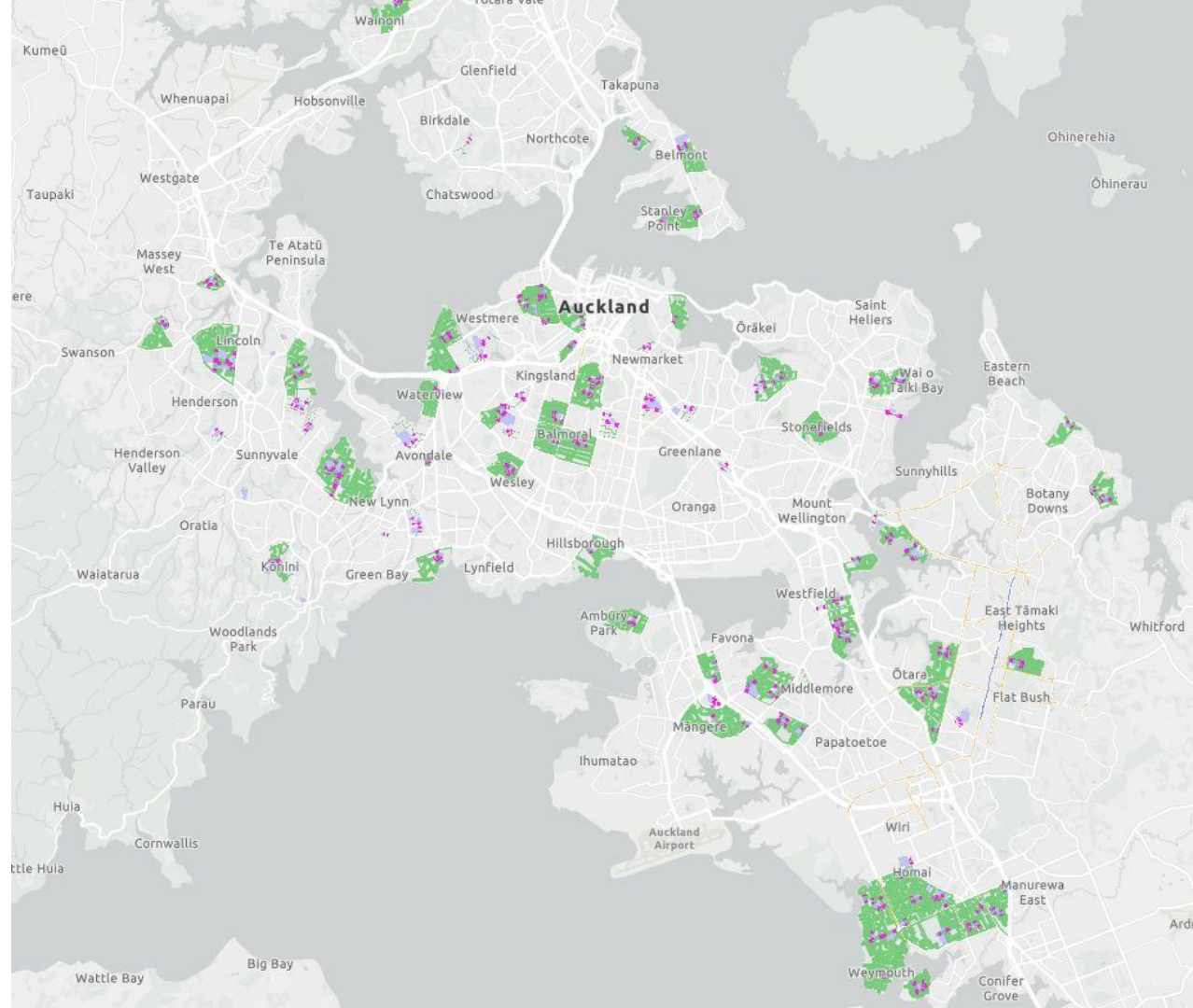


## Keeping Safe Speeds

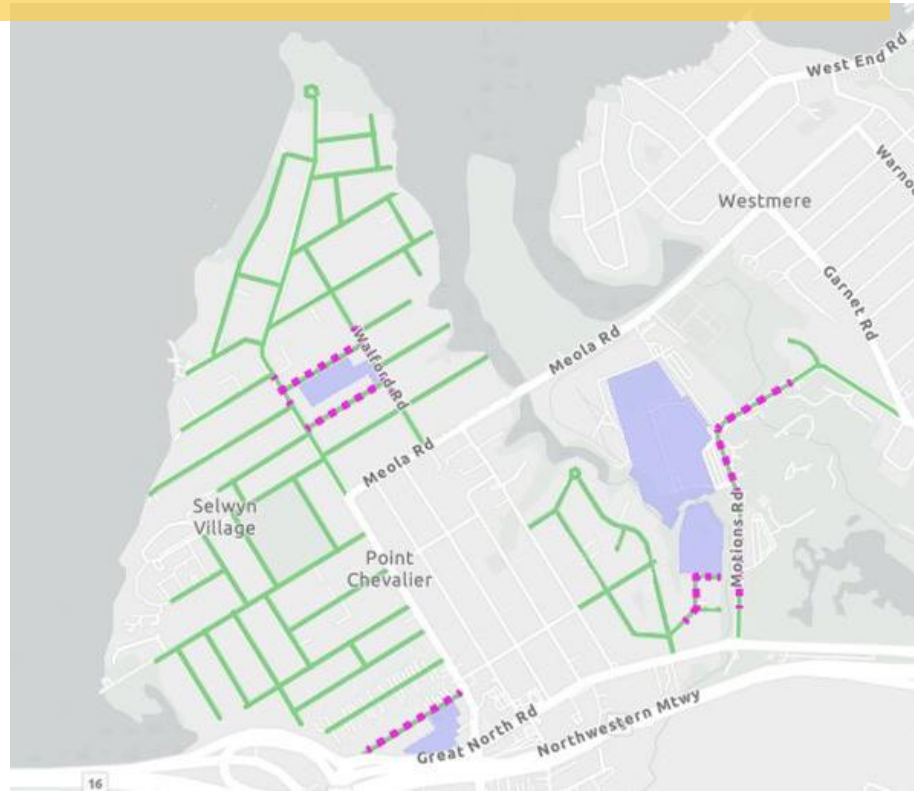
*All Aboard, Bike Auckland, Walk Auckland, Living Streets Aotearoa and Brake  
Presentation to AT Board 29 April 2025*

