

SmartGrowth Partnership

Reports

May 2018



This report is divided into two sections.

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

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**

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

SLG Priority SmartGrowth Strategy/Action Link Ongoing Actions	May 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: May</p> <p>CEAG & SSG met on 9 May for a joint meeting. The next joint meeting will take place on 11 July. SmartGrowth progress on key projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future Development Strategy and Other Projects • Transport • 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: May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May SmartGrowth newsletter published. Click on link for May Newsletter • New Factsheets released: Fact Sheet Transport

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<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 decision; contract for delivery of work using SmartGrowth funding signed with SocialLink – partnership funding approach – SocialLink also contributing funding.</p>	<p>Update: May 9A2 SmartGrowth Forum Hui proposed 29 May 2018 to discuss the Future Development Strategy. Digital strategy update:</p> <p>Continued increase in new subscribers to the SmartGrowth newsletter.</p> <p>Click on link for May Newsletter</p> <p>SocialLink social sector mapping project completed.</p>

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<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.</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, Future Development Strategy, Te Tumu and Tauriko development areas.</p> <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 endorsed by the CTWF. The policy will be presented to SLG for endorsement in May which will allow it to be implemented by the partner Councils.</p> <p>Council Maori policy staff and the Tu Pakari Advisor will be engaging with iwi and hapū across the sub-region to map their tribal areas.</p>

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	<p>The mapping will help Council and resource consent applicants identify the correct iwi and/or hapū to engage. The mapping exercise will be complete by August 2018.</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> <p>Action 11BC Project is complete. A review of the Maori and tangata whenua demographic information will be reviewed following the 2018 census.</p>
<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>Update: May TIG has been leading required work for the business and housing capacity assessment.</p> <p>SmartGrowth Development Trends Report</p>

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<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>	



Partner Forums Key Agenda Items Discussed	Discussions around The Long Term Plan and submissions Long Term Plan SmartGrowth Leadership Group Transport Decisions Resolutions passed by SmartGrowth Leadership Group 21 March 2018 Transport Collaboration fact sheet	
Partner Forums	Update summary / link to agendas/minutes on SmartGrowth website	Key messages for SmartGrowth Leadership Group/ Other Items Discussed
Strategic Partners (SPF)	Strategic Partners Forum Agendas & Minutes	Met in April discussed key items plus SmartGrowth Leadership Group Transport Decisions Resolutions passed by SmartGrowth Leadership Group 21 March 2018 Transport Collaboration fact sheet Fact Sheet - Transport Key Messages for SLG <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have the courage to make long term decisions please and support for implementation of the Tauranga Urban Strategy. Social Sector Forum report recommendations to SmartGrowth: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake strong advocacy in support for increasing Social Housing Provider funding capacity in housing dialogues with Government Ministers and Officials • That the SmartGrowth revisit the research highlighting a looming elder rental crisis as a key component of the Smart Housing Action Framework. There is a need to increase a range of community housing and supportive community care options. Note the Strategic Partners Forum submission in support of the Tauranga Urban Strategy.
Social Sector (SSF)	Social Sector Forum Agendas & Minutes	Met in April discussed key items: Carole highlighted the importance in the transport planning space – commends the

		<p>transport topic very important significant change in regards to environmental/ population ageing pushing change in this sector. Transport choices in the LTP consultation document discussed.</p> <p>9A3 report completed launch on 14 May Historic Village</p> <p>Key message for SLG</p> <p><u>Transport</u> That the forum supports the transport recommendations and endorsing its intention to create and initiative multi integrated transport planning approach. Particular attention to item 6 which the forum fully endorse in regards to social impact assessments.</p>
Combined Tangata Whenua (CTWF)	Combined Tangata Whenua Forum Agendas & Minutes	<p>Met in April discussed key issues:</p> <p>National Policy Statement – Urban Development Capacity. Housing and Business Development Capacity Assessment, Future Development Strategy, Maori Housing Scoping Project. Action 11.A 4 – Sub-Regional Tangata Whenua Consultation Policy for Resource Consent Processing</p> <p>Plan Change 9 Update</p> <p>Presentation on Tumu and Tauriko to provide updates.</p> <p>Key Message to SLG</p> <p>Action 11.A 4 – Sub-Regional Tangata Whenua Consultation Policy for Resource Consent Recommendation: That the draft consultation policy document be accepted by the forum and submitted to The SmartGrowth Leadership Group Meeting held 16 May 2018.</p>

