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1.0 COMMUNITY HALL/CENTRE FACILITIES

Community Halls and Centres perform both sports and community development functions. The majority, especially those in more rural areas, are not sport specific facilities, although some may have markings for sport use (if the size and height allows). Many facilities accommodate recreational activities such as indoor bowls and group exercise classes as the design limits active sports. Outside of the recreational use, these facilities provide for a wide cross section of other community activities from public meetings, social gatherings, community events through to craft, cultural and artistic activities. The primary focus for these facilities is ensuring they are functional, accessible and affordable.

Marae also play a significant role in many communities for social, sport and recreation purposes. It should be noted many marae provide space which also functions similar to a community hall. However, at certain times regular booked access can be constrained by events such as tangi.

1.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

There are limited overarching strategic documents relating specifically to the provision of community halls/centres. However, most of the Councils in the Bay of Plenty have indicated some key strategic direction for these facilities in other documents. Taken together the main themes indicate a desire to:

- Develop a more strategic needs and demand-driven approach to retention of, support for and development of community hall facilities.
- Encourage and support community groups and primary users to take more active roles in the management of their local halls.
- Foster increased sharing / multi use of facilities.
- Generally taking a diminishing role in the management and governance of lower priority halls over time.
- Providing additional funding support only where key policy criteria are met.
- Identify opportunities to rationalise facilities where there is low cost benefit.

TAURANGA CITY – COMMUNITY FACILITIES NEED ANALYSIS (2020)

Tauranga City Council commissioned the Community Facilities Needs Analysis in 2020 which investigated the provision and demand for community centre and hall across the city. The study identified the following findings:

- There has been growth in demand for community centres and halls driven mostly from population growth. Growth in demand for community centres and halls is expected to continue as Tauranga City population continues to grow.
- Community centres and halls are most used for exercise, fitness, wellness, dance and children's programmes.
- The distribution and location of community centres and halls is critical because they serve relatively small catchment areas of between 10,000 to 15,000 population.
- Of the existing facilities, the community centres with a diversity of small to large spaces are more utilised, whereas the halls with a single space have less utilisation.
- Older single space hall facilities do not provide enough flexibility and therefore are not fit for purpose for modern community centre needs.
- The quality of some existing community halls is a significant concern and some facilities are not in the optimal location or configuration. There is a clear need to consider optimisation or disposal of ineffective facilities where these assets are not serving the community well.
- Going forward, consideration should focus on well located facilities offering a variety of spaces ideally through integrated, co-located or partnership such as sports hubs, library and shopping centres.

The Tauranga Community Facility Needs Analysis 2019 proposes the following actions:

- Investigate the development of a new community centre in the Western Corridor to provide core community centre amenities, alongside the potential disposal of Tauriko Hall (2020-2024).
- Review the Elizabeth St Street Community and Arts Centre and Cliff Road Building and investigate the development of a dedicated community centre to serve the central business area (2020-2024).
- Investigate the development of a new community centre in the Eastern Corridor, in line with projected population growth (2025-2030).
- Review Greerton Hall and determine how to meet community demand for a comprehensive community centre (2027-2030).
- Investigate expansion and/or upgrade of Welcome Bay Hall and Community Centre to accommodate demand and provide cohesive centre amenity provision (2030+).

1.2 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

OPOTIKI

Permanent closing of Pakowhai Hall in Opotiki which is in poor condition.

WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT COUNCIL

In 2016, major renovations were completed to the Oropi Memorial Hall – now called the Oropi Memorial Hall and Community Centre. The centre has a 170m² main auditorium, stage area (with adjoining dressing and music rooms), large entrance lobby, bar facilities and commercial kitchen, meeting and supper rooms, a large playground and an outdoor decking area.

Te Puna War Memorial Hall was demolished in 2016 due to roading infrastructure, with a new development completed in mid-2020. The site includes a kitchen, two meeting rooms, a supper room and archive. Overall, the building footprint is slightly larger than the original hall.

1.3 INVENTORY

Based on size, function and context most facilities detailed below are categorised as ‘basic community halls’ and service a local community. However, a number were identified as having wider District level status or a wider range of functions – these include:

- Kawerau Town Hall – which had an additional performance venue function.
- Arataki Community Centre – which had community spaces, links to adjacent sports field use and some resident service groups.
- Papamoa Community Centre – multiple spaces and functions and co-located with the local library.
- Papamoa Sports & Recreation Centre – which has community spaces and links to adjacent sports field use.
- Waihi Beach Community Centre – large space used for a wide variety of recreation and sport activities.
- Katikati Memorial Hall – large space with additional links to art gallery functions.
- Maramatanga Park – a pavilion complex largely serving tennis (more of a clubrooms facility).
- Te Puke War Memorial Hall – large space.
- Whakatane War Memorial Hall – performance venue as well as general hall and indoor sport functions.
- Ohope Hall – indoor sports hall facility with other community uses.

Council Area	Facility Name	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Bert Hamilton Hall	Basic hall with wooden floor and basic kitchen. Used by community groups like Card, Soroptimists, Lions, Pensioners etc mainly for meetings. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Concert Chamber	Located in the town centre and can accommodate up to 250 people. Used for wedding receptions, meetings, social functions, small exhibitions and activities such as indoor bowls and zumba. Facilities include a small stage, wooden dance floor, air-conditioning, foyer and a fully equipped kitchen. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Town Hall	Mainly for stage shows, school concerts, kapa haka performances etc. Seats 520, large stage (10x18m), dressing room, kitchen, spotlights, Steinway piano, and a carpeted foyer/ticket box. An under-stage area is also used for boxing training. There is a kitchen and heating. Also used for more general meetings and other community activities (e.g. Zumba) and functions. <u>Category - Community Venue</u>	District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Opotiki Art Society Hall	Small hall with stage and kitchen used as an arts base. Planned development of workshop spaces. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Opotiki Art Society Inc	Opotiki Art Society	Opotiki Art Society
Opotiki	Scouts Hall	Small hall with kitchen toilets, been used for Gymnastics and Taekwondo. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Opotiki	Senior Citizens Hall	Small hall with stage, kitchen toilets. Been used as a gym. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki & District Senior Citizens Inc
Opotiki	Waiōtahe Settlers Hall	Small hall with stage and new kitchen & toilets. Been used for Scottish dancing. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Opotiki District	Waiōtahe Settlers Hall Society	Waiōtahe Settlers Hall Society
Opotiki	Woodlands Hall	Small hall with kitchen toilets. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Woodlands Hall Trust	Woodlands Hall Trust	Woodlands Hall Trust
Opotiki	Opotiki Domain	Single clubroom and facilities.	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki Sports Club	Opotiki Sports Club
Opotiki	War Memorial Park - Multi-purpose sports pavilion	Multi-purpose pavilion with shared social and changing facilities for multiple groups (Rugby, tennis, touch, netball and others)	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District

Council Area	Facility Name	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Broadlands Community Hall	Small hall with stage, kitchen toilets. Used by various community groups (sport clubs, schools, karate classes, dance classes, fitness classes, fund raisers, Lions clubs, garden shows, etc.), and individual families (birthday parties, funerals, etc.). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Hall Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Kaharoa Community Hall	Small hall with stage, kitchen toilets. Used by various community groups (sport clubs, schools, karate classes, dance classes, fitness classes, fund raisers, Lions clubs, garden shows, etc.), and individual families (birthday parties, funerals, etc.). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Hall Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Linton Park Community Centre	Community centre with two large rooms and two offices. There is a kitchenette, full size kitchen and unisex toilets. There are also external sheds, toilets, shared garden, playground, and astro-turf area. Used by community groups and families. <u>Category - Community Centre</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Community Centre
Rotorua Lakes	Mamaku Community Hall	Small hall with wooden floor, kitchen, toilets and meeting room. Used by various community groups (sport clubs, schools, karate classes, dance classes, fitness classes, fund raisers, Lions clubs, garden shows, etc.), and individual families (birthday parties, funerals, etc.). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Hall Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Ngakuru Community Hall	Small hall with kitchen, toilets and meeting room. Used by various community groups (sport clubs, schools, karate classes, dance classes, fitness classes, fund raisers, Lions clubs, garden shows, etc.), and individual families (birthday parties, funerals, etc.). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Hall Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Ngongotaha Community Hall	Small hall with wooden floor, kitchen, toilets and meeting room. Used by various community groups (sport clubs, schools, karate classes, dance classes, fitness classes, fund raisers, Lions clubs, garden shows, etc.), and individual families (birthday parties, funerals, etc.). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Hall Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Okearaka Community Hall	Small hall with wooden floor, kitchen, toilets and meeting room. Used by various community groups (sport clubs, schools, karate classes, dance classes, fitness classes, fund raisers, Lions clubs, garden shows, etc.), and individual families (birthday parties, funerals, etc.). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Hall Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Reporoa Community Hall	Small hall with kitchen, toilets and meeting room. Used by various community groups (sport clubs, schools, karate classes, dance classes, fitness classes, fund raisers, Lions clubs, garden shows, etc.), and individual families (birthday parties, funerals, etc.). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Hall Committee

Council Area	Facility Name	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Community Hall	Small hall with wooden floor, kitchen, toilets and meeting room. Used by various community groups (sport clubs, schools, karate classes, dance classes, fitness classes, fund raisers, Lions clubs, garden shows, etc.), and individual families (birthday parties, funerals, etc.). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Hall Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Domain Hall	Small hall with badminton courts, kitchen, toilets and meeting room. Used by various community groups, with badminton in particular. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Rural Reserves committee
Rotorua Lakes	Rotoma Hall	Hall / meeting room adjacent to local fire station. Managed by Rotoma Hall Committee, land/building owned by Fire Service. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	NZ Fire Service	NZ Fire Service	Rotoma hall Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Waikite Valley Community Hall	Small hall with wooden floor, kitchen, toilets and meeting room. Used by various community groups (sport clubs, schools, karate classes, dance classes, fitness classes, fund raisers, Lions clubs, garden shows, etc.), and individual families (birthday parties, funerals, etc.). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Hall Committee
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Arataki Community Centre	Centre with multiple function, activity and meeting rooms (including acoustic sound room) and large kitchen. Used by various community groups (martial arts, church, dance, exercise (Yoga/Pilates/YMCA/ Zumba) music, housie, arts, educational, youth and support groups, touch administration) and individual hirers (for functions). Whilst facility is primarily a local facility it draws users from other suburbs. <u>Category - Community Centre</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Bethlehem Hall	Larger hall space with a small stage and sound room, and a connected lounge/ meeting room (which can be opened up). It has a large storage area; good disabled access; and good natural light. Used by various community groups (dance, exercise classes, preschool music and recreation sessions, music practices, church services, indoor bowls, arts exhibitions) and by individual hirers (for functions). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Cliff Road Building	Small facility with a capacity of 50 people. Includes kitchen (with stovetop oven and fridge). Toilets and showers available. Currently has a permanent hirer in the main area. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Elizabeth Street Community & Arts Centre	A small facility with two main rooms each having separate toilet facilities and a mix of carpeted and wooden floor spaces (small stage in one). Used for dance, exercise, church, fitness, music, art exhibition activities. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City

Council Area	Facility Name	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Greerton Community Hall	A larger (365m ²) hall space with stage, unmarked wooden floor, upgraded kitchen, storage and annex. Public toilets are located adjacent. Used for indoor bowls, church, exercise, dance, private functions, meetings, social groups. The front of the building accommodates the Greerton Mainstreet office. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Matua Hall	A hall space and separate small meeting room both with kitchen access. The floor is compacted cork with no markings. tends to be used all year round by the same users - table tennis, karate, exercise classes, drama, line dancing, church groups and social functions. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Papamoa Community Centre (at the Library)	Centre with multiple function, activity and meeting rooms opening onto adjacent courtyard. Large kitchen. Used for health & fitness groups, art groups dance groups, drama groups, Pre-schoolers, afterschool programmes, music & recreation, and religious groups. Co-located with Library. <u>Category - Community Centre</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Papamoa Sports & Recreation Centre	Centre on major sporting reserve providing changing and officials facilities along with multiple function, activity and meeting rooms; commercial kitchen; and café/bar. Used by many sports codes along with fitness, recreation, social, church, dance, martial arts and music groups. <u>Category - Community Centre</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Tauriko Hall	Small hall with wooden floor, stage, storage and kitchen area. Used by various community groups for afterschool care, martial arts, dance, music, private and functions. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Waipuna Park Pavilion	Small modern pavilion (including kitchen) serving Waipuna Park sports codes (not changing facilities) and some community group users. <u>Category - Community and sports Centre</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Welcome Bay Community Centre	Small community share facility containing meeting rooms for hire and a kitchen. <u>Category - Basic Community Centre</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Welcome Bay Community Centre Trust Board
Tauranga City	Welcome Bay Hall	Small hall and kitchen. Used for line dancing, Zumba, community group meetings, church groups, indoor bowls and private functions. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Merivale Community Centre	Small community centre run in partnership with Merivale Community Trust. Used for variety of community activities. Important facility for the local community. <u>Category - Community Centre</u>	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Merivale Community Centre Trust

