

SmartGrowth Partnership Report March 2018



This report is divided into two sections.

Section 1: SmartGrowth Partnership Office

Update on actions that are currently led, funded and activated by the office.

Click on the below link to find out what's happening in the western bay:
The partner Councils are consulting on a range of topics that you might like to make a submission on:

<http://www.smartgrowthbop.org.nz/about-us/whats-happening-in-the-western-bay/>

Section 2: SmartGrowth Partner Forums

Update on the actions and meetings of the forums including links to minutes from forums meetings.

Section One

Actions led, funded and activated by the **SmartGrowth Partnership Office**

SMARTGROWTH STRATEGY Priority Actions: Part B: Implementation Plan and Part C Settlement Pattern Implementation Plan

SLG Priority SmartGrowth Strategy/Action Link Ongoing Actions	March Progress Update
<p>SmartGrowth Leadership Group (SLG) Priority: United advocacy/co-ordinated planning</p> <p>SmartGrowth Strategy Action 7 Strengthen visionary leadership and collaboration</p> <p>SmartGrowth Strategy Action 7B 1 and 2: Strengthen the SmartGrowth Partnership/Memorandum of Agreement</p> <p>Governance, partnership and decision-making support for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SmartGrowth Leadership Group (SLG) - Independent chair - Chief Executives' Advisory Group (CEAG) - SmartGrowth Strategic (managers) Group (SSG) - Technical working groups (TIG) 	<p>Update: March</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEAG & SSG met on 8 November for a joint meeting. The next joint meeting will take place on 7 March. SmartGrowth progress on key projects including SmartGrowth Forums Health Check findings and recommendations. . • TIG for National Policy Statement co-ordination/Settlement Pattern Review projects is meeting monthly, chaired by strategic advisor Ken Tremaine.
<p>SmartGrowth Leadership Group (SLG) Priority: Future Thinking</p> <p>SmartGrowth Strategy Action 7G Promote SmartGrowth as information portal for access to data, research and demographics.</p>	<p>Update: March</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February SmartGrowth newsletter published. Focus on the first Smart Talk, Future Thinking Event of 2018. Understanding the millennials - international community innovator Savannah Peterson speaking on Tuesday 20 March, 3-4.30, Club Mount Maunganui. • New Factsheets released: Our Future Housing Demand and Need in the western Bay of Plenty and SmartGrowth Development Trends in the

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<p>Use this mechanism to see 'gaps' in priorities and use for future planning.</p>	
<p>9. Build the Community</p> <p>SmartGrowth Strategy Priority Action 9A Build and value partnership with the community. Ongoing communication and engagement with the community 9A2 Ongoing communication and engagement with the community Lead agency: SmartGrowth Partnership Office</p> <p>Measure of success is that community awareness and understanding of SmartGrowth is improved and maintained. Implementing/reviewing communications engagement plan</p> <p>Includes leveraging off new website, other channels and new SmartGrowth programme of 'Smart Talk. Future Thinking community conversations.</p> <p>Work with council communications teams Effectiveness in the social sector 9A3 <i>Not a priority action in the strategy but currently funded and approved action. SSF-lead agency.</i></p> <p>Build on existing social services mapping to inform future work on improving long-term sustainable outcomes. Build collaboration.</p> <p>Mapping the social sector project. Social inventory – social services mapping. This project has been contracted to SocialLink.</p> <p>9A3 Mapping of the social sector project now led and managed by SocialLink following CEAG delegated funding</p>	<p>Update: March 9A2 Smart Talk, Future Thinking 2018 - SmartGrowth have gained sponsorship for the first Smart Talk, Future Thinking Event on Tuesday 20 March 2018, 3-4:30pm, Club Mount Maunganui.</p> <p>Digital strategy update:</p> <p>Continued increase in new subscribers to the SmartGrowth newsletter.</p> <p>SocialLink progressing well with social sector mapping project. Full report will be available end of March 2018.</p>

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<p>decision; contract for delivery of work using SmartGrowth funding signed with SocialLink – partnership funding approach – SocialLink also contributing funding. Set up phase completed; now in data collection phase. Project report completion expected by December 2017. Regular progress reporting into SSG, Social Sector Forum and other SmartGrowth stakeholders.</p>	
<p>10. Grow a Sustainable Economy</p> <p>SmartGrowth Strategy Action 10D1 SLG priority: future thinking Research sub-regional workforce implications of population ageing</p> <p>SmartGrowth Strategy Action 10E5 Housing affordability project</p> <p>United advocacy: housing affordability 10E6 SLG priority: united advocacy The Housing We Need project</p>	<p>Housing Affordability Forum (HAF) pilot project. Update on Steering Group from HAF Agenda 9 February</p> <p>Update: Housing Needs Assessment completed Full research report on link below SmartGrowth Housing Need & Demand Report</p> <p>Consultants presented final report to December meeting of SmartGrowth Leadership Group. Important part of advocacy evidence base for discussions with central Government.</p>
<p>11. Recognise Tangata Whenua cultural identity and change</p> <p>SmartGrowth Strategy Actions 11A-C</p> <p>Actions 11A and 11B and 11C Priority actions 11A1; 11A2; 11B1; 11B2; 11C1</p>	<p>Combined Tangata Whenua Forum (CTWF) Meetings to discuss key areas: Including Maori Housing Project Scope, Action 11.A 4 – Sub-Regional Tangata Whenua Consultation Policy for Resource Consent Processing, Plan Change 9.</p> <p>Combined Tangata Whenua Forum (CTWF) Meetings to discuss key areas: Including Maori Housing Project Scope, Action 11.A 4 – Sub-Regional Tangata Whenua Consultation Policy for Resource Consent Processing, Plan Change 9.</p>

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	<p>Action 11A1 & 11A2 Partner Councils are reviewing the project heritage database project plan to assess potential changes to enable to project to progress.</p> <p>Action 11A4 Sub-regional tangata whenua consultation policy for resource consent processing, has been partially complete. Partner Councils are engaging with the WBOPDC Partnership Forum and TCC Tangata Whenua Collective on a policy to establishing a sub-regional approach to consultation. A final policy on resource consent processing will be available in May 2018. TCC and WBOPDC Maori policy staff are continually reviewing contact and area of interest information in response to iwi and hapu.</p> <p>Action 11A7 TCC and WBOPDC Maori policy staff assessing internal cultural awareness programmes for partner organisation.</p> <p>Action 11B1 Project is on-going and progress has been made for papakainga within the sub-region.</p> <p>Action 11B2 Project is on-going as treaty settlements progress. Some settled iwi not in a position to articulate aspirations for property return through settlements. Nga Potiki is the only settlement group to date that have responded as at December 2015.</p>