Property Developers (PDF)	<u>Property Developers Forum Agendas & Minutes</u>	Met in April discussed key council and project updates as per agenda.
Population Ageing Technical Advisory Group (PATAG)	<u>Population Ageing Technical Advisory Group Agendas & Minutes</u>	<p>Met in April keys items discussed: Ayvron Greenway – presentation on Employment projections report by ME Spatial May 2017.</p> <p>Silver Line Charitable Trust – Roger Parton presented on the Silver Line – older peoples confidential telephone helpline.</p>
Housing Affordability (HAF)	<u>Housing Affordability Forum Agendas & Minutes</u>	<p>April HAF meeting cancelled. Communication update email sent from Chair to the forum members.</p> <p>Key points: The Chair presented all the Forums views on Housing at TCC workshop on the existing Residential Zones in February. Draft feedback from HAF was sent to TCC planners who are reviewing the rules for the residential zones within the City Plan was considered.</p> <p><u>Pilot Project</u> at Omokoroa has been progressing well.</p> <p>“Housing We Need Report” has been published, workshop with the Housing Reference Group to discuss the way forward . There are four areas of work programs - Housing/Land Development Leadership, Policy and Planning Leadership Capacity Building and Co-ordinated Advocacy and Communications. This approach was confirmed by the SmartGrowth Leadership Group on 21 March.</p>
Environment & Sustainability (E&S)	<u>Environment and Sustainability Forum Agenda & Minutes</u>	<p>Met in April discussed the key items. TCC Environment Strategy Update Housing Demand Report Housing Greenfields February workshop follow up</p> <p>Key message for SLG We feel the impact and influence of the forums could be stronger if they were more integrated and less siloed, also with more direct representation at the level of decision making.</p>

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. Position paper link.</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>
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Project	Current Update (key matters)	Next Steps and Identified Risks
Specific SmartGrowth Endorsed Growth Projects		
<p>Te Tumu Structure Plan/Rezoning</p> <p><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></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stormwater Strategy development progresses within inputs into Structure Plan. • 2nd Stage flood modelling progressing, with risk assessment to be undertaken. • 2nd stage commercial centres assessment progressing. • Liquefaction assessment completed, and being peer reviewed with additional review by BoPRC. • Archaeological Assessment due, and additional internal archaeological assessment to progress. • Landscape and visual assessment (height) received and being considered. • Master Planning to continue following receipt of above. • Additional Transport Technical Assessment progresses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Multi Modal recommended opting being modelled against base options; ○ Additional Transport Assessment – futureproofing PEI Stage 1 completed, and inputted into design; ○ Potential Bell Road Connection technical and planning issues assessment received. • 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. • Affidavits for upcoming Te Tumu Kaituna 14 Maori Land Court Hearings submitted. Awaiting Court hearing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progression with and completion of Stormwater Strategy. • Additional Technical Assessment to be completed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commercial Centres; • Liquefaction Assessment (following review process); • Archaeological Assessment • Landscape and Visual Assessment (Height) • Complete HIF business case; • Potential Bell Road Connection; • Archaeological assessment – additional stage. • Flood modelling and risk assessment. • CIA engagement with Tangata Whenua • Planning for future open days.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure Planning within Wairakei and delivery of infrastructure program of works, including pre-planning for Wairakei/Te Tumu Framework Plan. Tangata Whenua engagement continues. 	
<p>Tauriko West Structure Planning/Rezoning (including associated link transport and boundary adjustment)</p> <p><i>This project involves the delivery of a new greenfield urban growth area of 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"> Master Planning/Landscape Planning continues, including progression of peer review of current outputs. Workshop held with BoPRC Elected member in early April on Structure Plan, and base thinking on planning. Workshop with Te Kauae o Roopu in early May on Structure Plan design. Workshop with WBoPRC Councillors in early May on Structure Plan. Stormwater Strategy development process. Infrastructure Planning progressing (water/waste). Stormwater Strategy Options report due 30 April, for review by parties) Progression of 2nd stage ecological values and mitigation options assessment. Progression of 2nd stage flood modelling, using developed landform. BoPRC to notify plan change for urban limits line in May. NZTA progressing DBC with mutil modal assessment underway. 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. 	<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. Communications and engagement planning continues. Next open days in 2018, likely end July. Interpretation of TTM and Aimsun transport model results to recommend an interim and long-term access scheme. Assimilate findings and recommendations from multi-modal study.

