaces that people are using and more would use if they felt safe and the tracks were better maintained and more put in so more easily reached by walking or cycling. . At a gender level more \$\$ are put into tradi onal ac ivities men participate in than women / girls. this includes everything from skateboard parks to rugby fields and gold course.

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As stated on there needs to be specific measureable ac ions> MUCH greater funding allocated to nature spaces. Currently far more is allocated to traditional facili ies, eg sports fields, (I am NOT saying this should necessarily be reduced, except for Basin reserve and Golf course) plus - arts, museums, LGWM, venues, Marketing of wellington - events - 5.4M, (383 reported festivals as their happy place, 323 organised sport vr 1210 excercise). FOR funding to achieve many of the outcomes / aspirations in the startegy then then it needs to be more equitable.

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NONE of he KPI have ANY measures so they are aspirations not objectives - KPI stands for key performance indicator, a quantifiable measure of performance over time for a specific objective. Several mentions about increasing percep ion - which doesnt include what ac ion will be taken to ensure perception is reality. These appear to be Comm's jargon of little substance.

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| <p>Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.</p> | <p>[REDACTED]</p> |

Oral submission number: 8
Submission Number: 197
Submitter: Island Bay Residents Association

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Manaakitanga: We show respect, generosity and care for others and the environment. We are good hosts throughout our open spaces and recreation, seeking to be just, honest, and equitable, and showing respect, humility and kindness. Somewhat support

Pārekareka: We recognise how important it is to have fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open spaces will help people to thrive by supporting balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles. Strongly support

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

I love how you've used te Ao Maori concepts and really thought about the human connection to - and being part of - nature. So many studies show how important it is for humans to reconnect with nature for our wellbeing, especially with the challenges ahead of us, and this strategy does a great job of recognising that and then thinking about who might be missing out on it, so where the energy needs to be focused. Ka pai.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

I was surprised to hear that Wellington has a lower proportion of green spaces per capita out of NZ cities. I absolutely think that as we become a denser city - and we need to - it is critical that those green spaces are preserved. The argument for that might get harder when the opportunity cost is to build houses, and that pressure will grow stronger, so I think utilising all the research out there to show why these spaces are so important (the 'third spaces' korero, etc) will continue to be important. At a local level, I live in Island Bay so was not surprised to see the IB shops area being one of the areas with lower access to a green space. Given how many people come to the IB village every day, a green space in that area would really add a lot - especially as the village becomes more densely populated.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

The focus on inclusivity and equity is great. The point made in the report about how spaces are often dominated by male-dominated sports resonated for me, as someone with two daughters, so the push to identify sports and interests that will allow and encourage wahine to get out and be active is critical. I really love how Lyall Bay has become popular for women surfers - the culture there is quite different to other more macho surf spots. Something to be supported. But definitely Lyall Bay needs more greening (of the climate resilient sort).

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?
Strongly Support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Absolutely this needs to be a focus. We are so quickly realising that nature had systems and we destroyed them - now around the world we are seeing movements to daylight streams or to 'give rivers space', with the recognition that those

ecosystems were self-regulating and therefore more resilient. The more we can do here to return those systems to how they were and should be, while of course making the most of modern science and evidence, the better. I think one key way of really getting this going is to go uber-local. Work with local communities, residents associations, etc to understand and amplify the key natural taonga in each of our suburbs.

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Strongly support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

I'm really impressed by the Council's recent efforts to really ramp up and deepen relationships with tangata whenua. It's not an easy or straightforward journey but the recent strategy Tupiki Ora is a great step in the right direction. I like the term 're-indigenising' - and I learned something about Taonga Takaro, sounds great!

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Strongly support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

This is great - Wellington has so much to offer in terms of local recreation. Our family rides bikes every day (with exception), and we swim and surf locally at least once a week. There are so many different activities both old and new and you're right that people want to be branching out. One thing I'd say on this is we need to rethink golf courses - they occupy such a massive amount of space and are used by so few (and not a very diverse few either) - exploring options such as cutting them from 18 to 9 holes or limiting hours they're used as golf courses to open up new ways to use that precious green space would be very welcomed (frisbee golf is a good start). During the lockdown our family and so many others loved just going for a walk through the course and it was a huge shame to have to stop or now to have to be really careful of flying balls. Maybe time to let go of something that is pretty much a colonial male-dominated sport??

Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

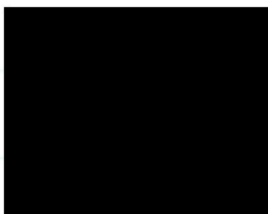
I think all-gender bathrooms are a huge step in the right direction, given all the research about how unsafe bathrooms can be for trans people.

Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

Preserving the waterways for swimming and other water activities appears to be an issue that will only get harder if we don't get water infrastructure right. I'd urge Wellington to avoid ending up like Auckland where so many beaches are now frequently unswimmable. Whatever it takes - three waters, better stormwater infrastructure, etc - it's absolutely worth it. In terms of Action P4 about water-based coastal recreation, I live in Island Bay (and am on the Residents Association) and we know that better change and shower/toilet facilities there are badly needed. The beach is so popular for swimmers but everyone gets changed under towels on the beach. So an upgrade of the surf club there to provide toilets/showers/change facilities similar to what is now at Lyall Bay - or even just like what's at Princess Bay - should be a priority for the city. Relatedly, there is so little bike parking at Shorland Park and the Island Bay beach while more and more people are biking

there - kids, cargo bikes, the whole range. So more bike parking perhaps as part of any new toilet/change facilities block would be very welcome. And in terms of variety of sports, the area around Shorland Park is a bit underutilised - there is sometimes a volleyball net there, and a dilapidated basketball hoop - but so much potential for other activities there for people to enjoy while they're in the area. Maybe another open-use tennis court/basketball combo like the one at Evans Bay?

Q17. Which gender do you most identify with?



Q18. Which ethnic group/groups do you belong to?

Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within?

Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)
Walking, hiking, jogging or running

Ocean and water activities (eg. swimming, boating, paddle

boarding, surfing)
Biking and mountain biking
Community gardening
Individual sports (eg. tennis, golf, athletics)
Environmental volunteering

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Island Bay

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to the Councillors. Select your answer? Oral submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person.

Yes

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.



Oral submission number: 9
Submission Number: 333
Submitter: Friends of Tawa Bush Reserve

Q1. Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, provides strategic direction for how the Council will manage our public open space, recreation facilities, and recreation programmes and services.

Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall direction? Strongly Support

Q2. The mission sets out our aspirations for Wellington's public open space and recreation network: "To create a flourishing network of parks and recreation opportunities, interwoven into everyday life, that supports Wellingtonians to live well and connect to nature and each other."

Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall mission? Strongly Support

Q3. The draft Strategy has five principles to guide the Council's decisions about managing its public open space and recreation. Do you support or oppose the following draft Strategy's guiding principles?

Tiakitanga: We recognise our intrinsic responsibility as individuals, as the Council, and as a community, to be

guardians and stewards of all our resources. We nurture and manage our open space and recreation

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Wairuatanga: We recognise the importance of nurturing Strongly support

a spiritual connection of all things living by preserving the mana and mauri (life force) of the environment and

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Pārekareka: We recognise how important it is to have fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open Strongly support

spaces will help people to thrive by supporting balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

1. There is a lot of good stuff in this strategy. But it is not going to be achieved if it doesn't receive sufficient funding to enable the follow-up actions in the strategy to be carried out (one of which was for example to also review the Open Space Access Plan (tracks plan)). Thus in the current climate of cuts and trying to restrain ever increasing rates rises I think that there is a high risk of the aspirations of the Open Space Strategy will not be achieved. 2. If there is to be continued ever increasing levels of intensified development of urban areas; either as mandated by central government for urban areas (3 stories and smaller sections), or of urban centers through district plan changes (6 story buildings), then one certainty is that the amount of green spaces and trees will suffer. Therefore whether for climate change reasons or for human welfare reasons this pressure on the reduction of the green environment needs to be compensated for by the proactive intervention of additional green spaces and trees being provided for to breakup the masses of development; e.g. creation of small parks and planting of road berms. And also the encouragement of other technical means of merging the green ecologies into the urban environment; like the use of green walls and green roofs, and additional lane-ways, and the creation of social gathering places.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

This quote below is the strongest part, but parks also need to be ecological sanctuaries for plants and animals, otherwise it's just another grass carpet with some swings. People need to have easy access to green open space for a good quality of life. As our population grows and more people live in high density development with little private outdoor space, we will need to provide more parks to ensure everyone is within a 10-minute walking distance of a park

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Of course we want inclusivity. however, you do not appear to have made adequate provision for old people.

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?
Strongly Support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Of course we want protection of our unique flora and fauna above all else in a park or reserve. But again, I think you are missing the needs of older people.

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Somewhat support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Some people will do these things, and some wont.

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Strongly support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

to have contact with nature enriches our lives and supports our wellbeing we first have to save and protect it.

Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

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Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

If there is to be continued ever increasing levels of intensified development of urban areas; either as mandated by central government for urban areas (3 stories and smaller sections), or of urban centers through district plan changes (6 story buildings), then one certainty is that the amount and number of green spaces and trees will suffer. Therefore, whether for climate change reasons or for human welfare reasons this pressure on the reduction of the green environment needs to be compensated for by the proactive intervention of additional green spaces and trees being provided for to break up the masses of development, e.g. creation of small parks and planting of road berms, but also recognize that parks cannot be ecological islands. For New Zealand's unique ecology to exist it must have ecological corridors connecting parks. And also the encouragement of other technical means of merging the green ecologies into the urban environment; like the use of green walls and green roofs, and additional laneways, both within water ways and under highways and also where there are the creation of social gathering places.

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Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within?

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Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

- Traditional organised team sport (eg. football, netball, rugby)
- Walking, hiking, jogging or running
- Ocean and water activities (eg. swimming, boating, paddle boarding, surfing)
- Biking and mountain biking
- Community gardening
- Environmental volunteering
- Other (please specify)**
- Environmental protection
- Dog walking

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Tawa

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to Councillors. Select your answer? Oral

Yes the

submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person.

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.

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Oral submission number: 10
Submission Number: 9
Submitter: Korimako Track Builders

Q1. Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, provides strategic direction for how the Council

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Do you support or oppose the overall direction of the strategy? Strongly support

Q2. The mission sets out our aspirations for Wellington’s public open space and recreation network: “To create a flourishing network of parks and recreation opportunities, interwoven into everyday life, that supports Wellingtonians to live well and connect to nature and each other.”

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Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

not answered

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

My direct interest is in walking tracks. Connectivity is very important.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Neutral

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Unfocussed section.

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Do you support Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?
Strongly Support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Neutral

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Strongly support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

WCC needs to revise its approach to authorising new walking tracks, especially in the Western Hills. It is now much more difficult to gain WCC support for new walking tracks than it was 10 years ago. As a Crofton Downs resident, I cannot enjoy interconnected walking tracks in my neighbourhood, despite good tracks existing to the north in Khandallah and in the south in Wilton Bush, and locals being willing to build these new tracks in the Western Hills of Crofton Downs and Ngaio.

Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

WCC is presently adding new costs to the voluntary build of local walking tracks. For example, instead of the local ranger assessing if any conservation issues exist along a proposed track, and then if they are uncertain, calling in a WCC expert, the process now is to begin with a substantial Environment assessment. This methodology needs to be reversed, keeping costs within WCC, if possible, thereby reducing costs and minimising delays. Whenever possible, new walking tracks should not be subject to resource consent restraints.

Q17. Which gender do you most identify with?



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Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within?

Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

- Walking, hiking, jogging or running
- Biking and mountain biking
- Environmental volunteering

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Crofton Downs

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to the Councillors. Select your answer? Oral submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person.

Yes

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.



Oral submission number: 11

Submission Number: 346

Submitter: Steve Dunn

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Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall direction? Strongly Support

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balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

PROMOTE NEW OPEN SPACE Add the calculations on how much open space is needed relative to numbers of people to support for their health and well being, identify where additional open space is needed as the city intensifies, retain funds from Development Contributions and hold as dedicate funding for acquiring new public open space, improvement of these areas to be through increased rates as the city intensifies around them. PROTECT EXISTING OPEN SPACE from development - no building on open space (reject Fale MALae development on Frank Kitts Park) and protect under the Reserves Act

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

Private developers and Kaianga Ora focus on residential yield and provide limited or no open space - either this has to be required at time of development or the onus rests with the local authority to plan for and provide. Often this is through including street reserve and adjoining open space. When parklets were developed when Chase demolished buildings or parklets were established in lieu of increased building heights, the open space didn't have protection and rules got overturned by Council resulting in intensification and no open space. A lost opportunity with no protection.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Somewhat support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

To provide good tree health, green infrastructure like porous surfaces / rain gardens /stream day lighting adequate area is needed to ensure it functions well, not squeezed into tight spaces. In lower socio-economic areas the ground conditions are crap and climate challenging and will require intensive remediation to make successful (thinking of Kilbirnie / Miramar flats)

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Do you

support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?
Somewhat support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Open space in key areas for resilience in times of extreme events - refuge in earthquakes or underground water storage.
Underground stormwater storage detention to reduce impact on the drainage system

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Neutral

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

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Neutral

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not answered

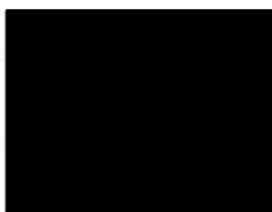
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Support the urban park for Newtown - a central location like the industrial buildings Constable street and Newtown Ave beside the Mediterranean warehouse would be ideal - connecting streets, open sun to the north and central location. Also the Te Aro area up for intensification desperately needs action now before the land is developed. I think the locations should be identified now and clearly outline how it will be funded and protected from development.

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Link policies more clearly to the Green Network Plan, give rationale on how open space is calculated and how it will be funded and linked to the Long Term Plan. There seems to be lots of policies but little direction on how this is all going to be implemented. Green Open Space and Green Infrastructure is always up for grabs when development pressures come but the health benefits get lost without the Green. In an ever intensifying city, the pressure will be even more felt and we can't rely just on improving land that was purchase by our forefathers. Time to invest in the future.

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Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

Community gardening
Other (please specify)
stream care and revegetation
Dog walking

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Newtown

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to the Councillors. Select your answer? Oral submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person.

Yes

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.



Oral submission number: 12
Submission Number: 236
Submitter: Ōwhiro Bay Residents Association

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Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall direction? Strongly Support

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Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall mission? Strongly

Support

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balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

The Ōwhiro Bay Residents Association (OBRA) supports the direction and mission of the Te Whai Oranga Pōneke – Draft Open Space and Recreation Strategy. The Ōwhiro Bay catchment and wider community is home to some of Pōneke's special open spaces, such as Te Kopahou Reserve, Taputeranga Marine Reserve, and Ōwhiro Stream, one of Wellington's only remaining daylighted streams. Other open spaces and recreation areas in the area include Tawatawa and Oku Street Reserves, Pariwhero (Red Rocks), Happy Valley Park, Mokai Kainga (Ōwhiro Bay community gardens) and the Ōwhiro Bay playground. We also have many berms and verges around the Ōwhiro Bay area, including the Ōwhiro Bay Parade berm/community lawn. Moreover, we are increasingly part of the 'halo effect' of birds expanding beyond Zealandia and the Capital Kiwi project is happening in Te Kopahou Reserve. While we support all the guiding principles of the draft strategy, we especially support a focus on tiakitanga. OBRA takes our responsibility to be kaitiaki of our local open spaces seriously. We are especially motivated to ensure that core challenges for open spaces in the area, such as the landfill pollution, stormwater and wastewater management and climate change adaptation are addressed by actions in the draft strategy. We want to tautoko Wellington City Council - particularly the Parks team - for their contributions to protecting and improving our open spaces. We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with you to progress the actions in this strategy.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

OBRA supports the 'integrated' strategic focus, as we recognise the importance of multi-functional open spaces that can be enjoyed by locals and visitors alike. Regarding approach 1.1: We want to raise the importance of ensuring that various parties comply with expectations when using these public spaces. Specifically: - There is an increase of long-term 'freedom camping' at the Ōwhiro Bay Parade car park/entrance to Te Kopahou reserve. - There are also increasingly large groups of people setting up their own temporary infrastructure (e.g. toilets) to film or host events in the carpark and surrounding Reserve areas. While we welcome such groups, we hope that the Council emphasises the importance of being good visitors and complying with Council regulations. - There is an ongoing problem with commercial vehicles parking in the carpark adjacent to Happy Valley Park and fly-tipping (although we are already working with WCC to address this). Regarding approach 1.4: We have several berms and verges across the Ōwhiro Bay area that could be better utilised for recreation and nature purposes, but which are often nothing but parking bays for visiting cars. We support the draft plan's focus on using these, including to create safe spaces for children and their whānau to explore, play and be active. We note the importance of using appropriate traffic-calming measures to increase safety. This is particularly relevant in Ōwhiro Bay, as large commercial vehicles travel to and from the landfills using central roads. Additionally, traffic to and from Te Kopahou Reserve on weekends and holidays is heavy and impacts on the environment and pedestrian use of the space.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

OBRA supports the 'inclusive' strategic focus. Our Ōwhiro Bay community is diverse and we want to ensure more people (especially those who are currently underserved or excluded) enjoy our special open spaces and recreation areas. Regarding approach 2.1: We recognise that Wellington streets are often narrow, and it is difficult to retrofit infrastructure using universal design principles. However, there are several areas in the Ōwhiro Bay area where footpaths are narrow, stop abruptly, or have cars parked on them. Combined with frequent car traffic, this can make it difficult for people with mobility issues or small children to easily navigate the area. Regarding approach 2.3: We support the equity-focused approach to re-

greening given the current low tree coverage in our area and the significant opportunity for more coastal vegetation (although we welcome work that is underway, such as in Tawatawa and Oku St reserves). The pollution caused by the landfills is an ongoing impediment to the wider health of our local ecosystems and therefore, the ability of native bush to regenerate properly. We discuss the challenge presented by the landfills more in strategic focus 3.

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Do

you support Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Strongly Support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

The 'regenerating and resilient' strategic focus is of paramount importance to OBRA, given that many of Ōwhiro Bay's open spaces are protected natural habitats; part of the outer green belt and including more than one Significant Natural Area. Currently, these taonga are being negatively impacted by pollution from the landfill, wastewater issues, and problems caused by climate change. Regarding approaches 3.1 and 3.2: We strongly support the 'ki uta ki tai' holistic approach to the environment and the emphasis on restoring the mauri of our waterways. Key points to note: - Our catchment collective is Ōwhiro Mai Uta ki Tai: Ōwhiro from the Mountain to the Sea. The collective focuses on addressing the pollution affecting the stream. - Addressing the three landfills and related consent/compliance issues is essential if we are to restore the local environment and waterways. Pollution, both from the landfill itself, and toxic waste falling off trucks and flying into surrounding areas, affects every aspect of our open spaces and recreation areas. As well as being a major threat to the cleanliness of stormwater, landfill pollution is also a threat to regenerating bush, native bird and invertebrate life and to pleasant recreational use in the surrounding area. - The same applies to the longstanding wastewater issues affecting the stream and therefore the water quality at Ōwhiro Bay. - We have many local volunteer groups (e.g. Stream Team, Ōwhiro Bay Environment Group, Tawatawa, Manawa Karioi teams) who would appreciate additional support with weeding, planting and trapping. Regarding approach 3.4: We agree with the need to create a less car dependent open space network. Regular, well-connected and affordable public transport to Ōwhiro Bay will ensure that people can visit the area without requiring use of the limited parking facilities. If implemented as part of wider Wellington mode shift and vehicle kilometre travelled (VKT) reduction plans, this could reduce car traffic and increase perceived safety in the area, increasing use of the spaces. Strong local government leadership will be needed to deliver on essential public and active transport infrastructure (e.g. separated cycleways and light rail), so we hope that this strategy reinforces the co-benefits of wider transport planning for our open space and recreation network. Regarding approach 3.5: We recognise the need to address climate change through a wider climate change adaptation plan. Given that parts of Ōwhiro Bay are highly vulnerable to issues like sea level rise and extreme weather events, we want to ensure that we are involved in relevant conversations about intended actions.

