WHAT IS PLANNED FOR MOTUEKA AND RIWAKA?

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Tasman's 10-Year Plan 2021 – 2031

This is an overview of Motueka and Riwaka's growth projections and some of the significant projects in Tasman's 10-Year Plan 2021 – 2031. These projects aim to address anticipated growth, maintain and improve the services we provide, and make sure our public infrastructure is maintained and fit for purpose.

GROWTH PROJECTIONS 2021-2031

Over the next ten years, Tasman's population is projected to grow by 7,700, under a medium-growth scenario, to reach 64,300 by 2031. Council has considered a range of population growth scenarios which have varying assumptions regarding births, deaths and migration. A low-growth scenario would see Tasman's population grow by 3,800, while the high-growth scenario would result in growth of 11,000 more residents.

After considering recent estimated population and dwelling growth rates, Council has assumed the medium-growth scenario for Tasman's 10-Year Plan.

Council has estimated the likely development in Motueka and Riwaka in terms of the number of new houses or new business properties we assume can and will be built. This is based on the demand projections under the medium scenario, the amount of serviced and zoned land, and knowledge of development proposals and landowner intentions. The actual number and location of new houses and commercial/ industrial buildings is largely determined by the private sector, including landowners, financial institutions and the construction industry. Council acknowledges that there is unmet demand in some parts of the District, and is working to address this.

Council is planning sufficient infrastructure servicing over the next 20 years to enable development of all the residential land in the western side of High Street, Motueka. Development in the other parts of Motueka will remain limited, due to natural hazard risks in the east and a preference to avoid expansion into productive land on Motueka's outskirts. Council anticipates that Motueka and Riwaka are unlikely to have sufficient residential land to meet projected demand. To offset the undersupply in Motueka in the short-term, Council has assumed a higher rate of development in Richmond, to ensure there is sufficient capacity across Tasman's entire urban environment.

To address the long-term undersupply of residential land in Motueka, Council is planning for development during the 2030's of a significant area of land in Lower Moutere, with potentially 1,200 new houses.



The Lower Moutere Hills area was identified in the Nelson Tasman Future Development Strategy (FDS) as an expansion area for medium to low density development. This area is shown on the following map. At this stage, the Lower Moutere Hills potential growth area is only a recommendation of the 2019 FDS. Further evaluation is required before the area may be determined suitable for proposed rezoning.

Council expects there will be sufficient land supply to meet future demand for commercial/industrial properties in Motueka for the next ten years.

Council has not planned to enable increased capacity in the Riwaka township as this land is flood prone. This does not prevent new houses from being built in this area but it does signal that Council's preference is for this demand to be taken up elsewhere in the Motueka Ward area.

> The Nelson Tasman Future Development Strategy (FDS) is a joint strategy between Tasman District Council and Nelson City Council which identifies future growth areas for various types of development, including intensification, expansion and rural residential. Further information on the FDS is available on our website at tasman.govt.nz/link/fds. The FDS will be reviewed in 2021/2022 and there will be an opportunity for further public feedback.

DEMOGRAPHIC PROJECTIONS

Updated population projections have been used to estimate future demand for new houses and business properties. The key demographic trends for Tasman are ongoing population growth over the next 30 years, driven by net migration gains. Growth is expected to slow over time, largely due to an ageing population.

AGEING POPULATION

Under the medium scenario, all age groups in Tasman are projected to experience growth. However, the highest growth continues to be in the 65+ age group, whose proportion is projected to increase from 21% in 2018 to 34% in 2048. This increase, known as structural ageing, means that total population growth rates are projected to slow down over time.

For the Motueka Ward, the percentage aged 65+ years is projected to increase from 23% in 2018 to 29% by 2033, and 32% by 2048.

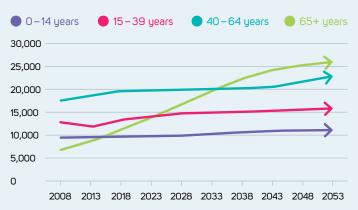
The ageing population is driving a change in the average household size for Motueka and Riwaka, projected to decrease from 2.4 in 2021 to 2.3 in 2031, and 2.1 by 2051. The numbers of one-person households and couplewithout-children households are projected to increase.

ASSUMPTIONS AND UNCERTAINTY

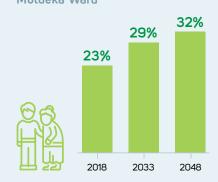
There is always a degree of uncertainty when making assumptions about the future. There are several factors which are difficult to predict such as population migration, developer and landowner activity, and natural events. The Covid-19 pandemic has created even more uncertainty in the development of this Plan.

We will continue to monitor population change, economic trends and construction activity. Any significant changes will be incorporated in future updates of Council's strategic plans, including the Future Development Strategy, Long Term Plans and Annual Plans. We're also working with our communities on a new resource management plan, which we're calling Aorere ki uta, Aorere ki tai – Tasman Environment Plan. Further information is available at environmentplan.tasman.govt.nz.

TASMAN POPULATION CHANGE BY AGE GROUPS



PROJECTED POPULATION AGED 65+ YEARS Motueka Ward





WHAT INVESTMENT IS PLANNED IN THE NEXT TEN YEARS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES?

Council currently provides the Motueka settlement with wastewater and stormwater services. However, Motueka is only partially serviced with water supply. Many properties have their own private bores and are not connected to the Council network. Motueka is serviced by a well-connected road and footpath network, and Tasman's Great Taste Trail passes through Motueka. The Motueka community is currently serviced by a range of parks, reserves and community facilities.

Council has planned further investment, including these projects, to address anticipated growth, improve the services we provide, and make sure our public infrastructure is maintained and fit for purpose.

The timing and location of new infrastructure, to enable future development, is based on the Plan's growth scenario. Growth projections are updated every three years as part of each Long Term Plan. If actual growth starts occurring at a faster rate, Council will respond by considering necessary changes to projects and plans.

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COMPLETION OF THE NEW MOTUEKA LIBRARY 2020 – 2022

A new, purpose-built, 1,100m² single-storey library to meet our community's current and future needs.



STOPBANK IMPROVEMENTS 2021–2022

Refurbishment of Motueka stopbanks.

MOTUEKA WEST STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS 2021–2024

Stormwater system to convey flows from the development area west of High Street towards Woodland drain.

MOTUEKA GROWTH WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE 2021–2024

New pressure main for Motueka West to wastewater treatment plant to enable development of Motueka West.



NETWORK IMPROVEMENTS 2021–2030

New pump station, reservoir and water mains to increase network capacity.



MOTUEKA WEST WATER RETICULATION

2021-2031

New water main to Motueka West to provide water to proposed developments.



MOTUEKA COMMUNITY POOL 2023 – 2024 (1/3 community contribution)

We are working with the Motueka community to contribute to the building of an indoor swimming facility. This work will include a feasibility study.



NEW WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT 2024–2029

Designation, resource consent, and land purchase for new inland wastewater treatment plant in Motueka.



PORT MOTUEKA FACILITIES 2025 – 2026

Compliant facilities for boat maintenance activities to improve environmental protection.

Note: The inclusion of projects in Tasman's 10-Year Plan is not a commitment to carry out the projects concerned.

You can see the locations of these projects on a map at LTP.tasman.govt.nz. Also available are maps of the parks and community facilities in your area.



MAP OF MOTUEKA AND LOWER MOUTERE HILLS FUTURE GROWTH AREA

These growth projections are for the area outlined in purple. These boundaries are for planning purposes and don't necessarily indicate the extent of future development.

