KIA ORA, WELCOME

To cater for Tauranga's population growth, we are working together to create great communities and a safe transport network in the western Bay of Plenty.

Tauriko West is one of the large-scale communities planned for the city, providing approximately 3,000 to 4,000 new homes.

We'd like to hear your thoughts

Have a look at the information provided and talk to the team on:

- Sunday 22 May, 10am 4pm
- Thursday 26 May, 11am 7pm
- Saturday 28 May, 9am 3pm

Share your views online at www.taurikofortomorrow.co.nz

Today we'll update you on:

- Planning on what the new community could look like, including housing, cycle and walkways, the location of facilities, parks and more
- The emerging preferred option for the long-term transport improvements
- Short-term transport improvements along SH29 to enable access to the first stages of housing development
- Speed limits between SH29
 Te Poi and SH29A Te Maunga
- Takitimu North Link progress















PARTNERS PLANNING AHEAD

Here's how each of the partners are involved in the proposed development of Tauriko West.



Vision, direction and long-term planning for population and business growth in Tauranga and the western Bay of Plenty region.



Protection of environment and provision of public transport services.



Boundary change to move land in Tauriko West under the jurisdiction of Tauranga City Council (complete).



New community with housing choices, river access, facilities, infrastructure and access to the new community.



Delivery of a safe connected transport network with a range of transport choices.

Mana whenua partnership

A specific mana whenua partnership group has been formed, known as Te Kauae a Roopu.

The group is made up of hapū who whakapapa to Ngāti Ranginui and Ngāi Te Rangi Iwi of Tauranga Moana and have an interest in the Tauriko for Tomorrow project area. This includes Ngāti Kahu, Ngāti Rangi, Ngāti Pango, Pirirakau, Ngāti Hangarau, and Ngāi Tamarawaho. Engagement, including regular hui and other project wananga (workshops), has taken place since 2017 and continues as we progress the plans.













THE WESTERN CORRIDOR

Home to more than 209,000 people, the western Bay of Plenty is one of the fastest growing regions in the country.

With more people calling Tauranga and the sub-region home, we need to plan for continued community growth.

In the Western Corridor, the new residential developments at Tauriko West and Keenan Road will be linked to the rest of Tauranga via high frequency public transport services from Tauranga Crossing to the city centre.

Densities in these new communities are expected to be lower in the first 10 years (20–25 dwellings per hectare) although over time will reach an average of 30 dwellings per hectare.

These communities will be designed to deliver walkable neighbourhoods, low carbon footprints and communities where people can live, work, learn and play.

Work underway now:

The delivery of new housing and transport improvements is underway.

This includes:

- Delivery of the Tauriko Business
 Estate and planning for its
 expansion
- Planning for a new community in Tauriko West – the next proposed urban development to support our region's growth
- Planning for the future Keenan Road urban growth area
- Short and long-term transport improvements

By 2050 the expected population is 282,000, needing 33,000 new homes and resulting in more than one million extra transport movements every day.













WHY TAURIKO WEST?

The area west of Tauriko is an ideal location to set up a new community and provide more housing to cater for our region's growth.

Key benefits of Tauriko West:



An attractive location that faces north-west and slopes gently towards the Wairoa River



Provides a strong opportunity to develop a high quality urban environment and community



Located near Tauranga city centre so can integrate with the city's transport network



Relatively easy to service



It's not fragmented into many titles















TAURIKO FOR TOMORROW



Safe and accessible state highways supporting a key freight route for our region



Reserves, schools and community facilities to support a live, learn, work and play community



Safe communities for everyone to enjoy and resilient to natural hazards such as flooding



Connected communities supported by public transport, cycle and walkways, and local road networks

Here's what we are aiming to deliver for Tauriko West



Connection to the environment and mana whenua, embracing the history of Tauriko and enhancing the Wairoa River Valley



Vibrant communities, connected to strong employment and shopping centres



New housing with a variety of housing types and choices













CREATING CONNECTED CENTRES

In 2020, the SmartGrowth Partners confirmed the Connected Centres programme through the Urban Form and Transport Initiative (UFTI) for how best to cater for urban and rural growth and move around the Western Bay of Plenty over the next 30 to 70 years.

Growing up and out

The Connected Centres vision is about growing up and out. It highlights the need to build more closer-knit communities to make it easier for people to get to where they need to go.

It is a settlement pattern that contributes to more affordable housing, and more competitive land and job markets through up and out future development.

The supporting transport improvements will enable greater access, increase transport choice and improve safety, while also maintaining important freight access, particularly to the Port of Tauranga.

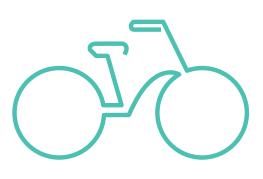
Growing our future communities

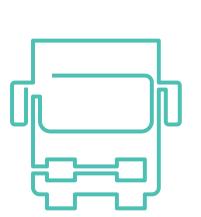
- Achieving a balance between greenfield development and intensification is the best way to house our growing population.
- Public transport, walkways and cycleways will connect existing and new urban centres so people can easily move around to work, learn and play.
- Transport 'hubs' will help people access bus services safely and efficiently to reach their destination, and provide places to park bikes and e-scooters.