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	Action 11BC Project is complete. A review of the Maori and tangata whenua demographic information will be reviewed following the 2018 census.
<p>SmartGrowth Strategy Part C: 21 Integrated planning and settlement pattern SmartGrowth Strategy Actions 21A to 21G</p> <p>SLG priority: NPS co-ordination; co-ordinating sub-regional spatial planning</p> <p>TIG - A cross-council, cross-implementation partner Technical Implementation Group (TIG) for Settlement Pattern Review and National Policy Statement for Urban Development Capacity work is meeting monthly.</p> <p>Project plan for this work agreed with SLG, SSG and CEAG; SPR projects bi-monthly updates now going to SSG/SLG – see Part 3 of this report. Co-ordination, monitoring and alignment role for SG.</p> <p>SmartGrowth Strategy Action 21A3</p> <p>Consider future housing needs – including supply and demand to cater for changing demographics</p> <p>PATAG research project – ageing well science challenge – Life when Renting Bay of Plenty case study</p>	<p>Update: March TIG has been leading required work for the business and housing capacity assessment.</p> <p>The draft Development Trends report was included in the SmartGrowth Leadership Group December Agenda and included the National Policy Statement on Urban Development Capacity (NPS-UDC) monitoring requirements. This report also provides an update on the Housing and Business Development Capacity Assessment and an outline of next steps for the Settlement Pattern Review (SPR) and NPS-UDC work in 2018, particularly the Future Development Strategy.</p> <p><u>SmartGrowth Development Trends Report</u></p>

Section Two

SmartGrowth Strategy Action 7. Strengthen visionary leadership and collaboration

SmartGrowth Action 7A: Strengthen relationships with the community

SmartGrowth Forums

Environment and Sustainability Forum



Housing Affordability Forum



Combined Tangata Whenua Forum



Population Ageing Technical Advisory Group



Property Developers Forum



Social Infrastructure Providers Group



Social Sector Forum



Strategic Partners Forum



Partner Forums Key Agenda Items Discussed	<p>Michael Tucker & Ana Hancock presented to the forums on the Tauranga Urban Strategy: Full presentation on link below Tauranga Urban Strategy Presentation</p> <p>SmartGrowth Housing Demand and Need in Tauranga and Western Bay of Plenty SmartGrowth Housing Need And Demand Report</p>	
Partner Forums	<p>Update summary / link to agendas/minutes on SmartGrowth website</p> <p>Latest minutes available Mid-March</p>	Key messages for SmartGrowth Leadership Group/ Other Items Discussed
Strategic Partners (SPF)	Strategic Partners Forum Agendas & Minutes	<p>Met in February discussed key items plus A Stocktake of New Zealand's Housing – government report Housing Stocktake - Government report</p> <p>Demand & Need fact sheet Housing Demand & Need fact sheet</p> <p>Development Trends fact sheet Development Trends fact sheet</p>
Social Sector (SSF)	Social Sector Forum Agendas & Minutes	<p>Met in November and February discussed the key items. Social Sector wanted to express the views of the forum are important in the next phase of the health check. The forum look forward to more dialog.</p> <p>Appreciation expressed over the engagement process for settlement pattern review.</p> <p>Ian Herbert presented to the forum BOPRC BOP Transport Plan (Public Transport) – presentation available on request</p>
Combined Tangata Whenua (CTWF)	Combined Tangata Whenua Forum Agendas & Minutes	<p>Met in December and February discussed Maori Housing Project Scope, Action 11.A 4 Sub Regional Tangata Whenua Consultation Policy for Resource Consent Processing, Plan Change 9 Update.</p>

Property Developers (PDF)	<u>Property Developers Forum Agendas & Minutes</u>	Met in December and February discussed key council and project updates as per agenda. Strategic long term planning – Draft SmartGrowth business land capacity assessment report, next steps for completing draft SmartGrowth housing and business capacity assessment.
Population Ageing Technical Advisory Group (PATAG)	<u>Population Ageing Technical Advisory Group Agendas & Minutes</u>	<p>November meeting cancelled, met in February discussed key items.</p> <p>Bernie Walsh attended and talked to The Housing Spectrum and the new fact sheets:</p> <p>Demand & Need fact sheet <u>Housing Demand & Need fact sheet</u></p> <p>Development Trends fact sheet <u>Development Trends fact sheet</u></p>
Housing Affordability (HAF)	<u>Housing Affordability Forum Agendas & Minutes</u>	Met in February discussed key items and the Pilot Project
Environment & Sustainability (E&S)	<u>Environment and Sustainability Forum Agenda & Minutes</u>	Met in November and February discussed the key items.
Social Infrastructure Providers Group	<p>This is not a forum – and meets as an informal networking group. Councils are members as they are providers.</p> <p>Social infrastructure providers now involved in councils’ structure planning across the sub-region. Attending workshops and meetings.</p> <p>No formal minutes. <u>Position paper link.</u></p>	<p>Meetings have highlighted need to share project synergies e.g. Katikati Community Centre learnings.</p> <p>Need to keep focus on social infrastructure and share learnings and opportunities.</p> <p>Key question is</p> <p>What would Smart Growth want to know about social infrastructure providers and their aspirations, to include in future thinking and forward planning?</p>

BOPRC Update to SmartGrowth Strategic Managers Group – February 2018

Project and Project Manager	Previous Update (Key Matters)	Current Update (Key Matters)	Next Steps and Identified Risks
Tauranga Harbour (various)	BOPRC is the administering authority to Te Awanui Tauranga Harbour Advisory Group.	<p>State of Tauranga Harbour report released in December 2017.</p> <p>Tauranga Moana Advisory Group meeting on Friday 23 February postponed.</p> <p>A summer marine pest survey conducted by MPI has discovered Asian paddle crab (<i>Charybdis Japonica</i>) in Tauranga Harbour.</p> <p>New Awanui vessel launched in August 2017 has been invaluable in recent oil spill response work.</p>	Information gathering continuing in 2018 for Tauranga Water Management Area to determine water quality and quantity limits under the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management.
Biodiversity/Margins/Land Management	<p>Tauranga and Kaituna Catchment land management programmes are large, cross-council work programmes.</p> <p>Details of the Kaituna River Re-diversion and Ongatoro/Maketu Estuary Enhancement Project can be found at the following link:</p> <p>http://www.boprc.govt.nz/environment/coast/kaituna-maketu-and-pongakawa-waitahanui-catchments/kaituna-river-re-diversion-and-ongatoromaketu-estuary-enhancement-project/</p> <p>Kaimai Catchments Forum work ongoing.</p>	<p>A total of 149 private landowners now have agreements in place with Regional Council to improve the management of sediment, nutrient and bacteria run-off from their properties, and 32 environmental care groups are actively working on restoration projects around the harbour, with assistance from the councils.</p> <p>More than 90 percent of waterways throughout the Tauranga Moana catchments have now been protected from access by farm stock.</p> <p>In the lower Kaituna, main re-diversion construction works are continuing.</p>	<p>BOPRC is increasing efforts with remaining landowners in the coming years through a new collaboration with Uretara Estuary Managers, Ministry for the Environment and Western Bay of Plenty District Council.</p> <p>Completion of Kaituna River re-diversion restoration works.</p>
Tauranga Harbour Coastal Hazard Study	NIWA extreme sea level analysis for Tauranga Harbour completed and reviewed by BOPRC, TCC, and WBOPDC project team.	<p>Draft coastal hazards reports received from NIWA and Tonkin and Taylor.</p> <p>In terms of other relevant natural hazards work, a Tsunami hazard assessment for</p>	<p>The coastal hazard mapping will be used to undertake natural hazard risk assessments as the next stage.</p> <p>The main risk is uncertainty around the draft</p>

