

Inglewood Community Board Plan 2020-2023

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Te Mahere o Te Rūnanga Hāpori o Kohanga Moa 2020 -2023

The Inglewood Community Board Plan sets out the visions and aspirations of the Inglewood Community Board. This Plan has been reviewed with input from the community via a survey and discussions. The Plan provides the New Plymouth District Council with an insight about the matters that are important to the Inglewood community board area, and where investment and action is needed.

Whakatauki

Manaaki whenua, manaaki tangata, haere whakamua

Care for the land, care for people, go forward.



Te Kaunihera-ā-Rohe o Ngāmotu

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Acknowledgements

The Inglewood Community Board would like to thank the members of the community who volunteered their time and to participate in this process, as time permitted, by attending a community board meeting or completing the online survey.

How to submit a Service Request or Report an Issue

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Message from the Chair

It is a pleasure to present this 2020 Community Board Plan on behalf of the Board.

A lot of work has gone into preparing the Plan and it was amidst the turmoil of COVID19 and providing input into the Long-Term Plan, that this work was undertaken.

A comprehensive survey was completed by a record number of responders, some 466 took time to consider those thoughts and ideas raised by the Community and the Board, which has given a very useful insight into what is important to us as a community. And what is less so.

The increased interest by the community at large is tangible evidence that we have an engaged community, interested and passionate about what happens and what is planned for the Inglewood district. Aspirations were wide and varied with a majority focused on road, walking and cycling safety, with the sense of community and lifestyle also being important aspects of living in Inglewood.






This plan is the result of building on the 2017 Community Plan and marking those projects that have been completed, while updating projects that are relevant and contemporary. It is not and was never intended to be, a complete rewrite of the 2017 Plan, rather a fine tuning of what was already established and building on the success of previous undertakings. Inglewood continues to achieve and hold its own even in difficult times, as the year 2020 is proving to be. Much of the success we enjoy comes from the community engagement in commerce, volunteering time and resources through cultural and charitable endeavours and enthusiasm in the sporting arena.

I imagine all Community Boards strive to make their town a better place to live, play and work and, this Board is no different, we want the best for our community and it is with this thought in mind, that I present this 2020 Community Board Plan to you, our District Councillors and the Council staff, who I thank for their effort and commitment in assisting us in its preparation and delivery, especially my fellow Community Board members.

E āku iti, e āku rahi, kahore he kore ko ngā Poari Hāpori katoa e wawatatia ko a tātou taone he wahi pai rawa kia whakatipu whānau, kia whai mahi, kia whai oranga ngākau hoki. E āku rangatira, korekau rerekētanga o ngā whakaaro o tēnei Poari hoki. Na reira, i runga anō i ēnei kupu rangatira e tono atu ahau te Mahere Hapori 2020 ki a koutou. Otira koutou ngā ringa raupa o te Kaunihera o kōnei e kore e mutu ngā mihi ki a koutou, ko koutou tēnā e hapaitia te whakarite tika te mahere nei. Ko te whakaaro mutunga maku ki mihi atu ki ngā mema Poari kia angitu tātou.

MS Cook
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Executive Summary

In 2017 the Inglewood Community Board facilitated a community engagement process that led to the development of its first Inglewood Community Board Plan (the Plan). The Plan was developed by the Inglewood Community Board and supported by a focus group of community members who were invited, by the community board, to participate. The Plan was developed in parallel to plans being developed in the Kaitake, Waitara and Clifton community board areas.

The Inglewood Community Board has endeavoured to respond to the priorities of all who have participated in this review process. However, it has not been possible to reflect all of the aspirations as community board recommendations. The hope of the community board is, that over the life of the Long-term Plan, many more of the community's identified priorities can be addressed.

Why review Community Board Plan?

Three years is a long time in local government. Between elections, or as a result of elections, priorities can change within communities and surrounding areas, for example:

- ◆ What seemed very important three years ago may no longer be important to the community today;
- ◆ New issues have arisen or have been resolved within the community;
- ◆ Projects or aspirations identified have been achieved;
- ◆ Local Government legislation changes may have occurred.

Due to these reasons alone, it is necessary for the community board to review their plan to ensure that is the best representation of the current issues and aspirations within their community.

The community board has prioritized the aspirational projects it will put forward for funding in the Long-Term Plan, taking into account what the community has told us. The prioritization is shown in this document and will be further supported by a submission to the Long-term Plan through the statutory consultation process to be held in March 2021.

How we got the feedback

It must be acknowledged that as the community board were due to begin the review of this Plan, COVID-19 Level 4 lockdown was introduced, which prevented planning of face-to-face community meetings. The community board did, however, continue with the review process through an on-line and hard-copy survey. The 2017 survey attracted 227 responses, while the 2020 survey received 466 responses.

The survey generated substantial information about the issues and aspirations of the community, however some of those identified are beyond the scope of Council activity, thus a partnership with iwi, community and social services organisations, government agencies and business will be required to further consider the action required in these areas.

This Inglewood Community Board has considered the results of the survey, and has prioritised the feedback from this process and understanding of the issues and aspirations that require attention in the community.

The community board has endeavoured to respond to the priorities indicated by those who have participated in this process; however it is not possible to reflect all of the aspirations. The hope of the community board is that over the life of the Long-Term Plan (LTP) many more of the community's identified priorities can be addressed.

The priorities that are recommended to the Council cover: Recreation and Events; Transportation; Growth; Tourism; Water and Waste Management; and Citizens and Community Engagement and acknowledgement of a partnership with iwi and hapū.

Indicative Budget and Funding Sources

There are a number of ways that community board initiatives can be funded:

- ◆ Through general rate funding. The Council decides on the share of general rate funding provided to projects identified by community boards. All decisions on investment in new facilities and major upgrades of facilities are made by Council.
- ◆ By leveraging involvement of other partners such as the private sector, community and other public sector agencies.

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Council's Response to COVID-19

Our world was upended by Covid-19. After the national lockdown, New Zealand managed 102 straight days with no community transmissions. Now we're back in Level 2, showing how unpredictable the pandemic is. The shockwaves have knocked our economy badly and we want to make sure Taranaki is managing the turmoil and planning ahead.

Economic consultants Infometrics in July said that while the economic damage to the country will not be as bad as first thought, New Zealand's economy at the end of next year will still be almost 5 per cent smaller than it was pre-Covid-19.

The Government is leading the economic and social recovery and the regions have their bit to play. In Taranaki, NPDC will be a major player. Partnering with iwi and supported by Venture Taranaki Trust, the work we do in coming years will lay the foundations of our recovery and help determine how quickly our community and economy bounces back.

Over the next year, we're expecting a drop in revenue of about \$5.4million. That sounds bad but our books were looking strong when we entered this unprecedented event. International ratings agency Standard and Poor's rated us AA/A-1+, the best possible rating for local government in New Zealand, and the Perpetual Investment Fund, our long-term nest egg valued at about \$273 million, helps us to reduce the cost of rates on households and businesses.

This enabled us to set aside around \$20 million for our Back on Our Feet initiative, including:

- ◆ Rates holidays for struggling households and businesses.
- ◆ Zero-interest and cheap loans to make homes warmer and greener.
- ◆ Slashing licence and on-street dining fees for the hospitality sector.
- ◆ Grants for main street property-owners and businesses to spruce up buildings and shop frontages.
- ◆ Fees cuts for builders and developers.
- ◆ Rent relief for commercial and community tenants.
- ◆ Help for small and medium-sized businesses.
- ◆ An hour's free parking for shoppers.

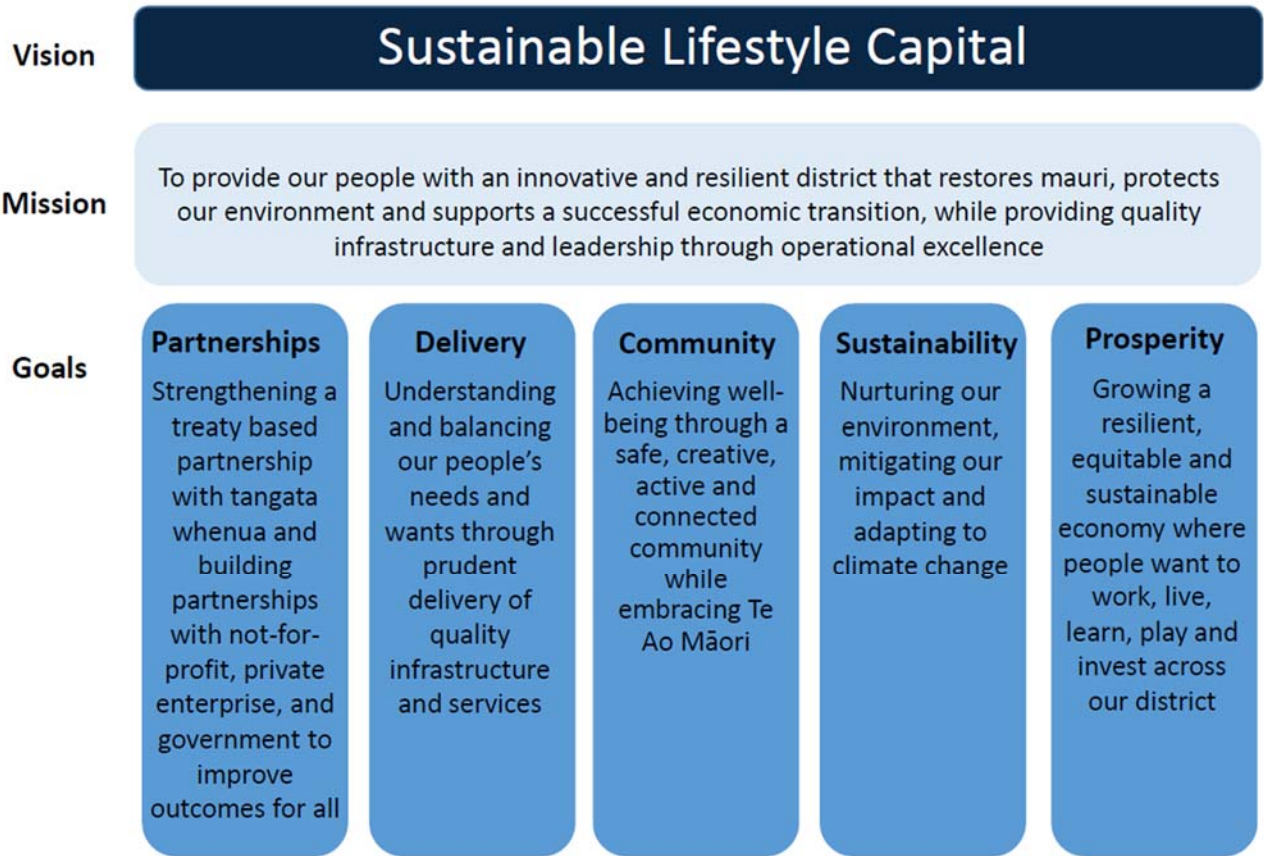
We're also giving local firms a head-start when we go looking for suppliers and we're encouraging our residents to buy local too.