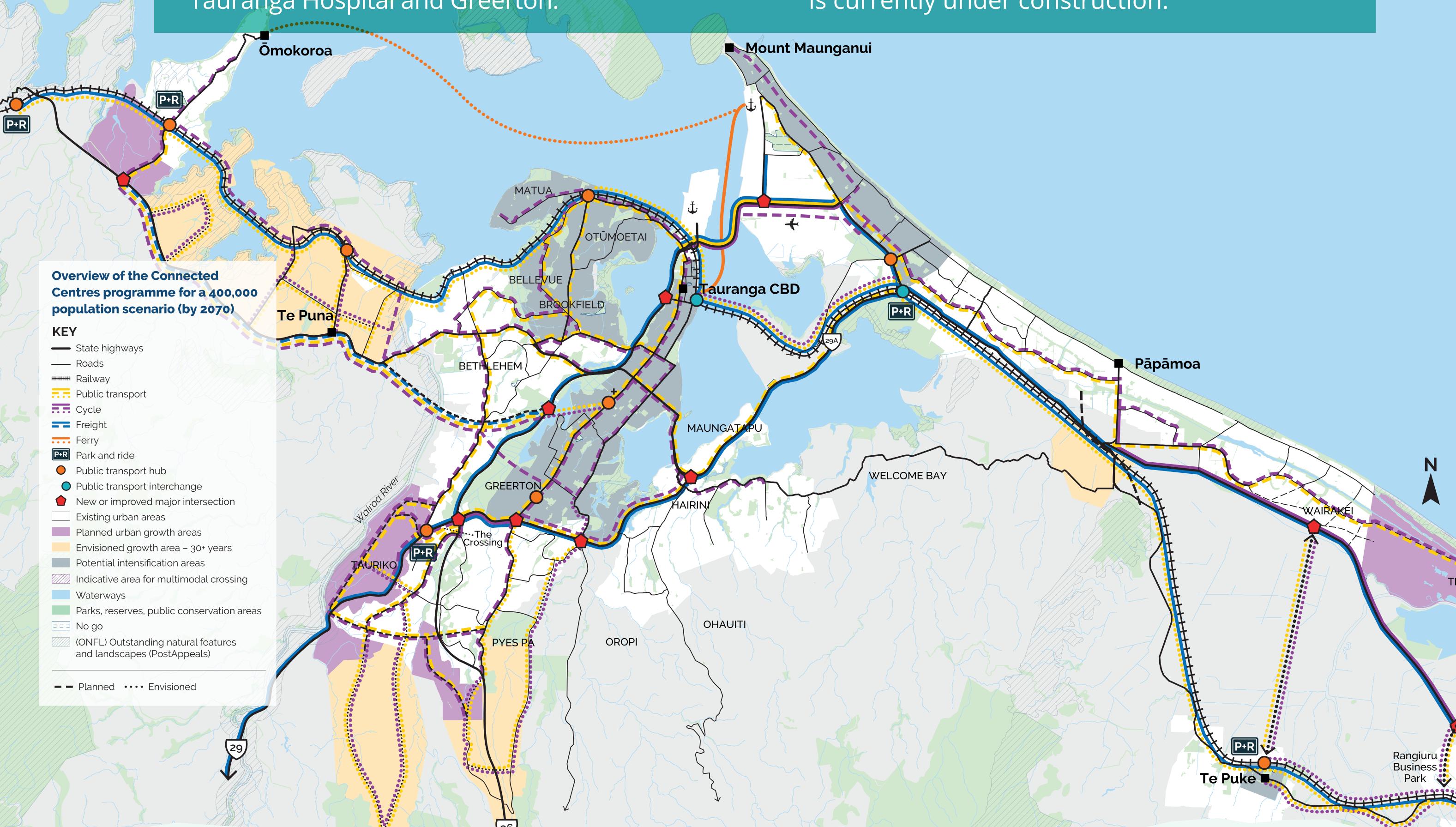


CREATING CONNECTED CENTRES

Creating a new community in Tauriko West integrates with plans for greater housing choice, access to amenities and a wider range of transport options in the Te Papa peninsula (Future-proofing Cameron Road).

The most significant transformation will take place in the Central Corridor (from Tauranga Crossing to Mount Maunganui via Cameron Road and including the Takitimu Drive/SH36 intersection) with a high frequency public transport network, high density housing (apartments, three to four storey houses and duplexes) along the corridor particularly around Tauranga Hospital and Greerton.

At one end will be the employment and retail centre of Tauriko and Tauranga Crossing, at the other end a revitalised city centre with a mix of apartment living and city lifestyle, university and office space. This will be supported by walking and cycling corridors to enable personal mobility throughout the area. Stage 1 of the Cameron Road upgrade is currently under construction.















OUR TRANSPORT PLAN

The Western Bay Transport System Plan (TSP) aims to provide a connected transport system to offer people real transport choices so they can leave their cars at home.

The TSP supports the Connected Centres programme and identifies the right investments needed to provide a safe, sustainable and more reliable transport system.

To deliver the Connected Centres vision, the TSP will:

Support quality urban growth by improving access to social and economic opportunities like schools, jobs, GP clinics and shops by different transport modes (walking, cycling, buses, vehicles)



Increase use of public transport, cycling and walking to help reduce transport-related greenhouse gas emissions



Maintain or improve travel time predictability for freight via road and rail



Contribute to an outcome where no one is killed or seriously injured in road crashes















WHERE WE ARE AT

The Tauriko for Tomorrow project has been progressing steadily since the last round of engagement in mid-2021.

Proposals for the new community at Tauriko West

Tauranga City Council drafted a proposed land use plan with infrastructure for housing development, which incorporates previous community feedback and engagement with mana whenua.

Enabling works to provide access to Tauriko West

Tauranga City Council and Waka Kotahi have identified the initial improvements to enable the first stages of housing development within Tauriko West, support continued industrial development of Tauriko Business Estate and improve safety at the existing SH29/ Belk Road and SH29/Cambridge Road intersections.

The programme for construction of the enabling works is being developed, with the goal to move into the construction phase in 2023. This is subject to funding, consultation with landowners whose property or access may be affected by the works, land acquisition, and any required statutory approvals.

Emerging preferred option for long-term transport improvements

Following investigations and analysis of the input from partners, stakeholders, potentially affected parties and the wider community, Option B - Offline has been identified as the emerging preferred long-term option.

These long-term improvements (10 plus years) will support a safe and sustainable community, urban growth at Tauriko West and the wider Western Corridor by providing improved opportunities for public transport and walking and cycling, protection of the freight route and safety for all users.

In the area surrounding the state highway we are working to develop a network of safe routes for cycling, walking and personal mobility (e.g. scooters) as well as high frequency public transport connections to allow people to easily reach their local shops, schools, parks and neighbouring communities.













WHAT WE'VE HEARD

In May and June 2021, we asked for feedback on the proposed short and long-term options for the transport network in the Western Corridor and Tauriko. We also engaged with mana whenua, stakeholders, landowners and key interest groups, businesses and organisations in the area.

The type of feedback we received shows that we are on the right track with the plans to improve the transport network and for the new community.

Community feedback also highlighted the importance of continuing with a coordinated and integrated approach to planning for a safer community and growth in Tauriko West and Tauranga's Western Corridor.

TOP FIVE TOPICS RAISED:

- 1. Local road connections
- 2. Safety
- 3. Walking and cycling
- 4. Traffic congestion
- 5. Public transport



Find out how we're addressing the detailed feedback on the handout provided or online at www.taurikofortomorrow.co.nz.



Ongoing engagement
with potentially affected landowners
has also highlighted the need to provide
certainty around timeframes
for decision-making and construction.











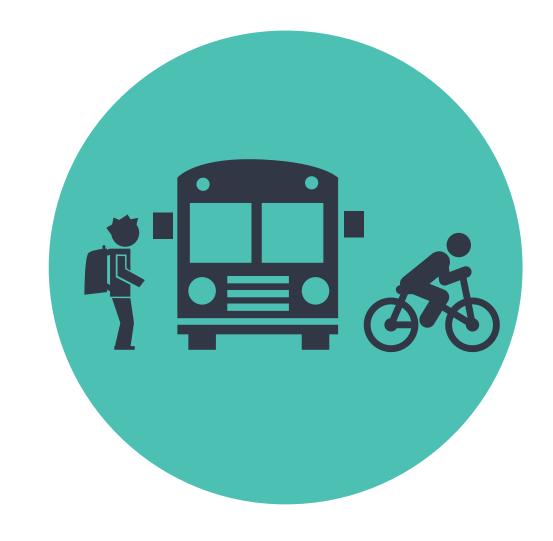


WHAT WE'VE HEARD

From the feedback we've received, we've identified six key themes...