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	<p>Tauranga Harbour Coastal Hazards Study due for completion in mid-2018.</p> <p>Independent peer reviewers appointed; Professor Willem de Lange and Dr Mark Dickson (both UOW).</p>	<p>Waihi Beach and Pukehina being provided to Western Bay of Plenty District Council to progress agreed process for informing residents.</p>	<p>MfE coastal hazard guidance for local government, which is currently being assessed.</p>
Co-governance document for Tauranga Moana	<p>The resolution of the Tauranga Moana Framework has been delayed. Consequently work has not begun on a co-governance document (Ngā Tai ki Mauao).</p>	<p>Still a significant risk in forming new relationships and retaining existing relationships between local government and iwi.</p>	<p>Risks as per those identified in Current Update. Progress with treaty settlements beyond BOPRC's control.</p>
Regional Coastal Environment Plan	<p>16 Environment Court appeals received. Court proceedings are ongoing.</p> <p>Environment Court hearing on Matakana Island topic held in May 2017.</p>	<p>Resolution of appeals and whole plan becoming operative delayed due to continuing litigation.</p> <p>Forest & Bird appealed the natural heritage decision to the High Court. BOPRC position supported by TCC, Trustpower and others. High Court hearing completed on 1 November 2017. Decision received on 12 December 2017. Appeal was largely successful and the matter has been referred back to the Environment Court for consideration. Parties are developing alternative wording for the Court to consider.</p> <p>Proposed National Environmental Standard for Aquaculture – Government is considering submissions. NES expected to be finalised mid-2018.</p>	<p>Potential for significant impediment to upgrade of existing, and provision of new, Regionally Significant Infrastructure. Of concern to Tauranga City Council and also Te Tumu Growth Area development.</p> <p>Regarding Matakana Island, an interim Environment Court decision received confirming that the entire barrier arm is an Outstanding Natural feature and Landscape. Parties are attempting to agree on how the attributes, values and existing uses of the area are described in the plan.</p>
On-site Effluent Treatment Regional Plan	<p>New provisions for on-site effluent treatment systems will be incorporated as plan change into the Regional Natural Resource Plan in mid-2018 as part of an overall plan simplification and amalgamation process. This will be Plan</p>	<p>Regional Direction and Delivery Workshop on 2 May 2018 to consider pre-Draft Plan Change 14. If appropriate, will come back to RDD Committee in June 2018 to approve for public consultation.</p>	<p>Notification of Proposed Plan Change 14 to include new OSET Plan provisions expected early 2019.</p> <p>Consultation with territorial authorities and Papakāinga housing providers ongoing.</p>

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	Change 14 (OSET). The plan change affects un-reticulated areas only, with a simplified approach to rules expected and fewer schedules.		
Kaituna River Document	Deliberations on the Proposed Kaituna River Document are complete.	Final document is being prepared for final approval. Aiming for public release in June/July to coincide with Matariki.	Once the river document is finalised and published, a project to change the RPS will commence to recognise and provide for the Objectives and Desired Outcomes of the Kaituna River Document.
NPS-FM implementation in Kaituna-Pongakawa-Waitahanui Water Management Area	Six community group meetings held so far and several meetings with iwi. Values and preferred in-river states identified, working towards draft objectives. A catchment model that will estimate water quality and flow under different land use and management practice scenarios is being developed.	Work continues on the contaminant calibrations within our Catchment Model for Kaituna-Pongakawa-Waitahanui which includes nitrogen, phosphorus, suspended sediment and E. coli. There is a 3-month delay in modelling due to calibration.	The next Community Group Workshops are set for April 2018. The results of initial model runs will be discussed with BOPRC councillors in May 2018.
NPS-FM implementation in Tauranga Harbour Water Management Area	Implementation of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management implementation in Tauranga Harbour to begin in 2017/18. Tauranga Harbour catchments one of 9 WMA areas for the Bay of Plenty.	Process to set objectives, limits and methods for quality and quantity under the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management in the Tauranga Moana Water Management Area (aka Plan Change 16) has started. The current focus is to build an information base and agree an approach to working together with Tauranga Moana iwi and hapū. A presentation and discussion on Te Mana o Te Wai and Māori rights & interests in fresh water by National Freshwater Iwi Advisor Tina Porou was to have been held 23 February 2018 with the Tauranga Moana Advisory Group. Due to the sad passing of Dr Morehu Rahipere, this was postponed.	Information-gathering will take until 2019, with plan development between 2020 and 2023, the statutory process in 2024 and implementation from 2025. However, there will be opportunities to review this timetable. BOPRC expects to work closely with TCC and WBOPDC through existing fora.

