

KIHIKIHI URBAN DEVELOPMENT PLAN

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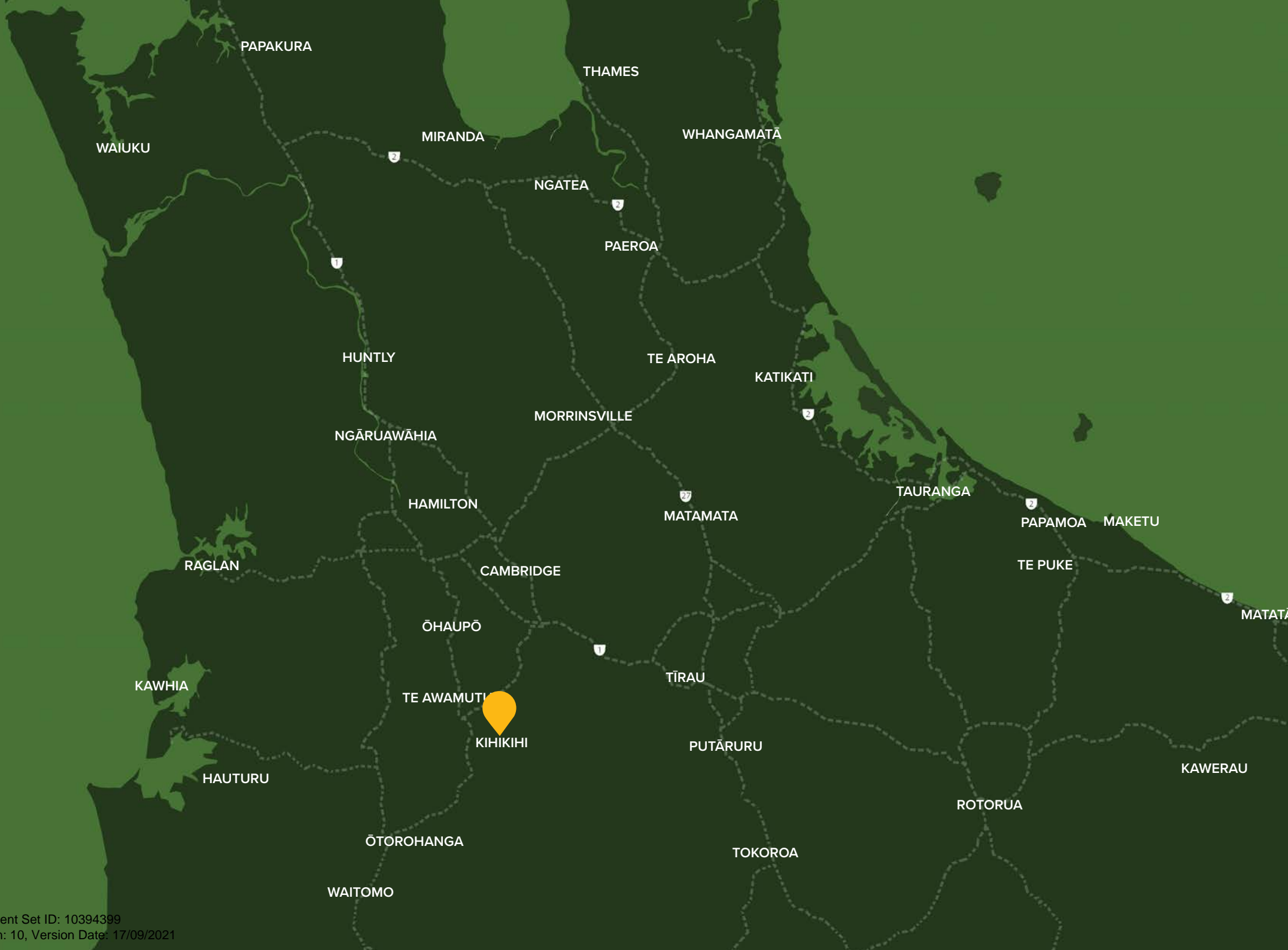
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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 REGIONAL CONTEXT

Kihikihi today

The Waipā 2050 Growth Strategy aims to ensure that the Waipā District remains a great place to live, work and play, well into the future. By 2050 it is anticipated the district will be home to an additional 25,000 people, and that the Te Awamutu and Kihikihi area will require an additional 3,400 households by 2050. Based on population forecasts produced by NIDEA, Kihikihi will need to provide approximately 260 new households by 2050. To help cater for this growth, Waipā District Council wants to ensure that public spaces are user-friendly and safe for all members of the community. Kihikihi's strong sense of identity should be retained and strengthened as it grows.

