

Turning Strategy into Action

Who, what and how of the Howick Local Board

Damian Light, Chair Howick Local Board

Tuesday 28 November 2023



Introduction

- Professional background in business improvement and performance management.
- Member of NZ Institute of Directors.
- Independent.
- October 2022 elected to Howick Local Board, Botany subdivision.

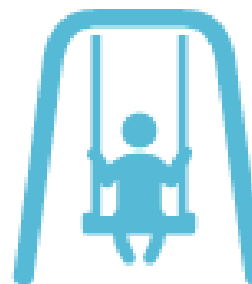


We have a population
of **144,744** or **9%**
of Auckland's total
population



We are the **5th**
largest urban area
in New Zealand

We are home to:



266 local parks

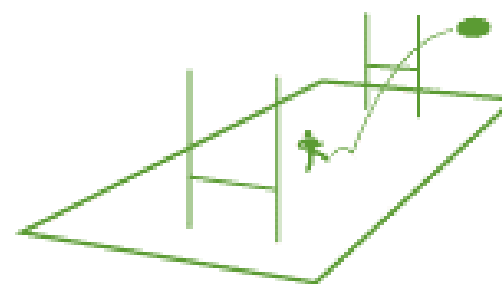


We have

**7 LOCAL
BEACHES**

and the Tāmaki River in our

**63km
OF COASTLINE**



14 sports parks



four libraries



**and four
recreation centres -
including one pool,
seven community halls
and houses**



Howick Local Board 2022-2025

Nine members, three from each subdivision:



Howick

Adele White

Bo Burns (Deputy Chair)

John Spiller

Pakuranga

Bruce Kendall

David Collings

Katrina Bungard

Botany

Damian Light (Chair)

Mike Turinsky

Peter Young



History of Howick councils

Howick Borough Council (1952-1989)

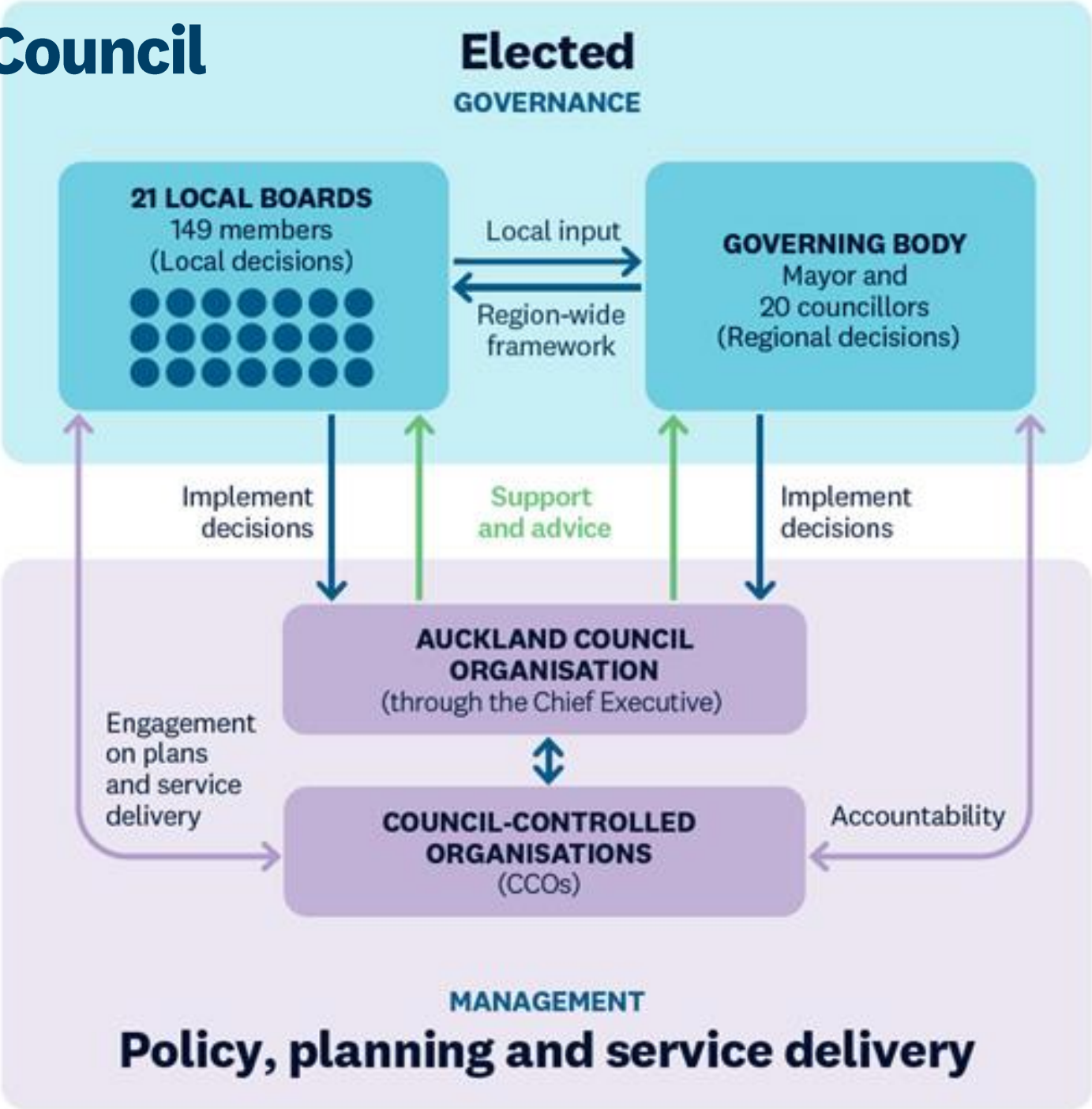
- Mayor.
- Councillors.