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RPS (Urban Limits, Settlement Pattern)	Proposed Change 4 to the Regional Policy Statement to enable Tauriko West to be included within the urban limits.	<p>Awaiting decision from Minister Parker on streamline plan process for Tauriko West urban limits change in the Regional Policy Statement. Discussion has been ongoing with MfE and OTS on iwi consultation requirements. Council responded to Minister Parker on his draft direction and process steps on 26 January, with similar letters supporting BORC sent by TCC, WBOPDC and Ngāti Ranginui. A second letter regarding iwi consultation was sent to Minister Parker on 20 February 2018.</p> <p>Te Kauae-a-Rooppu (Tauriko West Partnership) hui held on 23 January, 12 February and 26 February at BOPRC offices with mandated representatives of the six local hapū, councils and NZTA.</p>	<p>Draft Section 32 Evaluation for Proposed Change 4 to the Regional Policy Statement (Tauriko West) has been sent out to Te Kauae o Rooppu (partnership agreement) iwi/hapū for feedback.</p> <p>The final direction from Minister Parker on the SPP process is expected in early March 2018.</p>
Climate Change	The BOPRC Long Term Plan 2018-2028 process is considering climate change responsibilities in response to recommendations in the Local Government Leaders Climate Change Declaration. The key commitment in that document is to “Develop and implement ambitious action plans that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support resilience within our own councils and for our local communities”.	<p>There is a section on how we are preparing for climate change in the consultation document on the LTP 2018-2028. See: https://www.boprc.govt.nz/media/715795/4774-ltp-2018-28-cd-consultation-document-final-low-res-for-web.pdf</p> <p>Regional Council is currently working with the region's councils on collaboratively addressing the impacts of climate change on our communities.</p>	<p>Legislative change is expected from the new Government.</p> <p>The Minister for Climate Change, James Shaw, intends to introduce a Zero Carbon Bill into Parliament. The Bill would set the framework for action on climate change at a national and local level. The Bill is expected to set a new 2050 target for greenhouses gas emissions and establish an independent Climate Change Commission.</p>
Freshwater Futures/Water Quality	There is significant tangata whenua interest in the Region Wide Water Quantity plan change (Plan Change 9), as well as wider concerns around the future management of region's water resources.	A formal mediation prehearing meeting occurred on Proposed Plan Change 9 (PC9) on 23 February 2018. Council hearings have been scheduled for 14-16 March 2018. The planner's s42A report will be circulated 10 days prior to the hearing.	Risks include retaining the original scope of the plan change, especially in relations to future Water Management Area Plan changes, matters of significance to Māori, metering and reporting, unauthorised takes, limitations of science and data.

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	Water Opportunities / Barriers project is underway, as part of the Regional Growth Study. The purpose of this project is to look at barriers / opportunities to economic growth from a water perspective.	The project is expected to be delivered by August 2018. As part of the project we will engage local stakeholders to identify credible future scenarios.	Opportunity to link this piece of work with NPSFM limit setting.
	Havelock North Inquiry implications: BOPRC / Toi Te Ora and the Territorial Authorities have prepared a draft risk register for the region, focussed on water sources.	Stage 2 findings of Inquiry were released in December 2017. This highlighted some key concerns around the lack of national direction. This is currently with Central Government to consider next steps.	Potential for LTP impacts if Central Government release updated National Direction.
Western Bay of Plenty Public Transport	New public transport ticketing system for the region being introduced in mid-2018 which has been procured by a consortium of Council's outside Christchurch, Wellington and Auckland.	Tenders for Tauranga and Te Puke bus services currently being evaluated. New Consortium ticketing system in the process of being implemented.	Selection of winning tenderers for Tauranga and Te Puke bus services. Some Tauranga school-led solutions being progressed between Council, schools and Ministry of Education.
Regional Land Transport Plan	New Project	The draft Bay of Plenty Regional Land Transport Plan 2018 has been prepared by the Bay of Plenty Regional Transport Committee and sets the direction that our transport system will take over the next 30+ years. It sets out the priorities and activities the region will work towards in the next six years while maintaining a long term view on what might happen in the future.	Submissions on the Draft Plan opened on 19 February 2018-23 March 2018. Hearings are scheduled on submissions for 11-12 April 2018. The Draft Plan, summary document and information can be found at https://www.boprc.govt.nz/landtransportplan
Regional Air Plan	New Project	Proposed Plan Change 13 (Air Quality) to the Regional Natural Resources Plan notified for submissions 27 February 2018. Key aspects of the plan change include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open burning – banned in urban areas • Agrichemical spraying – sprayers to use a risk management approach to spraying • Methyl bromide and fumigants – all 	Submissions close 12 April 2018.

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		<p>fumigants used for shipping discretionary activity, methyl bromide use with recapture discretionary, without recapture non-complying</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mount Maunganui – expanded monitoring and if necessary, additional rules to manage air discharges will be introduced in the future • General – new crematoria need consent, free-range and intensive farms need consent, pet food manufacture needs consent. 	
BOPRC LTP 2018-2028	New Project	<p>Consultation on the LTP opened on 19 February 2018, with submissions now able to be received, see information on BOPRC website. Councillors, Leadership Team and staff subject matter experts are attending 20+ events scheduled over the engagement period through to 19 March 2018.</p>	<p>A list of the planned engagement events coming up can be found at: www.boprc.govt.nz/communityevents.</p>



Memorandum

To:	SmartGrowth Strategic Managers Group
From:	Rachael Davie
Date:	26 February 2018
Subject	WBOPDC SmartGrowth and Related Projects Update

SmartGrowth and its partner agencies have agreed to progress a range of actions including those to provide for growth associated with the urban growth areas. This report provides an update on current Western Bay of Plenty District Council projects relevant to the SmartGrowth Strategy and, where appropriate, identifies project risks and proposed mitigation. Next steps are also identified.



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SmartGrowth Endorsed Growth Projects			
Omokoroa Special Housing Area (SHA) (Blaise Williams)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marketing of stage two of the SHA has commenced Earthworks will commence shortly All stage one affordable house and land packages are under offer or have been sold. There is a good mix of housing typologies with a number of 2 bedrooms and duplexes. The majority of residents have connections (work or otherwise) with Omokoroa and the surrounding area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marketing of stage two of the SHA well underway. All SHA Foundation properties have been sold, and most of the non-SHA have been. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A softening of the housing market has occurred which may have an impact on the development. However this is not unexpected and is due to factors such as the elections, changing Government and waiting for possible changes to policy around borrowing levels.
Housing Affordability Forum (HAF) Pilot Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negotiating with one party. Aiming to have a decision by December. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration is being to an alternative site for the HAF pilot project noting that the existing site is difficult to develop given its steepness and terrain. The cost implications of developing the current site would threaten the fundamental purpose of the project. A new site has been identified and is considered superior to the original site. Overall the alternative site will be cheaper to develop which in turn will lead to economies of scale and enhance project viability. 	
Omokoroa Structure Plan (Phillip Martelli)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Plan is approved. Reviewing constraints analysis, gathering information. Preparing for community engagement on 24 and 28 November. SG Forums have been 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Successful community engagement days. Discussed at Joint Collaboration meeting. Preparing for technical workshop to prepare draft options in March. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a growing level of interest / unrest from residents at Omokoroa regarding the pace of growth on the peninsula and a real desire to influence and shape Stage 3, more particularly in relation to town centre discussions, the need for a secondary school