**Over 1500 streets  
across the city are  
swept up in AT's  
overly broad  
interpretation of the  
Speed Rule**

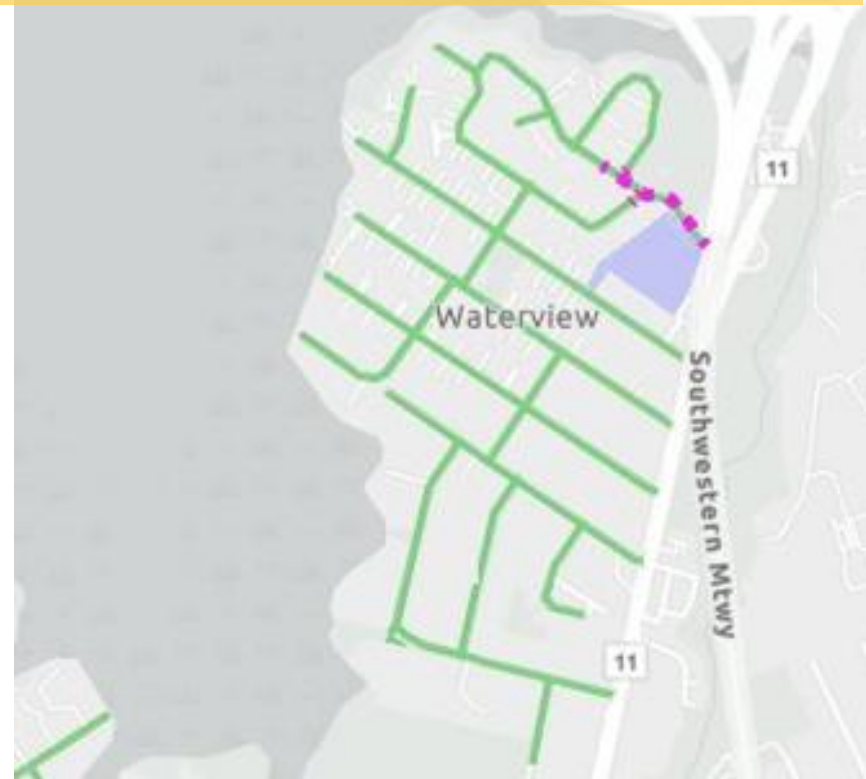
**Most are in quiet, self-  
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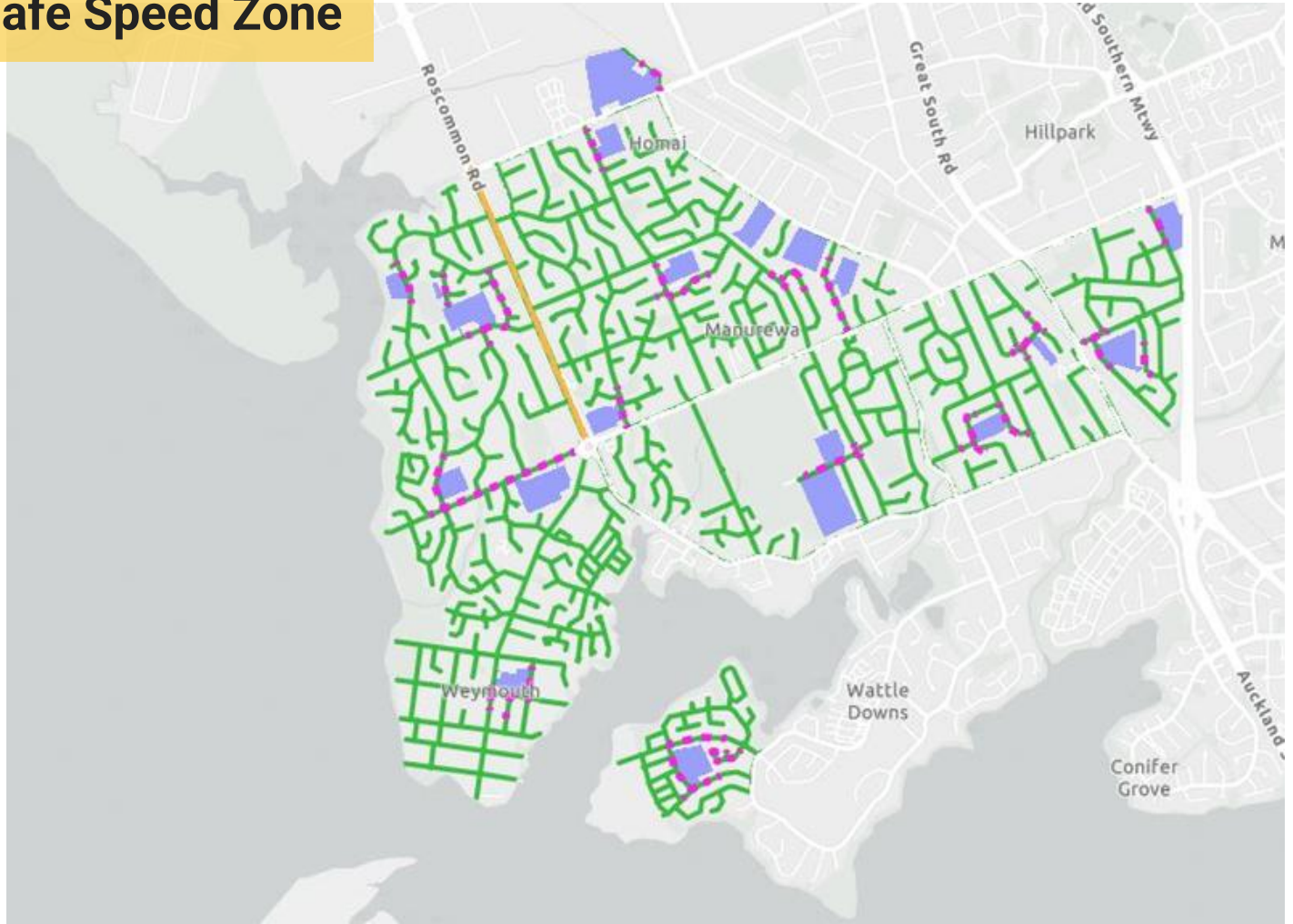
# Point Chevalier Safe Speed Zone