Manukau City Council (1989-2010)

- Mayor.
- One or two Councillors for each area (Howick had four).
- Community Boards (one each Pakuranga, Howick and Botany).
- Auckland Regional Council.



Auckland Council



Appointed/ selected

- Independent Māori Statutory Board (IMSB)
- Co-Governance entities
- CCO Boards

Auckland Transport
Watercare
Eke Panuku
Tātaki Auckland Unlimited
Port of Auckland

Role of the Local Board: Local Governance



More
Direct



Provide local services and programmes

- Libraries and leisure centres
- Park activations, events and awards
- Environmental restoration and pollution prevention



Maintain buildings and assets

- Libraries and community venues
- Parks, playgrounds and sports fields
- Tracks and carparks (non-AT)



Empower community groups

- Operational grants
- Contestable community grants
- Youth and community development



Advocate on community's behalf

- Governing Body
- Council Controlled Organisations (CCOs)
- Central Government and agencies



Less
Direct



Strategy



Action



Local Board Plan 2020-2023



Open Air Orchestra at Lloyd Elsmore Park.

Outcome 1: People in our communities feel safe, engaged and connected

People are proud to live in the area and actively participate to make it a wonderful, safe place to live, work and play.



Traps display at Festival 2019.

Outcome 4: Our natural environment is protected, restored and enhanced

Our wonderful environment and admired coastline is clean, safe and protected for all to use in the future.



Lloyd Elsmore Park Pool and Leisure Centre.

Outcome 2: Well-planned public spaces that support active, healthy and sustainable lifestyles

Our extensive network of public places and sport, recreation and leisure facilities are looked after so people of all ages and abilities can use them to remain healthy, active and connected.



Local cafe on Picton Street, Howick.

Outcome 5: A prosperous local economy supporting business growth and opportunity

New businesses in our area provide opportunities for local employment. Visitor numbers increase, attracted by our vibrant town centres, recreational opportunities, heritage and events.



Howick Chinese New Year 2020.

Outcome 3: Heritage, local arts and cultural diversity are valued

We are culturally diverse and have great facilities for creative activities and events, including music and dance, theatre and visual arts.



Cascades Road bridge showing the walkway connection down to the Cascades Walkway.

