

## Strategy, Policy & Finance Committee Meeting Minutes 2 December 2021

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RDC-1209207

# Minutes

## Strategy, Policy & Finance Committee meeting held Thursday, 2 December at 1 pm Council Chamber, Rotorua Lakes Council

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cr Raukawa-Tait (Chair)  
Cr Kai Fong (Deputy Chair), Mayor Chadwick, Cr Bentley, Cr Donaldson,  
Cr Macpherson, Cr Maxwell, Cr Tapsell, Cr Wang, Cr Yates,  
Dr Morgan (Te Tatau o Te Arawa) and Mrs Trumper (Rural Community Board).
- APOLOGIES:** Cr Kumar,  
Mr Thomass (Lakes Community Board),  
Mr Biasiny-Tule (Te Tatau o Te Arawa)
- STAFF PRESENT:** G Williams, Chief Executive;  
T Collé, Deputy Chief Executive, Organisational Enablement;  
J-P Gaston, Deputy Chief Executive, District Development;  
O Hopkins, Deputy Chief Executive, District Leadership & Democracy;  
S Michael, Deputy Chief Executive, Infrastructure & Environmental Solutions;  
G Rangi, Deputy Chief Executive, Te Arawa Partnership;  
C Tiriana, D Deputy Chief Executive, Chief Executive's Group;  
I Tiriana, Manager Council Communications;  
R Dunn, Governance Lead;  
P Praveen, Waste Services & Sustainability Manager  
H King, Governance Support Advisor.

The meeting opened at 2pm.

The Chair welcomed elected members, media, staff and the public who are viewing livestreaming.

### 1. KARAKIA WHAKAPUAKI OPENING KARAKIA

Cr Maxwell opened meeting with a Karakia.

### 2. NGĀ WHAKAPĀHA APOLOGIES

**Resolved:**

**That the apologies from Cr Kumar, Mr Thomass and Mr Biasiny-Tule and early departure for Cr Wang be accepted.**

Moved: Cr Maxwell  
Seconded: Mayor Chadwick

**CARRIED**

**3. WHAKAPUAKITANGA WHAIPĀNGA  
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**4. NGĀ TAKE WHAWHATI TATA KĀORE I TE RĀRANGI TAKE  
URGENT ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None

**5. TE WHAKAŪ I NGĀ MENETI  
CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**5.1 MINUTES OF THE STRATEGY, POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING 11 NOVEMBER 2021**

RDC-1201634

**Resolved:**

**That the minutes of the Strategy, Policy & Finance Committee meeting held 11 November 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record.**

Moved: Mrs Trumper  
Seconded: Cr Tapsell

**CARRIED**

**5.2 MINUTES OF THE STRATEGY, POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING 16 NOVEMBER 2021**

RDC-1203265

**Resolved:**

Corrections: Dr Morgan asked to have his title amended to Dr Morgan and to have this title noted.

**That the minutes of the Strategy, Policy & Finance Committee meeting held 16 November 2021 with the above amendments be confirmed as a true and correct record.**

Moved: Cr Donaldson  
Seconded: Mayor Chadwick

**CARRIED**

The Chair advised that before commencing with the Strategy, Policy & Finance Committee items, this Committee continue with the deferred items from this morning's Operations and Monitoring Committee meeting.

- Infrastructure and Environment Solutions group - Stavros Michael  
Stavros Michael spoke to a PowerPoint presentation titled "Infrastructure and Environment Solutions Group - Year in reflection 2021" (Attachment 1)
- District Development group – J-P Gaston  
Jean Paul Gaston spoke to a PowerPoint presentation titled "District Development Group - Year in reflection 2021" (Attachment 2)

The Chair advised that today's meetings will be exceeding the 6 hour duration and under local authority guidelines a resolution is needed to continue.

**Resolved:**

**That the Committee continue this meeting past the 6 hour duration period.**

Moved: Mayor Chadwick

Seconded: Cr Yates

**CARRIED**

- Chief Executive – Geoff Williams

Mr Williams gave a verbal report and final comments around the presentations given by the Deputy Chief Executives.

The Chair asked Cr Tapsell as Chair of Operations & Monitoring Committee for her concluding remarks to the above items.

**6. PŪRONGO KAIMAHI  
STAFF REPORTS**

**6.1 WASTE MANAGEMENT & MINIMISATION PLAN (WMMP) 2022-28**

RDC-1204717

Prashant Praveen spoke to a presentation titled "Waste Management & Minimisation Plan (WMMP) 2022-2028" (Attachment 3)

ATTENDANCE: Cr Wang left the meeting at 3.40pm

ATTENDANCE: Cr Macpherson left the meeting at 3.45pm

**Resolved:**

- 1. That the report titled "Waste Management & Minimisation Plan 2022-28" be received.**

Moved: Mrs Trumper

Seconded: Mayor Chadwick

**CARRIED**

**Further resolved:**

- 2. That the Committee recommends to Council to approve "Waste Management & Minimisation Plan 2022-28" for public consultation.**

Moved: Cr Bentley  
Seconded: Cr Donaldson  
**CARRIED**

6.2 DISPOSAL OF COUNCIL LAND UNDER THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT

RDC-1204019

**Resolved:**

- 1. That the report titled 'Disposal of Council land under the Public Works Act' be received.**

Moved: Cr Kai Fong  
Seconded: Cr Tapsell  
**CARRIED**

**Further resolved:**

- 2. That the Committee recommends to Council to approve that surplus road reserve at Part of Pongakawa Valley Road, Rotoehu, as shown on attached plan (Attachment 4) be disposed to the adjacent property.**
- 3. That the Committee recommends to Council to approve that road reserve at 145 Pongakawa Valley Road be adjusted in accordance with the attached plan (Attachment 5) to accommodate the existing dwelling.**
- 4. That the Committee recommends to Council to approve that Council officers be authorised to consult with the owners of Rotomahana Parekarangi 612B3 Block and agree on new road reserve boundaries that accommodate the proposed development.**
- 5. That the Committee recommends to Council to approve that the cost associated with these be met by the beneficiaries of the surplus road reserve.**

Moved: Mayor Chadwick  
Seconded: Mrs Trumper  
**CARRIED**

Dr Morgan abstained from voting.

**7. KA MATATAPU TE WHAKATAUNGA I TE TŪMATANUI  
RESOLUTION TO GO INTO PUBLIC EXCLUDED**

**Resolved:**

**That the Committee move into public excluded session.**

Moved: Mayor Chadwick  
Seconded: Cr Donaldson  
**CARRIED**

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under Section 48(1) for passing of this resolution
CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 11 NOVEMBER 2021	Please refer to the relevant clause/s in the open meeting minutes.	Good reason for withholding exists under Section 48(1)(a).
EXTENSION OF CONTRACT	Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information.	Section 48(1)(a) Section 7(2)(b)(ii)

This resolution is made in reliance on Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by Sections 6 or 7 of the Act or Sections 6, 7 or 9 of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public are as shown above (in brackets) with respect to each item.

#### OPEN SESSION

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Meeting closed at 4.10pm.