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	invited to participate.		and other social infrastructure.
Omokoroa Road (Jim Paterson)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shifting and upgrading underground infrastructure such as water mains, sewer transfer main, electricity, telecommunications is nearly complete. New services supporting land development are included in the roading project i.e. new intersections, storm water mains, gravity sewers, water supply, power supply and broadband. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Majority of the underground services have been installed and or relocated. Pavement works have commenced. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Civil works are expected to be ongoing until June 2018
Katikati (Tony Clow)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional information being obtained for alternative sites for a further Council workshop. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workshop held with Council. Going out to the community to discuss alternative locations in late March/April. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All other options are outside the current urban limits, and consideration will need to be given to making the necessary changes to the RPS in due course if the decision is to proceed with one of them. It is preferable to undertake a structure plan and plan change rather than using HASHA. There is a challenge to balance the current population projections with the capacity of and cost of upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant.
Tauriko West TLA Boundary Change (Sue Laurene)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gathering information from TCC and WBOPDC for inclusion in the boundary alteration application. MOU between TCC and WBOPDC in relation to the boundary alteration now signed by both Mayors. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notwithstanding that the boundary alteration project is largely dependant on the successful completion of the change to the RPS urban limit line, WBOPDC are preparing to make an application by assembling information at this stage.. Te Kauae a Roopu has confirmed that the hapu members of the roopu are the appropriate parties to engage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Better Local Government legislation is currently number 20 on the Parliamentary Order paper for 2018, however the order may change due to government legislative priorities. The decision on which legislation to use for the boundary alteration will be governed by the Government's time and/or BOPRC plan change process timing.

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		with in relation to the boundary alteration with information letters being sent to Ngati Ranginui, Ngai Te Rangi and Ngati Pukenga.	
SH2 Safety Reviews: Waihi to Omokoroa, Omokoroa to Te Puna (Phillip Martelli - NZTA led)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposal going to NZTA Board on 13 October 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waiting outcome of GPS due in March. 	

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SmartGrowth : Tangata Whenua Cultural Identity / Building Communities			
Project Wai Ora (Jodie Rickard)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is a multi-agency project (Central Government, WBOPDC, BOPRC, DHB) to address water and wastewater infrastructure issues in 5 economically deprived communities across the Western Bay. In April 2017 the Minister of Finance declined a \$120,000 funding contribution resolve the respective water and wastewater issues in Showground Rd, Tuapiro and Matakana Island. This effectively ended Central government involvement in the project. It is likely there were concerns about a precedent being set for other communities. The negative response from Central Government makes it vital for the remaining agency partners (WBOPDC, BOPRC, DHB and iwi) to collaborate to find solutions. In August, WBOPDC's Operations Committee resolved to fund the connection to Council's reticulated water system for Showground Road. Matakana Island have also resolved their wastewater issue via upgrades to their OSET system, funded in part from a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WBOPDC is currently preparing its submission to BOPRC's Long Term Plan. Council will be requesting a funding contribution towards the reticulation of Otawhiwhi Marae and kohanga reo, in accordance with BOPRC's Third Party Infrastructure Funding Policy. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decisions to allocate funding in WBOPDC and BOPRC's Long Term Plans will be a critical success factor. Funding announced in the 2017 budget for Marae and Maori housing may be a funding option in some cases.

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	<p>grant from WBOPDC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In October WBOPDC's Operations Committee resolved to provide a funding contribution of \$50,000 to reticulate the marae and kohanga reo at Otawhiwhi. This doesn't deliver the full wastewater solution, but is a good starting point for that community, and enables the Marae committee to apply for funding to DIA to upgrade their toilet block. Council will seek a funding contribution from BOPRC through the LTP process. This was signalled to BOPRC through WBOPDC's submission to the 2017/2018 BOPRC Annual Plan. Subsequently, it has been discussed with elected members at the LTP briefings between the two Councils 		
<p>Papakāinga Development (Joint Agency Group)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of Joint Agency Group Strategic Plan to commence in time for Long Term Plan discussions. Work continues with the projects of the 2015 Papakāinga toolkit workshop graduates; Cooper and Poonotini Trusts. While there were some delays in timeframe primarily due to unseasonal wet weather, both projects are tracking to budget. Cooper Trust will build two homes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ngapeke 6C has secured \$46,000 to carry out geotechnical and archaeological assessments, site planning, partial project management and resource consenting. Manawa treaty settlement subdivision has allocated up to 30% of the project for affordable Nga Potiki housing. 16 whanau at a point of readiness for approval from Nga Potiki Board to offer sites in Manawa for house and land packages. The trust will continue to work with and support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for key projects continues through design, consent, build process. JAG to review its strategic plan and overall model to assess how it might be better able to support papakainga 'at scale'.

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	<p>in stage one with infrastructure capacity to build up to eight houses. Poonotini Trust will build three homes in stage one with infrastructure capacity to build a total of eight houses also.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Joint Agency Group have been working with the 2016 workshop graduates; Nga Peke 6C and Haamiora Trusts. Haamiora Trust has since withdrawn from the programme. Te Puni Kokiri have advised that their housing fund has been expended for the 2017 financial year and we are to wait until 1 July 2018 to apply for further funding for the Nga Peke 6C project. <p>The funding proposal for Nga Peke 6C to assist with detailed design and cost of their Papakāinga has been drafted.</p>	<p>another 15 whanau to get them to a point of readiness to secure bank finance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JAG approached by large settlement trust to progress 'at scale' housing development on multiply-owned Maori land in the Western Bay District. 	

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Specific SmartGrowth Endorsed Growth Projects		
Te Tumu Structure Plan/Rezoning <i>This project involves the delivery of a new greenfield urban growth area of approximately 7,700 dwellings, 60 hectares of employment land with an adjoining town centre located in Wairakei. The project will go a significant way to meeting National Policy Statement development capacity requirements. It involves significant transport, waters, reserves and social/community infrastructure planning and delivery. The project is working on a timeframe of notifying a plan change to rezone the area for urban development in mid-2018 and the first houses being built in 2021. The council is working with the government to deliver infrastructure to the growth area boundary through the Housing Infrastructure Fund.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stormwater Strategy development progresses within inputs into Structure Plan. Master Planning/Landscape Planning continues. Additional Technical Assessment to progress: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi Modal Workshop#2 has identified a recommended option for Landowner consideration; TTM modelling for Economic Assessment in support of HIF Business Case; Additional Transport Assessment – futureproofing PEI Stage 1 and investigate Potential Bell Road Connection technical and planning issues Infrastructure Planning Stress continues. Continued six weekly joint meetings with NZTA/MoE and DHB regarding joint planning within growth areas and defining ways to work together to deliver new communities. Communications and engagement planning continues – proposed March open day. Infrastructure Planning within Wairakei and delivery of infrastructure program of works, including pre-planning for Wairakei/Te Tumu Framework Plan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stormwater modelling completed, with progression now into the writing of the stormwater strategy. Additional Technical Assessment underway: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi Modal Assessment - feedback from Landowners on preferred option & draft report; Complete HIF business case; Proceed with PEI stage1 specimen design Additional Transport Assessment – Potential Bell Road Connection; Height and view shaft assessment. Archaeological assessment completed, and report writing phase underway. Next open day, now planned for end May 2018.
Tauriko West Structure Planning/Rezoning (including associated link transport and boundary adjustment) <i>This project involves the delivery of a new greenfield urban growth area of</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Master Planning/Landscape Planning. Continued 6 weekly joint meetings with NZTA/MoE and DHB regarding joint planning within growth areas and defining ways to work together to deliver new communities. Stormwater Strategy development process. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Master Planning/Landscape Planning continues, with progression now into drafting development plans and landform plan. Stormwater strategy development underway. Additional flood modelling underway. Engagement through Te Kauae A Roopu underway.

