

Auckland Education Growth Plan engagement

We have begun discussions about growth management options with schools on Waiheke Island, as part of our engagement about redevelopment projects at Waiheke High School and Te Hurihi Primary School.

Great Barrier Island is managing low rolls at its schools as a result of geographic challenges and changing demographics. Most students travel off-island to access secondary learning or enrol at the online school, Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu. There is an ongoing conversation about how to improve secondary learning options for those students that remain on the island.

This catchment includes predominantly European or Māori ethnicity.

The following plan for the Gulf Islands outlines how we will enable excellent learning opportunities for all young people in this catchment.

Gulf Island's growth story

Waiheke Island has experienced some growth over the last 10 years. This pattern is expected to continue with opportunities in the tourism, and viticulture industries, and families choosing Waiheke for lifestyle reasons. Some development may be experienced on Waiheke Island as zoning allows.

Student rolls are expected to remain steady for the next decade and will drop slightly by 2030.

Waiheke Island has a higher proportion of residents aged 65 and over when compared to the rest of Auckland. The median age was 45.3 years (2013), older than the regional median of 35.1 years and the second oldest in the catchment after Great Barrier Island (53.9 years)¹.

Little development is expected on Great Barrier Island due to geographic, regulatory and economic constraints.

There is a low demand for ESOL services in this catchment, with 0.1% of Auckland ESOL students located within the catchment.

What have we done so far?

- One out of six schools in this catchment has an enrolment scheme in place (Waiheke Primary School). However, enrolment schemes are of limited value where catchments are naturally defined by geographic constraints, such as Kaitoke, Mulberry Grove and Okiwi Schools on Great Barrier Island, and Waiheke High School on Waiheke Island. For the remaining schools in this catchment an enrolment scheme would serve little purpose.
- Both Waiheke High School and Te Hurihi School have been redeveloped recently due to building conditions.

Planning for short-term growth (3 years)

Prior to 2021, rolls are expected to remain steady on both Waiheke and Great Barrier Islands. In response to this, we're planning in the short-term to:

- establish a learning hub on Great Barrier Island to assist secondary students to make the best use of learning resources.
- Possible amendment of enrolment schemes on Waiheke Island to distribute growth.
- Consider additional teaching space if, and when, roll growth occurs at Waiheke schools.
- Based on the number of available places we currently have in the catchment, by 2021, we anticipate demand for an additional 89 primary student places to accommodate expected growth².

Planning for medium-term growth (3-10 years)

Growth in this catchment is expected to remain steady. Based on the number of available places we currently have in the catchment, we anticipate we will need to provide an additional 21 primary student places across the catchment by 2030².

Beyond 2030

Student growth is projected to increase only slightly between 2030 – 2043. We will continue to monitor rolls and school capacity on both Waiheke and Great Barrier Islands.

Māori medium

There is currently no provision of Māori medium in the Gulf Islands.

Mana whenua has expressed a keen interest to establish kōhanga reo on Waiheke Island and Aotea (Great Barrier Island). As the Gulf Island population grows, there is potential demand for 40 Māori medium student places on Waiheke Island. We will continue to monitor demand for Māori medium education on Aotea to assess the need for kura. There may be options to add capacity for Māori medium education through puna reo or rumaki, either at existing schools or new schools. Digital solutions for learning and special character options will also be explored.