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Tauranga Urban Strategy <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>	<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. Executive Team considering community engagement related to implementation of TUS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure alignment between TUS and Future Development Strategy Risks include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of public and stakeholder support for the draft TUS Insufficient resources available to implement the draft TUS
Tauranga Centres Technical Assessment <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"> A draft final report was delivered in December 2018 Officers are reviewing this and seeking additional work be completed before the report is finalised. 	There is a current risk that the final report does not meet the requirements of the project brief.

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Landuse		
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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"> Draft engineering feasibility/options report has been fed into NZTA Tauriko combined indicative business case. Western Corridor Ring Road staging investigations are progressing, including final discussions with Tauriko Business Estate in terms of a staged design and delivery of the section through their development 	<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"> Determine corridor protection strategy including staging need. TTM modelling of staging options have been scoped and require refinement and costing before modelling begins (to follow Tauriko West options transport modelling above)
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. Through mediation there were some matters that require further work and discussion between the parties. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NZTA appeal on noise mitigation has now been resolved and a consent order issued. Catholic Dio appeal on the schools provisions has now been resolved and a consent order issued. Bluehaven appeal on open space LOS requires a progress report on 27 April.
Special Housing Areas (Proposals and Implementation) <i>This relates to the implementation of the Tauranga Housing Accord through the</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.

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creation of SHA's to increase the short term provision of housing in the city through a fast-tracked mechanism.		
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. • 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 maximum footprint is being identified by BBO as part of their PEI specimen design. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assimilate MRCagney conceptual recommendations into a operations/design brief for Bus/HOV lanes and Park-and-Ride

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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</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. 	<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. Report to May City Transformation Committee with project update as requested by Elected Members

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<p>include areas such as road and intersection cross-sections, walking & cycling, public 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>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The new approach represents best practice and should help to alleviate many issues with the current IDC. <p>Workstream 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete – now business as usual. <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>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"> Contractor is recruiting & training local surveyors to conduct Household Travel surveys (500-600 in TCC and Western Bay towns) beginning in mid-May 2018. Hybrid meso/micro transport model was awarded to Beca and will take 12-15 months to develop. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Convene stakeholder Governance and Technical oversight groups for Hybrid Transport Model contract. Draft business case for 10 year transport model improvement programme and budget is underway by Flow, involving other territorial partners. Revise Heads of Agreement between transport model partners based on Business Case recommendations.
<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</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. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through LTP deliberations Council to decide whether to take up option of HIF if approved by Ministers.

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<p><i>treatment plant, upgrades of the Te Maunga wastewater treatment plant and infrastructure to enable development in the Te Tumu urban growth area.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Detailed Business Case (DBC) progressing well. DBC's provided to MBIE for comment as they are being drafted. HIF detailed business cases approved by Council in April and submitted for assessment. 	
<p>Welcome Bay/Ohauti Planning Study</p> <p><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></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete mapping of planning constraints and identify potential development sites. Engagement with key stakeholders and elected member update. Report to CTC meeting in April to provide a progress report on the work done to date. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently scoping infrastructure capacity assessments for roading, three waters, social infrastructure, open and commercial.
<p>Rural land Planning Study</p> <p><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></p>	<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.

