

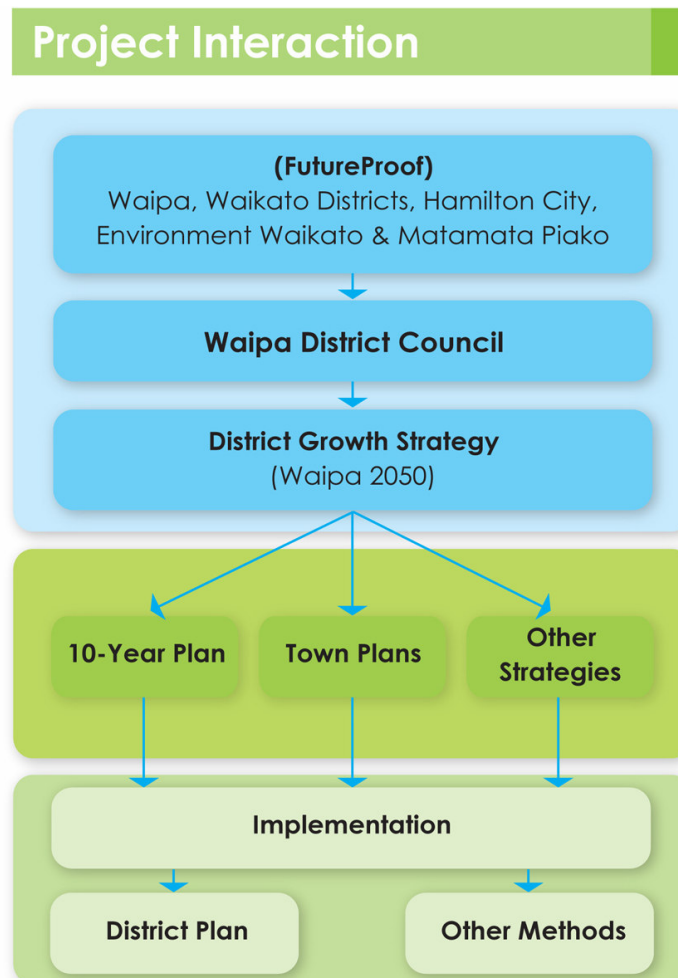
# FACT SHEET

## What is the Waipa 2050 project about?

Waipa 2050 is the District's Growth Strategy. Through this project a vision for the future direction of the District will be set. The overall purpose of the strategy is to manage growth in a planned and co-ordinated way by considering where growth should go and how it should be serviced.

Waipa 2050 is being developed at the same time as Future Proof. Future Proof is a joint project between Waikato, Waipa, and Matamata Piako Districts and Hamilton City. Environment Waikato and the New Zealand Transport Agency are also involved. Once finalised Future Proof will provide key directions on how growth can be managed in an integrated way across territorial boundaries. It will be important that Waipa 2050 is aligned with the key directions from Future Proof.

The District Growth Strategy will be a key Council document. It will influence the direction in other Council policies and strategies and in particular will be a key influence in the overall strategic direction for the new District Plan. These relationships are shown in the diagram below.



## How can I be involved?

The table below shows what is happening between now and July 2009 and when and how you can get involved in the process.

There are two main opportunities to provide feedback:

- From now until 10 November on the Draft Scenarios
- March/ April next year by lodging a submission on the Draft Strategy

2008		2009	
October	▪ Feedback on Growth Scenarios	February	▪ Draft District Growth Strategy
20, 22 & 29 October	▪ Open Days	March / April	▪ Consultation on Draft and opportunity for submissions
10 November	▪ Feedback on Growth Scenarios closes	June	▪ Hearings / Deliberations
November	▪ Evaluation of Scenarios. ▪ Community workshop is planned to provide direction to Council.	July	▪ Final Growth Strategy
December	▪ Council decision on preferred Scenario		

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