During lockdown and Level 3 we worked hard to find out what you thought of our Covid response package. Almost a thousand people filled in our survey and many more shared their thoughts on our Zoominars.

But have we got the economic medicine about right? Or should we be looking to find more savings in our operations or be investing more in major work programmes to create jobs and stimulate the local economy? Or finding other ways to support ratepayers, industry and business?

Our long-term economic development strategy Tapuae Roa has now been joined by the Taranaki 2050 roadmap and both paint an exciting future. While the region and New Plymouth pivot to respond to the economic and social challenges of Covid 19, some might say that the ideas and innovations set down in these plans are more relevant than ever.

New Plymouth District Council's Strategic Framework



Inglewood Community Board Vision

To advocate for the Inglewood district residents and businesses and protect the environment and assets to ensure the community thrives for future generations

Our Key Focus Areas

Recreation and Events

Our community, young and old and of all abilities, to have access to a wide range of recreation opportunities for health, well-being and enjoyment.

Transportation

Our communities are well connected to each other, and New Plymouth, via public transport and efficient and safe roads.

Growth

The Inglewood area, both urban and rural, is a great place to live so we need to plan for growth to create a sustainable and prosperous local and rural economy.

Tourism

We will work with the local residents and business owners to make Inglewood a vibrant destination for visitors to the region.

Infrastructure

We will strive to advocate for a healthy environment and good infrastructure so that future generations can enjoy Inglewood as much as we do.

Citizens and Engagement

We will work together for our community and future generations, and acknowledge a partnership with Iwi and Hapū of the Inglewood area.

Our Priorities

The priorities that the Inglewood Community Board would like to see furthered as part of the Long-Term Plan commitments are detailed below.

Aspiration/Issue	Key Initiative	Key Focus Area
Years 1 - 3		
Dog control in Inglewood Cemetery	Adopt a dog ban or allowed on a leash policy for the Inglewood Cemetery. This will provide an enhanced experience and increased safety for visitors, no mess and no dogs running loose.	Recreation and Events
Develop and maintain safe walkways and cycle way trails for all users of all ages and abilities	The Windsor Walkway needs to be further developed and maintained to a safe level for walkers and cyclists of all ages and abilities. This is a popular Inglewood walkway and has not been well maintained. It has attracted TET funding in the past but improvements have been slow. Submissions by Inglewood Community were made in in AP 2011/12 to extend Windsor Walkway through to and up into Joe Gibbs reserve. Also 2013/14, 2015/25, 2016/17, 2018-28 Annual Plans.	Recreation and Events
Develop and maintain safe walkways and cycle way trails for all users of all ages and abilities	Investigate development of a 5km walking/jogging/cycling loop connecting Joe Gibbs Reserve / Trimble Park / Jubilee Park. Further community engagement to be undertaken to ascertain community requirements for development of a safe walkway	Recreation and Events
Development of the Inglewood Railway Station land	Inglewood township is separated in two by the railway line, and pedestrian movement across the railway lines is disconnected, with 350m between the two pedestrian crossing points at either end of the block. Forgoing the opportunity to purchase the railway land and implement stronger pedestrian connections risk holding Inglewood's development back. The land and buildings that make up the Inglewood Railway Station and yard is currently land banked as part of the Treaty of Waitangi Settlement process.	Tourism; Destination
Public Toilets Upgrade	To provide modern, accessible, hygienic and fit for purpose accessible toilets to reflect positively on the town.	Tourism; Destination; Infrastructure
Safer Streets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Address road crossing safety issues on Rata and Matai Streets with a view to installing crossing lights and other safety features. ◆ Implement a lower speed limit of 30KMPH in the CBD zone. ◆ Additional accessible car parking spaces needs to be investigated. ◆ Footpaths are needed in some areas of Egmont Village. 	Transportation
Junction Road Works Programme	Complete the "Slippery Hill" project on Tarata Road using accumulated interest from the Junction Road Endowment Fund.	Transportation
Motorhome Dump-station	Develop an already identified area on Lincoln Road to install a dump station that is adjacent to the town oxidation ponds and pumping station. Allows Inglewood to be registered as motorhome friendly, to join Opunake, Stratford and New Plymouth in that designation. Local contractors and NZMCA have offered to invest in a partnership with NPDC to see this project come about before the end of 2020.	Tourism Infrastructure
Inglewood CBD Upgrade	Improvements of the presentation and facilities within the Inglewood CBD zone. Such as tables and chairs, accessible access, bikes racks, a safe and inviting environment for the community to stop and enjoy. To bring a more socially connected commerce environment, supporting local businesses.	Growth; Recreation and Events; Tourism

Aspiration/Issue	Key Initiative	Key Focus Area
Improved cleanliness of footpaths	Maintenance of footpaths is good in Inglewood. Improvements are required to improve the cleanliness of the footpaths to prevent slipping by walkers.	Transportation; Growth
Improved drinking water quality for all residents and businesses	Continue communication links between council and community to keep community informed of work plan and timings.	Infrastructure; Growth
Improved rubbish and recycling facilities in the Inglewood CBD Area to comply with zero waste policy	Facilities are currently non-compliant with zero waste policy and needs to be reviewed.	Tourism; Recreation and Events; Infrastructure
Improved recycling options for the Inglewood rural area.	The Inglewood Transfer Station access road is in a state of disrepair and qualifies as 3rd World Standard. Greater use and better, safer access might encourage more people to use.	Infrastructure; Growth
Appropriate stormwater drainage be implemented and maintained.	Address Miro, Maire and Brown Streets stormwater issues.	Infrastructure; Growth
	Council to investigate upgrading stormwater facilities around the Egmont Village School and Egmont Village to cope with the high rainfall.	
Increase communication to improve awareness of issues and aspirations in the Inglewood area	Communication updates through Moa Mail and regular updates on Facebook page to keep the community updated on community board and council events.	Citizens; Growth
Shading for Jubilee Park Playground	The community board would like to see the provision of shading over the playground at Jubilee Park.	Recreation and Events
Years 4-10		
Inglewood Swimming Pool shelter	Installation of a shade structure over pool surrounds for all-weather use through the season.	Recreation and Events
Motorhome and Caravan park	The Inglewood Community Board would like to see consideration given to planning for a motorhome and caravan park. There is potential to bring motorhome owners (members of NZMCA) to Inglewood and support the local economy through providing accommodation for visitors to the TET Stadium events, Mt Taranaki (which is on the Inglewood doorstep) and the proposed Taranaki Traverse. In conjunction with the project to install a dump station in Inglewood, this promotes Inglewood as a motorhome friendly community. Inglewood presently lacks a supply for accommodation for tourists.	Tourism Recreation and Events
Years 10+		
Develop and maintain safe walkways and cycle way trails for all users of all ages and abilities.	Investigate cycle way connections from Inglewood to Egmont Village, Bell Block and New Plymouth.	Recreation and Events; Destination
Advocacy Years 1-3		
Safer pedestrian crossings in central Inglewood – Northern end	Safer street crossing amenities will reduce community and parental anxiety, reduce the possibility of injury or worse to the many school children that cross Rata St each day. Konini Street is to have a 22 home development begin in the near future which will increase pedestrian traffic needing to cross Rata St. Centre-line refuge area and orange flashing lights activated by pedestrians should be considered. Lower speeds saves lives.	Transportation