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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.



Memorandum

To:	SmartGrowth Strategic Managers Group
From:	Rachael Davie
Date:	30 April 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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Project and Project Manager	Previous Update (Key Matters)	Current Update (Key Matters)	Next Steps and Identified Risks
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 three of the SHA well underway. All SHA Foundation properties have been sold or are under enquiry. The show home is now complete. Construction on Stage 1A has commenced. 	Further Stages will be opened in response to the market.
Housing Affordability Forum (HAF) Pilot Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Negotiating with one party. Aiming to have a decision by May 2018. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration is being given 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. The new site has been approved subject to some commitments from Classic Developments to have the preliminary works completed timeously. 	Council will enter into an agreement with HAF and SHA developer to facilitate access and services to the new site.
Omokoroa Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Successful community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technical Workshop held with key 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The "Subdivision for People" project has

Project and Project Manager	Previous Update (Key Matters)	Current Update (Key Matters)	Next Steps and Identified Risks
Plan (Phillip Martelli)	<p>engagement days.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed at Joint Collaboration meeting. Preparing for technical workshop to prepare draft options in March. 	<p>staff and external agencies to develop a set of options. Progress is dependant on feasibility studies for the Francis Road realignment. Also investigating access option for Prole to Francis Road.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commenced a project "Subdivision for People" that is looking at urban design controls and how they need to be changed to give quality outcomes for the people who will live there, and not just be focused on minimum that developers tend to provide to meet resource consent requirements. 	<p>arisen in response to staff and the community recognising that some of the developments currently occurring are not desirable and changes need to be made.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next step for the structure plan is to finalise the options and put them to Council for approval to take out for the next round of community engagement.
Omokoroa Road (Jim Paterson)	<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"> Roundabout and its approaches at the SHA/Goldstone developments is operational. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anticipate completion by the end of this year.
Katikati (Tony Clow)	<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"> Further workshop with Councillors held in April to finalise the areas to be consulted on. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Going to the community on the alternative options in May, including conducting specific meetings with affected landowners first followed by an open day for the general public. All other options are outside the current urban limits, and will need a changes to the RPS in due course if the decision is to proceed with one of them. 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notwithstanding that the boundary alteration project is largely dependant on the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delays with the use of the SPP will delay the boundary alteration process. Work is now commencing on the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The decision on which legislation to use for the boundary alteration will be governed by the Government's legislation timing and/or

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(Sue Laurene)	<p>successful completion of the change to the RPS urban limit line, WBOPDC are preparing to make an application by assembling information at this stage..</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Te Kauae a Roopu has confirmed that the hapu members of the roopu are the appropriate parties to engage with in relation to the boundary alteration with information letters being sent to Ngati Ranginui, Ngai Te Rangi and Ngati Pukenga. 	<p>preparation of the boundary alteration(including consultation processes) under the existing Local Government Legislation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCC is presenting progress on the structure preparation to both Te Kauae a Roopu and WBOPDC in beginning of May. 	<p>BOPRC plan change process timing. At this time the current legislation looks most likely.</p>
SH2 Safety Reviews: Waihi to Omokoroa, Omokoroa to Te Puna (Phillip Martelli - NZTA led)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waiting outcome of GPS due in March. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waiting for clarification of the GPS and NZTA's response to it. 	

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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 has submitted to BOPRC's Long Term Plan, 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'. Noting the "Housing Need and Demand Report in Tauranga & Western Bay" report did not consider Maori housing need in any great depth, the JAG are exploring funding options for bespoke Maori housing needs research across the Western Bay sub-region.

