

Draft Regional Land Transport Plan 2024-2034: Frequently asked questions

1. What is the RLTP?

The Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) is a major plan for Auckland that sets out which projects, programmes, and general operating items that AT - along with NZTA Waka Kotahi and KiwiRail - is seeking to fund or partly fund from the National Land Transport Fund.

In other words, the RLTP presents the Auckland region's 'bid' for transport funding from the National Land Transport Fund.

It is reviewed every three years, with the last issue being published in 2021.

2. How is it created?

The transport priorities in the draft RLTP are taken from Auckland Council's Long-Term Plan (LTP) and the government's Government Policy Statement (GPS).

The RLTP is produced by Auckland Transport on behalf of the Regional Transport Committee – which includes representatives from NZTA and KiwiRail (as an observer).

3. How much investment is being proposed?

The draft RLTP 2024 proposes \$63 billion worth of investment over the next ten years.

4. What are the challenges for AT when drafting this plan?

The \$63 billion worth of investment proposed in the draft plan requires around \$41 billion from the National Land Transport Fund, which is more than what will be available.

Because the total cost of all projects will be higher than funding, it is important to signal which projects are the highest priority for the money that is available.

5. What is the consultation process?

During public consultation, Aucklanders will be able to give feedback on the types of projects that should be prioritised for funding.

They can also tell AT if there is another priority that should be considered.

Public consultation on the draft RLTP will run from 17 May 2024 – 17 June 2024, with the final RLTP due for submission to the New Zealand Transport Agency on 1 August 2024.

6. What are the items that will be prioritised no matter what?

The draft RLTP 2024 proposes that the following items are effectively mandatory and should receive funding in all circumstances:

- Renewal and maintenance of local road, rail, and State Highway networks to ensure these remain fit for purpose into the future and that whole of life costs and disruption are minimised.
- Existing public transport services, along with improvements - such as more rail services enabled by City Rail Link, and the expansion of the frequent bus network.
- Completing projects that are already committed, such as the City Rail Link or Eastern Busway.

There are choices about what new projects to fund. To assist with this, all the remaining 'optional' projects were prioritised by a working group of officials from all key agencies.

7. What are the main options in the plan?

- Smaller projects that can be delivered quickly to improve the speed and reliability of our bus and ferry network, including dynamic bus lanes, improved stations, and low emissions options.
- Larger rapid transit projects that will provide new high-speed public transport links across Auckland but will cost more and take longer to deliver.
- Smaller projects that can be delivered quickly to optimise traffic movement on our road network and motorways and encourage more sustainable travel from key growth areas.
- Major state highway projects that will improve resiliency, reliability and travel times on the motorway network and enhance our links to other regions.
- Cycling projects that will increase the size of the cycling network.
- Investment in safety infrastructure to reduce deaths and serious injuries on our transport network.

The draft RLTP proposes public transport projects are our highest funding priority, followed by those which optimise local roads, address growth challenges, and expand the cycling network.

While the delivery of state highway improvements is important, the draft RLTP proposes that they be a lower priority for the available funding.

We are seeking Aucklanders' feedback on these priorities.

8. How will the public be consulted?

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We are reaching communities across the region with multiple drop-in sessions in different areas throughout the month:

Clevedon Farmers Market	19-May	8am-1pm
AUT campus	21-May	10am-1pm
Warkworth Library	21-May	10am-12pm
Online - MS Teams	22-May	6pm - 7pm
MIT	22-May	10am-1pm
Britomart - Food Truck Wednesday	22-May	11.30am-2pm
Pukekohe Whanau Day	25-May	8am-4pm
Otahuhu Phoenix Market -	23-May	7am-1pm
New Lynn Library	24-May	12pm-3pm
Orakei village - outside Farro	26-May	10am to 1pm
UoA Campus	29-May	10am-1pm
Kumeu Library	30-May	11am-1pm
Howick Village	31-May	11am-2pm
Waiheke Ostend Market	8-Jun	8am-1pm
Mangere Bridge Market	2-Jun	9am-1pm
Online - MS Teams	4-Jun	12.30pm - 1.30pm
Ponsonby Shops	12-Jun	11am-2pm

Manurewa market	9-Jun	7am-11am
Onehunga Woolworths	31 May	12-3pm
Smales Farm Market	9th June	9am - 2pm
Ponsonby Shops	12-Jun	11am-2pm

AT's engagement is supported by a large campaign encouraging Aucklanders to engage and provide their feedback, including:

- a) Sending flyers to over 550,000 households across Auckland.
- b) Advertising the RLTP consultation through an engaging marketing campaign that will be seen on posters, billboards, radio ads, social media and newspapers.
- c) Translating consultation material into the following languages: Te Reo Māori, New Zealand Sign Language, Samoan, Hindi and Simplified Chinese.
- d) Sending targeted emails to key stakeholders and organisations, encouraging feedback.
- e) Hardcopies of the draft RLTP document and survey at all Auckland Council libraries.

9. Should I bother saying something about it?

Yes! Absolutely. We need to hear from as many Aucklanders as possible across all demographics.

This will ensure that we can deliver what Aucklanders want. If you care about the future of this city, then have your say.

We also want to hear from youth as they are often under-represented, and they are the ones who will benefit most from these decisions in the future.

10. What happens after consultation?

All views and ideas on the draft RLTP, including at local consultation events, will be summarised and presented to the Regional Transport Committee (RTC). Following consultation, the RTC will consider the feedback received and recommend the final RLTP 2024 to the AT Board for approval.

To supplement the insights that we receive through consultation, further research may be carried out to ensure the RTC and AT Board are well informed.

Decisions will be publicly available via the AT website in late-June 2024 and the full and final document will be made available as soon as possible after adoption.

The final RLTP is submitted to NZTA on 1 August 2024.

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