Community outcomes

The key theme for the Waipā Long Term Plan 2021-2031 is growth, with the overall vision of "Building Connected Communities" and providing for infrastructure development to cater for growth. Managing our growth while strengthening our reputation as a great place to live, work and play. Waipā's community outcomes align to four outcomes which support our vision of "Building Connected Communities". These outcomes are:



Economically progressive

Supporting a thriving, sustainable economy.



Environmental Champions

Protecting and sustaining our environment.



Cultural Champions

Promoting our culture and heritage.



Socially Resilient

He aha te mea nui o te ao? Māku e ki atu he tangata, he tangata, he tangata! - it's all about the people.

WHAKATANE



1.2 PURPOSE OF THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Waipā 2050 anticipates that all new development in Kihikihi (aside from unserviced large lot residential developments in the T6 and T15 growth cells) will be infill on existing sections due to the limited capacity of the wastewater scheme that is in place. The growth pattern proposes higher density development within the existing town boundaries, provided such development does not impact on the overall character of the township. The extent of this development is currently managed by the minimum lot size requirements of the Waipā District Plan.

Waipā District Council conducted two community discussion sessions in August 2017 to meet with Kihikihi land owners and gauge the community's appetite for infill development. More than 200 residents attended and many expressed an interest in subdividing their properties. Subsequently, to ensure that Kihikihi's growth is consistent with the town character, a development plan to manage the community's outcomes is necessary. The project has included consultation with landowners, identification of servicing requirements and development of an implementation programme.

The Kihikihi Urban Development Plan provides a framework about the look and feel of the town streetscape, character and open spaces. It describes and identifies a public realm network, a number of key catalyst projects and opportunities for investment and redevelopment.

The Kihikihi Urban Development Plan presents key moves, projects and initiatives to catalyse liveable growth in the Kihikihi township and inform the Long Term Plan.

The Waipā 2050 Growth Strategy anticipates that much of the future development within Kihikihi will be infill development on existing sections.

The District Plan allows for higher density development in areas identified in the compact housing overlay. Consideration will also need to be given to how the town grows and connects with the adjoining T6 and T15 growth cells. Growth and development will be managed through the Waipā District Plan and if required via a plan change.

2. KIHIKIHI ANALYSIS

2.1 NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

Key Features include:

- The main street, Lyon Street, is located along a ridgeline
- To the east of Lyon Street, the topography slopes gently down through Kihikihi's residential area before reaching Kihikihi Domain at the eastern edge of the town
- To the west of Lyon Street the topography slopes steeply down to a gully, forming the boundary between the town and the adjoining rural area.

Some of the challenges are:

- Areas that might be difficult to develop because of stormwater constraints.

Some of the Opportunities are:

- Large open spaces and long views to surrounding areas which provide high level of amenity and contribute to the character of Kihikihi.



Kihikihi Village

2.2 BUILT ENVIRONMENT

Key Features include:

- The town has a strong sense of Māori and European history. Along with colonial heritage, the Māori presence in the community is emphasised by Rewi Maniapoto Reserve and a strong sense of history that has arisen through the town's history in the New Zealand Wars. Lyon Street is characterised by a number of heritage buildings (e.g. Kihikihi War Memorial Building, Alpha Hotel, Anglican Church, the Police House, and the Town Hall) forming part of a wide town heritage route
- The northern entrance to the town (at the corner of Lyon and Leslie Streets) contains a number of colonial heritage buildings
- The balance of buildings along the main street is a mix of late 20th century buildings and vacant lots
- Pedestrian frontages have also been identified within the commercial centre to reinforce the pedestrian focus and vibrancy of these areas
- Directly adjoining the pedestrian frontages, a Character Precinct overlay is identified. The Central Kihikihi Character Guidelines within the District Plan and provide a guide to future development within the precinct area of Kihikihi. People wishing to erect new buildings and/or extend or alter existing buildings in this area will require a resource consent. The purpose of this consent process is to promote development that builds on the existing character of the area
- Gridded open street pattern provides a highly permeable network.

Some of the Challenges are:

- Large block sizes
- Pressure on infrastructure and stormwater networks
- Maintaining amenity values both within the public and private realm
- Maintaining neighbourhood character and sense of community
- Maintaining integration with the existing and future streetscape
- Increased traffic
- Working with property owners to maintain the quality and character of Kihikihi.

Some of the Opportunities are:

- Diversify housing typology and increase housing affordability options for new and existing residents
- Gridded open street pattern for local connectivity and beyond.



