

Your thoughts?

Drawings and diagrams shown in this newsletter present various ideas to change the character and form of the current State Highway 1 and allow for future planning of the town centres of Paraparaumu and Waikanae.

It is important to note that these are concepts only. The cost, timing and funding of any improvements will be determined once feedback has been received and the scope of any improvements has been agreed.

We welcome your comments and any ideas you might have for the future of the current State Highway 1. We will summarise the comments we receive in a newsletter.

Some concepts would involve action or investment beyond what is directly controlled by the Council or NZTA. Where feedback relates to separate processes (e.g. Regional Land Transport Planning) this will be sent to the organisation responsible to feed into their processes.

We welcome your comments on the ideas for the future of the current State Highway 1 by Monday 5 September 2011



How you can provide comments

By post

To provide comments fill in the form included with this newsletter and post to MacKays to Peka Peka Expressway, PO Box 8044, The Terrace, Wellington 6011.

In person

Your comments can be provided at the Expo's by filling in a form and giving it to a member of the project team, or by visiting the M2PP Expressway Information Centre at Coastlands Mall.

Online

If you wish to provide comments electronically, please visit www.nzta.govt.nz/m2ppproject

Current State Highway 1 modification between MacKays Crossing and Peka Peka

August - September 2011



Possible layout for Waikanae Town Centre

Kāpiti Coast District Council and the NZ Transport Agency, are looking at how the current State Highway 1 between MacKays Crossing and Peka Peka can be modified when it becomes a local road managed by the Council. We would like your comments and ideas.

We have an opportunity to change the character of the current state highway to improve safety for all road users and create a more attractive environment, including more cohesive town centres at Waikanae and Paraparaumu.

We are seeking your input at this early stage so that we are able to develop a plan for the future of the current state highway before we lodge our application for consents for the MacKays to Peka Peka Expressway with the Environmental Protection Authority.

Your feedback and ideas will help us to complete our plan for the road in a way that allows the Council and the community to advance planning for the future of the town centres at Paraparaumu and Waikanae.

The drawings and diagrams presented here show a snapshot of various concept options to modify the current highway, mainly in the two town centres. It is important to note that the cost, timing and funding of improvements have yet to be determined.

What do you think?

We welcome your comments on the concepts presented here and at the Expos. We would also be grateful to hear any other ideas you might have for the future of the current State Highway 1 when it becomes a local road managed by the Council.

State Highway 1 Expo

Expos, hosted by the Council and Community Boards, are being held in early August. You are invited to attend or write in with your ideas and views:

- **Sunday 7 August — 11am - 3pm**
Waikanae Memorial Hall
- **Wednesday 10 August — 4pm - 7pm**
Kāpiti Community Centre

A team will be available to answer questions at the Expos.

We will receive written comments on the concepts, or other ideas until Monday 5 September 2011.

Our contact details

For further information please contact the Alliance Project Team or Kāpiti Coast District Council:

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Character change

The possible modifications aim to change the character and form of the current State Highway 1 to make it a better fit to its town centre or rural context. Ideas being explored include making parts of the road more pedestrian, cycling and public transport friendly, achieving a safer and more pleasant driver experience through lower speed limits in urban areas, and changes that could support investment in urban and economic development.

Community planning

The potential to make the current State Highway 1 a district arterial road provides an opportunity for the community to advance its town centre planning with a higher level of certainty about central government intentions.

Once clarity has been gained on what the current State Highway 1 as a local arterial might look like, and how any changes will be funded, the Council with the community will recommence planning the future of both the Waikanae and Paraparaumu Town Centres. It is expected that this wider process will begin in late October/November 2011.

Walking and cycling

Council's Transport Strategy supports reducing reliance on private transport and provides options for cycling, walking and bridle paths for sport, commuting and recreation.

Accommodating these activities on the current highway would involve changing the speed environment in some areas, improving pedestrian cross connections in the town centres, and improving non-vehicle transport choice.



Town centre modification

Modification of the current State Highway 1 will create the potential to promote economic development and change the character of the Waikanae and Paraparaumu town centres. Ideas include:

- Create a more pleasant walking and shopping environment
- Narrow the road carriageway
- Reduce speed limits on the adjacent roadway
- Open up pedestrian routes with pleasant generous paths across roads
- Improve the linkage between bus stops and train stations
- Enhance pedestrian connections from train stations to shops
- Improve footpath and street furniture
- Make safer traffic islands for pedestrians
- Plant trees in traffic islands and between carparks to slow traffic
- Support economic vitality

Carriageway reallocation

The narrowing of the vehicle lanes also presents opportunities for including dedicated cycle lanes and re-use of pavement for other purposes (e.g. as an off road shared cycleway/walkway).

Some of this road width could be transformed into stormwater treatment channels.

Other ideas include recycling redundant road metal for cycle paths and walkways in rural areas.

