

Auckland Education Growth Plan engagement

We have begun discussions about growth scenarios with primary schools affected by the Whai Rawa (Ngāti Whātua) development in Belmont Takapuna.

In developing these plans, we have engaged extensively with the education sector across Auckland throughout 2018. We will continue to engage with the sector as these plans develop. Through these discussions on infrastructure, wellbeing and student pathways, the following themes were evident:

Workforce readiness: Respondents are seeking an increase in collaboration with community organisations and businesses to extend student pathways from school into the workforce.

Student transitions: Respondents are seeking a reduction in transitions between ECE, primary, intermediate and secondary as transition difficulties are experienced at each change. An efficient transfer of student information between schools will allow students needs to be met as they change schools. Respondents are seeking an examination of the zoning system we have in place as students enrol at out-of-zone schools, rather than using local schools. School rolls are uneven throughout the region, with some very large secondary schools.

Outdoor activities: Respondents are seeking a strong emphasis on providing adequate all-weather sporting and outdoor areas to manage physical and mental health by ensuring that students have a balance of indoor/outdoor activity and adequate space for interaction.

Health and wellbeing: Respondents are seeking enhanced wellbeing of students and staff by enabling flexible class hours, allowing schools to be facilities for the community, and working with the DHB-funded health workers (counsellors, mental health support, doctors and nurses) in contemporary, well-equipped onsite clinics in schools.

Community partnerships: Respondents are seeking partnerships with local trusts and businesses in which they may make use of facilities such as gyms and pools. Schools should be welcoming, safe places for the community and the community should have access to grounds outside of school hours.

Westlake Takapuna's growth story

Takapuna is identified as a Metropolitan Centre in the Auckland Plan 2050. The area has high amenity value, good transport connections via bus, and high development potential. Urban regeneration projects are currently being implemented and Council anticipates growth in this area will be well underway by 2021¹, leading to anticipated population growth of 11,635 between 2018-2048¹.

Significant market-led development is expected in Takapuna over the next 10 years. Ngāti Whātua is developing houses in Belmont on the Devonport peninsula, and other parts of the wider Takapuna area will continue to experience intensification. Panuku Development Auckland is leading a project in the heart of Takapuna to develop a new town square with a proposed mixed-use development of a central car park site to add commercial, residential and open space. This is a catalyst project to encourage subsequent market-led development.

Conversely, the far end of the Devonport peninsula has high house prices and accessibility issues along Lake Road that constrain growth, and we expect static rolls at primary schools in this location.

The catchment has a highly diverse student population across multiple ethnicities with the largest proportions being European and Asian. Approximately 3% of Auckland ESOL students are located within this catchment area.

What have we done so far?

- Enrolment schemes are in place at 15 out of 18 state schools in this catchment. Wairau Intermediate and Bayswater Schools do not currently need enrolment schemes. We are exploring enrolment schemes with other schools in the catchment.
- A major redevelopment has been carried out at Takapuna Grammar School over the last few years.

Planning for short-term growth (3 years)

If growth projections materialise as expected and based on the number of available places we currently have in the catchment, by 2021, we anticipate an additional 569 primary and 884 secondary student places will be required to accommodate expected growth in our local schools². We plan to meet this demand through a variety of responses, including enrolment schemes.

We're planning now to accommodate growth in the short-term, including:

- Planning for additional student places at Hauraki School.
- Redeveloping Bayswater School and Westlake Boys' High School.

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

We expect an additional 1,568 school-aged students will need to be accommodated in this catchment by 2030². We already have plans underway to manage growth. Here's how:

- We anticipate the demand for additional student places, recommended between Bayswater School, Belmont School and Hauraki School.
- We will continue to monitor school rolls and the progression of development across this catchment. We propose to add capacity as required.

- Based on the number of available places we currently have in the catchment, and in order to accommodate additional forecast demand, we anticipate we will need to provide an additional 531 primary student places across the catchment by 2030².

Beyond 2030

Beyond 2030, we expect to see continuing intensification in the Takapuna centre. Existing schools will need to either reduce out-of-zone enrolments or additional student places may be required if they approach capacity.

In addition, an 'urban' type school may be required in central Takapuna should the area fulfil its role as a Metropolitan centre with intensive development and significant employment. A shift towards apartment living with large numbers of children resident in the centre could trigger a new school in later years. We will continue to monitor school rolls and the rate of development in the catchment. This will enable us to ensure we initiate the land acquisition process with sufficient lead-in time to deliver additional schooling provision proactively.

Māori medium

There is currently no provision of Māori medium immersion programmes in this area.

Population growth, improved transport links, housing intensification and roll growth in English medium schools is likely to indicate there will be an increased demand for Māori medium education. Therefore, we anticipate new kōhanga reo and Māori medium provision offering up to 200 kura student places. There may be options to provide additional capacity for Māori medium education through puna reo and rumaki, either at existing schools or new schools.

Learning Support

Half of ORS-verified students attending school in this catchment are locally enrolled, and half are enrolled in a special school. Takapuna Grammar is a local school providing specialist learning support which also holds funds for Belmont Intermediate. For students enrolled in a special school, Wilson Special School operates from a base site in this catchment and has a primary satellite unit in close proximity. Wairau Valley Special School operates a transition programme in the community from a base in Takapuna for students aged 18-21 years. Wilson Special School also provides outreach teacher services to students. Kelston Deaf Education Centre and the Blind and Low Vision Education Network NZ also provide outreach services to students who have sensory needs.

