

Annual Sustainability Report

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From the Chairman and Chief Executive Investing in Sound Social and Community Outcomes

We are pleased to present the eighth HLC Sustainability Report. It has been another busy year at Hobsonville Point. Key achievements include: Significant partnering agreements with Ngati Whatua o Kaipara for the 'Te Uru' precinct, with Willis Bond for the development of Catalina Bay, and with Winton Partners for the development of the Marlborough Precinct.

In the twelve months to June 2016 our builder partners sold approximately 440 homes, including 141 affordable homes (at or under \$550k). Approximately 259 homes were completed within this timeframe, making Hobsonville Point the largest and fastest moving project in New Zealand).

Ngai Tahu (in partnership with the NZ Super Fund and New Ground Investment) and Ockham Residential joined our team of development and builder partners. Both have apartment projects underway including a significant number of affordable homes, and in the case of Ngai Tahu, a number of long term secure tenure rental homes.

As at June 2016, our number of residents grew to over 1700. The Residents Society continues to be a key partner of ours. The number of local businesses and shops continues to grow on Hobsonville Point Road as people make use of the flexible work-live spaces. We now have a sushi bar, cakery and pilates studio adding to the neighbourhood shops opposite the primary school. Te Awa Manawa, our coastal walkway, is nearing completion and it is great to see it so well used by locals and visitors to the area.

Sustainability, including investing in sound social outcomes, has been core to our vision from the outset and we are pleased with this year's results. Households in Hobsonville Point continue to have lower power and water use as compared to the average Auckland household, using 31% less water, and 31% less power. This is a significant saving and illustrates the value of building well-insulated homes with water saving elements such as rain water tanks.

The number of residents who feel that there is a strong sense of community has increased to 70%. This is a very high percentage, but we would like this to be even higher. Our focus on placemaking and community building will therefore continue.

Pleasingly, the percentage of people traveling to work and education by car has decreased and the percentage of people walking, cycling and using public transport has increased. However 67% of people still drive and we want to do better in this area also.

Based on the success of Hobsonville Point we have been asked to assist Housing New Zealand with the redevelopment of its landholding in other areas of Auckland. Our first new project is the redevelopment of land around the Northcote Town Centre where the first homes are now under construction. We are excited by this opportunity and will take our focus on sound investment in sustainability and community to this new project.

Our organisation has rebranded, with a new name that acknowledges our past and reflects our future. 'Hobsonville Land Company' is now 'HLC', representing 'Homes, Land, Community'.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that have contributed to the project over the last year. We value your input.

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About HLC

HLC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Housing New Zealand Corporation. It was formed in 2006 to develop the land of the former Hobsonville airbase into an integrated community development incorporating some 4,000 new homes.

At the time of writing this report (March 2017) our organisation rebranded to better reflect our expanding role in the Auckland development market, changing from 'Hobsonville Land Company' to 'HLC: Homes, Land, Community', to better reflect the organisation's expanding development role in the wider Auckland area.

For Hobsonville Point our vision continues to be to:

Build a strong, vibrant community that sets new benchmarks for quality and accessible urban development with an environmentally responsible focus.

Located on site at Hobsonville Point, the team has expanded in the past year as we take on developments outside of Hobsonville Point. As at March 2017, there are 37 staff. We work extensively with others, including a range of local and central government agencies and private sector partners, and community groups in delivering the vision. The HLC is a member of the Sustainable Business Network and the New Zealand Green Building Council.

The sustainability implications of our development work are significant. The decisions we make today will influence how communities will live for many years to come. This report, therefore, largely focuses on the development outcomes we are committed to and on how we are performing against these.



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About Hobsonville Point



Hobsonville Point is a peninsula that juts out into the Waitemata Harbour, a 20-minute drive northwest of Auckland's CBD, with easy access to the Westgate, Northwest and Albany town centres. When completed, Hobsonville Point will have over 4,000 homes and will be home to more than 10,000 people.