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Strongly support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

We support the strategic focus of 're-indigenising'. In particular, we support approaches 4.4 and 4.5, partnering with mana whenua as kaitiaki and working together to restore the environment and building capability to work together. Regarding approach 4.1, we see lots of opportunities to work with iwi and Māori to raise visibility of mātauranga Māori and the history of the Ōwhiro Bay region. For example, OBRA supported our community to celebrate Matariki in 2022 with several community events, including a lecture on the pre-colonial history of the area with Holden Hohaia. We hope to build on this work for Matariki 2023. We are also discussing the possibility of installing signs about pre-colonial use of the area by mana whenua if we can work in partnership with mana whenua to do this appropriately.

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Strongly support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

We support the 'diverse' strategic focus but have no further specific comments.

Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

We have comments regarding the following proposed actions: - P4 and P13: Regarding any plans that affect our community (i.e. the proposed ocean recreation and facility plan, wider coastal reserve management plans, and any climate change adaptation plans) we want to note our desire to partner with WCC closely. We wish to emphasise the principle of doing "nothing about us, without us". - We support the actions referencing partnering with community groups (i.e. C2, C3, C6 and C7). Additionally, WCC should invest in resourcing communities to participate in water management. This includes stormwater and wastewater, as both are crucial to the future health of our waterways, land, and coastal marine environment. - P12: Regarding community gardens, we support the proposal to support community gardens and remove barriers to both traditional community gardening (such as our local garden Mokai Kainga) and other more innovative/indigenous approaches to garden access (e.g. community composting, berm and verge orchards and mini gardens, integrating community gardens into public parks, rongoā gardens etc). We have also identified a range of actions WCC should consider as part of delivering on the aims of this strategy, relating to strategic focuses (SF) 1 – 3: - Monitor and enforce compliance with rules for open spaces and recreation areas (SF 1). - Prioritise investment in improving inclusive pedestrian access and progressing with plans to increase active and public transport modes (e.g. separated cycleways and light rail) around popular open spaces and recreation areas (SF2). - Monitor and enforce compliance with rules for all private landfills (SF3). - Support and resource communities to develop Catchment Management Plans in partnership with Wellington Water and other agencies (SF3). - Enable information sharing across catchments and communities by developing a 'digital toolkit' and resources to help communities with vision and planning processes (SF3). - Provide strong technical support from Wellington Water, Greater Wellington Regional Council, Wellington City Council for any plans developed by community. This signals a cultural shift towards effective multi-party collaboration (SF3). - Provide adequate resource to deliver a digital platform that aggregates water data catchment by catchment. This idea was first promoted at the time of the Mayoral Taskforce. Wellington Water ran a modest but successful pilot but it requires adequate investment to deliver on its potential to provide Wellingtonians with the ability to be informed and active participants in their waterways and coastal marine environment (SF3). - Action some of the 48 recommendations of the Mayoral Taskforce on Three Waters and the 111 recommendations of the Whanganui-a-Tara Whaitua report (SF3). - Increase monitoring of waterways and have a far more rigorous reporting regime to disseminate to communities (SF3). - Formally support Wellington Water to fund community catchment and regional panels led by communities with strong terms of reference and adequate funding, and link to WCC and the Advisory Committee (mana whenua and the asset owners) (SF3). - Support the launch of the Wellington Catchments Collective - Te Hononga ki Te Upoko. This is a new important intermediary organisation that provides an effective channel for contact and joint action with WCC (SF3). - Firmly commit to the upcoming extension of the landfill being the last (SF3). - Recognise the serious soil stability issues, seismic risks and flooding risks that exist in the Ōwhiro catchment and ensure future development is responsibly managed (SF3).

Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas? not answered

Q17. Which gender do you most identify with? not answered

Q18. Which ethnic group/groups do you belong to? not answered

Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within? not answered

Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)
Traditional organised team sport (eg. football, netball, rugby)

Walking, hiking, jogging or running
Ocean and water activities (eg. swimming, boating, paddle
boarding, surfing)
Biking and mountain biking
Community gardening
Individual sports (eg. tennis, golf, athletics)

Non-traditional sports (eg. disc golf, pickleball)
Martial arts
Environmental volunteering
Skateboarding
Dancing
Dog walking

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Ōwhiro Bay

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to

the Councillors. Select your answer? Oral submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person.

Yes

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.

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Oral submission number: 13

Submission Number: 258

Submitter: Neil Deans

Q1. Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, provides strategic direction for how the Council will manage our public open space, recreation facilities, and recreation programmes and services.

Do you support or oppose the overall direction of the Somewhat support strategy?

Q2. The mission sets out our aspirations for Wellington’s public open space and recreation network: “To create a flourishing network of parks and recreation opportunities, interwoven into everyday life, that supports Wellingtonians to live well and connect to nature and each other.”

Do you support or oppose the strategy’s overall mission? Strongly support

Q3. The draft Strategy has five principles to guide the Council’s decisions about managing its public open space and recreation. Do you support or oppose the following draft Strategy’s guiding principles?

Tiakitanga: We recognise our intrinsic responsibility as individuals, as the Somewhat support Council, and as a community, to be

guardians and stewards of all our resources. We nurture and manage our open space and recreation

resources to be environmentally and economically sustainable for all generations to come.

Wairuatanga: We recognise the importance of nurturing

a spiritual connection of all things living by preserving the mana and mauri (life force) of the environment and

supporting the natural balance of Te Taiao. There is an unyielding spiritual connection between people and

their environments. People are part of the environment.

Neutral

Whanaungatanga: We recognise that relationships and social connections are central to our wellbeing, our

sense of belonging and social cohesion. We foster relationships throughout our recreation and open space

communities, partnering to share our knowledge, backgrounds, and resources, and strengthening our

sense of community.

Somewhat support

Manaakitanga: We show respect, generosity and care for others and the environment. We are good hosts

throughout our open spaces and recreation, seeking to be just, honest, and equitable, and showing respect,

humility and kindness.

Pārekareka: We recognise how important it is to have fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open spaces will help people to thrive by supporting

balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Somewhat support

Somewhat support

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

Provision of appropriate physical open spaces for recreation and other community benefits is the primary purpose of this policy. The extent to which, or how it is used, is also important but contingent on the fundamental nature of the community spaces available. That should be the priority of the policy.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

Being integrated is essential to achieve multiple objectives and to ensure greater likelihood of wider community support.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Somewhat support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

As noted above, the primary focus should be on ensuring the open spaces are available. If separate decisions, such as inappropriate densification, have the effect of reducing opportunities to participate in open space recreation, then this will not provide any future opportunity for how these areas can be used in future, as there will be relatively fewer of them.

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Do

you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?
Strongly support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

This is an example of how there is a connection between mutually compatible objectives; for the environment and for public use of public spaces.

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Somewhat support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Somewhat support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

This is supported, but not at all costs. Wellington has a difficult topography and climate. This makes some activities more difficult to cater for; for example there are not many flat areas for playing fields which will not also be in demand to provide for housing. Ensuring that if densification occurs, there is also ongoing provision for outdoor spaces such as by way of reserves contributions on subdivision or for development, is essential. At the same time; trying to engineer unsuitable locations to provide a broader range of potential recreational uses may be expensive and not cost effective. To some extent, the recreational opportunities are contingent on the inherent capacity of the area to provide suitable activities.

Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

Wellington already has a good range of opportunities for outdoor recreation, but as the paper notes, these are unevenly distributed. Some of this is inherent to the geography, but some could be enhanced, especially if providing for outdoor recreation is integrated with development, especially densification. This means development must include specific provision for outdoor recreation spaces and linkages to these, to avoid ghetto-isation. It is easy to talk about 'doing density well' but this requires active steps by the Council to achieve it, including its District Plan requirements to improve open space provision and access to it. These should be a fundamental part of this plan. The concept of providing accessible areas close to home is supported. However there is a disconnect between where the areas most distant from public parks are, in the map on p. 26, which appear to be, Karori, parts of Khandallah/Ngaio and Island Bay/Berhampore, from the suburbs in which the stated additional need for further public park provision, being Newtown, Tawa, Johnsonville, and the City Centre. Where there are existing but disconnected areas, the Council should be taking active steps to provide linkages, such as connecting Karori to the sea down the Karori Stream or the unformed part of South Makara Rd, ensuring esplanade provision along the few rivers in the City, avoiding piping streams and then regretting the storm damage densification has caused. Where there are inaccessible areas of public land, such as from Khandallah to the Tyer's Stream reserve, the Council should engage to improve these areas. Sometimes landowners can agree to allowing public use of their land, as occurs with the Skyline Walkway crossing what is apparently private land in some areas such as above Karori.

Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

Alignment with other policies, such as provisions for climate change, biodiversity, stormwater management, transport (eg cycleways) so that linkages, for example, both enable access to areas for recreation and commuter corridors for cyclists.

Also that access to the local reserve provides opportunities for community groups to control weeds, pests or revegetate and help build the community.

Q17. Which gender do you most identify with?

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Q18. Which ethnic group/groups do you belong to?

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Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within?

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Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

- Walking, hiking, jogging or running
- Ocean and water activities (eg. swimming, boating, paddle boarding, surfing)
- Biking and mountain biking
- Community gardening
- Environmental volunteering

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Khandallah

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to Councillors. Select your answer? Oral **Yes the**
submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person.

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.

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Oral submission number: 14

Submission Number: 61

Submitter: Ellen Blake

Q1. Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, provides strategic direction for how the Council

will manage our public open space, recreation facilities, and recreation programmes and services.

Do you support or oppose the overall direction of the strategy? Somewhat support

Q2. The mission sets out our aspirations for Wellington's public open space and recreation network: "To create a flourishing network of parks and recreation opportunities, interwoven into everyday life, that supports Wellingtonians to live well and connect to nature and each other."

Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall mission? Strongly Support

Q3. The draft Strategy has five principles to guide the Council's decisions about managing its public open space and recreation. Do you support or oppose the following draft Strategy's guiding principles?

Tiakitanga: We recognise our intrinsic responsibility as individuals, as the Council, and as a community, to be guardians and stewards of all our resources. We nurture and manage our open space and recreation resources to be environmentally and economically sustainable for all generations to come.

Somewhat support

Wairuatanga: We recognise the importance of nurturing a spiritual connection of all things living by preserving the mana and mauri (life force) of the environment and supporting the natural balance of Te Taiao. There is an unyielding spiritual connection between people and their environments. People are part of the environment.

Somewhat support

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Somewhat support

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Somewhat support

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Somewhat support

balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

Include something about open spaces are owned by and for Wellington people Include open spaces support biodiversity and are important for that alone not just for humans to use

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Somewhat support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

Multifunctional places can put people off - I don't like sharing park space with vehicles (any bike or not, scooters, etc) it detracts from the experience. I don't like the traffic signs put up in parks that limit my use of the park it detracts from nature spaces. Off lead dogs are a real problem in parks and open spaces including plazas and squares - they detract from a peaceful experience or even feeling safe. Some uses just aren't compatible. I support the principle of growing the open space network and not reducing it at all. A 10 minute walk to a park or open space is not ambitious enough - 300metre walk is recommended internationally. There are many choices of activities for some people and have been for a long time - we need a refocus on those groups who have not good provision and more focus on the most popular activities like walking - barely mentioned in this document despite 87% of adults undertaking regularly and children and adults both enjoying running - all activity that does not require formal organising Stormwater and rain gardens should not take up footpath space including berms - use the vehicle parts to achieve this and not reduce the open spaces available for people to use.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Somewhat support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

There should be options for inclusive use of park facilities in every suburb Significant change needs to occur to provide for disabled and women and girl activity - this plan doesn't go nearly far enough to achieve any a small difference here. It reads like supporting what is already happening without a focus of scarce resource on equity. Toilets and changing rooms need to feel safe for everyone especially girls and women - other genders need there separate spaces too The types of facilities provided need to specifically cater for women and girls - women like walking, girls like swings, let's see that prioritised. Please provide more seats and shelter for older people that have backs and sidearms - along every street as well as plazas, squares and parks. Support more public toilets at every community facility - eg Mt Victoria Bowling Club rooms should provide public toilet facilities for the kids playground next door, low cost solution

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Strongly support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

More support for the volunteers that do this work would be useful - no more budget planned in this area

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Strongly support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Look forward to this happening

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Somewhat support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Walking is by far the most popular activity, and has been as long as Sport NZ have done their survey, with running and other on foot activity next most popular and swimming. Yet the focus here is on organised and not very popular activity like it always has been. Some organised sports is flagging yet this plan wants to continue its support as well as for new in vogue activities - need to prioritise here (5.1 and 5.2 contradict each other). Support what people like! Do more work on identifying where, when and how people do the things they like and make that better as a priority. Your pyramid of activity puts everyday activity at the 'bottom' of the pyramid rather than recognising it as the base from which all else springs - much more important than promoting 5.4 to visitors. They are welcome to take part in the world-class everyday experiences of Wellington people. Diverse experiences are focusing on activity for and by women and girls - seriously underprovided for now, as well as disabled and older people. Of course we should embrace our weather and environment, good shelter and shade are part of that - with great public transport connections.



Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

Increase the spending for volunteer efforts - really need a lot more support and coordination of what is happening in the parks dept - C2 and C6. Need some caution with multi-function spaces and places - clearly some activity is not compatible and detracts from the experience of users, parks are for peace and nature. Other places can be for whooping and hollering and racing around - eg. there is at least one purpose designed mountainbike park that has received enormous investment and that should be promoted as the place to go and bike. What we need is more places only for walk-on foot recreating. Nuku Ora seem to focus on organised sport and groups - needs to be much broader and support some of the most park deprived groups to get out and enjoy our green spaces. Caution please with D7 some of us like to have single sex changing rooms - women have only been using them for a short while. Otherwise every space must be private.

Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

Please prioritise Wellington native plants and ecosystems in every public open space - we have more than enough exotic spaces already. Street trees should provide 30% canopy everywhere in Wellington - the central city is particularly poorly provided for and don't see that adequately addressed here. Support a 300m access to a decent sized park as a goal for this plan - pocket parks are not the same thing. Use of public parks for exclusive events should not be discouraged - eg Waitangi park is frequently out of action during the busy summer period when city dwellers want to access it for informal recreation. There are many other sites for these events especially when they involve alcohol.

Q17. Which gender do you most identify with? Prefer not to say

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| Q18. Which ethnic group/groups do you belong to? | Other (please specify)  |
| Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within? | |
| Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply) Walking, hiking, jogging or running Ocean and water activities (eg. swimming, boating, paddle | boarding, surfing) Environmental volunteering Other (please specify) Botanising, volunteer native bush restoration as part of WCC parks management rat trapping open space improvements |
| Q21. Where in Wellington do you live? | Mount Victoria |
| Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to the Councillors. Select your answer? Oral submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person. | Yes |
| Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged. |  |

Oral submission number: 15
Submission Number: 343
Submitter: Kai Security Network

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Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall direction? Strongly Support

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Pārekareka: We recognise how important it is to have fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open spaces will help people to thrive by supporting balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles. Strongly support

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

Note that this is a collaborative submission by Sustainability Trust, Kaicycle, Wellington Timebank, and Te Whanganui-aTara Crop Swap on behalf of the Kai Security Network. The Kai Security Network is a group of organisations involved in urban agriculture, kai rescue, kai education, and kai distribution, who meet monthly to network, provide support, and work toward a food secure Wellington. Overall, we are very supportive of the proposed strategy, the guiding principles, and focus areas outlined in the document. We support the mission of the strategy to connect people with nature and see this as a critical step in promoting the behaviour change needed for climate action. It is heartening to see the preservation and development of Wellington's outdoor public spaces being prioritised into the future with an emphasis on honouring Te Tiriti and embedding both Māori knowledge and Te Ao Māori throughout the strategy. However, we would like to see a strengthening of the strategy to support the growth and development of food growing and foraging in WCC open spaces. While community gardening is mentioned at times throughout the document as a recreational activity, it is unclear how this and other forms of food-related activities/spaces (e.g. urban farms, mahinga kai, foraging) will be directly supported by the strategy. Supporting access to spaces to grow and forage food ties in strongly with the overall goals of the strategy by enhancing: community cohesion, personal health and wellness, connection to nature, and access to the whenua for Māori. Increasing opportunities for Wellingtonians to participate in growing, foraging and harvesting food in communal settings strongly connects to the Strategy's five principles in the following ways: • Tiakitanga: opportunities to learn about regenerative food growing practices that encourage biodiversity and soil health, and sustainable harvesting/foraging to ensure there is enough food for everyone, for future generations, and for non-human species we share our city with. • Whanaungatanga: Having accessible spaces for all Wellingtonians to meet their neighbours and foster connections through growing and sharing local kai together. • Pārekareka: gardening and foraging are relaxing, adventurous, and sociable activities, and facilitate the joy and excitement of harvesting and eating food grown by one's own hands. • Wairuatanga: growing and collecting kai brings people closer to nature by connecting us to natural cycles and seasons, to other living organisms, ecosystems and the whenua, and to our most basic human need for food and the Earth's ability to fulfil this need

- Manaakitanga: offering and gifting kai is perhaps the best way to show manaakitanga to others We would also like to see Te Anamata Ā-Kai o Tō Tātou Tāone Our City's Food Future included as one of the key Council Strategies that fits alongside Te Whai Oranga Pōneke as per p15 of the document. As noted in the 'Food Future' strategy, you cannot separate kai from either community or whenua. We recommend that opportunities for each strategy to support each other are considered, thus taking a systems approach. A precedent has been set for this by Christchurch City Council who have aligned their Food resilience strategy with their Open Spaces strategy. Specifically, there are opportunities to include implementation of 'Food Future' Actions 1.3, 1.4, 3.1, 4.1 & 4.2 (copied in full below) within this strategy.