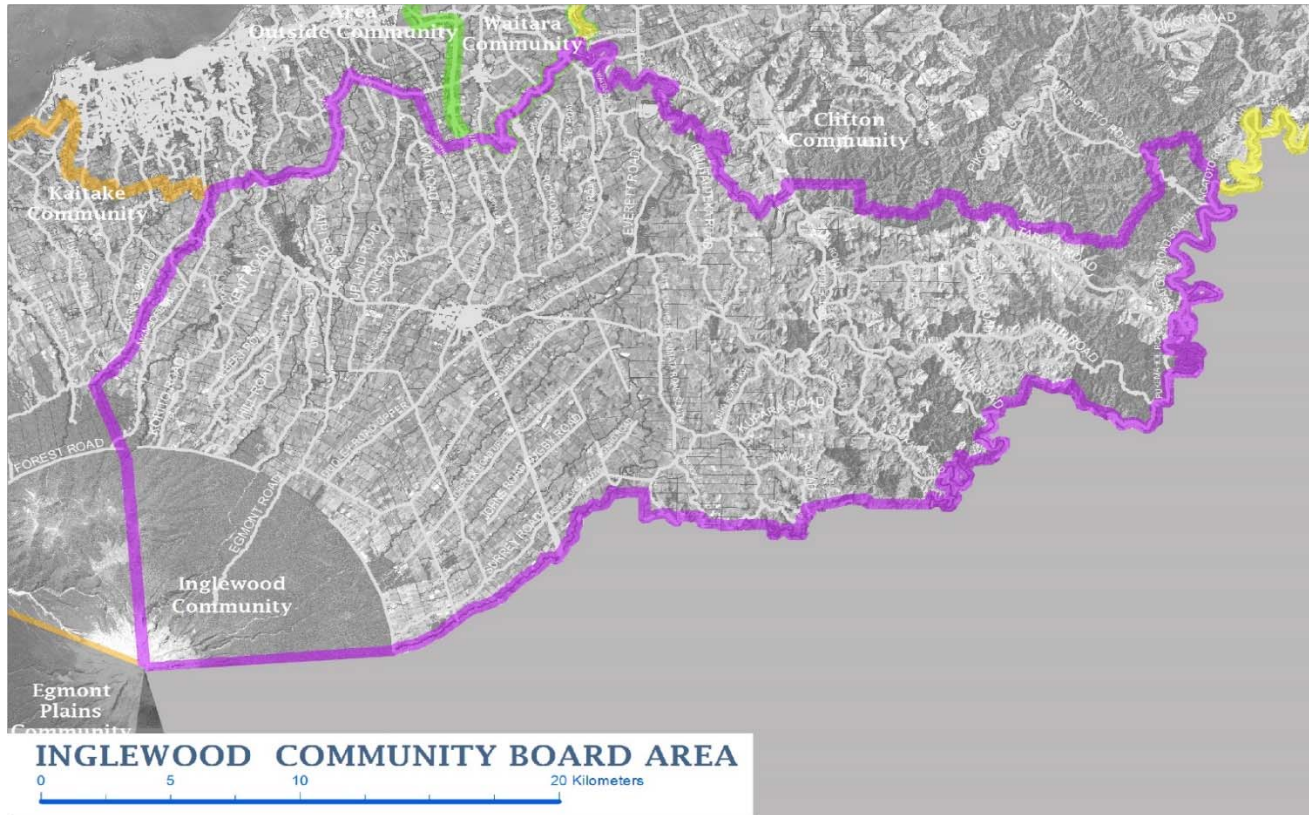
Aspiration/Issue	Key Initiative	Key Focus Area
Safer Roads	<p>Consult with Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to improve safety at the intersections of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rata St/Matai St 2. Mountain/Dudley Roads 3. Matai Rd/Kelly St 4. Upland Road/SH3 5. SH3, Egmont Road, Egmont Village 6. Durham/Mountain Roads 7. Lepper Road/SH3 <p>Submission to 2018-28 Annual Plan to support a submission to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to reconfigure Durham, Dudley and Lepper Roads intersection with SH3. Further measures are needed at intersections of Upland and Egmont Roads as well. Reduce rural road speed limit to 80KMPH. Durham and Dudley intersection zone has a history of fatalities and accidents. Turn right lanes have been planned for some years and they need the highest priority for implementation. Lower speeds saves lives.</p>	Transportation
Elliott Street Precinct	<p>Work in partnership with community groups to develop the area which has the TET Stadium as a central feature and include Rata Street through Elliott St to Carrington St as a precinct that is inclusive of all sports and recreational codes and facilities. A common beneficial complex complimenting each activity, includes a café or restaurant and a destination area for community use. There are interested parties keen to establish a working party to pursue this proposal, to which Inglewood Community Board would be an interested party.</p>	Recreation and Events; Tourism; Destination
Moa Project	<p>A community project supported by the community board and seeking Council support for the Community Project Team to install giant Moa Icon on Trimble Hill or other suitable site. Icon for the town and surrounding area. Emphasises the common current logo, a desire to build on this connection and create a 'heart' for the area and town to give Inglewood a point of difference. Not fully funded by Council but support of the project by the NPDC is important to its success, as the work will sit on council land and financial supporters will be comforted by Council's backing and assistance in planning and consents.</p>	Tourism; Citizens and Community Engagement; Recreation and Events.
Community Centre	<p>Support the development of a community centre which could be a focus of the local Kohanga Moa Marae. A groundswell of people in the community see the need to be able to meet and support each other and those that are at risk of becoming flotsam within the community. Social interaction is key to a lively, buoyant and supportive community and Inglewood sees this as a need which requires a place to call home.</p>	Growth; Citizens and Community Engagement
<p>Advocacy Ongoing as required The community board will continue to advocate on behalf of the Inglewood Community on the following issues as and when required.</p>		
Maintain public transport links.	Consult with Taranaki Regional Council to establish better transport links for the Inglewood Community	Growth; Transportation
District Plan Review	<p>Advocate for requirements of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Industry and small business in the Inglewood Area ◆ Land allocated for new industry / commercial use ◆ Business, farming and industry when planning for future population growth 	Growth; Tourism; Recreation and Events; Community Engagement

Aspiration/Issue	Key Initiative	Key Focus Area
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ More specialty shops in Inglewood CBD and surrounding area. 	
Make it attractive for people to live in Inglewood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Planning for future housing of our senior citizens ◆ Attract services such as medical, broadband ◆ Promotion of Inglewood as a destination 	Growth; Destination; Infrastructure
Support community events	Support community groups, ie Inglewood First, to continue to provide community events such as Americarna, Christmas Parade	Tourism; Recreation and Events
Acknowledge and celebrate the history of our place and our people	Support community projects and opportunities that promote our history and our heritage	Citizens and Community Engagement
Work in partnership with mana whenua with interests in our area, and advocate for representation for all.	Develop mutual dialogue with mana whenua of the Inglewood area.	Citizens and Community Engagement
Protection of our rivers and wetlands	Ensure authorities are aware of problems areas and implement appropriate strategies to protect and maintain our rivers.	Citizens and Community Engagement

Inglewood Community Board Area

The Inglewood Community Board helps make our community a better place to live by advocating on key issues on behalf of the community.

The iwi and hapū within this rohe are Te Atiawa, Manukorihi Hapū (Owae Marae), Otaraua Hapū (Mangaemiemi Marae) and Pukerangiora Hapū (Kairau Marae)



The Inglewood Community Board, supported by a focus group of local representative originally developed this Plan in 2017 to set a future direction (a 30 year vision) for the communities within the ward. Setting a long term direction helps to ensure that assets and resources are made available in the area of greatest need and want.

The Inglewood Community Board Plan sits alongside the Clifton, Waitara and Kaitake Community Board Plans setting out the vision, issues and aspirations of each community. This is the first review to be undertaken since the community board plans were originally approved and adopted in July 2017.

The Plan is a plan for the whole community – young and old, Māori and Pākehā, men and women, businesses and employees, families and more. The vision for our community can only come to life because it is innovative, forward looking, focused and cohesive.

The hope of the Inglewood Community Board is that the issues and aspirations of the community, as set out in this document, will be translated into action and investment by the New Plymouth District Council. This is a 30 year plan (reviewable every three years) and the community know that it will take this length of time for some of the investments into the community to be made. The community board recognizes that the community cannot expect to get everything that is wanted in the short term. However, it is important that the Council consider the views of the community and invest in the areas that have been identified as important.

