Council Briefing Supplementary Agenda

Date:	15 June, 2021
Time:	9:00 am
Location:	Council Chamber Forum North, Rust Avenue Whangarei
Elected Members:	Her Worship the Mayor Sheryl Mai (Chairperson) Cr Gavin Benney Cr Vince Cocurullo Cr Nicholas Connop Cr Ken Couper Cr Tricia Cutforth Cr Shelley Deeming Cr Jayne Golightly Cr Phil Halse Cr Greg Innes Cr Greg Martin Cr Anna Murphy Cr Carol Peters Cr Simon Reid

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Reporting officer:	Alicia Lawrie (Strategic Urban Designer)

1 Purpose

Update elected members on the Hikurangi and Tikipunga Placemaking Plans:

- Present the draft actions developed for the Hikurangi and Tikipunga Placemaking Plans.
- Seek comfort from elected members on the approach to the third round of community engagement

2 Background

Additional Information associated with previous Agenda item - Placemaking Programme Update - Draft Hikurangi and Tikipunga Actions.

Issued as a supplementary document.

3 Attachments

1. Attachment 1 - First Draft - Hikurangi Placemaking Plan for discussion
2. Attachment 2 - First Draft - Tikipunga Placemaking Plan for discussion
3. Attachment 3 - Draft Community Toolkit

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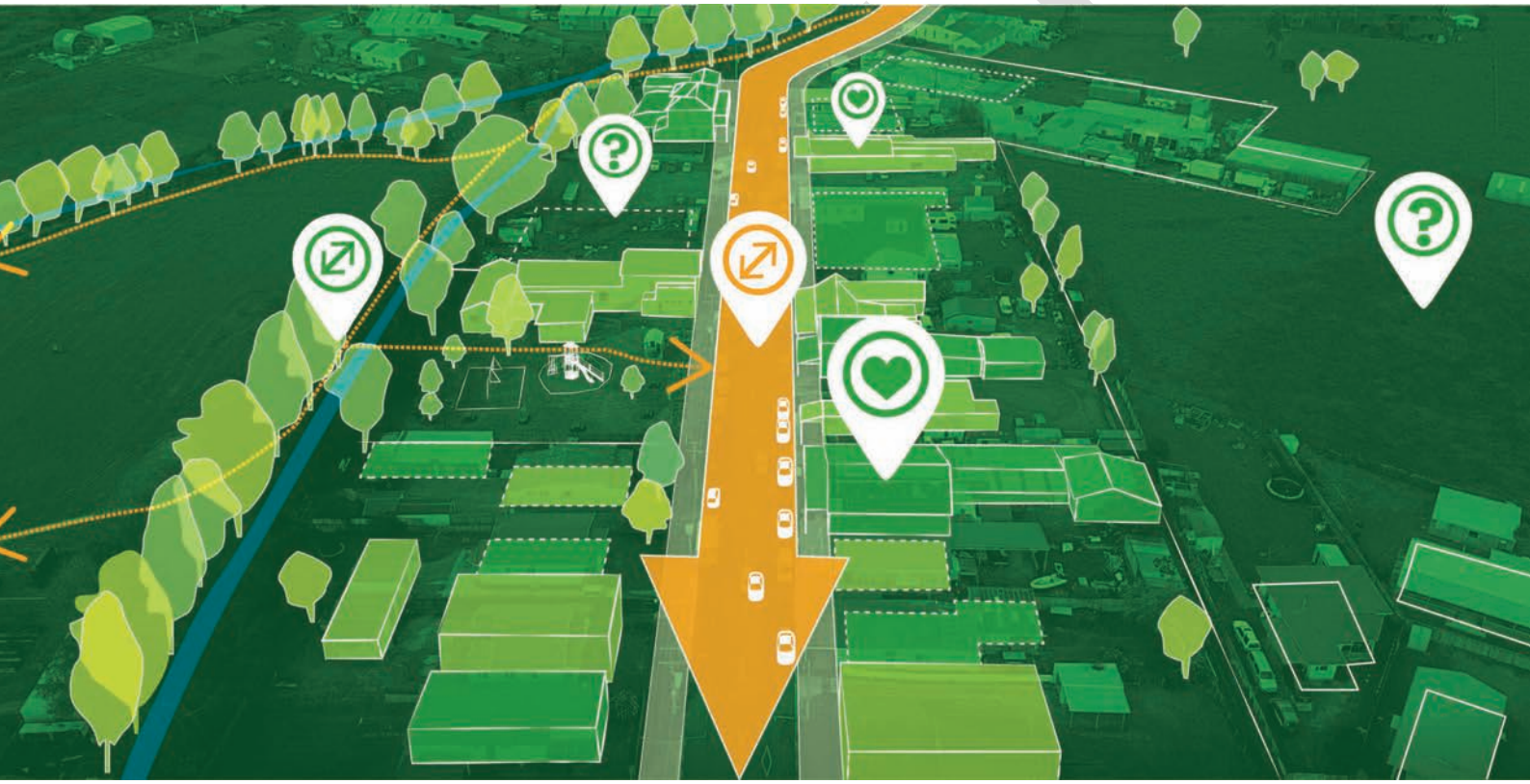
Hikurangi



First draft for discussion

HIKURANGI Placemaking Plan

20 / 30 years

Map showing overall vision for Tikipunga

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HIKURANGI Placemaking Plan

20 / 30 years

Page of similar format to be used as summary document for engagement

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Key outcomes

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Background

Whangarei is growing and developing but there is a gap when it comes to understanding how this affects specific locations in our District.

A key response within the Whangarei District Growth Strategy is to develop a District. A gap between our high-level, district-wide Growth Strategy and our regulatory tools and infrastructure investment has identified a need for direction at a neighbourhood and community level.

The Placemaking Programme will generate a series of 20-30-year place-based, spatial plans for how an area will change and the key challenges and opportunities that come with it.

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Engagement

Shared vision, consultation and engagement
Process/Timelines

Brief summary of engagement and process

Placemaking Plans

What is the Placemaking Programme?

The Placemaking Programme is a response to the growth and changes that are happening in the Whangarei District. While we have often planned for growth at a District level, what has been missing is the understanding of what this growth means for individual communities and neighbourhoods. A 'one size fits all' approach is not the best way forward for our diverse District because each place is different. Communities have their own set of qualities, unique characteristics and people who make them special.

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Why are we creating Placemaking Plans?

Whangarei is growing and developing but there is a gap when it comes to understanding how this affects specific locations in our District.

This gap has led to:

- Poor quality outcomes and lost opportunities to maximise the community benefits of development.
- A lack of vision for how a specific community will develop over the medium/long-term.
- Fragmented communities due to infrastructure such as roads, parks and pedestrian networks.
- Low levels of amenity through poor urban design, and subdivision design.
- Communities who feel disconnected from key planning & development decisions.

Growth & Wellbeing

Central government direction is ensuring that the way our communities grow and develop is not just about the number of homes that can be built. It recognises the importance of amenity, connectivity and access to services. The Placemaking Plans seek to achieve the same outcomes.

As these places grow, we need to plan ahead and ensure existing and future communities are well connected, have a high standard of amenity and can easily access services such as education, health and public open spaces.

Policy 1 from the National Policy Statement on Urban Development provides a framework which has driven the outcomes and actions of the Placemaking Plans.

> *Planning decisions contribute to well-functioning urban environments, which are urban environments that, as a minimum:*
>
> A. have or enable a variety of homes that:
> i. meet the needs, in terms of type, price, and location, of different households; and
> ii. enable Māori to express their cultural traditions and norms; and
> B. have or enable a variety of sites that are suitable for different business sectors in terms of location and site size; and
> C. have good accessibility for all people between housing, jobs, community services, natural spaces, and open spaces, including by way of public or active transport; and
> D. support, and limit as much as possible adverse impacts on, the competitive operation of land and development markets; and
> E. support reductions in greenhouse gas emissions; and
> F. are resilient to the likely current and future effects of climate change.

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Placemaking Plans

What is the Placemaking Programme?

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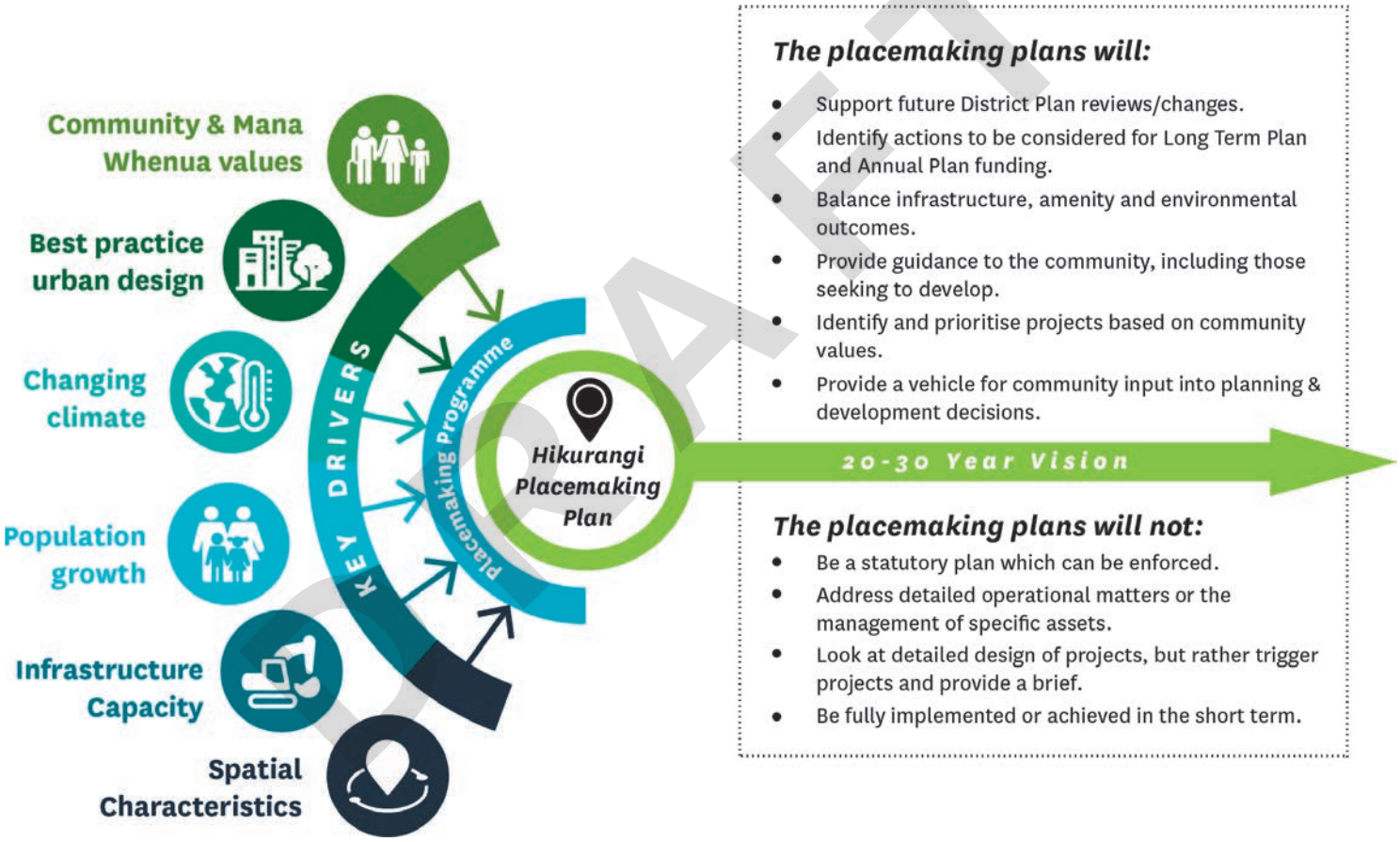

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The placemaking plans will

- identify actions which will feed into the district plan review process, the capital works, infrastructure, and transport programmes.
- align their actions with the Long-Term Plan and annual plan funding.
- act as a tool for communities, providing a vehicle for community input into planning and development decisions.

Where does this plan fit in?

The placemaking programme is a series of non-statutory plans which look at growth and the management of growth at a place-specific level. It is a strategic programme which has come from our overarching Whangarei District Growth Strategy and sits along side our Whangarei City Centre Planning work.
The plans are intended to be integrated, tying together the various council tools in planning, infrastructure, transport and regulatory to ensure council is working towards the same outcomes.

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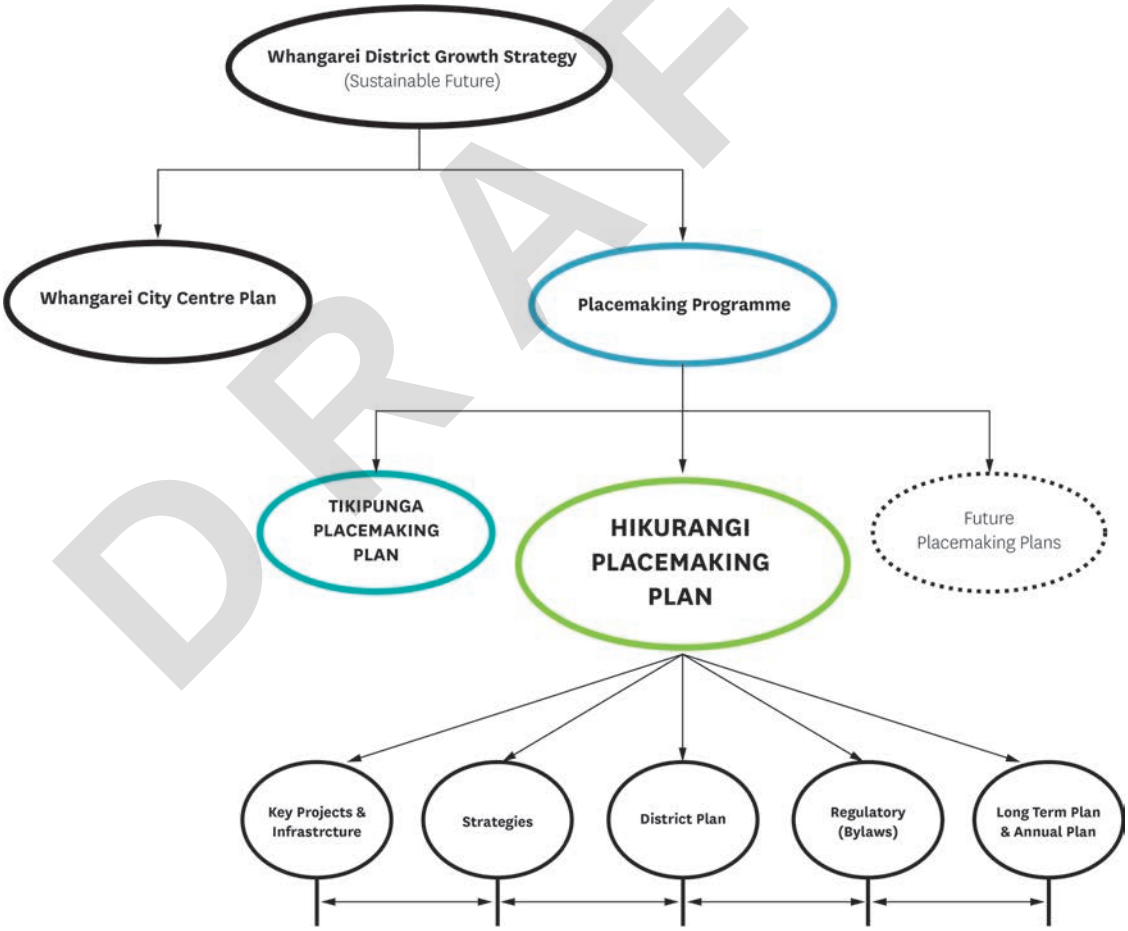

The Placemaking Plans are integrated plans which connect planning, infrastructure and transport projects at the place-specific level.

Timeline - other placemaking plans

Hikurangi

Developing the plan

Diagram - key milestones / dates

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Engagement

Diagram - engagement infographic

The development of the Tikipunga Placemaking Plan is a co-design approach. The Plan is led by Council working alongside the community, Tangata Whenua, hapū and key stakeholders to build a shared vision and 20-30-year strategic plan for Tikipunga.

Throughout the development of this plan, ongoing collaboration with internal staff and the community has assisted to guide the plan development process to create the Tikipunga Placemaking Plan. This approach is a different way of working and is a pilot plan.