Council Area	Facility Name	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Kaimai School Hall	Old 240m ² community hall building relocated to school. Predominantly used by the school but available for community use outside school hours. Hall committee manage community bookings but there does not appear to be any formal agreement with MOE (for land occupancy or community shared use). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Ministry of Education	Kaimai Hall Committee	Kaimai Hall Committee
Western Bay of Plenty	Katikati A&P Showgrounds Hall	Hall used by the Katikati Wrestling Club and the Global Jiu Jitsu Academy.	Local	Katikati A&P Society	Katikati A&P Society	Katikati A&P Society
Western Bay of Plenty	Katikati Memorial Hall	Large hall with stage and side dining room and refurbished kitchen. The lounge is attached to the side of the hall and has an independent kitchen. Includes an annex used for the Art gallery. Used for Bridge Club; Senior Citizens Club; Tai Chi; Indoor Bowls; Fitness; League Table Tennis; Dancing (various); private functions; and exhibitions. <u>Category - Large community hall</u>	District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Katikati Hall Committee Inc	Katikati Hall Committee Inc
Western Bay of Plenty	Maramatanga Park	A 453m ² 2-storey pavilion complex, predominantly used by Te Puna Tennis. Functionally tennis clubrooms. <u>Category - Community and Sports Centre</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puna Community Centre Inc	Te Puna Community Centre Inc
Western Bay of Plenty	Ohauiti Settlers Hall	A 210m ² rural community hall facility. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Ohauiti Settlers Hall Committee	Ohauiti Settlers Hall Committee
Western Bay of Plenty	Omanawa Hall	A small 120m ² rural community hall facility. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Omanawa Hall Inc	Omanawa Hall Inc
Western Bay of Plenty	Ōmokoroa Settlers Hall	Includes a main hall of 306m ² with kitchen and a smaller hall of 133m ² . Used by Table Tennis, Tai Chi, Line Dancing, Yoga (several types), Bokwa/Zumba, Fitness League, Indoor Bowling, Patch Workers, Creative Fibre, Artists, Singing, School Discos. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Ōmokoroa Settlers Hall Society Inc	Ōmokoroa Settlers Hall Society Inc
Western Bay of Plenty	Oropi Memorial Hall and Community Centre	The centre has a 170m ² main auditorium, stage area (with adjoining dressing and music rooms), large entrance lobby, bar facilities and commercial kitchen, meeting and supper rooms, a large playground and an outdoor decking area. <u>Category – Community Centre</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Oropi Settlers Hall Committee	Oropi Settlers Hall Committee
Western Bay of Plenty	Otamarakau Settlers Hall	A 400m ² rural community hall facility. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Otamarakau Settlers Hall Society	Otamarakau Settlers Hall Society	Otamarakau Settlers Hall Society
Western Bay of Plenty	Paengaroa Community Hall	A 630m ² community hall facility. Used for Indoor Bowling and Floral Art Group. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Paengaroa Community Hall Society Inc	Paengaroa Community Hall Society Inc

Council Area	Facility Name	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Western Bay of Plenty	Pahoia School & Community Centre	Large 400m ² main hall (sprung floor) with stage, green rooms and an annex with large kitchen, ablutions and meeting room. Line markings for 3 x badminton and 1x junior basketball court. During school hours main hall used by school and meeting room/annex area available to the community (who can use the whole facility after hours - part funded by community). Local Civil Defense emergency Centre. <u>Category - Community and Sport Centre</u>	Local	Ministry of Education	Pahoia School /Apata-Pahoia Community Hall Inc	Pahoia School /Apata-Pahoia Community Hall Inc
Western Bay of Plenty	Pongakawa Hall	A 470m ² rural community hall facility (not to be confused with the indoor sports facility nearby). <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Pongakawa Hall Inc	Pongakawa Hall Inc
Western Bay of Plenty	Pukehina Community Hall	A 260m ² community hall facility. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Pukehina Community Hall Inc	Pukehina Community Hall Inc
Western Bay of Plenty	Pyes Pa Hall	A 225m ² rural community hall facility. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Pyes Pa Hall Committee Inc	Pyes Pa Hall Committee Inc
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke War Memorial Hall	Hall facility includes the 1,100m ² main hall with wooden floor, stage and lighting and a 300m ² "Settlers Lounge". Commercial kitchen facilities. Used for Taoist Tai Chi and Aotearoa Taekwondo and marked for badminton. <u>Category - Large community hall</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puke Memorial Hall Society Inc	Te Puke Memorial Hall Society Inc
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puna War Memorial Hall	New development completed in 2020 with a kitchen, two meeting rooms, supper room and archive room. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puna War Memorial Hall Inc	Te Puna War Memorial Hall Inc
Western Bay of Plenty	Waihi Beach Community Centre	Multi use Community Hall 1,050m ² includes: a main hall large enough for basketball; Mezzanine floor spectator gallery; separate function room, kitchen and WB Public Library. Used for Functions, Art Fairs, Craft Shows, indoor sports. <u>Category - Community Centre</u>	District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Waihi Beach Community Centre Hall Committee	Waihi Beach Community Centre Hall Committee
Western Bay of Plenty	Whakamarama Hall	320m ² rural community hall facility, situated beside the local primary school. Used for Gymnastics and Zumba, Tae Kwon Do, kindy. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Whakamarama Hall Inc	Whakamarama Hall Inc
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Awakaponga Hall	Small modern local community hall. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Awakaponga Hall Board	Awakaponga Hall Board	Awakaponga Hall Board
Whakatane	Awakeri War Memorial Hall	Older Hall - original part of hall used as dining area with extension for social event. No sports court markings. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Watt Electrical Limited	Watt Electrical Limited	Watt Electrical Limited
Whakatane	Community / Youth Centre	A small (80sqm) open space with two offices which have been cordoned off, toilets kitchen but no showers. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

Council Area	Facility Name	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane	Galatea Hall	Small Community Hall. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Galatea Community/ Whakatane
Whakatane	Manawahe Hall	Small Community Hall – For local social events with kitchen and supper room. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Manawahe Community/ Whakatane District
Whakatane	Nukuhou Settlers Hall	Small local Community run hall. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Nukuhou Community
Whakatane	Ohope Hall	Primarily a sports hall, used for indoor netball, indoor bowls, badminton, aerobics, karate and indoor soccer. Large enough for basketball. The Ōhope Craft Market also takes place in and around the hall. It has some fixed seating, storage space, and indoor and outdoor toilet and changing facilities. <u>Category - Community and Sports Centre</u>	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Otakiri Hall	Small Community Hall with auditorium, supper room, kitchen and changing rooms. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Otakiri School/ Whakatane District
Whakatane	Taneatua War Memorial Hall	Small Community Hall. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Taneatua Fire Brigade
Whakatane	Te Teko Pavillion	Small hall with unmarked wooden floor, kitchen facility, toilets. Used as exercise gym and for social events, community meetings. Has a bar, lounge facilities, changing rooms and showers. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Te Teko War Memorial Hall	Small Community Hall. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Te Teko Ratepayers Association / Whakatane District
Whakatane	Waimana Nukuhou North Hall	Small Community Hall - minimum local use. <u>Category - Basic community hall</u>	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Whakatane War Memorial Hall	Includes a 270-seat theatre used for recitals, conferences, seminars and theatrical productions with rehearsal room; a large reception lounge with bar and kitchen facilities and dance floor; and a sports stadium sized for 2 basketball courts. The stadium is also used for badminton, volleyball and other indoor sports. Large concerts, functions, commercial and cultural exhibitions are often held in the stadium. <u>Category - Community and Sport Centre</u>	District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

The Upper Atiamuri Hall in the neighbouring South Waikato District was also noted by Rotorua Lakes Council as many of its users come from their District. It is owned by South Waikato District and managed by a local hall committee.

SCHOOL FACILITIES

Data from the 2017 survey of BOP schools (n=38) found approximately 63% (20 schools) have halls used for indoor sport (and other functions). It also found approximately 70% of the '20 schools with halls used for sports' indicated provision for community use. This suggests many school halls are available for non-school community sports and activities. However, there may still be a large proportion of un-utilised halls. Given 53% of the 38 surveyed schools indicated they would be generally interested in new or increased community use of their sports and recreation facilities, the potential exists for some school hall facilities to play a greater role in meeting community demand if required.

1.4 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

TAURANGA CITY

Investigate the development of a new community centre in the Western Corridor to provide core community centre amenities, alongside the potential disposal of Tauriko Hall (2020-2024).

Review the Elizabeth St Street Community and Arts Centre and Cliff Road Building and investigate the development of a dedicated community centre to serve the central business area (2020-2024).

Merivale Community Centre is currently being upgraded.

WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Future plans for the Oropi Memorial Hall and Community Centre include the development of squash courts, multipurpose room and amenities.

WHAKATANE DISTRICT

Exploring development opportunities at the Whakatane War Memorial Hall.

1.5 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- There are common strategic themes across the respective councils in developing more strategic need and demand-driven approach to the retention of, support for and development of community hall facilities. This includes more devolution of control to local communities in many lower priority facility cases, and fostering more facility sharing and multiple-use activities.
- The need to consider flexible, multi-sized, integrated and well-located community centres where any new or upgraded community halls are being considered.
- Demographic projections also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- School and multi-use shared facilities could play an increasing role in the utilisation of community halls. This is particularly important to meet the needs of geographically dispersed populations and urban areas with high demand.

General Approaches to Community Hall/Centre Facilities

- Maintain existing facilities in line with their asset management plans.
- Prior to any major renewals undertake an independent building condition assessment and needs and options analysis to determine cost benefit of alternative facility delivery approaches (such as co-locating with other sports and recreation or community assets, school partnerships).
- Monitor and review existing facility utilisation and quality to ensure community recreation use is nurtured
- Review provision and management of halls on Council land to ensure community demand is being met.
- Rationalisation should be considered where there is insufficient demand and/or viable alternatives are available.

Council	Community Halls	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bert Hamilton Hall • Concert Chamber • Town Hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council's Level of Service is to provide public halls and facilities which reflect community needs. • Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population based in Kawerau, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Community Hall/Centre facility approaches on Page 13 as required.
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opotiki Art Society Hall • Scouts Hall • Senior Citizens Hall • Waiōtahi Settlers Hall • Woodlands Hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the District's population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Community Hall/Centre facility approaches on Page 13 as required.