Consultation with the Community

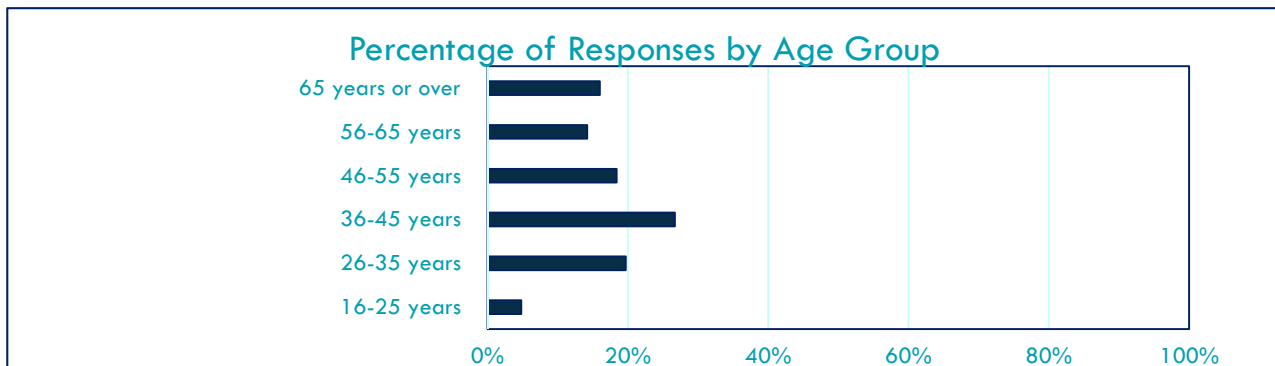
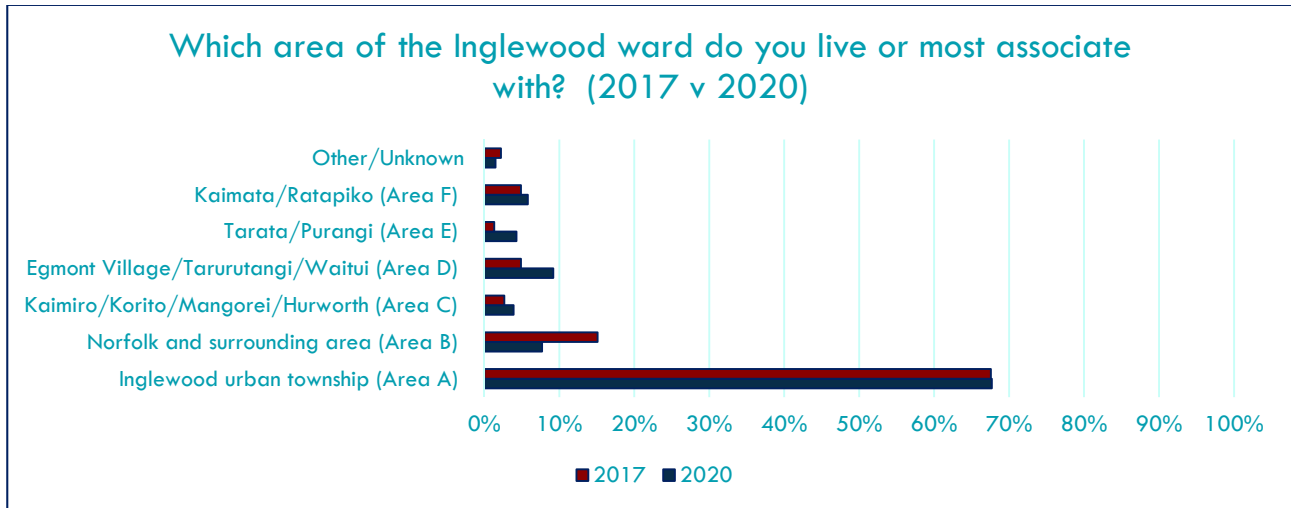
In April 2020, the Inglewood Community Board began a series of workshops to review the Plan. Unfortunately planning for community meetings had to be abandoned due to lockdown for the COVID-19 pandemic. The community board continued to plan for a survey which was made available online and in hardcopy.

The survey provided proposed statements from the existing community board plan key focus areas and asked the respondents to indicate the extent to which they agreed with the statements. In addition to the questions, the survey provided opportunities for respondents to provide additional commentary about the issues or other matters that were not identified.

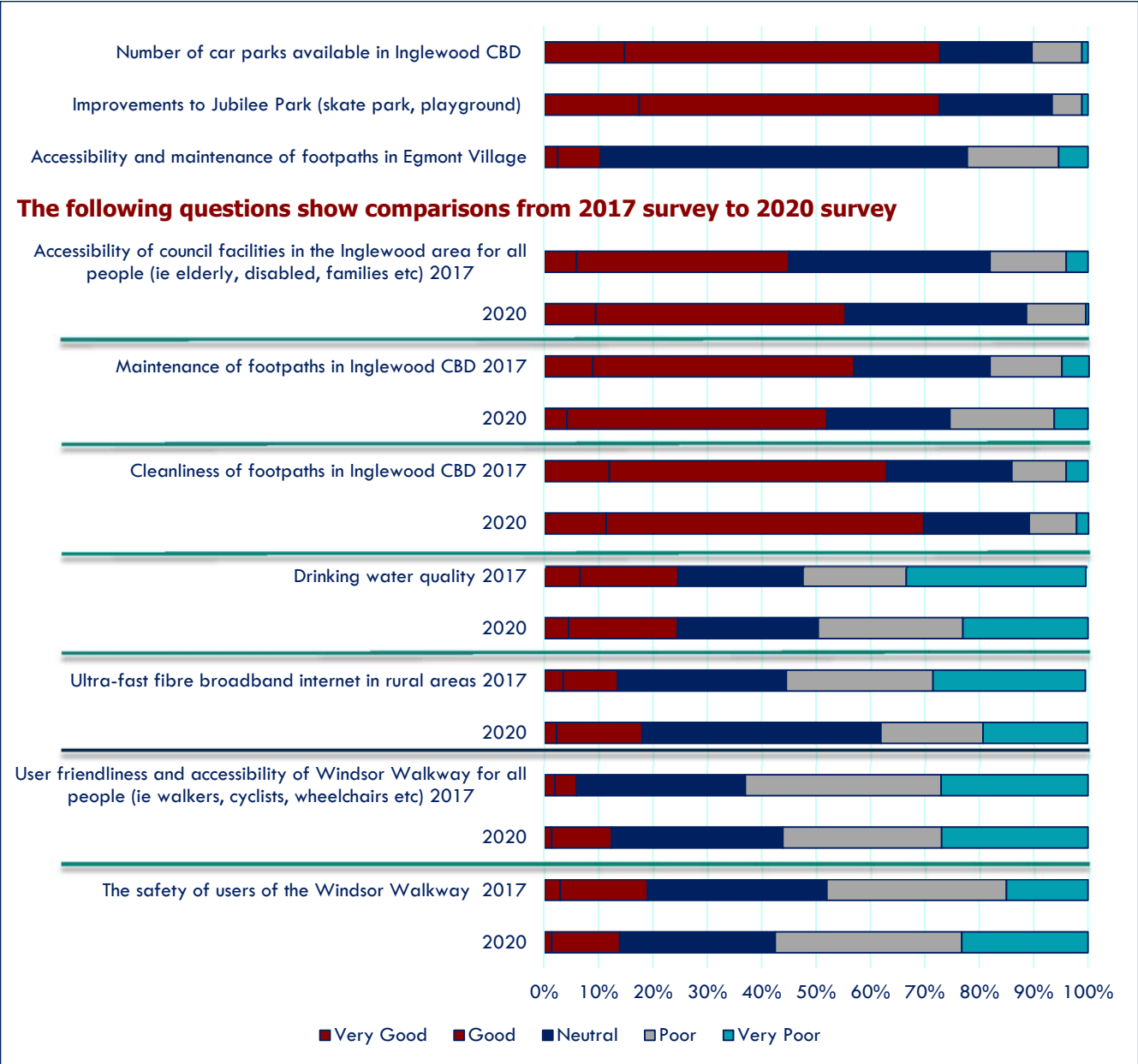
The survey was promoted by the community board and the New Plymouth District Council via their website, Facebook and Moa Mail.

The 2020 Plan Review survey had 466 completed responses. This compares to the 227 fully completed surveys in 2017. The feedback gathered from the people who offered their ideas and contributions via the survey and community conversations is reflected in this plan.

Community Survey

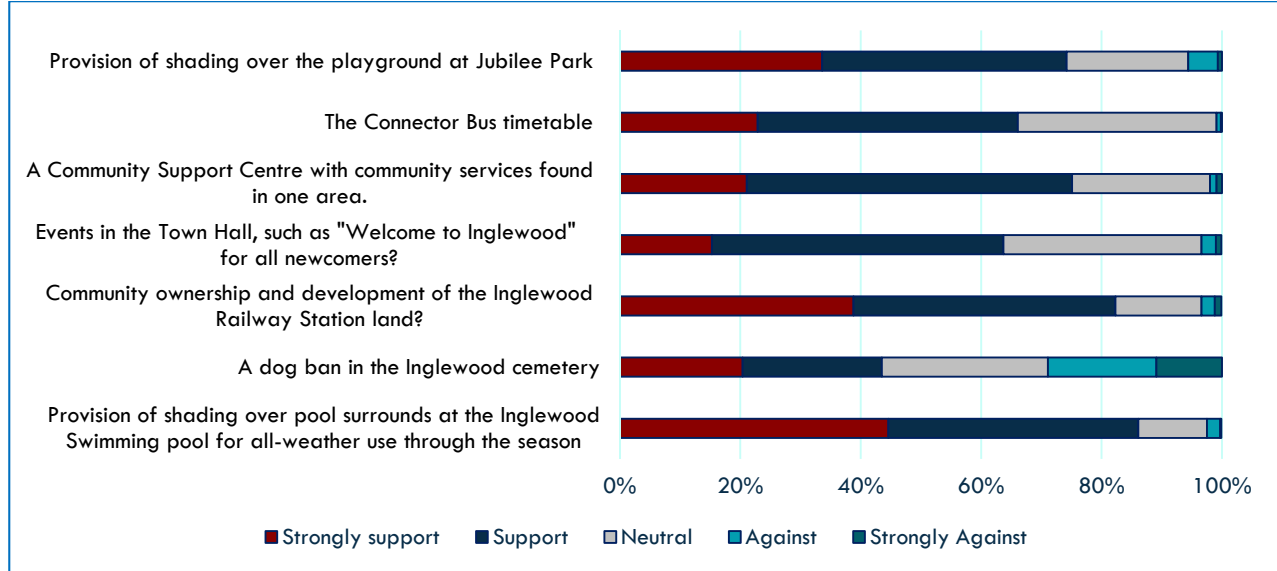


How do you rate the following in the Inglewood community board area?



- ◆ Community satisfaction regarding accessibility of Council facilities (in general), maintenance and cleanliness of footpaths has improved.
- ◆ Community satisfaction Windsor Walkway friendliness, accessibility and safety has decreased;
- ◆ Community satisfaction with regards to issues with Drinking Water quality remains effectively the same, with an increase in “very poor” compared to “poor”. This could be as a result of a substantial increase in number of surveys completed. It gives a better indication of the community satisfaction on these issues.
- ◆ Ultra-fast broadband has improved slightly in rural areas.