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Confirmed at the Strategy, Policy & Finance Committee meeting on 10 February 2022



Chair

**Rotorua Lakes Council is the operating name of Rotorua District Council**

**Attachment 1 - Infrastructure and Environment Solutions Group - Year in reflection 2021**

# Infrastructure and Environment Solutions Group

*Kāhui Tūānuku Tūārangi*

Year in reflection  
2021

## State Highway Networks Improvements Programme

Current investment in progress \$80 million + \$30 million

**ROTORUA LAKES COUNCIL**  
Te Kaunihira o ngā Roto o Rotorua

## Eastern Corridor Stage 1

- Sala Street to Isles Road



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## Eastern Corridor Stage 1

- Sala Street to Isles Road
- Tarawera Intersection



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## Ngongotahā Roundabout

- Completing safety platforms to slow traffic
- Opened on 1 Nov - Western Road detour removed



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## WWTP Improvements to prepare for the full upgrade expected in 2022/2025



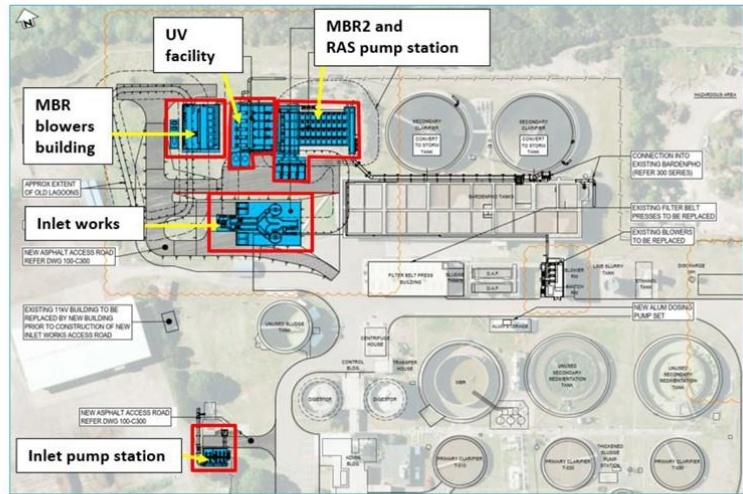
Rotorua Wastewater Treatment Plant now

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# WWTP Improvements

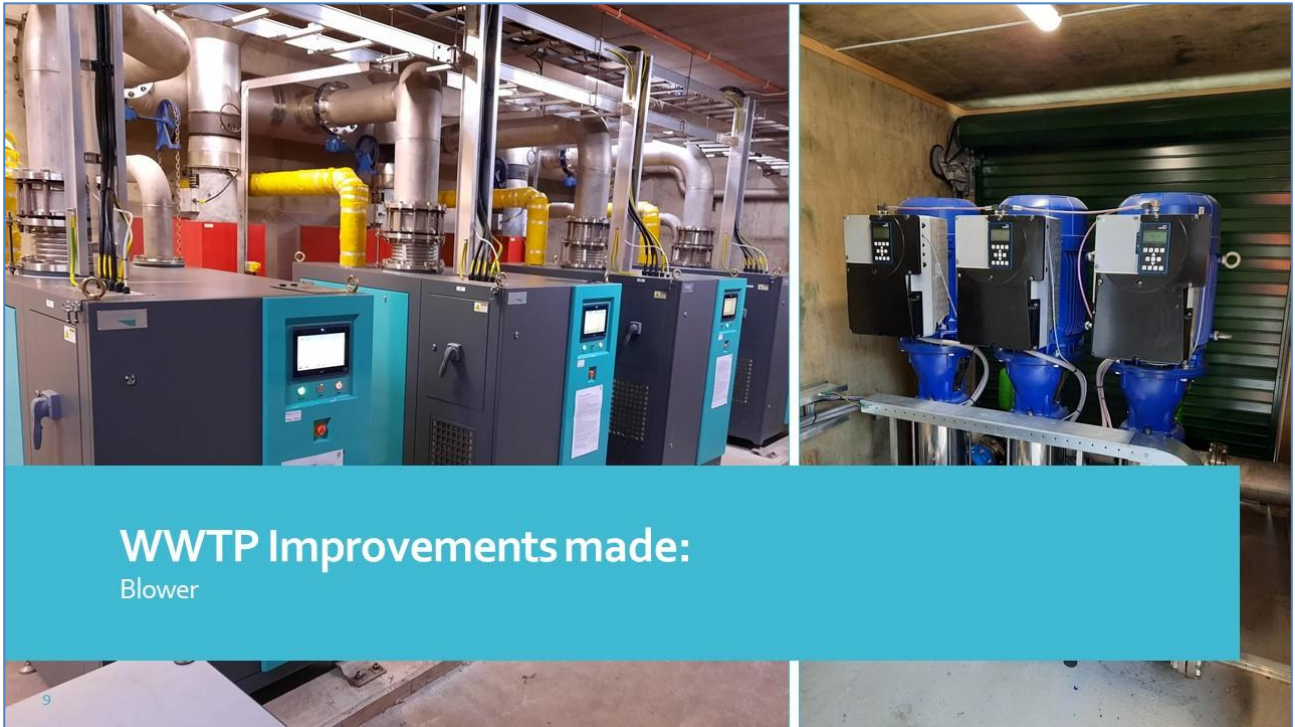
Location of proposed new structures and buildings in WWTP upgrade



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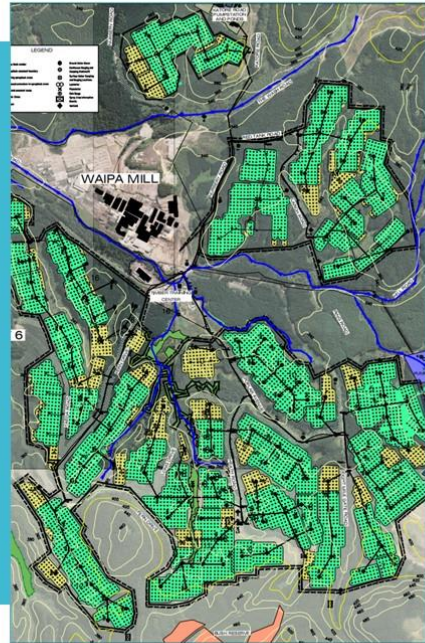


## WWTP Improvements made: Dewatering



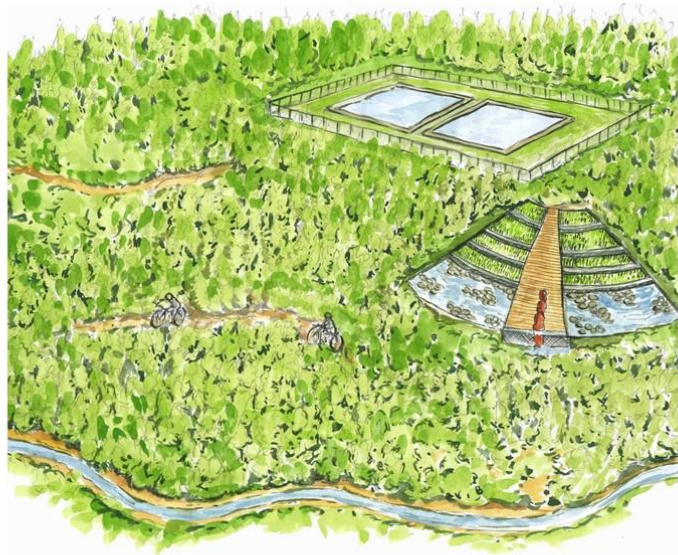


Current Irrigation area:  
400ha to 40ha



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Conceptual Land  
Contact in the  
SFA approach  
10% of current  
used area in forest



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## Victoria Street Wastewater Trunk Main Sulphur Effects/Capacity