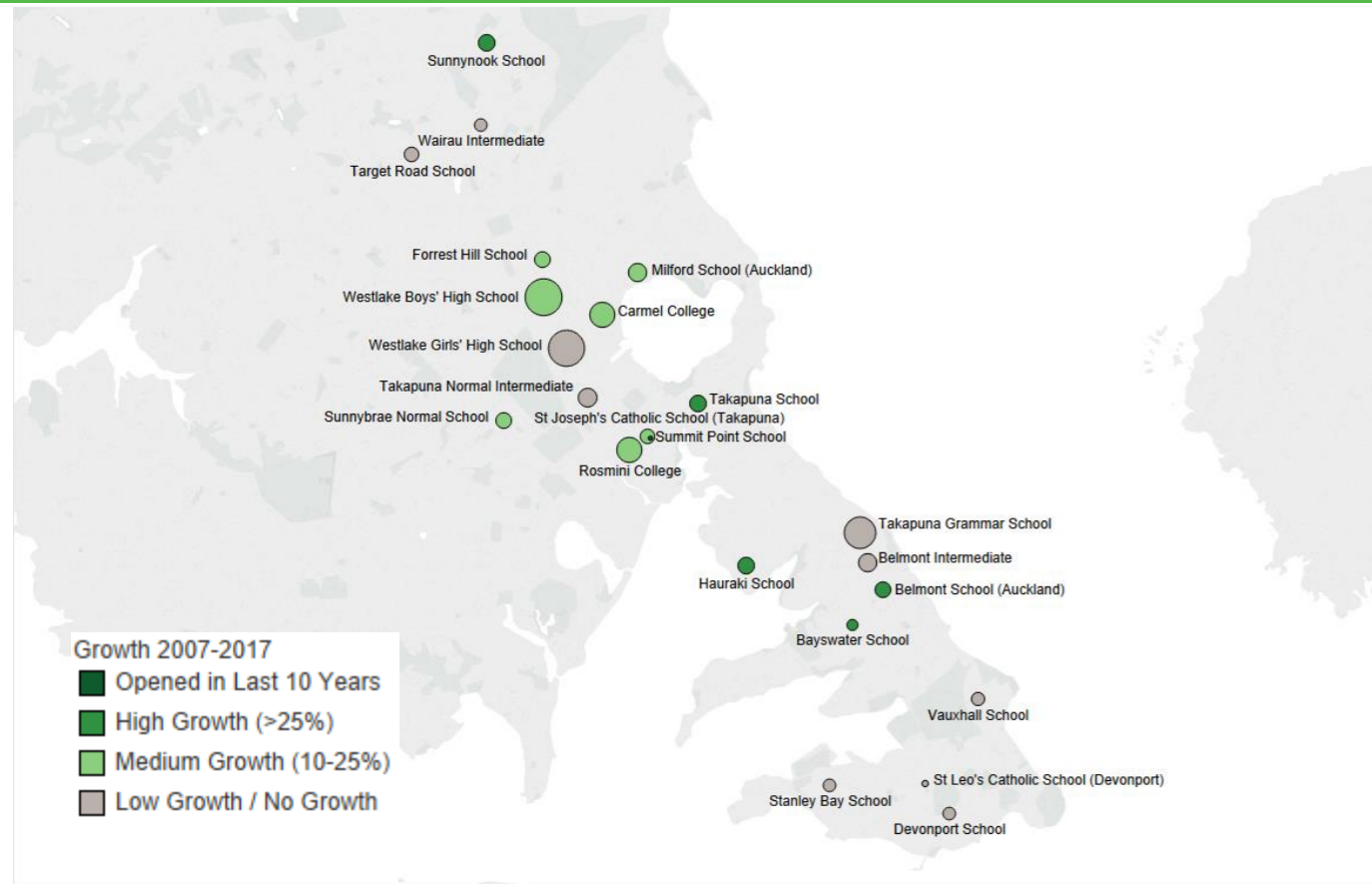
Future specialist learning support provision will see a new satellite unit for Wairau Valley Special School delivered at Target Road School.

¹ Auckland Plan 2050

² Dev_NZ Catchment Planning Model (High Population)

Westlake Takapuna: Complex Growth

New Zealand Education Growth Plan to 2030



The **Westlake Takapuna Education Growth Plan** will meet the needs of New Zealand's growing schooling network, benefiting approximately **12,900 - 13,800 students** over the next decade to 2030.

What's influencing the Growth Plan

Takapuna is a strategic growth centre on the North Shore of Auckland.

Parent choice influencing utilisation
 Reputation and facilities attract families living outside of the catchment to enrol in these schools as out-of-zone students, particularly at secondary level.

Constraints on existing site capacity
 As growth accelerates, site constraints on existing school sites will become more evident.

Additional learners moving here
 Lifestyle and employment opportunities attract families to Takapuna. This is likely to accelerate as the centre adds amenities and jobs.

Catchment Summary

	Primary	Secondary
July 2018 Roll	5,970	5,617
No. of additional students forecast to 2030	960	1,286
Additional places required to meet demand to 2021	569	884
No of schools requiring additional spaces by 2030	10	3

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

- Enrolment schemes are largely in place. We are working with schools, as required, to make use of these tools to progressively restrict out-of-zone enrolments to make space for local students.
- We are planning to provide additional student places to respond to demand pressures in Belmont/Takapuna.

Growth Plan to 2030