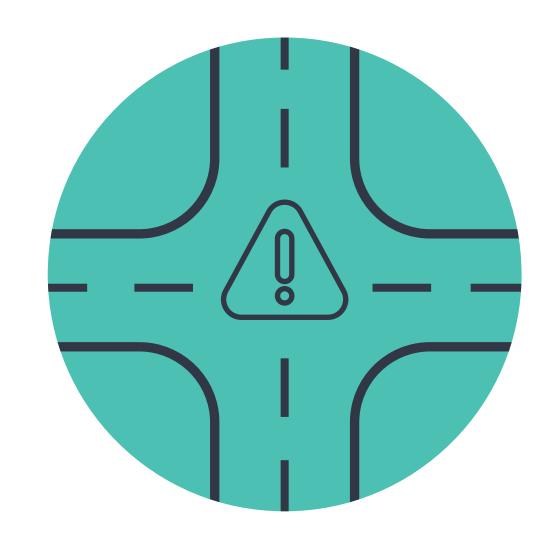
Housing



Walking, cycling and public transport



Education facilities



Safety and local road connections



Traffic effects



Heavy vehicles and freight

These themes have been drawn from the feedback on all aspects of the project, including the short-term and three long-term options for the state highway and local road upgrades, the proposal for dedicated bus lanes, separated walking and cycling lanes, and the proposed housing to be developed within the Tauriko West urban growth area.

LONG-TERM TRANSPORT OPTIONS

The majority of those who provided feedback expressed overall support for the long-term State Highway 29 and 29A upgrade.

Of the responses received:

- the majority preferred Option B and cited it was the right level of investment for the city as the reason for their preference. However, many people noted that the transport infrastructure needs to be put in place prior to the first houses being built within the Tauriko West urban growth area.
- some preferred Option C and cited reasons such as the option enabling better separation of traffic and promoting traffic flow.
- a few preferred Option A with common reasons relating to enabling incentives for public transport and walking and cycling.

SHORT-TERM TRANSPORT IMPROVEMENTS

The majority of those who provided feedback were supportive overall of the proposed short-term improvements, with many requests to implement the works as soon as possible.

We also heard concerns that the enabling works are not enough to get through the next 10 years of traffic growth before implementation of the long-term transport upgrades.

NEW COMMUNITY

We heard overall support for the new community in Tauriko West, with feedback focused on the provision of a range of housing choice, styles and densities, the need for a new community hub, community facilities, schools, and that the supporting transport network needs to be upgraded well in advance of the first houses in the new Tauriko West community.









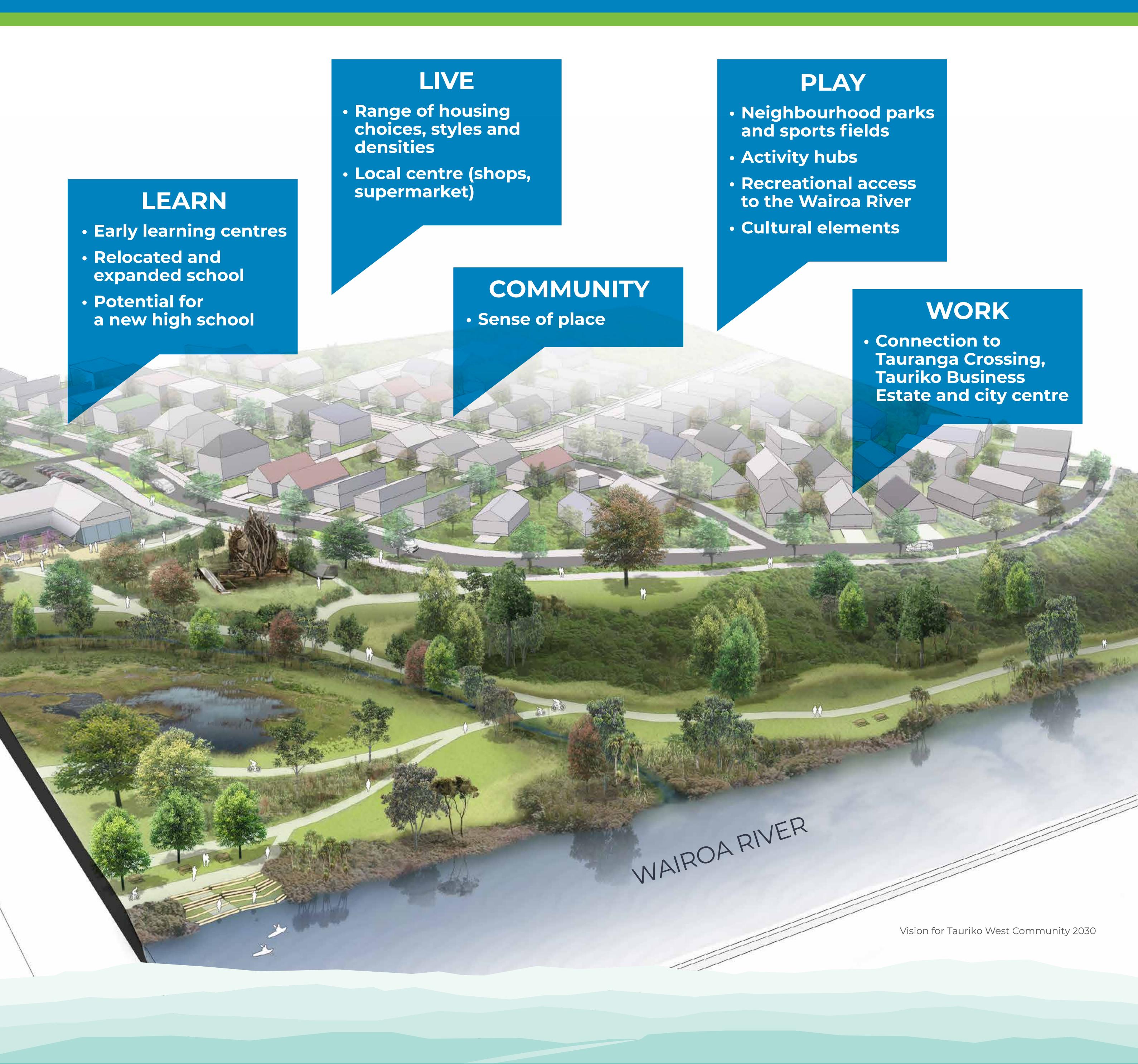






LIVE, LEARN, WORK AND PLAY

Proposals for the new community include where housing, open spaces, schools and other facilities could be located, as well as ways to protect the natural and cultural environment.

