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<p><i>approximately 3,000 dwellings. The project will go a significant way to meeting National Policy Statement development capacity requirements. It involves significant transport, waters, reserves and social/community infrastructure planning and delivery. The project is working on a timeframe of notifying a plan change to rezone the area for urban development in late-2018 and the first houses being built in 2021. The project also involves changes to the urban limits under the Regional Policy Statement and a boundary alteration with the WBOPDC as well as integration with NZTA on the planning and delivery of an upgraded SH29 corridor through Tauriko.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure Planning initiated. Communications and engagement planning continues. Next open days in 2018 NZTA Tauriko SH29 business case has modelled 3 long-term options in TTM. Opus will identify a preferred option to base Tauriko West access modelling on. TCC sent a range of options to Tauranga Crossing's CE on community facility co-location opportunities within the Tauranga Crossing development in Nov 2017. We are waiting for Tauranga Crossing to initiate meeting to discuss 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communications and engagement planning continues. Next open days in 2018, likely end June. Commence with Tauriko West TTM modelling of access options. Detailed operational modelling of SH29/29A from Barks Corner to Cambridge Road is including consideration of interim access to Tauriko West.
<p>Tauranga Urban Strategy</p> <p><i>This strategy and related projects are focused on the delivery of a more compact urban form for the city via redevelopment and intensification of the existing urban area. Higher density greenfield outcomes can also contribute toward compact city aims.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The draft Tauranga Urban Strategy was endorsed by Council on 31 January 2018 Officers are currently consulting stakeholders on the draft TUS and seeking feedback via the Tauranga City Council website Ratepayers were made aware of the draft TUS in the February rates letters and encouraged to provide feedback via the Tauranga City Council website Work to implement the TUS is getting underway, including scoping a city-wide plan change to the City Plan to encourage intensification in and around Tauranga's town centres. 	<p>Risks include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of public and stakeholder support for the draft TUS Insufficient resources available to implement the draft TUS Lack of adequate Political support to implement the draft TUS
<p>Tauranga Centres Technical Assessment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A draft final report was delivered in December 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a current risk that the final report does not meet the requirements of the project brief.

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<i>This project involves an assessment of the role and function of all commercial centres within the city from the city centre down to small local centres, including recommendations for future development of current and new centres.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officers are reviewing this and seeking additional work be completed before the report is finalised. 	

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Landuse		
Project	Current Update (key matters)	Next Steps and Identified Risks
Keenan Road & Western Corridor <i>Keenan Rd and the wider Western Corridor present future greenfield urban growth opportunities. Some of this area is within the current urban limits and much all of the area is located in the WBOP District</i>	<u>Keenan Rd</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Kopurererua flood model rebuild is complete. The SmartGrowth Committee considered a report on bringing forward planning for Stage 1 of Keenan Rd and choose not to proceed with this proposal <u>Western Corridor Ring Road</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Western Corridor Ring Road investigations are progressing, including early discussion with Tauriko Business Estate in terms of design and delivery of the section through their development A report to Council in August 2017 regarding a commitment to corridor protection through the Tauriko Business Estate as it develops was approved. Held Investment Logic Mapping workshop to initiate business case required for possible NZTA co-funding Draft engineering options study complete. 	<u>Keenan Rd</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake baseline model runs for flood model after which Keenan Road scenarios can be considered for modelling Determine when to begin planning work for the wider Keenan Rd area <u>Western Corridor Ring Road</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft engineering feasibility report will be fed into NZTA Tauriko combined indicative business case. Determine corridor protection strategy including staging need. TTM modelling of staging options have been scoped and require refinement and costing before modelling begins.
Growth Related Plan Changes <i>This relates to changes that are being made to the City Plan under the RMA to deliver on residential and non-residential growth management outcomes.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mediation has now been undertaken on all appeal matters. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through mediation there are some matters that require further work and discussion between the parties. NZTA appeal on noise mitigation requires a progress report due 26 February. Catholic Dio appeal on provisions requires a progress report on 2 March.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bluehaven appeal on open space LOS requires a progress report on 16 March.
Special Housing Areas (Proposals and Implementation) <i>This relates to the implementation of the Tauranga Housing Accord through the creation of SHA's to increase the short term provision of housing in the city through a fast-tracked mechanism.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central Government have indicated that they will still be considering SHAs recommended to them. There is some discussion from the Minister that there will be a requirement for affordability. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seek further clarification from the Minister on affordability requirements for SHAs. Currently working with HCC on this.\ Continue to work with landowners/developers to progress current SHAs.
Wairakei/Te Tumu Framework Plan <i>This relates to the delivery of an overall plan for the development of the Wairakei town centre and its integration with commercial, employment and social/community facilities in the adjoining Kaituna 14 block in Te Tumu.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation progresses as per Framework Plan implementation plan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Possible need for bus lanes on PEI arterial and Main street, a park-and-ride facility near Te Okuroa Drive and a bus interchange at the town centre have been identified in the Te Tumu Multi-modal study. Right-of-way needs will be identified by BBO as part of their PEI specimen design.

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Infrastructure Planning		
Project	Current Update (key matters)	Next Steps and Identified Risks
<p>Infrastructure Development Code (IDC) Review</p> <p><i>The IDC sets the standards for infrastructure built by developers that will be vested to the Council as well as infrastructure that the Council builds itself. This project is aimed at improving the IDC and its implementation to achieve better infrastructure outcomes.</i></p> <p>Workstream 1 - Identifying Issues & Changes to the IDC</p> <p>This workstream is to address prioritised problem areas in terms of implementation of the existing IDC. There is engagement with the development & consultant sector and industry professionals from around NZ are providing expertise into the project. The issues in this workstream are mainly technical in nature.</p> <p>Workstream 2 – Medium Density Development / Intensification Issues</p> <p>Workstream 2 is focused on creating new transport approaches relevant to medium density within the IDC and other frameworks where required.</p> <p>The project will look nationally and internationally at medium density development and what is aspired to in terms of the infrastructure to support that. It will include areas such as road and intersection cross-sections, walking & cycling, public</p>	<p>Workstream 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prioritised issues currently being resolved include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manholes and chambers Utilities corridor Pressure Pipe testing Pavement design guidelines <p>Workstream 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issues workshops have been completed with Property Development Community, Utility Providers and internal TCC staff. Issues have been recorded. The decision has been taken by the Project Governance Group to initiate Auckland Transport approach to the IDC. This involves developing a principles based approach for street design and moving away from standardised cross sections. The new approach represents best practice and should help to alleviate many issues with the current IDC. 	<p>Workstream 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of problem areas and priorities <p>Workstream 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initiation contact with Auckland Transport to explore potential for joint working/ use of consultants to develop project further. Establish way forward and new timeline for the development of re-scope project.