Road reconfiguration

Key concepts being considered for reconfiguring the current State Highway 1 are:

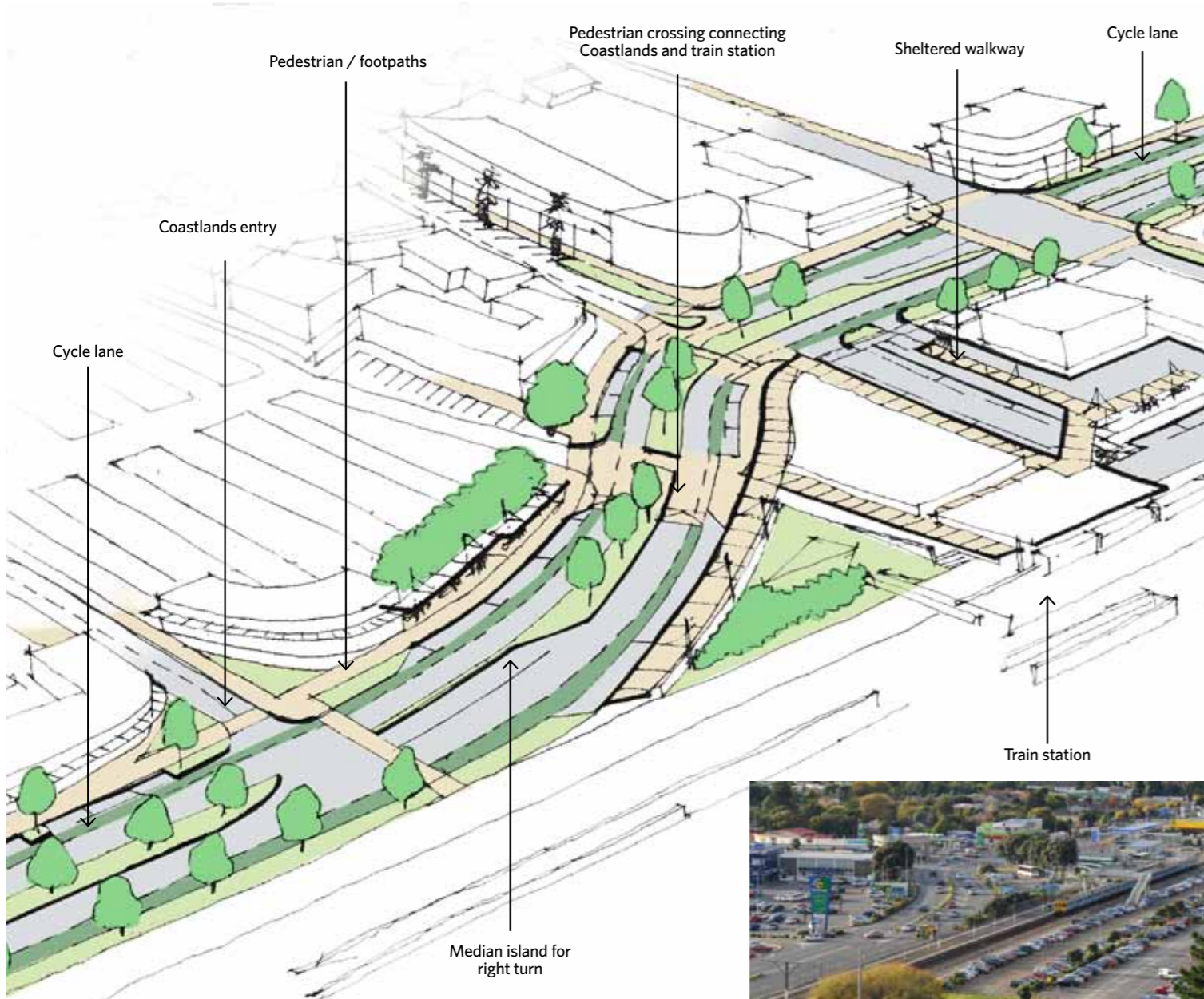
- A safer road environment
- Safer intersection crossing points for pedestrians
- On road marked cycle lanes
- Pedestrian and off-road cycling
- Narrowing of the road width generally to 11 metres in rural zones
- Roundabouts at intersections at Raumati, Ihakara and Otaihanga Roads
- Stormwater run-off treatment channels in some rural areas
- Improved pedestrian/cycling facility across the Rimutaka Street rail bridge and the Waikanae River bridge
- Landscaping and tree planting

Traffic volumes

Traffic modelling shows that the road will function as an arterial with single lanes in each direction, except at intersections. With the new expressway, traffic volumes in 2026 will be approximately 13,500 vehicles per day, half the current level.

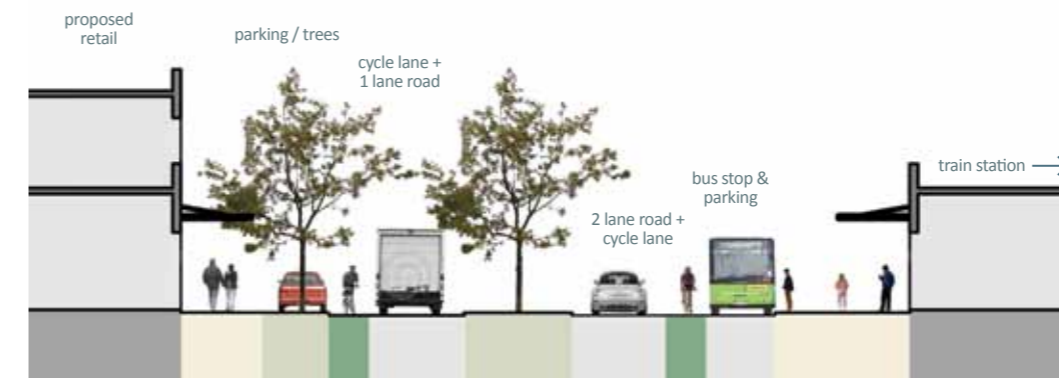
Speed environment

Single lanes in each direction and increasing roadside development would allow the speed limit to be reduced in town centres improving safety and user comfort. Higher speeds will still be possible on the rural sections.



Possible layout for Paraparaumu Town Centre

Concept cross section through Paraparaumu Train Station



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