A LIVEABLE AND CONNECTED COMMUNITY















To create a thriving, safe, resilient and connected community at Tauriko West, that is well-served by amenities, we're proposing:

A range of housing choices, styles and densities.

A relocated and expanded primary school supporting current and future communities' needs and potential for a new high school.

Integrated neighbourhood parks and sports fields.

Wairoa River Reserve – with a playground, access to the river, walkways along the length of the full river corridor and water access.

A local centre – providing for a collection of shops and services including opportunity for a small supermarket, GP surgery, pharmacy, café, takeaway, service station and possibly public toilets.

Connectivity through street design and open space planning.

A transport network that promotes sustainable modes of transport such as walking, cycling and public transport over private car use.















THE WAIROA RIVER

The Wairoa River is a special natural and cultural landmark of the area. We're proposing to embrace the significance of the river and provide access for everyone to enjoy this special environment.

Through the development of Tauriko West, we propose to:

- Maintain and enhance the landscape of the river margin.
- Celebrate the historic and cultural importance of the awa.
- Recognise sites of cultural significance to mana whenua and preserve and enhance those areas.
- Provide for open and generous public access to and along the river frontage through

- Enhance connectivity to the river by providing east-west active street links to the river throughout the development.
- Enable the integration of new urban development set back from the river margin.
- Manage stormwater runoff from urban development.

Vision for Wairoa River Reserve 2030















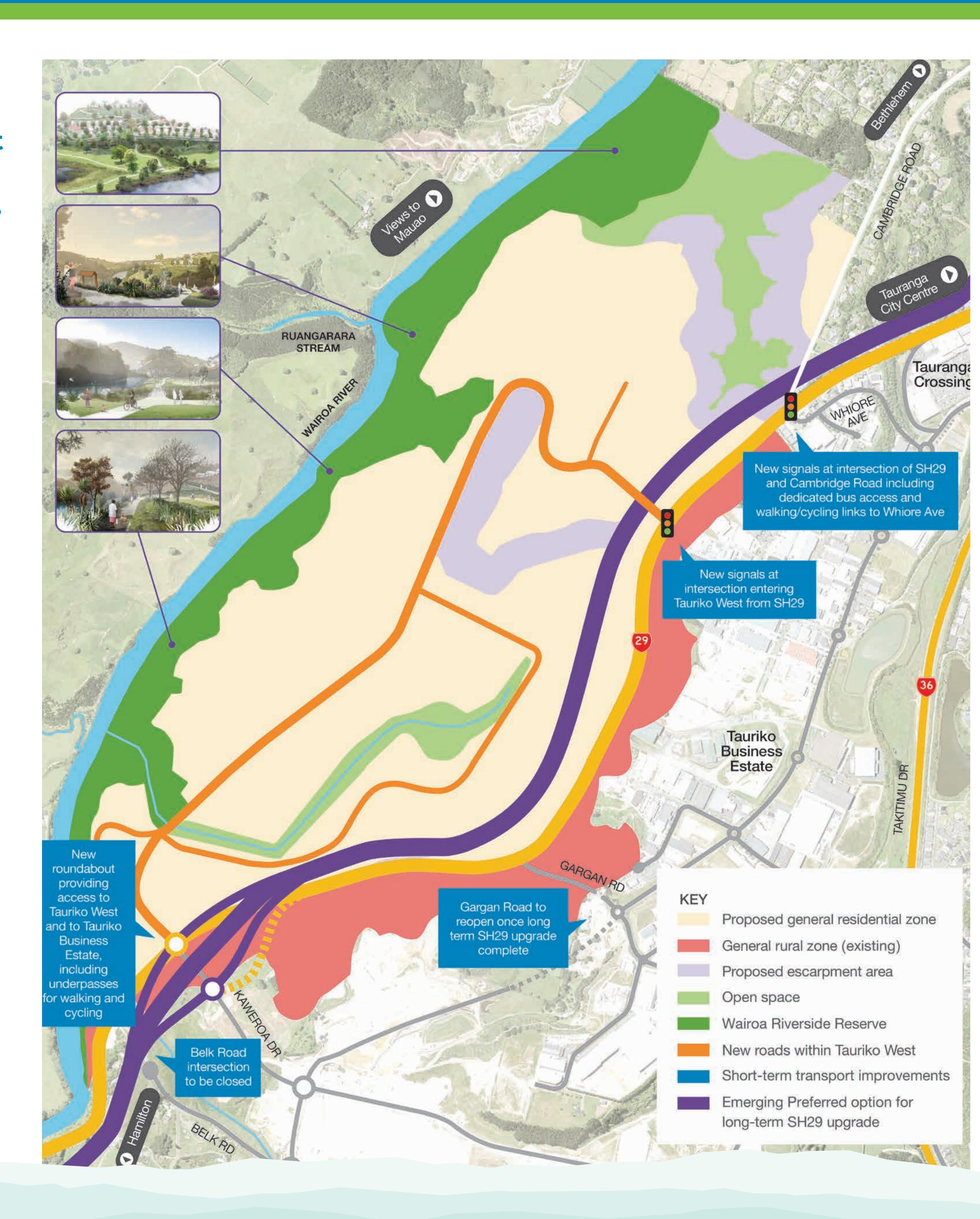


DRAFT LAND USE PLAN FOR TAURIKO WEST

Tauranga City Council has developed a draft land use plan for Tauriko West, which shows where the key elements of the new community could be located.

The draft land use plan shows the extent of land that may be developed for residential use, along with:

- Riverside reserve, escarpment areas, and open space.
- Connections to the short and long-term transport improvements.
- Multimodal links to Tauriko Business Estate and the wider city.
- Opportunities to connect walkways/ cycleways along the Wairoa River.

















THE PLANNING PROCESS

Proposed changes to the Tauranga City Plan

Building the new community at Tauriko West will require changes to the Tauranga City Plan. This is a statutory process under the Resource Management Act (RMA).

Currently, the land within Tauriko West is zoned rural. We need to change the City Plan to rezone the land to allow housing to be developed.

The plan change will also outline the planning rules that will apply to the development and guide consent decisions.

These will ensure that we provide for:

- A mix of housing types, higher densities, and affordable housing.
- Walkable communities with reduced need for short car trips.

- Accessible active and public transport links to the wider area.
- A wide range of community facilities, open space, and reserves.

Streamlined Planning Process

Tauranga City Council propose to use the Streamlined Planning Process (SPP) under the RMA to progress the plan change.

The key features of the SPP compared to the conventional process are:

- Requires approval from the Minister for the Environment.
- Allows customised timeframes to achieve a faster outcome.
- Still provides for full public participation and stakeholder input.
- Enables a more targeted approach focused on a local area or issue.