Council	Community Halls	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broadlands Community Hall Kaharoa Community Hall Mamaku Community Hall Ngakuru Community Hall Ngongotaha Community Hall Okearaka Community Hall Reporoa Community Hall Rotoma Hall Rerewhakaaitu Community Hall Waikite Valley Community Hall Linton Park Community Centre <p>Outside the area but used by Rotorua Lakes residents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upper Atiamuri Hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council's current LOS set through the 2012-2022 LTP includes: Ngakuru, Waikite Valley, Kaharoa, Rerewhakaaitu, Reporoa, Ngongotaha, Lake Okareka, and Mamaku halls will continue to be managed by the Rotorua District Council with the day to day running undertaken by a local committee. Council is considering transferring ownership of Broadlands Community Hall to the School. An annual amount is paid to Rotoma Hall Committee as a contribution towards operating costs. Marae facilities play an important role in community hall style facility provision. Schools make considerable use of Kaharoa Hall and Waikite Valley Community Hall. There are no formal agreements in place. Delivery of sports and recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population whilst also supporting many smaller, rural areas. Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be placed where there is any current/future deficiency (potentially around any new residential developments) This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue the model of halls being managed by local committees. If the Broadlands Hall is transferred to school ownership an agreement to ensure ongoing community access should be agreed. Follow and action the general Community Hall/Centre facility approaches on Page 13 as required.
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arataki Community Centre Bethlehem Hall Cliff Road Building Elizabeth Street Community & Arts Centre Greerton Community Hall Matua Hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cliff Road facility is in poor condition with only health and safety maintenance being undertaken while future provision is being explored. <p>Tauranga Community Facility Needs Analysis 2019:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Growing demand in the future will require additional provision, ideally through integrated, co-located or partnership community facility provision (rather than single site provision). There is a clear need to consider optimisation or disposal of ineffective facilities where these assets are not serving the community well. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to apply a catchment approach to community facility provision while retaining a viable local facility network. Investigate the development of a new community centre in the Western Corridor to provide core community centre amenities, alongside the potential disposal of Tauriko Hall (2020-2024).

Council	Community Halls	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Papamoa Community Centre (at the Library) Papamoa Sports & Recreation Centre Tauriko Hall Waipuna Park Pavilion Welcome Bay Hall Welcome Bay Community Centre Merivale Community Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council should not develop or invest in any stand-alone hall facilities as co-location and a full community centre is more effective. All new provision should have multiple and flexible spaces to accommodate a variety of community needs. Provision Guideline: All community centres / halls are local facilities serving local catchments of approximately 10,000 to 15,000 population and a catchment distance between 4 to 8km (from the facility). Core provision of approximately 800m² to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large hall / meeting room space. Small and medium sized meeting spaces which divide/expand. Meeting room(s). Kitchen. Associated administration and potential office spaces. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the Elizabeth St Street Community and Arts Centre and Cliff Road Building and investigate the development of a dedicated community centre to serve the central business area (2020-2024). Follow and action the general Community Hall/Centre facility approaches on Page 13 as required.
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Katikati Memorial Hall Maramatanga Park Ohauti Settlers Hall Omanawa Hall Ōmokoroa Settlers Hall Oropi Settlers Hall Otamarakau Settlers Hall Paengaroa Community Hall Pongakawa Hall Pukehina Community Hall Pyes Pa Hall Te Puke War Memorial Hall Te Puna War Memorial Hall Waihi Beach Community Centre Whakamarama Hall Katikati A&P Showgrounds Hall <p>Partnerships with Halls on School land:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pahoia School & Community Centre Kaimai School Hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council does not own community meeting places/ halls, it partners with local hall committees. Council provides leases of land on a peppercorn basis, remits 100% of rates and generally funds capital and renewal works. One hall supported per area of benefit. Council may fund additional development for facility enhancements of town centre halls in line with 20-year town centre development plans. Council has some existing partnerships with schools. The preference is to continue this kind of partnership approach. Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. Te Puna War Memorial Hall was demolished in 2016 due to roading infrastructure, with a new development completed in mid-2020. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue the model of halls being owned and managed by local committees. Continue existing partnerships with schools and consider more of these in future. Follow and action the general Community Hall/Centre facility approaches on Page 13 as required.

Council	Community Halls	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awakaponga Hall • Awakeri War Memorial Hall • Community / Youth Centre • Galatea Hall • Manawahe Hall • Nukuhou Settlers Hall • Ohope Hall • Otakiri Hall • Taneatua War Memorial Hall • Te Teko Pavillion • Waimana Nukuhou North Hall • Whakatane War Memorial Hall 	<p>Current Council direction includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure communities' needs for halls or similar facilities are met. • Monitor the availability and usage of halls or similar facilities in the District. • Encourage and support community groups and primary users to take an active role in the management of their local hall. • Take a staged, diminishing role in the management of halls over time. • Provide funding support where policy criteria are met. • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. • This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This District is projected to have a strong aging trend. • A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake a detailed feasibility and options analysis for the Whakatane War Memorial Hall (including consideration of the balance between indoor and outdoor court provision in the District). • Follow and action the general Community Hall/Centre facility approaches on Page 13 as required.



2.0 AQUATIC FACILITIES

2.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

NATIONAL AQUATIC SPORTS FACILITY STRATEGY (2013)

The National Aquatic Sports Facility Strategy (2013) provides the overarching strategic document for aquatic facilities. Key direction from the Strategy:

- The Strategy addresses the provision of aquatic facilities to meet aquatic sports needs and community aquatic participation needs.
- At an international aquatic sport level, the Strategy confirms the provision of facilities in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch along with existing facilities provide suitable facilities for this level of aquatic sport.
- At a national and regional level, existing facilities are predominantly serving competitive sport requirements. Some focus is required to balance the demand of aquatic sports with community needs to ensure there is sufficient access for aquatic sports.
- The Strategy provides benchmark guidance for different population sizes based on square of indoor water areas for the population size. For Bay of Plenty the ratio would be either 60 people per square metre for populations over 100,000 and 35 people per square metre for populations from 10,000 to 30,000.
- Based on 2013 data, the Bay of Plenty Region currently has around 46.6 people per square metre, compared with a national average of 46.9.
- Viewed as people per standard sized pool (8 lane, 25m), the Bay of Plenty Region had 8,891 people per pool. Comparatively, the New Zealand average is 10,518 people per pool.
- The Strategy indicates the Bay of Plenty region is likely to experience an increase in swim visit demand of around 9% by 2031 due to population growth.
- Based on the benchmark approach used in the Strategy, the Bay of Plenty Region has a current shortfall of around 4 'standard' pools (8 lane 25m). By 2031 projected demand change indicates this shortfall will remain.
- The Strategy outlines that 57% of pools in the Bay of Plenty are located at schools. This is comparable with national levels.

TAURANGA CITY COMMUNITY FACILITIES NEEDS ANALYSIS (2020)

Tauranga City Council commissioned a Community Facilities Needs Analysis, which investigated aquatic provision in the city. The following conclusions were made:

- Across all TCC aquatic facilities, Tauranga has a relatively high level of provision of 33 people per square metre. But if only indoor aquatic facilities are included, then the current level of provision is 50 people per square metre - which is slightly lower compared with other similar cities in New Zealand where 45 people per square metre is considered appropriate.
- Looking forward 30 years and factoring in population growth, Tauranga is forecast to need an additional 1,468 square metres of indoor water space, which roughly equates to three additional new pools.
- Across all pools, 5.5 visits were made per resident and 187 visits across the water space (per m²) which are considered high in comparison to other New Zealand cities. A good proportion of these visits will be tourists visiting the Mount Maunganui Hot Pools.
- When considering indoor pools only, the ratio of 3.1 visits per population is lower than desirable, but the ratio of 156 visits across the water space is considered high. This indicates it is the amount of water space that is constraining participation, not the community's interest.
- Baywave TECT Aquatic & Leisure Centre is considered under significant pressure and operating beyond capacity; Greerton Pool is considered nearing capacity; Otumoetai Pool's level of visitation is relatively low, which is reflective of its condition and functionality; Memorial Pool is only open during the summer, with low levels of visitation – reflecting the age, condition and quality of the facility.
- The quality of existing provision should be addressed to ensure the existing network can perform optimally.
- There was not sufficient evidence identified in the Needs Analysis to warrant investigation of a 50m pool within Tauranga's network. It is

suggested other aquatic requirements are addressed prior to revisiting the need for a 50m pool in the future.

- The report suggests the redevelopment of Memorial Pool should be undertaken in the short-term by 2024. The development is required to meet needs, address the aging asset and to help reduce current pressure on Baywave TECT Aquatic & Leisure Centre and Greerton Aquatic Centre.

2.2 PARTICIPATION

Participation details outlined below are based on trends highlighted by sporting codes (survey responses from clubs and regional/national sports organisations) and data available through desktop analysis.

SWIMMING

Swimming membership has steadily declined over the last 3-years across the Bay of Plenty, with 1,923 members in 2018/19 (compared to 2,287 in 2015/16 – 16% reduction) – note these figures include the delivery of learn-to-swim programmes. This follows national trends, with membership dropping 9% over the same period.¹ There are some pockets of growth identified from year-to-year (since 2017), however, membership figures appear to fluctuate with no pronounced trends.² In 2018, two of the largest clubs in the region, Greerton and Otumoetai Swimming Clubs officially merged with the Tauranga Swimming Club to form Evolution Aquatics Tauranga.

SURF SPORTS (SURF LIFE SAVING)

Overall participation in surf sports has been static across the Eastern Region (which stretches down the eastern coast of the North Island). Individual club membership fluctuations are apparent. Since 2016/17, there were 5 less members during the 2018/19 season (total of 5,933). This follows significant growth from the 2015/16 season to the 2016/17 season of 11%. The proportion of male and female participants has remained relatively constant over this

time (around 52% male and 48% female), with a slight increase in female participation evident.³

WATER POLO

Water Polo Rotorua has noted a marked increase in the number of flippa ball players.

¹ As outlined in the 2018/19 Swimming New Zealand Annual Report

² As outlined in the 2019 Swimming Bay of Plenty Annual Report

³ As outlined in the 2016/17, 17/18 and 18/19 Surf Lifesaving New Zealand Annual Reports

2.3 INVENTORY

Council Area	Aquatic Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawarau District						
Kawarau	Maurie Kjar Memorial Pool	Outdoor multi-pool complex - 25x12m main pool with additional 6x12m section sealed off with bulkhead; 11x12m L-shaped learners pool; 7x4m paddle pool; 10x6m spa pool - all with geothermal heating. Shade cloth covers. BBQ and picnic areas, changing rooms and office. Changing rooms, swim clubroom and splash pad.	District	Kawarau District Council	Kawarau District Council	Kawarau District Council
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Opotiki College Pool	Outdoor seasonal 33x13m main pool, 8x4m kids pool. Annual operational grant is contributed to secure community access.	District	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Opotiki College
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Blue Baths	Outdoor heated 18m pool + two thermal heated soak pools	Local	Rotorua Lakes Council	Rotorua Lakes Council	Blue baths Establishment
Rotorua Lakes	Butchers Pool Reporoa	Free hot mineral pool for public	Local	Rotorua Lakes Council	Rotorua Lakes Council	Rotorua Lakes Council
Rotorua Lakes	Lynmore School Pool	Covered and heated 12x4.5m pool.	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Lynmore Primary School
Rotorua Lakes	Manupirua Hot Pools	Boat only accessible geothermal pools on the shore of Lake Rotoiti	Local	Private	Private	Lake Rotoiti Hot Pools
Rotorua Lakes	Polynesian Spa Mineral and Hot Springs Spa	Geothermal Commercial Spa and wellness facility, multiple outdoor public pools + private pools and	District	Rotorua Lakes Council	Private	Polynesian Spa
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Aquatic Centre	Indoor/Outdoor multi-pool complex - 50m 8 lane outdoor pool; 33m 8 lane indoor pool and learner pool; indoor and outdoor spas. Planned redevelopment of outdoor pool and hydrotherapy facilities.	Regional	Rotorua Lakes Council	Rotorua Lakes Council	Rotorua Lakes Council

Council Area	Aquatic Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Secret Spot Hot Tubs	12x private hot tubs	District	Red Stag Timber LTD	Secret Spot LTD	Secret Sport LTD
Rotorua Lakes	Waikite Hot Pools	Thermal Hot Pools complex offering both public and private pools	Local	Rotorua Lakes Council	Rotorua Lakes Council	The living waters of Waikite Valley LTD
Rotorua Lakes	Waitangi Soda Springs	Natural Geothermal Hot Pools	Local	Private	Private	Private
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Bartlett Swim School	Indoor 25m x 8m pool (1.2m deep) and a 25m x 4m learners pool (0.8m deep)	Local	Bartlett Swim School	Bartlett Swim School	Bartlett Swim School
Tauranga City	Baywave TECT Aquatics & Leisure Centre	Indoor multi-pool complex - 25x25m lap pool; 25m leisure pool with wave machine; 15m learner pool and toddler splash pool; hydroslide; café; gym and retail. Note: the regional status of the facility is associated with competition use. It does not indicate the facility serves a region wide general public use.	Regional	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	CCS Disability Action Pool	Outdoor heated 18.5m x 6m pool.	Local	CCS Disability Action	CCS Disability Action	CCS Disability Action
Tauranga City	Fernland Spa	Outdoor hot pools	Local	Private	Private	Fernland Spa
Tauranga City	Greerton Aquatics & Leisure Centre	Indoor multi-pool complex - 25m lap pool; 18m hydrotherapy pool; learners pool; gym and retail	District	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Liz Van Wellie Aquatic	Indoor 25m heated pool and learn-to-swim	Local	Liz Van Wellie	Liz Van Wellie	Liz Van Wellie
Tauranga City	Memorial Pool	Outdoor seasonal heated multi-pool complex - 25x16m main pool; 16x5m bulkhead end pool; 18x12m learners pool; BBQ facilities	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd

Council Area	Aquatic Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Mount Maunganui College Pool	Outdoor 25m x 6 lane lap pool (since 2017 the pool has been heated to enable full-year use)	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Mount Maunganui College
Tauranga City	Mount Maunganui Hot Saltwater Pools	Outdoor coastal hot saltwater pool complex - 23x12m active pool; 23x10m hot passive pool; 15x4m toddler pool; spa pools; massage; swimsport retail; coffee cart	District	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Oceanblue Health & Fitness	Indoor 25m x 2 lanes	Local	Private	Private	Oceanblue Health and Fitness
Tauranga City	Otumoetai Pool	Covered (membrane) two pool complex - 25x17m main pool; 17x8m learners pool	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Papamoa School Pool	Outdoor 25m x 8 lane lap pool	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Papamoa School
Tauranga City	Te Pare a Ruahine - Aquatic & Fitness Centre	Outdoor 25m 6 lane pool - also indoor group fitness room and 2x gym fitness rooms	Local	Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology	Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology	Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology
Tauranga City	Welcome Bay Hot Pools	Outdoor hot pools	Local	Private	Private	Private
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Dave Hume Swimming Pool	Outdoor seasonal 33x13m main pool and 10x8m toddler pool with geothermal heating. Main use from adjacent high school.	District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Dave Hume Swimming Pool Trust
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Memorial Pool	Outdoor seasonal 33x13m 6 lane main pool; 10x10m dive pool and toddler pool. High school pool but operated by Council	District	Waitaha Iwi	Te Puke High School	Western Bay District
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Edgecumbe College Pool	33m outdoor pool. Funding agreement for public use over summer.	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Edgecumbe College
Whakatane	Murupara Aquatic Centre	Outdoor seasonal 33x13m 6 lane heated main pool; toddler pool Currently being covered for all-year use.	Local	Whakatane District Council	Whakatane District Council	Whakatane District Council

Council Area	Aquatic Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane	Whakatane Aquatic Centre	Indoor/Outdoor multi-pool complex - 33m 7 lane outdoor pool; 25m 7 lane indoor pool and learner pool; hydroslide; spa pools	District	Whakatane District Council	Whakatane District Council	Whakatane District Council

A number of public and private hot / thermal pools (sit and soak style) are provided across the region, particularly in Rotorua, Whakatane and Tauranga. Not all councils have collected inventory data on these assets given their primary purpose and use is for leisure tourism rather than sport and recreation.

Some leisure tourism pools, such as the Mount Maunganui Hot Saltwater pools, are regularly used for active recreation purposes.

RETIREMENT HOMES WITH REPORTED POOL FACILITIES (DESKTOP ANALYSIS)

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Cantabria Lifecare and Village	Hydrotherapy pool	Local	Heritage Lifecare	Heritage Lifecare	Cantabria Lifecare and Village
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Pacific Coast Village	Heated swimming pool (25m)	Local	Generus Living Group	Generus Living Group	Generus Living Group
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Althorp Village	Heated swimming pool	Local	Althorp Village Ltd	Althorp Village Ltd	Althorp Village Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Bethlehem Country Club	Heated swimming pool	Local	Arvida Group	Arvida Group	Arvida Group
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Bethlehem Shores	Heated swimming pool	Local	Arvida Group	Arvida Group	Arvida Group
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Bob Owens	Heated swimming pool	Local	Bob Owens Retirement Village Ltd	Bob Owens Retirement Village Ltd	Bob Owens Retirement Village Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Copper Crest	Heated swimming pool	Local	Arvida Group	Arvida Group	Arvida Group
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Bayswater Village	Heated swimming pool	Local	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Greenwood Park	Heated swimming pool (15m)	Local	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Somervale	Heated swimming pool	Local	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare The Avenues	Heated swimming pool	Local	Metlifecare The Avenues	Metlifecare The Avenues	Metlifecare The Avenues
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Ocean Shores	Heated swimming pool	Local	Ocean Shores Village	Ocean Shores Village	Ocean Shores Village
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Omokoroa Country Estate	Thermally heated swimming pool	Local	Omokoroa Country Estate	Omokoroa Country Estate	Omokoroa Country Estate
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Papamoa Beach Village Metlifecare	Heated swimming pool	Local	Metlifecare Papamoa Beach Village	Metlifecare Papamoa Beach Village	Metlifecare Papamoa Beach Village
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Summerset by the Dunes	Heated swimming pool	Local	Summerset by the Dunes	Summerset by the Dunes	Summerset by the Dunes
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – The Vines at Bethlehem	Heated swimming pool	Local	The Vines at Bethlehem	The Vines at Bethlehem	The Vines at Bethlehem

More investigation would be required to determine the scale of the retirement home facilities and the options for future accessibility (if any was possible or desired). However, it is useful to be aware of this potential facility opportunity resource in addition to those provided by school pools, and particularly in the context of declining school pool numbers and an aging population. It is noteworthy Bay Venues Limited indicated the Greerton Aquatic and Leisure Centre in Tauranga would lend itself particularly to catering for an aging population. Population aging (to varying degrees) is characteristics of all population centres in the region.

It is also important to be aware a number of private pools are provided in the Region. This includes private swim school facilities and pools as part of commercial gym facilities. These facilities provide some additional aquatic capacity beyond the public network.

SCHOOL PROVISION

School Pools in BOP – over 100m² (Ministry of Education school facility data, Education Counts⁴)

School Name	Length	Width	Net Pool (m ²)	Covered	Council Area
Bethlehem School	18	6	108		Tauranga
Edgecumbe College	33	12	396		Whakatane
Kaharoa School	40	10	400		Rotorua
Katikati Primary School	22	6	132		Western Bay of Plenty
Maketu School	20	10	200		Western Bay of Plenty
Matua School	15	7	105		Tauranga
Mt Maunganui College	33	13	429		Tauranga
Mt Maunganui Intermediate	20	7	140		Tauranga
Ōmokoroa School	25	10	250		Tauranga
Opotiki College (I)	33	13	429		Opotiki
Otumoetai College	32	15	480		Tauranga
Otumoetai School	25	7	175		Tauranga
Owhata School	20	6	120	Yes	Rotorua
Papamoa School	25	12	300		Tauranga
Pillans Point School	22	6	132		Tauranga
Pongakawa School	25	12	300		Western Bay of Plenty
Pukehina School (I)	20	5	100		Western Bay of Plenty
Rotokawa School	18	6	108		Rotorua
Taneatua School	22	6	132		Whakatane
Tauranga Girls' College	33	13	429		Tauranga
Te Kura o Te Paroa	20	6	120		Whakatane
Te Kura o Torere (I)	14	9	126		Opotiki
Te Puke High School (I)	33	15	495		Western Bay of Plenty
Te Whanau-A-Apanui Area School	25	9	225		Opotiki
TKKM o Ruamata	24	5	120		Rotorua
Welcome Bay School	18	6	108		Tauranga
Western Heights High School	25	11	275		Rotorua

⁴ It is acknowledged that some data here may now be out of date due to pool closures or new additions – although this is subject to schools providing the new data to the Ministry. Facilities known but not listed here include pools at Rotorua Boys High (indoor) Reporoa College, Te Kaha School, St Joseph's School, and Opotiki Primary School. Non-integrated private school pools are not included.

2.4 PERCEPTIONS ON AQUATIC PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- Cost of lane hire across the network impacts on operational viability.
- Limited accessibility as pools contend with other user groups and casual/recreational activity.
- When access is available, they are at times/days that are not conducive for participation.
- Club swimming delivery is operated across a myriad of pools (no centralised approach).
- The pool network in general has aging facilities that are reflective in their condition.
- The Rotorua Aquatic Centre does not have FINA compliant depth (note this is currently being developed).
- Sustained growth is being experienced in some codes, placing added strain on access and capacity levels.
- 50m pool is required in Tauranga for hosting events at an international, national, regional and local level.
- Events are currently held in surrounding regions due to pools not meeting FINA specifications.
- There is currently a lack of training space for lifeguards.
- The provision of covered pools will enable year-round utilisation.
- Access to school pools is critical when considering cost and accessibility to public pools.
- Importance of rural/localised access.
- Ensuring that pool designs, or the network itself (through operational solutions), can effectively accommodate for the full range of aquatic sports.
- Health and safety concerns raised by schools as to why partnership and/or community access options are not provided.

2.5 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

One aquatic facility is currently under development, while all other prospective facilities in the region are at the concept and planning stages. Tauranga City Council has undertaken a Needs Analysis across its network, while individual feasibility studies and partnership approaches are being investigated in other areas of the region. While no school pool developments were mentioned in survey responses received.

ROTORUA LAKES

Refurbishment of the Rotorua Aquatic Centre is currently underway to increase the capacity and level of service in line with community expectations. This includes the installation of a bulkhead in the 50m outdoor pool. Phase 1 of works is expected to be completed in November 2020. Phase 2 comprises works relating to a HVAC system, ceiling and reception area. Phase 2 will commence following Phase 1, with the end of 2021 targeted for completion.

TAURANGA CITY

Planning for a proposed indoor and outdoor aquatic facility at Memorial Park is well advanced with a needs assessment and feasibility study completed. The Needs Analysis underscored the importance of Memorial Park and the need for other aquatic facilities in the medium to longer term.

WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY

Implement the outcomes of the 2021/31 Long Term Plan Swimming Pool Level of Service Review.

2.6 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- Based on the national benchmark, on a 'population-to-facility' basis there is a current shortfall of around 4 'standard' pools (8 lane 25m) in the Region.
- As the nature of aquatic developments is changing it is considered appropriate to provide an estimate of the total square metre area of aquatic space required (to serve the population) rather than simply the 'standard' pools indication. Based on the national benchmark (population to facility) it is estimated that by 2031 approximately 2,040 square metres of additional aquatic space will be required to serve the region.
- The Region is likely to experience an increase in aquatic demand by around 9% by 2031 and therefore have a continued shortfall of pool space.
- There are some regional issues with provision and allocation of space for competitive swimming use, including a perceived lack of opportunities (related to length and depth) and difficulties balancing community and competitive access (these challenges are common in all areas of New Zealand).
- Demographic projections⁵ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, increase in the 65+ age-group in particular. The need for heated indoor recreational pool space is likely to increase as the population ages. It is also anticipated that the type of aquatic space required will be more diverse. For example, hydrotherapy facilities may become more of a need over traditional lane space. Detailed investigation into options and main user needs will be required for any new aquatic developments or redevelopments.
- Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- School and other private pool facilities should be considered for an increasing role in the provision of community aquatic opportunities. This is particularly important to meet the needs of geographically dispersed populations, urban areas with high demand, and areas with a strong aging population. Nationally, private pool facilities are being seen as a way of addressing competitive swim training demand.

General Approaches to Aquatic Facilities

- Maintain existing facilities in line with their asset management plans.
- Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative facility delivery approaches (such as commercial or school partnerships and alternative sites).
- With all redevelopments or new builds undertake an options analysis to determine the potential benefits of co-locating sport and recreational facilities (including potential partnerships).
- Engage aquatic sports users (including regional and national sports organisations where applicable) on prospective pool developments/upgrades.
- Hold annual aquatic forums to discuss constraints, opportunities and collaborative approaches for region wide aquatic sport provision, pool access and use.

Council	Pools/Aquatic Centres	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kawerau Swimming Pools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of aquatic facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete upgrades to the Maurie Kiar Memorial Pool. • Follow and action the general Aquatic facility approaches on Page 26 as required.