Buildings and shop fronts along Kihikihi's main street



Kihikihi's iconic historic Town Hall

2.3 KIHIKIHI LOCAL CHARACTER



Natural character

- Village centre located on a ridgeline, sloping away to east and west
- Rural backdrop surrounds the town



Natural character

- The town retains a strong connection to the surrounding rural area



Recent development

- Recent development is less rural in character, denser and with less openness
- Located on cul-de-sacs, as a response to available sites



Development potential

- Numerous small and larger sites remain vacant and available for development



Commercial strip - State Highway 3

- Metal stays
- Suspended canopy
- Upgraded streetscape



Kihikihī Town Hall (1904), State Highway 3

- Stepped parapet
- Horizontal cornice relief
- Building name and date
- Recessed entrance



Streets

- Formalised grid street pattern with a defined edge
- Large blocks, resulting in back lots



Streets

- Wide open streets with long views to the surrounding rural environment
- Streets are generally not planted: rather the adjoining sites provide for a green feel to the town



Streets

- The majority of streets have either no footpath or footpaths on one side of the street only



Open space

- Local open space within the village centre is open and sparse
- Sparse informal planting



Open space

- Kihikihi Domain provides for a multi-purpose open space for the wider community



Heritage

- The town and surrounding area have significant value to mana whenua, including Ngati Maniapoto

3. CONSULTATION

Engagement

In August 2017 staff hosted a discussion with representatives from tangata whenua, corrections, councillors, the police, Kihikihi primary school and the Residents & Ratepayers Association.

This feedback was used to inform the Urban Development Plan and the identified projects and initiatives.

Mana whenua

- Maniapoto Ki Te Raki
 - October 2020
- Nga Iwi Topu o Waipa
 - 9 September 2019
 - 12 October 2020
 - 22 February 2021

Public consultation

Two open days were held: on the 25th September 2019 at the Te Awamutu Library and on the 3rd October at the Kihikihi Town Hall. Maps and posters of the features, issues and opportunities for shaping Kihikihi in the future were displayed and Council staff were present to assist with any questions and receive feedback from residents and the public.

An ideas board captured thoughts and suggestions on ideas for the Kihikihi township as well as individual feedback slips. These responses have helped determine the future character of Kihikihi and what projects and initiatives are required to get there. The main issues raised are summarised below:

- More kerb and channel and street lighting in residential areas
- Traffic calming on Rolleston, Oliver and Moule Streets
- Retain the Kihikihi character and large lot residential
- Kihikihi is artistic, crafty - promote and celebrate it
- Promote lower speeds around Kihikihi school
- Off road paths segregating pedestrians, cars and cyclists (micro mobility).

Engagement was undertaken with the public to test the outcomes of the UDP from 16 June 2021 – 2 August 2021 including:

- 16 June 2021 - Kihikihi Residents and Ratepayer's Association meeting
- 21 June 2021 - Kihikihi Domain User Group.





4. PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

4.1 OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION

The Open Space and Recreation Framework provides projects and initiatives that will enhance open space and community facilities through the provision of improved and new open space that responds to the following design principles:

- Providing accessibility to open space for all ages and abilities.
- Providing opportunities for education and health within open spaces.
- Working with other providers of community amenities to co-locate facilities where appropriate.
- Work with local iwi and the community to identify and respond to community needs and design open space that enhances cultural wellbeing.
- Enhancing existing open spaces by providing a diverse range of functions and facilities, including opportunities for the local community to gather and socialise.
- Building upon and enhancing the natural landscape features of the town and surrounding area.
- Promote and provide for culturally appropriate land use which reflects the history and heritage of Kihikihi and the wider area.

Key projects and initiatives

- 1 Engage with local iwi to investigate opportunities to jointly enhance Rewi Maniapoto Reserve to further acknowledge and share local Māori history and connections and potentially enhance play provision and landscaping.
- 2 Explore opportunities to develop a neighbourhood playground at Leslie Street Reserve and a destination playground at Kihikihi Domain. Work with Kihikihi Primary School to explore how play facilities could remain open to the public outside of school hours.
- 3 Better utilise space around commercial precinct for public/community events.
- 4 Identify usable open space to the south west of Kihikihi Village to provide play and picnic amenities.
- 5 Investigate development potential at Military Stockade.
- 6 Provide play and picnic amenities at John Rochford Reserve.
- 7 Develop Turata to enable community use and the sharing of Kihikihi's history.
- 8 Undertake research of Kihikihi domain's current use and community aspirations to provide groundwork for future facilities plan.
- 9 Investigate a safe and accessible location for a skate park and/or youth centre close to village centre or domain.
- 10 Use street trees to visually connect open spaces and create safe shared path routes to these spaces.
- 11 Prepare a planting plan for Leslie Street Reserve with a through connection to the proposed growth cell in the west.
- 12 Enhance Gatton Reserve.