Subject to completing the planning process, it is expected that the first houses will start being built from 2025 onwards.















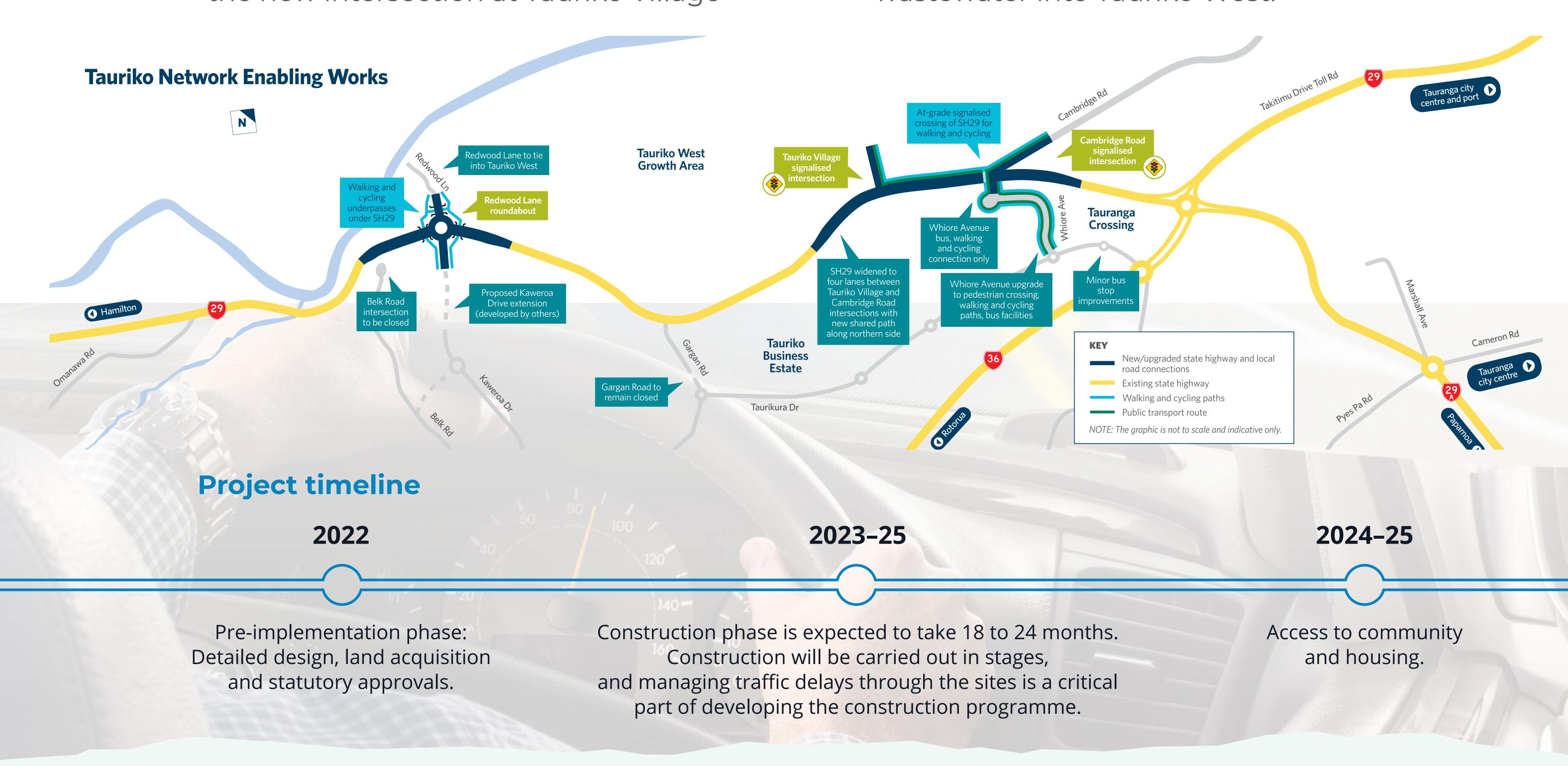
PROVIDING ACCESS: ENABLING WORKS

Initial improvements to facilitate access to the new community, improve safety and provide better connections.

These works will enable the first houses within Tauriko West, support continued development of Tauriko Business Estate and improve safety and access to public transport, walking and cycling.

- A new roundabout at SH29/Redwood Lane (which will connect to the Tauriko Business Estate and provide access to the southern part of Tauriko West).
- Closure of the existing SH29/Belk Road intersection, and redirection via Tauriko Business Estate to the new SH29/Redwood Lane roundabout.
- A new intersection with traffic lights on SH29 at Tauriko Village (to provide access to the northern part of Tauriko West).
- An upgrade of SH29 to four lanes between the new intersection at Tauriko Village

- and Cambridge Road, including provision of a new shared walking and cycling path along the north side of SH29.
- An upgrade of the existing SH29/Cambridge Road intersection with traffic lights and a new connection to Tauranga Crossing via Whiore Avenue (for buses, pedestrians and cyclists only).
- Provision of a shared walking and cycling path along both sides of Whiore Avenue between the SH29/Cambridge Road intersection and Taurikura Drive.
- Installing services such as water and wastewater into Tauriko West.

















CHOOSE THE WAY YOU MOVE

Providing more travel choices and encouraging people to move differently will contribute to accessibility, safety, health and environmental outcomes.

The transport plan for the Western Corridor places importance on public transport solutions, walking and cycling, and local road networks for local journeys.

SH29 is the key route connecting our region with Auckland, Waikato, and the upper North Island. This route supports the economic success of the western Bay of Plenty. It is vital that growth and liveability, and safety and productivity go hand in hand.

The Connected Centres programme outlines how vital a multimodal transport system is to ensure existing and future communities are connected by frequent public transport services along prioritised public transport corridors.

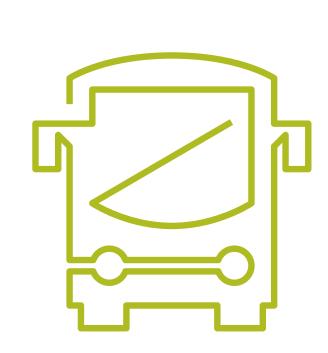
Enabling more people to use public transport will improve freight access.

Providing access to a network of safe and accessible cycling, walking and personal mobility routes supports connectivity to local shops, schools and other services, as well as accessing neighbouring communities.

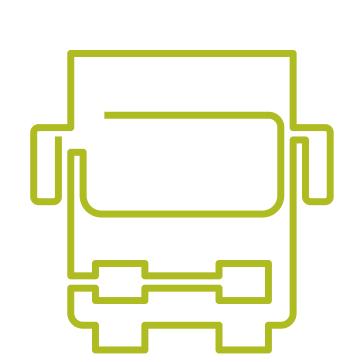
The other benefit is a range of transport choices and the opportunity for people to live close to work.
This will help reduce transport carbon emissions over time.