It is an area of Auckland that is seeing major growth now and will continue in the coming years. Planning for this area has emphasised the integration of land use and transport planning. A ferry service from Hobsonville Point to downtown Auckland provides residents with an additional commuting option. Access to the North Shore, West Auckland and Central Auckland is easy with a local bus service, and a motorway exit off the Upper Harbour motorway into Hobsonville Point.

Year on year, more quality amenity is added, the 4km coastal walkway – Te Ara Manawa - is due for completion in 2017, along with a water play park, a picnic park with fitness equipment, and a space focussed primarily on youth to meet – the Rifle Range. The community continues to take shape, as more people move in. Adding to the existing doctors'/pharmacy and dairy, there is now a dentist and more eateries. The Farmers Market and artworks continue to attract thousands of visitors to Hobsonville Point every week.

More detail about the development can be found at www.hobsonvillepoint.co.nz.



About this report

This report covers the July 2015 – June 2016 period.

This year is the eighth year of reporting against the Sustainable Development Framework that was developed at the very beginning of the development process. The reporting framework clearly articulates the vision, goals and objectives for Hobsonville Point. Indicators are included to measure success. The framework was developed through stakeholder consultation and is updated regularly.

HLC has previously reported its corporate emissions voluntarily using the Catalyst Annual Carbon Emissions (ACE) calculator and guidelines. Because of the small size of the company, the time and complexity of the task to prepare a robust audit, and the fact that HLC is expanding its operations beyond Hobsonville Point, it has been decided that this will not be reported in the future. HLC continues to compost food scraps and recycling systems remain in place.

This report is structured into three main parts:

Part 1: The Hobsonville Point Development

This part reports against the Sustainable Development Framework. This reporting framework captures the overall vision for the development and defines aspirational goals, objectives and indicators in the four spheres of Environment, Economic, Social and Cultural. It was developed through consultation with stakeholders, including local government, the Ministries for the Environment and Social Development, the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority, the Department for Building and Housing, Beacon Pathways, Landcare Research and the New Zealand Green Building Council. The framework is a working document that is reviewed regularly to ensure that it stays relevant and reflects our increased understanding of sustainable development over time. The last review was undertaken in August 2015 by the HLC Board. Through the review process changes may be made to goals, objectives and indicators. The framework is available at www.hobsonvillepoint.co.nz.

The long-term indicators in the framework are for the year 2026 but we have started measuring progress towards many of them. To track progress towards the long-term indicators, we have also developed shorter-term development indicators. These cover the practical things we plan to do to achieve the long-term outcomes we are seeking. This report also comments on progress against the development indicators to date. It is noted that while there is a genuine commitment to the achievement of the indicators, this is dependent on a range of factors, many of which are not within HLC's sole or direct control.

Part 2: HLC's Way of Working

This shorter part comments on the way we conduct our business. It includes information about who we work closely with, and our key stakeholders.

Part 3: The year ahead

In this last section, we briefly look at the priorities in the year ahead of us.



Part 1: The Hobsonville Point Development





Environmental

Overall Development Aims:

Ecology	Energy	Water	Resource efficiency
Create an integrated natural habitat Increase indigenous biodiversity	Reduce non-renewable energy use Improve energy efficiency	Reduce water consumption Improve water quality	Recycle and renew existing buildings and other infrastructure Reduce off-site waste disposal

Long term indicators	Target	Results		Comment	
	2026	2012/ 13	2014/ 15	2015/ 16	2015/ 16
A continuous green corridor with native vegetation covering at least 10% of the site is retained/established.	10% native vegetation	On track	On track	On track	4,000 native plants grown on site from local seed and planted during this year.
Pre- and post- development native flora and fauna counts indicate that species diversity and abundance has increased in key areas.	Increased diversity and abundance	Not surveyed	Small improvement in diversity.	Not surveyed	
Average household grid energy (reticulated gas and electricity) consumption.	6500 kWh or less	5743kWh	6269 kWh	5665kWh	31% lower than the Auckland average of 8200 kWh and 13% below our target.
Average residential town supply water consumption per person per day.	100 litres or less	110 litres	105 Litres	108 Litres	31% lower than Auckland 2016 average of 157 litres per person per day.
Mixed household waste collected per person per year.	100kg or less	Not measured	Not measured	Not Measured	To date, Auckland Council are unable to collect data on this.