Legend

- Scope of development
- Roads
- State Highway 3
- Residential zone
- Compact housing area
- Large lot residential zone
- Commercial zone
- Industrial zone
- Open green and/or recreational space
- Education facilities
- Tree-lined road
- Existing community recreational space
- Potential new community recreational space
- Pedestrian connection



4.2 MOVEMENT

The Movement Framework provides projects and initiatives that promotes a range of walking and cycling and transport options through the provision of improved infrastructure that responds to the following design principles:

- Providing clear, safe and legible connections between key destinations, local amenities, education, employment, shopping and open space
- Increasing opportunities for walking, cycling and other modes of travel, including provision of bridle trails
- Enhancing the user experience along key corridors
- Enabling easy access around the village centre amenities for all users, including opportunities for the local community to gather and socialise
- Strengthens the connection between people and the places they share
- Supporting sustainable transport choices.

Key projects and initiatives

- 1 Establish gateway features to Kihikihi that identify arrival and assist to slow traffic as it enters town.
- 2 Enhance connection between the School, Village Centre and open spaces in between with an off-road shared path.
- 3 Introduce traffic calming strategies to reduce vehicle traffic flow and speeds along Whitmore and Rolleston streets.
- 4 Promote lower traffic speeds around Kihikihi School.
- 5 Review existing parking at Kihikihi School and investigate opportunities to minimise congestion at pick-up/drop-off times.
- 6 Investigate opportunities to improve active mode connection with Waikeria Prison.
- 7 Provide separate bridle path along Herbert and Oliver Streets to cater for horse riders.
- 8 Investigate and implement initiatives to divert traffic from rat-running through residential areas.
- 9 Provision of bus shelters along bus route.

Legend

- Scope of development
- Roads
- State Highway 3
- Residential zone
- Compact housing area
- Large lot residential zone
- Commercial zone
- Industrial zone
- Open green and/or recreational space
- Education facilities
- Tree-lined road
- Public transport route
- Proposed shared cycle and pedestrian network
- Proposed shared bridle and cycle network
- Gateway features
- Traffic calming strategies
- Civic connections



T6
GROWTH
CELL

HAVELOCK ST
RESERVE

TURATA
RESERVE

BOWLING
GREEN

JOHN
ROCHFORD
PARK

LESLIE ST
RESERVE

REWI MANIAPOTO
RESERVE

WATER SUPPLY
RESERVOIR

MILITARY
STOCKADE

KIHIKIHI
DOMAIN

GATTON
RESERVE

KIHIKIHI
SCHOOL

CEMETERY

4.3 LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT

The Landuse Framework provides projects and initiatives that provide a mixture of land uses and amenities to service Kihikihi's local community through the provision of creating quality public spaces that contribute to people's health, happiness, and well-being that responds to the following design principles:

- Provide for development types that minimise the impacts on service infrastructure while providing the potential for the town to grow
- Promote and provide for culturally appropriate land use which reflect the history and heritage of Kihikihi and the wider area.
- Encourage Low Impact Urban Design and Development (LIUDD) initiatives over development sites.

Changes to land use and development are managed through a plan change to the Waipā District Plan.

Key projects and initiatives

- 1 For residential development, provide policies to retain street, open space and town character, safe access to dwellings for all users, retain high quality on-site amenity outcomes
- 2 Encourage comprehensive development over sites larger than 2000m²
- 3 Encourage development types that minimise the impacts on service infrastructure while providing potential growth
- 4 Engage with local iwi to investigate the demand and potential sites to develop papakāinga which maximise the use of existing medium to large sized suburban sections
- 5 Investigate mechanisms to encourage the provision and retention of affordable housing in proposed new residential developments
- 6 Investigate the demand for a waste management program (including solid waste) and the viability of a community waste diversion program for sustainability and employment opportunities
- 7 Promote use of stormwater solutions that create environmentally sustainable outcomes, including increasing biodiversity and amenity.

