

Attachment Two: OIA-15711 – SH2 W2O Engagement Summary

Engagement

As with any project, community feedback plays an important role to inform designs and multiple rounds of engagement/consultation have been undertaken throughout the course of this project between 2014 and 2023, which included:

- Public surveys and use of the online consultation Social Pinpoint tool
- Meetings with community representatives, including Community Boards
- Meetings with key stakeholders, including Western Bay of Plenty District Council and NZ Police
- Technical workshops with local council representatives, NZ Police, emergency services, freight representatives and industry groups
- Regular hui with Mana Whenua
- Multiple public open days
- Individual contact with schools, stakeholders and adjacent residents.

Additional public meetings, open days, and other stakeholder engagements were held on request. Regular newsletters, media releases, traffic bulletins, radio advertising, newspaper columns and social media posts have been published to keep the community informed and up to date of progress.

Where possible, feedback from the community has been incorporated, however, designs are based on evidence (both international and around New Zealand) and technical advice, with safety being a focus, along with other design and construction criterion.

Refer to the [project timeline](#) for further context on project milestones and construction progress

STAKEHOLDER	ORGANISATION	PROJECT ASPECT & TYPE OF ENGAGEMENT
In 2014, specific stakeholder and community engagement was undertaken as part of developing a Strategic Case for the corridor resulting in several SH2 Waihi to Tauranga Corridor Programme Options. The Strategic Option for Katikati South was roadside and median treatments and side road management.		
Public	Bay of Plenty	<i>The Northern Corridor Survey</i> was undertaken in November/December 2014 on options for the SH2 Waihi to Tauranga corridor that would enable growth to be supported and provide safer and more reliable journeys. Results were published. Of 859 participants that responded to the survey:

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 36% felt unsafe turning onto SH2 • 77% felt unsafe driving on SH2 • 85% would travel further to access the highway more safely, but only a short distance <1 kilometre
Stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC) • Automobile Association (AA) • Western Bay of Plenty District Council • Bay of Plenty Regional Council • KiwiRail • Emergency services • NZ Transport Agency (Highway and Networks Operations (HNO), Planning and Investment Team (P&I)) • Road Transport Association (RTA) • SmartGrowth • Tauranga City Council 	Ongoing individual and collective engagements during 2014 for stakeholders to give input to the Corridor Programme Options.
Community Boards	Waihi Beach & Katikati Community Board	A joint meeting of the Community Board was held in June 2016 to enable the respective public entities to express their concerns with SH2.
Community Boards	Waihi, Katikati, Ōmokoroa,	Presentation on the project was made to each of the Community Boards in February 2017.
Public Open Days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Katikati • Te Puna • Ōmokoroa 	<p>Open days were held on 28-30 July 2016 to give the public the opportunity to discuss concerns within the SH2 Waihi to Ōmokoroa corridor. One of the concerns being expressed was the ability to turn safely onto and from the state highway.</p> <p>SH2 Waihi to Tauranga Programme Business Case published</p>
Public Information Day	Public	Held at the Memorial Hall Katikati on 30 March 2017
Public Information Day	Public	Held at the St Johns Hall – 134 Seddon St Waihi on 31 March 2017
Public Information Day	Public	Held at the Ōmokoroa Settlers Hall on 1 April 2017

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<p>Specific stakeholder and community engagement undertaken as part of the Option Development that resulted in the submission of the SH2 Waihi to Ōmokoroa Single Stage Business Case (SSBC) in June 2017 to the NZTA Board. This resulted in the decision to fund delivery of Option 3 (Widening and side barriers)</p>		
Stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WBoPDC • BoPRC • Hauraki District Council • National Road carriers • TD Haulage • Road Transport Association • Emergency services 	<p>A stakeholder meeting (Technical Workshop 1) was held on 17 November 2016 to discuss the corridor and potential corrective options. Median barrier was discussed. It was thought the greatest safety improvement would come from the installation of a median barrier for the full extent.</p> <p>The second stakeholder meeting (Technical Workshop 2) was held on 8 February 2017 to further discuss the corridor and potential corrective options.</p> <p>The third stakeholder meeting (Technical Workshop 3) was held on 5 April 2017 to further discuss the short-listed treatment options.</p>
Iwi and Hapū	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ngati Ranginui • Nga Te Rangi • Ngati Te Wai • Pirirakau • Te Whanau a Tauwhao • Ngai Tamawaharua 	<p>Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) developed and agreed. Apart from the regular programme level hui, a hui on 9 March 2017 discussed the options prior to the public open day and validated the multi-criteria assessment (MCA) attributes and initial scoring.</p>
Ministry of Education	Schools	<p>In 2017, schools along the corridor were individually contacted.</p>
Public	Public	<p>Three public open days were held between March and April 2017 to gain feedback from the community on the Options 1 to 4, where the technical team were recommending Option 3. These drop-in sessions were held in Waihi, Katikati and Ōmokoroa. 79% of the 821 attendees preferred Option 3.</p>