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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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Tauranga Harbour	<p>BOPRC is the administering authority to Te Awanui Tauranga Harbour Advisory Group.</p> <p>State of Tauranga Harbour report released in December 2017.</p>	<p>A summer marine pest survey conducted by MPI has discovered Asian paddle crab (<i>Charybdis Japonica</i>) in Tauranga Harbour. A delimiting survey to determine the extent of the incursion is currently underway.</p>	<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.</p>
Biodiversity/Margins/Land Management - Tauranga and Kaituna Catchment	<p>Details of the Kaituna River Re-diversion and Ongatoro/Maketu Estuary Enhancement Project can be found at the following link: 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. More than 90 percent of waterways throughout the Tauranga Moana catchments have now been protected from access by farm stock.</p>	<p>On 29 March 2018 a contract was awarded for construction works on Kaituna River Re-diversion and Ongatoro/Maketu Estuary Enhancement Project to J Swap Contractors Limited. Construction work is expected to start in July 2018.</p> <p>Iwi, stakeholder and public meetings are being held in April/May 2018, to introduce the contractors and outline the process and timeframes for the work before it starts.</p>	<p>Completion of Kaituna River re-diversion restoration works.</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>Road, stop bank and boat ramp closures adjacent to the lower Kaituna River will be in place from 1 August 2018.</p>
Regional Coastal Environment Plan	<p>16 Environment Court appeals received. Court proceedings are ongoing.</p> <p>Resolution of appeals and whole plan becoming operative delayed due to continuing litigation.</p> <p>Proposed National Environmental Standard for Aquaculture – Government is considering submissions. NES expected to be finalised mid-2018.</p>	<p>Awaiting Court decisions on marine spatial planning topic (following hearing in November/December 2017), and final decision on iwi resource management topic.</p> <p>Further work being completed to identify the attributes and values for Matakana Island as an outstanding landscape as directed by the Environment Court.</p> <p>High Court decision on natural heritage appeal by Forest & Bird received and remitted back to Environment Court.</p> <p>BOPRC working with TCC, Te Tumu and other parties to resolve.</p>	<p>Council intends to make the majority of the Regional Coastal Environment Plan operative once the iwi resource management final decision is received.</p> <p>High Court natural heritage decision has the potential to create a significant impediment to the upgrade of existing, and provision of new, regionally significant infrastructure.</p>

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		Court of Appeal has granted leave to Attorney-General and Motiti Rohe Moana Trust to appeal the High Court's decision on fisheries declaration matter.	
On-site Effluent Treatment Regional Plan	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 Change 14 (OSET). The plan change affects un-reticulated areas only, with a simplified approach to rules expected and fewer schedules.	Regional Direction and Delivery Workshop on 3 May 2018 to consider pre-Draft Plan Change 14. Includes risk assessment for OSET communities across region. If appropriate, will come back to RDD Committee in June 2018 to approve for public consultation.	Notification of Proposed Plan Change 14 to include new OSET Plan provisions expected early 2019. Consultation with territorial authorities and Papakāinga housing providers ongoing.
Kaituna River Document	The Kaituna River Document is being prepared by a joint co-governance committee pursuant to treaty settlement legislation.	Decisions on Submissions were finalised on 27 April. Approval for release of the document to occur on 22 June, with formal launch in July.	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	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.	Seven community group meetings held so far and several meetings with iwi. Values, preferred in-river states and draft objectives identified. A catchment model near completion with preliminary results to be discussed at Council workshop.	The next Community Group Workshops are to be set. With the model near completion and preliminary results being discussed focus will shift to the implications of what we are seeing.
NPS-FM implementation in Tauranga Harbour Water Management Area	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.	Staff are focussed on preliminary information gathering and intend to meet with Councils and other groups as they start to plan forward work in more detail.	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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Proposed Change 4 (Tauriko West Urban Limit) to the Regional Policy Statement	<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-Roopu (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>Minister's Direction on the Streamlined Planning Process gazetted on 28 February 2018. The Direction included consultation requirements.</p> <p>Approval to notify the proposed change for submissions is being sought at the 15 May 2018 Regional Direction and Delivery Committee meeting.</p> <p>Notification of Proposed Change 4 is scheduled to occur on 22 May 2018.</p> <p>Te Kauae a Roopu hui held 12 and 26 March. Hapū have met separately with TCC, WBOPDC and NZTA for workshops on various aspects of the work.</p>	<p>22 May 2018 - Public notification</p> <p>4 July 2018 - Submissions close</p> <p>7-8 August 2018 - Hearings</p> <p>3 September 2018 – Provide Minister for the Environment with Schedule 1 reporting documentation and await final decision.</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.	<p>There is a section on how we are preparing for climate change in the consultation document on the LTP 2018-2028.</p> <p>The Productivity Commission released its draft report 27 April on how to transition to a carbon neutral economy by 2050.</p>	<p>The Government has signalled that it will introduce a Zero Carbon Bill in late-2018 to provide a vision for how we transition to a sustainable and climate resilient future.</p> <p>The Bill will see New Zealand put a bold new emissions reduction target into law, and establish an independent Climate Change Commission to keep us on track to meet our goals. Consultation on the Zero Carbon Bill will open in late May.</p>
Freshwater Futures/Water Quantity	Council hearings on Proposed Plan Change 9 (water quantity) were held 14-16 March 2018. The planner's s42A report was circulated 10 days prior to the hearing.	Deliberations are underway with an independent panel set to provide decision towards the end of May. A number of challenging issues are being considered including matters of interest to tangata whenua, 'rights' to water and transfer.	There is still some confusion about the role of PC9 as an interim measure vs other parts of the water program. Appeals have the potential to draw resources away from PC12 and other WMA work.
Western Bay of Plenty Public Transport	New public transport ticketing system for the region being introduced in late 2018 following procurement process.	Selection of winning tenderer for Tauranga and Te Puke bus services announced.	Some Tauranga school-led solutions still being progressed between Council, schools and Ministry of Education.