Legend

- Scope of development
- ▬ Roads
- ▬ State Highway 3
- ▬ Residential zone
- ▬ Compact housing area
- ▬ Large lot residential zone
- ▬ Commercial zone
- ▬ Industrial zone
- ▬ Open green and/or recreational space
- ▬ Education facilities
- ▬ Heritage precinct

This is being dealt with through a Plan Change



4.4 VILLAGE CENTRE

The Village Centre Framework provides projects and initiatives that provide an exciting and thriving centre to service Kihikihi's local community through the provision of creating quality public spaces that will generate activity and create destinations where people can gather and socialise and contribute to people's health, happiness, and well-being that responds to the following design principles:

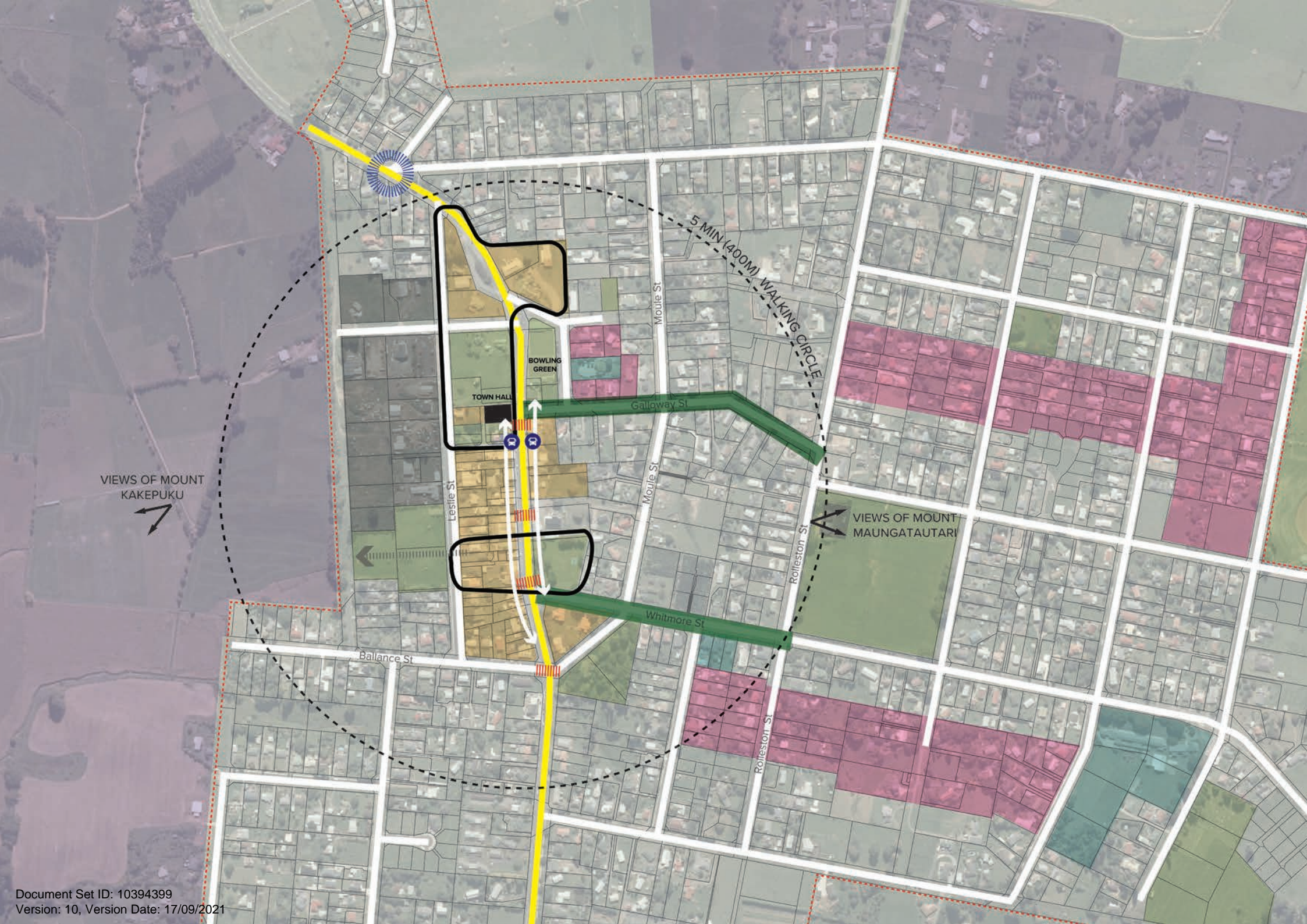
- Encourage a compatible mix of uses within the village centre to generate a high level of human activity
- Improved community facilities and meeting spaces, with a particular focus on providing usable, safe spaces for young people
- Apply Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles in the Village Centre to provide safe spaces for people.

