

## 1. Summary and Overview

### Project Overview

The overarching aim of this programme is to implement the Waikato Plan. The Plan seeks to support the integrated future development of the region across the four well-beings. The Plan aims to provide a forum for coordinating and guiding integrated decision making on complex regional scale issues that cross statutory boundaries.

The actions in the Waikato Plan fall into two categories:

- Actions that the Waikato Plan Leadership Group will lead. These actions have been prioritised and will be placed into a phased programme of work.
- Actions in which the Waikato Plan Leadership Group can support and advocate. This may be in the form of securing funding, providing advice and reports on key issues, enabling discussions and decision making.

It is important that Waikato Plan maintains an overview position given the regional and sub-regional strategic role of the Plan. This dashboard will report on specific activities that the Waikato Plan undertakes to support actions that other agencies are leading.

## 2. Top Risks

### Strategic issues arising since last period:

Fewer MP's for the Waikato in the new government.

The key risks outlined in the Implementation programme are shown below:

Risks / Issues	Risk to project			Mitigation
	Low	Med	High	
Political engagement				Engagement Plan and ensure appropriate reporting
Ineffective engagement with key partners				Continue to report to key partners. Engage with others on relevant actions. Ongoing reporting and comms.
Ongoing resourcing requirements				Sharing resources / tasks across the partners or provide additional resource if appropriate and agreed
Managing parallel workstreams				WPLG oversight Regular reporting and monitoring
Not achieving financial milestones required				Develop funding plan
Not achieving aim and aspirations				Ensuring actions are progressed, funding is activated, partners are engaged and resourcing is sufficient
Benefits shown by June 2018				Benefit mapping – selecting the right indicators to provide realistic progress
Iwi not being fully part of Plan implementation.				Ensure that iwi members are appointed on the Leadership Group. Ensure that iwi/Māori are engaged through an iwi/Māori forum.

## 3. Stakeholder Engagement

Engagement and Communications activity include:

- Regular reporting to the Mayoral Forum
- Engagement with Umbrella Community Organisations
- Meetings with selected key ministers and ministry staff
- Meetings with iwi partners
- Various meetings with partners

Note that the Waikato Plan Strategic Partners Forum will undertake both Waikato Plan work as well as Future Proof work.

## 4. Programme Milestones

Summarised below are key milestones for stage 1 project actions that the WPLG is leading, as well as activities where the Waikato Plan is supporting and advocating.

Phases & Tasks	Expected date	Status	Comments
<b>Waikato Plan Leadership Group – LEAD – Stage 1</b>			
Successful Communities Project			Key actions 1, 2 and 3 and Community Plans have been repackaged into the 'Building successful communities' project. A business case will be created for this joined up project.
1. Regional development strategy			
2. service and technical infrastructure			Advanced by priority actions: • Alignment of infrastructure and services supports this project.
3. Matching Central Government Services to community needs			South Waikato Economic Action Plan  An Index of Multiple Deprivation report completed to support accessing govt funding opportunities for targeted investment.
2.3.2 Central Government Partnerships and Collaboration	Ongoing		Advanced by priority actions: • New funding models for growth and infrastructure • Waikato/BOP Policy Office
2.3.1 Collaboration with Future Proof	Ongoing		CE Advisory Groups have been combined. Future Proof is now also using Waikato Plan Strategic Partners Forum for input on key projects.
3.1.3 Iwi collaboration on high priorities	Ongoing		Four iwi representatives for the WPLG have been appointed. Advanced by priority actions: • Maori cultural awareness • Crown/Maori relations
<b>Waikato Plan Leadership Group – SUPPORT and ADVOCATE ACTIVITIES</b>			
Key action 4: Advocate on behalf of regional transport priorities	Ongoing		Will be advanced by priority action: Advocacy to encourage completion of the current and agreed projects.
Waikato DHB's Virtual Health Care Strategy Refresh project – Waikato Plan actions 1.6.2 – 1.6.4	Jan-March 2018		The DHB met with the CEAG and TRG. Waikato Plan has supported this strategy refresh through facilitation and connection with communities and organisations throughout the Waikato.
Supporting WMB to deliver the regional economic development agency	Ongoing		WPLG provides a forum for supporting this work. Support founding the Regional Economic Development Agency.
Waikato Region Māori Economic Action Plan – Waikato Plan action 3.1.1 and 5.3	Ongoing		Facilitating connection with key partners in the Waikato Region. Attending and supporting the action plan launch.
Advocating for the DHB and Police Meth Prevention Strategy			Advocacy WPLG letter send to the PM, Minister of Police, Minister of Justice and Minister of Courts, Minister of Health. This strategy supports the outcomes of the Waikato Plan.

Key: ■ On track ■ On track with emerging issues ■ Significant risk of delivery failure

## 5. Financial Tracking

There is funding in the Waikato Plan implementation budget for Stage 1 as agreed by CESG. \$466,672 is allocated for the 2017/18 year which will cover administration, monitoring, advice, remuneration of the WPLG and seed funding for implementing actions. The local government partners have fully funded the first year of operation.

During the 2018/19 year 25% of the funding will be sought from external partners increasing to 50% in the 2019/2020.

Actual costs FY17-18: ~ \$86,794 – January 2018

## 6. Activity Tracking – Leadership Group - lead

### Looking Back Tasks Delivered During Period – 10 November 2017 – 7 May 2018

Task	Responsibility	Due date	Status
Combine CESG and SPF for WP and Future Proof	Project team / Future Proof	Nov 17	Complete
Year 1 work plan and resourcing	Project team	Nov 17	Complete
Refresh SPF and TRG	Project team	Ongoing	Complete
Appoint Iwi and govt agencies to Leadership Group	Project team	April 18	Four iwi representatives appointed.
Funding bid requested from MBIE through the regional growth programme	Project team/ WMB	Nov 17	Request declined. Proposal out of scope of fund.
Engagement activities	Project team	Nov 17	Presented Waikato Plan to the Community Funders Group and Community Organisations
Engage with the Waikato Community Organisations	Project team	2 Feb	Complete – changes made to engagement materials
Meeting with Ministers	Project team	Ongoing	All opportunities are utilised to meet with ministers.
Workshopping Successful Communities Project with Technical level	Project team	March 18	Complete
Index of Multiple Deprivation report	Project team	Early 18	Complete

### Looking Forward Tasks Scheduled for Next Period

Task	Responsibility	Due date	Status
Review of regional structures	Regional CE's	June 18	In progress, TOR being developed.
Review of governance arrangements	Project team	End of July 18	Awaiting outcome of regional structure review.
Refinement of regional priority actions for ongoing work programme	WPLG, CEAG, Project Advisors	April 2018	To be workshopped with WPLG on 21 May.
Explore govt spatial planning aspirations	Project team	April 2018	To be completed.
Develop detailed project plans for Stage 1 actions	Project team	Ongoing	In progress, awaiting WPLG workshop and regional structure review.