Environmental (continued)

Development indicators	Comment
Native habitat areas along the coastal corridor are maintained and enhanced. A management plan for the coastal area is completed that covers planting, weed and pest management strategies.	Weed clearing, mulching and planting and pest control continued this year.
Eco-sourced native plants are used where native plants are planted in public areas.	Eco sourced plants always specified for natives. 4,000 eco- sourced, regionally appropriate, native plants planted this year.
Local seed is collected and grown into plants for key revegetation species.	On site nursery successfully established by Kaipatiki Project specifically for this purpose.
Houses built to a calculated BPI of 1.2 or lower for thermal performance and 5.5 Star HERS hot water rating or equivalent performance level.	This standard has now been incorporated in the resource consent process for Hobsonville Point and must be met by all builders.
All properties have smart meters.	Smart meters installed as standard, but, disappointingly, retailers are not utilising many of their features.
At least 3 on-site, demonstration, renewable generation projects.	2kW solar photovoltaic system installed on the Catalina Café. Vector's offer of free provision and installation of Tesla Battery panels and accompanying special offer on the installation of solar panels have been taken up by two residents. Vector is reviewing this offer in June 2017. HLC and Vector will continue to discuss ways to collaborate in the future.
All stormwater, except roof water, receives treatment before being discharged into the harbour.	Achieved.
All houses have 6/3 litre, or less, dual flush toilets.	6/3 litre or better required as part of Consent.
Three star or better water-saving fixtures.	Required as part of Consent.
Dwellings are served by rain tanks sized to supply 75% of water used in household toilets, laundries and gardens.	Achieved for the majority of dwellings but not practical for some apartments.
No in-built irrigation will be provided in gardens.	Not being monitored.
At least 20% of existing buildings will be retained and renovated or reused off site.	Achieved.
The majority of construction and demolition waste is recycled.	A construction recycling programme is in place and achieved an average of 77% diversion from land fill for the Jun15/Jul16 period.
At least 3 public recycling bins are provided in public spaces.	Three public bins are already installed and more are being added.

Education/management programme in place while HLC on site.

Kaipatiki Project educate through their volunteer programme at the nursery and community planting days.

Results of this year's water and power usage will be used in marketing material (e.g. Point Life Magazine features) as a way of promoting the homes efficiency.





Economic

Overall Development Aims:

Growth	Employmen t	Viability	Transport
Contribute to Auckland's economic growth through development of business opportunities at Hobsonville Point Accelerate the supply of homes, including affordable homes, into the Auckland market	Facilitate local employment	Optimise return on investment for the Crown Demonstrate the overall economic benefits of an integrated urban development approach Demonstrate the impacts of an environmentally efficient, development approach on household expenditure	Minimise dependence on motor vehicles for daily activity

Long term indicators	Target	Results			Comment
	2026	2012/ 13	2014/ 15	2015/ 16	2015/ 16
% of residents state that they have used a local shop, restaurant, café or service in the last week.	80%	88%	Not measured	91%	
% of businesses that indicate that their business has grown in the last 12 months.	80%	Not yet measured	Not yet measured	Not yet measured	Too few local businesses in place for a statistically robust survey. HLC aim to measure this next year.
One new home is delivered every working day.		Not yet measured	Achieved	Achieved	
Jobs available per household at Hobsonville Point.	0.65 or more	Not yet measured	Not yet measured	Not yet measured	
The percentage of residents in employment who work locally (North West Auckland) is measured.	Measurement in place	Not yet measured	Not yet measured	Achieved. (26%)	
Business case targets are met.	NA	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	
Households with one vehicle or less.	50% or more	Not yet measured	Not yet measured	29%	
Workers who travel to work by driving themselves.	40% or less	76%	79%	44% of residents travel to work or study alone by car	
Mode share of resident trips is monitored through the resident survey and targets are set by 2012 and achieved by 2026.		NA	Achieved	Achieved	