Key projects and initiatives

- 1 In collaboration with NZ Transport Agency/Waka Kotahi, investigate opportunities to:
 - Enhance pedestrian safety at key intersections
 - Enhance crossing points along State Highway
 - Amenity improvements including street trees
 - Formalise bus stops.
- 2 Support revitalisation of Town Hall and surrounding area. Encourage new temporary/permanent activities.
- 3 Investigate potential sites to create a community Hub.
- 4 Erect wayfinding signage around Town Hall and redesign parking area behind Town Hall. Enhance pedestrian connection from Leslie Street.
- 5 Provide new seating and installations along main street.
- 6 Promote infill development along State Highway to create a stronger street edge.
- 7 Connect village centre with Leslie Street and growth cells to the west.
- 8 Support the creation of a heritage precinct encompassing the historic buildings.
- 9 Provide a consolidated commercial centre.

Legend

- Scope of development
- Roads
- State Highway 3
- Residential zone
- Compact housing area
- Large lot residential zone
- Commercial zone
- Industrial zone
- Open green and/or recreational space
- Education facilities
- Tree-lined road
- Pedestrian connection
- Pedestrian crossing nodes
- Bus stops
- Heritage precincts
- Street edge informed by built form
- Gateway to town centre



VIEWS OF MOUNT KAKEPUKU



VIEWS OF MOUNT MAUNGATAUTARI



5 MIN (400M) WALKING CIRCLE

TOWN HALL
BOWLING GREEN

Galloway St

Whitmore St

Leslie St

Moule St

Moule St

Rollleston St

Rollleston St

Ballance St

5. CHARACTER AND HERITAGE

The Character and Heritage Framework seeks to protect and enhance Kihikihi's character and celebrate its unique cultural heritage through the provision of quality public spaces that contribute to people's health, happiness, and well-being.

This Framework informs the projects and initiatives identified in the open space and recreation, movement, landuse and village centre framework and responds to the following design principles:

- Providing accessibility to open space for all ages and abilities
- Work with local iwi and the community to create public spaces which reflect the unique cultural identity and character of Kihikihi
- Promote and provide for culturally appropriate land use which reflect the history and heritage of Kihikihi and the wider area
- Work with local iwi to investigate opportunities to celebrate Kihikihi's unique cultural heritage, through street and building names, integrating art within the town fabric and developing placemaking with community.



Kihikihi Town Hall

6. RESIDENTIAL STRATEGY

The Residential Framework provides projects and initiatives that provides a range of housing types and locations recognising the population demographics that responds to the following design principles:

- Enable the development of papakāinga housing
- Culturally appropriate dwelling types and sizes, safe driveways and spaces for children with good onsite amenity
- Maintain the height and scale of the existing front house (and neighbouring houses) while arranging additional dwellings around a communal grassed area
- Ensure that future housing and street layout is sympathetic with the existing character of Kihikihi
- Seek to provide for development types that minimise the impacts on service infrastructure while providing the potential for the town to grow
- Promote infill/intensification which provide safe access for all users (Safe Kids assessment).

Development is managed by the Waipā District Plan and any changes required will be managed via a Plan Change process.



Aerial view over Kihikihi residential lots

6.1 DESIRED TYPOLOGY OUTCOMES

Infill opportunities | background

An important consideration has been the provision of 'backyard' infill against potential for more intensive compact residential development on amalgamated and vacant sites. Development will be managed through the Waipā District Plan.

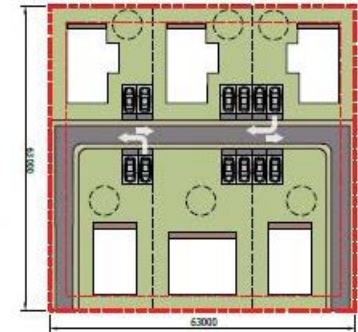
Potential infill typologies were explored on four typical lot sizes, from the construction of a house in the backyard of a site where there is an existing house, to the amalgamation of several sites to establish a larger number of residential units. These are shown on the following pages.

Key



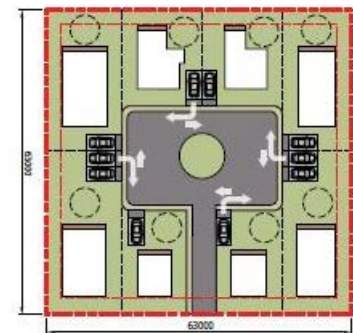
Dual Access

- Dual access/exit lane ways are a safety measure
- Rear access lane way, minimise driveway along front
- Strong pedestrian connection across front
- Passive surveillance onto the street
- Opportunity for lane way landscaping - with community elements, not only for vehicles
- Loft space above garage offer passive surveillance



