

## Te Mahere ā-Tau 2026/2027

# Annual Plan 2026/2027

### Here's what this plan delivers

Our plan for 2026/2027 continues to target our spending where it will make the biggest difference for Tāmaki Makaurau and the people who call Auckland home. This year's plan prioritises transport, water and enabling local boards to respond to their communities.

**\$3.6 billion** into new capital infrastructure across Auckland - transport, water and other community infrastructure.

**\$5.5 billion** into essential services Aucklanders rely on - libraries, parks, pools, facilities, waste collection.

### Major projects for 2026/2027

#### City Rail Link opens

A more integrated transport system will benefit the whole region.

#### Urban regeneration

Planning for more houses, delivering amenities and transforming the city centre.

#### Water management

Upgraded regional wastewater and water supply networks.

#### Flood resilience

Making Space for Water programme protecting homes from flooding.

### Working across every community, every day

#### Roads & safety

Making better use of road space to move people & goods.

#### Transport

Improve public transport, walking tracks & cycleways.

#### Waste management

Continued rubbish collection & recycling centres available.

#### Libraries, pools & local facilities

Increased offerings & renewed facilities.

#### Parks and sports

Field upgrades and roads for community activities.

#### Local board priorities

21 boards delivering locally-led services.

#### Environment

Regional pest and weed management protects the environment.

#### Attractions

Events, the zoo, art gallery and museum driving the economy.

### Here's what it means for rates

**7.9% rates increase** for the average value residential property. The equivalent of **\$6.16/week \$321/year**.

Rates make up about 40% of council income and contribute significantly to improving quality-of-life and making Auckland a great place to live.

Owning and operating the new City Rail Link adds \$235 million a year once it opens later this year, on top of inflation, fuel cost increases and existing budget pressure. Council savings (\$106 million) and careful budgeting held the rates rise to the planned 7.9%.

### What each \$100 of rates pays for



\*Watercare is responsible for water supply and wastewater treatment in Auckland, while Auckland Council is responsible for stormwater. The rates shown do not include water or wastewater charges which are set by Watercare.