- 1.3 Activate food places and spaces in Te Whanganui-aTara Wellington. Timeframe: Medium-term (by 2025) A resilient city has multiple ways for its residents to obtain food. One of these is encouraging food spaces within the city boundaries through partnering with other landowners, businesses, and residents. This may include new developments, community gardens, temporary urban food spaces, and central city exemplar gardens. Having the ocean on our backdoor makes for easy access to various resources such as kaimoana, and we will actively investigate these opportunities. Supporting kaupapa Māori food production and infrastructure are additional opportunities that further support Council's Tiriti commitments. The Council will take an equity approach by analysing which neighbourhoods will benefit most from activations in their area. We will investigate the opportunity to develop an urban agriculture and soil health specialist role to support this action.
- 1.4 Increase the diversity of people involved in harvesting, making, and sharing food in neighbourhoods Timeframe: Long-term (by 2027) Identifying, mapping, and evaluating local food initiatives supports Wellington City Council to better understand gaps and opportunities for neighbourhoods. Wellington has a growing network of community gardens that support the Council's social wellbeing goals. Researching further incentives to support public and/or community-led food initiatives provides further opportunities.
- 3.1 To uphold the oranga of Te Ao Tūroa Timeframe: Medium and Long-term (by 2025 & 2027) Wellington is well-suited to enhance a healthy ecosystem given its dedication to local biodiversity. Areas to investigate include an integrated, ecosystem approach to reduce Council use of agrichemicals* while supporting regenerative Hua Parakore soil and composting practices (Action 4.1). Existing schemes have highlighted the following co-benefits to date: • Heal hier soil • Soil carbon capture • Increased biodiversity • Enhancing cultural connections • Community resilience • Intergenerational knowledge sharing
- 4.1 Develop and implement models for citywide composting* Timeframe: Short-term (by 2024) Diverting food waste from landfill is an opportunity to minimise the greenhouse gas emissions of the food system in Te Whanganui-a-Tara Wellington. By investigating models for citywide composting, the Council can divert greenhouse gas emissions for households and the organisation while supporting soil health. The neighbourhood composting trial, along with analysis of the Para Kai Miramar Peninsula Trial, will provide valuable insight for a multi-model, city, or region-wide composting approach.
- 4.2 Safeguard highly productive soils across the regions Timeframe: Long-term (by 2027) In

alignment with the Regional Food Strategy, we support the protection of highly productive soil in the region. The Council will support food resilience and systems through advocating for and investing in a strong Central City, denser metropolitan urban form, and sustainable transport infrastructure.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

With an increase in housing density and more pressure on open spaces as more people use them, it is essential that community kai growing is prioritised in these spaces. With more apartment dwellers and less backyard space, access to growing kai is going to become more restricted. Community gardens and urban farms are critical for kai resilience, community wellbeing and equitable access to healthy kai. We would like to see a plan included in the strategy to ensure that space throughout the city is utilised for growing food, and that everyone in Wellington is within walking distance to a community garden or urban farm. We'd also like to see investment in existing community gardens including more funding and support for infrastructure such as water sources, bike parking, irrigation, remediating the impacts of severe weather, and preparing for climate change. We would like to see investment into matching kai growing spaces with people who want to grow kai and either have experience or want to learn more about it. Learning from others success such as the wonderful work of Te Awa Kairangi Kai Collective and Kokiri Marae Pātaka Kai We fully support '1.4 Share our quieter streets as recreation and nature spaces.' However, we feel that the wording used is too restrictive and we would like this to encompass streets that may become quieter in future as well as those already considered 'quiet.' We would also like to see the acknowledgment of the role tree planting and urban vegetation can have to combat the urban heat island effect and as protection against UV radiation.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

In this focus we fully support '2.3 Take an equity approach to increasing greening' as evidence shows us that the most deprived communities will be impacted most by effects of climate change.

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Do

you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Strongly support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

We are in strong support of the focus 'Regenerating and Resilient.' However, we see the role of kai growing in open spaces essential to this focus, and in achieving the outcomes proposed by the draft strategy. We would like to see a strengthening of support for these activities in the strategy as outlined below. The economic disparity in society is currently being exacerbated by the rising cost of living particularly in the rising costs of kai. Kai insecurity has a real negative impact on the wellbeing and health of some of the most vulnerable in our communities. Access to knowledge and ability to grow one's own kai gives people the ability to gain some control over their food sources. Enhancing local kai security and resilience is also critical in the face of climate change and ecological degradation. We may see disruptions to supply chains and food availability as climate change effects increase, so being able to access food locally will become increasingly important. Enhancing local food production and access also supports our efforts to reduce waste and emissions, by

minimising food miles and reducing the need for wasteful packaging. We also support this strategic focus because the health of our local environment directly impacts our ability to grow, harvest and forage healthy kai. The pollution of local waterways, soils, and the harbour since European settlement has significantly restricted the ability for mana whenua to harvest from traditional areas and mahinga kai, and greatly reduces the appeal and safety of foraging and harvest kai for everyone. We fully support '3.1 Embed a ki uta ki tai (from the mountains to the sea) approach in caring for the environment' We fully support '3.2 Restore the mauri of our waterways' minimising impermeable surfaces and preventing pollution. As part of this, we would like to see mention of how WCC will manage their chemical weed spray use and litter management in open spaces to achieve this outcome. We fully support '3.3 Design facilities and infrastructure to minimise environmental impact.' We would like this strengthened to include consideration of the materials used in parks and playgrounds including paints. This outcome needs to include guidance around the use of artificial turf, and consideration of when alternatives could be used. While artificial turf has lower maintenance it also poses large environmental implications in terms of the microplastics it contributes to the environment and the potential health impacts through contact with toxic chemicals contained in the turf We fully support '3.4 Reduce our carbon footprint' and link made to circular economy. Strengthening the support this strategy provides for urban growing (community gardens and urban farms) and community composting in open spaces will have significant positive impact on achieving this outcome.

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Strongly support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

We are in strong support of Re-indigenising being central to this strategy. The alienation of Tāngata Whenua from their lands through colonisation involved gradually removing their ability to grow their own food and access mahinga kai. Areas all around Wellington, including Te Aro, Pukeahu/Mt Cook and Omāroro/Newtown contained significant māra kai and mahinga kai, but many of these were removed for housing and also (ironically) for recreation and open spaces, including the town belt. We support greater recognition of these histories both by marking historic sites (4.1), but also supporting the revitalisation of these kai traditions (4.3), and elevating mātauranga Māori in relation to kai practices (4.5).

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Strongly support

Q14.

Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Food/kai is one of the most important elements in most cultural and ethnic traditions, and increasing food growing opportunities could support people from various countries and backgrounds to grow culturally appropriate fresh food they may struggle to access elsewhere. We would like to see growing kai in open spaces supported by this focus area. We fully support '5.2 Support diverse recreation clubs and organisations to thrive.' As part of this outcome we would like to see WCC investigate the ways that it may be able to do this in consultation with those using the sites. Could GIS mapping analysis be opened up to others to help open spaces be utilised to their maximum potential. We fully support '5.3 Ensure diverse opportunities to connect with nature' and would like to see here the acknowledgement of how connection to nature can change how people treat the earth and take climate action.

Q15.

Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

In point P12 on page 59 of the draft document, the strategy outlines that it will "Investigate community garden models and how the Council can improve, approve, and support processes around enabling community gardening and removing barriers for community garden groups." We are in support of this plan and would like to ensure that this outcome includes:

- More investment in community gardens and urban farms
- Consideration of larger scale community gardens and urban farms and

how these could be supported to operate in WCC Open spaces

- Acknowledgement of the contribution to physical, environmental, and spiritual wellbeing that growing, collecting and foraging for food can provide
- Consultation with community gardeners about what they need, and what would make the process easier for them
- Support for community gardens and urban farms to establish the infrastructure necessary for climate change adaptation. We believe that point P12 also aligns with focus areas Regenerating and Resilient, and Re-indigenising through its capacity to improve environmental outcomes, kai resilience, and increase Māori kai sovereignty by giving Māori the chance to connect directly with their

whenua and practice traditional growing and gathering techniques. As a suggested action, could council consider diverting some of its green space maintenance budget (e.g. for mowing) into council-employed urban farmers (who could then

distribute kai to Wellington communities in need)? We would like to see some further work done around how kai-related activities fit into definitions of terms like recreation and commercial activity. We would like to see Council enable urban

farming initiatives to grow food and support recreational participation in public spaces by allowing not-for-profit organisations to sustain themselves through some kind of income - in the same way that sports clubs may sell food and drink at clubrooms

to subsidise their recreational activities. A suggested action could be to review terms and definitions, and in particular exploring whether excluding commercial activity from recreation land could be reframed to exclude profit-making activity but

enable non-profit 'commercial' activities that meet certain criteria. In addition to that already discussed, we would like to see the following added to the Planning and Policy Actions

- P2 "Develop a park acquisition and disposal guideline to support

the acquisition and disposal of land" We would like to see community involvement in this process included in the guideline

- P3 "Develop a street and road verges greening policy/ plan that supports greening, play and recreational uses of street

space across the city. (This will complement what the Green Network plan does for the Central City.) " Make sure this incorporates food growing and consideration of chemical use in open spaces.

- P9 "Review our leases policy to ensure more equitable outcomes, including encouraging the shared use of facilities, and future proofing the ongoing delivery of recreation by our clubs to our communities. The review will also look at how we can reduce climate, biodiversity and waste impacts from use of our leased building and will align with the Community Facilities Plan. " This could be linked to Waste Free Welly work on Zero Waste Hubs and used to support the development of community composting hubs, food growing,

outdoor learning and urban farming in our open spaces Our suggestions for the Development, management and promotion activities are as follows:

- D12 "Reduce the environmental impact of our park maintenance and development operations by

assessing the short and long-term impacts of current practices and planning for how to reduce the overall impacts over time (e.g. replanting steep areas to reduce mowing and looking at the use of weed-control chemicals)."

- This must include a review of the application of chemicals to protect soil, water health and biodiversity

- The use of Glyphosphosphate (Roundup) use should be managed with close attention paid to work being carried out by the EPA -

<https://www.epa.govt.nz/assets/Uploads/Documents/Hazardous-Substances/Glyphosate-call-for-information/Glyphosatecall-for-information-summary-report-may22.pdf>

Q16.

- Extend commitments made by WCC around Glyphosphate. For example, apply a no blanket treatment commitment as initiated by the Scottish Government, with the exception of some invasive species; consider targets/goals around being pesticide free (<https://www.pan-uk.org/information-for-local->

authorities/); extend no spray register beyond domestic (e.g. in Midlothian they have an adopt a green space scheme https://www.midlothian.gov.uk/info/200284/your_community/701/adopt_a_green_space - all chemical spraying on these

areas will stop.) This would tie in with the strategy's aim to restore the mauri of our waterways and the focus on Reindigenising by ensuring that Māori can safely forage and eat traditional kai sources such as watercress and kaimoana. In

the Key regional and community organisation partnership actions (page 62), community growing organisations need to be included as a partner to collaborate with.

Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

On Page 14, we would like to see groups such as community gardens, and urban farmers (Such as Kaicycle) recognised as stakeholder community groups. Page 19 outlines the environmental well being outcomes from green spaces. Absent from

this is the benefit that green spaces provide in promoting behaviour change. There is strong evidence that people's relationship with nature profoundly influences their behaviours toward the Earth (· [https://www.iucn.org/resources/grey-](https://www.iucn.org/resources/grey-literature/home-us-all-how-connecting-nature-helps-us-care-ourselves-and-earth)

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Q17. Which gender do you most identify with? Prefer not to say

Q18. Which ethnic group/groups do you belong to? not answered

Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within? not answered

Q20 Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

Walking, hiking, jogging or running

Biking and mountain biking

Community gardening

Non-traditional sports (eg. disc golf, pickleball)

Environmental volunteering

Dog walking

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live? not answered

Q17.

Yes

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to the Councillors. Select your answer? Oral submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person.

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.

Oral submission number: 16

Submission Number: 110

Submitter: Trails Wellington

Q1. Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, provides strategic direction for how the Council

will manage our public open space, recreation facilities, and recreation programmes and services.

Do you support or oppose the overall direction of the strategy? Strongly support

Q2. The mission sets out our aspirations for Wellington’s public open space and recreation network: “To create a flourishing network of parks and recreation opportunities, interwoven into everyday life, that supports Wellingtonians to live well and connect to nature and each other.”

Do you support or oppose the strategy’s overall mission? Strongly Support mission?

Q3. The draft Strategy has five principles to guide the Council’s decisions about managing its public open space and recreation. Do you support or oppose the following draft Strategy’s guiding principles?

Tiakitanga: We recognise our intrinsic responsibility as individuals, as the Council, and as a community, to be guardians and stewards of all our resources. We nurture and manage our open space and recreation resources to be environmentally and economically sustainable for all generations to come. Strongly support

Wairuatanga: We recognise the importance of nurturing a spiritual connection of all things living by preserving the mana and mauri (life force) of the environment and supporting the natural balance of Te Taiao. There is an unyielding spiritual connection between people and their environments. People are part of the environment. Strongly support

Whanaungatanga: We recognise that relationships and social connections are central to our wellbeing, our sense of belonging and social cohesion. We foster relationships throughout our recreation and open space communities, partnering to share our knowledge, backgrounds, and resources, and strengthening our sense of community. Strongly support

Manaakitanga: We show respect, generosity and care for others and the environment. We are good hosts throughout our open spaces and recreation, seeking to be just, honest, and equitable, and showing respect, humility and kindness. Strongly support

Pārekareka: We recognise how important it is to have fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open Strongly support

spaces will help people to thrive by supporting balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

not answered

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

not answered

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Strongly support

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not answered

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Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Strongly support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Wellington has a unique opportunity to be a world class mountain bike destination

Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

Really excited to see commitment to trail development and support particularly at D6 and P7

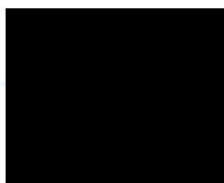
Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

not answered

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Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within?



Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

Walking, hiking, jogging or running

Ocean and water activities (eg. swimming, boating, paddle boarding, surfing)

Biking and mountain biking

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

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Yes

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.



Oral submission number: 17
Submission Number: 344
Submitter: Brooklyn Trail Builders

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Strongly support

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Strongly support

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Strongly support

Pārekareka: We recognise how important it is to have fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open spaces will help people to thrive by supporting balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Strongly support

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

It is very pleasing to see that WCC is now using many of the points (pgs 17-20) that we (Brooklyn Trail Builders) have promoted over the years in submissions and advocacy for greater public access to the green spaces.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

Very keen to reduce barriers for public to access the green spaces. On 1.2, we and Trails Wgtn have a comprehensive plan to further improve access to green areas. On 1.3, this should also include adding area to the Town Belt and Outer Green Belt by way of land acquisition and/or long term rights of access.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Do

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Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

BTB has been focused on this for years with tens of thousands of trees planted, weed tree removal, and pest control. More can be done as goats and pigs are continuing to cause damage in Te Kopahou Reserve.

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Strongly support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Strongly support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

We are certainly doing our bit in 5.4 to improve the reputation of Wgtn for walking and MTBing (and running) on the trail network. We have significant plans to expand this and would welcome further discussion on the recently approved Te

Kopahou masterplan to improve safety, reduce user conflict, and improve connections and wayfinding. The grade 2 and 3 trail network recently launched by Trails Wgtn should be adopted with a pragmatic approach to allowing bikes in a narrow corridor in Otari and Trelissick Parks and broader access in Te Ahumairangi uphill trails.

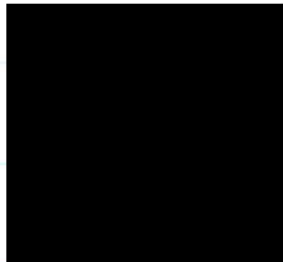
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This strategy is very broad and it will be hard for WCC to get traction (looks good on paper but nervous about action). By way of example, in the OSAP, about half of the Key Initiatives have had progress and probably less in the Implementation Plan. There are some very successful voly groups that should get better treatment/encouragement (less red tape) due to the successful work over an extended period of time. Keen on P1, P7, P13, D6, D10, D12, C1, C2, C3, and C6. Ka pai.

Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

A barrier to improving and rolling out the various trail networks is the perceived impact on significant vegetation. Generally, there are few areas with truly valuable bush and its worth noting that given enough time, all green space will be significant. Without access, its hard for society to get a sense of ownership. More exotic trees can be removed and replaced with natives.

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Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

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- Environmental volunteering

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Brooklyn

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Yes

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| Oral submission number: 18 Submission Number: 236 Submitter: Miramar Prison Garden |
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fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open spaces will help people to thrive by supporting balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

The land on top of Mt. Crawford on the far north of the Miramar Peninsula is exactly fits what you have described. It is in danger of being bulldozed and turned into 700 homes. I am a volunteer at the Miramar Prison Community Garden and this historic place is important to preserve. The old prison/Mt. Crawford farm is also important. Parts of the old prison should be saved. The garden is a loved and well used place.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

It is vital to the health of the planet. It is vital for the spiritual, mental and physical health of humankind.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

The development proposed at Mt Crawford leaves 72 hectares of steep land left for the reserve. Land inaccessible to many.

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Strongly Support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Mt. Crawford has been mostly left alone since 2011 when the prison closed. Amazing to watch nature regenerate up there. Dedicated groups of volunteers working to plant natives. They are working to remove predators and restore native birds populations..

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Strongly support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Last week I was taught how to prune Harakeke Flax by a Māori woman. Indigenous wisdom important. Hoping to purchase Māori gardening tools for the garden for when school groups visiting.

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Strongly support

Q14. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

Come and spend at least 3 hours exploring Mt. Crawford and the Miramar Prison Community Garden on a Sunday. You'll understand then.

Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

An elderly man walks with a cane. He loves to walk on Mt. Crawford. I asked him what he thought of 700 homes being built there. His reply, "avarice".

Q17. Which gender do you most identify with?

Female

Q18. Which ethnic group/groups do you belong to?

Other (please specify)

U.S. New Zealand resident now.

Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within?

60-69

Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

Walking, hiking, jogging or running

Biking and mountain biking

Community gardening

Martial arts

Environmental volunteering

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Hataitai

Yes

Q22. Would you like to make an oral submission to the Councillors. Select your answer? Oral submissions will take place in May 2023 – date to be confirmed. A hearing is held at the end of the submission period and you can choose to make an oral submission where you can talk through your feedback to the Councillors in person.

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.

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Oral submission number: 19
Submission Number: 288
Submitter: Paul Forrest

Response to Draft strategy

Thankyou for the opportunity to give my response to the Open Space and District Plan Strategies.

I firstly have to say the language of your current draft plan is very human centric with no voice for our birdlife.

It also openly admits that mature well functioning trees will be cut down in residential areas dramatically affecting the natural biodiversity in that area. The birdlife, etc.. whom we share this landscape with will have to wait around for 20-30 years for the newly planted street trees to grow to provide for these birds needs now and in the future.

Thanks to Wellington's great efforts in recent years now birdlife is thriving. We need to keep conserving this carefully in our design.

Quotes from the draft plan below:

Strategic focuses

'Street trees and vegetated verges also provide a range of important ecological services. We will look for opportunities to increase street trees and provide other green features (including rain gardens and water sensitive urban design infrastructure) where appropriate on our streets.

Quote "We know that there are considerably fewer street trees per capita in Wellington than the average city in New Zealand and there is much more that can be done here ²⁷. In addition, we know urban intensification will reduce the number of trees overall across Wellington. This means planting street trees becomes more important to offset the loss of trees in residential areas.

Page 19. Habitat for biodiversity

Green open spaces provide living spaces for plants and animals and maintain adversity of complex processes, such as soil formation, that underpin other ecosystem services. Plants and animals are an essential part of our natural environment and provide ecosystem services such as pollination, seed dispersal and nutrient recycling. Diversity in species and habitats is an essential part of a healthy environment. Climate change mitigation Ecosystem services in our open spaces, such as carbon sequestration and flood mitigation, help reduce the economic cost of climate change. Trees and vegetation in our open spaces store carbon, which helps offset climate change emissions."

Trees connecting to these open spaces are important for bird pathways too.

"Bring birds into the conversation."

"We need to be stronger in our support in our role as protectors and guardians of Zealandia and its halo across Wellington and our role in the current climate crisis.

I'm suggesting a radical but important proposition to consider. 'Backyard taonga' as part of the flight pathways alongside and connecting to the reserves and open spaces. These will be made by selecting mature native and other and healthy trees, with good light pathways on the route to council designated open green spaces. In protecting the birdlife we need to design with the birds in mind.