Outcome 6: Effective and accessible transport choices

A safe, convenient, accessible and affordable transport network that plays an important role in wellbeing of communities and health of local economies, by connecting people to each other, the goods and services they need (such as shopping outlets and health services), and their places of recreation, education and work.

Local Board Plan 2024-2027



Our People

Supporting people in our diverse communities to be strong, resilient, inclusive and healthy, and who actively participate to make our area a wonderful, safe place to live, work and play.



Our Places

Supporting our growth, development and transport by promoting vibrant town centres, better, more accessible public transport and greater connectivity with schools, key community facilities and transport hubs.



Our Environment

Protecting our natural environment to ensure the world we pass on to future generations has been well looked after and nourished.



Our Economy

Supporting our economic recovery by promoting local businesses, Business Improvement Districts, facilitating local youth employment and increasing tourism opportunities and visitor numbers.



Our Community

Supporting community participation with our services and facilities and maintain them in such a way as to efficiently provide maximum benefit for our area.

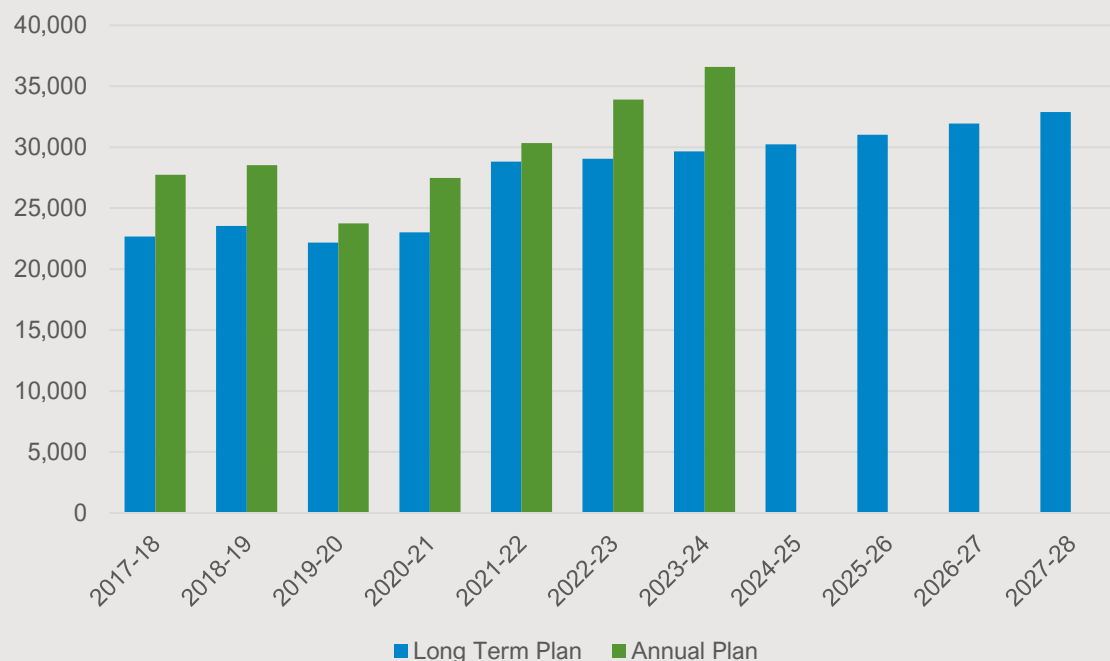
Financial reality – there's never enough money

Operating Expenditure (OPEX)

Used to run services and maintenance.
Funded through rates (40%), service charges and other revenue.