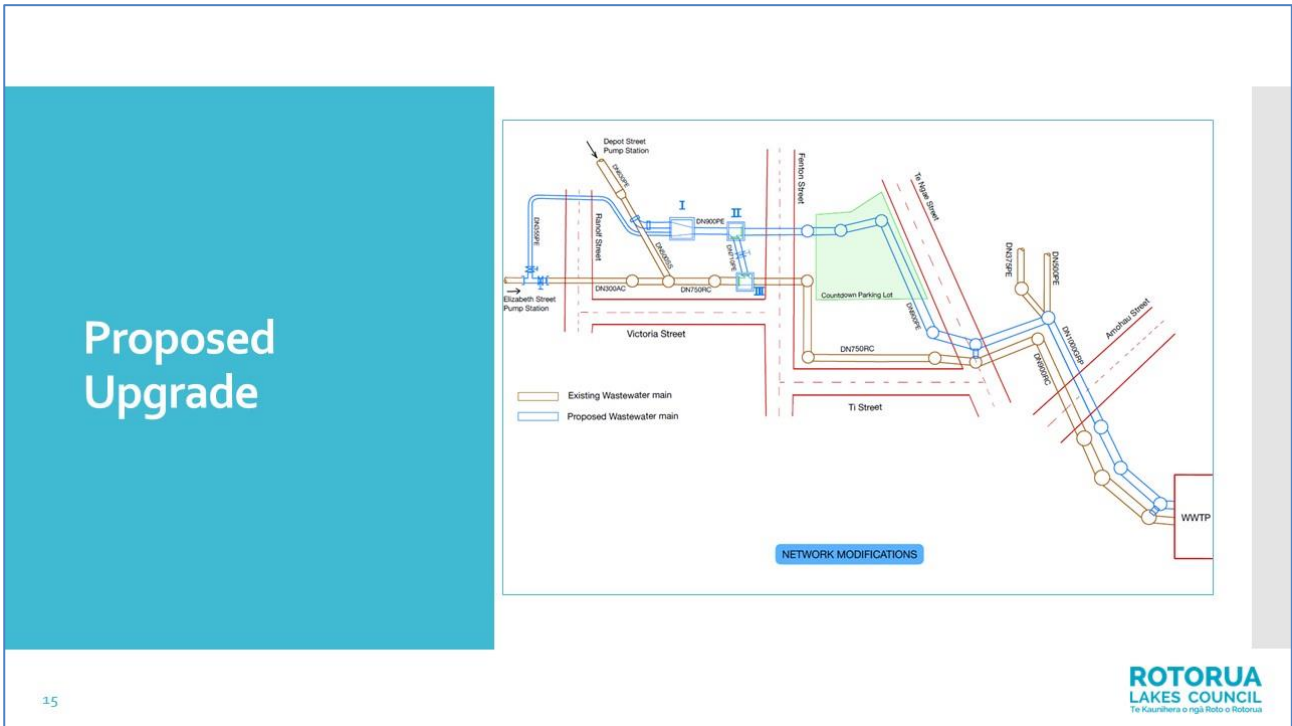
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## System Demands

- All wastewater from western side of city
- Currently operating at capacity
- Future growth in catchment significant
- 2130 design horizon requires doubling of capacity



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# Water main renewals essential to maintain stable condition and reliable service

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## Water mains

- Based on age and actual condition
- Significant amount of asbestos cement pipes outdated
- Essential for long term reliable performance of network




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## Main types

- Distribution mains budgeted at around \$1.5m p.a.
- Trunk Mains based on specific condition and demand assessments
- Overall renewals \$3.0m p.a.




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## Current Programme


- Umukaria Rd
- Malfroy Rd
- Island View Rd
- Miller St
- Peace St
- Hilda St
- Galbraith St
- La Trobe Pl
- Sala St



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- Duplication of the Waipa water main to increase supply resilience and service reliability is planned for the 2021/22 year
- Replacement of a trunk main in Ranolf Street is programmed for the current year



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**Concept of Proposed Restoration Work**

< Looking down the access road

Looking from beyond the puna >

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# Linton Park Stormwater Detention Dam Western Land Development

Western Stormwater Management Master Plan



# Attenuation Improvements





## Existing Structure

- Earth Embankment
- Low Flow culvert
- Operates in about 5yr return period event
- Does not meet current Dam Safety Guidelines
- Determined to be "Dangerous Dam" and may fail in 10 to 20 year return period event
- To be rebuilt and strengthened under emergency provisions of RMA
- Part funded under Water Reform Program bringing infrastructure up to current standards and future demand