These trees properties play an essential role in the local biodiversity system. If the native birdlife is healthy then the system has a chance of surviving the changes that is currently happening with climate change. This action will help also support other aspects of the system including pollination, butterflies, bees and other insects.

We have the honour of being the 'Bird capital of the World'. It is essential we are great guardians right now. Bring birds into the language of our open space and recreation strategies

Create a map of the open spaces then follow the tree map. The quality of tree is established through observation and consultation. The trees will be considered for their benefits to the biodiversity of that particular area and then measures taken to try and protect them if possible.



Oral submission number: 20
Submission Number: 384
Submitter: Johnsonville Business Group

SUBMITTOR

This submission is provided on behalf of 253 Johnsonville businesses and property owners based within the central commercial area of Johnsonville. The Johnsonville Business Association is an Incorporated Society (Johnsonville Business Improvement District). Having surveyed and interviewed its constituents, this submission voices the needs of those businesses and property owners, while equally it reflects the needs of our customers, employees, and those visiting our metropolitan centre.

SUBMISSION ON TE WHAI ORANGA PŌNEKE THE DRAFT OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION STRATEGY

Introduction

Johnsonville is a major metropolitan centre for Wellington. The Johnsonville Business Improvement District (JBID) would like to see more emphasis placed upon the need for green space within our central area. Johnsonville continues to grow and acts as the service centre to all north and western Wellington suburbs. It is adjacent to 70% of Wellington's available green field development space, has increasing medium density housing and the central suburban area is highlighted by Council as an area suitable for high density housing within its CBD.

The draft open space and recreation strategy goes some way towards acknowledging the need for more green space, however residents, visitors, and the newly formed Johnsonville BID wish to highlight not just the need, but the absolute urgency for a central green space. Without which we are not able to meet our potential as a service centre for Wellingtonians.

Economic advantage

1. There is significant leakage out of Johnsonville of would-be customers to other areas of the Wellington region, specifically Lower Hutt and Porirua. This lost spending could be contributing to the Wellington economy rather than to our neighbouring cities.

Environmental and social damage

2. In the interests of reducing emissions, due to our geography and the way in which our public transport is designed, the loss of customers and employees to Porirua and Lower Hutt means additional use of private vehicles, hence increased emissions. Creating an environment to accommodate these customers back into Johnsonville is paramount to servicing our catchment area to its full potential and to cutting emissions.

A focal point of any community is always the heart of social interaction. Collaboration between people and cultures is important for the community of Johnsonville and our large catchment area. We are a diverse community, (29% Asian, 10% Maori) and without a central communal space the opportunity for social interaction becomes more limited.

Location

3. The existing green spaces available in wider areas of Johnsonville lay outside the centre, are too far away and do not meet the needs of our suburban centre, or as we call it - Johnsonville CBD. Existing parks around the suburban streets are designed for different purposes, children's play parks and dog exercise areas. A central park space more akin to Wellingtons Midland Park would be much more appropriate as a central amenity.

The screenshot shows a web application interface with a navigation bar at the top containing: Introduction, Mission & Principles, Context, Benefits, Strategic Focuses (highlighted), Implementation, and Glossary. Below the navigation bar, there are five sub-sections: Strategic Focuses, 1. Integrated (highlighted), 2. Inclusive, 3. Regenerating & Resilient, 4. Re-Indigenising, and 5. Diverse. The main content area is split into two columns. The left column contains text about 'Open Space Provision Targets' and two bullet points. The right column contains a map of Johnsonville with a color-coded overlay. The map shows a central area in red, transitioning to orange and yellow towards the periphery. Labels on the map include 'Johnsonville' and 'Paparangi'. At the bottom right of the map, there is a scale bar for 0.4 km and a logo for 'Activate Wi-Fi'.

The Open Space Provision Targets (included as an appendix) set out expectations and targets around the provision of open spaces to anticipate the needs of our future communities. Critically those targets set out that:

- In a high intensification area²⁵, an accessible recreational or social open space²⁶ should be within 5-minutes walking distance of everyone as they will likely have limited private outdoor space to recreate in the future.
- The distance to a recreational or social open space in most other residential areas should be within a 10-minute walk.

Referring to Map 3 under strategic focus 1- integrated – 1.3 grow the open space network; there are vast areas of Johnsonville CBD which are either on the periphery or are outside the Open Space Provision Targets for a high intensification area. High

intensification areas are defined as areas zoned high density or with height limits of 14m and above as displayed in the notified district plan.

The World Health Organisation (WHO) defines a 5-minute walk or 300m as an acceptable distance to an urban green space. Referring to the blue line, some areas of Johnsonville's Metropolitan Centre are beyond a kilometre away from the nearest green space, or 3.3x the acceptable WHO distance. Many high intensity areas outside the metropolitan centre are even further than the acceptable distance. The yellow are the areas within 5-minutes of a park, the orange/darker yellow is within 10 minutes and red is outside ten minutes. Testing has been completed which confirms the walking times from Map 3 above are understated by around 10%.

Bear in mind, the map does not suggest the type of park within 5/10 minutes' walk is suitable for an urban area it simply indicates that some form of park space exists.

During prior discussions with Wellington City Council it was suggested that private property owners may be able to provide green space within the confines of their site. This is not an acceptable suggestion and cannot be relied upon now or in future to address the needs of our centre.

The need for a 'Midland Park' in central Johnsonville will provide a space where someone might walk to eat their lunch, get some fresh air for 5-10 minutes from the office, and/or to take a short break from their busy schedule.

High Intensity Area

4. The desire for green space is not simply to meet the needs of local businesses for whom we formally represent, but more so for the customers that visit our centre, residents, and general visitors to the area. Johnsonville is a future high intensification area as driven by the spatial plan and therefore this strategy is suggesting that an accessible recreational or social open space should be within 5-minutes walking distance of everyone within the high-density area zoning - as they will likely have limited private outdoor space to recreate in the future.

Proximity

5. The open space and Recreation Strategy states that - as part of Wellington City's intensification process, is the need to improve and develop high quality public urban open spaces in our suburban centres, proportionate to the size of the centre. As more people live in apartments, these spaces will often be their closest public space. The centre of Johnsonville is highlighted in the long-term plan for high density housing, naturally this is in the form of apartments which have limited green space within the confines of their sites. We are aware of both mid-sized and large-scale developments planning to incorporate high rise living within the Johnsonville CBD. Having no public green space available in the near vicinity is a failure of local planning and provisioning. Arguably the lack of current urban park space is already limiting the opportunity for such developments to occur.

The proximity of a central park space to the Johnsonville CBD is vitally important. As is too often said, it's all about 'location, location, location'. Johnsonville is

acknowledged as one of two key metropolitan centres for Wellington. We now require appropriate planning and investment to support this.

Benefit

6. The benefit of an urban park in Johnsonville CBD;
 - o Support social interaction, to bring people together and to celebrate our diversity o Provide the ability for recreation and an environment to enjoy some fresh air
 - o Provide greening for visual amenity o Support commercial activity o A potential venue for small events / performances o Creating a desirable environment to prevent leakage to areas outside of Wellington o Improving permeable surfaces as a water catchment tool and adapting to climate change which has caused extreme flooding in recent years
 - o Improving social well-being

International research shows street trees and green spaces can cool air temperature and soak up stormwater - critical components amid a warming world and especially important after this year's devastating cyclones and floods.

Action Required

7. Johnsonville Business Group (prior to the formation of JBID) recently surveyed the local businesses and visitors to Johnsonville, one of the two top priorities was a need for more green space within the central area. Unfortunately, the BID itself will not have income to achieve this. The annual income for the BID in 2023 will be \$95,000 and we are not able to increase this by more than 10% per annum. The budget over the coming few years is already planned to be spent on other local improvements. Hence with the BID's limited budget, the responsibility for funding urban park space rests with Wellington City Council as it always has. JBID is motivated to providing all support possible to make sure this is achieved.

Urgency

8. We strongly encourage WCC to bring forward plans for providing green space in the central area of Johnsonville. The future need has been acknowledged within the draft open space and recreation plan to meet increasing growth; however, the current provision of urban green space is well under an acceptable level to meet current needs, hence the urgency in providing such amenity regardless of future growth. The Open Space and Recreation Strategy mentions a 30-year investment plan. The basis of this submission is to highlight the more immediate needs of Johnsonville, not to support or otherwise a 30-year plan. We suggest bringing forward specific investment planning for Johnsonville to address this.

Related Factors

9. In the wider areas of Johnsonville, outside the CBD, there remains a need for improvements to children's play areas as well as better provision for activities such as skateboarding/scootering etc. The recently constructed Pukehuia park space in Newlands is a perfect example of a multi-use space which may work alongside the pool and Waitohi.

The strategy also mentions under 1.2 page 25 that a new recreation centre is needed in Wellington's north. Local parents have long criticised travelling across town to the Ākau Tangi Sports Centre, a trip that is upwards of 1 hour at peak times or longer on public transport. The need for such a space is acknowledged by this submission and highly necessary, though it is required in addition to a central urban green space.

The streetscape in our Metropolitan Centre also needs updating to reflect the current intensity and the planned higher intensity of housing and businesses. Unkempt trees, half-cut tree trunks, a concrete jungle with a lack of planting, and the low overall quality of our street furniture is a blight on our community and for those visiting.

Summary

Johnsonville is a key metropolitan centre which services a wide catchment of Wellington residents. The lack of green space is a poor image, is affecting our well-being, and is impeding our ability to service this catchment. For our community to function properly we urgently require a central park space that meets the needs of our businesses, visitors, residents, and our environment.

While we have witnessed notable growth over recent years, future predicted growth is substantial and public amenity to meet this growth must now be aligned. After years of under-investment the Johnsonville BID request that Wellington City Council take action now and bring forward planning and investment to deliver Johnsonville's new green space, our 'Midland Park'.

On behalf of 253 Johnsonville businesses and property owners the Johnsonville BID would be happy to speak to Wellington City Council during your review of the submissions.

Oral submission number: 21

Submission Number: 312

Submitter: Andrew Jacombs

Q1. Te Whai Oranga Pōneke, the Open Space and Recreation Strategy, provides strategic direction for how the Council will manage our public open space, recreation facilities, and recreation programmes and services.

Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall direction? Strongly Support

Q2. The mission sets out our aspirations for Wellington's public open space and recreation network: "To create a flourishing network of parks and recreation opportunities, interwoven into everyday life, that supports Wellingtonians to live well and connect to nature and each other."

Do you support or oppose the strategy's overall mission? Strongly

Support

Q3. The draft Strategy has five principles to guide the Council's decisions about managing its public open space and recreation. Do you support or oppose the following draft Strategy's guiding principles?

Tiakitanga: We recognise our intrinsic responsibility as individuals, as the Council, and as a community, to be Strongly support

guardians and stewards of all our resources. We nurture and manage our open space and recreation resources to be environmentally and economically sustainable for all generations to come.

Wairuatanga: We recognise the importance of nurturing a spiritual connection of all things living by preserving the mana and mauri (life force) of the environment and Strongly support

supporting the natural balance of Te Taiao. There is an unyielding spiritual connection between people and their environments. People are part of the environment.

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sense of belonging and social cohesion. We foster relationships throughout our recreation and open space communities, partnering to share our knowledge, backgrounds, and resources, and strengthening our sense of community.

Manaakitanga: We show respect, generosity and care for others and the environment. We are good hosts Strongly support

throughout our open spaces and recreation, seeking to be just, honest, and equitable, and showing respect, humility and kindness.

Pārekareka: We recognise how important it is to have fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open spaces will help people to thrive by supporting Strongly support

balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles.

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

not answered

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

1.3 Grow the open space network The walking catchment methodology developed for the Spatial Plan is genuinely great work, and was fit for purpose for that application (zoning decisions at a fairly coarse spatial scale). Its application here, to ensure people have easy access to open spaces and recreation opportunities, is less appropriate. Unless further refinements have been made which have not been publicly detailed, it does not include accessibility barriers such as stairs, lack of kerb cuts, or safe crossing locations; or other factors affecting people with mobility issues such as footpath width or surface quality. Such limitations were noted in the methodology report (Generating Walking Catchments (2021)), and should be improved for the model to be appropriate to apply to this use case. Access targets (5 minute walk of a park for high density areas, 10 minute in other areas) should be amended to ensure that these facilities are accessible to all, including people with disabilities. These could be a longer time to account for the realistic slower speeds, but should ensure access is easy (or at a bare minimum, possible). Using a model that exclusively models able-bodied walking routes could lead to perverse outcomes such as an area being deemed to have good access to a park because most homes are within a 5 minute walking catchment, but having the same park be impossible or very difficult to access for disabled people due to factors not captured in the model. 1.4 Share our quieter streets as recreation and nature spaces Reducing car traffic by using low traffic neighbourhood techniques is potentially the number one opportunity for improving open space and recreation opportunities, by making many more streets quiet, pleasant places to be where children can play and adults can relax. While I appreciate that the detail of how this will be implemented will come from other pieces of work ("How we reshape our streets to be more liveable will be directed through our transport strategies and policies and urban design guidelines."), it is disappointing that this section does not really set out a vision or goals beyond really small scale things (verges, berms, parklets). It would be really great to see this section be more explicit on the vision and opportunity for "Shar[ing] our quieter streets as recreation and nature spaces", which seems appropriate for this kind of 30 year strategy document, even if the detail for how this will be achieved necessarily comes in other documents.

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

2.1 Drive universal design I am very strongly supportive of the proposed commitment to universal design, though it would be better to see more detail about what specific actions will (or could) be taken to improve accessibility. Some sections of the strategy (e.g. 2.4) have lists of specific initiatives, while others (e.g. 2.1) are silent. While it seems appropriate for a 30 year strategy to focus on setting vision and direction rather than detailing specific actions, the fact that these are present elsewhere in the strategy makes their omission here concerning. It would be good to see the commitment to universal design be applied more broadly across council in other strategies (I hope this is included in the upcoming Accessibility Action Plan), as ensuring accessibility for all will require changes in all council activities, to a degree that may be out of scope for this strategy. It would be good to see this acknowledged in this strategy though, by making explicit that ensuring accessibility to open space and recreational facilities requires a universal design approach not just to that facility, but the whole city around it, and that the council is committed to this (even if the detail for how this will happen is contained in other strategies). 2.2 Take an equity approach to reducing barriers to active recreation and sport I am strongly supportive of the proposed equity

approach, in particular the emphasis on disabled people and teenage girls.

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient? Do

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Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

3.4 Reduce our carbon footprint The language really needs to be much firmer and clearer here. "plan and advocate for" in "We will plan and advocate for an open space and recreation network that is not car-dependent." feels like weasel words. This is a strategy document outlining what the council will do; it should not "advocate for" a network that is not car-dependent, it should "deliver it".

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Strongly support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

not answered

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not answered

Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

There is only one action item related to accessibility, P7 (about improving track access, likely referring more to enabling cycling on more tracks rather than improving access for disabled people). This is extremely disappointing to see, and really puts to shame the good aspects elsewhere in the strategy. This document includes lofty goals and vision around universal design, but includes no actions to put into place these ideas. There could be a whole series of actions around improving existing facilities, improving streets around facilities (to enable access), auditing the current state of access, etc. Some of this may hopefully come in the upcoming Accessibility Action Plan, but the actions specifically related to open space and recreation should be included in this strategy. That they aren't really makes the statements about committing to universal design in all projects seem very hollow.

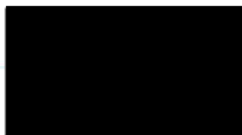
Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

No KPIs specifically address the experience of disabled people, or accessibility issues. If you don't measure and track performance of accessibility, how will you know if you are meeting the goals you have set?

Q17. Which gender do you most identify with?

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Q18. Which ethnic group/groups do you belong to?



Q19. Which age bracket do you fall within?

Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

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Yes

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a submission time can be arranged.



Oral submission number: 22
Submission Number: 241
Submitter: Wellington Mountain Bike Club

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Wairuatanga: We recognise the importance of nurturing a spiritual connection of all things living by preserving the mana and mauri (life force) of the environment and supporting the natural balance of Te Taiao. There is an unyielding spiritual connection between people and their environments. People are part of the environment. Strongly support

Whanaungatanga: We recognise that relationships and social connections are central to our wellbeing, our sense of belonging and social cohesion. We foster relationships throughout our recreation and open space communities, partnering to share our knowledge, backgrounds, and resources, and strengthening our sense of community. Strongly support

Manaakitanga: We show respect, generosity and care for others and the environment. We are good hosts throughout our open spaces and recreation, seeking to be just, honest, and equitable, and showing respect, humility and kindness. Strongly support

Pārekareka: We recognise how important it is to have fun, play and enjoy ourselves. Recreation and open spaces will help people to thrive by supporting balanced, fun, and joyful lifestyles. Strongly support

Q4. Please provide any comments you have on the overall strategic direction, mission, or principles.

I fully support Te Whai Oranga Pōneke – Draft Open Space and Recreation Strategy. I support the 5 strategic focus areas.

I endorse the diverse approaches being suggested in section 5. In particular, I believe that providing world class experiences is really important for our city (5.4). Significantly greater investment in mountain biking and walking trails in this regard is critical if we are to achieve that goal. Consequently the key actions identified at P7, D6, C3 and C6 are entirely appropriate and have my full support. I also wonder about how the Tiakitanga principle (which mentions economic sustainability) might be achieved. The strategy itself doesn't reference how economic sustainability would be measured or delivered.

Q5. Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated?

Do you support strategic focus 1: Integrated? Strongly support

Q6. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this focus:

Wellington is unique globally in the number of parks and trail networks that connect both with the city and with other trails and parks around the city. The parks, town belt and trails are like a vascular system woven through the city that sustains us all and provides connections from the central city to the suburbs

Q7. Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive?

Do you support strategic focus 2: Inclusive? Strongly support

Q8. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

Our parks and open spaces are an important factor that pulls us together as a community. It's important that the benefits of outdoor spaces, outdoor recreation and shared spaces are available across all socio-economic groups, and that lower socioeconomic areas aren't only provided with "paved over" outdoor spaces.

Q9. Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?

Do you support strategic focus 3: Regenerating and Resilient?
Strongly Support

Q10. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

We have to remember that we're kaitiaki of our open spaces for future generations to enjoy. Our open spaces and parks have to be sustainable, low carbon (or net carbon negative)

Q11. Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising?

Do you support strategic focus 4: Re-indigenising? Strongly support

Q12. Please let us know a bit more about why you support/oppose this strategic focus.

What makes Aotearoa unique is the culture that existed here before European colonisation. Providing more Te Au Maori integration into our parks will enrich everyone

Q13. Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse?

Do you support strategic focus 5: Diverse? Strongly support

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A diversity principle allows the strategy to reflect the fact that the wants and needs of our communities will change over time, and that our parks and open spaces need to respond to this

Q15. Thinking now specifically about the actions proposed in the strategy – do you have any feedback regarding any proposed actions or any ideas of actions that we should include/prioritise? (pages 55-61)

I note that there are many proposed priorities across the strategy. Given the council's slow progress with previous open space strategy priorities, I question whether the council has the right frameworks in place to deliver on the aspirations

Q16. Please provide any further comments you have on the Draft Strategy, including aspects we haven't specifically asked about. Is anything missing? Any other ideas?

As noted in my leading comments, the strategy principles talk about economic sustainability, but don't provide any thoughts on how this might be achieved, or how it might be measured. Large parts of the trail network that are loved by runners, walkers and mountain bikers have been created and are maintained with volunteer labour and effort, and without this work, there are parts of the network that would fall into disrepair with the current capacity and funding that the parks maintenance teams have.