⁵ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

Council	Pools/Aquatic Centres	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opotiki College Pool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. Delivery of aquatic facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor the accessibility of school facilities to community groups. If required, enter into formalised partnerships to facilitate ongoing public access. Undertake analysis examining options including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a.) Covering the existing pool. b.) Developing a new covered 25m heated pool. c.) Heating the Opotiki College pool to extend the season. d.) Retaining the current model of provision. If warranted progress to a feasibility and business case. Follow and action the general Aquatic facility approaches on Page 26 as required.
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rotorua Aquatic Centre Lynmore School Pool & Gymnasium Polynesian Spa Mineral and Hot Springs Spa Waikite Hot Pools Waitangi Soda Springs Blue Baths Secret Spot Hot Tubs Butchers Pool Reporoa Manupirua Hot Pools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of aquatic facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be placed where there is any current / future deficiency (potentially around any new residential developments). This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to has a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. Ensure suitable access and fit-for-purpose 50m at the Rotorua Aquatic Centre – the centre comprises the only 50m pool in the Bay of Plenty. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the development upgrades of the Rotorua Aquatic Centre. Stage 1 is to encompass the installation of a bulkhead and creating a deeper and level base. With Stage 2 to include upgrades and development of supporting services and amenities. Undertake an options analysis to determine the potential benefits of co-locating sport and recreational facilities (including potential commercial aspects - fitness, swim schools and potential partnerships with schools). Follow and action the general Aquatic facility approaches on Page 26 as required.
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baywave TECT Aquatics & Leisure Centre CCS Disability Action Pool Greerton Aquatics & Leisure Centre Memorial Pool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baywave TECT Aquatic & Leisure Centre is under significant pressure and operating beyond capacity, while Greerton Pool is nearing capacity. The provision of existing pools is seen as critical for supporting the network of facilities. Given the age and condition of some pools, investment is required to ensure they remain fit-for-purpose. Memorial Pool is only open during the summer, with low levels of visitation which is reflective of its age, condition and quality. It is recommended in the Community Facilities Needs Analysis report a redevelopment of Memorial Pool should be undertaken in the short-term 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A detailed business case should be undertaken for the redevelopment of Memorial Pool as a priority. Consideration should be given to potential partnerships and cross boundary collaboration opportunities (with schools and WBOPDC).

Council	Pools/Aquatic Centres	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mount Maunganui Hot Saltwater Pools • Otumoetai Pool • Te Pare a Ruahine - Aquatic & Fitness Centre • Fernland Spa • Liz Van Wellie Aquatic • Mount Maunganui College Pool • Oceanblue Health & Fitness • Western Bay Hot Pools 	<p>by 2024.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a perception amongst some stakeholders a 50m pool is required within the city. However, analysis does not support this as an immediate need. • Delivery of aquatic facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population, with consideration around function and geographic spread across the pools to support visitation levels. • As the city population continues to grow, the need for additional aquatic facilities are identified over the next 20 years in the Central, Western and Eastern areas of the city. • The development of a 50m pool is not recommended within Tauranga, with important factors being: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is currently an indoor 50 metre pool in Hamilton and an outdoor, all year 50 metre pool in Rotorua. This level of permanent provision is assessed as sufficient to meet the needs for aquatic sport events. Currently, there are 11 indoor 50 metre pools and 9 outdoor 50 metres pools in New Zealand (or under construction). Annually there are 4-10 sport events that require a 50 metre pool nationally. On this basis, there is insufficient events to warrant additional permanent 50 metre provision in the Bay of Plenty. • Rather than centralising aquatic sport into a 50 metre pool, a dispersed network of 25 metre pools suitable for aquatic sport training and events is recommended, as this increases the overall level of provision and improves accessibility. • The development and operation of one 50 metre pool costs more than two 25 metre pools. Therefore, if a 50 metre pool is pursued, the opportunity cost is greater than having two 25 metre pools in the network. • While the use of bulkhead in a 50 metre pool means multiple activities can occur at the same time, analysis shows 50 metre pools are less efficient and overall have less utilisation compared to two 25 metre pools. • There are methods of providing temporary 50 metre pools for special aquatic events should this be required and cost-benefit analysis supports it. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase. • The demand for indoor heated water is likely to increase. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The development of a 50m pool is not recommended. A more dispersed network of 25m pools is favoured (see left). • Undertake the Memorial Park development to alleviate pressure currently experienced by Baywave, accommodate increased aquatic demand and build resilience in an aging network. This project is a top priority. • It is essential that the existing pools are maintained for the network to operate cohesively. • Follow and action the general Aquatic facility approaches on Page 26 as required.

Council	Pools/Aquatic Centres	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Hume Swimming Pool • Te Puke Memorial Pool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on their asset provision guidelines for swimming pools Western Bay of Plenty District will consider the future provision of pools on a case by case basis. • Delivery of aquatic facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. • The Ōmokoroa Structure Plan is being developed with consideration for future community facility provision. The peninsula is being planned and subsequently developed to accommodate 9-12,000 residents. The plan has potential land for an aquatic centre adjacent to the school. • Council is currently undertaking a 2021/31 Long Term Plan Swimming Pool Level of Service review. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In partnership with TCC and other potential partners explore pool space provision in the Tauranga and Western Bay areas (taking into account the outcome of the Tauranga City Council Community Facility Needs Analysis⁶). • Implement the outcome and recommendations made in the 2021/31 Long Term Swimming Pool Level of Service review. • Undertake options analysis and feasibility on future Te Puke Aquatics provision. • Follow and action the general Aquatic facility approaches on Page 26 as required.
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whakatane Aquatic Centre • Murupara Aquatic Centre • Edgecumbe College Pool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of aquatic facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. • This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Aquatic facility approaches on Page 26 as required.

⁶ It is considered important that these projects are treated holistically.



3.0 INDOOR COURT FACILITIES

3.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

COUNCIL STRATEGIES AND PLANS

TAURANGA CITY COMMUNITY FACILITIES NEEDS ANALYSIS (2020)

Tauranga City Council commissioned a Community Facilities Needs Analysis, which investigated indoor court provision in the city. The following conclusions were deduced:

- There is a strong need for more indoor courts across the city, particularly to meet future population growth.
- Aside from the capacity constraints within the current network, some facilities are in significant need of extensive maintenance and upgrade to achieve fit-for-purpose status, there are: Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre, Mount Maunganui Sports Centre and Merivale Action Centre.
- New provision of around 8 indoor courts is required. This should be well located and have a minimum of 2-court facilities to provide flexibility and diversity of use.
- Provision guidelines:
 - a. City-wide – facilities which serves a citywide catchment of at least 30,000 population and a distance of more than 10km. For new provision it is desirable to have at least 30,000 residents in the catchment. And include 3+ indoor courts, fitness, ability to host fitness and sport events, and specialised sport space (where there is an identified need).
 - b. Local – facilities which serve local catchments of approximately 20,000 population and distance between 6-8km. For new provision, it is desirable for the catchment to be between 15-30,000 residents. And include 2 indoor courts, fitness and have the ability to hold community events.
- Maintain the existing network by reviewing the asset condition report and developing a repairs and maintenance schedule for existing indoor court facilities. Emphasis needs to be placed on not losing existing provision unless new provision is secured.
- Continue planning for the redevelopment and upgrade of indoor court provision at Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre and Memorial Hall (2020-2024).
- Investigate the expansion opportunities at Trustpower Arena if this improves community access (2020-2024).
- Catchment analysis and growth forecasts identifies the Western Corridor as requiring additional provision – which cannot be accommodated by existing community-shared facilities in the area. There appears to be insufficient population to warrant development in the medium term (2025-2030), but network pressures suggest a development around 2030 would alleviate pressures on existing infrastructure.
- Catchment analysis and growth forecasts identify this area will require additional provision which cannot be catered for by Trustpower Arena. Population is expected to be sufficient by 2035 to warrant development (or when the population reaches 15,000 to 20,000). The timing and impact of other network improvements will need to be considered. Therefore, the local pressures should be monitored and used to inform the delivery of new/additional facilities.
- Assess the impact of freeing up greater court capacity at Trustpower Arena (should the proposed specialist event centre be developed) and investigate the provision of 2-court facility in a well-located site to meet the growing demand in the eastern side of the city.

WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY – LEVEL OF SERVICE

Council are currently undertaking the 2021/31 Long Term Plan Indoor Facilities Level of Service review. A series of outcomes and recommendations will be subsequently made to guide current and future provision.

SECTOR STRATEGIES AND PLANS

NATIONAL INDOOR SPORTS FACILITY STRATEGY (REVISED 2014)

The National Indoor Sports Facility Strategy⁷ is the overarching strategic document for Indoor Court facilities. The Strategy Revised Edition 1 (30 May 2014) determined that:

- Population growth will slow, and the proportion of older people increase.
- The Bay of Plenty region is likely to experience a decrease in indoor sports demand by around 6% by 2031.
- Demand for indoor facilities is highly dependent on the age profile of the community. With a significant aging population, the Bay of Plenty Region needs to consider a strategy of adapting existing facilities to meet the needs of an aging population.
- The Bay of Plenty region has 1 council court per 13,000 people. This is higher than the average level of council court provision in New Zealand overall (1:20,000).
- The region also has 1 school court per 13,000 people, which was slightly better than the average level of school court provision in New Zealand overall (all NZ is 1:14,000).
- Approximately 56% of school gyms in the Bay of Plenty region are over 35 years old, which was a higher proportion than for most other regions on average (all NZ is 42%).
- These school courts represent 52% of the indoor courts available in the Bay of Plenty region (all NZ is 66%).
- The strategy adopts the Sport England facility provision calculator to estimate that on a 'population-to-facility' basis the Bay of Plenty region, as a whole, is currently 'oversupplied' with indoor courts with 42 courts

⁷ Sport New Zealand commissioned this Strategy to provide guidance and direction in the development of facilities for indoor sports on a national basis.

provided against an estimated requirement for 31 courts. However, it is important to note this includes school courts and public access to some of these facilities is limited or not guaranteed. The geographic disbursement and commercial use of facilities for non-sport and recreation activities also impacts on availability. It is important to understand these impacts when assessing facility needs in the region.

- Based on changing demographics and indoor court use patterns, it is estimated that the Bay of Plenty region will still have an oversupply of 5 courts by 2031. It will not require any new courts by 2031. However, individual territorial authorities may have different levels of service which indicate a requirement for indoor court space.
- Over 80% of the indoor facilities in the region have two or fewer courts which limits their flexibility and viability. Larger scale facilities allow a wider range of uses, on-site management and can attract commercial activities e.g. cafes to increase viability.
- For major events the Bay of Plenty region is well catered to with Trustpower Arena at Baypark (up to International level) and the Rotorua Energy Events Centre (up to National level). For tournaments the region has Trustpower Arena at Baypark and Rotorua Energy Events Centre (up to National level) and the Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre (Regional level).

CODE PLANS

NETBALL NEW ZEALAND FACILITIES STRATEGY (2011)

The strategy was developed to identify community needs, outline the key challenges experienced and set out a strategic framework for the future. The key findings include:

- By 2031, the projected number of teams in the Bay of Plenty is forecasted to increase by 27 (3% increase).
- Facility network approach needs to consider a range of facilities for programme delivery:
 - a. **Satellite Centres** – Where demand exists, satellite centres are considered an integral part of a netball centre. These are likely to focus on the provision of junior and intermediate school competitions, social

competitions or feeder leagues, and be located close to the local communities on school sites or other community courts.

- b. **Indoor Venues** – All regions require access to indoor venues. However, both the capital and ongoing revenue cost of such facilities is such that the development of a dedicated indoor netball courts, at a netball centre, is likely to create an unsustainable financial burden on individual centres. Indoor courts should be identified as part of the network approach, they are however, likely to be multipurpose sporting or events centres with netball as a core user.

In developing courts, there is a spectrum of facilities that should be considered, from outdoor courts to indoor courts/events venues. In deciding the most appropriate type of indoor facility to be developed, detailed consideration needs to be given to maximising the usage of other community facilities and ensuring the ongoing sustainability of the centre.