The development of the Tikipunga Placemaking Plan has followed a three-stage process to plan development including three rounds of community engagement. The three-stage process is;

1. Set direction
2. Testing and developing
3. Drafting Plan

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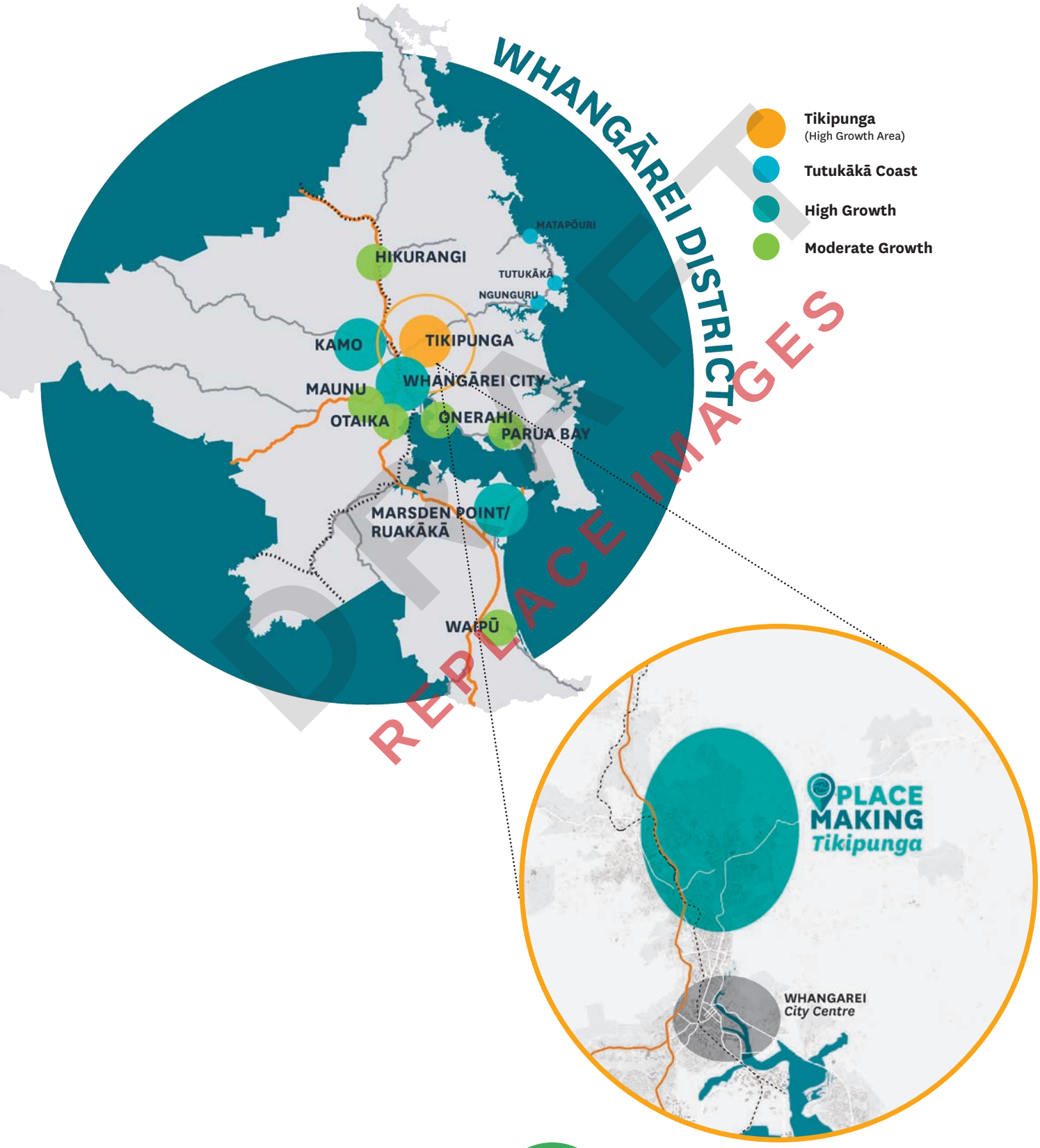
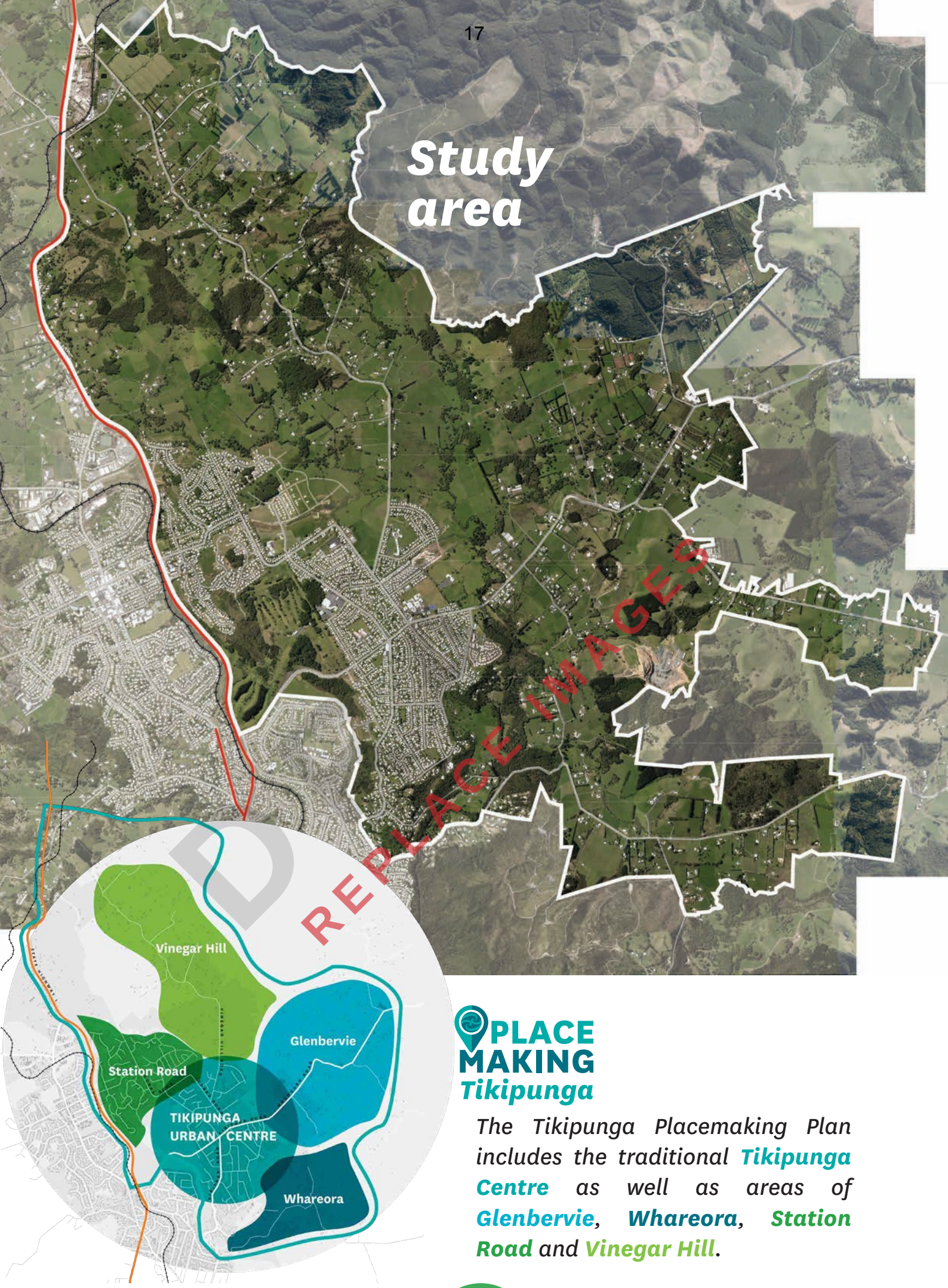
Hikurangi

Location and Context





REPLACE IMAGES

PLACE MAKING *Tikipunga*

*The Tikipunga Placemaking Plan includes the traditional **Tikipunga Centre** as well as areas of **Glenbervie**, **Whareora**, **Station Road** and **Vinegar Hill**.*

GILBY AVE
LIMESTONE SCENIC RESERVE
LAKE WARO
MARUA ROAD
BOUNDARY ROAD
MOUNTAIN VIEW ROAD
VIEW ROAD
KING STREET
VALLEY ROAD
UNION ST
HIKURANGI SCHOOL
HIKURANGI VILLAGE CENTRE
ARATAPU MAUNGA
GEORGE ST
ALFRED ST
PARK ST
HIKURANGI SPORTS PARK
Hikurangi Industrial Node
0.7km
JORDAN VALLEY RD
GEORGE STREET
CLARK ST
JORDAN ST
Springs Flat
10km
Marsden Point / Ruakaka
46km
Whangarei City Centre
16km
Port Limeburners
18km

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Hikurangi

Current Growth

Growth in the Whangarei District

The growth in our District is largely driven by people moving to Whangārei, rather than a natural increase in our existing population. Of those people moving to Whangārei, some are moving from overseas as either immigrants or returning New Zealand citizens. Some are moving from other locations in New Zealand, primarily Auckland. People moving out of Auckland are largely doing so because of their own population increase and the pressures it is creating (housing costs, traffic, amenity).

Growth Hikurangi

As Hikurangi grows we need to consider key issues:

- Avoiding sprawl and focus development in and around the village centre.
- Protection and enhancement of our natural features and areas of importance, maintaining access, connectivity and community amenity where possible.
- Consider access and means of travel to employment both now and in the future
- Investing in core infrastructure to keep up with demand as well as identifying now the big projects we will need in the future
- Aligning our growth areas with future public transport and walking/cycling opportunities
- Considering our strategic partnerships and the role of central government in supporting development.

Key

INFOGRAPHICS / STATS

Growth Hikurangi and Whangarei (2006-2018)

Subdivsions, BC's, New lots (2011-2021)

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A4 map - barriers to growth

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Hikurangi

Hazards & Barriers to Growth

When accommodating growth in Hikurangi we need to consider:

- Land hazards
- Flood prone land
- Reverse sensitivity
- Protection of outstanding natural landscapes and features, areas of importance, and productive soils.

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Key

Hikurangi

Hazards & Barriers to Growth

INFOGRAPHICS / STATS

Access to telecomunications

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Half page Infrastructure Map - 3 waters

INFOGRAPHICS / STATS

Car ownership

Methods of travel to work

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Half page Transport Map - arterial roads, road network, W&C existing, public transport

A4 map - walkability analysis, key connections

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Hikurangi

Walkability & Connectivity

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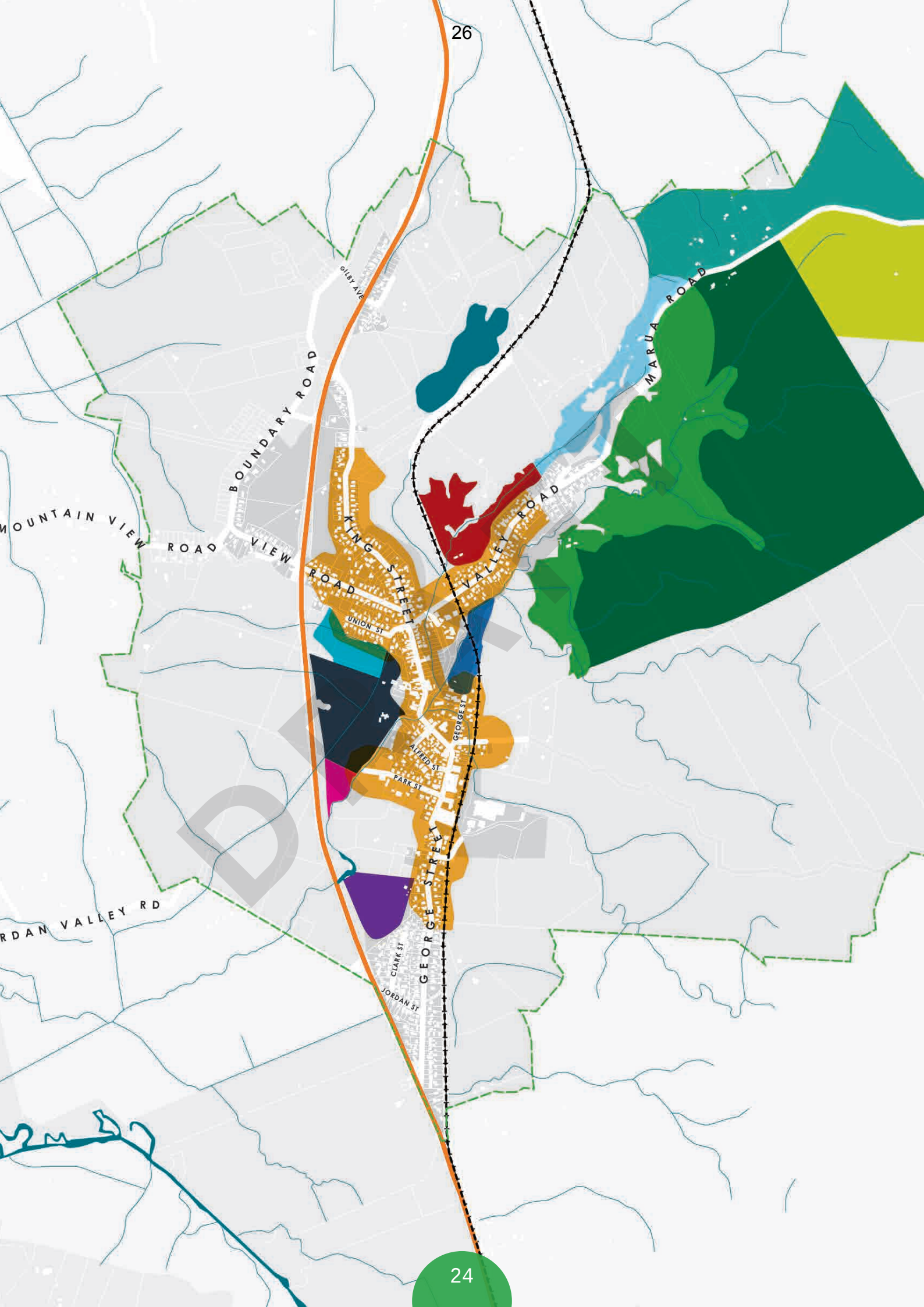
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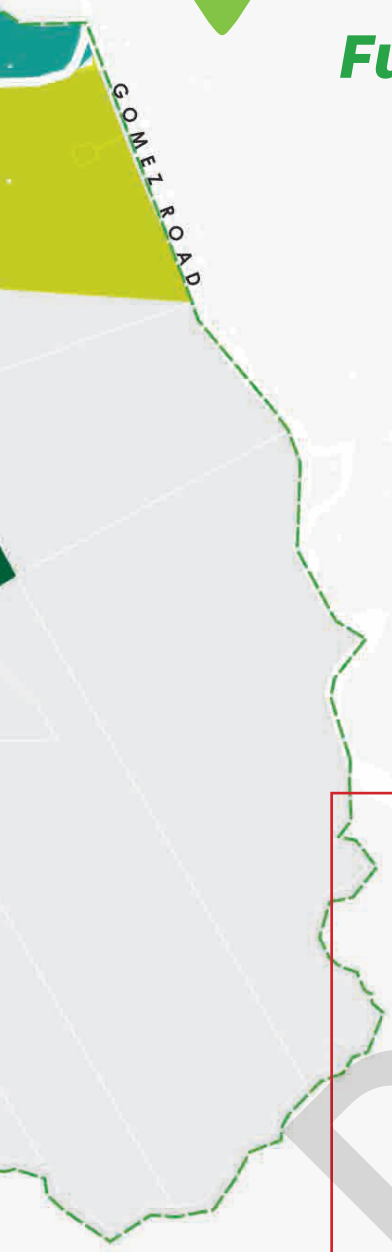
Future Growth



Update ranges - June Capacity Analysis

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Growth areas / Growth types

Infrastructure provision tables

A4 map showing qualities

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Hikurangi

Qualities

Qualities identified by the Tikipunga Community through engagement

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A4 map - Key issues & opportunities identified

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Hikurangi

Issues & Opportunities

Issues & Opportunties identified by the Hikurangi Community through engagement

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Actions

Areas Of Focus

A4 map -All areas of focus

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The actions within the Hikurangi placemaking plan are grouped around specific areas of focus.

Actions are also structured around who leads/drives them, whether it be WDC (or other government agencies) community driven or outcomes to be delivered through development.

When looking at the timing and implementation of the action, we have moved away from short, medium- and long-term actions. Instead each action will fall into one of the following:

Implementation / Timing	Description
Ongoing	Refers to projects or initiatives which have started or are a part of an ongoing programme of work.
Funded	Projects which have funding within the Long-Term Plan (LTP). Timeframe is typically 0 - 3 years.
Planned	Projects which have been identified within the Long-Term Plan, or within other plans or strategies. Timeframe is typically 3 - 10 years.
Strategic	Idea or concept that requires further investigation. Not currently funded or planned for. Timeframe is typically 10 - 30 years, however further investigation can inform earlier timeframes.
Guidance	Outcomes and actions which are informed by development or the private sector. Timing and funding not informed by council.