Q17. Which gender do you most identify with?

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Q20. Are you involved or do you participate in any of the following recreation or open space community groups? (pick as many that apply)

Walking, hiking, jogging or running
Biking and mountain biking
Non-traditional sports (eg. disc golf, pickleball)
Environmental volunteering
Other (please specify)
Mountain bike trail building and maintenance

Q21. Where in Wellington do you live?

Wadestown

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Yes

Q23. Please give your phone number so that a [REDACTED] submission time can be arranged.

Oral submission number: 23
Submission Number: 385
Submitter: Greater Brooklyn Residents Association

To: Wellington City Council

Re: Open Spaces consultation

From: Greater Brooklyn Residents Association Inc.

Katie Underwood - Chair

Greater Brooklyn Residents Association Incorporated (GBRAI)

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We are making this submission as a group and would like to speak to our submission please.

Every city can have healthy ecosystems if the design is right, and the existing indigenous biodiversity is retained, as a base for new 'greening and open space'.

There is quite a bit of talk in this plan and possibly not enough action. Here are our thoughts.

1: The 2015 Biodiversity Strategy talks about Wellington's urban growth process and how it is posing a threat to remaining indigenous ecosystems. This was 8 years ago and nothing has really changed. Except that now the Medium Density Housing Rules and what seems like housing at any cost. It is much more important than ever to provide much more open/green space for the public/ratepayers/visitors/biodiversity. Reading the Proposed District Plan, the Biodiversity Strategy, the Open Spaces plan leaves us with the view that all these are operating in silos with little actual responsibility to the contents of the fellow policies.

2: The perception of what is open space to the public and the legal/council definition is quite different. In the past, the definition of open space has included the drive way entrance to an underground car park for a waterfront building. We sincerely hope that the open space definition has been redefined so the entrance to an underground car park can't be included in the 'open space' criteria for open space?

3: There has been a lot said about the supposed 50,000 to 80,000 people moving to Wellington in the next 30 years. Yet, in the paper on 12th April 2023, the estimate is much lower than that. Since Covid, behaviour has changed with more people working from home,

fewer people coming into the city five days a week, remote working from places outside Wellington. There is commentary saying there is more housing being planned than is needed. Some of the proposed projects are at the expense of areas that would fit the proposed open space strategy perfectly i.e. Shelly Bay, Mt Crawford. Wellington Central is the equivalent of 56 tennis courts short of green space/parks for the population as it was 2-3 years ago. There has been very little increase in open space since then.

There is one new park in Taranaki Street that is behind a tall building so won't get any sun until the afternoon and possibly not much at all in winter. And it won't be open until construction of the apartment block next door has been finished.

There has been an expensive re do of a park which appears no different than it was – other than some of it having Astro turf (which is plastic). There has been some 'greening' of 'laneways' and a few car parks removed with planter boxes installed. Nothing of the size that is needed to meet current population needs.

4: So much could be made of good design to incorporate open space/green space from the beginning not as an afterthought.

- A central courtyard/park in new buildings for the residents. An example is the new apartment complex in Constable Street. (Though the street scape leaves a bit to be desired).
- A minimum set back in the central city for any new building. This would allow planting of native plants along a corridor. And provide a street scape that is more friendly to people and fauna than the exotics we currently have. For public enjoyment and a better streetscape, perhaps a minimum 1.5m setback to allow for planting of native trees and plants (though 2m would be better). This would also avoid the situation that occurred in Taranaki Street where the street trees were unable to be planted because of underground services that weren't factored into the council approval of the plans. Result – no street trees and a very 'hard' streetscape. It would be possible to provide a rates reduction for that part of the land to encourage this practice. Have a look at the section of road on Thorndon Quay between Vic Uni Law School/bus station and the railway station. There is a great row of flax bushes, cabbage and kowhai trees. It is a very visually restful place to pass by. Doing this would require a strong council with good planning rules and an ambition to achieve a goal.
- Planting native plants in our streets instead of exotics to meet the liveable streets part of the open space policy.

5: Amenity planting must be native plants. The councils continued planting of exotic trees in the city as part of the street scape must stop. This would be the great way to connect people to their natural environment. In addition, would make a simple 'bird' corridor, enabling birds to travel across the city. When moving along Lambton Quay at dusk, the noise of the sparrows and other exotic birds is deafening. Wouldn't it be great if this was tui, robin, grey warbler and kaka calls instead.

To quote the strategy " a healthy biodiversity contributes to healthy environments and that creates healthy people'.

6: In all of this – special way to promote nice spaces and be flora and fauna friendly is to adopt the International Dark Sky lighting rules. This does not mean no lighting. It means installing lighting that provides security and enables people to see their way around but protect the night sky, is favourable to insects, birds and much better for humans. Increasing and protecting biodiversity in terms of habitats is only part of the story. Protection should be all encompassing. There is still time to make changes. More appropriate lighting will also assist to offset climate change impact. Fewer bright lights will encourage insects which will encourage birds which will create a better environment for all.

And hopefully any new lights will also stay on the lampposts and not fall off.

7: We would like to see unused road reserves planted out. As an example, in Brooklyn, there is a small patch of weeds at the intersection of Fortunatus Street and Krull street. It is regularly sprayed with week killer. A better way would be to plant it out with native ground cover and small plants. No spray required, it can look after itself and you might get a few in the neighbourhood to assist. Also, along Mornington Road there are sections of road reserve/extra footpath that could be planted with small shrubs or a lizard habitat created. This would assist in achieving the liveable streets part of the policy. There are many other small bits of road reserve, street frontage that could be a useful contribution to providing 'greening' alongside pavement. It would require less spraying, less management with the end result of costing less. We are certain that throughout the city there are numerous other places that could be enhanced with native plants and new habitats created.

We like that the council is taking a proactive approach to open space and recreation but feel that this strategy doesn't tie in enough with other council strategies/policies.

Thank you.

TŪPIKI ORA PROGRESS REPORT

Kōrero taunaki | Summary of considerations

Purpose

1. This report to Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic committee shares the completion of a monitoring and reporting framework for the Tūpiki Ora 10-year Māori Strategy that will be implemented from 01 July 2023.
2. To provide a first report on the progress Council has made in delivering the Tūpiki Ora Action Plan.

Strategic alignment with community wellbeing outcomes and priority areas

Tūpiki Ora is a key overarching ‘Tuākana’ strategy for the organisation that sets the parameters that all Council strategies and action plans will align to so that outcomes are accomplished as an organisation.

Aligns with the following strategies and priority areas:

- Sustainable, natural eco city
 - People friendly, compact, safe and accessible capital city
 - Innovative, inclusive and creative city
 - Dynamic and sustainable economy
- Strategic alignment with priority objective areas from Long-term Plan 2021–2031**
- Functioning, resilient and reliable three waters infrastructure
 - Affordable, resilient and safe place to live
 - Safe, resilient and reliable core transport infrastructure network
 - Fit-for-purpose community, creative and cultural spaces
 - Accelerating zero-carbon and waste-free transition
 - Strong partnerships with mana whenua

Relevant Previous decisions

Financial considerations

Nil Budgetary provision in Annual Plan / Long-term Plan Unbudgeted \$X

3. No additional funding is sort to implement the monitoring and reporting framework. Relevant business units will complete monitoring and reporting activity across Council within existing funding.
4. As we explore greater availability and access to data to better inform the impact of our contribution to Tūpiki Ora, we will address any financial implications through Council operations and with Committee if required.

Risk

Low Medium High Extreme

5. This paper describes a monitoring and reporting framework that can be readily implemented by leveraging existing Council reporting processes and capabilities.
6. The completion of the monitoring and reporting framework and the first progress report delivers on a key performance indicator for the Chief Executive.

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Taunakitanga | Officers' Recommendations

Officers recommend the following motion

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee:

1. Receive the information.

Whakarāpopoto | Executive Summary

7. Council has continued to lay the foundations to give effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and working in partnership with mana whenua. We have completed a monitoring and reporting framework to track the implementation of Tūpiki Ora.
8. We have completed the first Tūpiki Ora progress report with data to 30 December 2022. The progress report shows that Council has a high volume of projects and initiatives that align with Tūpiki Ora to varying degrees.
9. 2023-24 business planning allows the Council to commence the financial year using the Tūpiki Ora Action Plan to reconsider how the current volume of projects and initiatives can be reduced, fully aligned with the actions, and more impactful. And alleviate capacity issues experienced by mana whenua as a result of the current volume.
10. We are continuing to develop indicators that will help us understand and communicate the difference our actions are having for Māori and our wider community.

Takenga mai | Background

11. Wellington City Council has all the foundations required for a local government agency to support Māori-led responses to transform the state of well-being of whānau.
12. The Tākai Here Partnership Agreement lashes together the respective hulls of mana whenua and Council, and the Tūpiki Ora 10-year Māori Strategy (approved May 2022) describes the destination of our waka. The Tūpiki Ora Action Plan (approved September 2022) helps us to navigate a course toward that final destination.
13. The remaining foundational piece is how we will understand where we are on the journey and the impact of our mahi on whānau and communities. The Tākai Here partnership recognises the need to equip ourselves with the resources, tools, and knowledge to sustain us for the journey and navigate any unexpected and challenging conditions.
14. Along with the other key Council strategies, we needed to develop a monitoring and reporting framework to track the implementation of the Tūpiki Ora strategy. This is a key performance indicator of the Chief Executive.
15. We completed our first Tūpiki Ora progress report with quarter one and quarter two data (July to December 2022).

Kōrerorero | Discussion

Tūpiki Ora Monitoring and Reporting Framework

16. We have completed a monitoring and reporting framework ("the framework") to track the implementation of Tūpiki Ora. The framework is included as an attachment. The framework will be implemented from 01 July 2023.

17. The framework has been expanded to incorporate a complete view of all elements relevant to direction setting, planning, monitoring and reporting, and measurement of outcomes. It also incorporates our obligations as they relate to the Tākai Here Partnership Agreement. Tākai Here priorities are closely aligned to Tūpiki Ora outcomes, enabling us to combine our reporting efforts.
18. Reporting will predominantly operate through existing Council quarterly and annual reporting processes. Councillors and the general public can expect to see progress through those products.
19. In addition, we will complete bi-annual monitoring and reporting of the Tūpiki Ora Action Plan. This is a deeper dive than the quarterly reporting process can provide. These will be completed in October – reviewing quarter one progress, and April – reviewing quarter three progress. The October report will predominantly be a management tool as an early test of the direction we are heading in.
20. Each year in April, we will combine quarterly reporting and the deeper dive with indicator and outcomes-based reporting utilising internal and external data¹. This will provide, to the best of our ability, a comprehensive view of what we are investing in, how we are progressing, and the impact it is having.
21. By completing this view in April, the goal is to have meaningful evidence to inform discussions with mana whenua, hapori Māori, Councillors, and the community so we can include that input into Council's Annual Plan. And ensure that the work programme of the Council continues to be informed by Māori and responsive to Māori.
22. The April combined report and subsequent discussions will also inform the annual reset of the Tākai Here priorities and provide sufficient lead-up to a sign-off process expected to coincide with Puanga / Matariki in June or July each year.

Further development of indicators and outcome measures

23. Last year, we developed a database of indicators to help us understand the current state of Māori well-being in Pōneke and to measure changes over time. The database follows the structure of Tūpiki Ora – aligning indicators with the four Pae Hekenga (or “Waypoints”).
 - a. Pae Hekenga 1 – Te whakatairanga i te ao Māori, *enhancing and promoting te ao Māori*
 - b. Pae Hekenga 2 – Tiakina te taiao, *caring for our environment*
 - c. Pae Hekenga 3 – Te whakapakari pūmanawa, *building capability*
 - d. Pae Hekenga 4 – He whānau toiora, *thriving and vibrant communities*

In addition, the database identifies where indicators overlap with ten other key Council strategies and policies. For example, Aho Tini 2030: Arts, Culture and Creativity Strategy, Te Atakura: First to Zero, Te Mahana: Ending Homelessness.
24. To help us understand the data, we also completed the ‘State of Māori Wellbeing Snapshot.’ This was an infographic that drew out key insights into the current state. Included in attachments.
25. The database sets out 254 potential indicators for the Tūpiki Ora strategy in relation to each of the four pae hekenga. However, data gaps and issues mean we currently have data for less than half of these. Data gaps and issues are similar to those experienced by other local and central agencies, including data that is not being collected, data that

is not publicly available and agency data that is not being used. In total, 121 indicators could be supported by Council data.

26. We are continuing to develop the database, including:
 - e. Exploring the availability of Council data.
 - f. Developing indicators and a dashboard for mana whenua, which speaks more to the Tākai Here Partnership Agreement.
 - g. Using Power BI to access and update indicators.
27. The monitoring and reporting framework prescribes that the database is updated annually to coincide with the combined reporting package in April. The longer-term nature of the indicators and outcomes of Tūpiki Ora do not lend themselves to any greater frequency of review than annual. The products that will be provided as a result of the update or data refresh include:
 - h. Updated 'State of Māori Wellbeing Snapshot' and,
 - i. Updated 'mana whenua dashboard' framed by the Tākai Here Priorities.

Results of the first progress report on Tūpiki Ora Action Plan

28. In the spirit of reporting through the monitoring and reporting framework, we have completed the first progress report of the Tūpiki Ora Action Plan.
29. We reviewed the projects and initiatives of every Council business unit for alignment with Tūpiki Ora using reporting from quarter one and quarter two – to 30 December 2022.
30. We found over 80 projects and initiatives aligned to Tūpiki Ora goals and actions to varying degrees. The table below summarises the number of projects or initiatives contributing to the four Pae Hekenga or waypoints.

| Pae Hekenga | Number of Actions in this Pae | Number of Actions current Council projects and initiatives have been aligned to | Number of projects or initiatives contributing to the actions in Q1 and Q2 |
|---|-------------------------------|---|--|
| Te whakatairanga i te ao Māori - Enhancing and promoting te ao Māori | 10 | 9 | 29 |
| Tiakina te taiao – Caring for our environment | 9 | 3 | 14 |
| Te whakapakari pūmanawa - Building capability | 14 | 10 | 25 |
| He whānau toiroa – Thriving and vibrant communities | 9 | 4 | 20 |
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31. Whilst this is a positive reflection of the commitment across Council to work in partnership with Māori, there are opportunities to be more targeted and effective in our selection of projects and initiatives and collaborate more across the Council.
32. There are already indications that mana whenua capacity is stretched to its limit with this volume of engagement activity, especially when we recognise the demand on mana whenua in Te Whanganui a-Tara as the host of central government.
33. It was challenging to determine *how much* each project or initiative contributed to Tūpiki Ora and what objectives were intended to deliver better outcomes for Māori.
34. We recognise that the work programme for 2022-23 had already been set when the Tūpiki Ora Action Plan was introduced. Hence the more retrospective nature of the alignment to Tūpiki Ora.
35. Highlights of quarter one and quarter two where our mahi was strongly aligned to Tūpiki Ora actions and outcomes included:
 - j. Te Hui Ahurei Reo Māori Festival – celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Māori language petition. And associated arts and cultural events, such as “I Will Not Speak Māori” installation by Tame Iti.
 - k. Te Aro Park developments which help restore safety and vibrancy as part of Pōneke Promise and address a source of hurt for mana whenua given the site’s proximity to Te Aro Pā.
 - l. Renaming of Wellington ASB Sports Centre to Ākau Tangi, recognising historic pā site in Kilbirnie.
 - m. Mahau App launched. The App supports the revitalisation of the Māori language and our goal of becoming a bilingual city by 2040.
 - n. Rangatahi Pathways – developing multiple entry points and pathways for rangatahi wanting to work for Council.
 - o. Tākina Convention Centre naming and gifting of cultural narratives to support Council urban design aspirations.

36. Our progress toward Tūpiki Ora will feature in Council's quarter three report as part of a series of key Council strategies to be highlighted.

Approach to business planning 2023-24

37. Our goals for business planning 2023-24 include:
- p. Tūpiki Ora is used as the starting point for work programme setting.
 - q. Tākai Here priorities are used as the starting point for work programme setting.
 - r. We are clear about which Tūpiki Ora actions we will progress and our target for the year. We work with mana whenua to establish those targets.
 - s. We develop a realistic and achievable work programme with an emphasis on impact and working together rather than volume.
 - t. We consider what data will help us measure our progress. If the data is available, we ensure data collection is included in our work programme.
38. Council has adapted its business unit planning template to encourage more specificity around how we will partner with mana whenua to give effect to Tūpiki Ora, including where project outcomes and actions align.
39. Council leadership will create new collaborative approaches to ensure we use Council resources best and deliver a work programme with the greatest impact. This work will be supported by Mataaho Aronui team, who will also coordinate the Council's data collection efforts for the first year of reporting and monitor the engagement demand on mana whenua.

Ngā mahinga e whai ake nei | Next actions

40. The monitoring and reporting framework for Tūpiki Ora will be implemented from 01 July 2023.
41. Changes to business planning 2023-24 will support a more targeted approach to selecting projects and initiatives to deliver on the Tūpiki Ora Action Plan.
42. Committee will receive updates through existing Council quarterly and annual reports and receive a comprehensive report on progress and outcomes in approximately April every year.

Attachments

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| Attachment 1. | Previous 'State of Māori Wellbeing Snapshot' (Sep 22) ↓  | Page 109 |
| Attachment 2. | Tūpiki Ora Monitoring and Reporting Framework ↓  | Page 116 |

State of Māori Wellbeing Snapshot

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State of Māori Wellbeing Snapshot





This snapshot is a compass, helping us to understand where we are, to better understand where we are going.

Underpinning this snapshot is Tūpiki Ora created by mana whenua and the Council to support and develop vibrant, thriving whānau in Wellington. The strategy outlines the journey towards intergenerational purpose and wellbeing that seeks to ensure that the future vitality of our environment is nourished, the wellbeing of our whānau is fostered, and te ao Māori is celebrated and embraced.

Tūpiki Ora has four pae huanga or outcomes:

-  **1.** Wellington is recognised locally and globally as a culturally rich and creative city of mana whenua and Māori identities and histories.
-  **2.** Te reo Māori and te ao Māori are normalised in our city through greater access, increased resources and more opportunities to celebrate our language and culture.
-  **3.** Mana whenua and Māori are represented and actively participate in decision making and direction-setting for their future success.
-  **4.** The social, cultural, environmental and economic wellbeing of Māori communities is prioritised, supported and invested in.

