

Transport

- Hamilton International Airport will continue to develop and add value to the local economy
- There will be an increased use of rail for freight, for example to/from Te Awamutu via the North Island Main Trunk Line (NIMTL) and to/from Cambridge (Hautapu)
- The triangle between Auckland, Hamilton and Tauranga will become increasingly important for economic activity
- Investment in arterial roading networks has occurred, including bypasses of Hamilton City, Te Awamutu and Cambridge; Southern links to the north of the District; arterial connection improvements between Cambridge and Te Awamutu
- Inter regional connections are also defined, particularly connection between Taranaki and Bay of Plenty as it goes through our District (e.g. south and east of Kihikihi)

Tourism

- Tourism will be centred around:
 - Ecotourism – e.g. Mt Pirongia, Karapiro, Maungatautari
 - Heritage and cultural development
 - Major events – Mystery Creek, Karapiro, Parachute music festival, Fieldays WRC Rally
 - Sport – Karapiro, Mystery Creek (including karting), Kihikihi Domain

Water environment

- Effective co-management of the Waikato and Waipa Rivers and their catchments is in place
- An increased need to conserve water and promote and provide for improved water quality in Waipa's lakes, rivers and streams
- A 3 waters management strategy (water, wastewater, storm water) will be in place to maximise the efficient take, use and quality of takes and discharges

Soft Infrastructure

- 'Soft' Infrastructural upgrades will be required including: hall facilities, areas for recreational activities, schools and medical centres