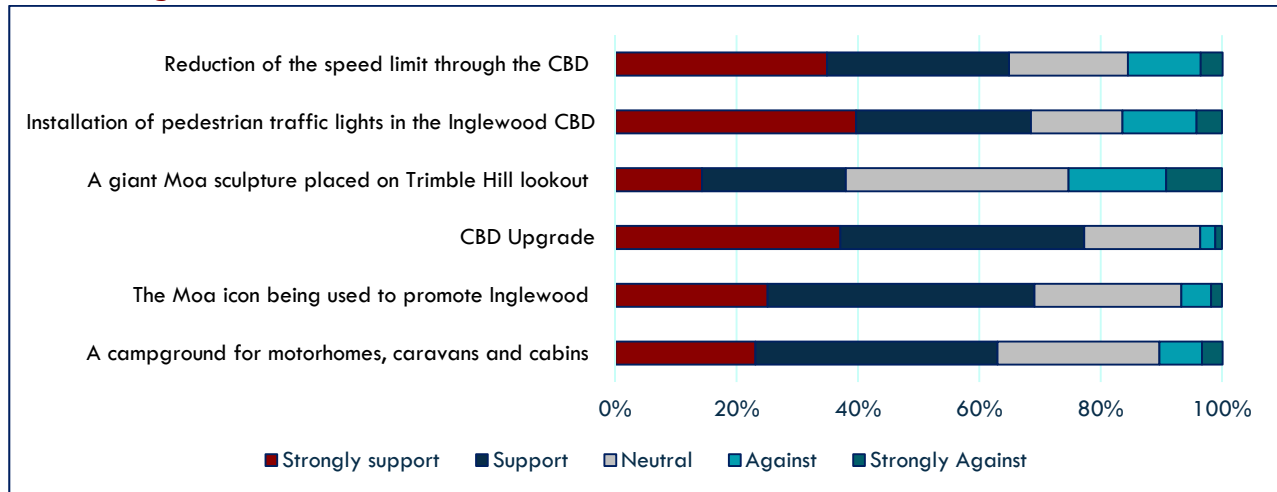
Thinking about the future, how much do you support the following community facilities and services for Inglewood Community Board area?



For comparison, in 2017:

- ◆ 64% supported improvement to public transport. In 2020 65% have indicated that they support the Connector Bus timetable service.

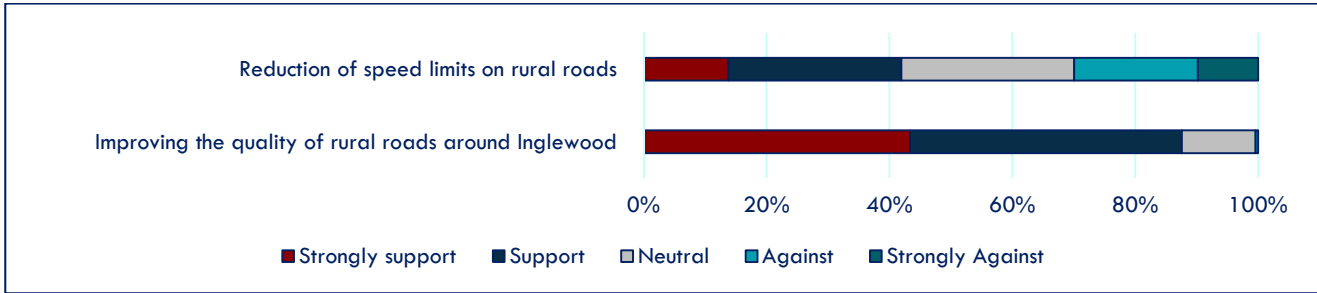
Thinking about the future, how much do you support the following tourism and CBD development ideas for Inglewood?



For comparison, in 2017:

- ◆ 75% indicated that safer pedestrian crossings were required within Inglewood CBD.
- ◆ 69% indicated that they would like to see Inglewood as a destination by attracting more speciality shops to Inglewood CBD and surrounding areas.
- ◆ 38% indicated that they would like to see provision for motorhomes and caravans/cabins for visitors to the area.

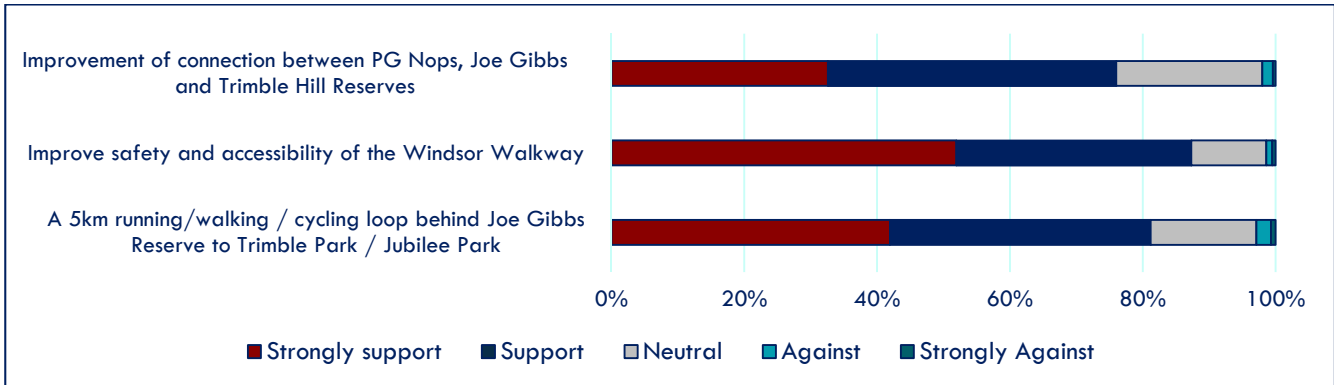
Thinking about the future, how much do you support the following roading infrastructure for Inglewood Community Board area?



For comparison, in 2017:

- ◆ 40% strongly support improvement for quality of rural roads was required compared to 43% in 2020, with 37.4% indicating support for improvement compared to 44% in 2020. This indicates a slight increase in community dissatisfaction with rural roads maintenance.
- ◆ There is a decrease in community satisfaction on rural road maintenance, there is less than 50% support for reduction of speed on the rural roads. *NB: Speed reduction question was not asked in 2017 survey.*

Thinking about the future, how much do you support the following walkways and cycle-ways ideas for Inglewood Community board area?



For comparison, in 2017:

- ◆ 74% wanted to see improvements made to Windsor Walkway.
- ◆ 64% supported the development of a 5km running / walking /cycling loop behind Joe Gibbs Reserve to Trimble Park / Jubilee Park.

Additional Comments

As was to be expected all of the issues that were proposed were perceived as still being important for the Inglewood community board area. When considering the issues, 87% respondents supported and strongly supported, the three more important issues were:

1. Improve safety and accessibility of the Windsor Walkway
2. Improving the quality of rural roads around Inglewood

3. Provision of shading over pool surrounds at the Inglewood Swimming pool for all-weather use through the season.

It is worth noting that these were closely followed by 80% or more of respondents support or strongly support for the following:

4. Community ownership and development of Inglewood Railway Station land; and
5. 1.5km running/walking/cycling loop behind Joe Gibbs Reserve to Trimble Park / Jubilee Park.

There were many comments received regarding Issues and Aspirations throughout the survey, too many to note in this Plan. Most of the comments largely aligned to the major issues already identified, however more detail and clarity was provided about the meaning of the particular issue.

Issues

Some notable comments on issues were:

- ◆ There needs to be a pedestrian crossing across Rata Street (Main Street) somewhere along the New Plymouth end of town. The road is getting busier and busier and is getting too dangerous for children and people to cross. There are two crossings in the CBD and yet none located down towards the end of town where the main schools are located. Many school children cross the main road and there are many accidents just waiting to happen!
- ◆ Take the trees out in the CBD they are dangerous during leaf fall.
- ◆ Footpath edges tidy up in lot of street. Trees hanging over footpaths cut back from residents grounds. Windsor Walkway upgrade.
- ◆ The Water My Goodness Please Fix the Brown Water 😊 To be fair, it has been ok for a while now! Hoping it stays this way!
- ◆ Quality of water is still an issue.
- ◆ The Jubilee park playground is not suitable for children under 4, no decent playground in Inglewood for that age group. Windsor Walkway very unsafe for walkers
- ◆ There needs to be some form of crossing on the main road by the purple dairy. It's such a hazard for all school goers and the elderly in the community.
- ◆ Crossing for kids to cross safely.
- ◆ Lepper Road Upper, Durham Road, and Dudley Road all need turning bays off the main road before someone dies.
- ◆ Speed limit in Inglewood reduced (or enforced 50km/h) on town entry/exit points.
- ◆ Speed in Egmont Village. 50kph speed restriction sign, south end of Egmont road (towards the mountain) is situated on a bend in the road, and has limited visibility to traffic entering the 50k zone, and would greatly benefit being relocated 100m further up towards the mountain. Currently traffic is still travelling too fast 100m down the road at the school.
- ◆ Egmont Village Noxious weeds: Tobacco weed and Agapanthus should be better controlled, especially on road verges and water tables.