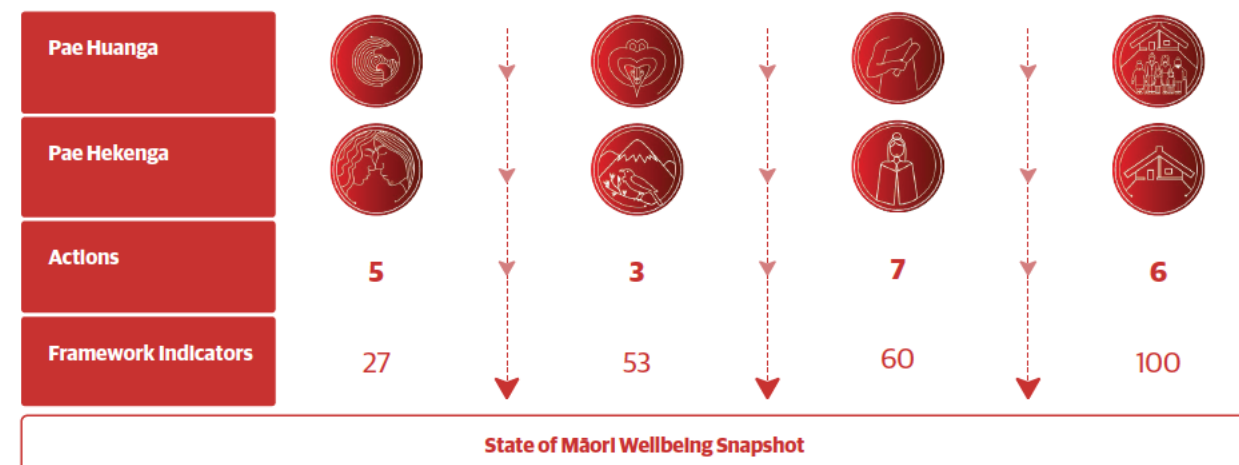
Tūpiki Ora has four pae hekenga:

-  **1. Te whakatairanga i te ao Māori**
Enhancing and promoting te ao Māori
-  **2. Tiakina te taiao**
Caring for our environment
-  **3. Te whakapakari pūmanawa**
Building capability
-  **4. He whānau toiora**
Thriving and vibrant communities

Along the journey there are **pae hekenga** or way points. Each of these pae hekenga have associated actions that mana whenua and the Council want to prioritise.

We have created a framework of indicators to monitor progress against these actions, drawing from a range of Council strategies and publicly available data.

This snapshot takes some of those indicators, where data was available, to tell a story of where Te Whanganui-ā-Tara currently is on this journey.

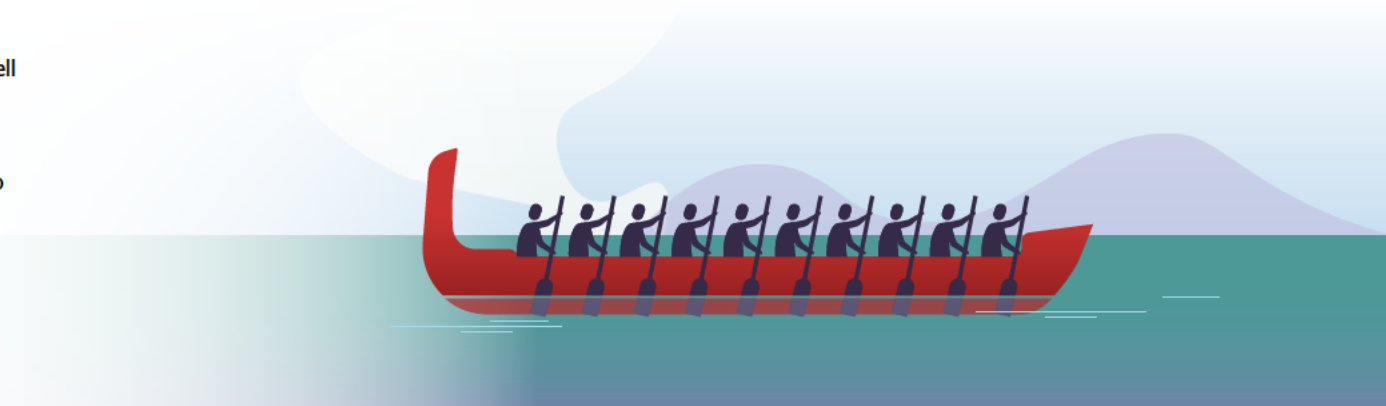


We are also on a journey with data

This snapshot is not the complete picture, as many aspects of whānau ora do not have data available. These gaps, as well as caveats attached to the data, are outlined in the accompanying technical document.

Further work is needed to improve the data we have access to and how this data will be stored, managed and accessed.

In future, this snapshot can be refreshed to understand the progress that has been made in each pae hekenga.



Ngā tāngata Māori ki Te Whanganui-ā-Tara

It starts with tāngata.

Firstly, this snapshot looks at tāngata Māori across Te Whanganui-ā-Tara, as they are at the centre of this journey. Understanding the demographics of tāngata Māori in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara and their connection to Te Whanganui-ā-Tara is important context for the insights presented in each pae hekenga.

The proportion of Māori in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara and the wider Wellington Region continues to grow.

However, Wellington City has a low proportion of Māori compared to the average across the rest of Aotearoa.

In 2018



9% of the people in the Wellington City Council boundaries were Māori.

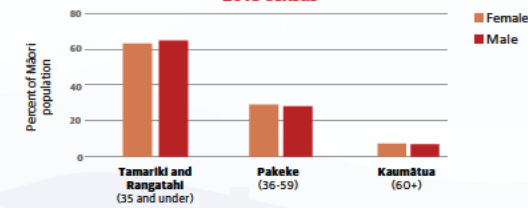
14% of the Wellington Region population were Māori.

This compares to **17%** of the population across Aotearoa.

Source: Census 2018

Māori* living in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara are young compared to the overall population and have a relatively even split between the sexes.

Age and sex of Māori in Wellington City 2018 Census



Source: Census 2018

*In this snapshot we have prioritised data that uses Māori ethnicity over descent, however we recognise that both measures are important. Across Te Whanganui-ā-Tara there is a 1% increase when looking at descent over ethnicity.

Mana whenua and mātāwaka in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara are connected to the city, in different ways.

In 2018 a high proportion of Ngāti Toa Rangitira (39%) and Te Āti Awa (22%) lived in the Wellington Region. Statistics specific to Taranaki Whānui were not available from Stats NZ.

Source: C. ross 2018/NI Stat



87% of Māori in the Wellington Region know their iwi.

Source: Census 2018

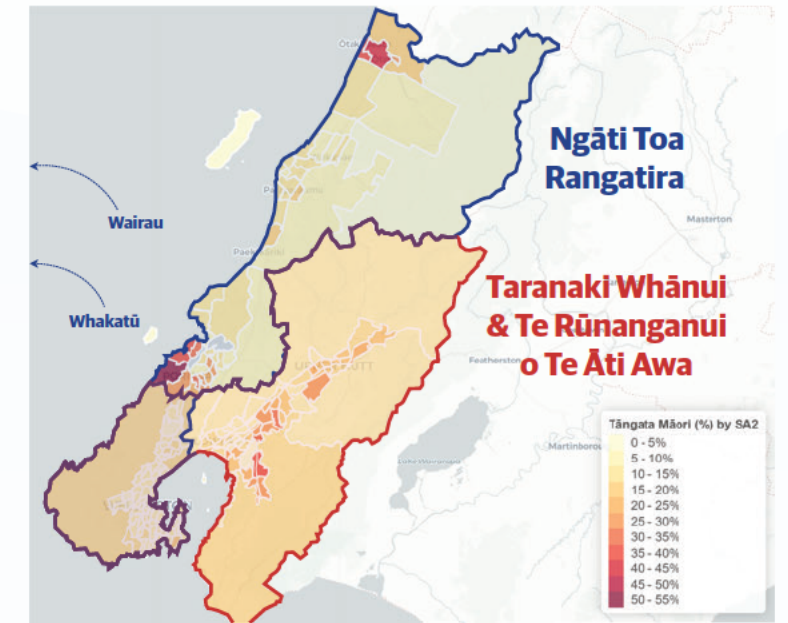
The iwi with the largest population in the Wellington region are Ngāti Kahungunu, Ngāpuhi nui tonu, Ngāi Tahu Whānui, Ngāti Raukawa and Te Ātiawa – combined they account for around 40% of Māori that associated with an iwi in the Wellington region in the 2018 Census.

Source: C. ross 2018

Although most Māori (73%) were living in the same place as last year, 24% of Māori in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara were living somewhere else in Aotearoa a year ago, which is higher than the overall population.

Source: C. ross 2018

Map showing the proportion of tāngata Māori by Statistical Area 2 across Territorial Authorities (TA) and mana whenua boundaries.



Pae Hekenga 1:

Te whakatairanga i te ao Māori

Enhancing and promoting te ao Māori

Mana whenua and Māori aspirations for Wellington are firmly fixed on elevating and celebrating te ao Māori in all spaces, normalising te reo Māori, and creating a sense of community pride for all things Māori within our city. Through increased visibility and presence of te ao Māori, Wellington will become a culturally rich city for all.

Some of the ways we elevate and celebrate te ao Māori across Te Whanganui-ā-Tara is through events, and recognition of significant sites.

From August 2021 to August 2022



6% of the total funding the Council granted for events focused on celebrating te ao Māori.
Source: Wellington City Council Data

Understanding how these events are attended is also important



52% of Māori across the region went to a Māori festival or event in 2018.
Source: Te Kōwhiri 2018

There are currently **119** sights of significance for Māori recognised by the Council.
Source: Wellington City Council Data



In 2021



42% of all Wellingtonians agreed that Māori culture and te reo Māori is appropriately visible and recognized in the city.
Source: Residents Monitoring Survey 2021



40% of all Wellingtonians believed that the Council is taking an active role in revitalising Māori cultural heritage in the city.
Source: Residents Monitoring Survey 2021

In 2020

87% of Māori agreed or strongly agreed that Wellington is a great place to live. However, **18%** of Māori **do not** feel a sense of pride in the look and feel of Wellington which is significantly higher than the average population in Wellington.
Source: Quality of Life Survey 2020



Normalising te reo Māori means building our ability to **kōrero** (speak).

Across all tāngata in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara **2%** of the population commonly spoke Te Reo in 2018. When looking to the wider region this increases to **4%**.
Source: C. rissu 2018



For tāngata Māori, this increases to **17%** in the region being able to kōrero very well or fairly well speakers, with **29%** being able to understand spoken te reo Māori at the same level (self-rated).
Source: Te Kōwhiri 2018



Building our ability to kōrero (speak) te reo Māori takes dedicated effort from a young age. However, there are only **4 Kura Kaupapa Māori** in the Wellington Region in 2021.
Source: Ministry of Education 2022



Having te reo Māori across the city is important for acquisition.

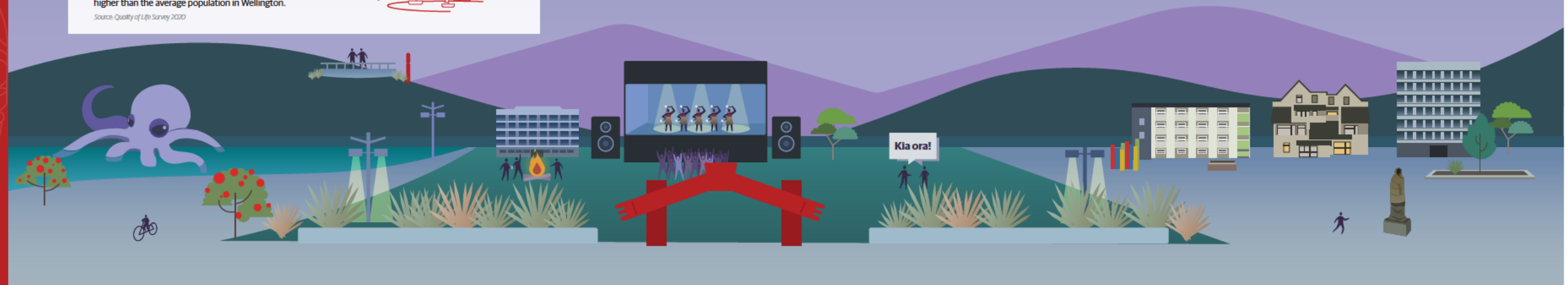
Currently **5** out of **53** council housing complexes have Māori names with a further 12 to be determined when they are upgraded over the next 7-10 years.
Source: Wellington City Council Data



Approximately **5%** of all park and reserve sites that have officially been named through the Council committee process have te reo Māori names.
Source: Wellington City Council Data



Further information such as a stocktake of te reo Māori names and signage across Te Whanganui-ā-Tara is currently being collected by the Council.
Source: Te Rauhu



Pae hekenga 2:

Tiakina te Taiao

Caring for our environment

Environmental issues in our city require targeted resourcing, investment and strategy to support real change within communities. The Council, mana whenua, Māori and community groups will work together to support existing environmental initiatives and ensure there is a considered approach to addressing major environmental challenges for the next 10 years and beyond.

The Council and mana whenua support existing environmental initiatives including controlling pests to restore the mauri of our native manu (birds), ngahere (bush) and the wai (water).



Pest control protects our native biodiversity in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara.

Currently, **400** hectares of Council-managed land is under integrated pest control protecting our animals and plants.

There are about **17,000** pest animal control devices in Wellington.

Source: Wellington City Council Data

Over the past 10 years, the sounds and sights of Tūi in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara have grown.

The presence of Tūi in our forests is an overall indicator of manu health.

Encounter rates increasing by **74%** since 2011.

Between 2011 and 2022, citizens reported a total of **17,274** encounters with tūi.

Source: Wellington City Council Data

The Council is one of the partners in Zealandia's **Sanctuary to Sea - Kia Mauriora te Kaiwharawhara project**, which works with Taranaki Whānui, community groups and local authorities to restore freshwater and forest ecosystems in the Kaiwharawhara water catchment.

Source: Wellington City Council Data

The Pua o Te Rēinga conservation project

This project aims to re-establish Pua o te Rēinga populations in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara, with the cooperation of the six iwi from the Greater Wellington region (Rangitāne, Ngāti Kahungunu, Taranaki Whānui, Ngāti Toa Rangatira, Te Āti Awa ki Whakarongotai and Ngāti Raukawa), Wellington City Council and Zealandia.

Source: Wellington City Council Data

Te Whanganui-ā-Tara is working to reduce its carbon emission under Te Atakura - First to Zero.

In the year ending 30th June 2021, Carbon Farming sequestered **932 tCO₂e** from Council owned forestry (measured in carbon credits granted).

Source: Wellington City Council Data

The Council aims to convert to a **100% zero emission, electric vehicle fleet by 2030**. In 2021, **6%** of the Council's fleet were EVs.

Source: Wellington City Council Data

The Council aims to minimise waste in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara landfills, as waste was the third largest contributor to Te Whanganui-ā-Tara's total emissions in 2020.

In 2021, **18,174 tonnes of waste was diverted from landfill**, an increase of **274 tonnes** of diverted waste from 2020.

Source: Wellington City Council Data

Climate change is a major threat to te taiao, and in turn our people.

In the year ending 30th June 2020, the city's total gross emissions was 1,049,016 tCO₂e from:

| | Total Gross Emissions |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Transportation | 48% |
| Stationary energy | 36% |
| Waste | 8% |
| Industry-related emissions | 7% |
| Agriculture emissions | 1% |

Source: Wellington City Council Data

Connection and interaction with te taiao is important for tāngata Māori in the Wellington Region.

68% of tāngata Māori in the Wellington Region say the health of the natural environment is very important to them, and **50%** say that looking after the environment is very important to them.



47% of tāngata Māori in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara grow and harvest their own kai at home, with **71%** of these growing kai with their whānau.



15% of Māori gathered materials for use in traditional Māori practices, with over half (55%) of these gathering with whānau.

Source: Te Kōwhiri 2018

Pae hekenga 3:

Te whakapakari pūmanawa

Building capability

The capability of mana whenua partners and Māori across our city is important, and the Council must contribute to this growth in capability in order to create successive, thriving leaders in our communities. We are committed to developing trusted relationships and partnerships that are mutually beneficial and collaborative, and that ensure the decisions and direction are set by mana whenua and supported by the Council.

The Council is working in partnership with mana whenua through formal agreements, events and internships.

Through Partnership

Tākai Here is the renewed partnership agreement between mana whenua and Wellington City Council.

The Council engages with Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira and Port Nicholson Block Settlement Trust (Taranaki Whānui) every eight weeks (bi-monthly). These are an opportunity for Council kaimahi to present kaupapa that they want collaboration on and for mana whenua to advise the Council on future events or process changes.

The Governance hui take place quarterly and are attended by Councillors and the Mayor, Executive Leadership Team, mana whenua, Chief Executives and Chairs. The agenda is guided by mana whenua priorities.

Source: Wellington City Council data

Through Events

In 2022, there was a Puanga event for Taranaki Whānui and there will be an iwi led programme of events for Te Wiki o te Reo Māori in 2022.

Source: Wellington City Council data

Through Secondments and Internships

Currently, 3 opportunities for Māori and the Council to work together through secondments and internships have been identified.

A member of Ngāti Toa Rangatira is seconded to the Council's community services team, the Rangatahi Pathways Project is beginning and there is a partnership with Wellington East Girls' and the Wellington City Council housing team.

Source: Wellington City Council data

It is also important that the Council improve their own capability in te reo and te ao Māori.

Wellington City Council offers 17 diverse te reo Māori classes to staff and a range of resources, articles, videos, and podcasts, to upskill in te reo and te ao Māori.

From August 2021 to August 2022



21% of Wellington City Council Staff had signed up to one or more of the te reo Māori offerings.

Source: Wellington City Council Data



Pae hekenga 4:

He whānau toiora

Thriving and vibrant communities

Whānau wellbeing is important to our communities, and the Council will support communities to thrive. Specific areas for action include combating homelessness; supporting whānau Māori into their own homes; providing more options to access social services such as mental health for rangatahi Māori; increasing opportunities to grow Māori businesses, leaders and entrepreneurs; and investing in greater representation and presence of mana whenua and Māori culture, language and identity within and across our city. These actions (and others) contribute to strong, vibrant whānau who are self-determining.

To create vibrant communities we need equitable outcomes for Māori accessing health care, education and housing.

Housing for Māori in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara remains inadequate. In 2020:

24% of Māori lived in a house with a damp or mould problem *and* **43%** have unaffordable housing costs.

However...

65% of Māori report having enough income to meet every day needs *and* **94%** felt safe in their homes after dark.

Source: Quality of Life Survey 2020

In Council housing

14% of tenants were Māori *and* **21%** of people on the waitlist are Māori.

Source: Wellington City Council Data 2022

Home ownership for Māori is inequitable across Aotearoa

Further research is needed to understand what this looks like at a local level.

| Home ownership | New Zealand | Wellington |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Te Rōnanga o Te Āti Awa (Wellington) | 41% | <i>lwi data</i> |
| Ngāti Toa Rangatira (Wellington) | 33% | <i>lwi data</i> |
| Taranaki Whānui | 35% | <i>lwi data</i> |
| Māori | 31% | <i>IDI data</i> |
| All Ethnicities | 65% | <i>IDI data</i> |

Source: Te Whaiti / Census 2013

A higher percent of people have bachelors degrees in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara than nationally.

Across Te Whanganui-ā-Tara about a third of the Māori population is studying full time, and many are highly educated.

| Tertiary Qualification (2018) | New Zealand | Wellington |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Te Rōnanga o Te Āti Awa (Wellington) | 36% | <i>lwi data</i> |
| Ngāti Toa Rangatira (Wellington) | 32% | <i>lwi data</i> |
| Taranaki Whānui | 28% | <i>lwi data</i> |
| Māori | 19% | 38% |
| All Ethnicities | 32% | 54% |

Source: Census 2018

Māori in the Wellington District Health Board (DHB) region have unequal health care outcomes.

Māori initiatives supported by the Council are needed to support whānau Māori wellbeing.

Health Inequities for Māori include:

68% of tāngata Māori were overweight or obese compared to **60%** for the total Wellington DHB population. *and* **22%** of tāngata Māori experienced chronic pain compared to **20%** of the total Wellington DHB population.

37% of tāngata Māori met the vegetable and fruit intake guidelines compared to **39%** for the total Wellington DHB population. *and* **18%** of tāngata Māori visited the emergency department (ED) compared to **14%** of the total Wellington DHB population.