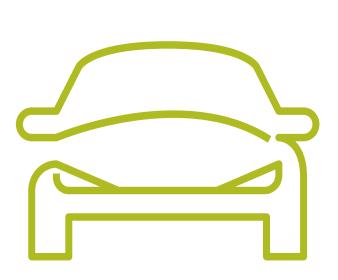


























MOVING AROUND IN THE FUTURE

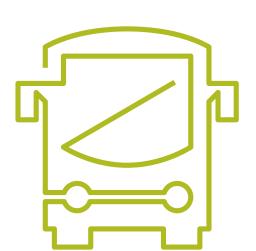
Emerging preferred long-term option: Option B – Offline.

The key objectives of the long-term improvements (10 plus years) are to provide choice in how people want to travel, to support a thriving and growing community, protection of the freight route and safety for all users.

From our investigations and analysis of the input from partners, stakeholders, potentially affected parties and the wider community, Option B – Offline is the emerging preferred option.

Option B – Offline encourages people to use public transport and walking and cycling and includes integration into the wider transport network and key local road connections.







Why Option B – Offline?

- The proposed new SH29 road alignment provides
 a separate network for local and regional traffic between
 Omanawa and Barkes Corner, safer intersections and
 improved traffic flow with no interactions.
- The option will be future-proofed with two lanes in each direction separated by a barrier, addressing resilience and allowing lanes to be allocated to different functions in the future.
- A new road will be built to the safety and design standards at the time it is constructed, reducing crashes and the severity of crashes.
- It supports more efficient freight movements to the Port of Tauranga and Tauriko Business Estate.
- It will improve the safety of the Omanawa Road/SH29 intersection by providing better separation of traffic turning into and out of the intersection.
- Enables future residential growth in the Western Corridor.

Option B – Offline will:

Provide transport choices including buses, walking and cycling, as well as access to local amenities such as schools, businesses, recreation areas and culturally significant places.

Improve safety and reduce deaths and serious injuries for everyone using the transport network



Protect important freight access to the Port of Tauranga.

















MOVING AROUND IN THE FUTURE

Emerging preferred long-term option: Option B – Offline.

Option B is a new four-lane state highway which would be built alongside the existing SH29 and SH29A (offline). The new state highway would have limited connections to the local road network and adjacent properties although the existing SH29 and SH29A would be retained as a local road. It also includes significant improvements for walking and cycling and high frequency public transport connections through the area.

Option B includes:

- Improved public transport network including public transport hub with dedicated bus lanes from hub to Cameron Road multimodal corridor.
- · Improved off-road walking and cycling corridor and safe grade-separated road crossings.
- · An upgraded Omanawa Road intersection.
- A grade-separated interchange at Redwood Lane and Kaweroa Drive (continuing to provide access to Tauriko West and the Tauriko Business Estate) including grade-separated walking and cycling.
- An underpass at Tauriko Village including grade-separated walking and cycling.
- An underpass at Cambridge Road including grade-separated walking and cycling.
- · A grade-separated interchange at Takitimu Drive Toll Road.
- A grade-separated interchange at Barkes Corner, which will separate traffic on Cameron Road/Pyes Pa Road from SH29A traffic.

The option will integrate with the enabling works.

The area where these improvements will be made is SH29 from Omanawa Road to the Takitimu Drive Toll Road roundabout, and SH29A to the Barkes Corner intersection (Pyes Pa Road/ Cameron Road).

In the area surrounding the state highways we are working to develop a network of safe routes for cycling, walking and personal mobility (e.g. scooters) as well as high frequency public transport connections to allow people to easily reach their local shops, schools, parks and neighbouring communities.













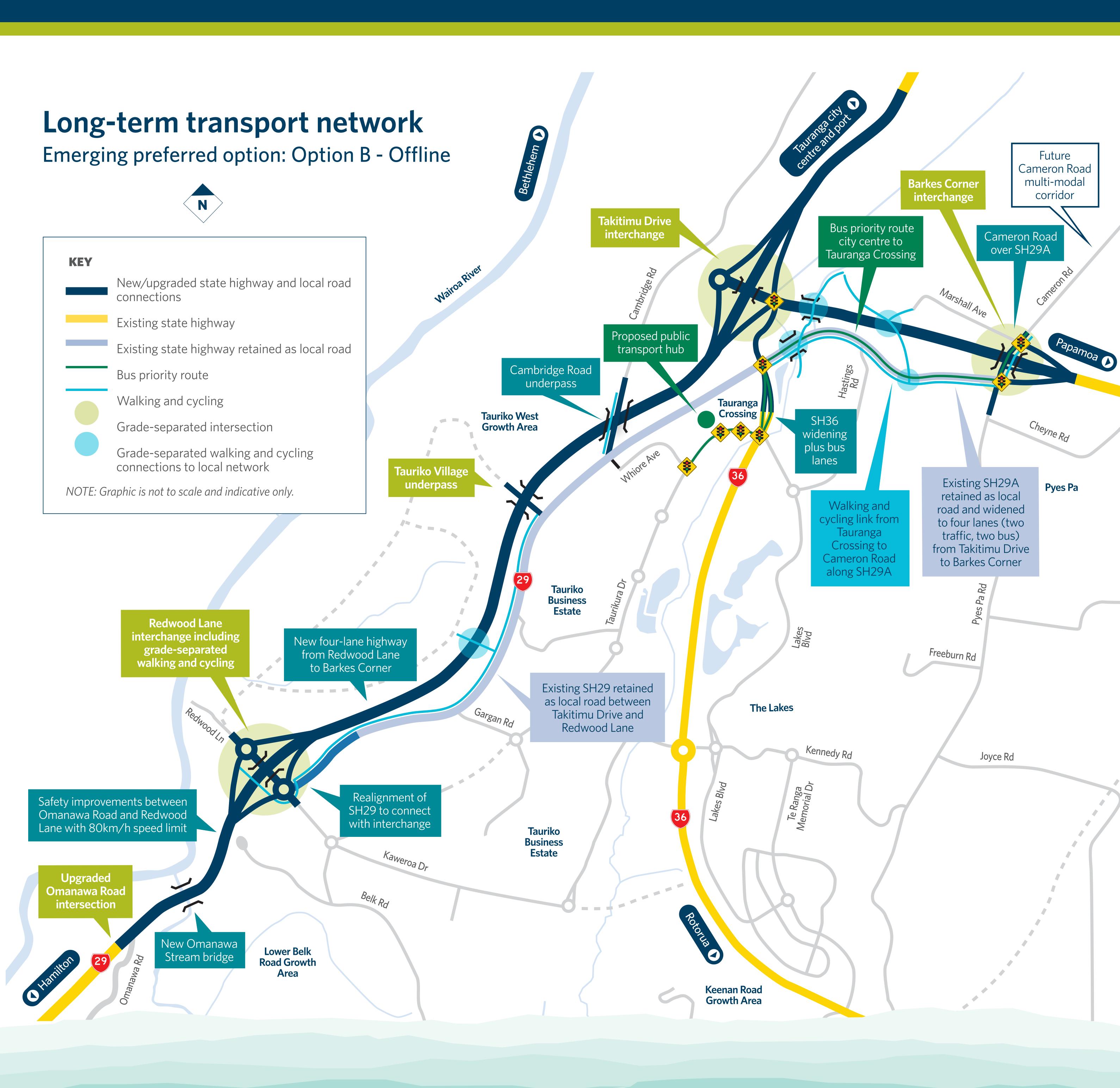






LONG-TERM TRANSPORT NETWORK

Emerging preferred long-term option: Option B – Offline.

