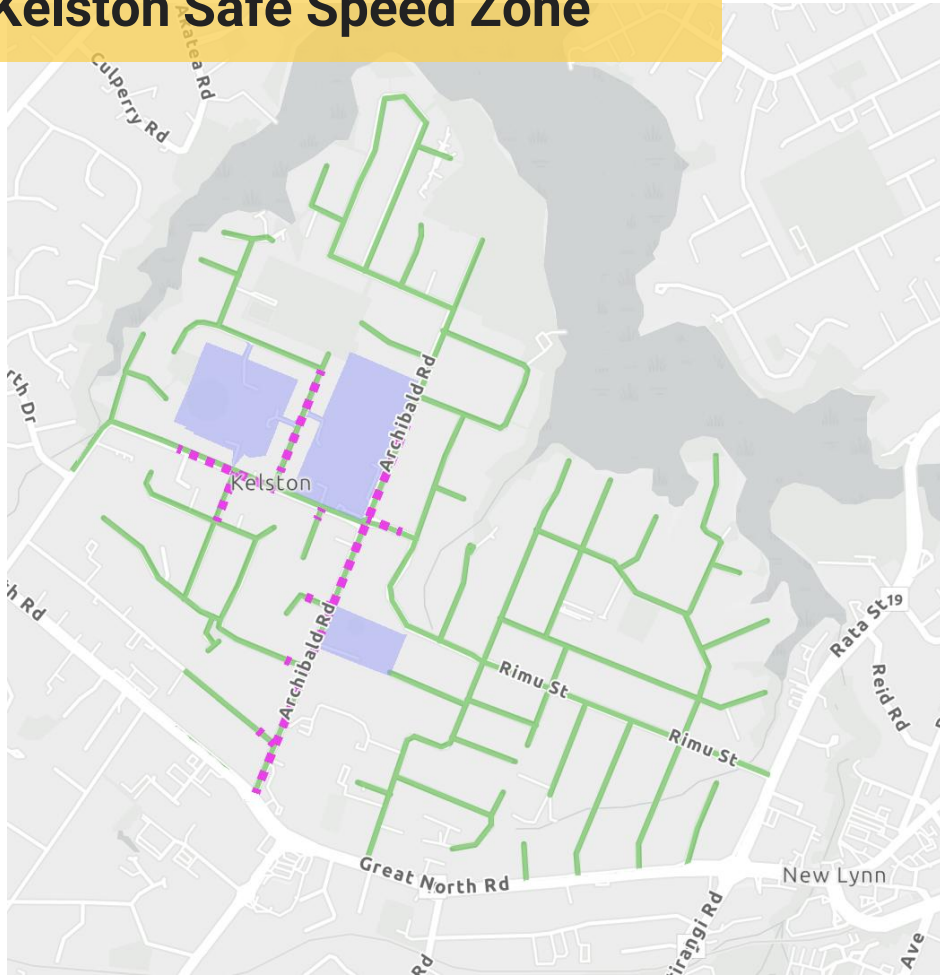
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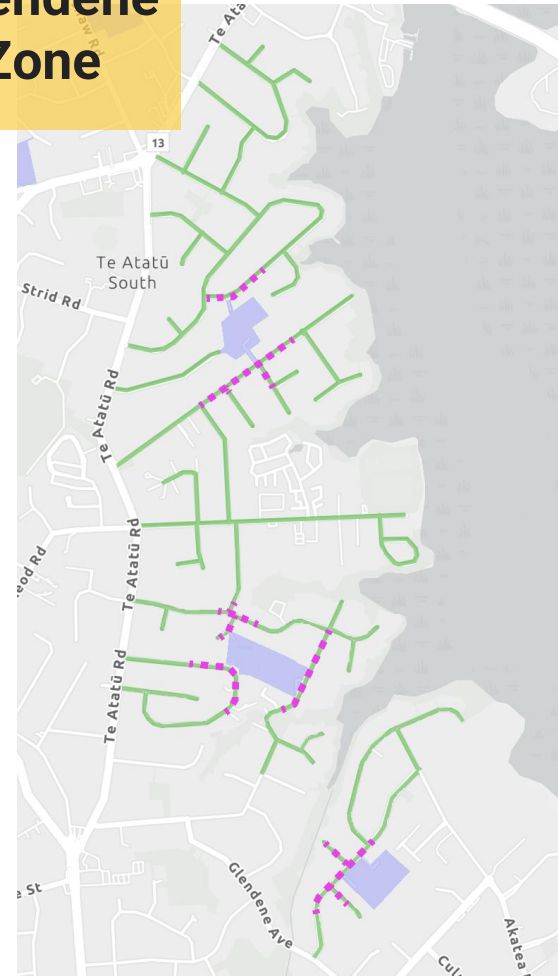
# Manurewa Safe Speed Zone