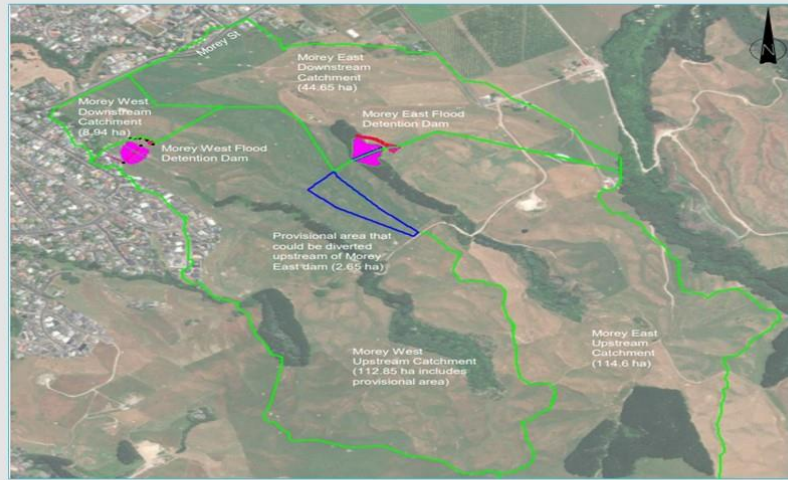
## Dam Layout

Works commenced  
November 2021

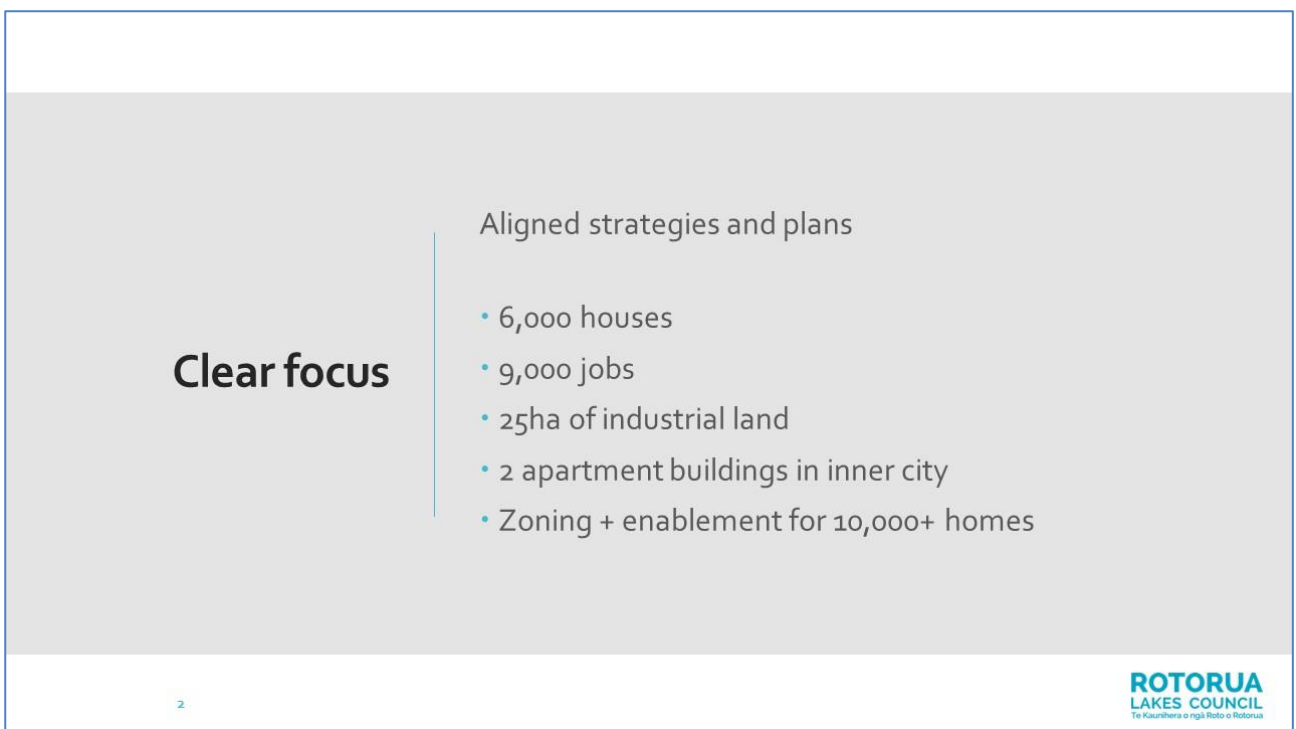


# Wharenui Road Development

1000 Houses



**Attachment 2 – District Development Group - Year in reflection 2021**



- Emergency housing taskforce working to provide better outcomes for those in EH
- Draft EDS supported in LTP
- Destination management plan completed
- Housing and Business Assessment (HBA) completed
- Infrastructure Acceleration Fund (IAF) – 2 parts continuing (\$90m)
- RED – inner city EOI process progressing
- Consents continue to increase

## Significant successes

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## Housing and Business Development Capacity Assessment completed

12 month process

Housing bottom lines defined:

Short Term (3 years) - **3,560**

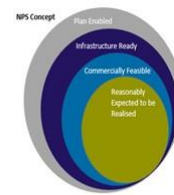
Medium Term (10 years) - **6,240**

Long Term (30 years) - **9,740**

Intensification plan changes to be developed by August 2022

### The Housing and Business Development Capacity Assessment (HBA)

- Assessment of housing and business market in accordance with the requirements of NPS-UD 2020
- Conducted by a specialised external service provider over the course of 2021, on behalf of RLC
- Provides a detailed understanding of the current capacity for development and market dynamics driving future delivery and demand



## Invitation to RFP stage of IAF

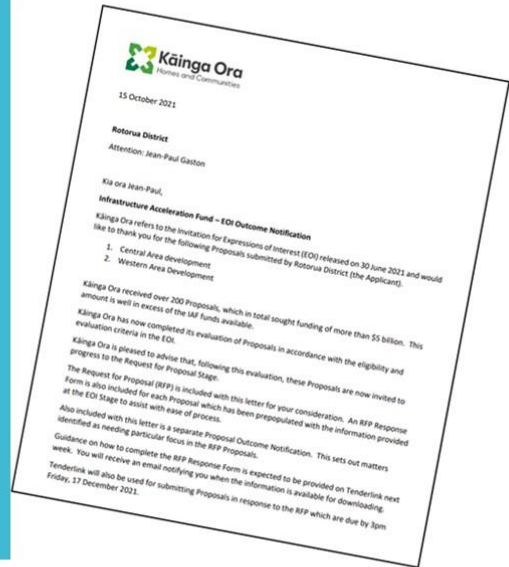
2 expressions of interest successful to next stage: \$90M

Central area: \$29M

Western area: \$61M

Cross-organisational effort

RFP deadline: 17 December

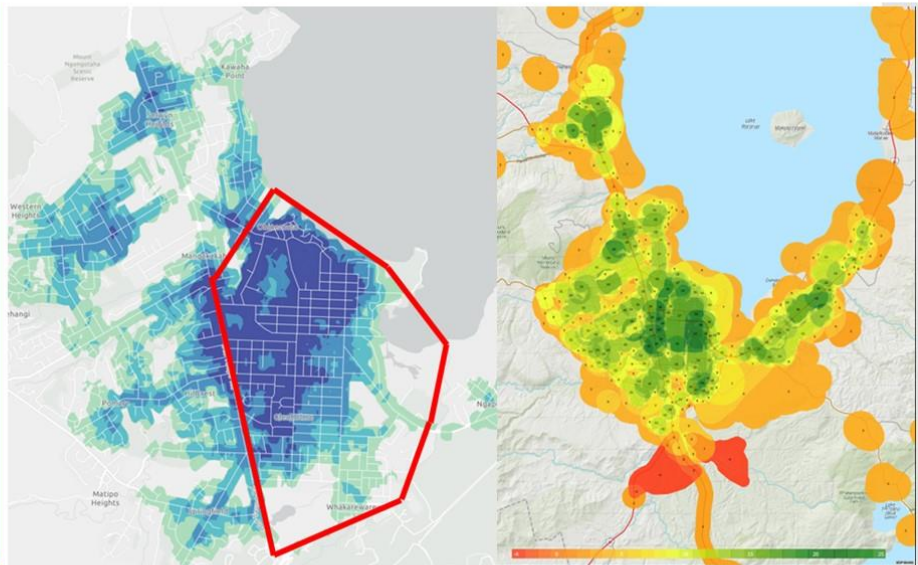


## Spatial Planning for Intensification

Mapping of suitable locations for intensification

Central City Priority Development Area (PDA) plan

Intensification plan changes to be developed by August 2022



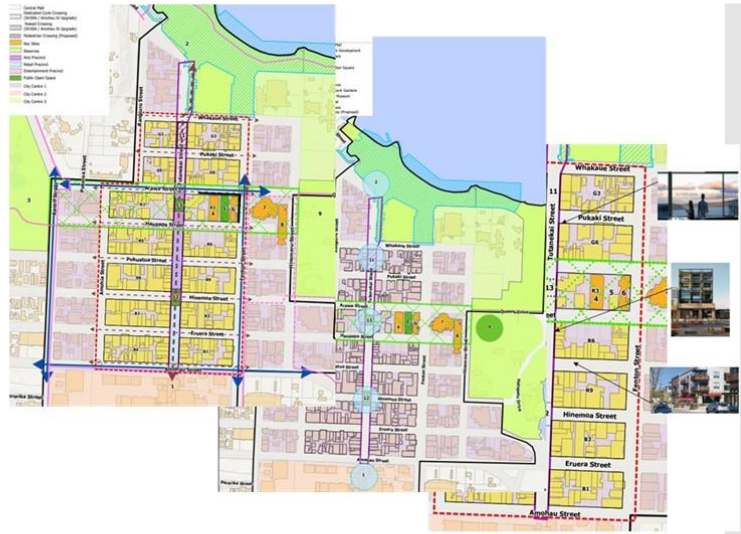


## Inner City Revitalisation

Inner city spatial framework developed

RED inner city working group actions

Cultural foundation work underway



## Economic Development Strategy (EDS)

Key actions completed:

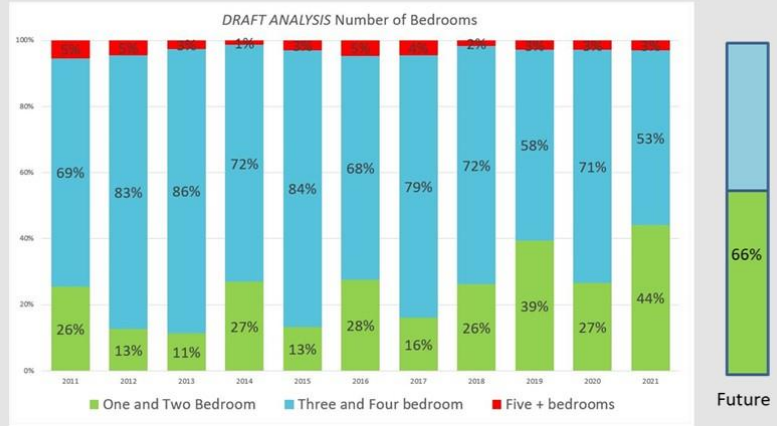
Destination management plan

Final EDS - focus areas:

