

WHAT IS PLANNED FOR WAKEFIELD?

Tasman's 10-Year Plan 2021 – 2031

This is an overview of Wakefield'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.

The population of the Moutere-Waimea Ward, which includes Wakefield, is projected to increase by 2,500 between 2021 – 2031 under the medium scenario, but the increase could range between 1,200 (low) and 3,800 (high).

Council has estimated the likely development in Wakefield 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.

Council anticipates that Wakefield will have a sufficient supply of residential land to more than meet the projected demand for new houses. The actual number and location of new houses is largely determined by the private sector, including landowners, financial institutions and the construction sector.

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

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.

CURRENT POPULATION



THE PLAN'S GROWTH SCENARIO FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS



BEYOND 2031

Wakefield's population is projected to keep growing in the long-term. The location and type of future development has been guided by the Nelson Tasman Future Development Strategy (FDS). We are expecting some intensification to start by 2028 in the Wakefield Town Centre FDS areas. There is significant potential capacity for future development in the Pigeon Valley FDS areas but we are currently not expecting these areas to be developed for at least 30 years, unless growth occurs at a higher rate than expected.

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 Moutere-Waimea Ward, the percentage aged 65+ years is projected to increase from 18% in 2018 to 29% by 2033, and 34% by 2048.

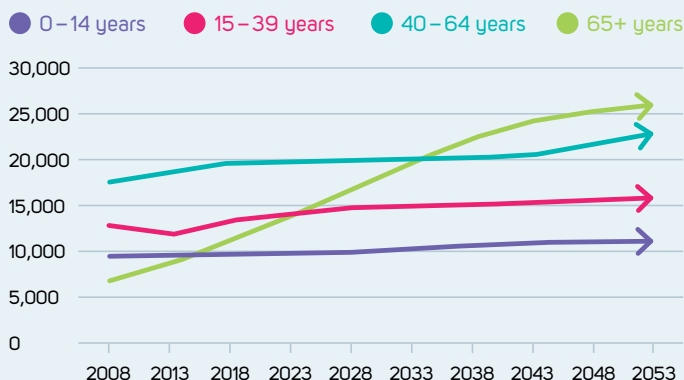
The ageing population is driving a change in the average household size for Wakefield. The numbers of one-person households and couple-without-children households are projected to increase.

ASSUMPTIONS AND UNCERTAINTY

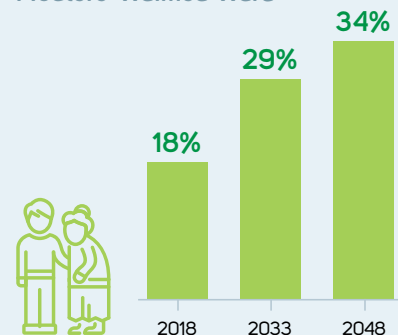
There is always a degree of uncertainty when making assumptions about the future. There are several factors which are difficult to predict such as population migration, developer and landowner activity, and natural events. The Covid-19 pandemic has created even more uncertainty in the development of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



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

Council currently provides the Wakefield settlement with water, wastewater and stormwater services, as well as a well-established road and footpath network. Tasman's Great Taste Trail passes through Wakefield providing a cycle connection to Brightwater and Richmond. The Wakefield community is currently serviced by a range of parks, reserves and community facilities.

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.



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.



EIGHTY-EIGHT VALLEY NETWORK IMPROVEMENTS

2021 – 2025

Extend urban water supply to Eighty-Eight Valley including new water mains and pump station upgrades.



WAIMEA WASTEWATER NETWORK CAPACITY UPGRADE

2021 - 2031

Programme of work to replace and upgrade capacity of trunk mains and pump stations to support growth and improve resilience.



WAIMEA WATER NETWORK CAPACITY UPGRADES

2023 – 2031

Programme of work to upgrade capacity of bores, treatment plant, trunk mains, reticulation, pump stations and reservoirs to support growth and improve resilience.



BRIGHTWATER/WAKEFIELD MULTI-PURPOSE COMMUNITY FACILITY

2026 – 2029 (1/3 community contribution)

A new community facility to service the Brightwater, Wakefield and surrounding communities. A feasibility study will take place, and a location is still to be decided.

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

MAP OF WAKEFIELD

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