Aspirations

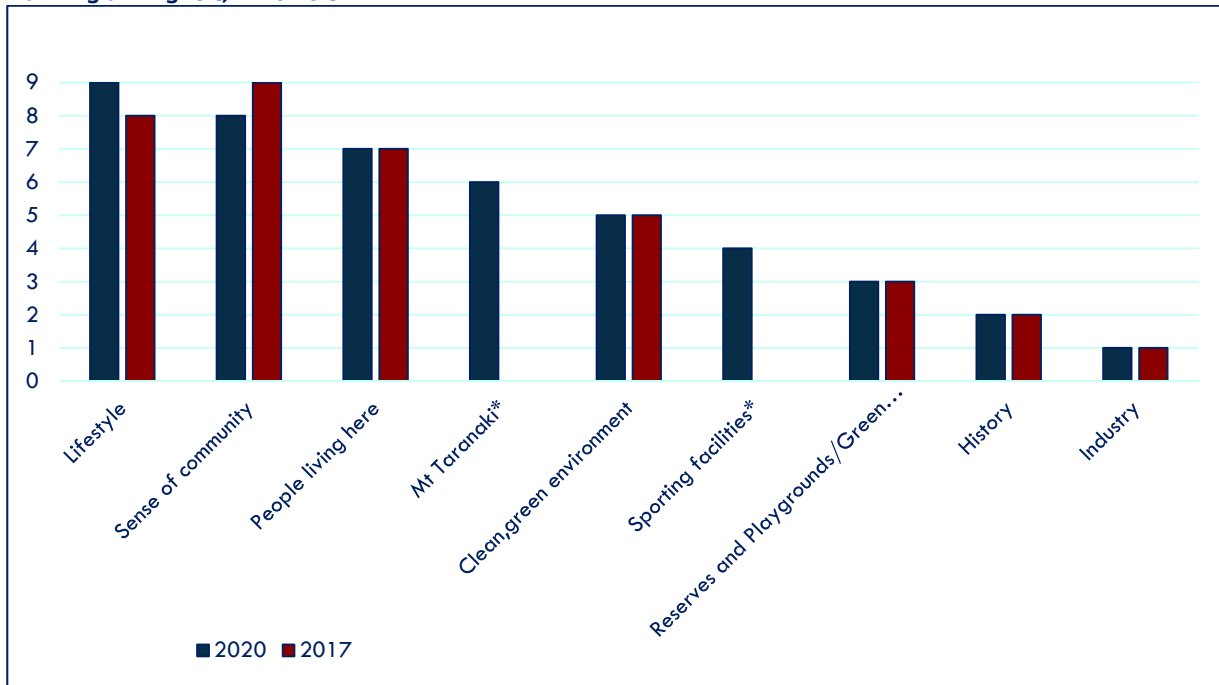
Additional comments received regarding aspirations for the Inglewood area were:

- ◆ I would like to see a clear/strong network developed that connects our current social support providers together in a way that we can identify the gaps or overlaps that exist with the overall provision of social support across our community.
- ◆Build on the work to date and make sure the things we do undertake are executed to the highest standard. Do it once, do it right.

- ◆ Inglewood needs a point of difference to attract people to visit here, to live here, work here. Ideas contributing to this might be based on development of the Railway Land and CBD, using the Station for an Arts and or business incubator, or Gallery of some kind. The Railway parking area while functional is not attractive. This end of the Railway land from the Band Rotunda to the Station needs beautification.....
- ◆ The little fairy lights bordering the main CBD streets are an excellent idea. It is quite unique to Inglewood, and makes it neat to drive through whenever I return to Inglewood from Stratford at night.
- ◆ Dog park would be great. Somewhere dog owners can let their dogs off leash.
- ◆ Work is underway on a collaborative active recreation space on Elliot Street (Jubilee Park User Group) that is being led by the Taranaki Community Stadium Trust (TET Stadium). There has been discussion about collaborating on operations, funding, membership management, marketing and also the introduction of a 'family pass' for all clubs/sports. We have an incredible opportunity to shape the future of active recreation on Elliot Street and we see walkway and covered swimming pool as an important part of that project.
- ◆ Speed limit reduced for the Windsor Walkway.
- ◆ Tours to Purangi to see kiwi at night, easy walks suitable for all ages and mobility. Also day tours to see bird life easy walks - suitable for all ages and mobility. Could bring extra tourism to Taranaki.

What makes Inglewood Community Board area a great place to live work and play?

Ranking 9 = highest, 1 = lowest



*Mt Taranaki and Sporting facilities were not asked but appeared in comments under "other" in the 2017 survey.

In 2017 the respondents were asked to select as many of the options as they liked to indicate what was important to them about Inglewood. In 2020, respondents were asked to rank from 1 to 9 what was important to them. Despite the different ways asked of respondents to answer the question, the results had very similar outcomes. This question did, however, cause confusion for some respondents completing a hard copy of the survey. 77% of respondents ranked the options correctly. A number of respondents who completed a hard copy survey marked most of the options as being in 1-3 rather than 1-9. These responses have not been included in the above graph as it would have skewed the outcomes.

Junction Road Endowment Funds – Works Programme

Junction Road Endowment Funds were not included in the original Community Board Plan, however it is appropriate that the aspirations and issues related to this work are noted in the Inglewood Community Board Plan as there is still a requirement for the works programme to be reviewed and planned for every three years and noted in the Long-Term Plan.

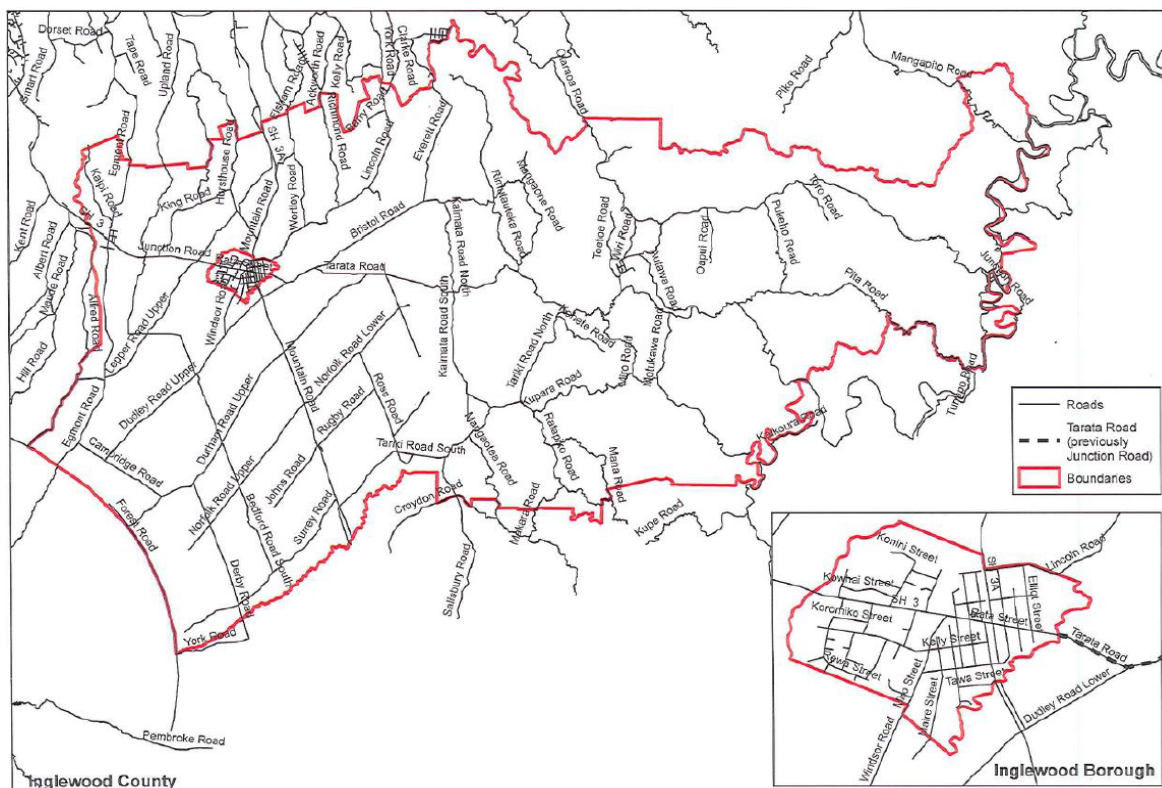


Figure 1 : Map of Inglewood County and Inglewood Borough

Background

On 23 July 2014, the Monitoring Committee resolved to commence Junction Road Works Programme project at a rate of \$800,000 per annum or a lesser amount and consultation was to be undertaken with residents of the former Taranaki and Inglewood county areas for the purposes of setting the priorities for the road works as identified in the Detailed Forward Works Programme for expending the proceeds from the sale of Junction Road Leasehold properties.

Consultation

A survey was undertaken inviting residents and road users; community meetings were held in Tarata and Inglewood. A further meeting was held at Kaimata Hall to provide feedback on the outcome of the survey (on 17 September 2014). All three meetings were publicly notified through the Moa Mail and Midweek.

Any projects that qualified for Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency funding assistance was removed and placed under general improvements and maintenance budgets.

At every meeting held, the issue of how the money was to be spent was raised by those in attendance. Those who were present were consistently advised that if they wish to make a change to how the funds were to be used, they would need to make this known to the elected members.

