

**Attachment D: Specific Hamilton- Auckland Corridor matters and initiatives that council would participate in**

| <b>Initiatives</b>   | <b>Council and wider council family role and interest</b>  |
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| <b><i>Focus Area 1: Stronger corridor connections</i></b>  |  |
| <b>Fast and frequent intercity rail service between Hamilton and Auckland, in stages</b>                                     | <p>Council and Auckland Transport (AT) to be involved at all levels.</p> <p>There are significant cost and operational implications.</p> <p>It is critical to consider the interaction of this service with the Auckland metro and freight networks, and the need for a terminal station(s) in Auckland.</p> <p>Various business case processes underway.</p>    |
| <b>Blue-green open space and recreational network</b>  | Council to play an advisory and supporting role, focusing on cross-boundary issues and best practice.  |
| <b>Biodiversity off-setting pilot</b>  | Council to play an advisory and supporting role, focusing on cross-boundary issues and best practice.  |
| <b><i>Focus Area 2: Papakura – Pokeno</i></b>  |  |
| <b>Completion of respective council structure or blueprint plans for Ōpaheke-Drury, Pukekohe-Paerata, Tuakau and Pokeno.</b> | <p>Council has a leading role for the completion of the structure plans.</p> <p>There is a risk that this project could impact on council's engagement process for the structure plans.</p>  |
| <b>Drury Future Urban Area</b>   | Council has a leading role. Part of the Auckland Housing and Urban Growth joint work programme with government.  |
| <b>Pokeno long-term growth scenario</b>  | Council to play an advisory and supporting role, focusing on cross-boundary issues and best practice.  |
| <b>Extending mass transit (rail and bus) from Papakura/Pukekohe to Pokeno</b>  | <p>AT to play a leading role due to impacts on AT metro network.</p> <p>Potential impacts on the implementation of rail electrification from Papakura to Pukekohe.</p>   |
| <b><i>Focus Area 3: River communities &amp; Focus Area 4: Hamilton-Waikato metropolitan area</i></b>                         |  |
| <b>New sub-regional water and wastewater solutions</b>   | <p>Watercare to play a leading role.</p> <p>The influence of the Waikato River has significant impacts on Watercare's ability to conduct its business. Watercare has a specific interest in the Waikato River from a water source, allocation and policy direction perspective, as well as specific existing servicing requirements for north Waikato towns.</p> |
| <b><i>Focus Area 5: New tools and options</i></b>  |  |
| <b>All initiatives</b>   | Council to continue working with central government to identify and pilot new planning, funding and financing tools linked to the other key initiatives. Part of the Auckland Housing and Urban Growth joint work programme.   |