Learning Support

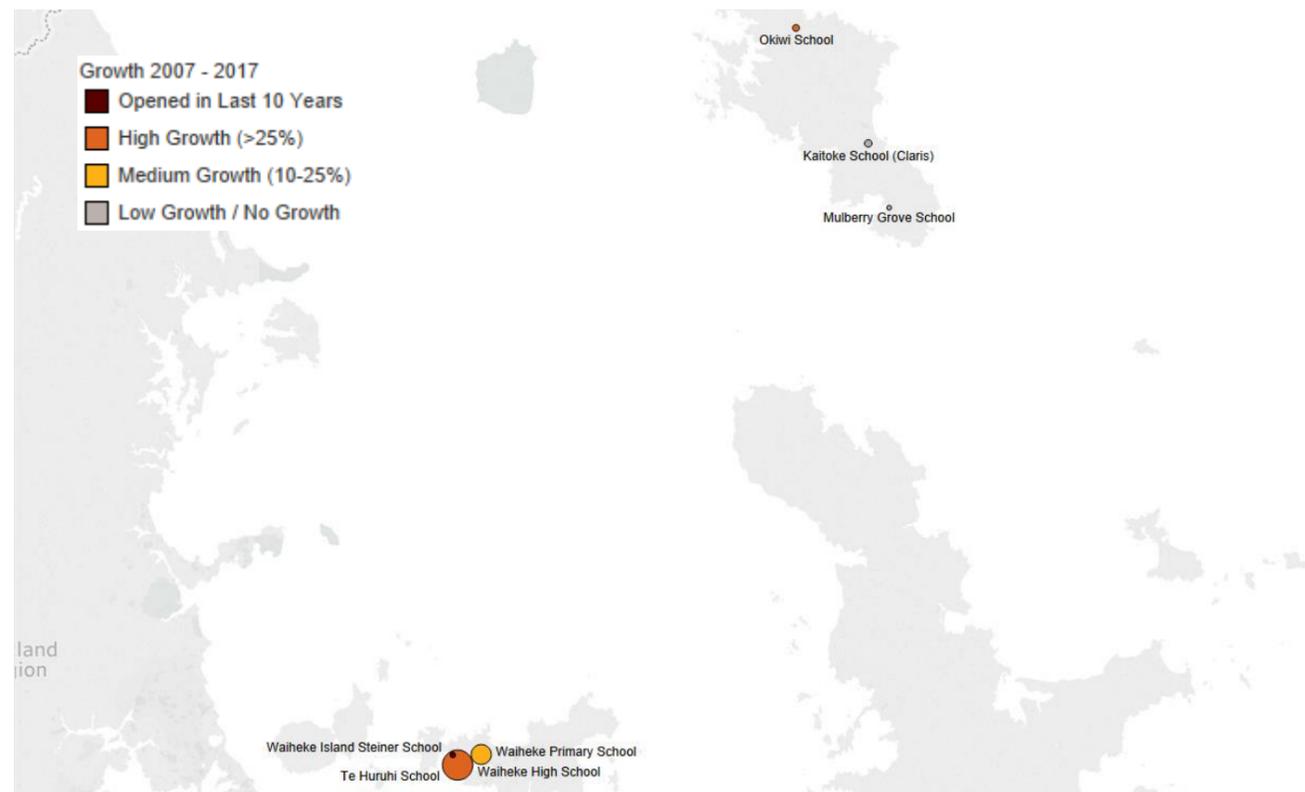
The majority of ORS-verified students are enrolled in their local schools in this area. The exception is a small number of students travelling daily to attend a programme of choice in Auckland City.

Central Auckland Specialist School (CASS) is providing outreach teaching services to students enrolled at the Waiheke Island schools. Representatives from CASS and the Ministry are in discussions with the principals of the three Waiheke Island schools about the future coordination of services to ORS-verified students.

¹ <https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/environment/state-of-auckland-research-report-cards/Pages/demographics-report-card-waiheke-local-board-area-2016.aspx>
² Dev_NZ Catchment Planning Model (High Projections)

Gulf Islands: Steady Growing

New Zealand Education Growth Plan to 2030



Waiheke Island is expected to continue to experience stable rolls or slow and steady growth. The **Gulf Islands Growth Plan** will meet the needs of New Zealand's growing schooling network, benefiting an estimated **1,120 students** over the next decade to 2030.

What's influencing the Growth Plan

Demand to expand provision type

There is community interest to enhance learning support provision on Waiheke. There is demand for enhanced secondary provision on Great Barrier Island.

Additional learners moving here

Limited growth in student numbers is expected on Waiheke Island, and this can be accommodated in existing schools.

Catchment Summary

	Primary	Secondary
July 2018 Roll	712	456
No. of additional students forecast to 2030	36	-131
Additional places required to meet demand to 2021	89	0
No of schools requiring additional spaces by 2030	2	0

Here's what's already underway that's giving us a head start to meet growth in the region



Exploring enrolment schemes amendment or change of class at primary level.



Low lying coastal sites make schools vulnerable to weather events. Redevelopment of Waiheke schools has occurred recently.

Growth Plan to 2030

2019

2022

2030



89 primary student places

Ongoing monitoring of rolls



21 primary student places



Enrolment zones

» Possible amendment of enrolment schemes on Waiheke Island to distribute growth.



Network solutions

» Continue to monitor rolls on Great Barrier Island to determine appropriate network configuration.



Roll growth funding

» Consider additional teaching space if, and when, roll growth occurs at Waiheke schools.



Establish New Schools

» Additional schools are not required, due to current utilisation and low growth. Furthermore, existing schools can be expanded as required.



Expanding Provision Type

Learning Support

» Working with Waiheke Island schools to determine learning support needs and response.

Māori Medium

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» Potential demand for 40 Māori medium student places on Waiheke Island. We will continue to monitor demand on Aotea.