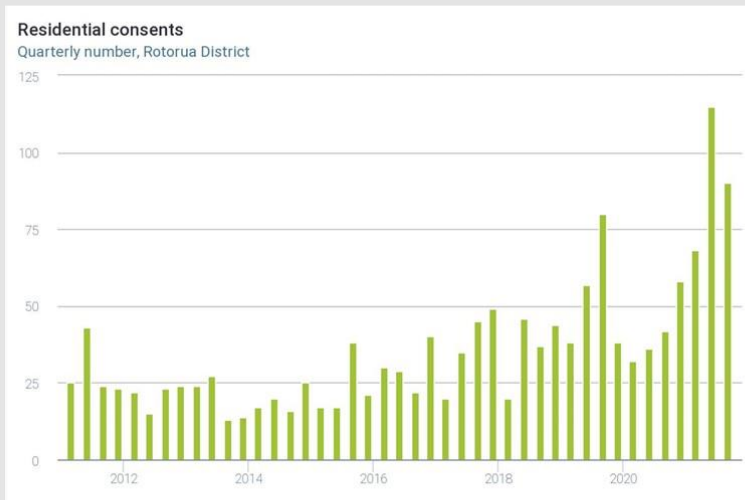
- developing our people
- connectivity to surrounding regional economies
- building long term economic resilience



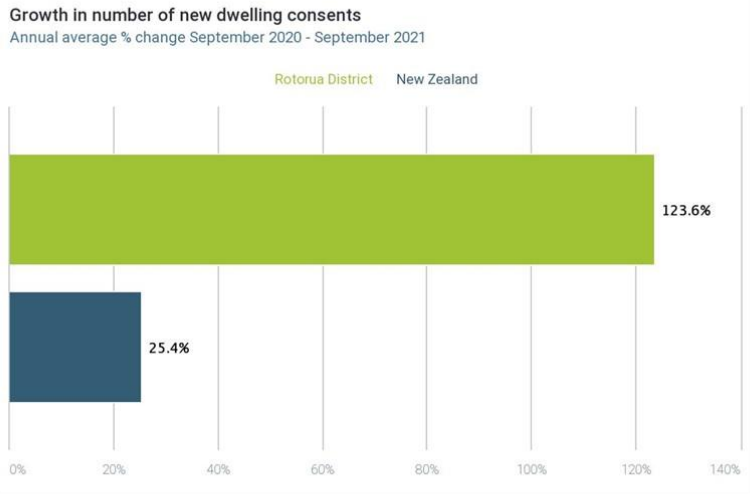
## Developing view of monitoring



## A responding market

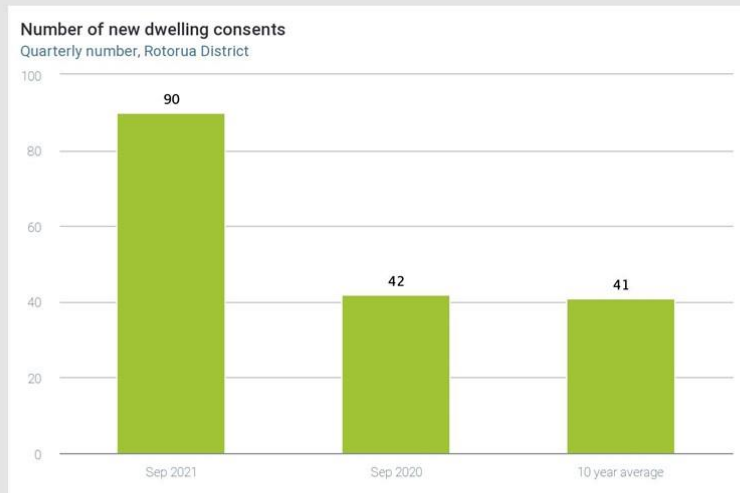


## A responding market



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## A responding market



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# Where is development happening?



# Wharenui Stage 1 (52 lots)





Wharenui  
Stage 2-3  
(127 lots)



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Pukehangi –  
Freedom  
villages  
(197 houses)



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*“Freedom Lifestyle Villages wishes to thank the Council planning team for the professional manner in which they worked through the planning process with our team in order to help introduce more affordable and equitable lifestyle retirement to the region”*

The Freedom village Board of Directors




Regency Park extension  
(28 houses)





# Redwood Park (45 lots)

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## Momentum

- Average annual dwelling consents number since 2012 – 111 p/a.
- 331 homes last financial year (2020/21)
- Projecting 350-400+ new dwelling consents across 2021/22
- Increasing Kainga Ora build of public homes

Rotorua District: Number of New Dwellings Consented (StatsNZ Infometrics)

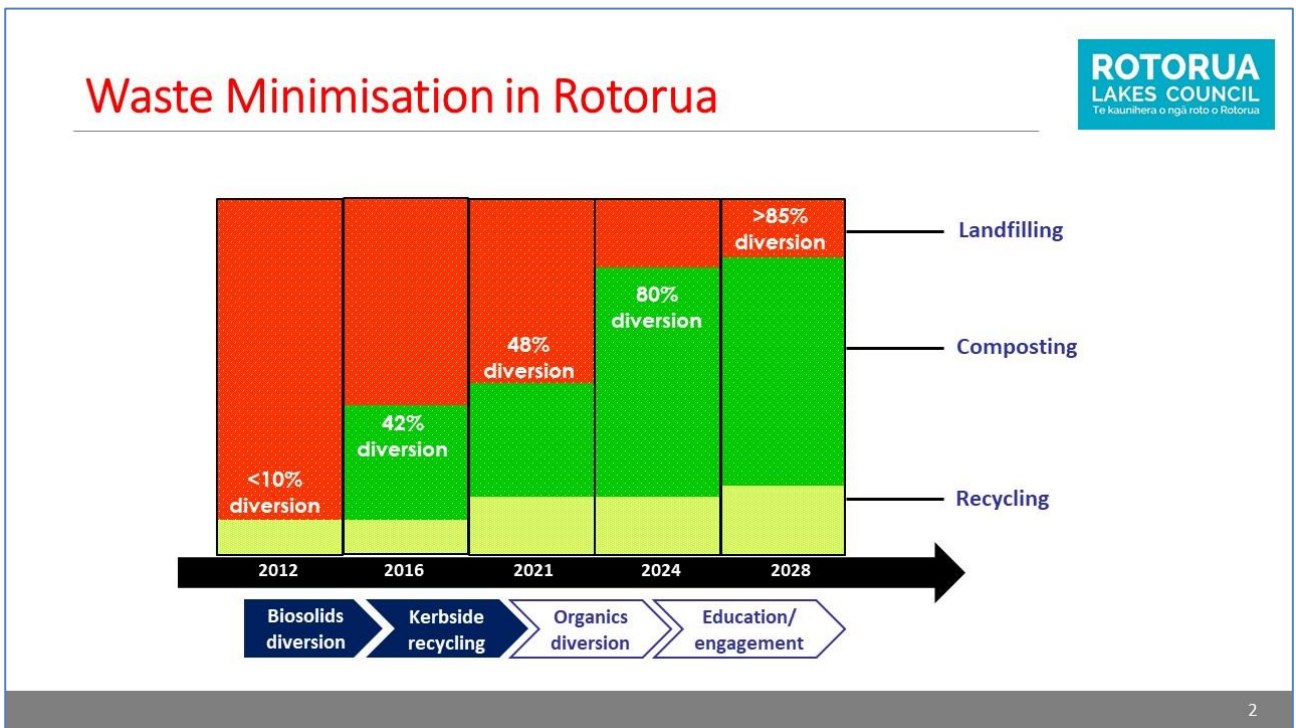
Year	Number of New Dwellings Consented
2012	80
2013	85
2014	75
2015	95
2016	100
2017	140
2018	150
2019	220
2020	150
2021	331

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### Attachment 3 – Waste Management & Minimisation Plan (WMMP) 2022-28



# Introduction



Waste management & Minimisation Plan (WMMP) is a guiding document for a council to promote sustainable waste management/minimisation practices within the district.