Economic (Continued)

Development indicators	Comment
6ha employment zone facilitated and serviced as part of Auckland Council land preciously zoned for marine industry.	HLC and Panuku are developing a joint strategy to deliver a mixed use precinct
Opportunities for local retail businesses established.	First cluster of neighbourhood retail in the ground floor of the apartment building in Buckley A now in place, and 'work from home' options available in a selection of three storey homes.
Fibre to the premises installed.	Achieved.
At least 5% of premises on the spine road are suitable for conversion to commercial/mixed use.	Allowed for in the Comprehensive Development Plan and achieved to date.
5ha are provided for mixed use development.	Included in the overall masterplan.
Financial indicators agreed with government are met.	In line with the Business Plan expectations.
House performance and occupant perceptions are monitored to better understand the value of energy and water efficient houses.	Monitoring has occurred and the results will be communicated.
75% of dwellings are within 400m walking distance of a bus stop and all are within 800m.	78% of existing and planned dwellings are within 400m and 98% are within 800m of a bus stop serviced by an existing route. Additional routes are planned which will bring all homes within 800m of a bus stop.
 75% of dwellings are within 800m walking distance of: Convenience store Community facility Early childhood education. 	Over 85% of dwellings that are completed or under construction are within 800m of a Convenience Store or supermarket. Additional neighbourhood retail nodes are planned in future precincts.
	Over 85% of dwellings that are completed or under construction are within 800m of the Early Learning Centre and an additional Early Childhood Centre adjacent to the Secondary School is planned that will achieve the target for future precincts.
	46% of all planned homes are within 800m of the Sunderland Lounge (hall) and/or the Headquarters Building (community house). An additional facility is desirable for example in the adjacent Clark Road Reserve near the Western end of the site.
75% of dwellings are within 1200m walking distance of the primary school.	Over 85% of completed and planned dwellings at Hobsonville Point are within 1200m of Hobsonville Point Primary School.
75% of dwellings are within 1600m walking distance of the secondary school.	Over 90% of completed and planned dwellings at Hobsonville Point are within 1600m of Hobsonville Point Secondary School.
Bike and car share schemes are established.	Two Cityhop cars available and 8 Nextbike rental bikes.
Shared off-road pedestrian and cycle paths on Hobsonville Point Road and Squadron Drive.	Achieved.
On-road cycle lanes on Hobsonville Point Road.	Achieved.

Education / management programme in place while HLC is on site.

The benefits of registering with Cityhop have been communicated to residents. Results of the 2016 energy efficiency survey will be published to illustrate the energy savings of building a sustainable home, and environmental information is incorporated in marketing material (e.g. Point Life features.



Social

Overall Development Aims

Inclusion

Create opportunities for a diverse range of people to live at Hobsonville Point Provide affordable homes aimed at first home buyers on moderate incomes Maximise opportunities for community participation

Quality of life

Promote a healthy and safe living environment Ensure that the public realm is attractive and accessible Maximise opportunities for Hobsonville Point to become a learning community Accessibility

Ensure Hobsonville Point is accessible to people at all stages of life and ability Ensure all residents have enhanced access to essential services