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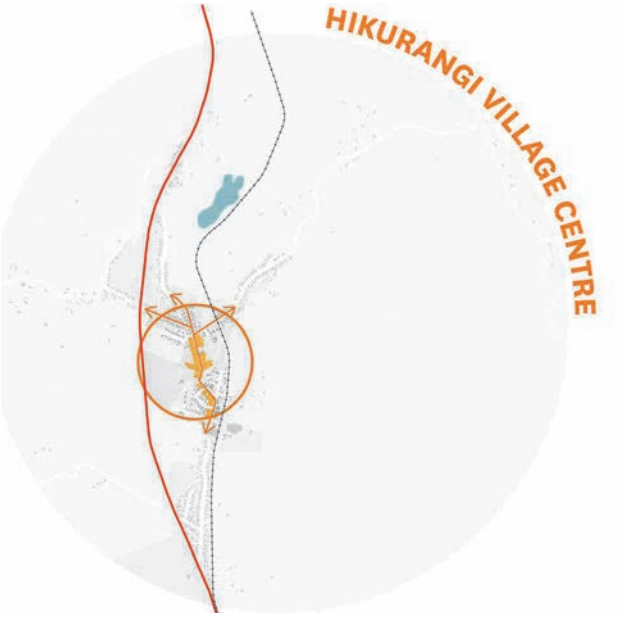

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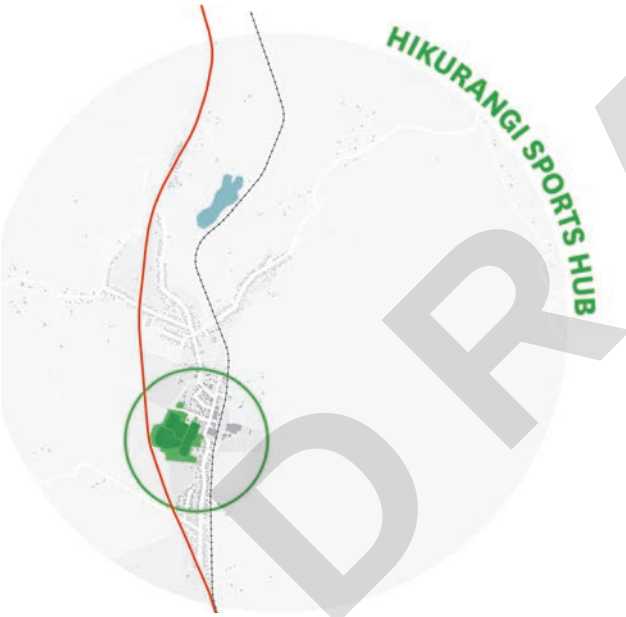

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Areas of Focus

New road layouts should be well connected and avoid cul-de-sacs.

Area Of Focus - Hikurangi Village Centre

New development should face the street and adjoining public space to provide activity and safety.

Riparian planting initiatives should be focused in areas of existing council reserves for ease of access.

Key / Context

- State Highway
- Railway Line
- Rivers & Streams
- Hikurangi Village
- Hikurangi Village Expansion (zoned land)
- Council Green Space
- Other Green Space
- Existing Amenities & Facilities

WDC Projects & Intiatives

- Improved footpath connections
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- Development of key pedestrian crossing points
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Community Driven Initiatives

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Development Deliverables

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Priority Action 2 - Hikurangi Sports Hub

WDC Projects & Intiatives

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Community Driven Initiatives

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Priority Action 3 - Lake Waro Destination

WDC Projects & Intiatives

- Footpath improvements on key pedestrian streets
- New off-street walking and cycling connections
- Skatepark renewal / upgrade
- Improvement to existing Lake Waro facilities
- Joint management plan and masterplan for Lake Waro and Limestone Reserve.
- Lake Waro opportunity site
  Investigate opportunities as part of a Lake Waro masterplan
- Lake Waro entranceway improvements.
- Lake Waro access road improvements

Community Driven Initiatives

- Riparian planting strip (indicative)
  Focus this on existing council reserves along Mangawero Stream

Development Deliverables

- Development of reserves around rivers & streams (indicative)
  To aid flood mitigation, bio-diversity and connectivity.
- Development to front on to and have a visual connection to walking and cycling connections.

Key / Context

- State Highway
- Railway Line
- Rivers & Streams
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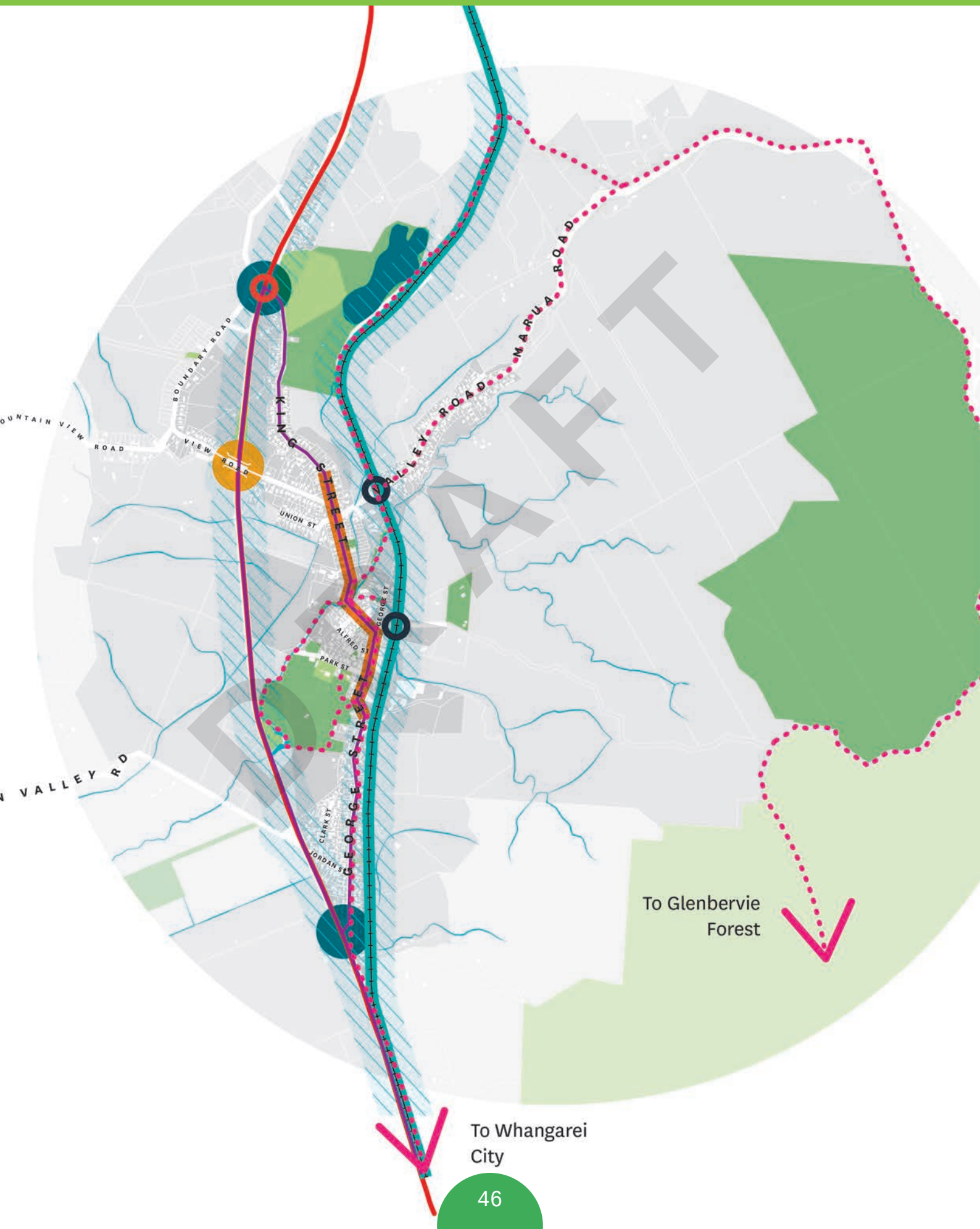

Priority Action 4 - SH1 Connection and Safety

WDC Projects & Intiatives

- Walking & cycling connections
- Hikurangi bus service improvements
- SH1 / King Street intersection safety improvements
- Investigate improvements to View Road Bridge over SH1
- Railway line intersection safety improvements
- Future commuter rail

Community Driven Initiatives

- Hikurangi entranceways and arrivals
- Hikurangi streetscape improvements and traffic calming

Development Deliverables

- State highway 1 100m acoustic buffer.
  Development to have higher acoustic controls

Key / Context

- State Highway
- Railway Line
- Rivers & Streams
- Council Green Space
- Other Green Space

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Priority Action 4 - SH1 Connection and Safety

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A4 map - Other actions / overall Tikipunga actions

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Overall Tikipunga Actions

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First draft for discussion

TIKIPUNGA Placemaking Plan

20 / 30 years

Map showing overall vision for Tikipunga

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TIKIPUNGA Placemaking Plan

Plan in brief

Page of similar format to be used as summary document for engagement

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Background

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A key response within the Whangarei District Growth Strategy is to develop a District. is to undertake a Placemaking Programme. The Placemaking Programme will create a series of spatial plans for our Districts communities and look at how they will change, grow and develop over the next 20-30 years.

The Placemaking Programme was adopted by Whangarei District Council in February 2020 and began in the communities of Tikipunga and Hikurangi.

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Engagement

Shared vision, consultation and engagement
Process/Timelines

Brief summary of engagement and process

Placemaking Plans

What is the Placemaking Programme?

The Placemaking Programme is a response to the growth and changes that are happening in the Whangarei District. While we have often planned for growth at a District level, what has been missing is the understanding of what this growth means for individual communities and neighbourhoods. A 'one size fits all' approach is not the best way forward for our diverse District because each place is different. Communities have their own set of qualities, unique characteristics and people who make them special.

The Placemaking Programme will create a series of 20-30-year place-based, spatial plans for how a specific community will change and grow and identify the key challenges and opportunities that come with it.

Why are we creating Placemaking Plans?

Whangarei is growing and developing but there is a gap when it comes to understanding how this affects specific locations in our District.

This gap has led to:

- Poor quality outcomes and lost opportunities to maximise the community benefits of development.
- A lack of vision for how a specific community will develop over the medium/long-term.
- Fragmented communities due to infrastructure such as roads, parks and pedestrian networks.
- Low levels of amenity through poor urban design, and subdivision design.
- Communities who feel disconnected from key planning & development decisions.

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Growth & Wellbeing

Central government direction is ensuring that the way our communities grow and develop is not just about the number of homes that can be built. It recognises the importance of amenity, connectivity and access to services. The Placemaking Plans seek to achieve the same outcomes.

As these places grow, we need to plan ahead and ensure existing and future communities are well connected, have a high standard of amenity and can easily access services such as education, health and public open spaces.

Policy 1 from the National Policy Statement on Urban Development provides a framework which has driven the outcomes and actions of the Placemaking Plans.

> *Planning decisions contribute to well-functioning urban environments, which are urban environments that, as a minimum:*
>
> A. have or enable a variety of homes that:
> i. meet the needs, in terms of type, price, and location, of different households; and
> ii. enable Māori to express their cultural traditions and norms; and
> B. have or enable a variety of sites that are suitable for different business sectors in terms of location and site size; and
> C. have good accessibility for all people between housing, jobs, community services, natural spaces, and open spaces, including by way of public or active transport; and
> D. support, and limit as much as possible adverse impacts on, the competitive operation of land and development markets; and
> E. support reductions in greenhouse gas emissions; and
> F. are resilient to the likely current and future effects of climate change.

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Placemaking Plans

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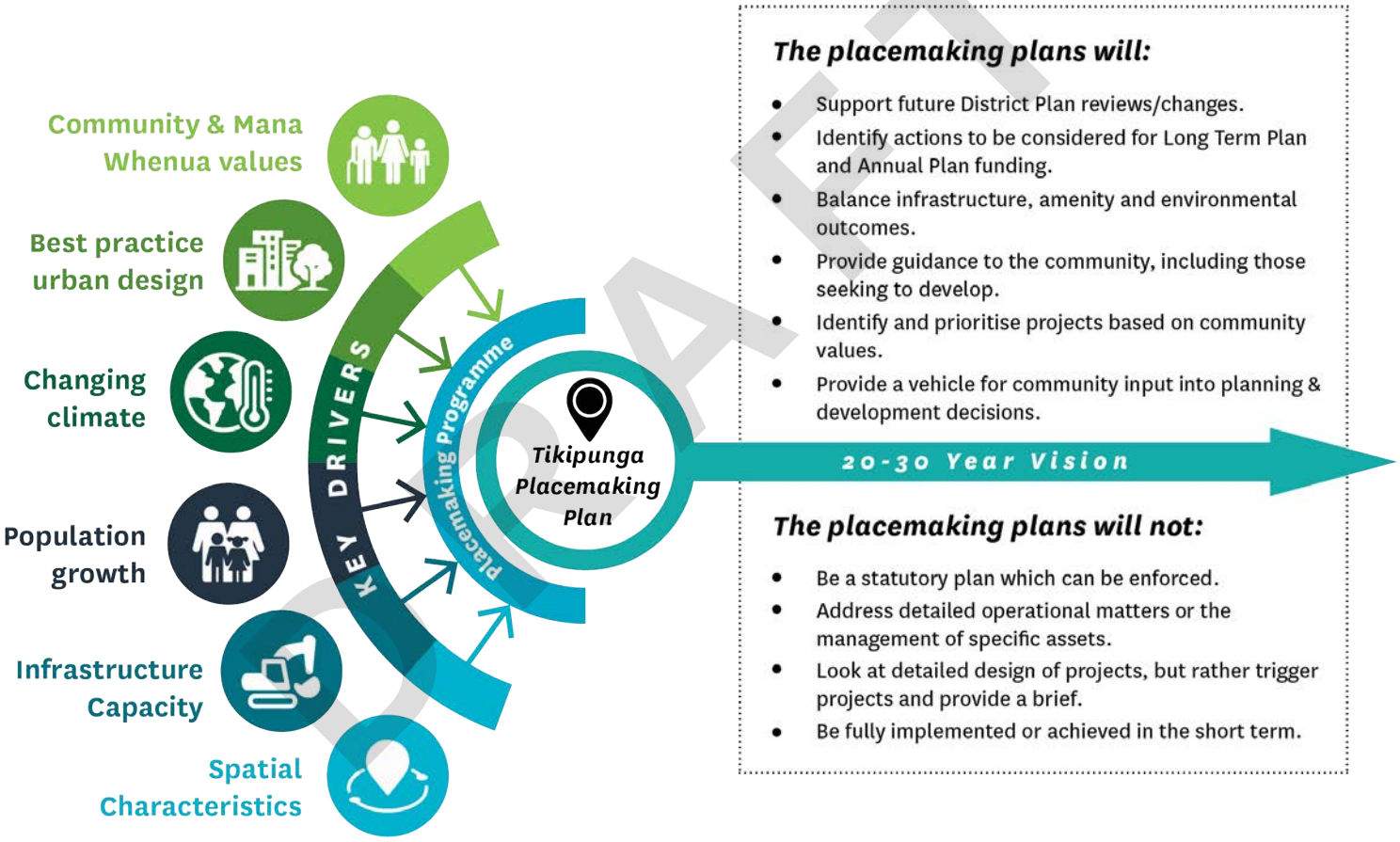

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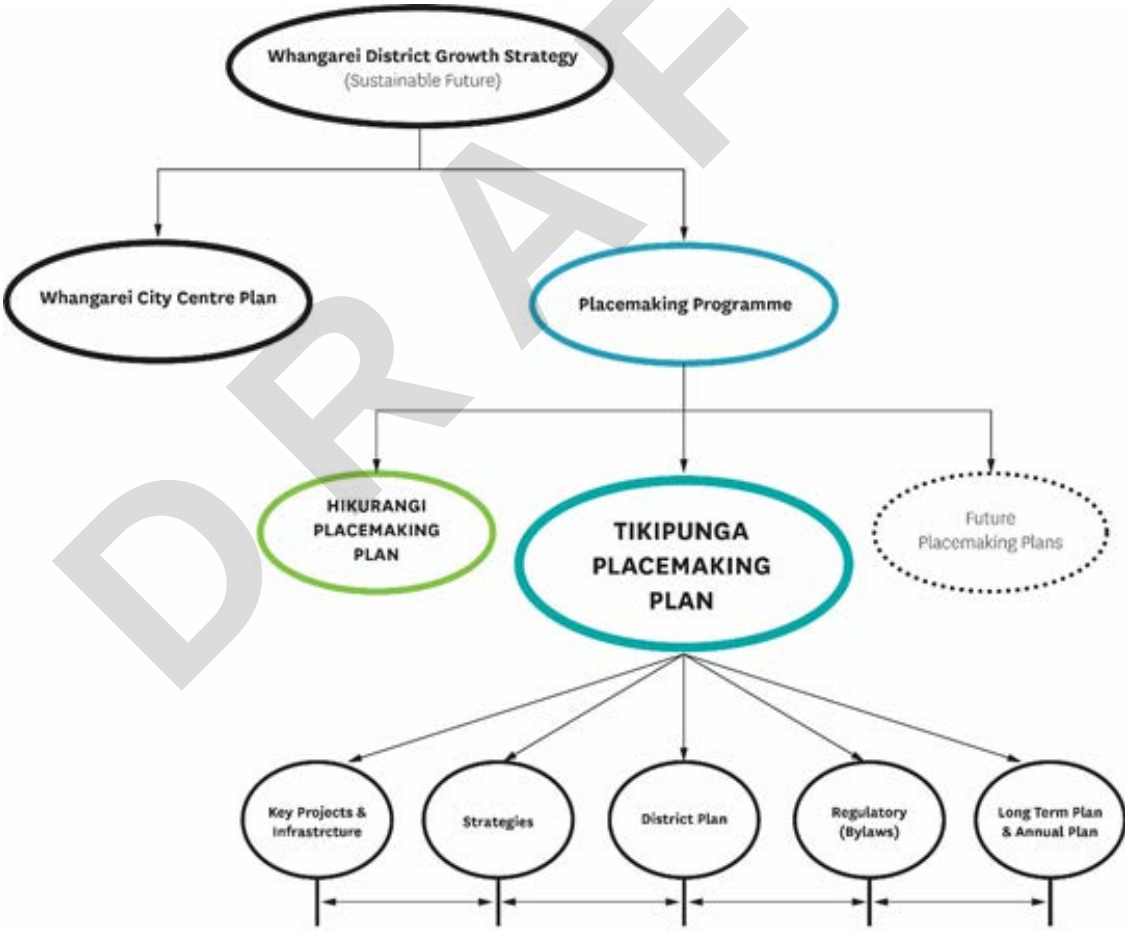
The placemaking plans will

- identify actions which will feed into the district plan review process, the capital works, infrastructure, and transport programmes.
- align their actions with the Long-Term Plan and annual plan funding.
- act as a tool for communities, providing a vehicle for community input into planning and development decisions.