### 1. The Overarching Strategy

An outline of the waste situation, along with goals, objectives and targets

### 2. The Action Plan

A list of activities which will be undertaken to achieve goals and targets

### 3. The Appendices

Supporting information for proposed goals and actions

RLC adopted its first WMMP in 2016

WMMP 2022 builds on the achievements of WMMP 2016

# Strategic/Legislative Context



### Waste Minimisation Act, 2008

- Primary solid waste legislation in New Zealand
- Councils are required to promote waste management and minimisation
- WMMP is a legislative requirement
- WMMP must be reviewed at least every six years

### NZ Waste Strategy

1. Reducing the harmful effects of waste
2. Improving the efficiency of resource use

### Local Planning Context

- Consistency with Council's Long Term Plan
- Alignment with Climate Action Plan 2020 and Te Arawa Climate Change Strategy

# WMMP 2016-22



**Excellent progress against the goals and targets of WMMP 2016-22**

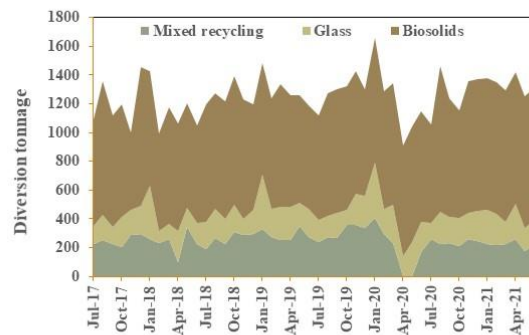
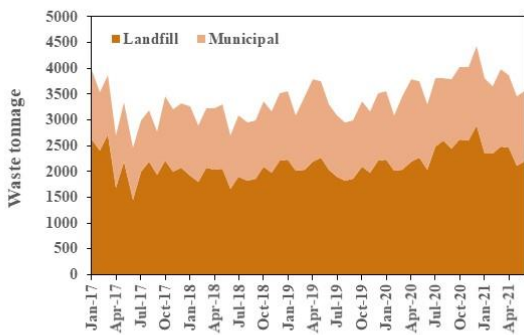
Goal 1	Industry Leading Health and Safety (H&S) Standards	✓	Kerbside wheelie bin collections
Goal 2	Significant improvements in the district's environmental footprint	✓	Kerbside recycling collections
Goal 3	Public litter bin system that promotes recycling	✓	Recycling litter bins
Goal 4	Improvements in Atiamuri landfill management	✓	Landfill capping

# Current Status



Per capita waste generation in Rotorua has increased gradually to >200 kg/year

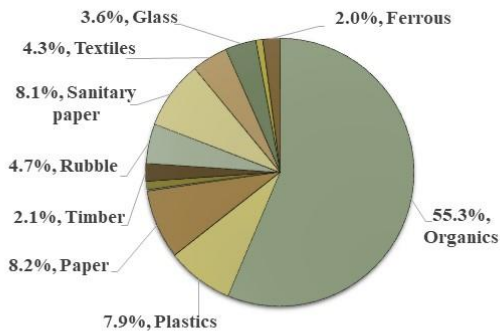
Total municipal waste diversion (including biosolids) in Rotorua is above 48%



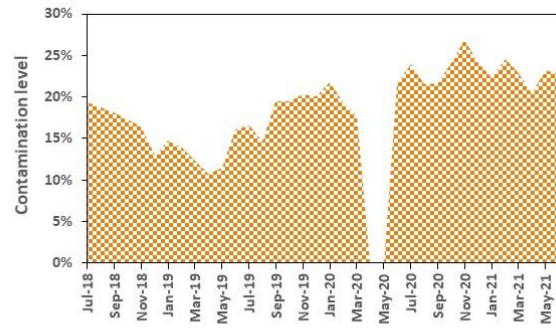
# New Challenges



>50% of municipal waste in Rotorua is comprised of organic waste



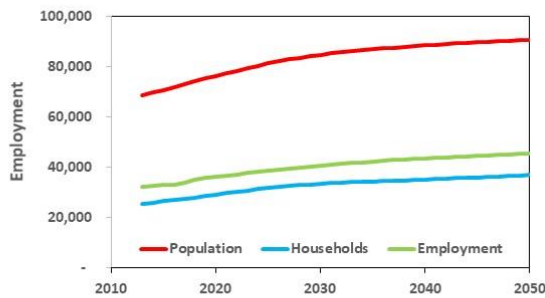
Poor recycling awareness resulting in loss of recyclables to landfills



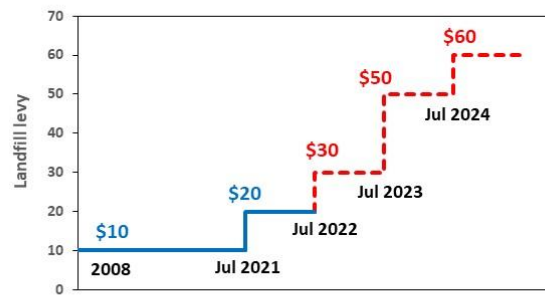
# New Challenges



Significant increase in population and economic growth expected



New landfill taxes (levy and emissions) set to increase disposal costs





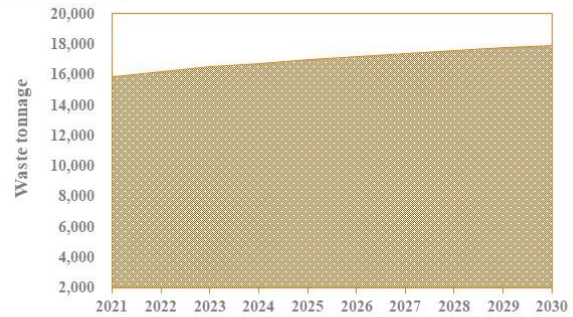
## New Challenges



**Climate change mitigation**  
Waste accounts for >6% of Rotorua’s emissions - arising primarily from landfilling.



Waste generation in Rotorua is projected to increase to 18,000 tonnes/year by 2030.