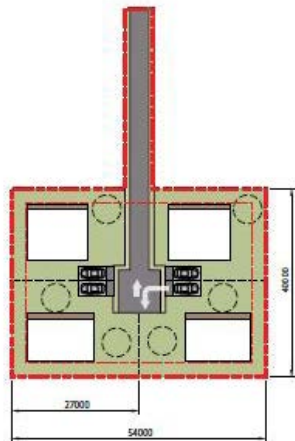
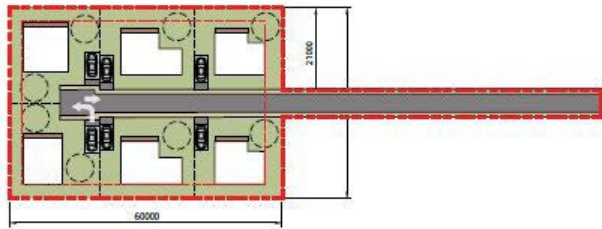
Communal Courtyard

- Communal courtyard
- Community in place
- View down driveway (tree or feature)
- One driveway servicing all houses
- Better streetscape outcomes
- All houses have a frontage onto the street or lane way.



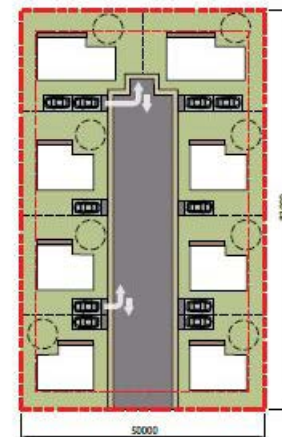
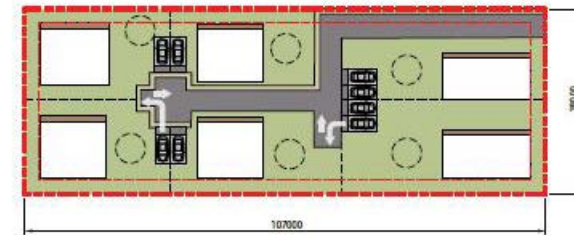
Hidden Courtyard

- Communal courtyard
- Community in place
- View down driveway (tree or feature)
- One driveway servicing all houses
- Better streetscape outcomes
- All houses have a frontage onto the street or lane way.



Single Access with Multiple dwellings

- Lane way with footpath and trees creating ‘bump’ spaces
- Ideal for families or multi generational living
- Sense of community
- Loft spaces offer independent living for intergenerational living or to be retained
- View of house or feature at the end of the driveway
- Different housing typologies, not one house per lot with duplex or shared boundary

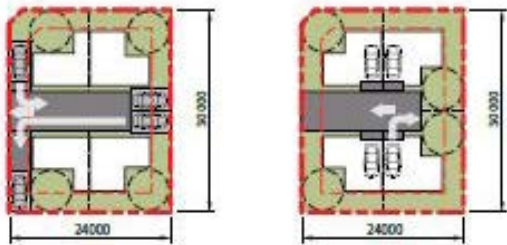


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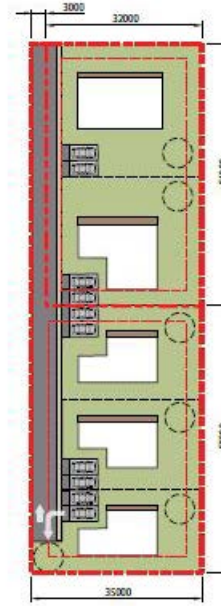
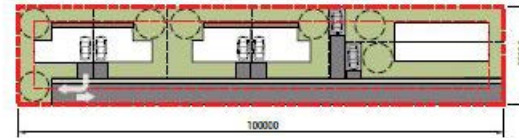
Corner 4 Pack

- Minimise driveways required
- Streetscape
- Building frontage
- Double frontage as it wraps around the corner
- Passive surveillance on two fronts
- Can read as one single house which suits neighbourhood character



Long Sites

- Minimise number of driveways
- Fit within characteristics of the street
- Full extent of density is hidden.





7. NEXT STEPS

The diagram below shows the process that has been undertaken in developing the Kihikihi Urban Development Plan.

To support the implementation of this plan, it is recommended that an implementation plan is prepared that provides further detail on how the projects and initiatives identified in this document will be achieved. This Plan should also provide an indication of priority based on community feedback and cost to undertake.



7.1 IMPLEMENTATION

The Kihikihi Urban Development Plan identifies a series of frameworks with proposed projects and initiatives to support future growth in Kihikihi. The projects and initiatives are intended to be progressed through a range of stakeholders and processes as outlined below.

These actions can move from being aspirational to being funded and delivered, where funding has not already been allocated. This will involve partnership with key stakeholders, including the community, local community organisations and businesses and key landowners within Kihikihi. Waipā District Council consider that it is important to continue to work in collaboration with community partners in all significant Council-led projects.