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<p>transport etc. The intention is that this project will align with the structure plan work to create an IDC framework that will be able to be utilised for Te Tumu and Tauriko West.</p> <p>Workstream 3 – Asset Manager / Key Staff Involvement in the Resource Consent Process This is a project about improving internal TCC processes between Council departments</p> <p>Workstreams 4 & 5 – Internal / External Compliance with the IDC These workstreams will commence when work in the other three project workstreams are further advanced.</p>	<p>Workstream 3 Complete – now business as usual.</p> <p>Workstream 4 & 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final report on findings complete (February 2018). Project team to implement recommendation established. 	<p>Workstream 4 & 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Internal workshops on process improvements
<p>Tauranga Transport Model Review <i>This project involves the development of new detailed tactical (meso-/microscopic) transport network supply and route assignment models that are best-practice. They will use travel demands forecast by the strategic (macroscopic) Tauranga Transport Model, which will be updated after the 2018 census to address significant shortcomings (such as not explicitly being able to model public transport, walking and bicycling).</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCC to contract with the MoT vendor. Household Travel surveys can begin in January 2018 at the earliest. RFP to market in 4th quarter with 12 months for completion Scoping of regular census update of TTM demand model, including liaison with traffic count programme contract. Revise Heads of Agreement between transport model partners based on Business Case recommendations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HH Travel survey workshop held with MoT 14/2/18 and we are “first off the rank” to conduct our supplementary surveys as soon as contractor can recruit & train their local surveyors. RfP is out to tender in February, with selection in March, contract commencing mid-April (9-12 months) Draft business case for 10 year transport model improvement programme and budget is underway by Flow, involving other territorial partners.
<p>Housing Infrastructure Fund Application <i>This project involves the development of detailed business cases to secure 10-year interest free loans from the government to assist in the delivery of the Waiari water treatment plant, upgrades of the Te Maunga wastewater treatment plant and</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conflict between National Policy Statement on Urban Development targets and prudent financial management requirements and providing amenity to existing ratepayers. Detailed Business Case (DBC) progressing well. DBC’s provided to MBIE for comment as they are being drafted. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council to consider DBC for approval for submission to MBIE in April.

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<i>infrastructure to enable development in the Te Tumu urban growth area.</i>		
Welcome Bay/Ohauti Planning Study <i>This project involves revisiting the planning for these suburbs to determine whether existing issues can be overcome (transport and waters capacity, retail provision, education provision etc) and whether additional growth could be accommodated.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete mapping of planning constraints and identify potential development sites Engagement with key stakeholders and elected member update Commence scoping of infrastructure modelling and investigations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report to CTC meeting in April to provide a progress report on the work done to date.
Rural land Planning Study <i>This project involves the review of the over 2,000ha of rural land remaining in the city boundary to determine whether any of it is suitable for future urban development.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project has commenced. Project completion dates subject to new resources being available. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine project timeframes.

Project	Current Update (key matters)	Next Steps and Identified Risks
External Community and/or Stakeholder Discussions		
Growth related Community and/or Stakeholder discussions (this includes community infrastructure issues)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Housing needs final report expected 27 November. SmartGrowth are taking the report to the December 2017 SmartGrowth leadership group for their information. The January 2018 leadership meeting will consider the report's recommendations and next steps. (For example SmartGrowth have proposed a <i>Smart Housing Action Plan</i> be developed) <p>The report will be presented to TCC committees in February 2018.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report received by Council in 20th Feb. Staff now working on a detailed delivery plan across the spectrum which will be presented to council in April 2018.



Bay of Plenty District Health Board Update

SUBMITTED TO: SmartGrowth Combined Chief Executives Advisory Group and Strategic Managers Group

Date: 7 March 2018

Reporting period: 1 November 2017 to 28 February 2018

Submitted by: Sarah Davey, Manager, Service Development and Delivery
Bay of Plenty District Health Board

RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION:

That the Group notes this report.

This report covers progress against actions relevant to the SmartGrowth Strategy implementation (*Building the Community*) with focus on implementing Strategic Objective 1 of the BOP Strategic Health Services Plan.

BOP SHSP Strategic Objective 1: Empower our population to live healthy lives

This objective is about helping our population healthy lives for as long as possible. It also aims at working more upstream to reduce the burden of disease resulting in high levels of demand for health services. It's also about reducing health inequalities, particularly between Maori and non-Maori which is a priority for our DHB and for all. In pursuing these actions we are focusing on:

- The major risk areas that will have the biggest impact on health outcomes and equity, while supporting our delivery on government priorities – smoking, nutrition, physical activity and housing;
- Collaborating across public, private and community sectors to build the breadth and scale of initiatives needed to take the factors that impact on people's health;
- Targeting investment to improve the lives of the most vulnerable.

Key activities progressed since November 2017 relevant to this are:

1. The DHB submitted on the Tauranga Cycle Plan and Ngatai Road Cycle Lane consultations.
2. We will continue to have input to Councils' Long Term Plans over the coming months either via face to face engagement with Council staff and/or formal submission process.

3. We continue to progress a number of specific initiatives and project work that contribute to improved population health, especially in relation to eliminating smoking, reducing childhood obesity, improving housing (quality and suitability) and reducing homelessness including;

Nutrition/food security

Kai Western Bay (local food network advisory group) released a joint media statement regarding the new 'place of origin' produce labelling initiative from Tauranga Pak'n'Save, picked up in Sun Live. A letter was also sent to the supermarket commending the initiative which promotes increased shopper awareness of where produce is grown in order to make informed decisions. This network is also supporting a research project to map local grower information and identify opportunities to support these.

Built environment and physical activity

We are developing a briefing paper intended for submission to the Smart Growth Leadership Group which outlines the links between health and the built environment. This document will help inform the Bay of Plenty DHB Built Environments Position Statement currently in development. The intent of the paper is to help inform growth planning.

Toi Te Ora is working with Smart Growth to develop the Smart Growth Project Outcomes checklist which will incorporate key principles from the New South Wales Health Healthy Urban Design Checklist.

