




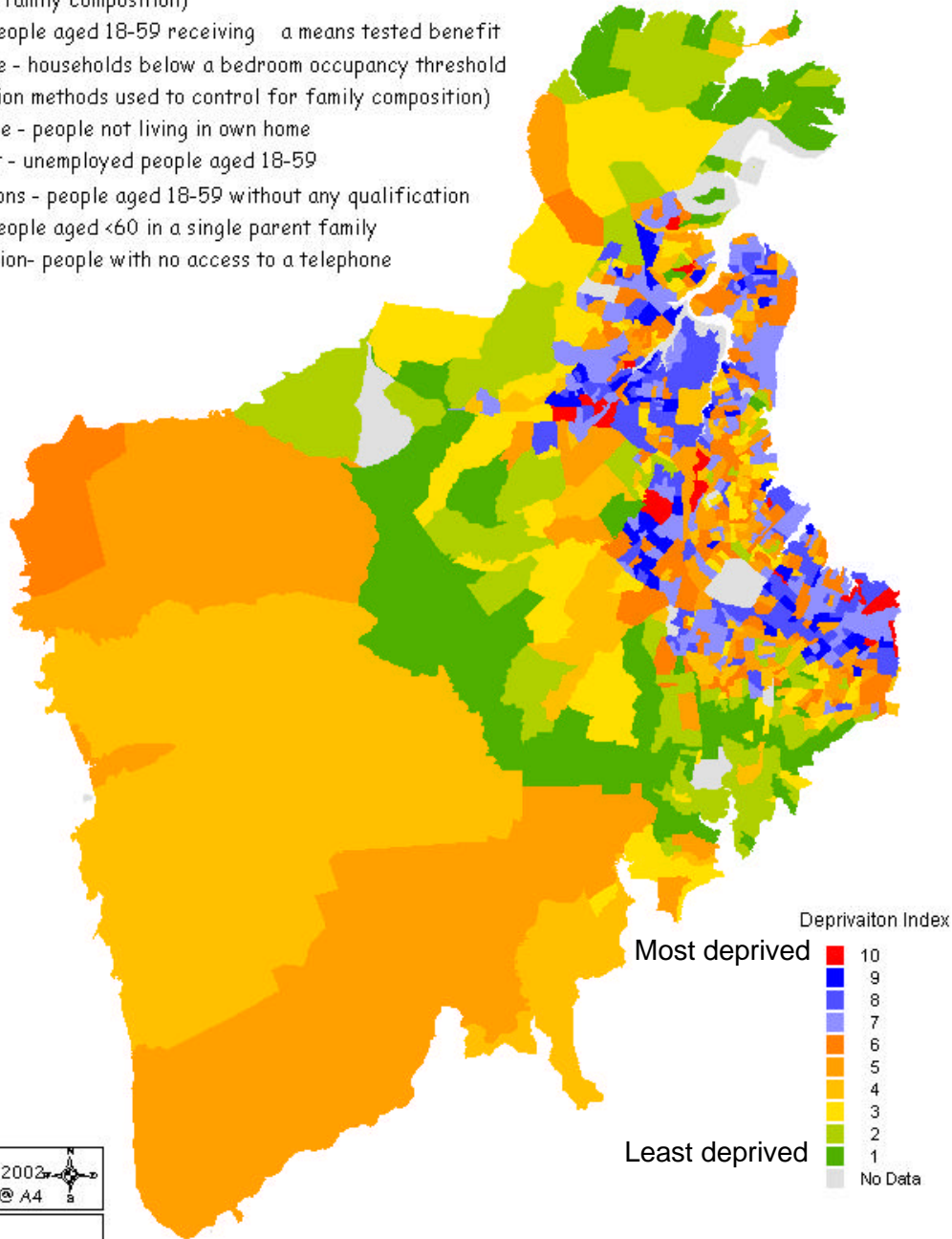
Strong Communities – Report Card					
Targets	Have targets been met?	Current Projects	Issues	Gaps	Sustainability Assessment
Socioeconomic status of residents	In 2001 21% of Waitakere City families with children were earning less than 60% of the NZ median family income	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wellbeing process Collaboration Forum Child and Youth Policy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of affordable primary health care and accessible health services; low funding relative to other parts of NZ Substandard housing, lack of housing for larger families Need for more local jobs 	<p>Developing non-facility based social infrastructure</p> <p>Potential under the new LGA for greater devolution of social services from central government</p>	<p>Health/Education/Economic status</p>  <p>Low – especially for families with children. This is not sustainable.</p>
Residents believe that Waitakere City is a safe place	57% 1999/00, 64% in 2000/01, increasing trend.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Safety Plan, Council Safety Strategy & Good Practice Guide, Safe Waitakere projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breaking cycles of abuse and dependency Developing a child, youth and family friendly City 	Inter-agency work to reduce family violence	<p>Community Spirit and Networks</p> 
Residents believe the City has strong community spirit and networks	46% in 1999/2000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ranui Action Project West Coast Plan Support for community networks eg. Swanson, Kelston 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local planning is resource intensive, for Council as well as for communities Growing ethnic diversity 	Ongoing support for community-based initiatives, beyond the “pilot” phase	<p>V. strong in some areas.</p> <p>Safety</p> 
Educational attainment of school leavers (local schools)	Average 20% per year leave school without qualifications since 1996, no discernible trend	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child & Youth advocacy Support for tertiaries Support for Waitakere Education Sector Trust 	Despite some high-profile exceptions, low achievers tend to have long term problems with jobs, health, housing	Affordable local tertiary education and training.	<p>Some positive trends, but injury levels still high</p>

Community Wellbeing in Waitakere – Areas of Low Socioeconomic Status

The NZ Deprivation Index-1996 rates all areas of New Zealand on a scale of 1 to 10 where the higher the score the more deprived the area. Ten percent of areas in New Zealand fall in to each of the ratings 1-10.

The index is based on the following census data:-

- * Income - household income below an income threshold (equivalisation methods used to control for family composition)
- * Income - people aged 18-59 receiving a means tested benefit
- * Living space - households below a bedroom occupancy threshold (equivalisation methods used to control for family composition)
- * Owned home - people not living in own home
- * Employment - unemployed people aged 18-59
- * Qualifications - people aged 18-59 without any qualification
- * Support - people aged <60 in a single parent family
- * Communication- people with no access to a telephone



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