# Kelston Safe Speed Zone



# Te Atatū/ Glendene Safe Speed Zone



# Freemans Bay Safe Speed Zone: NOW



30 km Streets  
40 km Streets

# Freemans Bay Safe Speed Zone: AFTER 1 July



# How can AT best act in line with your strategies and guard rails?

## AT can be guided by:

- **Statutory requirement** *to contribute to an effective, efficient and safe Auckland land transport system in the public interest*
- **Commitment to road safety**, including **Vision Zero**, your **statement of intent** *to reduce harm with speed limit reductions around schools and communities*; and **The Auckland Plan 2050 vision** *of a safe transport network free from death and serious injury*
- **Safe System planning**, which is evidence-led and grounded in subject-matter expertise
- **Commitment to public consultation and information**, which underpinned Safe Speeds rollout
- **Commitment to emissions reductions**, including ‘supercharging’ walking and cycling
- **Overwhelming support** from governing body, local boards and public for Safe Speeds



**Your Safe Speeds Programme won international recognition. It's saving lives and reducing harm – which is why we are all seeking to protect it.**



10.12.2024

*10 December 2024* – London, UK — Auckland Transport has been honoured with a prestigious **Prince Michael International Road Safety Award in London**, recognising its outstanding achievements in road safety through the implementation of its Safe Speeds Programme. This award, endorsed by an international panel of judges, highlights Auckland Transport's significant contribution to aligning speed limits with best international practices and Safe System principles.

## **The Minister has recently opened the door to a more reasoned approach by Road Controlling Authorities**

On 10 April, Minister Chris Bishop was asked in the House about allowing **“local authorities and NZTA to retain safer speed limits of 30 km/h where there is strong community support, especially around schools and aged-care facilities.”** The Minister confirmed:

**“The Speed Rule allows for that.”**

He then gave Hamilton City Council (HCC) as an example of a Road-Controlling Authority that **“has already started”** this process.

**Please, take this opportunity to apply the “Hamilton Approach”**

**As in Hamilton, signage tells a story**



**Blockhouse Bay school street**



**Western Springs school street**

## Point Chevalier Safe Speed Zone: 30 signage – but no Kura/ School signs



# There is strong and continued public support for your Safe Speed Zones

**June 2024**, a Verian survey for AT showed **more people support speed reductions than oppose them** across Auckland, and **support had increased since 2023**.

**After being informed** about the decrease in deaths and serious injuries on roads where speed limits have been reduced, **support for the speed limit reductions rose to 61%** and opposition fell.

**Strong support across the Albert-Eden Local Board Area:** Support for the Phase 2 consultations on safe speeds ranged from **70%** in Mt Eden/ Sandringham/ Balmoral to **93%** in Mt Albert, with **76%** support in Point Chevalier near Pasadena Intermediate and **83%** support in Waterview.

**Strong support in Meadowbank / Ōrakei Local Board:** In the 2021 consultation, **71%** of Meadowbank residents **supported safer speeds** in their community. Support for speed reductions continues to outweigh opposition in the Ōrakei Local Board area (Verian, 2024).

**Strong and consistent support from schools:**

**78%** of school leaders in Auckland support permanent safe speed zones around schools.

## In summary, we are asking you to:

1. Immediately direct and support staff to urgently review AT's analysis – to identify any errors, and to apply the Hamilton approach wherever possible
2. Work with NZTA to retain existing speed limits where there is public support to do so and where the evidence confirms the safe operating speeds for our neighbourhoods around schools is 30km/h
3. Discuss with the Minister the common sense technical amendments needed to the Speed Rule, including allowing 30km/h as an option for urban roads so AT can re-consult from 1 July as necessary

**Thank you for listening**

**He Pātai ?**