Howick = \$32M

Total Auckland Council = \$3.8B

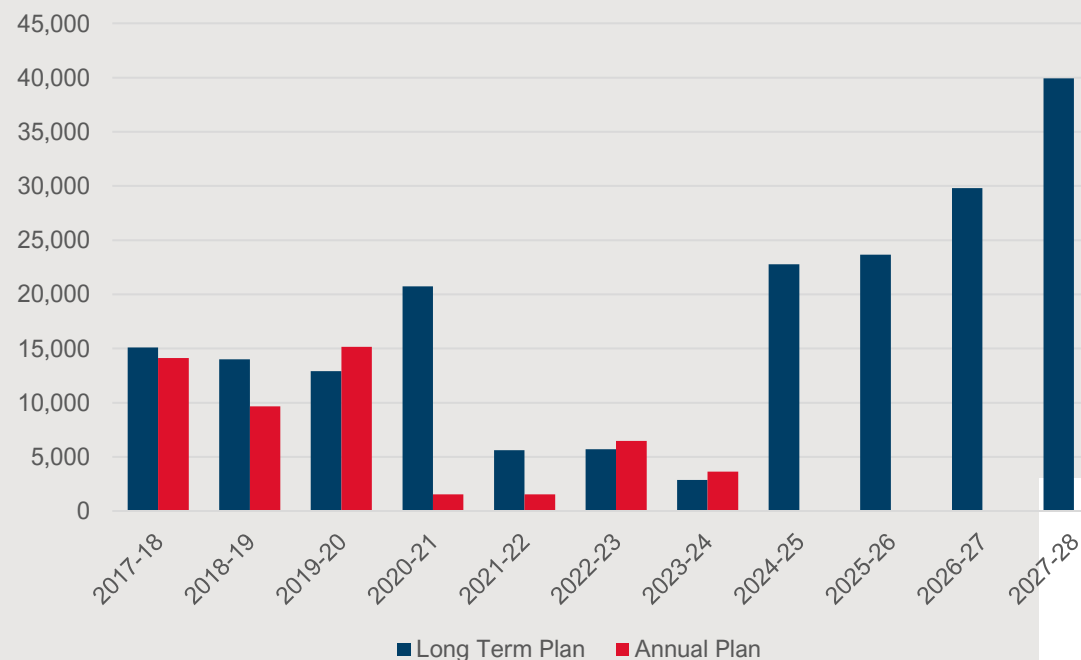


Capital Expenditure (CAPEX)

Used to build assets and complete major renewals.
Funded through debt.

Howick = \$3.6M

Total Auckland Council = \$3.2B



Our Action Plan for 2023/2024

People in our communities feel safe, engaged and connected	Youth Facility and Programmes (\$120k+) Crime Prevention Fund (\$81k)
Well-planned public spaces that support active, healthy and sustainable lifestyles	Renewals (\$2.3M) – tracks (\$124k) , LEP Skate (\$356k) , Nixon Carparks (\$95k) , Howick Library (\$34k+) Stevenson Reserve Flagpole (\$29k)
Heritage, local arts and cultural diversity are valued	Events (\$231k): Celebrating Cultures (\$50k) , Music in Parks (\$20k), ANZAC (\$30k), Stockade Hill Lights (\$25k) Operational Grants: Howick Historical Village (\$359k), UXBRIDGE (\$346k), Arts Out East (\$100k)
Our natural environment is protected, restored and enhanced	Pest Free Howick (\$200k), Stream Improvement (\$305k) Pollution prevention (\$45k) and Construction Waste (\$60k)
Prosperous local economy supporting business growth and opportunity	East Auckland Business Awards (\$10k) Howick Village Association sustainability (\$15k)
Effective and accessible transport choices	Local Board Transport Capital Fund (LBTCF) Advocate for Eastern Busway



Other ways to engage with us

- **Monthly newsletter:** please sign up.
- **Public consultations:** have your say.
- **Business meetings:** 3rd Thursday 12noon.
- **Community forums:** focused, invite only.
- **Arranged meetings:** upon request.
- **Annual Budget / Long Term Plan 2024**



Scan to sign up for our
monthly newsletter of
news and events



Reporting issues

Issues relating to	Report to	Contact
Trees, rubbish, parks, graffiti	Auckland Council	09 301 0101 aucklandcouncil.govt.nz
Transport, roads, buses, footpaths near roads	Auckland Transport	09 355 3553 aucklandtransport.govt.nz
Flooding, stormwater	Watercare	09 442 2222 watercare.co.nz

Escalate to the Local Board Office or your local Board member if required.





Cockle Bay, Howick