Long term indicators	Target		Results		Comment
	2026	2012/ 13	2014/ 15	2015/ 16	2015/ 16
% of people that report positive contact with their neighbours, such as a visit, or asking each other for a small favour.	80% or more	70% Please note: this figure is slightly understated due to a small calculation error that occurred at the time	Not measured	86%	
% of people who report negative contact with their neighbours, where there is outright tension.	10% or less	3% Please note: this figure is slightly overstated due to a small calculation error that occurred at the time	Not measured	2%	
% of people who report that they have used a local park or community facility in the last month.	70% or more	86%	Not measured	79%	Use of public space in Hobsonville Point is higher than the use of urban public spaces nationally
% of homes are at a more affordable price point (as determined by the Minister of Housing).	20% or more of all homes sold		23% of all homes sold up until end June 2015	31% of all homes sold up until end June 2016	Note: Until May 2015 affordable homes were defined at or below \$485,000. Since June 2015 that has increased to at or below \$550,000.
Options are available for people wishing to rent long term.			On track	On track	Agreement signed with developer for the provision of long term rentals in two superlots.
% of people that feel that their neighbourhood is a safe place for unsupervised children.	80% or more	87%	Not measured	90%	
% of people who feel safe walking in their neighbourhood after dark.	85% or more	83%	Not measured	75%	75% respondents feel it's fairly safe or very safe walking alone after dark.
% of residents who rate the quality of public space as good/very good.	85% or more	85%	Not measured	84%	84% of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that the quality of local parks and reserves were excellent.
% of school children who bike/walk or catch public transport to school.	60% or more	43%	Not measured	Not measured	
% of people who feel that the Hobsonville Point site is very/reasonably safe for pedestrians.	95% or more	95%	Not measured	97%	
% of cyclists who feel that cycling within the Hobsonville Point site is very/reasonably safe.	95% or more	93%	Not measured	90%	



Social (continued)

Development indicators	Comment
All roads are open to the public (no gated communities).	Achieved.
The development will contain a mixture of apartments, terraces and detached dwellings.	The mix up until Jun 2016 is: 10% apartments, 46% terrace/duplex houses and 44% free-standing houses.
A mixture of 1-2 bedroom, 3 and 4-plus bedroom homes will be built to cater for a variety of housing needs	The mix up until Jun 2016 is: 5% one bedroom, 34% two bedroom, 36% three bedroom, 25% four bedroom, and 1% five bedroom homes.
All dwellings are within 400m walking distance of a public space with recreation facilities (playground, seating or similar).	All dwellings within the Master Plan area are within 400m of a park with such facilities.
At least one local public event is held each year.	A range of events were held throughout the year including the Annual 'Runway Challenge' the kite themed 'Come Fly with Me', and a Heritage Festival event. Resident BBQs were held, and a community art project, the Peace Poppy Project.
The delivery of affordable homes forms part of all development agreements at Hobsonville Point	Achieved. In addition a requirement has been added to also deliver a % of homes under the Auckland Metro median house price in the Buckley B and Te Uru (formerly The Village) precincts.
Maintenance of public spaces is to a high standard.	Not measured this year.
Multifunctional space provided for use by community groups.	Sunderland Lounge and Headquarters building sold to Auckland Council for the community for hire.
Community activation programme implemented.	Achieved with a number of initiatives underway.
School facilities are available for community use when not required by school (after hours).	Achieved.
Public buildings altered for accessible access.	Farmers Market and Catalina Café building altered to be accessible.
Fibre optic cabling in place and available to every household, education facility and business.	Achieved.





Cultural

Overall Development Aims:

Sense of place 'Turangawaewae'	Custodianship 'Kaitiakitanga'	Heritage	Cultural life		
Create a distinctive identity for Hobsonville Point	Promote environmental and social responsibility among residents	Ensure that Hobsonville Point's future reflects its past	Promote a diverse range of cultural, sporting and other opportunities		
	Work in partnership with local iwi, Ngati Whatua o Kaipara and Te Kawerau a Maki		Celebrate local events		