To support the implementation of the Kihikihi Urban Development Plan, it is recommended that an implementation plan is prepared that provides further detail on how the projects and initiatives identified in this document will be achieved. This Plan should also provide an indication of priority based on community feedback and cost to undertake.

Role of Waipā District Council

Waipā District Council plays a key role in realising the future vision for Kihikihi, as depicted in this UDP and series of frameworks. This role may take many forms from direct investment in public works to advocating for positive changes to encourage investment (such as with the NZ Transport Agency / Waka Kotahi, local businesses and investors.) The Council should also liaise with the community, mana whenua and key stakeholders to advocate for public and private initiatives that assist to achieve the outcomes and projects identified for each framework .

Funding implications

The Long Term Plan (LTP) is the Council's main budgetary tool for the current 10-year period. Some of the actions are already budgeted for in the LTP.

Actions that need new funding will require advocacy to become new LTP initiatives. It is important to note that the availability of funding from the Council for proposed projects is not guaranteed. Funding and prioritisation will be determined as part of the LTP and Annual Plan process. This plan can be used as a tool to assist in decision making on funding priorities. This Plan provides a longer term capture of community aspirations and thereby informs the LTP.

There are multiple ways that the Projects and initiatives identified in this document can be achieved, other than the LTP.

These include:

- Community led actions
- Fundraising
- Funding/grants

Monitoring and review

The Kihikihi Urban Development Plan is intended to be a living document responsive to changes. Similarly, flexibility is needed because some actions require further work such as additional consultation, feasibility testing, detailed design, and/ or funding. The Council should undertake reviews of the Urban Development Plan periodically and in line with LTP processes. Keeping the Development Plan 'live' and up to date will help achieve the outcomes desired by the stakeholders.

7.1 IMPLEMENTATION

Projects and initiatives have been grouped as projects underway, short term projects and long term projects. Within these timeframes, they are listed in order of preference identified through engagement with the community. Implementation of the projects will be managed through the Long Term Plan and Annual Plan process.

Projects underway

Areas of investment	Projects & Initiatives
1. Open Space & Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Investigate a safe and accessible location for a skate park and/or youth centre close to village centre or domainEnhance Gatton Reserve
3. Village Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Promote infill development along State Highway to create a stronger street edge

Short- term projects

Areas of investment	Projects & Initiatives
1. Open Space & Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Undertake research of Kihikih domain's current use and community aspirations to provide groundwork for future facilities planIdentify usable open space to the south west of Kihikih Village to provide play and picnic amenitiesDevelop Turata to enable community use and the sharing of Kihikih's historyEngage with local iwi to investigate opportunities to jointly enhance Rewi Maniapoto Reserve to further acknowledge and share local Māori history and connections and potentially enhance play provision and landscapingUse street trees to visually connect open spaces and create safe shared path routes to these spaces
2. Movement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Review existing parking at Kihikih School and investigate opportunities to minimise congestion at pick-up/drop-off timesProvision of bus shelters along bus routeInvestigate opportunities to improve active mode connection with Waikeria Prison
3. Village Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Investigate potential sites to create a community hub

Long- term projects

Areas of investment	Projects & Initiatives
1. Open Space & Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Kihikihi School to explore public use of the playground at the school after hours • Better utilise space around commercial precinct for public/community events • Investigate development potential at Military Stockade • Prepare a planting plan for Leslie Street Reserve with a through connection to the proposed growth cell in the west
2. Movement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce traffic calming strategies to reduce vehicle traffic flow and speeds along Whitmore and Rolleston streets* • Promote lower traffic speeds around Kihikihi School* • Enhance connection between the School, Village Centre and open spaces in between with an off-road shared path* • Establish gateway features to Kihikihi that identify arrival and assist to slow traffic as it enters town • Investigate and implement initiatives to divert traffic from rat-running through residential areas • Provide separate bridle path along Herbert and Oliver Streets to cater for horse riders
3. Village Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigate opportunities to: enhance pedestrian safety at key intersections; enhance crossing points and introduce street trees; and formalise bus stops along SH3 with Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency • Support revitalisation of Town Hall and surrounding area [△] • Encourage new temporary/permanent activities (in the village centre) • Support the creation of a heritage precinct encompassing the historic buildings • Provide a consolidated commercial centre • Erect wayfinding signage around Town Hall and redesign parking area behind Town Hall. Enhance pedestrian connection from Leslie Street • Connect village centre with Leslie Street and growth cells to the west* • Provide new seating and installations along main street [°]

Legend

* Unless brought forward as part of the urban mobility workstream

[△] Town Hall maintenance already underway

[°] Unless part of bus stop upgrades



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