

TE KAUNIHERA Ā-ROHE O TE MATAU-A-MĀUI

Meeting of the Regional Transport Committee

Date: Friday 29 August 2025

Time: 10.00am

Venue: Council Chamber

Hawke's Bay Regional Council

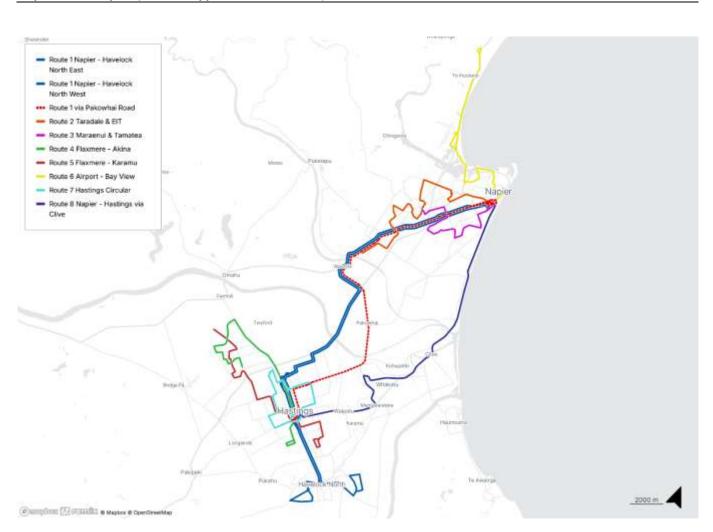
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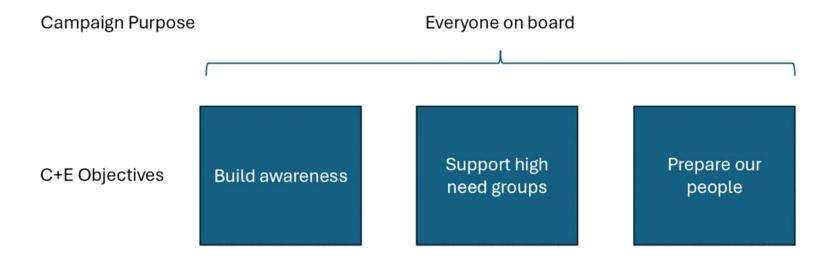
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Purpose + objectives



The C+E strategy will be delivered over two phases:

- Phase one: supporting existing passengers to transition to the new network
- Phase two: increasing patronage with new passengers.



Timeline





- C+E Workshop, vulnerable community hui (older people, disabled people, rangatahi, impacted areas e.g. Flaxmere),
- NCC + HDC C+E engagement,
- · C+E Strategy development;
- Campaign collateral development,
- Key stakeholder engagement on planned changes,
- Project partner engagement on campaign support (Hospital, Airport, EIT, Sports Park);
- Pre-change campaign, onbus and key site engagement, comms via Council and partner channels (schools, vulnerable communities);
- Launch,
- Post-change campaign,
- · Key site engagement;
- Feedback on loop changes,
- · Refinement,
- Deliver phase two of plan focussed on new passengers.



Key stakeholders

We will develop tailored engagement approaches for key stakeholders and communities that will face significant change or will need more support to transition. We are particularly focussed on:

Older people

People with disabilities

Rangatahi

We will hold workshops with representatives and advocates from these groups, seeking guidance and understanding barriers

Specific communities

(Flaxmere, Tait Dr, Church Road, MyWay users)

We will seek guidance from community leaders



Risks + opportunities

Key risks

Vulnerable users not engaged or supported through change

(service reduction, access difficulties)

Potential for negative coverage detracting from campaign

(e.g. MyWay cancellation)

School bus routes changing at the same time

(miscommunication, unhappy communities)

Key opportunities

Reset public perception with improved service

Better access to key locations

(Airport /Sports Park/ Hospital)