Long term indicators	Target	Results	Results		Comment
	2026	2012/ 13	2014/ 15	2015/ 16	2015/ 16
Placemaking strategy implemented by end of the Buckley stage of development.	NA	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved	
% of residents that feel a sense of community in the local neighbourhood	75% or more	66%	Achieved	70%	
% of residents who state that they participate in local residents' association/community body activities	30% or more	Not measured	Not measured	Not measured	
% of residents who have taken action during the past year to improve the natural environment.	55% or more	63%	Not measured	58%	
% of residents who report seeing tui and fantails in their garden or neighbourhood during the last week.	Increases over time	26.2%	Not measured	21%	
% of residents who have visited at least one of the heritage sites at Hobsonville Point.	80% or more	Not measured	Not measured	Not Measured	
The Headquarters Building, Mill House, the 'Arts and Crafts' style officer housing and the Sunderland Lounge are retained and converted to appropriate uses.	NA	On track	On track	Achieved	Protected through the Comprehensive Development Plan.
% of residents who participate in cultural, sporting or recreational activities.	75% or more	Not measured	Not measured	Not measured	



Cultural (continued)

Development indicators	Comment
Phoenix palms along Buckley Avenue are retained.	29 out of 33 were retained in the Buckley precinct.
Consultation with community groups and historical societies undertaken.	The Placemaking Advisory Group remains active although it has wound down slightly as the Residents Society becomes more active.
All place names drawn from local association.	Achieved.
Each precinct includes at least one public artwork.	Achieved. Two pou are planned design/installation in for 2017
HLC actively works to ensure that the relationship with iwi is honoured.	MOU signed with Te Kawerau a Maki and Ngati Whatua o Kaipara, and regular relationship meetings held.
lwi consultation occurs as part of the development.	MOU signed with Te Kawerau a Maki and Ngati Whatua o Kaipara, and regular relationship meetings held.
At least one suitable memorial work/site that reflects the iwi heritage.	Currently in planning with iwi.
Residents Society established and supported.	Residents Society established and very active. Hobsonville Community Fund established.
Key historical/architectural buildings are retained and restored and information about these is provided to the public.	Several buildings have now been restored, including the Catalina Café and 10 homes in Sunderland Avenue. Further restorations are underway or planned.
	A wooden bus stop from the Airforce era located on the corner of Sunderland Ave and Buckley Ave has been restored and story panels installed that relate to that era.
	The Rifle Range is also being restored to become a community facility operated by Auckland Council. Auckland Council plan to restore the former Headquarters building and make it available for community use.
Interpretation implemented to draw out iwi, Airforce and other local connections.	A significant interpretation resource has been completed which forms the basis for cultural and historical interpretation along the coastal walkway.
	Interpretation panels are installed along the ferry wharf depicting the history of the area.
	Interpretation banners with historical reference were created as a project with the Hobsonville Point Secondary School students.
	Oral recordings are being made of people associated with the former airbase.
At least one suitable memorial work/site that reflects the Air Force heritage.	Completed.
At least five different types of active recreational facilities/areas are provided (such as boat launching, basketball, walking/cycling track, school sports fields, netball courts, community hall, skate park, BBQ areas).	Walking tracks, playgrounds, a BBQ area and picnic tables are in place. The Sunderland Lounge is now available to the public. The school playing fields are now open to the public. Construction of an outdoor stage, table tennis tables, pétanque court, flying fox, in ground trampolines and other facilities is nearing completion. A Trust has been formed to establish a marine recreation facility.
Education/management programme in place while HLC is on site.	Participation in the Auckland wide Heritage Festival promotes the history of Hobsonville Point. Support given to the Hobsonville Point Primary schools development of a computer game with a 'time travel' theme through Hobsonville Point.



Part 2: HLC's Corporate Operations







Working with Others

The vision of Hobsonville Point is ambitious and cannot be achieved by the HLC on its own. Over the last year key relationships have included:

lwi

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed with Te Kawerau a Maki and Ngati Whatua o Kaipara about iwi involvement in the planning process for Hobsonville Point in 2011. This year, A MoU was signed with Ngati Whatua o Kaipara for the development of the Te Uru precinct, building on this strong relationship.