Where does this plan fit in?

The placemaking programme is a series of non-statutory plans which look at growth and the management of growth at a place-specific level. It is a strategic programme which has come from our overarching Whangarei District Growth Strategy and sits along side our Whangarei City Centre Planning work.
The plans are intended to be integrated, tying together the various council tools in planning, infrastructure, transport and regulatory to ensure council is working towards the same outcomes.



The Placemaking Plans are integrated plans which connect planning, infrastructure and transport projects at the place-specific level.

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Timeline - other placemaking plans

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Developing the plan

Diagram - key milestones / dates

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Engagement

Diagram - engagement infographic

The development of the Tikipunga Placemaking Plan is a co-design approach. The Plan is led by Council working alongside the community, Tangata Whenua, hapū and key stakeholders to build a shared vision and 20-30-year strategic plan for Tikipunga.

Throughout the development of this plan, ongoing collaboration with internal staff and the community has assisted to guide the plan development process to create the Tikipunga Placemaking Plan. This approach is a different way of working and is a pilot plan.

The development of the Tikipunga Placemaking Plan has followed a three-stage process to plan development including three rounds of community engagement. The three-stage process is;

1. Set direction
2. Testing and developing
3. Drafting Plan

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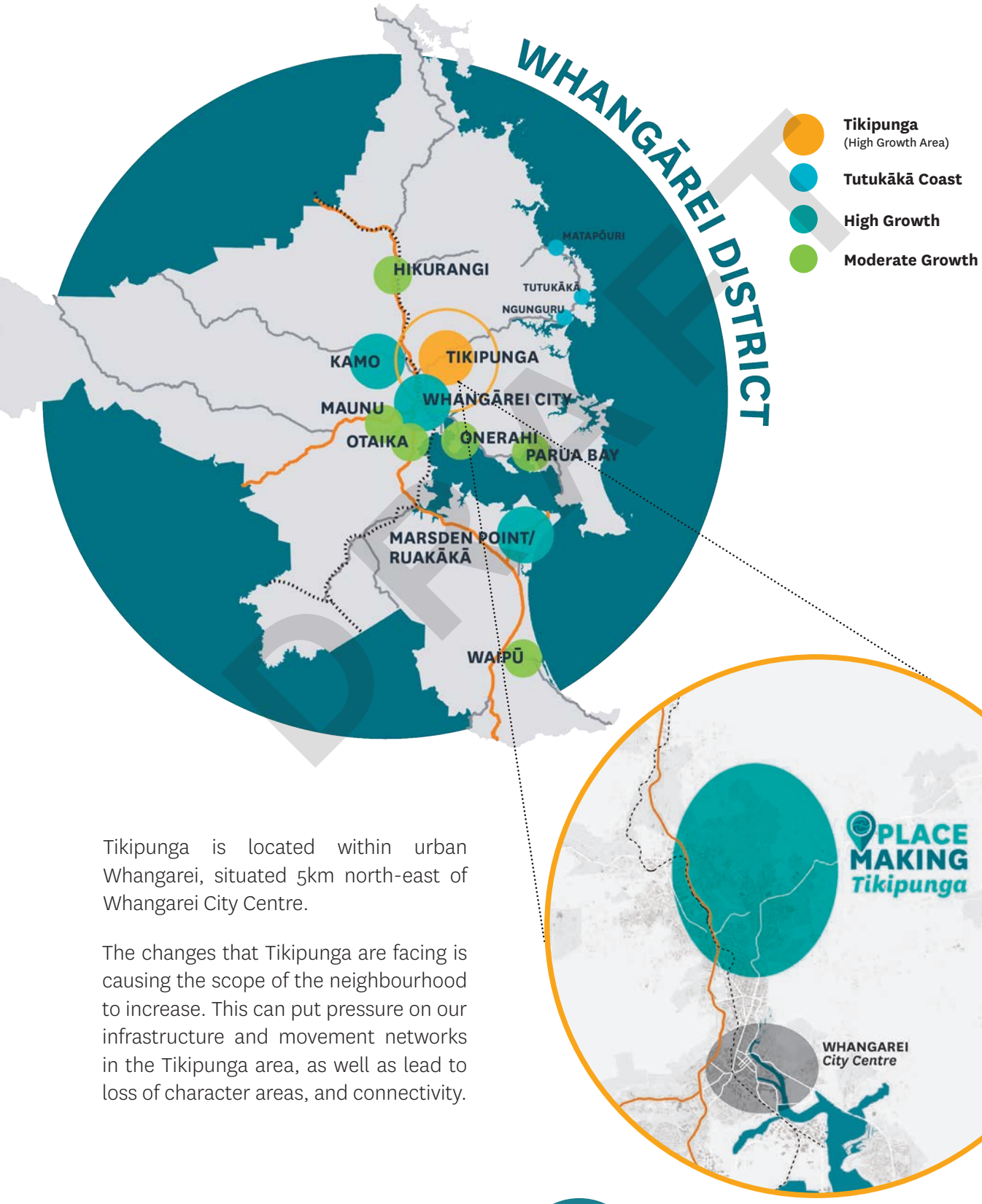
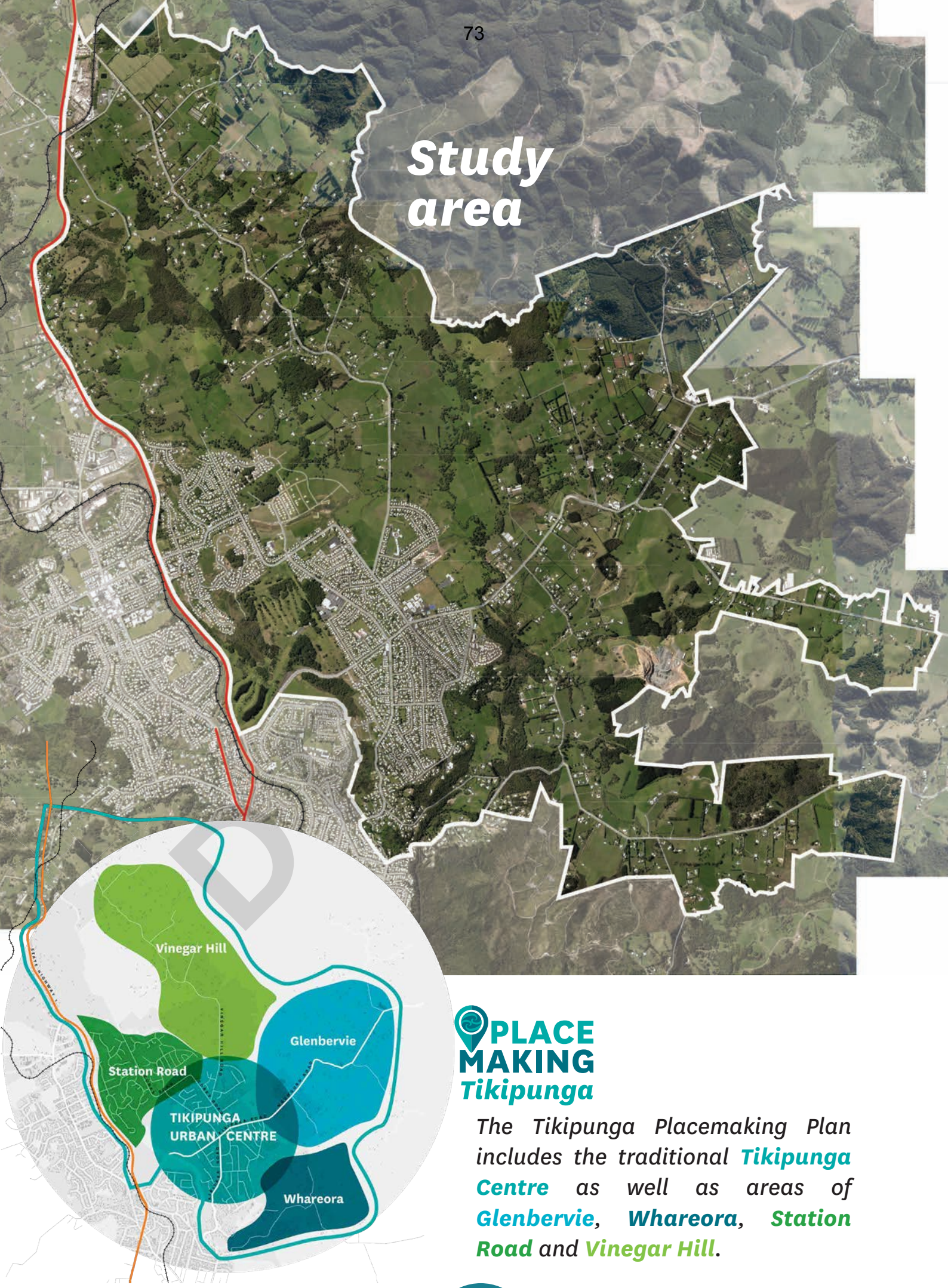
Location and Context



Tikipunga is located within urban Whangarei, situated 5km north-east of Whangarei City Centre.

The changes that Tikipunga are facing is causing the scope of the neighbourhood to increase. This can put pressure on our infrastructure and movement networks in the Tikipunga area, as well as lead to loss of character areas, and connectivity.



PLACE MAKING *Tikipunga*

*The Tikipunga Placemaking Plan includes the traditional **Tikipunga Centre** as well as areas of **Glenbervie**, **Whareora**, **Station Road** and **Vinegar Hill**.*

Outcomes

Placemaking Drivers

How are we addressing the placemaking drivers

Key outcomes

How are we meeting the key outcomes as highlighted by the community

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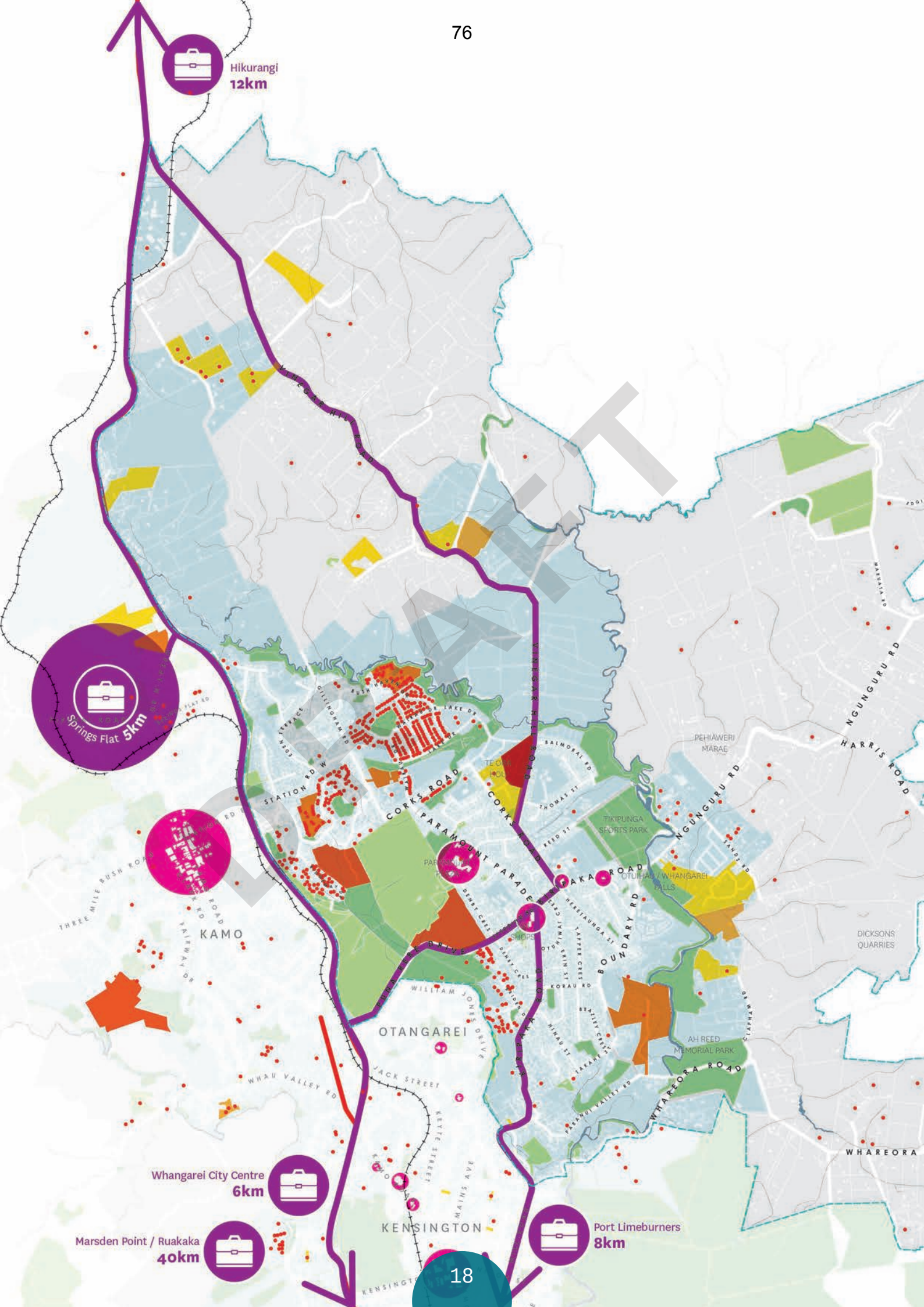
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Current Growth

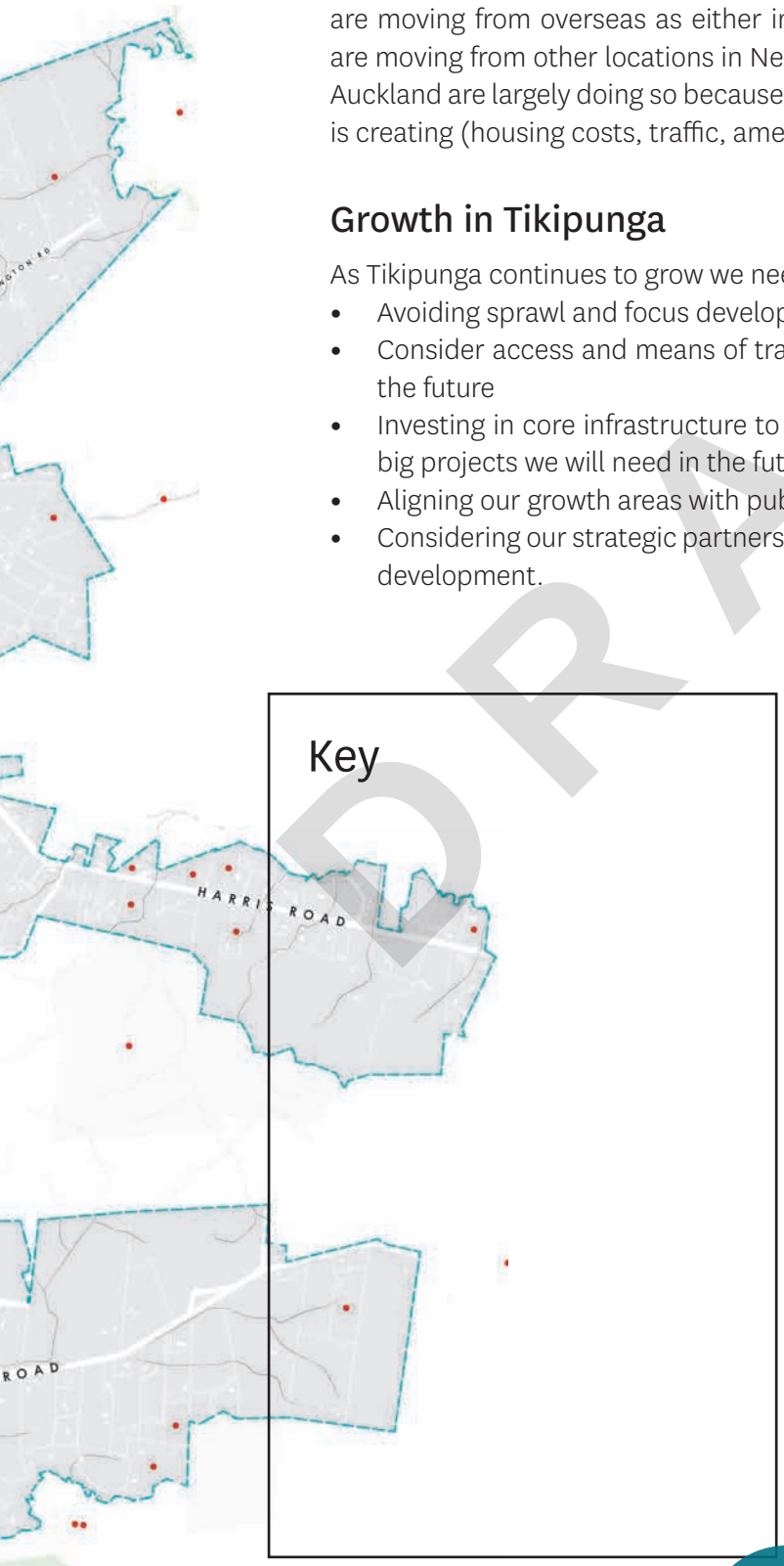
Growth in the Whangarei District

The growth in our District is largely driven by people moving to Whangārei, rather than a natural increase in our existing population. Of those people moving to Whangārei, some are moving from overseas as either immigrants or returning New Zealand citizens. Some are moving from other locations in New Zealand, primarily Auckland. People moving out of Auckland are largely doing so because of their own population increase and the pressures it is creating (housing costs, traffic, amenity).