LONG-TERM TRANSPORT NETWORK

Proposed Public Transport Service Plan.

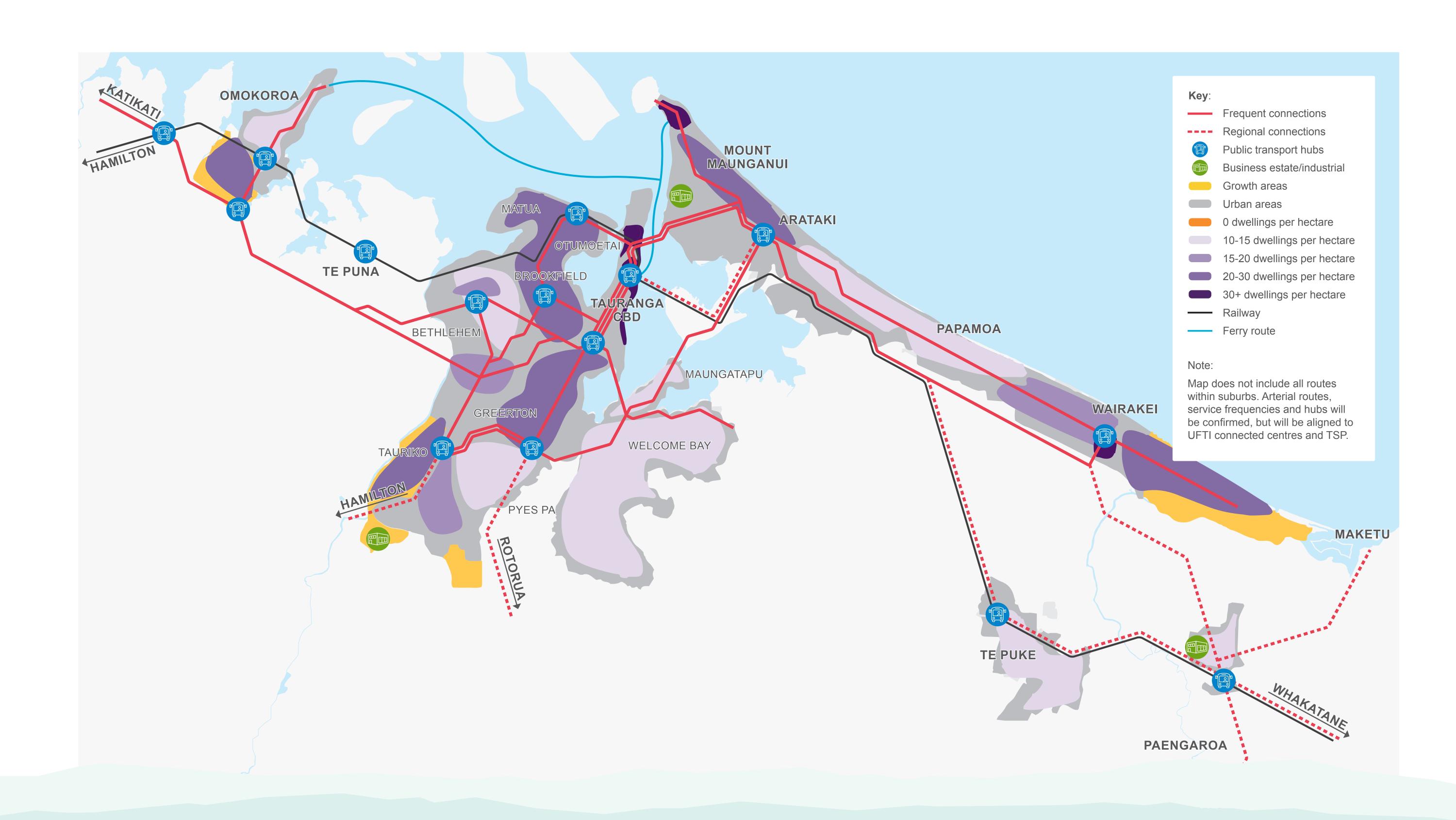
A multimodal transport system is planned to ensure existing and future communities are connected by frequent public transport services along prioritised public transport corridors. These corridors are necessary to ensure public transport journeys and routes are reliable and provide excellent access to the many social and economic opportunities across the subregion.

- Dedicated lanes and priority at key intersections will allow buses to move past queued traffic and ensure bus services are frequent, reliable and get people where they need to go.
- Most people should be able to reach their destination using public transport within 30-45 minutes.

 Getting more people onto buses will also free up room for more freight and create space for people who still need or choose to use cars in future.

Future public transport network

Tauranga Crossing is a natural hub where most roads in the area meet and the centre is a significant drawcard for people to the area. In addition to the combination of express bus services to Tauranga's city centre and local services, there will also be school bus services. The number of these will vary depending upon on school locations.

















LONG-TERM TRANSPORT NETWORK

Proposed walking and cycling network.

For the Western Corridor, we are working to develop a network of safe routes for cycling, walking and personal mobility to allow people to easily reach their local shops, schools, parks and neighbouring communities. There will be a balance of cycle lanes, footpaths and shared paths.

What if cyclists prefer to cycle on the road?