An unexpected outcome of the community engagement was the desire of the community to invest the principal and only use the interest for the purpose of the works programme as prioritized by the community. This was reported back to Council with the survey results and the Monitoring Committee resolved the following on 3 February 2015

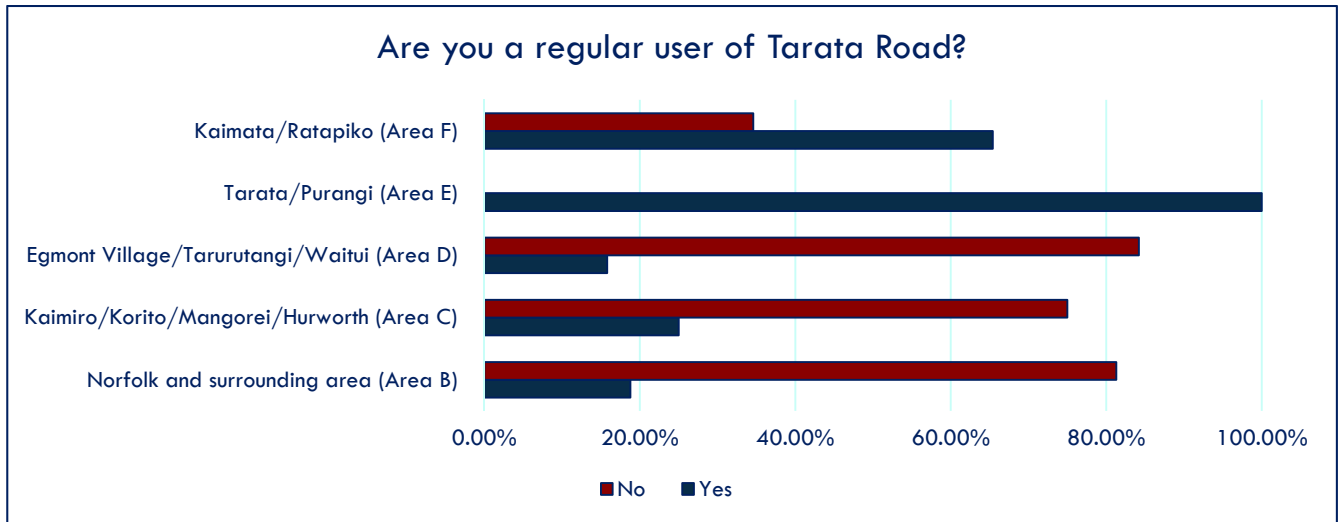
- (a) *This project is included within the Draft Long Term Plan for 2015-2025, commencing in 2015/16.*
- (b) *The forward works programme outlined in this report is endorsed.*
- (c) *That \$1 million from the Endowment Trust Account and the interest accrued over one year is used in year one to "kick start" the forward work programme to generate some impetuosity. Thereafter the interest only will be used each year to fund maintenance and improvement work in the former County of Inglewood.*
- (d) *A further review of the project priorities is undertaken for the 2018-28 LTP and thereafter at three yearly intervals, commensurate with the development of future Long Term Plans.*

To date, most of the top 15 safety improvements on Tarata Road have been completed with the exception of the "Slippery Hill" project, identified as priority number 1, which requires significant spend.

The Long-Term Plan 2018-2028 identifies \$220k¹ per annum over the next ten years. The cost of completing the required safety improvements at Slippery Hill is estimated to be between \$880k to \$1m. To take a lump sum from the Junction Road Endowment Fund will take a Council resolution. The survey respondents have indicated that they would like to see funds accumulated over 3-4 years to complete this project. A report to the community board and Council will be required if there is money to be taken out of the Principal investment to undertaken this project.

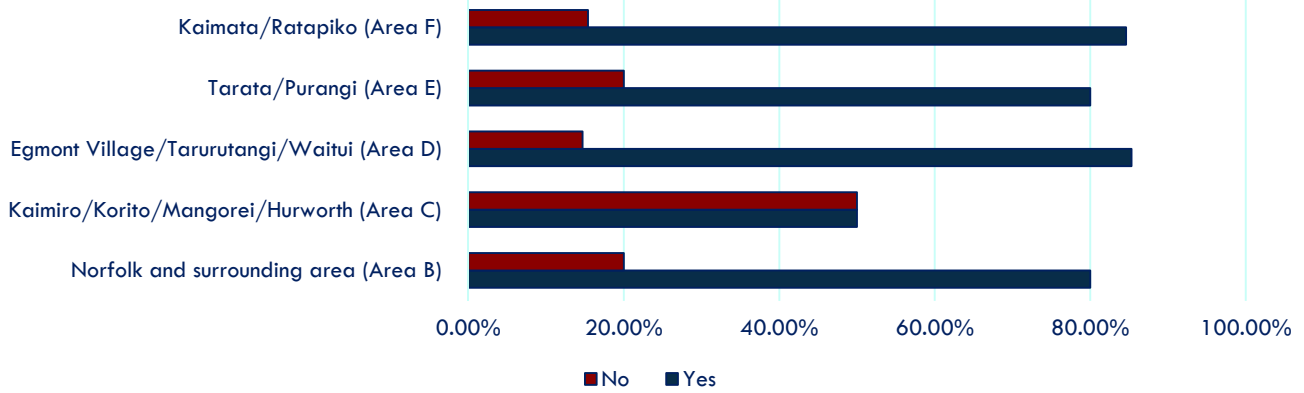
It is worth noting that the fund is not only for maintenance and improvements on Tarata Road, it is also for use throughout the areas previously known as "Inglewood County" and "Taranaki County". It cannot be used in the area known as the old "Inglewood Borough" ([shown on map at Fig. 1](#))

The community board survey asked three questions seeking feedback on the following three questions:

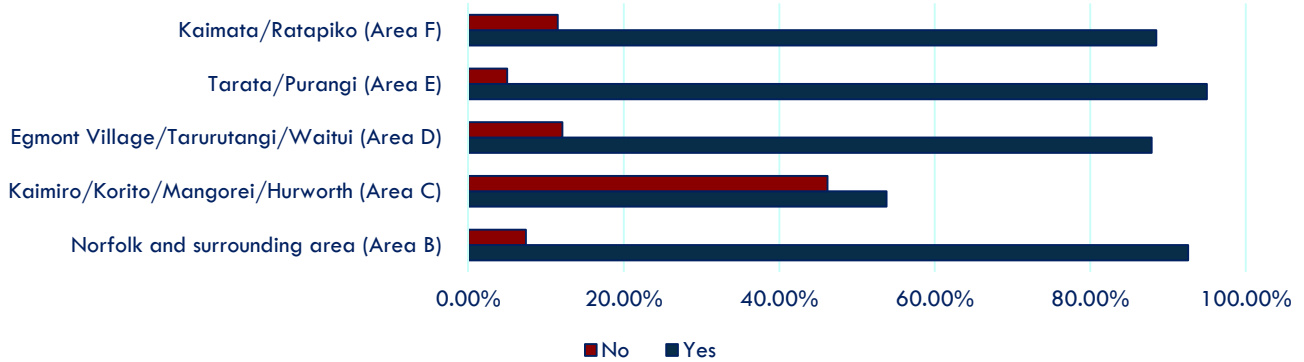


¹ NPDC Long-Term Plan 2018-2028 page 220

Q2. Would you support a major project to improve safety by the realignment of "Slippery Hill" on Tarata Road?



Q3. Do you agree that accumulation of income from the Junction Road Endowment Fund to apply to major safety improvement projects in the areas covered by the Endowment Fund, is a good use of the interest from the Funds?



- ◆ 444 responded to this section of the survey
- ◆ 21.8% of all respondents indicated they were regular users of Tarata Road.
- ◆ 32.4% of all respondents live in the areas previously known as "Taranaki and Inglewood Counties".
- ◆ 86.6% of those who live in the areas previously known as "Taranaki and Inglewood Counties" agreed that accumulation of income from the Junction Road Endowment Fund (the Fund) to apply to major safety improvements projects was a good use of the interest from the Fund;
- ◆ 83% of all respondents agree that accumulation of income to apply to a major safety improvement project was a good use of the interest from the Fund.
- ◆ 79% of those who live in the areas previously known as "Taranaki and Inglewood Counties" supported a major project to improve safety by the realignment of "Slippery Hill" on Tarata Road;
- ◆ 87% of all respondents supported this project.

There is substantial support for improvement of safety by the realignment of "Slippery Hill" on Tarata Road and that the accumulation of income from the Fund to apply to major safety improvement projects, was a good use of the interest from the Funds.

It should be noted that:

- ◆ Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency funding for maintenance on Tarata Road does not attract Junction Road Endowment Fund (the Fund) support.
- ◆ All work funded by the Fund is “additional maintenance” and safety improvements within the area previously known as the “Taranaki and Inglewood Counties”.
- ◆ Use of the “principal” money invested in the Fund would require a Council resolution.
- ◆ The Fund does not only cover Tarata Road, and consideration will need to be given to other safety improvements in the old “Taranaki and Inglewood” County areas.

Connecting to Relevant Plans and Strategies

District Blueprint

The New Plymouth District Blueprint is a high-level spatial plan for the district that supports and implements the Shaping Our Future Together vision and outcomes. The Blueprint helps guide Council decision-making to deliver more integrated social, economic and environmental outcomes for the community and is supported by Eight Key Directions ([Appendix 1](#)) that are integrated and multidisciplinary and will be the Council's focus for planning during the next 30 years. Within each key direction the actions required fall under different disciplines within the Council, and include infrastructure, strategy and policy, and district plan outcomes. The key directions also provide guidance to other government agencies, businesses, industries and the community on how the Council will focus its resources and deliver on the vision and community outcomes of Council.