Our Builders and Development Partners

2015/16 was another busy year at Hobsonville Point with sales and construction activity significantly up on the previous year. Our builder partners and development partners continue to be active and constructive partners in the delivery of quality, energy and water efficient, warm and healthy affordable homes.

Auckland Council

We continue to enjoy a strong and strategic relationship with Auckland Council and its Council Controlled Organisations, including Auckland Transport and Panuku.

Hobsonville Point Residents Society Committee

The Hobsonville Point Residents Society is a key stakeholder with a shared vision for Hobsonville Point. HLC has a strong relationship with the Society, openly sharing information, and offering assistance or advice to the Committee where requested.

Hobsonville Point Placemaking Advisory Committee

The committee includes representatives from lwi, the local Board, Auckland Council, Hobsonville Point Residents Society and HLC. The Committee is tasked with advising us on how we can ensure that Hobsonville Point develops into a community with a strong identity and sense of place.

Kaipatiki Project

Kaipatiki Project operate our on-site native plant nursery. Over the last year we have been working with Kaipatiki and Auckland Council to plan for a long term presence for Kaipatiki Project at Hobsonville Point.

Hobsonville Point Schools

HLC enjoys a positive relationship with the Hobsonville Point Primary and Secondary schools. To contribute to the success of the Hobsonville Point community, it is important that students feel part of their community, want to actively contribute to it and take ownership of it. These are values also shared by the schools. Projects undertaken with them so far include creating banners for fencing around construction site, bringing some vibrancy to the fences as well as reflecting the values of the schools, designing banners to promote safety in the community, recycling wood from demolished buildings to make items such as chopping boards to fundraise for charity, reviewing student projects and supporting school events.



Part 3: The year ahead







A brief overview of our main focus over the next 12 months.

Catalina Bay

HLC will be working with Willis Bond in the development of the Landing, now called 'Catalina Bay'. An activation programme once development of the Landing is complete will help ensure that lots of people can experience this very special place with its beautiful outlook and rich history. In the interim, both parties will help ensure that visitors can continue to enjoy Catalina Bay and the Farmers Market that is based there, while redevelopment is underway.

Our Residents

As at the end of June 2016, we had approximately 700 homes occupied. As the numbers continue to increase, it is important that residents have the opportunity to get to know their immediate neighbours to encourage interaction and connectedness. HLC will work with the Development Partners to help ensure that there are regular neighbourhood gatherings to create this opportunity.

Hobsonville Point Coastal Walkway Te Ara Manawa

The coastal area at Hobsonville Point is critical in our achievement of our ecological and placemaking objectives. It is the place where people will most get in touch with the natural environment and it includes significant areas of native flora and fauna. Construction of the Coastal Park is almost complete, with two bridges opening early 2016. More open spaces will be completed, with the Rifle Range, Harrier Point Park, Headquarters space and 'amphitheatre' space by the Sunderland Lounge.

Schools

We will continue to involve both the secondary and the primary school in what we do. Both schools have been involved in a Biodiversity Monitoring exercise, and the secondary school has designed banners for construction fences. Timber from a demolished hangar has been donated to the secondary school for their projects, and HLC have attended project presentations by students and will again involve them in community artwork projects such as the 'Tree Cosy' and the Peace Poppy Project.

Pest and Weed Management

Weed and pest management is ongoing and will continue to be a priority to help improve the health of the flora and fauna present at Hobsonville Point.

Transport

The 2016 Beacon survey reported that the community is still dependent upon car based transport, with 70% of households owning two or more cars. Two thirds of residents (67%) travel to work or study by motor vehicle, with a majority travelling alone (44%). Only 12% travelled by public transport and 14% walked to work or study, 7% cycled, scootered or skated. Promoting alternative modes of transport will continue to be a key priority this year. Alternatives currently include a commuter ferry, buses, Cityhop and an Auckland Transport 'Hobsonville Point Carpooling' initiative.