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Regional Land Transport Plan	The draft Bay of Plenty Regional Land Transport Plan 2018 has been prepared by the Bay of Plenty Regional Transport Committee. 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. The Draft Plan, summary document and information can be found at https://www.boprc.govt.nz/landtransportplan	Hearings of submissions on the Draft Plan were held over 10 – 12 April 2018.	Deliberations by the RTC Hearings Sub-committee has been set for 25 May 2018.
Regional Air Plan	<p>Proposed Plan Change 13 (Air Quality) to the Regional Natural Resources Plan notified for submissions 27 February 2018.</p> <p>Key aspects of the plan change include:</p> <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 fumigants used for shipping discretionary activity, methyl bromide use with recapture discretionary, without recapture non-complying • 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. 	79 submissions received. Currently out for further submissions.	The timeline for hearings and deliberations will be confirmed once further submissions have been received and considered.
BOPRC LTP 2018-2028	See information on BOPRC website. Consultation complete. Councillors, Leadership Team and staff subject matter experts attended 20+ events scheduled over the engagement period through to 19 March 2018.	Climate change, the management of pests and targeted rates affordability were key themes shared by the more than 70 people speaking at the hearings. In addition, Council heard presentations from a number of organisations seeking funding from its	Council Deliberations are held in May, with final approval of the LTP 2018-2028 required by 30 June.

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		<p>Community Initiatives Fund, where the amount of funding sought has exceeded the amount available.</p> <p>The Regional Council has budgeted approximately \$500,000 for community funding each year for the next three years, made up of \$200,000 for the Community Initiatives Fund and \$300,000 for Environmental Enhancement Funding. \$2.7 million has been sought by groups for the Community Initiatives Funding over this period.</p>	

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1. DRAFT TRANSPORT AGENCY INVESTMENT PROPOSAL (TAIP)

The Transport Agency has released its draft Transport Agency Investment Proposal (TAIP) which sets out the investment approach and proposed programme of activities across all modes of transport for the next ten years.

It has been guided by the new priorities and strategic direction set out in the Government's draft Policy Statement (GPS) on Land Transport and signals a new direction for land transport investment in New Zealand. It will strongly influence which projects and programmes of work the Transport Agency's progresses and when.