Source: New Zealand Health Survey 2017/20

There are barriers to Māori getting mental health care

47% had unmet primary health care needs. *and* **23%** did not visit their GP due to cost.

26% of adults reported at least one instance of a mood and/or anxiety disorder.

Source: New Zealand Health Survey 2017/20

Racism is a problem in Wellington.

The Council needs to create awareness and take action to stop racism.



78% of Māori across Te Whanganui-ā-Tara think racism and discrimination is a problem (which is significantly higher than overall respondents).

Source: Quality of Life Survey 2020

Thriving communities provide equitable opportunities to succeed.

Māori economic development supports Māori businesses and employees. The Council needs to make sure Māori businesses and employees have equal opportunities to succeed.

There are **666** Māori businesses in the Wellington Region

7% of all Māori businesses in New Zealand.

Source: Te Puni Kōkiri 2020

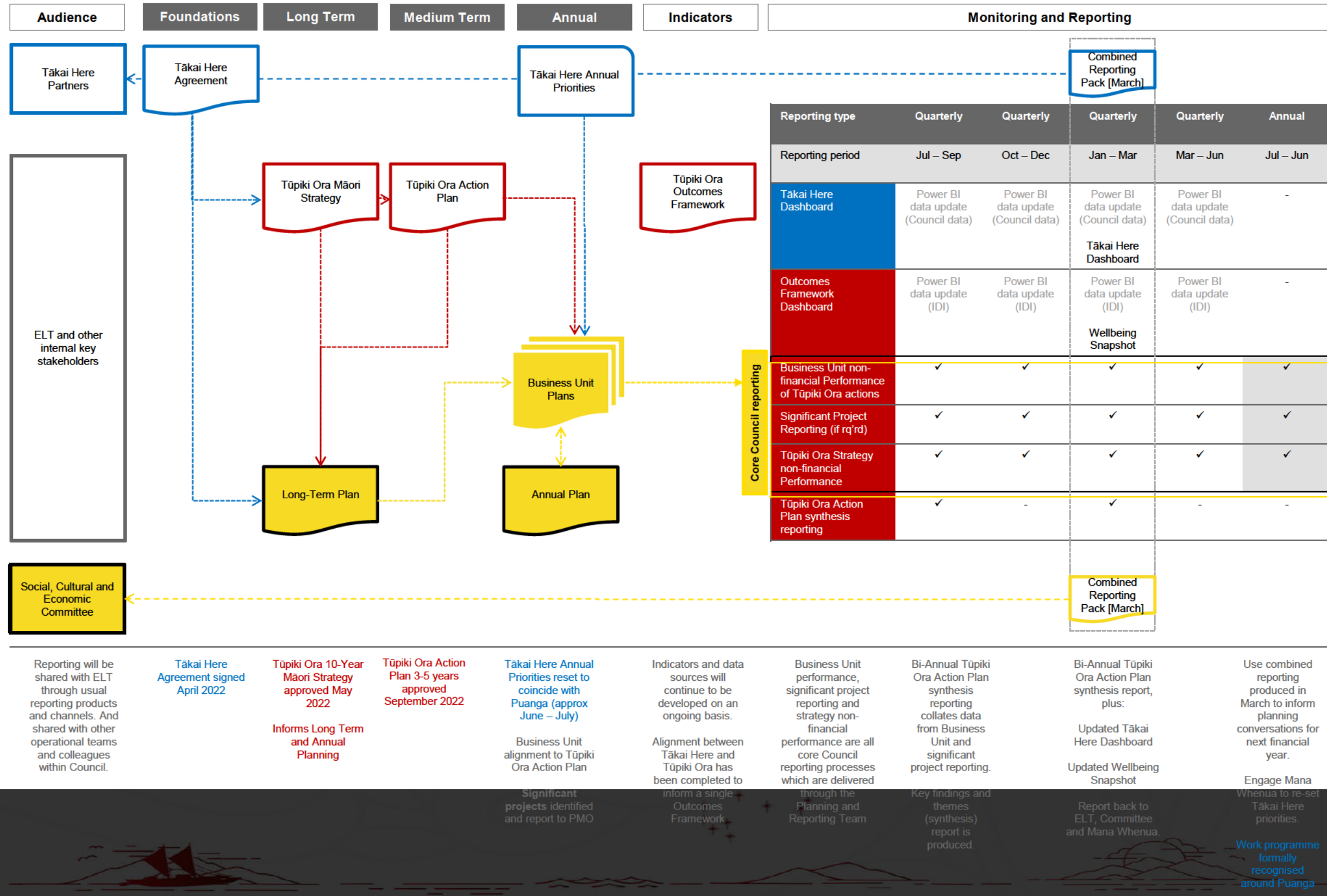
Across the Wellington Region the unemployment rate is higher for tāngata Māori

8% for tāngata Māori in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara *and* **5%** for all people in Te Whanganui-ā-Tara.

Source: Census 2018

Tūpiki Ora – Monitoring and Reporting Framework

Purpose of this document: Outline how the Council will plan, measure, monitor and report progress of priorities for Mana Whenua, for Māori



ACTIONS TRACKING

Kōrero taunaki | Summary of considerations

Purpose

1. This report provides an update on the past actions agreed by the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic, or its equivalent, at its previous meetings.

Strategic alignment with community wellbeing outcomes and priority areas

Aligns with the following strategies and priority areas:

- Sustainable, natural eco city
 - People friendly, compact, safe and accessible capital city
 - Innovative, inclusive and creative city
 - Dynamic and sustainable economy
- Strategic alignment with priority objective areas from Long-term Plan 2021–2031**
- Functioning, resilient and reliable three waters infrastructure
 - Affordable, resilient and safe place to live
 - Safe, resilient and reliable core transport infrastructure network
 - Fit-for-purpose community, creative and cultural spaces
 - Accelerating zero-carbon and waste-free transition
 - Strong partnerships with mana whenua

Relevant Previous decisions

Not applicable.

Financial considerations

Nil

Budgetary provision in Annual Plan / Long-term Plan

Unbudgeted \$X

Risk

Low

Medium

High

Extreme

| | |
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| Author | Emily Deans, Democracy Advisor |
| Authoriser | Kym Fell, Chief Customer and Community Officer |

Taunakitanga | Officers' Recommendations

Officers recommend the following motion

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee:

1. Receive the information.

Whakarāpopoto | Executive Summary

2. This report lists the dates of previous committee meetings and the items discussed at those meetings.
3. Each clause within the resolution has been considered separately and the following statuses have been assigned:
 - In progress: Resolutions with this status are currently being implemented.
 - Complete: Clauses which have been completed, either by officers subsequent to the meeting, or by the meeting itself (i.e. by receiving or noting information).
4. All actions will be included in the subsequent monthly updates but completed actions will only appear once.

Takenga mai | Background

5. At the 13 May 2021 Council meeting, the recommendations of the Wellington City Council Governance Review were endorsed and agreed to be implemented.
6. On 25 October 2022 through memorandum, the 2022-2025 committee structure chosen by Mayor Tory Whanau was advised. This included establishment of the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee.
7. The Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee for the 2022-2025 triennium fulfills the functions of Pūroro Rangaranga | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee of the 2019-2022 triennium.
8. The purpose of this report is to ensure that all resolutions are being actioned over time. It does not take the place of performance monitoring or full updates. The committee could resolve to receive a full update report on an item if it wishes.

Kōrerorero | Discussion

9. Of the 35 resolutions of the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee in March 2023:
 - 8 are in progress.
 - 27 are complete.
10. 27 in progress actions have been carried forward from the previous action tracking reports.
11. Note that there were resolutions made in the public excluded portions of the previous Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee meetings.
12. For a public excluded resolution, each individual clause will not be reported on in a public meeting. These resolutions have been treated as a whole.

13. Updates on individual clauses of a public excluded resolution can be provided to councillors outside of a formal meeting.
14. Further detail is provided in Attachment One.

Attachments

Attachment 1. Actions Tracking [↓](#) 

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| Date | ID | Committee | Title | Clause # | Clause | Status | Comment |
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| ##### | 188 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.2 Cemeteries Management Plan | 6 | Note that options for non-perpetual plots will be reported back to Council for approval within the next three years. | In progress | The management plan was approved in 2020. The question about non-perpetual rights is still pending investigation but need to report noted. |
| 7/10/2021 | 191 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.1 Reserves Act 1977 Stormwater Attenuation Easement - 33 Ladbrooke Drive, Newlands (Waihinahina park - In Memory of Dennis Duggan) | 2 | Agree to grant an easement in perpetuity over land at Waihinahina Park - in Memory of Dennis Duggan, being part of Lot 2 DP 303502 (ROT 14039), pursuant to s48 of the Reserves Act 1977. | In progress | Currently waiting for detailed designs from applicant. |
| 4/02/2022 | 235 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.3 Future of the former Workingmen's Bowling Club Site, Wellington Town Belt | 3 | Agree that Council run an expression of interest process for community groups or related parties, wishing to use or manage the site, including groups who may need assistance from Council. | In progress | Community engagement completed 27 March - 27 April seeking ideas for the future of the site via survey & in-person workshops, officers are now evaluating these responses. |
| 4/02/2022 | 236 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.3 Future of the former Workingmen's Bowling Club Site, Wellington Town Belt | 4 | Agree that officers report to the Pūroro Maherehere Annual Plan / Long-term Plan Committee about the outcome of this process. | In progress | Noted funding for project confirmed in 22/23 Annual Plan - funding is allocated in the 23/24 Financial Year. Officers to report back following evaluation of community responses. |
| 7/04/2022 | 252 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.2 Trading and event sites on Wellington Town Belt and reserves | 7 | Agree to review the approval framework in three years. | In progress | |
| 5/05/2022 | 254 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.1 Tūpiki Ora Māori Strategy | 3 | Agree that Council support Māori Wardens in their important work around the city including finding them a base to operate from and supporting with equipment and support to operate. | In progress | Māori wardens are an important component of the city's capable guardianship approach. Officers will be meeting with the Māori Wardens on 10 March 2023 to continue to develop this relationship and identify opportunities to provide further support |
| 5/05/2022 | 255 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.3 Trails Wellington Matairangi Track Proposal | 2 | Agree that a one new mountain bike trail in Matairangi will be built as per Attachment 1 and that the short section of track already used for walking near Hataitai saddle is retained as shared track and designed accordingly. | In progress | |
| 5/05/2022 | 257 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.3 Trails Wellington Matairangi Track Proposal | 4 | Agree that officers will report back to Council through the Open Space and Recreation Strategy and the Open Space Access Plan to investigate and then develop in partnership with disabled people | In progress | Recommendation will be included in 23/24 Annual Plan discussions. |
| 5/05/2022 | 258 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.3 Trails Wellington Matairangi Track Proposal | 5 | Agree that an existing section of the City to Sea walkway is sealed and realigned to meet the accessibility needs for a broader audience on Matairangi. | In progress | |
| 5/05/2022 | 259 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.3 Trails Wellington Matairangi Track Proposal | 6 | Agree that officers will reassess walking and biking trails on Matairangi within the next 6 months, giving effect to existing plans and policies (such as Open Space Access Plan 2016) that prioritise walkers and investigate changing some existing trails to walking only. | In progress | |
| 2/06/2022 | 279 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.2 Engagement summary and adoption of the Economic Wellbeing Strategy | 8 | Request officers report back to the council with a high-level progress report on how the Economic Wellbeing strategy actions are tracking, along with officer recommendations for funding prior to the 2024 LTP. | In progress | Update planned for 28 June SCE hui. |
| 2/06/2022 | 288 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.4 Access Licence over Wellington Town Belt to Ministry of Education (Ellice Street, Mount Victoria) | 2 | Agree to grant a new licence to the Ministry of Education (subject to the usual terms and conditions noted below), over part of Wellington Town Belt at Mount Victoria 100 Alexandra Road being part of Section 1 SO 476360 (ROT 742966) pursuant to s17 of the Wellington Town Belt Act 2016 | In progress | |
| 2/06/2022 | 289 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.4 Access Licence over Wellington Town Belt to Ministry of Education (Ellice Street, Mount Victoria) | 3 | Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to carry out all steps to effect the licence | In progress | |
| 2/06/2022 | 290 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.4 Access Licence over Wellington Town Belt to Ministry of Education (Ellice Street, Mount Victoria) | 4 | Note that any approval to grant the licence is conditional on a. Appropriate iwi consultation b. Public consultation under s16 Wellington Town Belt Act 2016 c. No sustained objections resulting from the above consultation d. Legal and advertising costs being met by the respective licensee along with a bond | Completed | Public consultation carried out. One objection was received and PSR officers are working with the objector and applicant to see if the objection can be resolved. |

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| 4/08/2022 | 500 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 19 | Note officers will report back to the Council by February 2023 on the details of the suspensory loan agreement and specific sites recommended for capitalisation | In progress | Further advice on specific properties will be provided to the committee following discussion with the CHP board (later in 2023). |
| 4/08/2022 | 502 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 21 | Agree that the details of the transfer of major maintenance responsibility from the Council to the CHP will be agreed by the CHP and Council in stage 2 of the transition, through the development of the asset management strategy for the portfolio | Completed | Drafted into relevant documents including asset plan and lease agreement |
| 4/08/2022 | 503 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 22 | Agree to establish a ring-fenced major maintenance fund, sitting on the Council's balance sheet, to fund all major maintenance required on the leased portfolio | Completed | In progress as part of transition planning. |
| 4/08/2022 | 505 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 24 | Agree that officers explore the opportunity to raise HUP2 debt as sustainable or social finance from the Local Government Funding Authority | Completed | |
| 4/08/2022 | 512 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 31 | Agree that the following will be included in the lease agreement to provide certainty for tenants about their rental terms and conditions a. The core components of the Council's current rental policy (i.e. 30% starting discount for eligible tenants, 80+ rent freeze, ARL and rent caps) will apply to existing tenants who transfer across to the CHP at the point of establishment, as long as they remain tenants of the CHP. b. The Council's decision to freeze rents for 2022/23, confirming rent cannot be increased until September 2023 c. Any review of the rental policy for existing tenants must be jointly carried out by the CHP and Council and should consider i. Any changes in government policy or other settings that have impacted (either positively or negatively) tenants' rental affordability ii. The impact of the new tenant support fund (Recommendation 34) iii. The financial position of the CHP iv. The ongoing affordability of the rental policy for the Council, given the Council will be funding the operating shortfalls from the policy v. Other factors the CHP and the Council consider to be relevant. | Completed | Updated advice to be provided in March 2023 report back. |
| 4/08/2022 | 513 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 32 | Note that officers will report back to the Committee by February 2023 on how the Council's rental policy will apply to the CHP through the lease agreement as referred to above, having considered various requirements, including the Residential Tenancies Act and Local Government Act | Completed | Advice was provided in March 2023. |
| 4/08/2022 | 515 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 34 | Agree to establish an additional \$8-10m tenant support fund, to be administered by the CHP, to provide rental relief and/or cost-of-living support for existing tenants who transition across to the CHP | Completed | Being actioned through transition plan. |
| 4/08/2022 | 518 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 37 | Note officers will work with central government to update the Deed of Grant to recognise the CHP's establishment and decisions taken in this paper | In progress | Work underway as part of transition plan. |
| 4/08/2022 | 522 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 41 | Agree to establish a Tenant Public housing Advisory group with membership support from subject matter experts (eg. Community Law, City Mission). Council will support the advisory group with administrative support. This group will be established as soon as possible to advise through the transition process and continue once the CHP is established. | Completed | Group established and providing input to the transition. |
| 4/08/2022 | 523 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 42 | Request further advice with regards to the operation of Te Kainga in light of a CHP being established. | In progress | |
| 4/08/2022 | 524 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 43 | Request that officer produce and publish analysis about removing the market rent structure and giving income-related rents to all existing tenants. | In progress | |
| 4/08/2022 | 528 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 47 | Request officers to report back by February with further advice on how the CHP could be encouraged to pursue the suggestions made in recommendation 6d of the Taskforce and ways to encourage places being provided to new tenants who are not prioritised by the MSD/ Kāinga Ora waiting list to be housed by the CHP. For example, fit elderly, disabled, migrant and refugee communities | Completed | Advice being provided in March 2023 paper. |
| 4/08/2022 | 531 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 City Housing sustainability detailed CHP design and transition | 50 | Agree for the Council to continue to advocate for the extension of the IRRS or an alternative funding package to allow council to provide affordable housing to the city's tenants and to allow for the construction of new public housing and access to government funded social service support. | In progress | |
| 4/08/2022 | 535 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Better Off Funding application | 1 | Receive the information relating to the application criteria and process for applying for Tranche 1 of the Better off Funding. | Completed | Agreement has been signed and first 10% of funding received towards projects |

