

## Confirmation of Environmental Projects Budget Allocation

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### Purpose

1. This report seeks approval for allocation of three 2012/13 Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board opex budgets to a number of projects for implementation by the Environmental Services Unit.

### Executive Summary

2. The Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board has three budgets, with a total of \$180,775.00, to allocate to projects and programmes in the local board area. Environmental Services Unit officers met with members of the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board to establish the local board's aspirations for the allocation of these budgets. At a workshop held on 5 February 2013 potential projects and programmes were discussed with local board members following a site visit to potential project sites in the local board area. This report seeks the final approval for the allocation and expenditure of these budgets from the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board

### Recommendations

That the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board Strategy, Finance, Planning and Transport Committee:

- a) Agree to fund the following projects from the 2012/13 Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board budget for Tamaki Estuary/Panmure Basin Water Quality Improvements:

Tamaki Estuary/Panmure Basin Water Quality Improvements: \$51,650		
Project	Project Partners	Estimated Cost
Community Shellfish Monitoring	Point England School	\$1,000
Wai Care community engagement and monitoring programme in Omaru Creek	Wai Care coordinators at Morphem Environmental Ltd	\$11,675
Wai Care community engagement and monitoring programme at Johnson Reserve	Wai Care coordinators at Morphem Environmental Ltd	\$9,175
The River Talks Project – an innovative community engagement, arts, clean up and planting programme in Omaru Creek and tributary	Mad Ave Studios	\$7,300
Industry Pollution Prevention – to reduce pollution at the source	Wilkinson Environmental Limited	\$15,000
Household Sustainability Programme – Green Ambassadors	To be identified	\$7,500
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$51,650</b>

- b) Agree to fund the following projects from the 2012/13 Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board budget for Manukau Harbour Water Quality Improvements:

Manukau Harbour Water Quality Improvements: \$51,650		
Project	Project Partners	Estimated Cost
Understanding the sources of pollution and effects of that pollution at the Mangere Inlet	Project led by a Water Quality Advisor from the Environmental Services Unit	\$48,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$48,000</b>

- c) Agree to fund the following projects from the 2012/13 Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board budget for Ongoing Ecological Restoration:

Ongoing Ecological Restoration: \$77,475		
Project	Reference	Est. Cost
Ecological Restoration work at Apirana Reserve (Omaru Creek)	Ecological Restoration Priorities in Local Parks within Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board	\$45,000
Ann's Creek / Mangere Inlet Ecological Restoration	Ecological Restoration Priorities in Local Parks within Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board	\$12,000
Captain Springs Ecological Restoration of a threatened ecosystem	Ecological Restoration Priorities in Local Parks within Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board	\$10,000
Bycroft Springs Ecological Restoration of a threatened ecosystem	Ecological Restoration Priorities in Local Parks within Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board	\$10,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$77,000</b>

- d) Requests that any significant changes identified during programme delivery will be brought to the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board for approval.

## Discussion

3. The Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board Agreement, adopted in June 2012, highlights the protection of the local environment and heritage as one of the Local Board's priorities. In the area of local built and natural environment the local board has stated:  
"The Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board will prioritise projects that look after and restore our maunga, buildings, water, open spaces and wahi tapu. Improving the water quality and the foreshore of the Manukau Harbour and Tamaki Estuary are areas of particular focus."
4. Budget is included in the Long Term Plan for environmental restoration projects and programmes supporting the delivery of these initiatives.
5. The Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board has three budgets to allocate:
  - a) Tamaki Estuary / Panmure Basin Water Quality Improvements – to work with environmental groups such as the Tamaki Estuary Pollution Steering Group, the Tamaki

- Estuary Environmental Forum and the Panmure Basin Advisory Committee to improve water quality in the Tamaki Estuary and catchment.
- b) Manukau Harbour Water Quality Improvements – to work with local boards and others to engage local communities and develop a vision and strategy for improving water quality and the environs of the Manukau Harbour.
  - c) Ongoing Ecological Restoration – to support ongoing planting and maintenance of significant restoration projects within the Maungakiekie-Tamaki area.
6. At a workshop/site visit, held on Tuesday 5 February 2013, officers presented information and costs for environmental projects identified by the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board members as potential projects to be funded. After discussions at the workshop a suite of projects were identified as priorities for this financial year. These are included in the allocation table below.

Budget Allocation Table

Project	Project Partners/Stakeholders	Estimated Cost
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<b>Total</b>		<b>\$48,000</b>
<b>Ongoing Ecological Restoration: \$77,475</b>		
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Bycroft Springs Ecological Restoration of a threatened ecosystem	Ecological Restoration Priorities in Local Parks within Maungakiekie-	\$10,000

	Tamaki Local Board	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$77,000</b>

- Additional projects and recommendations from both officers and local board members were discussed and will be explored at future workshops with the local board for the next financial year. The workshops will seek to allocate any unexpended budget for this financial year and to develop a programme for the 2013/14 budget

## Consideration

### Local Board Views

- Members of Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board met with Environmental Services Unit staff to discuss budget allocations for 2012/13 environmental projects across the local board area. The local board members' recommendations have been captured in the budget allocation table provided in this report.

### Maori Impact Statement

- This report provides information for current and anticipated community led environmental programmes. Many of the identified activities are of interest to Maori and provisions for mana whenua participation, contribution, and/or consultation are incorporated into the relevant projects as part of the work programmes.

### General

- Responsibility for decision making and allocation of these budgets is the delegation of the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board.

## Implementation Issues

- There are no known financial or implementation issues arising from this report.
- Implementation of the projects will be regularly reported to the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board via the Infrastructure and Environmental Services Quarterly reports. A more detailed report will be presented to the local board at a workshop in May 2013 to give an update on the current projects and to forward plan for the next financial year.

## Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

## Signatories

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