Growth in Tikipunga

As Tikipunga continues to grow we need to consider key issues:

- Avoiding sprawl and focus development in and around urban areas
- Consider access and means of travel to employment opportunities both now and into the future
- Investing in core infrastructure to keep up with demand as well as identifying now the big projects we will need in the future
- Aligning our growth areas with public transport and walking/cycling opportunities
- Considering our strategic partnerships and the role of central government in supporting development.



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Growth Tikipunga and Whangarei (2006-2018)

Subdivsions, BC's, New lots (2011-2021)

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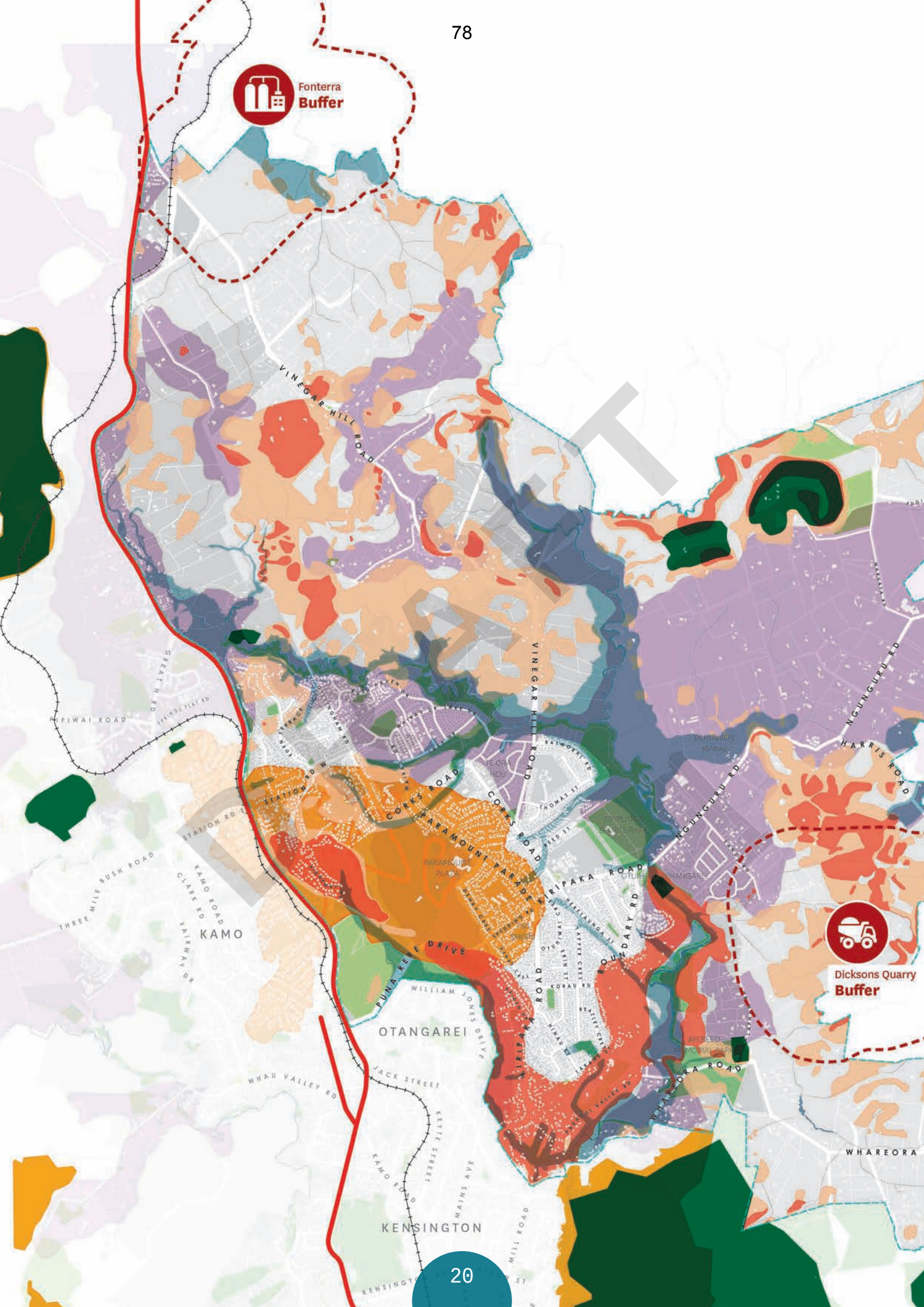
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Hazards & Barriers to Growth

When accommodating growth in Tikipunga we need to consider:

- Land hazards
- Flood prone land
- Reverse sensitivity
- Protection of outstanding natural landscapes and features, areas of importance, and productive soils.

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Transport and Infrastructure

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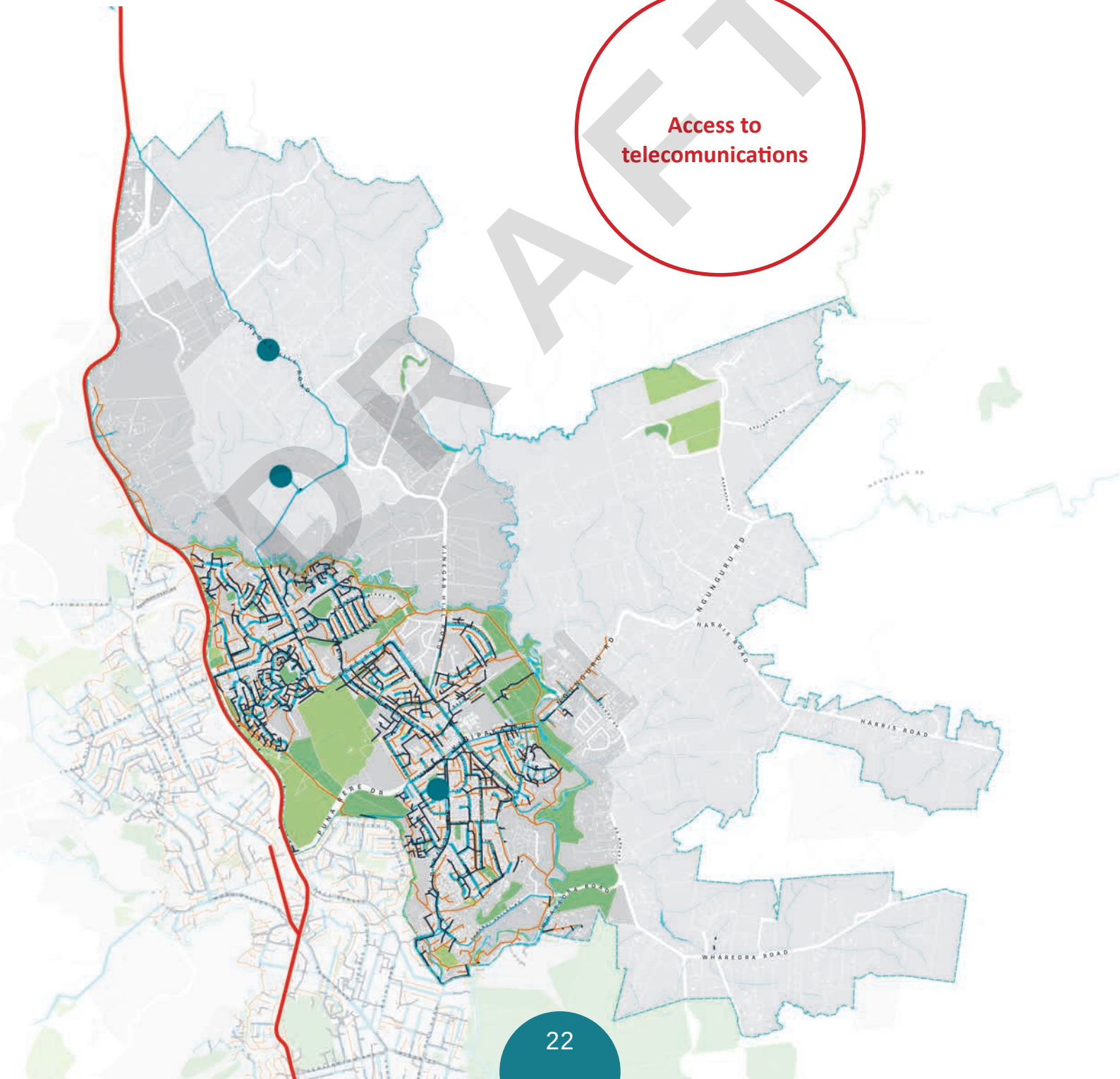
Access to telecomunications



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Car ownership

Methods of travel to work

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Half page Transport Map - arterial roads, road network, W&C existing, public transport

A4 map - walkability analysis, key connections

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Connectivity & Walkability

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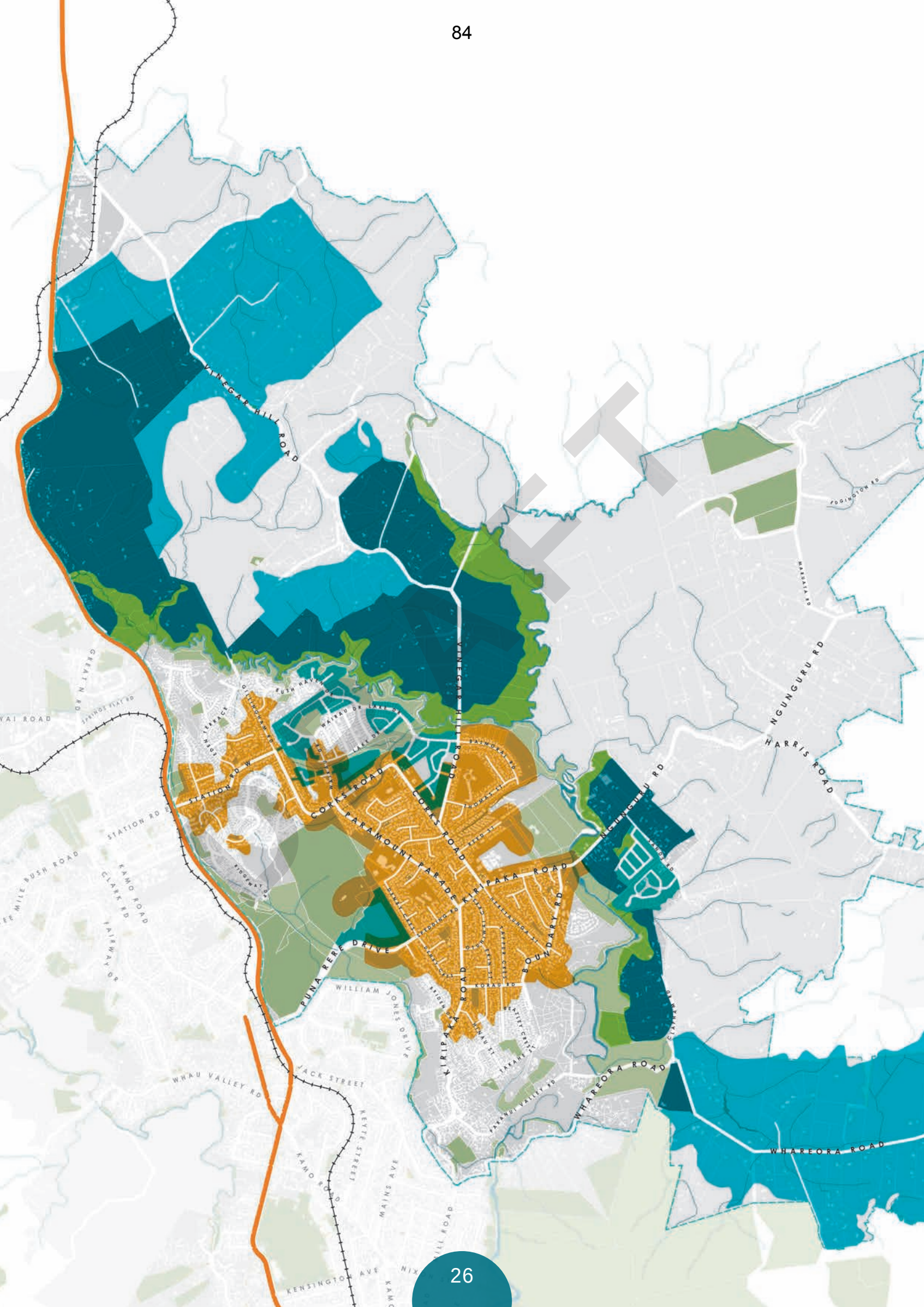
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Future Growth

Update ranges - June Capacity Analysis

NEW RESIDENTIAL UNITS OVER 30 YEARS (RANGE)

INFILL DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL **3,000-6,000**	FUTURE DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL **3,000-5,000**
REDEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL **700-1,000**	FEASIBLE CAPACITY **1,500-3,000**

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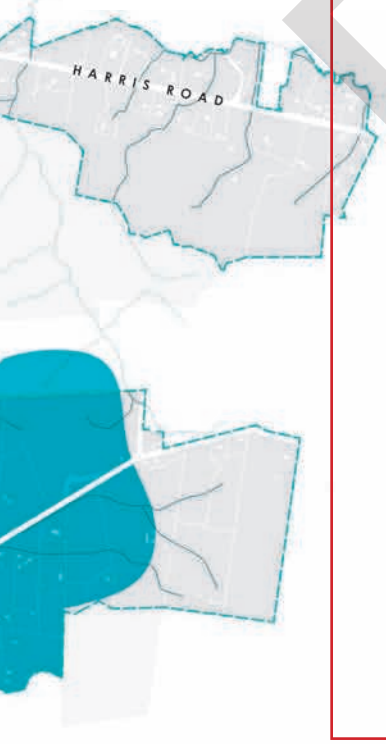
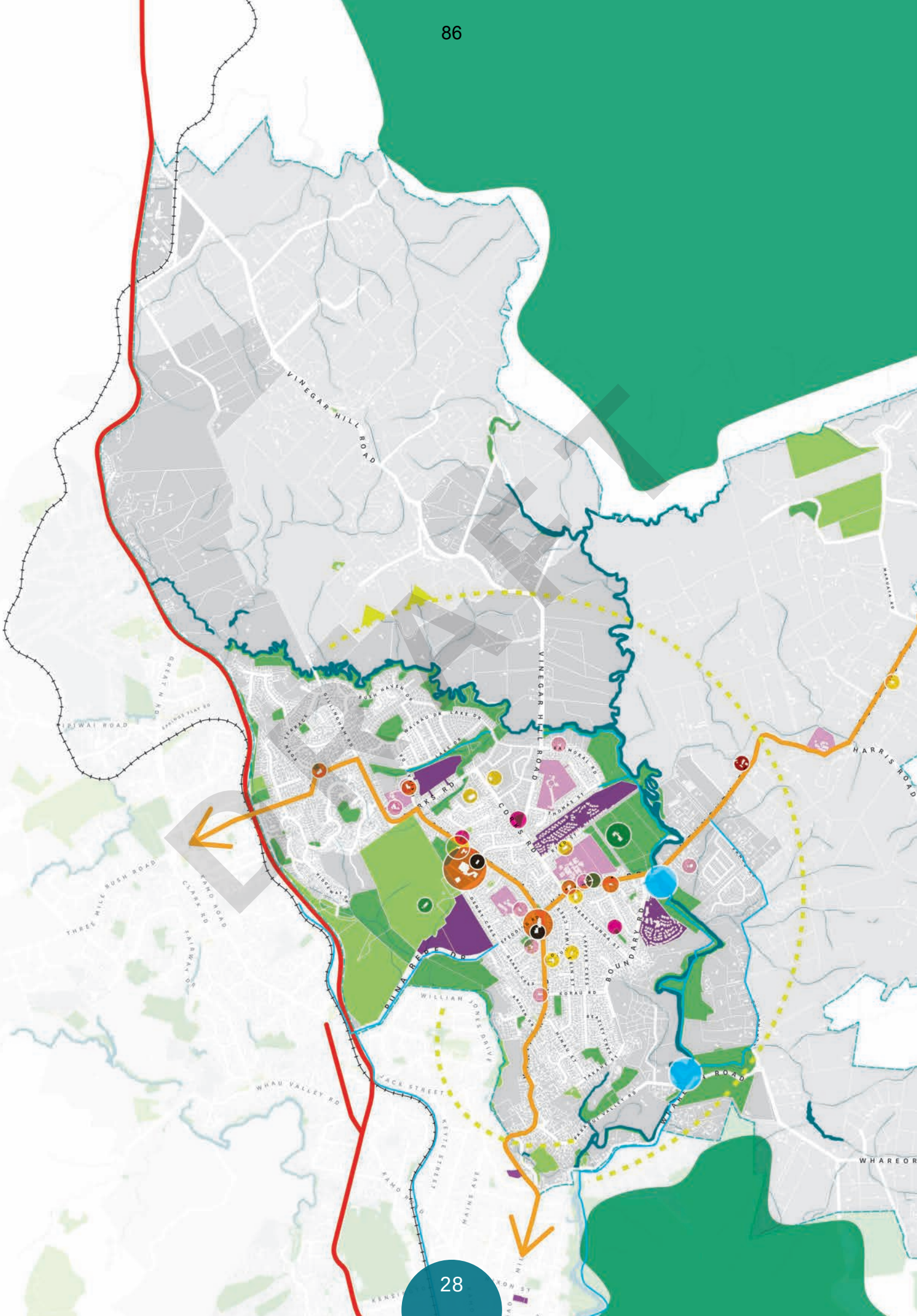