The Transport Agency has responded to the changes in the draft GPS which lays out four new priorities and six objectives. These include safety, improved transport access to economic and social opportunities as well as providing more resilience and choice, better environmental outcomes and infrastructure which delivers the best value for money. The final GPS needs to be adopted by the Government by 30 June.

The draft Transport Agency Investment Proposal (TAIP) outlines programmes and projects and how they will be prioritised nationally. This includes projects which will be progressed and others which are being re-evaluated to align with the new priorities on a national basis. In the Western Bay of Plenty this particularly affects planned improvements and business cases along the SH2 and SH29 corridors as reported below. We will continue to work together as we undertake the re-evaluation over the coming weeks.

2. BUSINESS CASES

Tauranga City Programme Business Case

- The Transport Agency is continuing to support TCC to complete this during 2018. The strategic direction it sets for mode shift, reduced solo car dependency and safety in particular will form key principles for Transport Agency investment across the cities transport system over the long-term.
- The Transport Agency is also supporting a number of local investigations led by TCC intended to deliver on this long-term investment direction. These include the Cycle Action Plan and the Cameron Road Multi-Modal study.

Tauriko West Network Connections

- 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.
- The draft TAIP identifies this project for re-evaluation. The recent change in investment direction established by the project team and supported by the RIOG to deliver a range of integrated, multi-modal options will inform this. Work to define the scope of TAIP re-evaluations is planned for completion during May for NZTA Board consideration by June 2018 as part of the finalised NLTP.

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.
- The draft TAIP identifies this project for re-evaluation as part of finalising the NLTP. Work to define the scope of TAIP re-evaluations is planned for completion during May for NZTA Board consideration by June 2018 as part of the finalised NLTP.

Waihi to Tauranga Corridor (SH2)

- Delivery of safety improvements along SH2 between Waihi and Trig Road is expected to begin construction in August 2018. This includes upgrading five intersections (with SH2; Heath, Crean, Baxter, Ford and Trig roads); road and shoulder widening, wide centreline, and installing roadside safety barriers and a right turn bay for Waimata School.
- Apart from optimisation improvements described below, further investments along the remaining sections of the corridor are being considered as part of the TAIP re-evaluation process. This includes the following activities:
 - SH2 Waihi to Omokoroa (excluding Katikati)
 - SH2 Katikati Urban
 - SH2 Omokoroa to Te Puna
 - Tauranga Northern Link

- Work to define the scope of these re-evaluations is planned for completion during May for NZTA Board consideration by June 2018 as part of the finalised NLTP.

Te Tumu (HiF) Business Case

- NZTA has confirmed the intention to introducing tolls at the proposed Papamoa East Interchange as part of the Tauranga Eastern Link in order to maintain equity for all users of the TEL.
- Work will continue to inform the development of preferred transport network investments for planned growth in Te Tumu, including the multi-modal transport strategy, tolling options, the cost-sharing agreement for Papamoa East Interchange,

3. PROJECTS IN CONSTRUCTION

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.
- Work to establish the preferred multi-modal treatments in the context of the TCC work on the Cycle Action Plan, the Arataki Multi-Modal study and the investment direction being set for the area by the Tauranga City Programme Business Case.

Maungatapu underpass/Hairini link (SH29A)

- The community day event for the project will be held on Sunday 27 May. The underpass will be opened to traffic in June 2018 and project completed July 2018, with the public transport initiatives completed in September 2018. Once complete, the underpass will allow SH29A traffic to travel above the Welcome Bay traffic wanting to go to the city, improving safety and reducing congestion at the roundabouts.
- Tauranga City Council, Bay of Plenty Regional Council and the Transport Agency are working on a range of initiatives to help improve the reliability of bus trips for the Welcome Bay community into the City, looking for opportunities to give buses more priority on the roads.
- A separated dual cycleway through the underpass will be provided, as well as a new pedestrian cycle bridge over the new link road, and a cycle and pedestrian underpass (currently being built) to allow cyclists and pedestrians to connect to existing cycleway by travelling under the off-ramp from Maungatapu roundabout.