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<p>Specific stakeholder and community engagement was facilitated along the corridor during the detailed design process to give adjacent residents, and the more generally the boarder public an opportunity to discuss the Option 3 proposals with NZTA and Beca staff, the designers, and the builders (HEB).</p> <p>For the sections south of Katikati, a Virtual Reality representation of a wire rope median barrier within the highway was also made available.</p>		
Public / Residents	Section 1 Residents Meeting	A public meeting was held on 22 February 2018 at the Waimata School to discuss the draft design and potential impacts.
NZ Police	NZ Police Tauranga	A briefing with senior traffic policing and Serious Crash Unit was held on 12 March 2019 regarding the project and the proposal for median barrier.
Public / Residents	Section (2-10) Residents Meeting	Six public meetings were held with residents to discuss the draft design and potential impacts.
Section 6 & Sharp Road	Sharp Road residents' association	An update was provided on 21 May 2019 to the residents of Sharp Road on the Option 3 programme and the potential for upgrading the intersection. The presentation discussed a proposed layout of the corridor should the implementation of median barrier be funded.
NZ Police	NZ Police Tauranga	A briefing with senior traffic policing and Serious Crash Unit was held on 20 January 2020 regarding the project and the proposal for median barrier.
Cyclists	Katikati Trails Group	A community discussion was held on 10 February 2020 in Katikati to discuss cycling provisions in the design, and options for passing work sites
Community Board	Katikati Community Board	12 February 2020: Briefed the community on the current works and the shaping of the median barrier option.
Stakeholders	Industry Groups, Emergency Services, Public Authorities	27 February 2020: A SH2 Waihi to Ōmokoroa Project Fair (Baypark – Tauranga) with presentations, discussion groups and trade show to help shape the project objectives, designs and delivery methodology.
WBoPDC	Operations Committee	22 May 2020: Presentation on the SH2 project made to the Operations Committee.

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Specific stakeholder and community engagement undertaken as part of the Option 4A (median barrier and roundabouts) feasibility study .		
Local Authority	WBoPDC	Project overview (16 March 2021 - Performance & Monitoring Committee).
Local Authority	WBoPDC - Water	Potential for relocation of water assets.
Local Authority	WBoPDC – Transportation & Planning	Potential growth, land-use impacts associated with side road traffic.
Regional Council	BoPRC – Public Transport Services	Impact of roundabout locations on existing and potential bus routes.
Regional Council	BoPRC – Environmental	Potential for corridor environmental offsets.
Stakeholders	Stakeholders and Public	25 March 2021: A public open day held in Katikati for stakeholders and the public (held over 2 sessions) to introduce Option 4A and initiate a discussion on roundabout placement. The short list of possible locations was 10, to be reduced to 6.
Public	General Public	Online (social pinpoint) survey of attitude towards the proposal. An engagement summary of this and the open day feedback was published online.
Fairview Estate & Golfclub	Public / Golf Club	Public meeting in May 2021 at Fairview Golf Club to discuss median barriers and Sharp Road roundabout placement. About 200 people attended.
Iwi /Hapū	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ngati Ranginui • Nga Te Rangi • Ngati Te Wai • Pirirakau • Te Whanau a Tauwhao • Ngai Tamawhariua 	Hui on 11 March 2021. Cultural and environmental offsets ie at Lund Road, but no specific go/no go sites for roundabouts.
NZ Police	NZ Police Tauranga	13 July 2021: A briefing with senior traffic policing and Serious Crash Unit specifically relating to the design options for the median barrier.
Transport Industry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Road Transport Association • National Road Carriers NZ • Heavy Haulage Association • Freight Logistics Action Group • Road Transport Forum 	Meeting on 28 July 2021: Positive about the considerations taken by the design team.
Landowners	Adjacent possible roundabout	June 2021: Affected landowners engaged in acquisition process to enable

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		roundabout construction.
Public	Katikati Community	5 July 2021: Drop-in session at the Katikati Community Centre to discuss median barrier design options – updated booklet published . 120 people attended.
Emergency services	Emergency Services	13 July 2021: Meeting to discuss barrier placement.
Community	Morton Road	15 March 2022: Online cottage meeting – Morton Road.
NZ Police	NZ Police Tauranga	17 August 2022: An update for senior traffic policing and Serious Crash Unit re the project and the proposal for median barrier.
Residents	Athenree Gorge	13 December 2023: Drop-in session at the Katikati Community Centre to discuss median barrier design options. This had been proceeded with individual meetings with residents.
Partners	Local authorities	NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi works in partnership with Western Bay of Plenty District Council, Tauranga City Council, Bay of Plenty Regional Council, and local Hapū, meeting regularly. NZTA also attends SmartGrowth and Regional Transport Committee meetings.

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