Growth areas / Growth types

Infrastructure provision tables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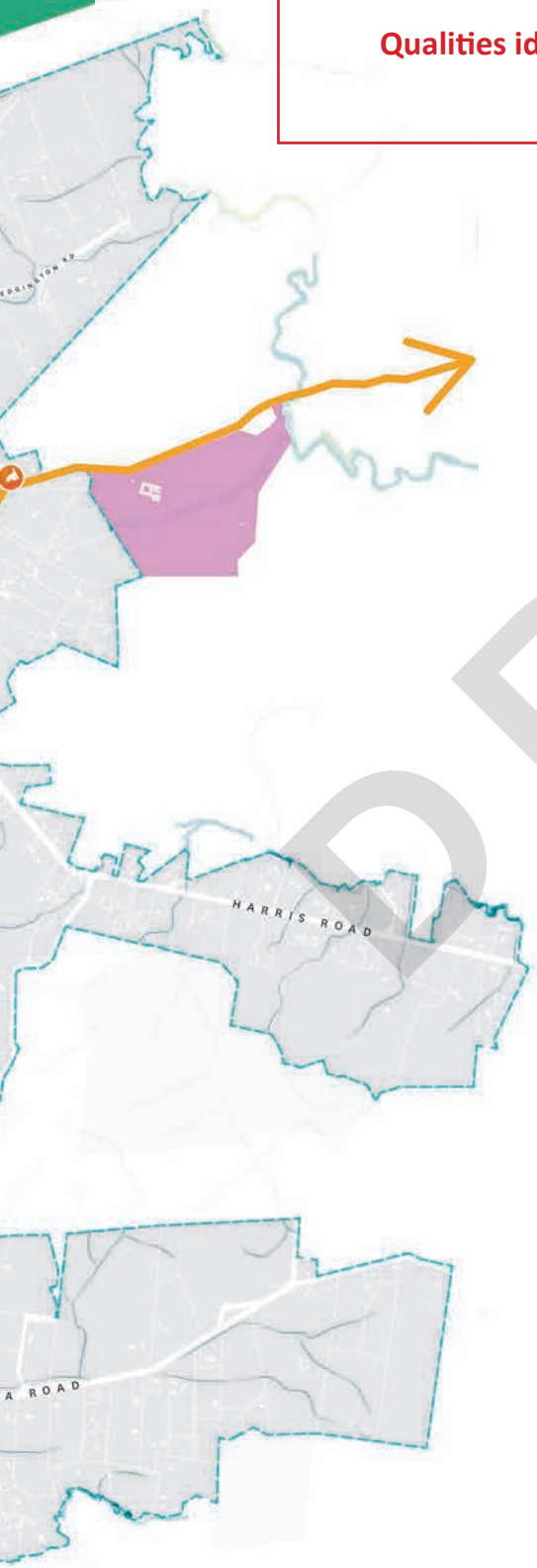
Qualities identified by the Tikipunga Community through engagement



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A4 map - Key issues & opportunities identified

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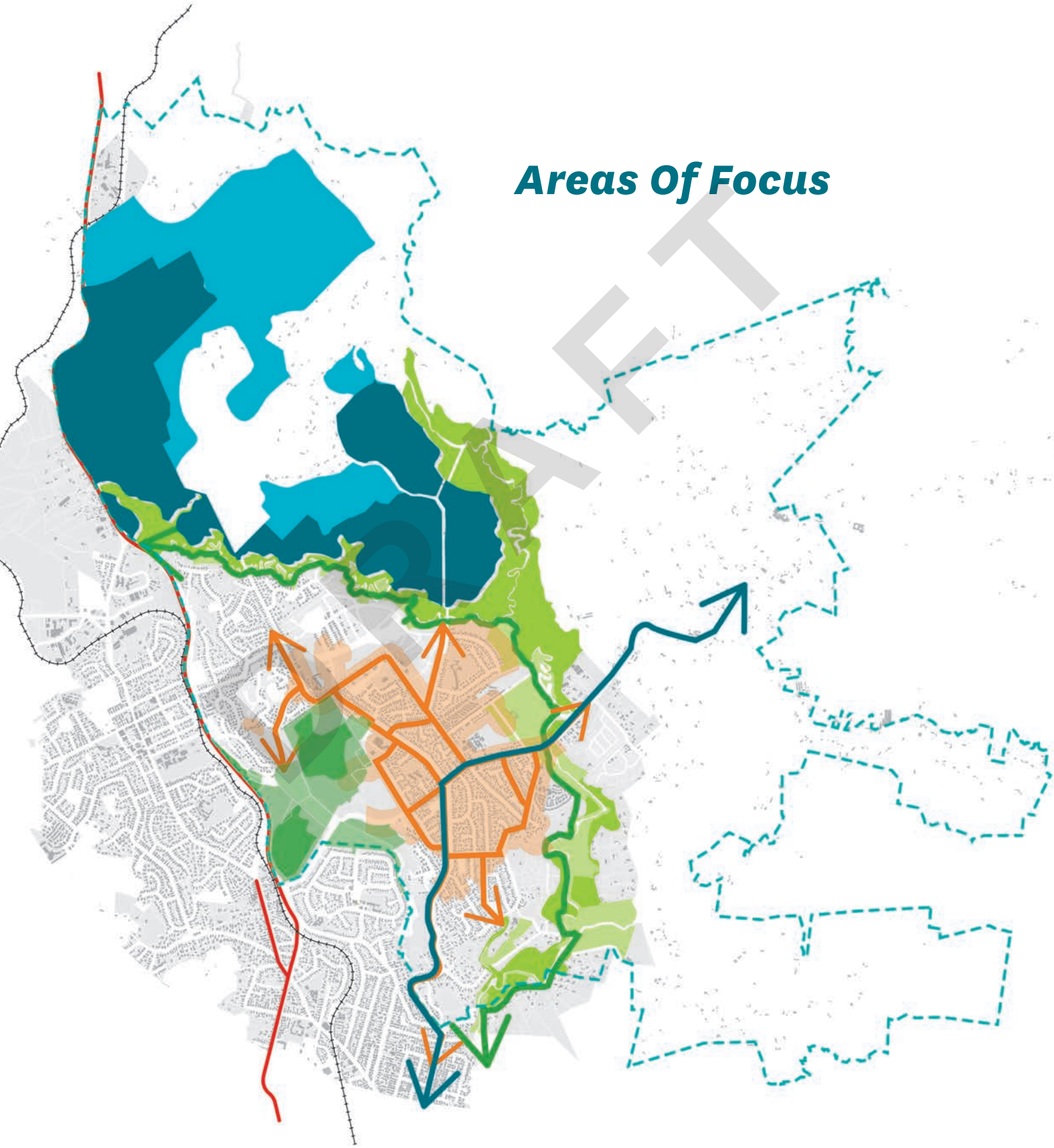

The actions within the Tikipunga placemaking plan are grouped around specific areas of focus.

Actions are also structured around who leads/drives them, whether it be WDC (or other government agencies) community driven or outcomes to be delivered through development.

When looking at the timing and implementation of the action, we have moved away from short, medium- and long-term actions. Instead each action will fall into one of the following:

Implementation / Timing	Description
Ongoing	Refers to projects or initiatives which have started or are a part of an ongoing programme of work.
Funded	Projects which have funding within the Long-Term Plan (LTP). Timeframe is typically 0 - 3 years.
Planned	Projects which have been identified within the Long-Term Plan, or within other plans or strategies. Timeframe is typically 3 - 10 years.
Strategic	Idea or concept that requires further investigation. Not currently funded or planned for. Timeframe is typically 10 - 30 years, however further investigation can inform earlier timeframes.
Guidance	Outcomes and actions which are informed by development or the private sector. Timing and funding not informed by council.

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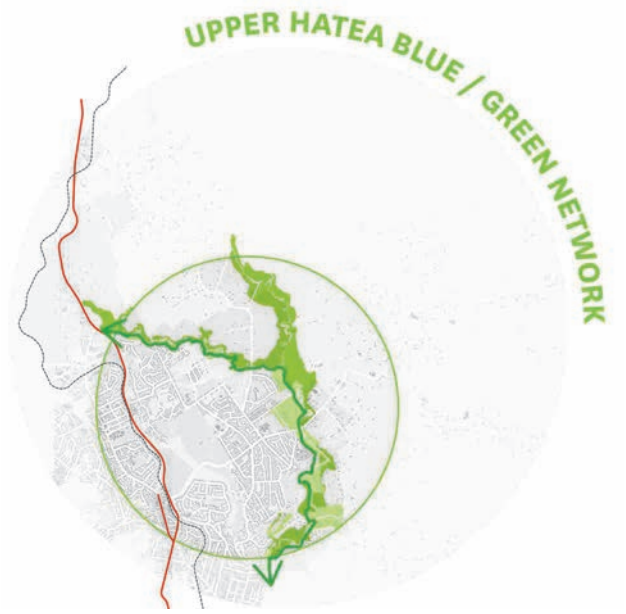

Create a continuous network of public space and stormwater reserves along the floodplanes of the Hatea River, Waitaua Stream and Putanui Stream. To be used for to improve connectivity, and access, walking and cycling, flood mitigation, bio diversity, water qualuty improvements and community and recreational amenity.

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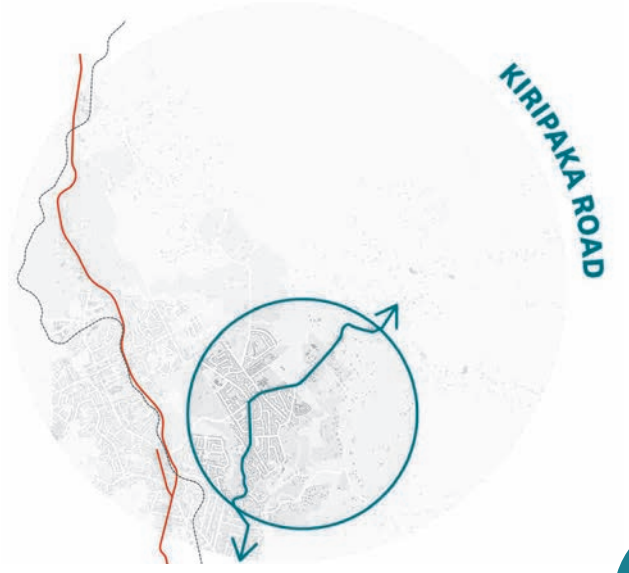

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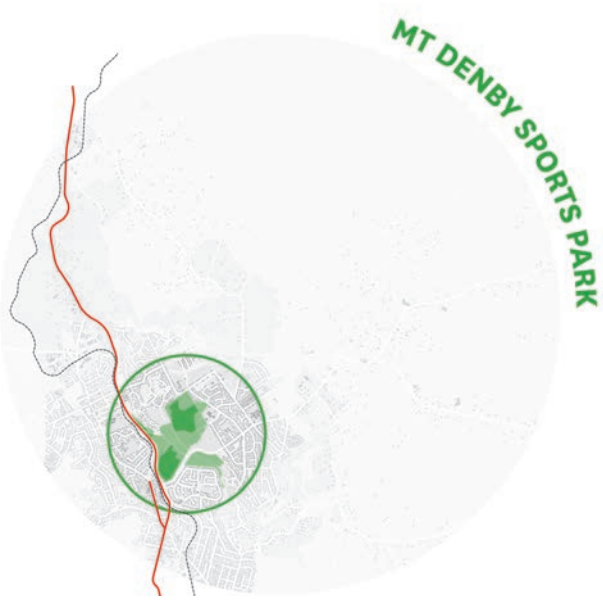

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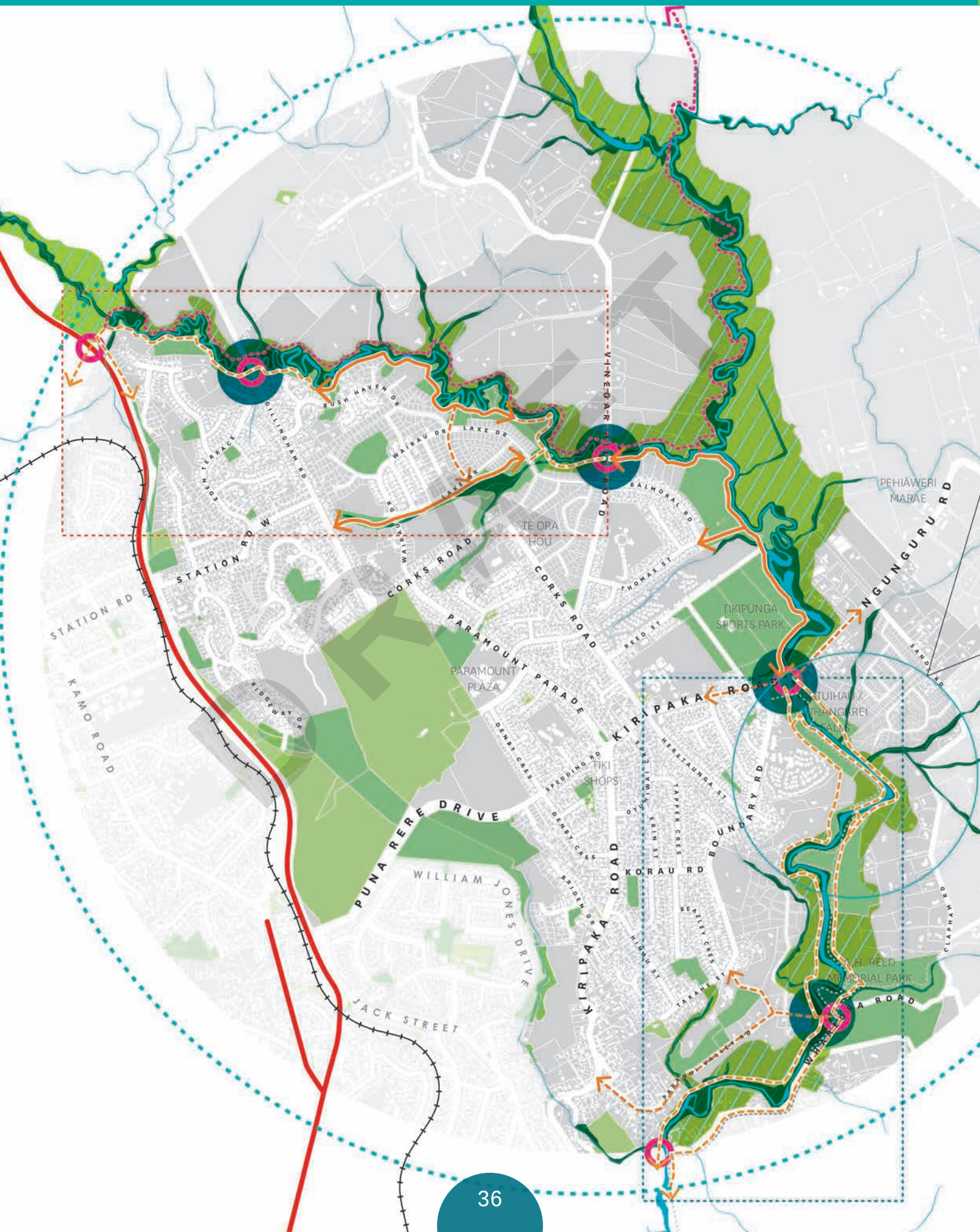