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| 4/08/2022 | 536 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Better Off Funding application | 2 | Agree that the \$14.42m available to Wellington City Council under Tranche 1 of the Better off Funding should be applied for. | Completed | Agreement has been signed and first 10% of funding received towards projects. |
| 4/08/2022 | 537 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Better Off Funding application | 3 | Agree that ~\$4m of the Better off Funding available under Tranche 1 be applied for in relation to Project 1 Sub-surface digital twin. | Completed | Agreement has been signed and first 10% of funding received towards projects. |
| 4/08/2022 | 538 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Better Off Funding application | 4 | Agree that up to \$1m of the Better off Funding available under Tranche 1 be applied for in relation to Project 2 Johnsonville Wastewater upgrade design and project works. | Completed | Agreement has been signed and first 10% of funding received towards projects. |
| 4/08/2022 | 539 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Better Off Funding application | 5 | Agree that \$3m of the Better off Funding available under Tranche 1 be applied for in relation to Project 3 Scale up community engagement activities outlined in Te Atakura. | Completed | Agreement has been signed and first 10% of funding received towards projects. |
| 4/08/2022 | 540 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Better Off Funding application | 6 | Agree that the balance of the Better off Funding available under Tranche 1 be applied for in relation to Project 4 Social Housing CHP tenant support fund. | Completed | Agreement has been signed and first 10% of funding received towards projects. |
| 4/08/2022 | 541 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Better Off Funding application | 7 | Instruct Officers to complete the Better off Funding Package Funding Proposal in application for the above projects immediately to ensure the application can be completed in time to meet the deadlines set out by DIA. | Completed | Agreement has been signed and first 10% of funding received towards projects. |
| 4/08/2022 | 542 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Better Off Funding application | 8 | Once review and negotiation has been completed with DIA, instruct Officers to execute Better off Funding Package Funding Agreement with DIA with the assistance of Crown Infrastructure Partners. | Completed | Agreement has been signed and first 10% of funding received towards projects. |
| 4/08/2022 | 543 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Better Off Funding application | 9 | Delegate authority to submit Better Off Funding Package Funding Proposal and sign/authorise Better Off Package Funding Agreement to the Chief Executive. | Completed | Agreement has been signed and first 10% of funding received towards projects. |
| 1/09/2022 | 928 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 Tūpiki Ora Action Plan | 1 | Approve the Tūpiki Ora Action Plan with minor editorial changes following the Committee meeting. | In progress | Progressing, editorial changes have been included, confirming inclusion of Council, Committees, Advisory Boards, etc before confirming final document. |
| 1/09/2022 | 929 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 Tūpiki Ora Action Plan | 2 | Agree to include the members of the Council, Council committees, Community Boards and Advisory groups in the action point for Goal 3.4. | In progress | Agree in principle, need to confirm training requirements and details with Council to deliver this before including into Action Plan. |
| 1/09/2022 | 931 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 Reserves Act 1977 Stormwater and Water supply easements and associated works - Grenada North Reserve and Caribbean Drive Reserve | 2 | Agree to grant a mains stormwater easement in perpetuity over land at Grenada North Reserve, being part of Lot 5 DP 54434 and held on ROT WN23C/210, pursuant to Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977. | In progress | |
| 1/09/2022 | 932 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 Reserves Act 1977 Stormwater and Water supply easements and associated works - Grenada North Reserve and Caribbean Drive Reserve | 3 | Agree to grant a mains water supply easement in perpetuity over land at Caribbean Drive Reserve, being part of Part Section 41 Horokiwi Road District and held on WN34C/629, pursuant to Section 48 of the Reserves Act 1977. | In progress | |
| 1/09/2022 | 933 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 Reserves Act 1977 Stormwater and Water supply easements and associated works - Grenada North Reserve and Caribbean Drive Reserve | 4 | Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer all necessary powers to negotiate and finalise the terms of the easements, including any compensation and any works in relation to the easements. | In progress | |
| 1/09/2022 | 934 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 Reserves Act 1977 Stormwater and Water supply easements and associated works - Grenada North Reserve and Caribbean Drive Reserve | 5 | Note that the works will proceed in accordance with final Parks, Sport and Recreation agreement to all reserve management, work access and reinstatement plans. | In progress | |
| 1/09/2022 | 935 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 Reserves Act 1977 Stormwater and Water supply easements and associated works - Grenada North Reserve and Caribbean Drive Reserve | 6 | Note that above approvals are conditional on a. Public notification under Sections 119 and 120 of the Reserves Act 1977 b. No sustained objections resulting from the above consultation and notification c. Wellington Water Limited's approval of the final designs, and ongoing management requirements and responsibilities for the stormwater and water supply infrastructure d. Satisfactory peer review of technical reports in relation to the proposed earthworks (as may be deemed necessary) e. All related costs being met by Grenada North Nominees Ltd. | Completed | |
| 1/09/2022 | 938 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Karori Event Centre | 3 | Agree to repurpose the KEC \$1.9 million capital and \$95,000 annual operational budget to complete the build and fit-out and deliver a community hall for Karori. | In progress | Work is underway to refit the community space, starting with ensuring the building meets code of compliance requirements for the safety of all users. |

| Date | ID | Committee | Title | Clause # | Clause | Status | Comment |
|-----------|------|--|---|----------|---|-------------|---|
| 1/09/2022 | 939 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Karori Event Centre | 4 | Progress the Deed of Gift, and for Council to accept the gifting, of the Karori Event Centre Building from the Karori Community Hall Trust. | Completed | The Deed and gifting was signed and completed in December 2022. |
| 1/09/2022 | 940 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Karori Event Centre | 5 | Note that this gift will be the subject of a Deed of Gift detailing the terms and conditions required by both Council and the Trust. | Completed | The Deed was signed in December 2022. |
| 1/09/2022 | 941 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 Karori Event Centre | 6 | Note that the fit-out capital project will be managed by Wellington City Council once the building has been gifted by the Trust to the Council. | In progress | The Deed was signed in December 2022. Refer to action 938. |
| 1/09/2022 | 943 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.4 Circa Funding Request | 2 | Agree to recommend to the Pūroro Maherehere Annual Plan/Long-term Plan Committee inclusion of \$550,000 opex in the 2023/2024 draft Annual Plan for Circa Theatre's building upgrade which represents an additional one-off 0.18% rates increase. | In progress | Recommendation will be included in 23/24 Annual Plan discussions. |
| 1/09/2022 | 974 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.5 CHP transition residual Trust Deed decisions | 21 | Agree in principle to the following components of a relationship management and monitoring framework between the CHP and the Council a. Overarching relationship management agreement that sets out relationship principles and ways of working b. Supporting commercial agreements, including the lease agreement and suspensory loan agreement c. Regular reporting requirements to Council at a management and governance level d. Establishment of a Council relationship management/liason function to oversee the day-to-day relationship between the entities | Completed | Further advice provided in March 2023. |
| 1/09/2022 | 976 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.5 CHP transition residual Trust Deed decisions | 22 | Note further work is required on the details of the Council oversight arrangements to ensure they are appropriate from a regulatory perspective and officers will report back to the Council with further advice in February 2023. | Completed | Further advice provided in March 2023. |
| 1/09/2022 | 986 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.5 CHP transition residual Trust Deed decisions | 26 | Officers to report back to the relevant governing committees by February 2023 (or earlier, if possible) with a. A finalised Trust Deed for the Council's approval, including a recommended name for the Trust b. Recommendations for the appointment of the Council-Appointed Trustees, including the interim Chair c. Further detail on the Council's relationship and oversight framework d. Recommended short list of City Housing sites for the capitalisation of the CHP, and any further details on the suspensory loan agreement related to these sites e. An update on the development of the lease agreement between the CHP and the Council f. Advice on changes to the August 2022 resolutions on the approach to reviewing rent settings for transferring tenants and/or Board size and composition g. Any further advice on how the CHP could be encouraged to i. pursue the Mayor's taskforce recommendation (6d) related to tenant support services and ii. provide places to new tenants who are not prioritised on the MSD public housing waitlist h. A recommended approach to joint CHP-Council governance of Stage 2 of the transition. | Completed | |
| 1/09/2022 | 990 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.5 CHP transition residual Trust Deed decisions | 28 | Note the City Housing team is continuing to provide regular communication and support to tenants to ensure they are kept up to date, including a regular pānui, letters with key updates, and drop-in sessions and on-site support from Tenancy Advisors as needed. | Completed | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1286 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 2.1 Drone Fireworks Petition for All Public Events | 1 | Receive the information. | Completed | The information was formally received by the Committee. |
| 2/03/2023 | 1287 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 1 | Receive the information | Completed | The information was formally received by the Committee. |
| 2/03/2023 | 1288 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 2 | Agree that the name of the CHP Trust will be Te Toi Mahana | Completed | |

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| 2/03/2023 | 1289 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 3 | Note in June 2022 Council agreed through an LTP amendment that it will provide the CHP with \$35m of upfront capitalisation, made up of \$10m in "gifted" property and \$23m of "gifted" cash to enable the CHP to deliver new social housing supply, and up to \$2m of "gifted" cash to meet establishment costs | Completed | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1290 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 4 | Note these "gifts" (except for \$0.5m which was provided to the Trust on settlement under the Trust Deed) will be governed by a Funding Agreement and the Council will have security over these through a first ranking registered mortgage over the "gifted" properties and any other properties purchased with the "gifted" cash | Completed | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1291 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 5 | Agree that the Funding Agreement will specify that if the CHP wants to raise external finance against the "gifted" properties for the purposes of development a. It must provide the Council with a development plan that specifies the sources and uses of finance and the how the development will increase housing supply and/or other ways in which the borrowing will advance the CHP's Charitable Purposes b. Subject to a satisfactory development plan, the Council will allow the thirdparty lender to take the first-ranking security position over the properties, with the Council taking the second-ranking position | Completed | Now drafted into Funding Agreement |
| 2/03/2023 | 1292 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 6 | Agree that, if the CHP wishes to sell all or part of a specific "gifted" property subject to the security requirements, it will be required to a. notify the Council b. demonstrate the sale achieves the CHP's Charitable Purposes set out in the Trust Deed, and c. place the Council in an equivalent security position after the transaction is complete | Completed | Now drafted into Funding Agreement |
| 2/03/2023 | 1293 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 7 | Agree that release of the \$23m cash capitalisation "gifted" for development activities will be subject to the following for each development, to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive a. a business case setting out the nature of the development, proposed typology and amenities, target tenant cohort, alignment with the supply and demand for housing in the relevant area and financial implications for the CHP including the likely forecast yield on any significant investment b. any information required to be provided to HUD as a condition of entering into an IRRS contract (or similar) in relation to the development c. evidence that any required third-party financier consents and commitments have been obtained d. a mutually acceptable decanting plan (if required) e. acceptable details regarding sources and uses of funding, including relevant contingencies f. reporting to Council through mechanisms set out in the Relationship and Reporting Agreement and paid according to the delivery against determined milestones with the reporting timeframe to be on a 3 monthly basis on key financial metrics for the first two years and full reporting on a 6 monthly basis | Completed | Now drafted into Funding Agreement |
| 2/03/2023 | 1294 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 8 | Agree that any in-year changes required in the phasing of the \$23m cash can be approved by the Council's Chief Financial Officer and Chief Executive | Completed | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1295 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 9 | Note the Council has previously agreed that a. these "gifted" amounts would only be repaid to the Council in the event the CHP becomes insolvent and is wound up or another extraordinary event occurs ("Default Events") and b. any return would be subject to the rights of any first-ranking lender to exercise security they hold over the "gifted" properties | Completed | |

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| 2/03/2023 | 1296 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 10 | Agree the Funding Agreement will specify the following 'Default Events' as situations whereby the "gifted" amounts will be repaid to the Council a. Loss of registration as a Community Housing Provider b. Insolvency c. Termination of the Lease Agreement by the Council for a CHP default d. Use of the "gifts" in breach of the permitted purposes for which they were "gifted" e. Default under any other/related financing agreement (which would automatically trigger default under this Agreement) | Completed | Now drafted into Funding Agreement |
| 2/03/2023 | 1297 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 11 | Delegate to the Chief Executive the ability to negotiate the finalisation of the detailed Funding Agreement with the CHP Board in line with Council resolutions | In progress | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1298 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 12 | Delegate to the Chief Executive the ability to a. review the Funding Agreement jointly with the CHP Board, within two years of commencement, to ensure it is operating as intended and b. agree any resulting variation (and any future required variation) to the Funding Agreement provided that it is consistent with the CHP's Charitable Purposes and has no material impact on the Council's overall financial or risk position | Completed | Included in delegations manual and in the Funding Agreement |
| 2/03/2023 | 1299 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 13 | Note officers are discussing with the CHP Board a set of properties for "gifting" and will report back to the Committee with recommendations on specific sites later in 2023 | In progress | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1300 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 14 | Agree that, as required by CHRA, the following will be included in the Lease Agreement relating to the rental terms for transferring tenants (including tenants in leased and "gifted" properties), replacing the Committee's decisions from August 2022 a. Existing tenants will transfer across to the CHP on their existing rent and the Council's decision to freeze rent until September 2023 will remain in place in relation to these tenants b. Core aspects of the current rental policy will transfer across to the CHP and apply to existing/transferring tenants only, including an up to 30% starting discount on rent, annual rent increase caps, 80+ rent freeze and the Affordable Rent Limit Subsidy (ARL) c. With respect to any future review of these rental terms i. If the CHP is in financial distress (as determined by the CHP Board), the CHP can make necessary changes to these rental terms as long as it signals any changes to tenants and Council as far in advance as is reasonably practicable ii. If the CHP is not in financial distress but wants to make changes to these rental terms, the CHP must actively consult with the Council as an interested party and make reasonable attempts to consider the Council's view as it makes decisions on changes (but is not required to seek Council's agreement) iii. In making changes to rental terms, the CHP will consider the following • Any changes in government policy or other settings that have impacted (positively or negatively) tenants' rental affordability • Impact of the tenant support fund on tenant wellbeing which the Council has provided to the CHP • The financial position of the CHP and the ring-fenced major maintenance fund • Other factors the CHP considers relevant. | Completed | Now drafted in Lease Agreement |
| 2/03/2023 | 1301 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 16 | Agree that, where the CHP is borrowing for new supply from external lenders, the CHP will seek approval from the Council in the following circumstances, noting these circumstances are not necessarily expected to occur a. Where the borrowing may have an impact on the Council's debt covenants or credit agency ratings b. Where lenders are seeking protection from the Council for the Council to Minutes of the Kōrau Mātinitini Social, Cultural and Economic 02/03/2023 Page 15 repay the debt should the Council choose to voluntarily terminate the Lease Agreement | Completed | Now drafted in Lease Agreement |

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| 2/03/2023 | 1302 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 17 | Agree to include a renewal right for the CHP in the Lease Agreement for up to 15 years, subject to a. HUD agreeing to such the renewal right under the Deed of Grant b. resolution, at the time, of any resource consent issues for properties on part titles | Completed | Now drafted in Lease Agreement |
| 2/03/2023 | 1303 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 18 | Delegate to the Chief Executive the ability to negotiate the finalisation of the Lease Agreement with the CHP Board in line with Council resolutions | In progress | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1304 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 19 | Delegate to the Chief Executive the ability to agree with the CHP any future variation required to the Lease Agreement provided a variation is consistent with achieving the CHP's Charitable Purposes and has no material impact on the Council's overall financial or risk position | Completed | Included in delegations manual |
| 2/03/2023 | 1305 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 20 | Note the Council has previously agreed the core components of the relationship and oversight arrangements between the CHP and the Council which include a. An overarching relationship management agreement that sets out relationship principles and ways of working b. Supporting commercial agreements, including the Lease Agreement and Funding Agreement c. Regular reporting to Council at a management and governance level d. Establishment of a Council relationship management/liasion function to oversee the day-to-day relationship between the entities | Completed | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1306 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 21 | Agree the attached Relationship and Reporting Agreement (RRA) which gives effect to Recommendation 20 and includes a. Key principles and ways of working between the two organisations b. Articulation of the core roles and responsibilities of each organisation c. Summary of the roles for both Council and CHRA with respect to oversight and monitoring d. Relationship structure that will be established between the organisations, including at management and governance level e. Principles for jointly exploring development opportunities f. Reporting requirements for each party and key performance metrics g. Dispute resolution process | Completed | Agreement being drafted according to draft attached to paper |
| 2/03/2023 | 1307 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 22 | Delegate to the Chief Executive the ability to finalise the RRA with the CHP Board in line with Council resolutions | In progress | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1308 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 23 | Note the City Housing team is continuing to provide regular communication and support to tenants to ensure they are kept up to date on the transition, including a regular panui, letters with key updates, drop-in sessions and on-site support from Tenancy Advisors as needed, and the establishment of a tenant feedback panel and new project website with all relevant transition information. | Completed | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1309 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 24 | Note the CHP Board Chair and officers will provide an update on the transition to Councillors later in April/May through a briefing or workshop | Completed | Briefing provided 26 April. |
| 2/03/2023 | 1310 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 25 | Add in a metric to Tenant Wellbeing for regular reporting on the number of houses that comply with Healthy Homes standards. | Completed | Drafted in Relationship Agreement |
| 2/03/2023 | 1311 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 26 | Request quantitative information in the reporting of metrics 24 and 25 - new supply development intentions and active developments so that we are receiving more than narrative reporting. | Completed | Drafted in Relationship Agreement |
| 2/03/2023 | 1312 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 27 | Agree that Council will provide the Tenants Panel with a one off sum of \$1000 and from 2024 onwards, the Tenants Panel is eligible to apply for the same funding as Residents Associations as offered by council (Grants Subcommittee). | Completed | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1313 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.1 CHP transition remaining decisions on governing documents | 28 | Agree the CEO will report back to Council on the exercising of her delegated powers on a regular basis to the appropriate committee. | In progress | |

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| 2/03/2023 | 1314 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 National Hockey Stadium - Sportsville Partnership Feasibility Fund | 1 | Receive the information. | Completed | The information was formally received by the Committee. |
| 2/03/2023 | 1315 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.3 National Hockey Stadium - Sportsville Partnership Feasibility Fund | 2 | Agree to allocate \$38,700 from the Sportsville Feasibility Fund to the Wellington Regional Hockey Stadium Trust. | In progress | Agreement signed awaiting invoice |
| 2/03/2023 | 1316 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 Te Whai Oranga Pōneke - Open Space and Recreation Strategy | 1 | Receive the information. | Completed | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1317 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 Te Whai Oranga Pōneke - Open Space and Recreation Strategy | 2 | Agree to undertake public consultation on the draft Te Whai Oranga Pōneke - The Open Space and Recreation strategy (as attached). | In progress | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1318 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.2 Te Whai Oranga Pōneke - Open Space and Recreation Strategy | 3 | Delegate to the Chief Executive and the Chair or Deputy Chair of the Kōrau Mātinitini Social, Cultural and Economic Committee the authority to amend the Statement of Proposal to include any amendments agreed by the Kōrau Mātinitini Social, Cultural and Economic at this meeting and any minor consequential edits. | In progress | |
| 2/03/2023 | 1319 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.4 Actions Tracking | 1 | Receive the information. | Completed | The information was formally received by the Committee. |
| 2/03/2023 | 1320 | Social, Cultural, and Economic Committee | 3.5 Forward Programme | 1 | Receive the information. | Completed | Note the City Housing team is continuing to provide regular communication and support to tenants to ensure they are kept up to date on the transition, including a regular pānui, letters with key updates, drop-in sessions and on-site support from Tenancy Advisors as needed, and the establishment of a tenant feedback panel and new project website with all relevant transition information. |

FORWARD PROGRAMME

Kōrero taunaki | Summary of considerations

Purpose

1. This report provides the Forward Programme for the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic for the next two meetings.

Strategic alignment with community wellbeing outcomes and priority areas

Aligns with the following strategies and priority areas:

- Sustainable, natural eco city
 - People friendly, compact, safe and accessible capital city
 - Innovative, inclusive and creative city
 - Dynamic and sustainable economy
- Strategic alignment with priority objective areas from Long-term Plan 2021–2031**
- Functioning, resilient and reliable three waters infrastructure
 - Affordable, resilient and safe place to live
 - Safe, resilient and reliable core transport infrastructure network
 - Fit-for-purpose community, creative and cultural spaces
 - Accelerating zero-carbon and waste-free transition
 - Strong partnerships with mana whenua

Relevant Previous decisions

Not applicable.

Financial considerations

- Nil Budgetary provision in Annual Plan / Long-term Plan Unbudgeted \$X

Risk

- Low Medium High Extreme

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| Author | Emily Deans, Democracy Advisor |
| Authoriser | Kym Fell, Chief Customer and Community Officer |

Taunakitanga | Officers' Recommendations

Officers recommend the following motion

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee:

1. Receive the information.

Whakarāpopoto | Executive Summary

2. The Forward Programme sets out the reports planned for the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee in the next two meetings that require committee consideration.
3. The Forward Programme is a working document and is subject to change on a regular basis.

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4. Thursday, 28 June 2023
 - Economic Wellbeing Strategy Update (Chief Strategy and Governance Officer)
 - Community Facilities Network Plan (Chief Customer and Community Officer)
 - Adoption of the Open Space and Recreation Strategy (Chief Customer and Community Officer)
 - Dog Policy and Dog Exercise Areas Review (Chief Strategy and Governance Officer)
 - Animals Bylaw Review – approval to consult (Chief Strategy and Governance Officer)
5. Thursday, 31 August 2023
 - Oral submissions for the Community Facilities Plan (Chief Customer and Community Officer)
 - Oral submissions for the Dog Policy and Animal Bylaw Review (Chief Strategy and Governance Officer)

Attachments

Nil

3. Public Excluded

Recommendation

That the Kōrau Mātinitini | Social, Cultural and Economic Committee:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, exclude the public from the following part of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

| General subject of the matter to be considered | Reasons for passing this resolution in relation to each matter | Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution |
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| 3.1 Future Council Accommodation | 7(2)(i) The withholding of the information is necessary to enable the local authority to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations). | s48(1)(a) That the public conduct of this item would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under Section 7. |

Note that the information will be considered for release after all negotiations have been concluded.