Spectrum options include outdoor courts, floodlit outdoor courts, covered courts, enclosed courts and indoor courts (events venues).

The two priority investment strategies pertaining to this strategy include:

1. **A network approach to netball centre development**

- Work to ensure that each region should have access to at least one indoor multi-court venue with a minimum of two courts.
- Work to ensure that each region can host their premier competition indoors.

2. **The mix of indoor, covered and outdoor courts** – that the optimal netball provision be provided by a mix of outdoor, covered and indoor courts.

NEW ZEALAND FOOTBALL NATIONAL FACILITIES STRATEGY UPDATE (2016)

The strategy was developed to identify and prioritise the current and future issues and opportunities facing both New Zealand Football and the seven football Federations, over the period of 2016-2025 aligning with New Zealand Football's new Strategic Plan.

The key issue for supporting the growth of futsal in New Zealand is gaining access to appropriate venues for both the indoor and outdoor forms of the game. Indoor sporting venues are often already at capacity during peak times, do not have the appropriate floor marking or surfaces, and can be cost prohibitive to hire. Public artificial pitches are also experiencing capacity issues at peak times.

Specifically, futsal is a priority focus area for the Waikato Bay of Plenty Football Federation, with a large and growing participation base. The need to gain long-term access to indoor and outdoor venues will be critical to allow the delivery of futsal to increase for meeting demand.

In recognising the significant growth that had been experienced by futsal activity, the following approaches were proposed for the region:

1. Indoor futsal – establish partnerships to gain access to indoor court space.
2. Advocate for futsal space, surfaces and court markings to be included in new facilities (and be retrofitted where possible in existing facilities).
3. Outdoor futsal – establish partnerships to gain access to outdoor court space i.e. with tennis clubs.

3.2 PARTICIPATION

Participation details outlined below are based on trends highlighted by sporting codes (survey responses from clubs and regional/national sports organisations) and data available through desktop analysis.

BADMINTON

Overall badminton participation in the region decreased by 4% from 2017 to 2018 (5,680 to 5,450 participants). Participation comprises of full and casual members (juniors and seniors) and school participation. This is primarily driven by the Shuttle Time programme delivered with schools (3,500 participants in 2018). When considering membership alone, a 7% increase is evident.⁸ Furthermore, Bay of Plenty Badminton have indicated that membership growth has continued through into 2019. This growth has primarily occurred with junior players, with a direct link associated with AIMS Games. There is also latent demand evident, particularly for casual court hire – which is currently unavailable in the region, and capacity constraints resulting in turning away potential membership.

BASKETBALL

Membership continues to increase across the region. Previously, Tauranga City Basketball reported a 44% to 3,928 members. Membership levels now exceed 4,000, with team increases of 9 primary, 4 intermediate, 7 secondary teams in the last 3-years, and 13 summer primary and 17 3x3 teams in the last 2-years.⁹ Basketball is currently ranked as the second highest participation sports at secondary school level, with the current trajectory expected to result in surpassing netball in the coming years. There are instances of latent demand evident as court capacity constraints are limiting participation opportunities – particularly in Tauranga and Whakatane.

FUTSAL

There are 3,600 registered futsal players in the WaiBOP Football Federation. This is an increase of 37% in comparison to 2017, following a 22% increase in 2016.¹⁰ Clubs have noted significant increase in futsal growth in line with federation trends.

⁸ As outlined in the 2018 Bay of Plenty Badminton Association Performance Report.

⁹ As published in the Bay of Plenty Times.

NETBALL

A majority of netball activity is played on outdoors courts (see netball specific Section 8.0). Affiliated player membership to the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Zone has remained relatively stable, with a 1% decrease from 2016 to 2018.¹¹ Netball Waikato/Bay of Plenty have indicated that junior age-groups in the region continue to grow, youth-age groups remain static, while senior players are either seeking social activity (turn-up and play) or competitive leagues held indoors.

VOLLEYBALL

Indication of over 5,000 participants with growth of 30-50% in recent years.

3.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

The Trustpower Baypark Pavilion which was under construction when the 2017 Strategy was being developed has now been completed. This originally comprised of 2 netted indoor courts, which were suitable for indoor netball, cricket, football, coaching and community recreation programmes. In 2018, the site was repurposed to accommodate a dedicated gymnastics facility for Impact Gymsport – which had previously experienced significant provision constraints.

3.4 PERCEPTIONS ON INDOOR COURT PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- Access difficulties exist as some indoor court facilities attempt to balance both commercial and community outcomes.
- Indoor court sports are growing substantially which places considerable strain on facilities to adequately accommodate codes. When there is

¹⁰ As cited in the 2017 and 2018

¹¹ As cited in the 2016 and 2018 Netball New Zealand Annual Reports.

capacity, it is not necessarily at the times of day that are conducive for facilitating participation.

- Misconceptions that the design of indoor court space can accommodate all codes i.e. badminton require specific design considerations which are not compatible with traditional indoor court builds (lighting, walls, ventilation and line markings).
- Court hire costs can be prohibitive.
- Lack of localised provision.
- Heavy reliance on school provision.

- Access to school facilities is becoming more difficult as school rolls increase, and other user groups are competing for available community space/time.
- Some facilities are aging which is reflective in their condition and suitability for modern sports use.
- With higher usage levels, some facilities need additional investment to remain fit-for-purpose.
- Indoor court provision is required to complement outdoor netball courts. Indoor courts are required to accommodate elite senior and college players as part of the development pathways, and for retaining players in the sport.

3.5 INVENTORY

Council Area	Indoor Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Ron Hardie Recreation Centre	Full size indoor court space - marked for 1x basketball, 1x netball, badminton and roller derby. Also tiered seating, kitchen, 2 levels and foyer.	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	No Indoor Courts	No council provided facility				
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Lynmore School Gymnasium	Primary School gymnasium. 20x28m (1x basketball court size) used for multiple community indoor sports after school hours	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Lynmore Primary School
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Badminton Hall	Large 6 court badminton venue, utilised by the pickleball club and other users	District	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Badminton Club	Rotorua Badminton Club
Rotorua Lakes	Southern Trust Sportsdrome (physically linked to Unison Arena)	Large indoor facility. Full size indoor court space - marked for 1x full basketball centre court; 1x netball centre court; 3x sub-sized basketball; 4x volleyball. Part of greater Energy Events Centre complex including Unison Arena.	District	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes

Council Area	Indoor Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	The Arena (RGHS)	Indoor venue at high School - marked for 1x full size basketball; 2x undersize basketball; 6x badminton courts. Also, mezzanine viewing areas, weights room; classroom spaces and kitchen. There is a public access agreement in place.	District	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Rotorua Girls High School
Rotorua Lakes	Tui Ridge Park	Basic indoor court space at residential camp - marked for 1x full basketball; 3x undersize basketball; 3x indoor football; 3x badminton. Also has climbing wall.	Local	Seventh Day Adventists Church	Seventh Day Adventists Church	Seventh Day Adventists Church
Rotorua Lakes	Unison Arena (physically linked to Southern Trust Sportsdrome)	Large indoor facility. Full size indoor court space - marked for 1x basketball and netball centre court; 4x smaller basketball; 4x smaller netball; 9x volleyball courts. Two grandstand seating areas (1,280 seats in each stand). Part of greater Energy Events Centre including Southern Trust Sportsdrome.	National	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Aquinas Action Centre	Community-share facility (School/Council). Sized at 1x standard basketball court, also marked for 2x 3/4 basketball; 1x netball; 3x Volleyball; 6x Badminton. Also, a multipurpose room with mirrors along one side; mezzanine viewing area; kitchen facilities (upstairs); small canteen (downstairs); fitness centre; retractable seating. School use during the day, public after school hours/weekends/school holidays.	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Aquinas College / Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Bay Indoor Centre (Private)	2 x Netted Indoor Courts (28m x 11m size). With synthetic floor suitable for Indoor netball, cricket, soccer, hockey; 4 x cricket training lanes. Also provides inflatable play opportunities at certain days/times.	Local	Bay Indoor Centre	Bay Indoor Centre	Bay Indoor Centre
Tauranga City	Merivale Action Centre	Community-share facility (School/Council). Sized at 1x standard basketball court, also marked for netball, 2x volleyball and 4x badminton. Includes tiered viewing area, kitchen facilities. School use during the day, public after school hours.	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Merivale Primary School / Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Mount Maunganui Sports Centre	Full sized indoor court space - marked for 1x basketball, 1x netball, 2x volleyball and 4x badminton. Kitchen and small meeting room, Mezzanine area with a kitchenette	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Otumoetai Action Centre	Full sized indoor court space marked for basketball, netball, volleyball and badminton. Also includes a dance studio, weights room and 2 squash courts. Previously under a community share agreement, the facility is still available to the public.	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Otumoetai College

Council Area	Indoor Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre & Memorial Hall	Large indoor facility comprising 2 halls - in total marked for 3x basketball; 2x netball; 6x volleyball; 15x badminton courts. Tiered seating, kitchen and toilet/changing facilities with both halls. Adjacent to Memoria Park outdoor fields etc.	Sub-Regional	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Trustpower Arena	Large indoor facility in larger outdoor stadium (Trustpower Park) and open space complex. Two primary indoor spaces include a main 6-courts space primarily for community sport - markings for 6 x netball & basketball,, 8 x volleyball, 14 x badminton. A second 3-court area is the show court primarily for sports; commercial arts/ music/ expo. Includes 3 x netball, basketball & volleyball. Also flexible meeting/event/conference suites; in-house management; catering services; and cafe.	National	Tauranga City Council	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Katikati College Action Centre	Full sized indoor court space – 1x basketball, 1x netball, 1x volleyball and 4x badminton, Community access agreement.	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Katikati College
Western Bay of Plenty	Pongakawa Action Centre	Full sized indoor court space – 1x basketball, 1x netball, 1x volleyball and 4x badminton, 1 glass backed squash court. Grandstand seating at mezzanine level. Community access agreement.	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Pongakawa School
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Awakeri Events Centre	Sports stadium, 4 x badminton courts and dining or conference room	Local	Whakatāne District Council	Community	Community
Whakatane	Edgecumbe War Memorial Hall	Sports stadium and dining lounge 1 x basketball court, 3-4 Badminton courts	Local	Whakatāne District Council	Whakatāne District Council	Whakatāne District Council
Whakatane	Murupara Area School Facility	Full sized indoor court space – will provide for 1x full size basketball, 2x volleyball and 4 x badminton. Will also provide full olympic standard weight lifting equipment. Classroom attached.	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Murupara Area School
Whakatane	Ohope Hall	Indoor court - marked for netball, badminton, indoor football. Has tiered seating on one side. Used for sport and community events.	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

Council Area	Indoor Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane	Whakatane War Memorial Hall	Full size indoor court space - large enough for 1x centre basketball court but only marked and set for 2x undersize basketball; 3x volleyball; 8x badminton courts. Also raised seating area. Part of larger hall complex including small theatre, reception lounge and foyer.	District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

SCHOOL PROVISION

School indoor courts in the Bay of Plenty – over 600m² (2013 Ministry of Education school facility data¹²)

School Name	Net Gym Area (m ²)	Council Area
Aquinas College – community share (as detailed above)	987	Tauranga
Edgecumbe College	637	Whakatane
John Paul College	620	Rotorua
Katikati College (1) – community share (as detailed above)	885	Western Bay of Plenty
Lynmore Primary School	683	Rotorua
Mt Maunganui College	1,015	Tauranga
Opotiki College (1) – community share (as detailed above)	769	Opotiki
Otumoetai College (1) – community share (as detailed above)	1,324	Tauranga
Otumoetai College (2) – community share (as detailed above)	630	Tauranga
Papamoa College	827	Tauranga
Rotorua Boys' High School (1)	814	Rotorua
Rotorua Girls' High School (1)	1,865	Rotorua
Rotorua Girls' High School (2)	898	Rotorua
Rotorua Lakes High School	609	Rotorua
Tauranga Boys' College	1,761	Tauranga
Tauranga Girls' College	1,507	Tauranga
Tauranga Intermediate	1,046	Tauranga
Te Wharekura o Mauao	656	Tauranga
TKKM o Te Koutu	800	Rotorua
Trident High School	1,568	Whakatane
Western Heights High School	1,046	Rotorua
Western Heights Primary School	613	Rotorua
Whakatane High School	665	Whakatane
Whakatane Intermediate	748	Whakatane

¹² It is acknowledged that some data here may now be out of date due to recent closures or additions – although updating is subject to data provision to the Ministry by the schools.