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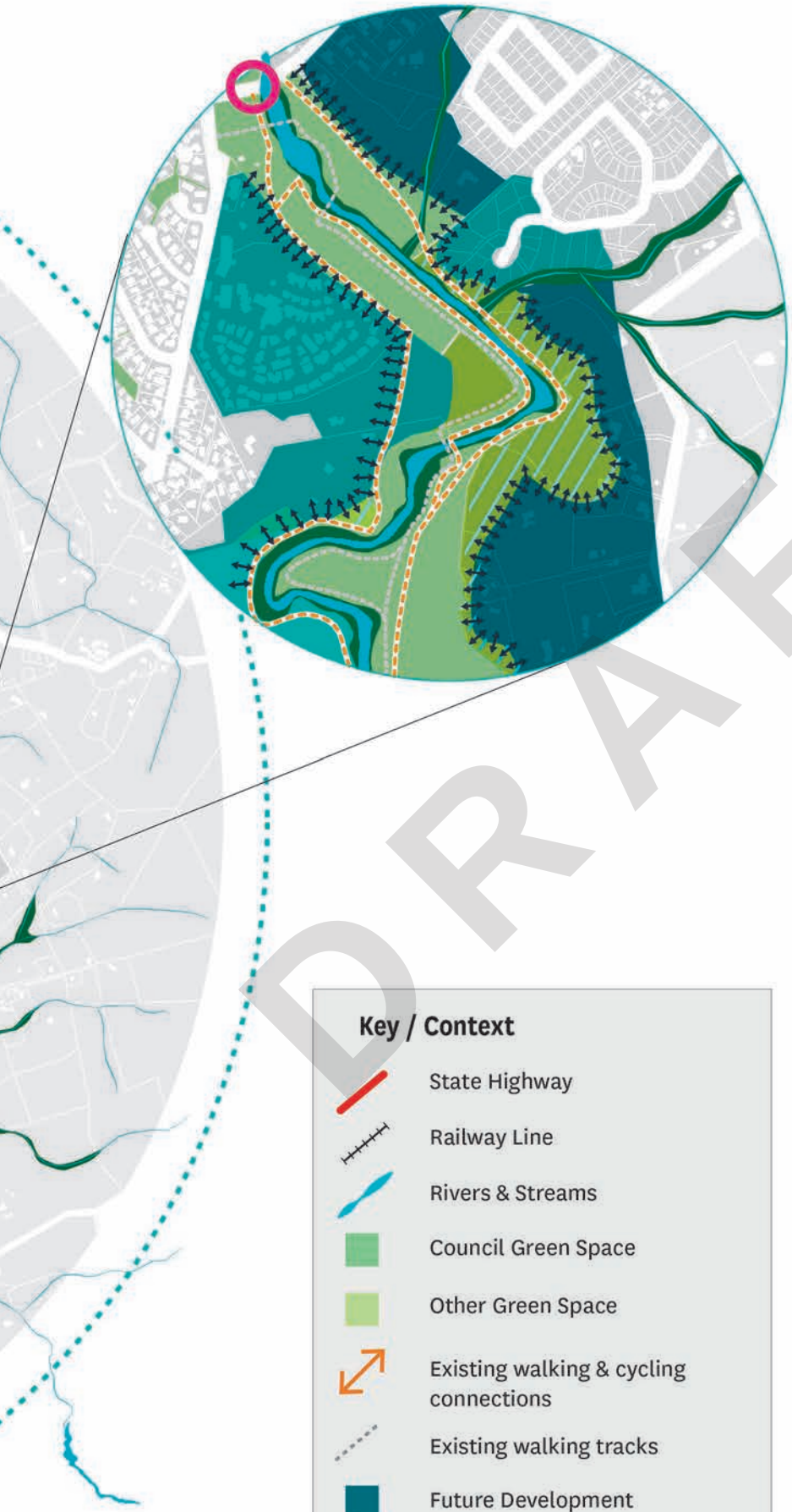

Key / Context

- State Highway
- Railway Line
- Rivers & Streams
- Council Green Space
- Other Green Space
- Existing walking & cycling connections
- Existing walking tracks
- Future Development
- Infill Development

WDC Projects & Intiatives

- Hatea Catchment Plan
  NRC catchment plan actions
- Hatea Recreational Corridor
- Upper Hatea Link
- Planned walking and cycling connections
- Development of key pedestrian and cyclist crossing points
- Strategic walking and cycling connections

Community Driven Initiatives

- Development of gateways and landmarks at key points
- Riparian Planting (possible community planting locations)

Development Deliverables

- Opportunities to develop esplenade reserves around rivers and streams (indicative)
- Development to front on to and/or have a visual connection to reserves, green spaces and walking & cycling connections

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Area of Focus 2 - Urban Connectivity

Key / Context

- State Highway
- Railway Line
- Rivers & Streams
- Council Green Space
- Other Green Space
- Existing walking & cycling connections
- Existing walking tracks

WDC Projects & Intiatives

- Footpath improvements on key walking & cycling streets
- Opportunities to improve existing neighbourhood park access
- Walking and cycling connections (Ngunguru, Springs Flat)
- Upper Hatea blue/green network
- Strategic off-road walking and cycling connections
- Future playground (400m - 5min walk)
- Future skatepark
- Future overflow carpark
- Corks Road pedestrian crossings
- Improvement to existing pedestrian only paths

Community Driven Initiatives

- Tikipunga sports hub / home of football

Development Deliverables

- Redevelopment opportunity area
- Opportunity for new connections (Indicative)

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Area of Focus 2 - Urban Connectivity

Community Driven Initiatives

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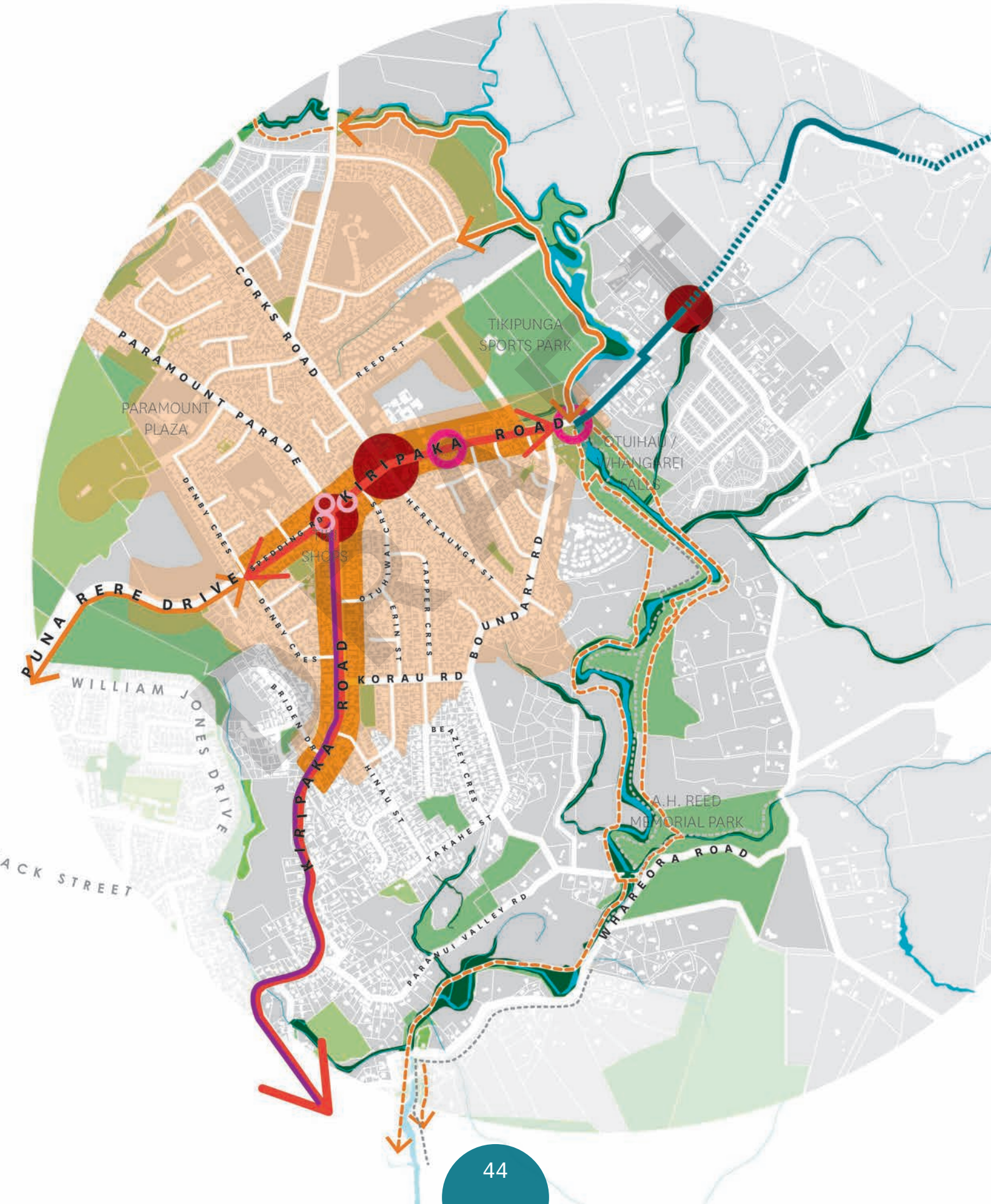

Area of Focus 3 - Kiripaka Road

WDC Projects & Intiatives

- Kiripaka Road as a primary walking & cycling connection
- Complete the footpath connection between Tikipunga, Pehiaweri Marae, and Glenbervie School
  - Broken connection indicated by the dashed line. Continue as part of the Ngunguru cycleway.
- Upper Hatea blue/green network
- Intersection improvements to enhance safety and function for all transport modes.
- New pedestrian crossings on Kiripaka Road.
- Improvement of existing pedestrian crossings as part of Kiripaka Road roundabout improvements
- Development of bus priority lanes on Kiripaka Road

Development Deliverables

- Redevelopment opportunity area
- Redevelopment on Kiripaka Road to have a strong relationship with the street

Key / Context

- State Highway
- Railway Line
- Rivers & Streams
- Council Green Space
- Other Green Space
- Existing walking & cycling connections
- Existing walking tracks

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Area of Focus 4 - Mt Denby Sports Park

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Key / Context

- State Highway
- Railway Line
- Rivers & Streams
- Council Green Space
- Other Green Space
- Existing walking & cycling connections
- Existing walking tracks

WDC Projects & Intiatives

- Collaboration / partner with the Mt Denby Golf Club
- Designate Denby Golf course land as open space
- Opportunity for shared spaces and facilities.
- Multiple vehicle access points (indicative)
- Maintain street or public space frontage
- Strategic walking and cycling connections
- Pedestrian crossing points (indicative)
- Strengthen connectivity between Denby, the Tikipunga Library and Amber Drive Park

Community Driven Initiatives

- Restoration and re-establishment of wetlands
- Riparian Planting (possible community planting locations)

Development Deliverables

- Maintain visual connection to street and/or adjacent redevelopment / infill

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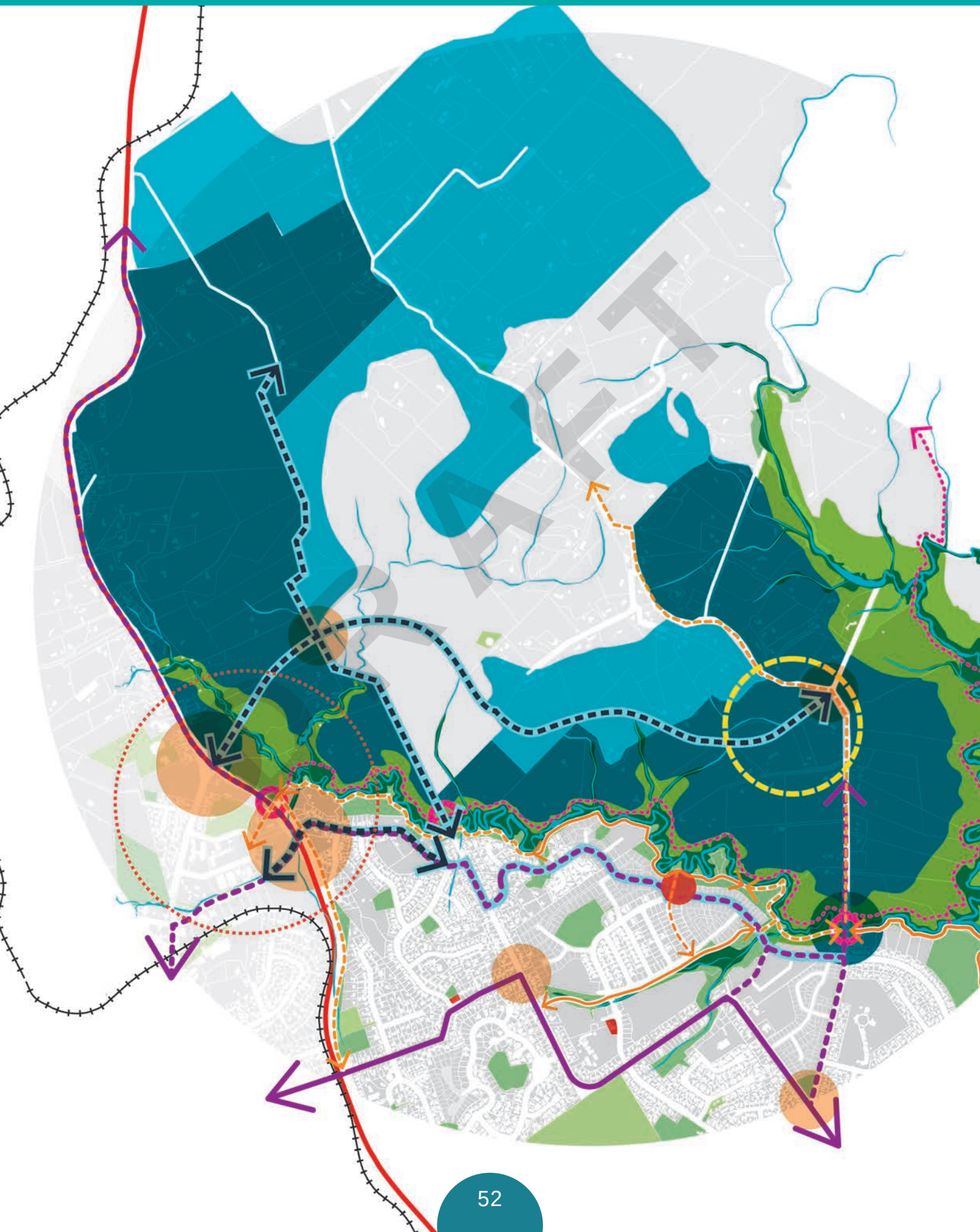

Area of Focus 5 - Vinegar Hill Future Development

Key / Context

- State Highway
- Railway Line
- Rivers & Streams
- Council Green Space
- Other Green Space
- Existing walking & cycling connections
- Existing bus network
- Future Development (10 years)
- Future Development (20 / 30 years)
- Existing commercial activity

WDC Projects & Intiatives

- Investigate the development of a new road connection (indicative)
- Intersection improvements
- Investigate intersection improvements along SH1 to connect to future roads
- Future extension of bus network
- Vinegar Hill commercial activity (indicative location)
- Development of key pedestrian and cyclist crossing points
- Strategic walking and cycling connections
- Planned walking and cycling connections

Community Driven Initiatives

- Development of gateways and landmarks at key points
- Riparian Planting (possible community planting locations)

Development Deliverables

- New Playground (Totara Parklands)
- Opportunities to develop esplenade reserves around rivers and streams (indicative)

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1. Purpose of the community toolkit

The purpose of the community toolkit is to direct community groups to the guidance, information and tools they can use to work towards the outcomes set out in these Placemaking Plans.

The community toolkit sets out support available from the Whangārei District Council along with other government agencies and community organisations. This toolkit is designed to bring an awareness of the different types of the support available to assist community groups to implement change in their respective communities.

2. What we do

The Local Government Act 2002 states that the purpose of local government is to enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities. The Whangārei District Council is responsible for a wide range of local services including roads, water reticulation, sewerage and refuse collection, libraries, parks, recreation services, local regulations such as bylaws, community development, economic development, and planning.

Placeholder diagram ' what we do' : see

3. Engaging with your Council

Engaging with our community and getting your feedback is an essential part of our work. Sometimes the way we engage with you set by legislation such as the Local Government Act 2002 or Resource Management Act 1911. Other times we can choose how we engage with the community such as on strategies or plans without legislative requirements.

Council has a 'Significant and Engagement Policy' which guides how we engage with communities about important Council decisions. See our website for more info.