For the Blueprint to remain relevant it needs to be weaved into local decision-making processes. This will allow it to be a highly relevant document with the intention of keeping the strategic planning of the district in front of mind when making decisions. To aid the Council with its decision making, the Inglewood Community Board's five key focus areas align with the eight key directions, being:

1. Environment – Enhance the natural environment with biodiversity links and clean waterways.
2. Communities – Strengthen and connect local communities.
3. Citizens – Enable engaged and resilient citizens.
4. Growth – Direct a cohesive growth strategy that strengthens the city and townships.
5. Industry – Strengthen and manage rural economy, industry, the port and the airport.
6. Talent – Grow and diversify new economies that attract and retain entrepreneurs, talented workers and visitors.
7. Central City – Champion a thriving central city for all.
8. Destination – Become a world-class destination.

Long-Term Plan (LTP)

The current Council's Long-Term Plan for 2018-2028 (LTP 2018-2028) is a 10 year investment programme. Council's investment in new water infrastructure, for instance, will continue to allow the community to prosper and grow through the provision of clean, drinkable water to households and businesses. Council's parks investments will provide for improvements to our environment, opportunities for people for recreation and fun, and continue to provide tourism opportunities to grow and prosper.

In implementing the vision and outcomes over the next 10 and 30 years, the Council needs to consider the future direction of the New Plymouth District. These are based on the trends seen in the community. Some of the forecasts act as the baseline compared to our aspirations for building a sustainable lifestyle capital, while others represent business-as-usual approaches or show the risks and challenge faced by our community.

The Council's LTP is currently under review in preparation for adoption on 30 June 2021 for the period 2021-2031. The community boards have been provided with an opportunity to have input into the Long-term Planning at the beginning of the process for the first time. The community board has presented its priorities for the next three years and ten years to the Long-term Planning team and will have another opportunity through its submission to the Long-Term Plan community consultation which will be held in March/April 2021.

Infrastructure Strategy

The infrastructure Strategy identifies the significant infrastructure issues the New Plymouth District is likely to face over the next 30 years.



It takes a long-term view of the infrastructure and services the New Plymouth district will need over time, and how the Council might provide them. As well as identifying the key issues, the Infrastructure Strategy details the options the Council has for managing these issues and the implications of each of these options. It also outlines the Council's preferred response and how much it is likely to cost. Sitting alongside the Financial Strategy, the Infrastructure Strategy helps the Council avoid any major surprises in the future.

In developing the Infrastructure Strategy, the Council considered:

- ◆ The infrastructure required to implement the strategic vision;
- ◆ How much the district will grow and where and when that growth will occur;
- ◆ The current state of the district's assets and the issues likely to arise over the next 30 years;
- ◆ The possible solutions to these issues and estimate of how much they are likely to cost; and
- ◆ The impact of any decisions on levels of service, rates and debt.

District Plan

New Plymouth District Council is required to prepare a district plan for the district. The purpose of district plans is to assist territorial authorities in carrying out their functions in order to achieve the sustainable management purpose of the Resource Management Act. District plans must give effect to national policy statements and regional policy statements and must not be inconsistent with regional plans and any applicable water conservation orders.

District Plans cover issues related to the functions of territorial authorities. These include:

- ◆ The effects of land use
- ◆ The control of land use for the purpose of:
 - Avoiding or mitigating natural hazards
 - The management of contaminate land
 - The maintenance of indigenous biological diversity
 - Noise
 - Activities on the surfaces of rivers and lakes

Proposed District Plan

The District Plan is being reviewed and updated and the Proposed District Plan was notified on 23 September 2019, with submission period open until 22 November 2019. The submission period is now closed. Staff are now working through the submission to summarise all the submission points received. Once this is completed, a summary of submissions report will be publicly notified and a call for further submissions made.



For updated details on where this process is, visit District Plan/Proposed-District-Plan on the council's website.

Concluding Remarks

Whilst the review of this Community Board Plan has been a relatively short process, the process has been positive and has sought to be as inclusive as possible given the time constraints and environment caused by COVID-19 lockdown.

The Inglewood Community Board recognise that this Plan is a journey; this is a living document and a living process.

In addition to the issues that have been highlighted in this plan which, in most cases, specifically relate to Council facilities, the community board are aware that their role extends far beyond advocating for infrastructure and service improvements.

There are many issues where the Council may not have direct control, but because the community board have been elected to represent their community, there is an expectation that we will be a voice for the community.

The Inglewood Community Board acknowledges that there is a State Highway (SH3) running through the centre of the Inglewood community, which causes major safety concerns for the community, both young and old. There is a community advocacy role for the community board to undertake on this issues and the community board are committed to working with the Council and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to find a safe solution to the issues and help reduce the risks to pedestrians who regularly cross the State Highway in the Inglewood Township.

We are also committed to advocating for the wider issues to improve the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of our community.

In working towards the vision, aspirations and issues that have emerged from this process, the community board are looking forward to the next stage of the journey; a journey that will afford us opportunities to work in close partnership with our fellow community board members in Kaitake, Clifton and Waitara, with iwi and hapū, with business and community organisations and groups across the Inglewood community board area and with the dedicated and committed individuals that call the Inglewood community board area their home.

Appendix 1 : Blueprint Eight Key Directions



Environment - Enhance the natural environment with biodiversity links and clean waterways.

The district is home to a unique natural environment with significant areas of indigenous vegetation, and rivers and waterways that flow from the mountain to the sea. Enhanced biodiversity will not only be positive for the natural environment and clean water but will also have significant cultural and economic spin-offs. Biodiversity outcomes will be achieved through collaborating with landowners and agencies – a multi-agency approach is required to achieve the desired environmental outcomes.



Communities - Strengthen and connect local communities

New Plymouth District is made up of many communities and neighborhood centres. Strengthening and connecting local communities ensures that they become successful, safe and livable environments for residents. The Council's role is to support community, business and industry initiatives by providing high-quality public infrastructure and a pragmatic regulatory response that helps our community achieve their goals.



Citizens – Enable engaged and resilient citizens

Engaging and enabling citizens will help to build community resilience. Encouraging community participation in events that are run in our parks and places will promote community connectedness and overall well-being. It is the Council's role to build strong strategic partnerships and encourage public and community sector collaboration, leading to more sustainable social, economic and environmental outcomes.



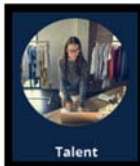
Growth – Direct a cohesive growth strategy that strengthens the city and townships

Our district is growing and we need to consider how we provide for growth into the future. As a result of the anticipated population growth, new growth areas will be required in the city and towns to provide for additional dwellings during the next 30 years. Determining the appropriate locations for growth will contribute to all the community outcomes. The Council needs to be clear on how and where it will accommodate growth into the future, through providing adequate land supply and planning for network infrastructure in appropriate locations.



Industry – Strengthen and manage rural economy, industry, the port and the airport

Our economy has a strong agricultural base and a nationally significant oil and gas sector. It also has a fast-growing poultry sector with significant expansion likely in the short term. Protecting and strengthening these industries will be important for ongoing economic growth and the subsequent benefits for the community. The Council's role is through its funding of economic development initiatives (Venture Taranaki Trust) to help drive economic activity in the region. The Council can also support industry through appropriate infrastructure provision and a pragmatic solutions-focused District Plan and regulatory framework.



Talent – Grow and diversity new economies that attract and retain entrepreneurs, talented workers and visitors

The New Plymouth District economy is strong, supported by agricultural economies, oil and gas and small business. There is a need to focus on growing a more diverse economy based on our ability to attract and retain talented workers, entrepreneurs and visitors. The Council has a role in ensuring that the highly-regarded Taranaki lifestyle is maintained, supported by our unique landscape, recreation opportunities, rich culture and history.



Central City – Champion a thriving central city for all

The central city of New Plymouth is the social, cultural and business hub for the district and the wider region. However, retail in the central city is facing a challenging transition in the face of new format retail experiences and online retail sales. The central area will need to deliver a diversity of specialty retail, entertainment, cultural and social experiences. The Council has a role in working with business and other stakeholders to develop a strategic approach to drive the success of the central business area.



Destination – Become a world-class destination

Our natural assets – our parks, rivers, coast and Maunga Taranaki – are what make the district a unique and special place to live and visit. A 'flagship' initiative to lead this direction is the Taranaki Traverse – a world-class recreational, environmental and cultural tourism experience. This is a long-term initiative that will require time, focus and a collaborative, multi-agency approach.

Appendix 2: Census 2018 Quick Stats

In order to understand the Inglewood community board area, a brief demographic snapshot is provided. The data has been obtained from Statistics New Zealand.

(Source: StatsNZ (Census 2018))

Population	Total	Female	Male
Inglewood	8832	49%	51%
New Plymouth District	80679	51%	49%

Age	Median Age	Over 65s	Under 15s
Inglewood	41 years	14%	22%
New Plymouth District	38 years	18%	20%

² Ethnic Group	NZ European	Māori	Other
Inglewood	93%	12%	5%
New Plymouth District	85%	18%	10%

Families in Occupied Private Dwellings	Couples without children	Couples with child(ren)	One parent with child(ren)
Inglewood	42%	46%	11%
New Plymouth District	44%	40%	16%

Occupied Private Dwellings with Internet Access	Internet	No Internet
Inglewood	81%	19%
New Plymouth District	79%	21%

Top Five Industries	Inglewood	New Plymouth District
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing; 2. Manufacturing; 3. Constructions; 4. Health Care and Social Assistance; 5. Retail trade. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Manufacturing 2. Health Care and Social Assistance 3. Construction 4. Retail Trade 5. Professional, Scientific and Technical Services

² Ethnicity is the ethnic group or groups that people identify with or feel they belong to. Ethnicity is a measure of cultural affiliation, as opposed to race, ancestry, nationality or citizenship. Ethnicity is self-perceived and people can belong to more than one ethnic group.