The **WMMP 2022-28** is required to:

- address new/emerging challenges
- mitigate waste carbon emissions
- facilitate transition to circular economy

## WMMP 2022-28 - Goals

### Goals



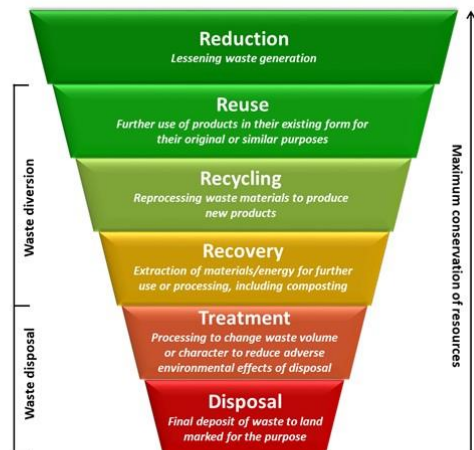
- Create awareness on waste hierarchy
- Reduce harmful effects of waste
- Facilitate transition to circular economy
- Consider climate change mitigation in planning

### Objectives

**Reduce**  
Waste Contamination  
GHGs

**Increase**  
Diversion  
Awareness  
Sustainability

**Upgrade**  
Infrastructure  
Facilities  
Litter bins



## WMMP 2022-28 - Targets



### Targets



- 30% reduction in waste-to-landfill
- 45% reduction in recycling contamination
- Zero glass contamination
- 60% reduction in food and garden waste



**Targets to be measured via waste services KPIs (reported quarterly)**

### Funding



Waste services funding comes from:

- Targeted rates (80%)
- General rates and external grants
- Revenue from facilities operation

## WMMP 2022-28 - Actions



To extend kerbside services to all rural communities



To support community groups and good efforts



To minimise organic (putrescible) waste to landfill



To improve waste data collection and reporting



To explore establishing local resource recovery facility



To act in regulatory capacity to minimise undesirable waste



To improve post-capping landfill management



To map and optimise public litter bin network



To create awareness on waste minimisation



To reduce commercial/event waste to landfill

## Recommendations

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1. That the report "WASTE MANAGEMENT & MINIMISATION PLAN 2022-28" be received.
2. That the Committee recommends to Council to approve "WASTE MANAGEMENT & MINIMISATION PLAN 2022-28" for public consultation.

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# THANK YOU!

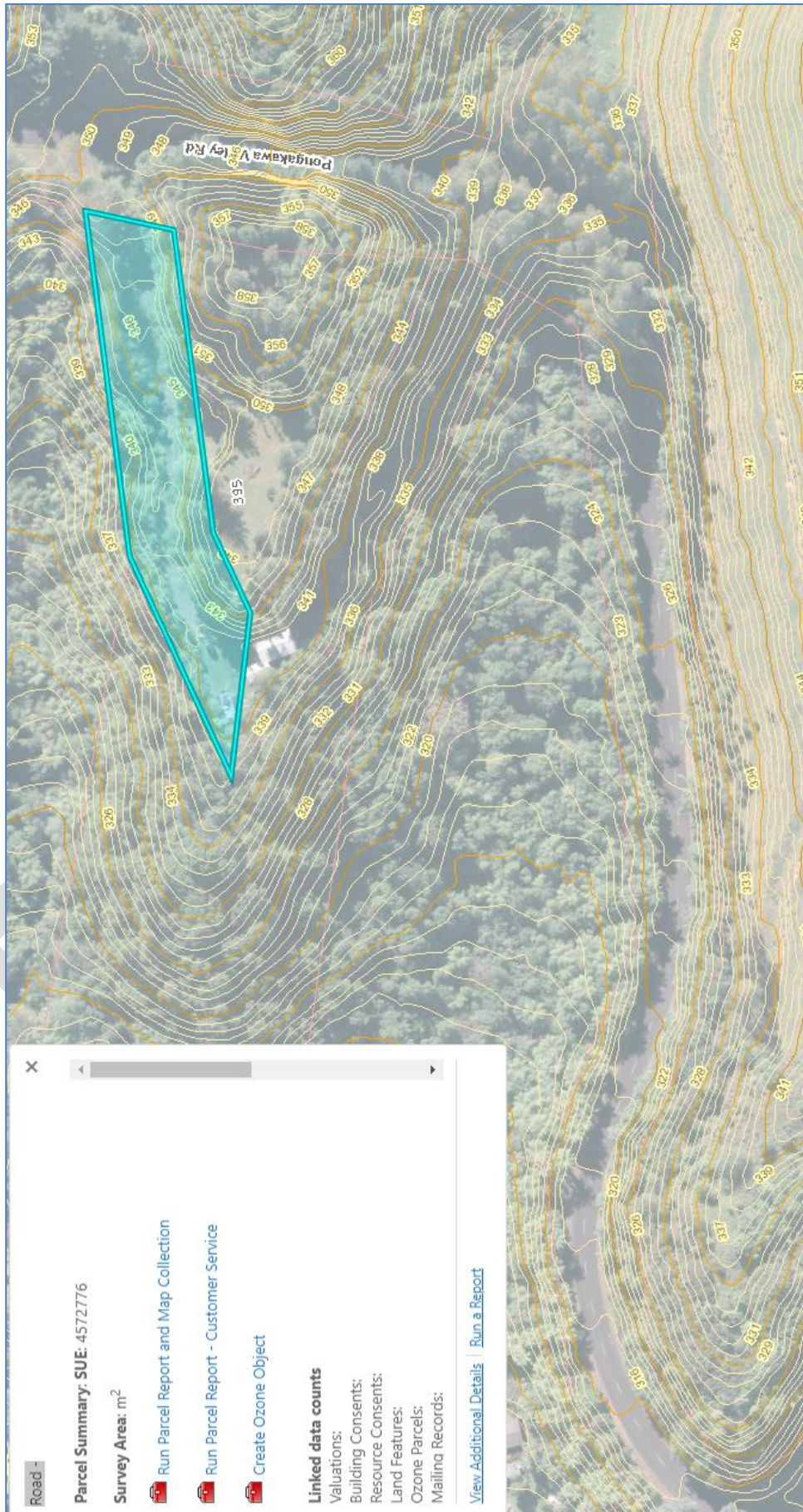
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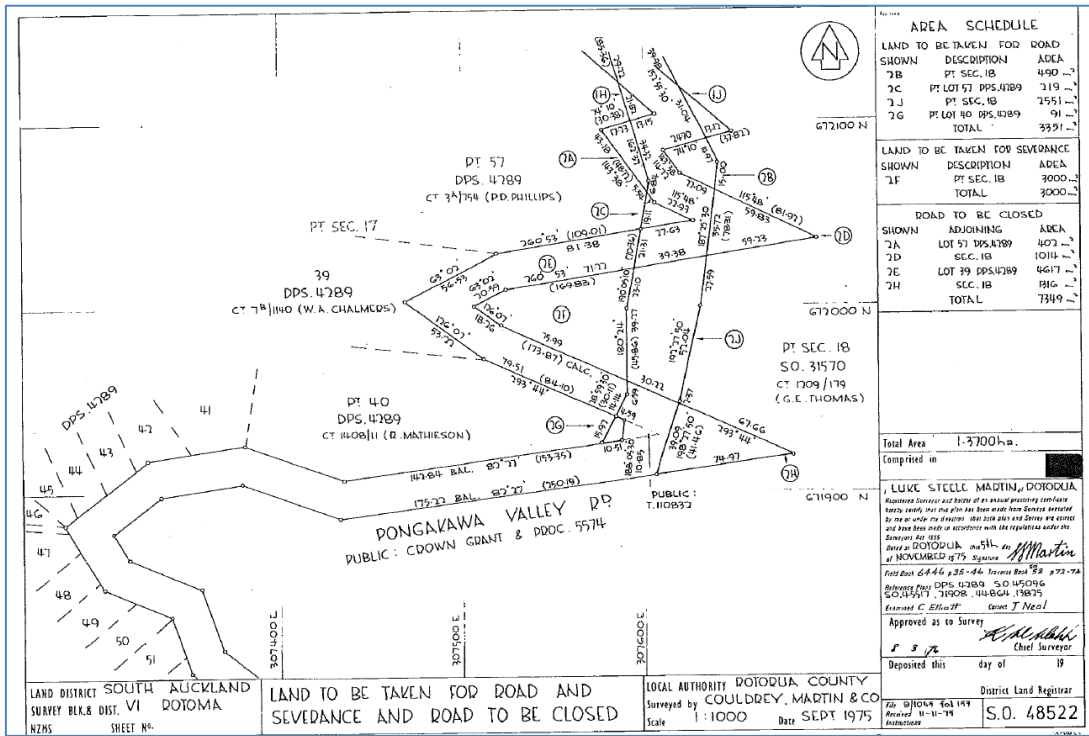