Housing

DHB staff attended the launch of a healthy homes initiative by Toi Ohomai as part of a national science challenge. The project intends to develop Papa Kaianga (housing, a nurturing place to return to) in Murupara and Rotorua using the latest technology to ensure homes are safe and warm. A respiratory illness research project will also be underway to assess health outcomes of residents compared to the general population.

General comments on health system demand

The Bay of Plenty health system continues to perform well and recent health target achievements by BOPDHB are testament to this. However, demand for acute care is continuing to grow in the Bay of Plenty. We have more patients coming through our hospitals than ever before. All are still receiving care, and faster. Whilst we have bought some capacity benefits (through improvements in how patients are managed) these will only last so long. It is imperative that we continue to work together to plan well for the anticipated population growth and in a way that tackles the underlying causes of poor health.

Bay of Plenty Health System



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2 March 2018

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1. GOVERNMENT POLICY STATEMENT ON LAND TRANSPORT 2018

The Minister of Transport has written to local government and approved organisations with more information on the Government's new investment priorities and signalling that funding information including activity class funding ranges is currently under development. The Minister's letter is attached as Appendix 1.

A draft Government Policy Statement on land transport (GPS) is being prepared which the Minister plans to make available for feedback in March for a four week period. Providing feedback on the GPS is a good way to have the interests of your community heard.

The Agency is not able to pre-empt what will be in the new GPS, or comment on funding models or specific transport projects.

Soon after the GPS is circulated, we will provide Approved Organisations with guidance on how to align aspects of their regional plans with the new government priorities. Our guidance will include an updated Investment Assessment Framework (IAF). We encourage you to take the time to familiarise yourself with the shifts in the Government's transport priorities being signalled by the Minister before the GPS is released in March.

2. UPDATE ON NATIONAL LAND TRANSPORT PROGRAMME

We acknowledge the NLTP is requiring extra work across the sector; your local Transport Agency team will continue to provide the necessary support to help you finalise your Regional Land Transport Plans by 30 June 2018.

Soon after the GPS is available, we will provide you with an updated Investment Assessment Framework (IAF) and State Highway Investment Proposal (SHIP) to help you understand how best to align your RLTPs to the Government's new transport priorities.

Continuous and Improvement programmes

Moderation of continuous programme funding bids for the 2018-21 NLTP will be completed towards the end of February. Programme owners will find an assessment summary of their proposals to view in TIO by the end of March. Final bids may need to be reviewed if there are significant changes proposed to the 2018-21 GPS or in RLTPs.

From March to 30 June we will be assessing and prioritising proposals for improvement work programme activities – state highways, local roads, walking and cycling, public transport and regional improvements.

The State Highway Investment Proposal is also being updated to reflect sector feedback from 2017, and to realign with the new policy direction and Investment Assessment Framework. This will be available to RTCs at the end of April to enable RLTPs to be revised before submission on 30 June where necessary.

If you have any questions/comments or would like any further information on the NLTP please email nltip@nzta.govt.nz

3. WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY BUSINESS CASES

Tauriko Network Plan

- Partners are continuing to work on the multiple activities associated with Tauriko for Tomorrow, a collaborative project driven by Tauranga City Council, Western Bay of Plenty District Council, Bay of Plenty Regional Council and the Transport Agency.
- A partnership approach to consultation with Iwi has been agreed in parallel with a revised and more integrated approach to developing the multi-modal transport investments necessary to support the planned growth, and deliver improved safety and freight efficiency outcomes.

Piarere to Tauriko (SH29) Business Case

- We are currently in the process of agreeing a partnership approach to consultation with Iwi before being able to further technical work on cultural constraint mapping and the long list options.
- Wider public consultation is planned for later in 2018. This will initially focus on gaining customer insight to help inform a second stakeholder workshop that will review options and develop an options short list.
- This Options evaluation stage of the Business Case is programmed for completion by the end of 2018.

Waihi to Tauranga Corridor (SH2)

- Following the Transport Agency Board decision in 2017 to support the recommended programme of improvements along this corridor, technical work is progressing to enable implementation of the preferred solutions in partnership with Western Bay of Plenty District Council and Regional Council:
 - Between Waihi and Omokoroa (excluding Katikati) – online safety improvements such as side barrier protection, wide centre lines and intersection upgrades

- Katikati - short-term treatments along Main Street to improve local access and safety and a State Highway bypass of the town
- Omokoroa to Te Puna – A new offline 4 lane State Highway, continuing the Tauranga Northern Link. This would complement proposed new bus services and a P&R facility along the corridor.

Te Tumu (HiF) Business Case

- NZTA is working to confirm the requirement for introducing tolls at the proposed Papamoa East Interchange as part of the Tauranga Eastern Link.
- As this decision will inform the development of preferred transport network investments for planned growth in Te Tumu and the cost-sharing agreement for Papamoa East Interchange, Tauranga City Council are being kept informed of this work.

4. WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY STATE HIGHWAY LEAD PROJECTS

Optimisation improvements

- The Transport Agency is investigating a range of optimisation improvements along existing corridors designed to improve the customer experience in the context of any major programmed investments. This include:
 - High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes on SH2 Hewletts Road. Currently working with TCC and BoPRC on operational details in the context of the Tauranga City Programme Business Case
 - Three intersections identified for interim safety improvements along SH2 between Omokoroa and Te Puna as part of the Waihi to Tauranga investment programme. This includes Omokoroa and Youngson roads (complete Dec 2017), Plummers Point and Whakamarama roads, and Te Puna Quarry and Snodgrass roads.
 - Interim speed management is also being considered along other sections of SH2, and will be discussed with stakeholders before being progressed. There was support from the community for lower speeds on some sections of SH2. The Transport Agency will be consulting with the community on more specific detail in mid-2018

Bay Link Upgrade (SH2 and SH29A)

- The Construction team (CPB) have established site presence – works have commenced, which the first traffic management stage implemented and services relocation initiated.
- Ongoing work with the cycling community to explore the feasibility of overpass options for cyclists and pedestrians.

Maungatapu underpass/Hairini link (SH29A)

- Expected project completion date is May 2018.
- BOPRC progressing small bus interchange in the vicinity of the old Welcome Bay bridge / Scout Hall.

Poike Road overbridge (SH29A)

- Work on the footpath connecting the bridge to the Maungatapu Underpass along SH29A has restarted with summer earthworks season. Completion expected May 2018.

Tauranga Northern Link (SH2)

- Geotechnical work is completed and the team are working through the specimen design and resource consents.
- Discussions with Tauranga City Council on potential design variations at the City end (e.g. 15th Ave/Takitimu Drive Toll Road, cycle links) are ongoing.