There are an additional 7 smaller school Indoor Court spaces listed in Ministry of Education data - Te Puke High School; Katikati College 2; TKK Motuhake o Tawhiuau; TKKM o Huiarau; Te Puke Intermediate; Rotorua Boys' High School 2; and Opotiki College 2. In addition there are known school Indoor Court spaces not listed in that source - Merivale Action Centre, Tauranga (which is referred to in the facility survey as a significant local facility in Tauranga); the Murupara Area School Facility, Whakatane which is currently under development (it will provide a full sized basketball indoor court); and the Pongakawa School Action Centre, Western Bay.

3.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

There are no projects in the region which are under construction and/or going through detailed design stages. The following projects are being explored, or are in the pipeline to be further investigated:

- A feasibility study has been undertaken for the redevelopment of the Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre and Memorial Hall in Tauranga.
- Extension of Trustpower Arena to support community sport and active recreation outcomes.
- Feasibility study is to be commissioned on the Whakatane War Memorial Hall.
- Explore the need for provision in Ōmokoroa.

3.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- The National Indoor Sports facility strategy anticipates the Bay of Plenty region will experience a decrease in indoor sports demand by around 6% by 2031.
- Based on changing demographics and indoor court use patterns it is estimated that the Bay of Plenty region will still have an oversupply of 5 courts by 2031. However, it is important to note this includes school courts and public access to some of these facilities is limited or not guaranteed. The geographic dispersion and commercial use of facilities for non-sport and recreation activities also impacts on availability. It is important to understand these impacts when assessing facility needs in the region.
- Individual territorial authorities may have different levels of service which indicate a requirement for indoor court space.
- Due to the geographic dispersion of the region there may be pockets of demand for local area court provision, particularly in growth areas.
- To provide Indoor courts comes at a significant cost. Therefore, it is important that a hierarchy of facilities is provided ranging from indoor court facilities through to quality outdoor court provision. To help reduce the desire for codes to shift indoors it is important that outdoor courts are maintained at a high standard. This includes maintaining high quality, appropriate court surfaces, quality lighting and consideration of roof structures to reduce wet weather impacts (if necessary).
- With a significant aging population, the Bay of Plenty Region needs to consider a strategy of adapting existing facilities to meet the needs of an aging population.
- Demographic projections¹³ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- School and other private indoor facilities should be considered for their role in the network. This is particularly important to meet the needs of geographically dispersed populations, urban areas with high demand, and areas with a strong aging population.

General Approaches to Indoor Court Facilities

- Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative facility delivery approaches (such as school partnerships) that are in line with a hub and spoke provision model.
- Monitor and review existing facility utilisation to ensure community sports use is nurtured.
- Maintain existing facilities in line with their asset management plans.
- If required, enter into formalised partnerships to facilitate ongoing public access.
- Develop and implement a Regional Indoor Court Facility Plan.

Council	Indoor Gyms / Stadiums	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ron Hardie Recreation Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Indoor Court facility approaches on Page 39 as required.

¹³ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

Council	Indoor Gyms / Stadiums	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School facility: Opotiki College 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Indoor Court facility approaches on Page 39 as required.
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Southern Trust Sportsdrome Unison Arena Rotorua Badminton Hall <p>School facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lynmore School Gymnasium The Arena (RGHS) <p>Private facility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tui Ridge Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently there are issues with codes and schools not using the available facilities (e.g. Unison Arena) and travelling further afield (Tauranga) to access facilities due to cost. There are also issues with sports code bookings and programmes being disrupted (e.g. by events bookings of facilities such as the Unison Arena). This leads to difficulties for codes providing a full season of activity to participants (providing consistent localised participation). Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be placed where there is any current / future deficiency (potentially around any new residential developments). This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor and review existing facility utilisation to ensure community sports use is nurtured. This needs to give particular consideration to the issues of affordability and availability of current facilities including the Unison Arena. Follow and action the general Indoor Court facility approaches on Page 39 as required.
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trustpower Arena Mount Maunganui Sports Centre Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre & Memorial Hall <p>School Facilities (partnerships):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aquinas Action Centre Merivale Action Centre Otumoetai Action Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aside from the capacity constraints within the current network, some facilities are in significant need of extensive maintenance and upgrade to meet fit-for-purpose status, including: Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre, Mount Maunganui Sports Centre and Merivale Action Centre. New provision of around 8 indoor courts is required. This should be well located and have a minimum of 2-court facilities to provide flexibility and diversity of use. A number of issues exist with the current school / Council facility partnerships. This should not detract from future partnerships, but rather the learnings should be used to ensure better outcomes are achieved through future partnerships. Delivery of sports and recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain the existing network by reviewing the asset condition report and developing a repairs and maintenance schedule for existing indoor court facilities. Emphasis needs to be placed on not losing existing provision unless new or enhanced provision is first secured. Progress the Tauranga CBD Recreation and Leisure Hub project through to a detailed business case - to include the redevelopment of the Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre and Memorial Hall. Investigate the expansion opportunities at Trustpower Arena if this improves community access (2020-2024).

Council	Indoor Gyms / Stadiums	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	Private facility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bay Indoor Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase. The needs of a regional badminton centre cannot be met by multi-use court areas and should be considered for dedicated space, and/or align with other potential users which have similar needs (i.e. table tennis and Parafed codes). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake needs and feasibility analysis for the proposed development of facilities in Papamoa East/Wairakei/Te Tumu growth area. Progress a feasibility study for a dedicated regional badminton facility within Tauranga. Follow and action the general Indoor Court facility approaches on Page 39 as required.
Western Bay of Plenty	School facilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pongakawa Action Centre Katikati College Action Centre <p>Note: Community Halls are utilised by some codes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. The Ōmokoroa Structure Plan is being developed with consideration for future community facility provision. The peninsula is being planned and subsequently developed to accommodate 9-12,000 residents. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement the outcomes and recommendations of the 2021/31 Long Term Plan Indoor Facilities Level of Service review. Maintain and monitor the current formalised partnerships for public access to the Pongakawa and Katikati Action Centres. Explore the need for indoor court provision in Ōmokoroa. Follow and action the general Indoor Court facility approaches on Page 39 as required.
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awakeri Events Centre Edgecumbe War Memorial Hall Whakatane War Memorial Hall Ohope Hall <p>School facility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Murupara Area School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand’s forecasted deficit over the same period. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake a detailed feasibility and options analysis for the Whakatane War Memorial Hall to determine the number of courts that should be included (giving consideration to the balance between indoor and outdoor court provision in the District). Follow and action the general Indoor Court facility approaches on Page 39 as required.



4.0 PLAYING FIELD FACILITIES

4.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

COUNCIL STRATEGIES AND PLANS

WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT COUNCIL

The Western Bay of Plenty District Council is currently reviewing the Level of Service (LOS) for sportsfields. Existing LOS provision and review findings are outlined below⁸:

- Provision – greater than or equal to 1.5ha sports park per 1,000 residents, reducing to 1.0ha per 1,000 residents by 2028. 2017/18 Annual Report states 1.42ha/1,000 residents.
- Sports field provision – 0.7 fields per 1,000 residents. Currently 32 sports fields – 0.65 fields per 1,000 residents.
- Additional land provision has been acquired at Moore Park (1.657 ha) and there is consideration for a 10-hectare land purchase at Ōmokoroa, as part of the structure planning exercise.

SPORTS FIELD ANALYSIS

QUANTIFYING THE SUPPLY AND DEMAND WINTER SPORTS FIELDS, OUTDOOR COURTS AND TURF IN THE WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY SUB-REGION (UPDATED JUNE 2019)

The report outlines the following for **Tauranga City**:

- 107 sports fields across the city providing 924.5 full-sized equivalent playing hours per week.
- Currently there is a supply surplus of 201 hours per week.
- All shortfalls in individual community analysis areas can be accommodated by surplus supply in neighbouring areas.
- There are some imbalances in provision between football, rugby and rugby league.
- There are significant non-regular and one-off activities held at across the network of fields.
- By 2028, there is an anticipated shortfall of 47 hours per week – spread evenly between East and West.
- By 2038, the shortfall is forecasted to extend to 163 hours per week.

TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL

The Tauranga City Council has the following projects in the Long-Term Plan 2018-2028:

- Wairoa Active Reserve development – 2021-2025.
- Ohauti Reserve development – 2022-2025.
- Western Corridor – land purchase and development of an active reserve – 2028.
- Te Tumu – land purchase and development of an active reserve.

Recommendations for **Tauranga City West** to 2028 include:

- Consider reallocating 1 to 2 fields from football to rugby, and meeting league training demand through sharing one of these fields.
- Additional weekend capacity will be needed by around 2023 to provide network flexibility – this will be met by starting development of Wairoa Active Reserve.
- Surplus capacity on existing fields can accommodate projected weekday training demand to around 2027.
- Collaborate with Western Bay of Plenty District over field provision in the Bethlehem, Te Puna, Omokoroa areas to ensure reasonable geographic distribution and reduce increased travel times.

Recommendations for **Tauranga City East** to 2028 include:

- Consider reallocating 2 to 3 fields from football to rugby, with league allocated some use on one of the reallocated fields.
- Consider relocating some of the community use (e.g. football) from Blake Park rugby fields to alternative parks.
- Look at the potential to move some 'other use' from rugby fields in Mount Maunganui to football fields or other areas of the city.
- The yet to be developed Te Tumu Reserve will provide up to 9 fields (126 to 144 hours per week). This development may need to be advanced should sufficient capacity not be met by existing fields by 2026.
- Collaborate with Western Bay of Plenty District over field provision in Papamoa East and Te Puke areas to ensure reasonable geographic distribution and reduce increased travel times.

The report outlines the following for the **Western Bay of Plenty District**:

- 46 sports fields across the city providing 307 full-sized equivalent playing hours per week.
- Currently there is a supply surplus of 167 hours per week.
- All community board areas have sufficient supply overall.
- There are some imbalances in provision between football, rugby and rugby league.
- By 2028, there is an anticipated that the surplus will reduce to 129 hours per week.
- By 2028, it is forecasted that Te Puke will be stretched for training supply.
- By 2038, the surplus is forecasted to reduce to 122 hours per week.

Recommendations for **Western Bay of Plenty** to 2028 include:

- Consider reallocating 1 field in both Katikati and Kaimai from football to rugby.
- Over the next 3 years, develop the 2 fields at Centennial Park, Te Puke which are currently unusable in winter. These fields can service training mainly for rugby, with a smaller amount for league.
 - Collaborate with WBOP District over field provision in Papamoa East, Te Puke, Bethlehem, Te Puna and Ōmokoroa to ensure reasonable geographic distribution and to reduce increased travel times (barrier to participation).

Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty – Hockey Turfs

The report outlines the following:

- There are currently 4.5 turfs (including 2.5 school-based turf with community access secured) providing 129 full turf equivalent playing hours per week – shortfall of 14.1 hours per week (prior to the third turf at the Tauranga Hockey Centre).
- By 2028, the shortfall is forecasted to increase to 61.6 hours per week and 83.3 hours per week (when considering two turf at the Tauranga Hockey Centre).
- The new turf at the Tauranga Hockey Centre is expected to address the current shortfall and further demand for an estimated 5 years, beyond which there will be a shortfall.
- To meet the balance of projected shortfall by 2020, consider improving access for training and junior competition at strategic locations throughout the sub-region. Options should include partnerships with other providers.
 - a. Secure community access to the existing school network.
 - b. Where community access can be secured, invest in lighting to maximise the availability of turf.

QUANTIFYING THE SUPPLY AND DEMAND WINTER SPORTS FIELDS

Rotorua Lakes Council – Sports Fields

The Supply and Demand report outlines the following:

- 11 fields are currently deemed as being deficient (due to condition).