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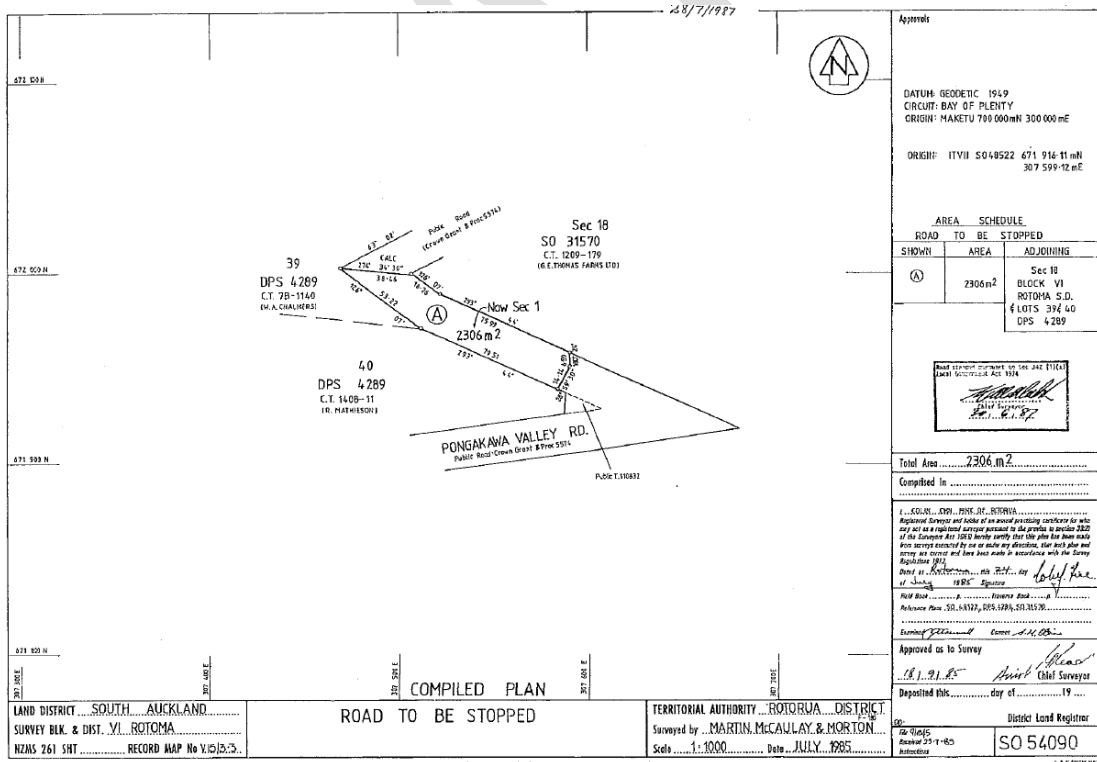


**Attachment 4: Plan of Part Pongakawa Valley Road, Rotoehu**



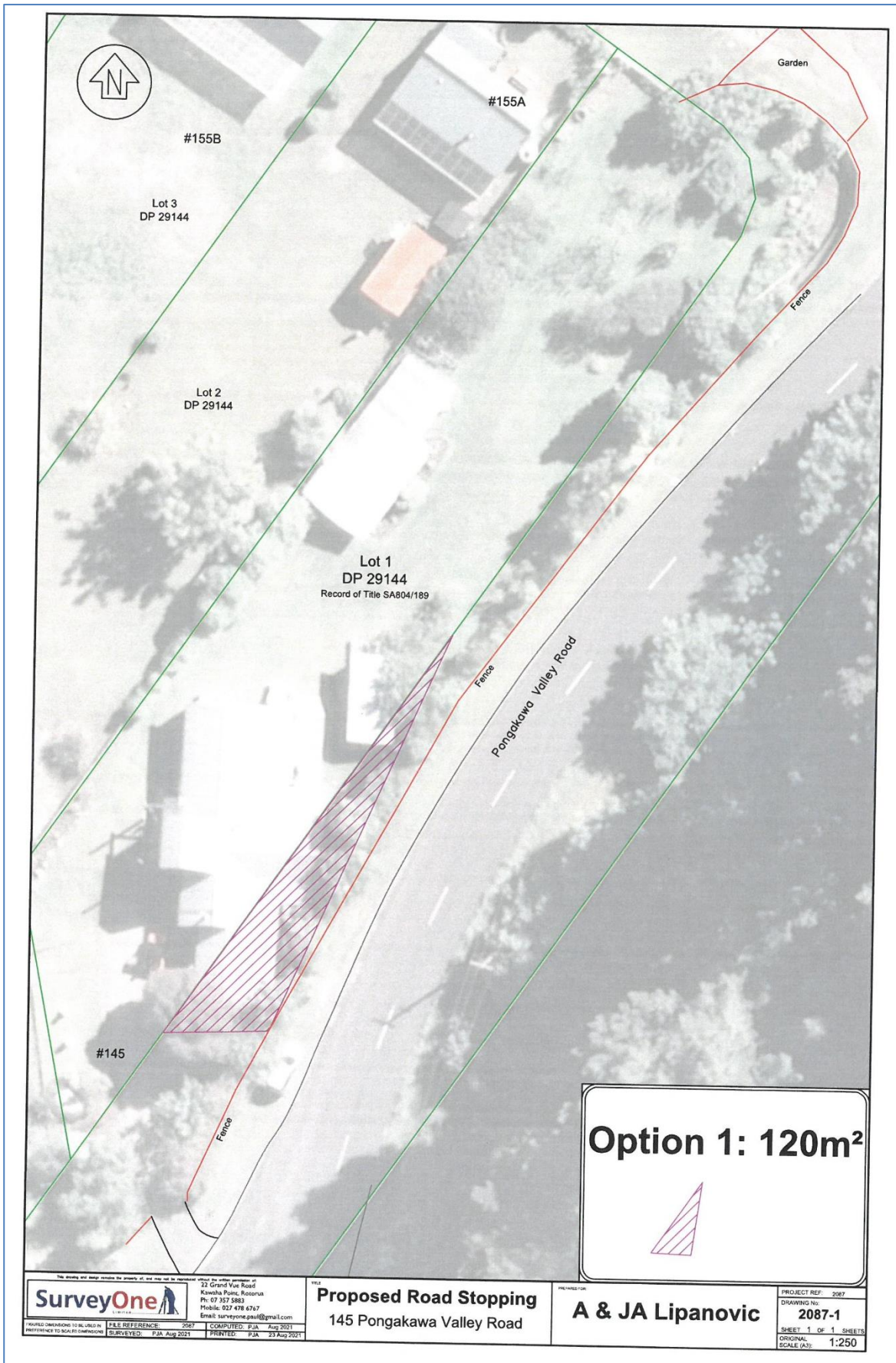


The part of the closed road 2E that was 'stopped'





**Attachment 5: Plan showing the relevant road reserve at 145 Pongakawa Valley Road**



**SurveyOne**  
 31 Grand Vist Road  
 Kawaha Point, Rotorua  
 Ph: 07 337 5883  
 Mobile: 027 478 6767  
 Email: surveyone.paul@gmail.com

**Proposed Road Stopping**  
 145 Pongakawa Valley Road

**A & JA Lipanovic**

PROJECT REF: 2087  
 DRAWING No: **2087-1**  
 SHEET 1 OF 1 SHEETS  
 ORIGINAL SCALE (A3): 1:250

FILE REFERENCE: 2087  
 SURVEYED: PJA Aug 2021  
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