3.1. Opportunities to participate

Council provides a number of opportunities for the community/individuals to participate in the decision-making process. One of the most important opportunities is through the Long-Term Plan consultation process. Other formal consultations include, District Plan changes, Bylaw reviews and Reserve Management Plan reviews. We also conduct consultations outside of these processes such as the Placemaking Programme and Community Led Projects.

3.2. Other feedback

We hear this feedback in a variety of ways, through formal consultations and engagement, public meetings, online, or the conversations you have with your elected members. If you would like to raise a specific issue or make a suggestion, you can do so by contacting one of your local elected members or by contacting Council directly, your request will be sent through to the relevant department.

See our website for the contact details of the Mayor and Councillors to discuss your ideas, issues or concerns.

3.3. Council communication channels

If you would like to be informed and know what it is happening the best way to find out what is happening in on our website www.wdc.govt.nz. We also have a section 'What's on' showing upcoming events by date, suburb or category.

Council also has an active Facebook page (www.facebook.com/WhangāreiDC).

We regularly (every Wednesday and Saturday) publish Council news in the Whangārei Leader.

4. Forms of support available

Type of support	Description
Financial	This may be in the form of grants or loans.
Advocacy	• Council can provide a letter of support which may help achieve funding from eternal funders. • Council staff can advocate/raise actions with other Government agencies for/within their work programmes.
Technical	Council can provide technical advice such as for resource or building consents.
Procedure advice	Council provides guidance to help community groups navigate the project planning process to align with local government long term planning.
Network/relationship support	Council can assist to put you into contact with the right person or organisation (internal and external).

5. Customer Service

Our customer service team is the public face of Council, providing face to face, telephone, email and Facebook information services to both residents and visitors. They are the first port of call to assist you through navigating council process or getting you in touch with the right person at Council.

Key Info

Free hotline: 0800 WDC INFO or 09 430 4200

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/WhangāreiDC or Direct Message.

Email: mailroom@wdc.govt.nz

5.1. Customer Request Management

The community are the eyes and hears on the ground. And we want to hear from you, so we can address the problem, issue or complaint.

Customer request management (CRM) is Councils system of logging a compliant, request or query. A CRM is typically raised by a customer through the customer service team (via email, phone or in person) then gets assigned to the person/department at Council to respond. Council staff have 10 working days to reply.

6. What is the Long-Term Plan?

The Long-Term Plan (LTP) sets the strategic direction and priorities for the next 10 years, and how we will plan for them. The Long-Term Plan is Council's key strategic planning document. It outlines Council's financial situation as well as our activities and priorities for the next ten years, providing a long-term focus for decision-making. It also explains how work will be scheduled and funded.

Long Term Plans must be reviewed every three years will full consultation with the public each time. An Annual Plan is developed in the years, in between.

6.1. Annual plans

The Annual Plan sets out our budget and how we will finance activities and services for the upcoming financial year.

When we plan our spending for the next financial year, we review the previous year's financial performance, updated financial figures, cost increases and inflation as well as resource requirements and availability. This gives us the information we need to make any adjustments to the upcoming year's Annual Plan. We also take into account any new issues and review progress towards the ten-year objectives as set by the Long-Term Plan.

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6.2. Writing a submission for the Long-Term Plan

Sharing your views and feedback on the draft LTP is an important part of voicing your views, concerns and opinions. It is a key step in ensuring Council have the direction and funding priorities right.

Council's job is to take on board the things our community wants and expects from us – like providing services and managing infrastructure (things like roads, parks, playgrounds and water pipes). Anyone can make a submission on the Long-Term Plan. Submissions may be made to Council by using the submission forms on our website or the submission form included in the consultation document. Submitters may also ask to speak to their submission at a formal hearing.

All feedback on the LTP is considered public under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act, so it may be published and made available to elected members and the public.

7. Community Development

Our community development team supports communities to take the lead when developing solutions to their needs, and their aspirations for the future. This is undertaken through our community development framework and includes areas such as community safety, grants and concessions, pensioner housing, community property, advisory groups, migrant support and community led projects.

7.1. Network and relationship building

For community initiatives and actions, the community development team should be the first point of contact within council. Our Community Development Advisers work across many disciplines and alongside many organisations, community groups and Non-For-Profit organisations. Council Community Development Advisers walk alongside our communities to navigate the complexities of local government. They may also be able to connect you to key contacts from other organisations.

7.2. Council's advisory groups

Council has three advisory groups that provide advice to Council on Council policies, plans strategies and projects - the Youth Advisory Group, Disability Advisory Group and Positive

Ageing Advisory Group. Council also supports the newly formed Multi Ethnic Collective in partnership with the Police, Immigration New Zealand and the Office of Ethnic Communities and Multicultural Whangārei.

7.3. Community funding

Council has avarious funding schemes that community groups of different kinds can apply to for funding a wide range of projects. Our team are available to provide help and advice to not-for-profit, volunteer community groups and organisations who are working to benefit their community.

We hold funding clinics and seminars to provide advice to those who have a community project in mind. For more information see our website www.wdc.govt.nz/funding or email us at funding@wdc.govt.nz

We are also a contributing partner to the Kai Ora Fund which is administered through Mahitahi Houora.

7.4. Safer communities

Council support the following programmes to keep our communities safe:

- Summer safe carparks programme
- Citysafe programme

For more information see our website

7.5. Community Led Projects (CLP's)

Community Led Projects (CLP) is about Council supporting the development of shared goals and aspirations by the community, for the community. CLP enables people to work together and make a positive difference in their neighbourhood through modest, community led grassroots projects. Each targeted CLP community is allocated a $100,000 budget in conjunction with practical support and advice from a dedicated Community Development Adviser.

Formerly known as the Village Planning programme , Council worked alongside the Hikurangi, Otangarei, Kamo and Parua Bay communities to successfully complete four pilot projects.

Through Community Led Projects we are currently working alongside the Tikipunga, Waipū, Maungatāpere, Raumanga and Onerahi communities.

7.6. What is the difference between these plans and CLP's?

Community Led Projects are focused on small scale community driven actions, and will therefore have different outcomes, and expectations to the placemaking programme. The placemaking programme is a 20-30-year vision, therefore will have strategic long-term outcomes, rather than short term actions for the community.

The Placemaking team is working closely with the Community Led Projects team which creates the following benefits:

- The community led development team have fostered key relationships with community stakeholders.
- Many of the community led development discussions have raised community views which are more strategic and long-term that could be better addressed through a Placemaking Plan.
- The community is more familiar with Council staff, processes and functions which will assist in understanding how our placemaking plans can be implemented.

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8. Events

The Venues and Events team plan and deliver Major and Community Events in partnership with other stakeholders, and also manages, operates and promotes Semenoff Stadium and Forum North Entertainment Centre. The team also manage a portfolio of district events and undertaking event development activities.

In 2019, Council developed the Whangārei Events Strategy 2019-2024, which provides a five-year framework for how Council can best support Whangārei's growing events sector.

8.1. Event planning toolkit

Our Venue and Events team have developed advice and a toolkit to assist the community or groups planning for an event (see our website). This includes venues and locations, budget and funding, insurance, promotion and marketing, risk management, run sheets and recycling/waste minimization. For more information, email events@wdc.govt.nz.

8.2. Other event support available

The Venue and Events team manage over 300 street flag sites across the Whangārei District. Street flags can be used for community groups as well as event promotion. We can co-ordinate production and installation and provide advice on design. To enquire about streets flags, email events@wdc.govt.nz

Council can also assist to promote and support your event as Part of Whangārei's Endless Summer Festival 2021 and the Whangārei Matariki Festival. Get in touch with the team to register your event.

Council manage and maintain a large range of venues and locations across the Whangārei District. We have a list of venues including parks, community halls, libraries, sportsgrounds, beaches or the Town Basin. To make an enquiry for a venue email the team. Note for the Town Basin there is an application for use policy (see our website).

Our team also assists with forum north bookings and for venue hire/permits for events or activities on council land. To make a booking enquiry see our website.

9. Planning and development

For simple projects over-the counter advice at the council offices, an email or phone call through the Duty Planner service may suffice. For more complex proposals, pre-arranged pre-application meetings may be more beneficial for your project.

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9.1. Urban Design

Urban design is the process of making better places by designing buildings, spaces and infrastructure that enhance the function, feel and form of towns and cities.

Good urban design can help improve people's sense of place, pride and security and achieve a higher quality of life, more efficient use of resources and greater economic vitality.

The urban design guidelines aim to improve the quality of residential and commercial development in Whangārei. See our website for an urban design panel application form or for more information.

9.2. Resource consents

Our website provides guidance on the process for Resource Consents for subdivision and land use, Notices of Requirement for Designation and Certificates of Compliance for permitted activities that don't need a resource consent. See our website for more information.

9.3. Duty planner

For any queries or questions, we provide a service with a Duty Planner where you can speak to a qualified planner and obtain free advice (20min allocation time). This service is available, from Monday to Friday between 1pm- 4pm, email DutyPlanner@wdc.govt.nz , call our contact centre (09 430 4200) to talk to the planner or to make an appointment in person.

9.4. Pre-application meeting

If you are in the early stages of planning your proposal, we recommend that you arrange a pre-application meeting before submitting your application. It's an opportunity to discuss your proposal and any planning matters which may affect processing of your application.

Applicants can request to meet relevant Council staff to discuss potential resource consent matters prior to preparing and lodging an application, in accordance with Councils Pre-Application meetings process. This pre-application meeting council be an initial concept, technical review or pre-lodgement stage. Any information offered during the pre-application process does not affect the normal resource consent assessment and decision-making process.

9.5. Papakainga toolkit

The Northland local authorities engaged Barkers and Associates to develop the Te Tai Tokerau Papakāinga toolkit. The toolkit is designed to help Māori land owners understand

and navigate the process for undertaking a papakāinga development on their ancestral lands. Council also offers pre-lodgement meetings to discuss the project. For more information see our website

9.6. Building Consents

Council has responsibility for ensuring that the Building Act and any other associated regulations are implemented and followed in the Whangārei district.

A building consent confirms that plans and specifications for the proposed building work meet, as reasonably as we can determine, the requirements of the New Zealand code and Building Act 2004. This ensures that any building work is safe, durable and does not endanger the health of property owners, users and neighbouring properties.

We are also involved in a range of other activities that are building related, for example:

- Building Warrants of Fitness
- fencing of swimming pools
- dangerous and insanitary buildings
- undertaking enforcement action in connection with illegal building works

9.7. Contact our duty officer

For information or to check whether your project requires a building consent and a code of compliance certificate we offer a free duty officer service. Contact 09 430 4200 or DutyBuildingOfficer@wdc.govt.nz for more information.

10. District promotion

Council supports local businesses and communities by promoting Whangārei as a destination with the aim of attracting visitors to the district, to stay longer and spend more.

Businesses and communities can contribute to, or advertise in, our key print publication, the Whangārei Visitor Guide, which is distributed widely throughout Whangārei, Northland and New Zealand.

Promotional content can be shared via our digital marketing channels i.e. WhangareiNZ.com, Facebook and Instagram. Currently, accommodation, activity, transport and some retail businesses can list their businesses for free on WhangareiNZ.com via the Tourism New Zealand destination marketing website NewZealand.com.

Events can be listed for free on WhangareiNZ.com via Eventfinda.

Open source content is available for promotional purposes. A small selection can be found here.

Key online resources for communities and businesses include the following tools (note these tools are not Council owned):

- Tourism New Zealand's Domestic Growth Insight Tool (DGiT) is an insight project to help activate domestic tourism by helping communities and businesses identify their target domestic traveller audience, what motivates them to travel, and recommends the best way to market to them.
- Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment provides the Accommodation Data Programme (ADP) with statistics for Guest Nights by Property Type, Tourism Area and Council districts.

Council produces a modest range of Whangārei District Love It Here! branded merchandise e.g. bags, teeshirts and reuseable cups that can be made available to the wider public, often at no cost, for events and promotional purposes.

Council supports local communities and businesses by providing the Whangārei District Love It Local Facebook Group as a platform to encourage and enable businesses to connect directly with consumers. Print and digital assets are also available for businesses and communities to use.

Please contact the District Development team via mailroom@wdc.govt.nz

The Whangārei information centres provide opportunities for businesses and communities to promote their experiences via brochure, poster and digital content display.

11. Community gardens

Council occasionally receives requests from community groups to establish community gardens on Council owned or managed land/properties. Council would support community gardens and the like when led by the community. We have developed a 'Community Garden Policy' to ensure that they are established in suitable places and are well managed to mitigate any nuisance to neighbours. For more information (see our website)

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12. List of other key organisations in Whangārei

Name	Description	Contact info
Northland Regional Council	Mission is working together to create a healthy environment, strong economy and resilient communities. Available support includes • Bio fund • Community pest control areas • Environment advice • Enviro school resources • Civil defence response	www.nrc.govt.nz info@nrc.govt.nz 0800 002 004
Sport Northland	Purpose to enrich lives through play, active recreation and sport. Available support includes • Tū Manawa Active Aotearoa fund • Kauri Club grants/scholarships • Resources/programmes • Facilities e.g. McKay Stadium, Whangārei Aquatic Centre.	www.sportnorthland.co.nz/ 09 437 9600 info@sportnorth.co.nz
Citizen Advice Bureau	CAB provide free, confidential, independent information and advice to anyone. CAB help people know what their rights are and how to access services they need.	0800 367 222 / 09 438 8046 www.cab.org.nz
Volunteering Northland	Volunteering Northland is a non-profit organisation providing a recruitment and referral service for volunteers and facilitates and enhances volunteering in general.	volunteeringnorthland.nz 0800 865 268 / 09 945 4984 info@volunteeringnorthland.nz
Department of Internal Affairs Community matters	• Lottery funds • Crown funds • the Mātauranga Māori Marae Ora Fund • Trust funds • Mātauranga Māori Marae Ora Fund • Community-led Development Programme	www.communitymatters.govt.nz
Name	**Description**	**Contact info**

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Northland Chamber of Commerce	The Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Northland (Inc) (NorthChamber) is a non-political, non-profit organisation which represents the full spectrum of business interests, both small and large, in Northland – retailing, service, manufacturing exporters, importers and other organisations. Available support includes • Lobbying & Advocacy • Submissions to local and central government • Economic reporting to business • Legislation updates	www.northchamber.co.nz/ **Phone**: (64) 9 438 4771 **Email:** info@northchamber.co.nz
Creative Northland	Purpose is to develop the arts and cultural sector within the Northland region, translating creative ideas into innovative products and services. Available support includes • Events and projects • Funding advice and support • Community arts toolkit	*www.*creativenorthland.com ***Phone**:* 09 430 0710 ***Email:*** kiaora@creativenorthland.com
Northland Inc	Northland Inc is the Regional Economic Development Agency for Northland encompassing the Regional Tourism Organisation and central government's Regional Business Partner (RBP) Network. Available support includes • Resource hub • Northland events fund	www.northlandnz.com/northland-inc/about-northland-inc/
Northland Community Foundation	The Northland Community Foundation is a charitable Foundation established for Northland. Available support includes • Various funds e.g. Northland, Community, Education fund etc. • Community group resources	https://northlandcommunityfoundation.org.nz **Phone**: 021 558 224 or 0204 139 8518 Email: info@northlandcommunityfoundation.org.nz
Name	**Description**	**Contact info**

Foundation North	Foundation North provides funding and support to initiatives large and small to respond to their communities now and for generations to come. Available support includes; • Quick response grants • Community grants • G.I.F.T (Gulf Innovation Fund Together)	0800 272 878 www.foundationnorth.org.nz
Te Puni Kōkiri	Te Puni Kōkiri is the Government's principal policy advisor on Māori wellbeing and development. They offer a range of information, services to individuals, whānau, businesses and the community to support Māori development.	ww.tpk.govt.nz 0800 875 888 tpk.te-taitokerau@tpk.govt.nz
Northland District Health Board	The NDHB funds and provides health services for Northland. Refer to their website for more information and the services they provide.	www.northlanddhb.org.nz/ communications@northlanddhb.org.nz

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13. Key community contacts

13.1. Hikurangi

Name	Contact info
Hikurangi Friendship house	friendship@hikurangi.co.nz https://www.facebook.com/Hikurangi-Friendship-House-1642191395814884/
Hikurangi Business Association	http://hikurangi.co.nz/ admin@hikurangi.co.nz
Hikurangi Lions Club	hikurangimountainlions@gmail.com
Hikurangi School	office@hikurangi.school.nz https://www.hikurangi.school.nz/
Whakapara Maree	https://www.facebook.com/whakaparamarae.trustboard.90
Hikurangi Māori Wardens	https://www.tpk.govt.nz/en/whakamahia/maori-wardens

13.2. Tikipunga

Name	Contact info
Tiki Pride	tikipride@gmail.com
Pehiaweri Marae	info.pehiawerimarae@gmail.com https://www.pehiawerimarae.com/
Tikipunga High School	sec@tikihigh.school.nz
Te Ora Hou	northland@teorahou.org.nz (09) 4385556 northland@teorahou.org.nz

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