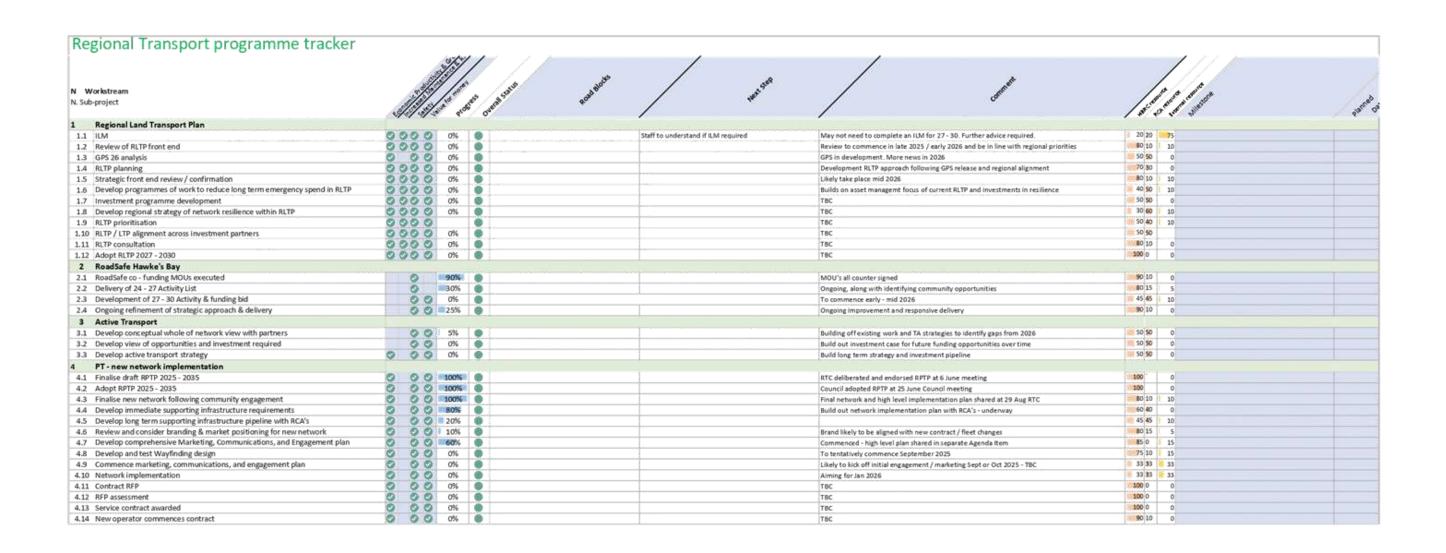
Increasing independence for reliant communities

(e.g. Gold Card users free journey to Sports Park/Airport during off peak hours)

