

STRATEGIC WALKING AND CYCLING CONNECTIONS

The project described in this profile has been identified by an indicative business case and will require further technical investigation and engagement before its final detail, location or land requirement is confirmed. It is also yet to be prioritised for funding for delivery over the next 10-30 years.

Purpose

The Mahurangi shared path is a proposed walking and cycling route along the Mahurangi River which would connect future growth areas to the west of Warkworth with schools, sports fields, and the Warkworth Town Centre. The exact form and function is still to be determined.

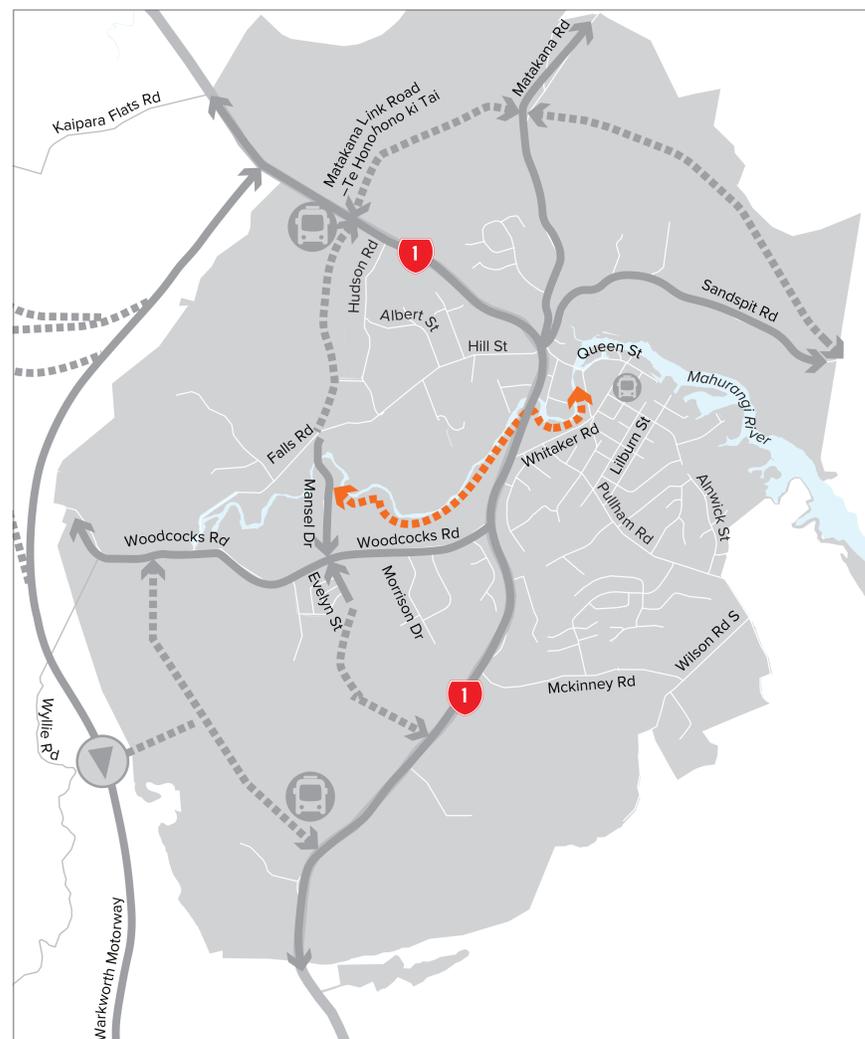
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Description

This corridor would be a shared use path (for walking and cycling), generally following the Mahurangi River, connecting Mansel Drive in the west of Warkworth and the Town Centre to the east.

Key benefits

The shared path would provide an important off-road walking and cycling route from the future growth areas to the Warkworth Town Centre. This would be located close to Warkworth Primary School and Mahurangi College, providing students and staff with a safe and attractive walking and cycling connection to get to and from school. The corridor would be located next to open green space and provides the opportunity to link up with other future walking and cycling connections in Warkworth (e.g. along the Western Link and SH1).



Current status

In 2018 engagement canvassed whether a shared path should be considered along the Mahurangi River. Following analysis of feedback and technical investigations, an indicative corridor was approved mid-2019. We have a general study area within which further investigations will be undertaken in collaboration with Auckland Council.

Next steps

During the next phase of work, the project team will consider alignment options for the Mahurangi shared path. This will include social, cultural, environmental and technical investigations as well as further engagement with project partners, stakeholders, landowners, and the community.

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