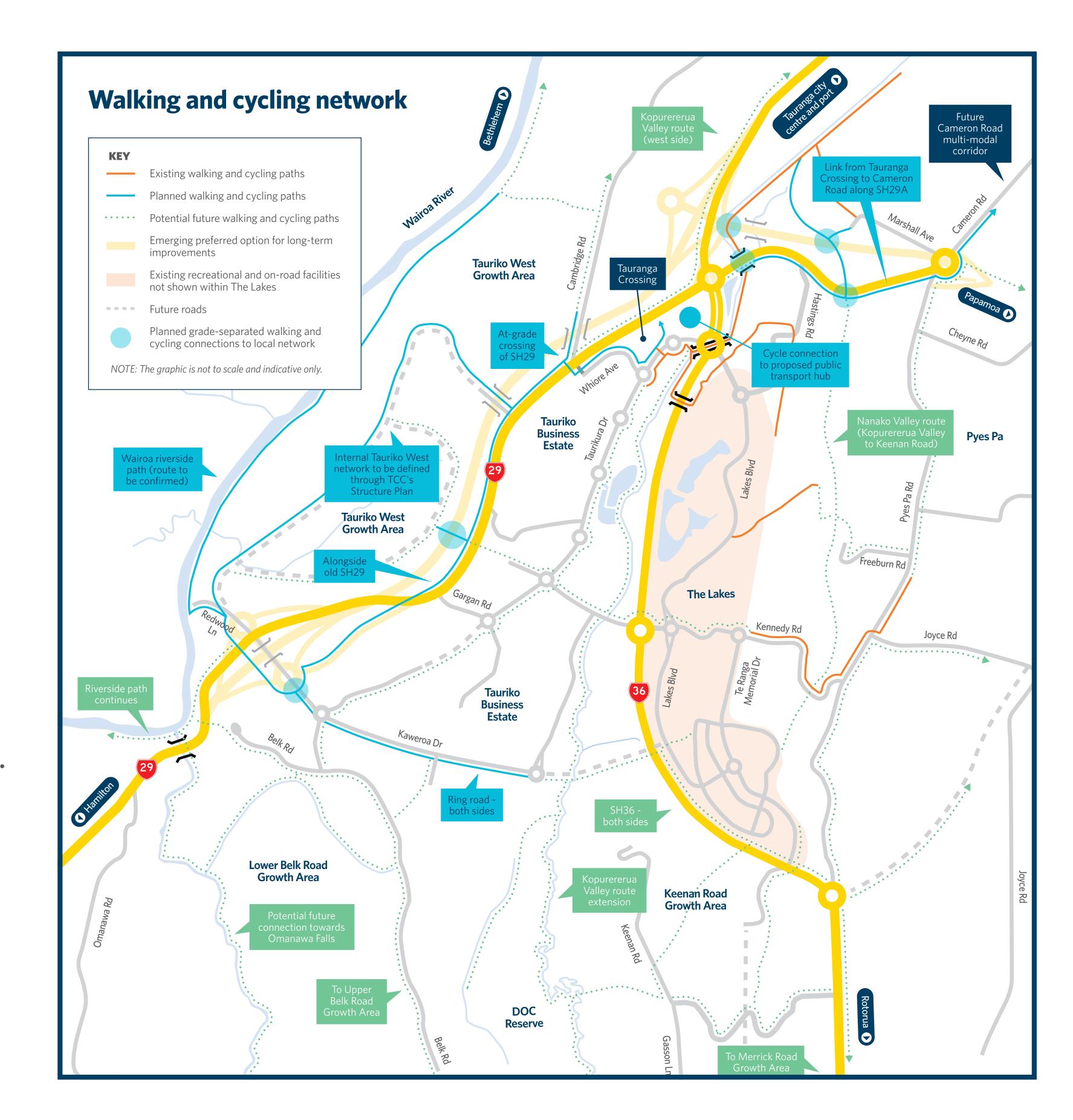
On-road cycle lanes are also considered as part of this work to provide more confident road cyclists with safe space to travel.

What is a shared path?

A shared path is separated from road traffic, intended to be used by people walking, cycling, scootering, skating and using mobility aids.

Shared paths make it safer and easier for people to cycle and walk to where they are going.

This helps make towns and cities more accessible and liveable, promotes recreation and tourism, reduced traffic congestion and greenhouse emissions, and supports people to be active and healthy. Shared paths provide a safe, off-road option for people exercising, commuting or having fun.



They also make it safer for children to walk or bike to and from school, helping reduce traffic at peak school times.

It's important we consider everyone's needs when upgrading our transport network to provide more travel choice, as not everyone can – or wants to – drive.















YOUR WEWS

We'd like to hear your thoughts on the emerging preferred option for the long-term transport improvements, and on planning for the new community at Tauriko West. Is there anything else we need to consider?

Tell us what you like, dislike and share what we have missed.

Leave your comments here or share your views online at www.taurikofortomorrow.co.nz.

Survey closes Friday 17 June 2022.















EMERGING PREFERRED LONG-TERM OPTION: OPTION B – OFFLINE

You have now seen the emerging preferred option being considered for the transport network. Our next steps are:

- Gather feedback on the emerging preferred long-term option Option B Offline.
- Review feedback received from project partners, mana whenua, stakeholders, landowners, key interest groups and the community.
- Continue stakeholder and tāngata whenua engagement

The project team will then finalise Tauriko Network Connections
Detailed Business Case.

When will all of this happen?

The timing of delivery for improvements to the transport network will be determined through the next stages of the business case process.

Currently, there is no funding for the long-term improvements within the next 10 years. Delivery will be staged over a number of years and aligned to growth triggers including housing supply, transport mode share, traffic volumes and funding availability.

















Cameron Road is one of our city's busiest roads, connecting people in Tauranga's southern suburbs to the city centre.

It is an important through route and a destination for many with schools, businesses and Tauranga Hospital located along it.

This multi-stage project will help address growth, revitalise a key part of our city, and provide more transport options so people don't have to be so car dependant. These are all the things the community has said they would like.

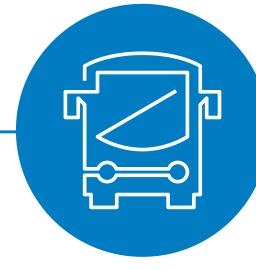


Stage One – design and construction

From Harington Street to 17th Ave (partly funded by central government).

The Cameron Road Joint Venture (CRJV) team is working on both sides of Cameron Road constructing the shared path, bus lanes and two-way cycleway.

Part of the works includes upgrading the stormwater system.



200,000

PASSENGERS
GET ON A BUS ON
CAMERON ROAD
EACH YEAR.

MORE THAN

1 million

PASSENGERS
RIDE A BUS
THAT TRAVELS
DOWN CAMERON
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60%

OF ALL BUS
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PASS THROUGH
CAMERON ROAD.



Stage Two – business case

From Tauranga Hospital (17th Ave) to Cheyne Road

Over the next six months, we will be talking to our partners, mana whenua, stakeholders and the local communities about options for improving this corridor. This work will take into account the local environment and community needs, local centres, historical and cultural sites and connecting the suburbs along the route and the Te Papa peninsula/city centre.

Through this project a preferred option will be identified that will help council seek funding for the design and construction phases.

Find out more at tauranga.govt.nz/cameronroad





NEXTSIEPS

Leave your comments on the relevant map, with a team member or share online at www.taurikofortomorrow.co.nz