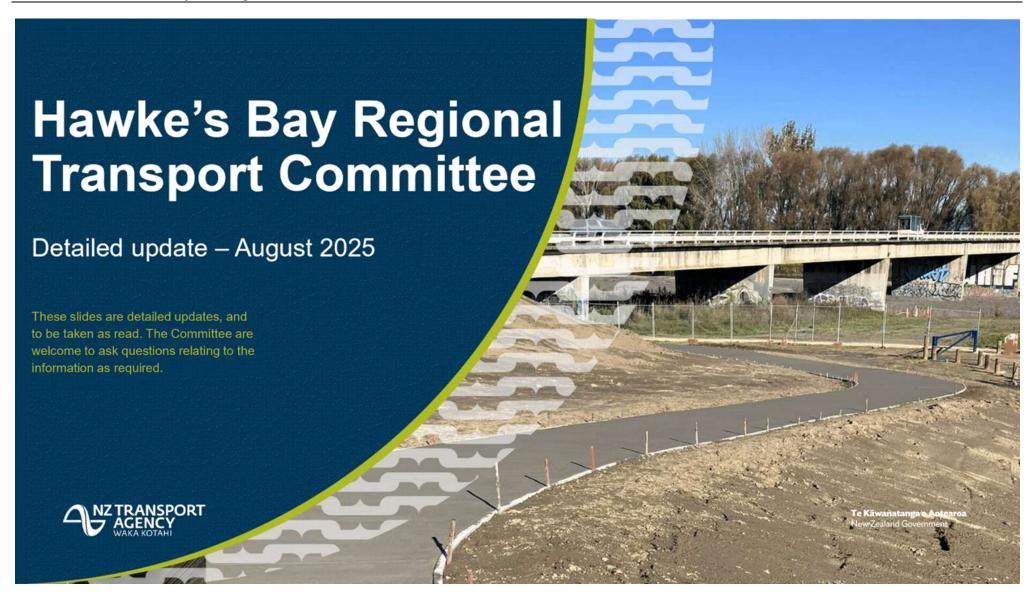








Item 6 Regional Transport Programme August 2025 update



Hawke's Bay Project Updates

Activity	Est Value	Key date(s)	Progress	Commentary
SH50 Prebensen Hyderabad Intersection Upgrades	\$3.95m	Complete FY25		 Shared path and lane changes; split into separate portions to support staged delivery. The final section – now underway- includes a pedestrian crossing over the rail line at Prebensen Drive. This will link the shared user paths on either side of the crossing, providing a safe and accessible crossing point for people walking and cycling. Construction has begun adjacent to the road corridor on the Southern section. Works within the corridor, which are expected to impact traffic, are scheduled to begin in mid-September following the communications rollout.
SH5 Napier to Taupō safety improvements	\$15m	Completed FY25		 8 Sites on SH5 completed, the treatments include improved line marking, safety barriers at high-risk sites and improved shoulder widths. Project was completed by TREC in conjunction with Cyclone Gabrielle network repairs. This has now added an additional 6km of guardrail on the network. Crews are currently working through the defect period. Second coat seals will need to be applied in the next construction season. (no change)
SH38 Tall Oil Pitch Application (Stage 2)	\$8m	Completed April 2025		 Project was completed in April Crews are currently working through the defect period Delivered in partnership with Ngãi Tūhoe Tūhoe crew have stood up a crew to monitor and repair potholes if required across the three sites.

SH38 Nature's Road Tall Oil Pitch Application

The project was completed in April 2025

In total, the project delivered:

- 2.807 kms of roadside safety barrier
- 18.5 kms of road was treated with Tall Oil Pitch

The three newly treated sites will be monitored for technical performance with a view to treating the entire Nature's Road with Tall Oil Pitch in the future.

Crews continue to work through the defects period, with efforts to establish a maintenance plan also ongoing.



Map of sites being treated with Tall Oil Pitch

Bridge Repairs

SH51 Tutaekuri Bridge (Waitangi)

- Construction started in July and expected to be completed in December
- TREC recovery scope:
 - o Debris clearance on both sides of the river
 - Repairing concrete piles
 - Replacing 14 damaged bracing beams under the cycle path

SH50 Ngaruroro Bridge - Fernhill

- Funding application for bridge strengthening still pending all NLTP funding allocated; potential reallocation from other programmes still being looked into but uncertain.
- Repair of slumping on northern end of the bridge complete

SH50 Mangamate Bridge

- Damaged barrier replacement
- Construction expected to be completed September 2025





SH51 Tutaekuri Bridge



SH50 Mangamate Bridge Barrier

Maintenance & Operations update

Pothole response

Government expectation:95% of potholes on high classification roads to be repaired within 24 hrs of identification

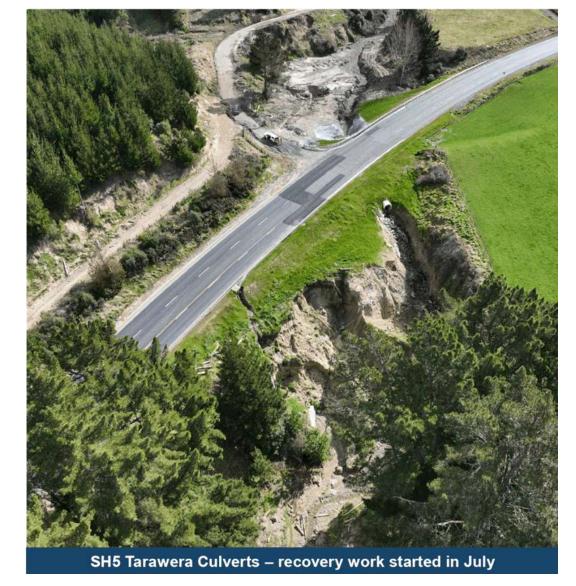
85% of potholes on lower classification roads to be repaired within 24 hrs of identification

Pothole response Hawke's Bay June, July, August (up to 13/8) 2025

	Completed	Total	% Completed	% Target
High classification roads (95%)	970	970	100%	100%
Low classification roads (85%)	268	268	100%	100%

TREC Alliance

- TREC close out planning underway as work programme moves closer towards completion
- Late 2025 most Hawke's Bay projects complete – some continue into 2026 including work on SH38
- Some additional Devil's Elbow drainage works starting this year from NZTA
- TREC presence in Hawke's Bay will continue to evolve in line with the work programme.





Follow-ups from previous Regional Transport Committee meetings

6 June 2025

	Agenda Item	Follow-up required	Responsible	Status Comment
1	Regional Public Transport Plan review	Present final proposed public transport network to RTC	Russell Turnbull / Transport TAG	Presented as an Agenda item at the 29 August RTC meeting
2.	Public transport update	Longer term passenger data was requested.		Data updated to give 13 month rolling average patronage
3	Advisory members' updates	Councils to be provided with the opportunity to provide updates	TA TAG members	HBRC Governance Team sought updates for the 29 August RTC meeting from TA Transport TAG members via email.
4	Parliamentary enquiry into ports and the maritime sector	Prepare a submission to the Parliamentary enquiry into ports and the maritime sector for the Chair's signature and lodgement by 13 July 2025	Transport TAG / Katrina Brunton	Completed and submitted by 13 July deadline. Copy attached for reference.