CODE PLANS

HOCKEY NEW ZEALAND FACILITY STRATEGY UPDATE (2016)

The Strategy has been developed to harness and accommodate growth in the sport by ensuring sufficient quality and accessible facilities are provided in a network across the country. The Strategy identifies the following turf demand parameters:

1. **Where the ratio of players per FTE (full-time equivalent turf) exceeds 750** – current facilities being used to capacity with demand measures in place. Additional capacity is required to meet demand.
2. **Where the ratio of residents per turf is greater than 40,000 active population** – Below average FTE. Limited access to facilities may be a barrier to participation.
3. **Where the ratio of residents per player is above 50** – Below average level of local participation. May be a result of other competing sport or limited access to facilities.

When analysing these turf utilisation parameters against the respective associations, it was identified that Tauranga exceeded two of the parameters (and the third is nearing the threshold), while the remainder of the Bay of Plenty currently has sufficient provision. Where two or more of the factors combine, this identifies the need for further investigation at a local level.

NEW ZEALAND FOOTBALL NATIONAL FACILITIES STRATEGY UPDATE (2016)

The strategy was developed to identify and prioritise the current and future issues and opportunities facing both New Zealand Football and the seven football Federations, over the period of 2016-2025 aligning with New Zealand Football's new Strategic Plan.

The following issues were identified relating to the Waikato Bay of Plenty Football Federation:

1. **The lack of a regional football facility** – this aligns with the New Zealand Football Beyond Football Plan which identifies the needs for the development of high performance training hubs. A ‘Home of Football’ would provide a regional hub for player development and coach and referee training. In addition to a regional facility, the Federation also sees the **need for sub-regional facility hubs** (of lesser size and scale) at key locations throughout the region due to their large geographic size.
2. Access to quality fields – identified shortfall in Tauranga is identified in line with membership and population growth projections. As asset plans are reviewed and/or developed, collaborative opportunities are presented for the Waikato Bay of Plenty Football Federation. There is a lack of flood lights in the Federation boundary (outside of Tauranga) which limits use.
3. Specific focus needs to be placed on Tauranga. With its membership growth over the previous five years (and the Tauranga population growth projections), facility provision will be critical to the sustainability of football in the area.

The following opportunities and proposed approaches are recommended:

1. Establish a regional football facility within the region, with supporting smaller sub-regional facilities – the facility would likely comprise of an artificial turf and associated infrastructure such as changing rooms and administration areas.
2. Advocate for additional new sports fields in key locations in Tauranga – in line with supply and demand analysis.
3. Assess the viability of developing artificial pitches in the region – on the basis of a network approach with proven demand.
4. The challenge of Tauranga – see points 2 and 3.

NEW ZEALAND RUGBY LEAGUE FACILITY STRATEGY (2016)

The strategy was developed to identify priorities for the development of rugby league facilities at a national and NPC level and to provide a framework to support the development of facilities at club and local community levels.

The following key findings pertain to the Bay of Plenty:

- In total, there is a surplus of 20 hours per week (comprising of 17 for competition/games and 3 for training).
- By 2028, it is anticipated that there will be an overall field shortfall - 1 hour per week (comprising a surplus of 11 for competition/games and -12 for training).
- The competition hierarchy consists of the following:
 1. Tier 1 – No fields/venues in the region.
 2. Tier 2 – Rotorua International Stadium.
 3. Tier 3 – Tauranga Domain and Puketawhero Park.
- Training requirements – in considering the training requirements for Tier 3 and 4, there is an identified need for each Zone to have secured access to training facilities as a ‘Home of League’ within each Zone. The ‘Home of League’ should:
 - a. Ensure that the Zones and Districts have secured access to the facilities throughout the training and competition period (secured access for league, not necessarily owned by league).
 - b. Be designed to meet the Tier 3 minimum training specification (essential requirements – 2x training fields, flood lighting, 3x changing rooms, lockable storage area and suitable access for emergency services; desirable requirements – 3x training fields, flood lighting, 4x changing rooms, clubrooms with catering facilities and space for 150 pax and access to an artificial turf training area).
 - c. Engage with other codes and users to maximise the use of the facility.
 - d. Be appropriate to the needs of the Zone.
 - e. Explore the opportunities of meeting Tier 3 Competition requirements (although not deemed essential).
- While there should only be one premier Tier 3 training facility identified in each Zone, this may be supported by a number of District/Club training facilities (field provision requirement is lower) to ensure wider access, particularly in the larger geographical areas. Puketawhero Park and Tauranga Domain were outlined in the strategy as sites that could potentially acquire these status levels.

- All clubs should have secured access to competition and training fields.
- Priority should be given to upgrades which increase the capacity and utilisation of training fields.

4.2 PARTICIPATION

Participation details outlined below are based on trends highlighted by sporting codes (survey responses from clubs and regional/national sports organisations) and data available through desktop analysis.

FOOTBALL

The growth illustrated through to 2016 of 10% has continued based on club survey responses received. For instance, the Papamoa Football Club is growing on average 50 members a year and Blue Rovers Junior Football Club have grown by 60% over the last 4-years.

HOCKEY

Winter membership in the Bay of Plenty (not including Tauranga) decreased in 2019 (down 8.1% - 2,258), after consecutive growth years (16-17 = 2.5% and 17-18 = 5.4%). Although growth was evident in primary and mini programmes (19% and 11% respectively), this was more than offset by open and secondary programmes (-28% and -17% respectively). Summer league membership fluctuated with no players in 2018 but sit around 500 on the years either side. Comparatively, Tauranga has sustained growth from year-to-year, with 3% winter growth since 2017 (2,827 in 2019) – this is mainly concentrated in the primary and intermediate programmes. The greatest growth experienced is in summer league activity with 42% from 2017 to 2018, and a further 29% increase from 2018 to 2019 (1,825).¹⁴ This equates to 184 teams – an increase from 125 teams in 2018. Participation levels are expected to increase following the recent development of the third turf at Blake Park.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Rugby league membership is decreasing at a national, zonal and provincial level. From 2013 through to 2017, rugby league membership in the Bay of Plenty has decreased by 31%. The decrease is relatively evenly distributed across junior, youth and senior playing levels. Across the same period, the

Upper-Central zone decreased by 4% - primarily due to the membership concentration in the Waikato. There has been a further decrease of 15% in 2018.¹⁵

RUGBY

Rugby participation amongst female players continue to grow nationally, with a 15% increase from 2017 to 2018. Secondary school participation has reduced by 5.5% which has led to new interventions being investigated and rolled out.¹⁶ In total, player registrations are in excess of 157,000, with a slight annual increase based on female participation growth. Bay of Plenty Rugby indicates that overall registrations remain constant. A decline is evident in the number of teams entered into competitions, which is attributed to a decline in senior reserve rugby. Secondary school growth saw an additional 10 teams entered. This growth is predominately associated with the schoolgirls grade – particularly relating to the development grade to support the premier competition. During summer, growth in sevens programmes remains with a record number of teams entering the annual sevens tournament.¹⁷

SOFTBALL

Team numbers have decreased in the Western Bay of Plenty Softball Association area. Total teams have decreased from 35 in the 2015/16 season to 26 in 2017/18. Although notable is the composition across the respective grades. School children teams have dropped significantly, social grades moderately across the years, and an increase of 3 teams in the open grade.¹⁸ In total there are 12 clubs scattered throughout the region including Maungatapu, Te Puke, Rotorua and Whakatane and Greater Tauranga.

BASEBALL

Baseball in Tauranga continues to show growth since returning to the region in 2015. Tauranga City Baseball is based out of Gordon Spratt Reserve in Papamoa. There is no other baseball delivered in the Bay of Plenty.

¹⁴ As cited in the 2018 and 2019 Hockey New Zealand Annual Reports

¹⁵ New Zealand Rugby League Leagues Registrations

¹⁶ As referenced in the 2018 New Zealand Rugby Annual Report

¹⁷ As cited in the 2019 Bay of Plenty Rugby Annual Report

¹⁸ As referenced in the 2018 Softball New Zealand Annual Report

4.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

ROTORUA LAKES COUNCIL

A feasibility study was conducted on Smallbone Park Sporthub. This concept will now directly feed into the wider Westbrook Sport and Recreation Precinct development.

Bay of Plenty Touch have changed fields and are now running modules out of Ray Boord Park/Westbrook Reserve in Rotorua.

Kuirau Park fields are no longer being utilised for sport.

TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL

Recommendations from the Mount North Open Space Review (2015) have been completed at Blake Park:

- The cricket block on the top platform has been realigned to accommodate two full-size rugby fields (with training lights).
- The development of Ocean Downs Reserve (2x fields with floodlighting) has been completed in 2020, which has seen football move from Blake Park (via temporarily using Trustpower Stadium for training) – project budget of \$1,444,405.

A third hockey turf was developed at Blake Park (total of 3 turfs) in 2020.

4.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Field Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Boyce Park	1x field in larger grassed riverside area. Only casual, no organised sports use	Local (Casual Use)	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Firmin Field	1x rugby field in larger grassed area. Only casual, no organised sports use	Local (Casual Use)	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Prideaux Park	Open grassed space used only for cricket and athletics in a general recreation park setting by swimming pool (no winter code fields)	Local (Casual Use)	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Stoneham Park	A park reserve once used for 4x football fields (shifted to Tarawera Park). Now primarily informal use scenic park.	Local (Casual Use)	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Tarawera Park	8x fields, 5 full size and 3 junior, lighting on 1 main rugby and 1 main football field. Some training lights. Irrigation system	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District

Council Area	Field Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Memorial Park	4x fields (3 full size and 1 junior), with lighting in larger multi-use sports and recreation park	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Opotiki	Ohui Domain	7x football fields, including 5 junior, no lighting	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Opotiki	Opotiki Domain	1x Rugby field, lights and grandstand	District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Jessie Martin Park	1x senior football field	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Kuirau Park	1x rugby field with lights (owned by the club)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Linton Park East	1x league field and floodlights for training (owned by the club) – used as 8x touch fields in summer.	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Marist St Michaels Reserve	1x rugby field with lights	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Medical Officers Reserve	1x league field with training lights (owned by the club)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Neil Hunt Park	2x rugby (2 with lights, 1 at game standard) and 3x football fields and practice area (limited training lights only)	District	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Ngongotaha Domain Rugby Fields	1x rugby field, 1 with lights (owned by the rugby club)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Ngongotaha Soccer Grounds (Tamarahi Reserve)	1x football field with lights (owned by the club)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Puarenga Park	2x Rugby fields (1 lit and owned by the club)) and equivalent of 7x football fields configured as 31 various sized junior fields as a junior hub (with 1 football sized area lit)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Puketawhero Park Rugby League Grounds	9x league fields (4 junior) (5 with lights – 1 owned by Council)	Regional	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Council (summer use) / BOP Rugby League Association (winter lease)

Council Area	Field Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Reporoa Rugby Club	2 x rugby fields (1 with lights).	Local	Multiple Maori Owners	Reporoa Rugby Club	Reporoa Rugby Club
Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Domain	1x rugby field	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Rural Reserves Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Rotoiti Sports and Community Club Grounds	2x rugby fields	Local	Multiple Maori Owners	Rotoiti Sports & Community Association	Rotoiti Sports & Community Association
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua International Stadium	2x rugby fields, full lights and grandstand - 1 premiere field and 1 training. Sport and events. Whilst this venue is capable of hosting international fixtures it is relatively infrequently used for this purpose.	International	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Smallbone Park	1 grass cricket block (first class standards) and an artificial strip adjacent to the pitch block.	District	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Cricket Association
Rotorua Lakes	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club	2x rugby fields, 1 with lights	Local	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club
Rotorua Lakes	Westbrook/ Ray Boord Park	13x fields (8 junior rugby) with 4x rugby and 1x football (adjacent to Rotorua International Stadium and multiple other sports facilities)	District	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Arataki Park	3 x rugby fields, 2x with lights in larger sports/recreation park (aquatic centre, community centre, new pump track, skatepark, single outdoor basketball/netball court)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Blake Park	5x full-sized rugby fields (4 are floodlit) and 4 half-sized fields. This site is also regularly used for higher level training purposes (e.g. NZ Sevens) and comprises Bay Oval (see cricket section).	Sub-regional	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Carlton Reserve	2x softball hoggin diamonds, fenced with dugouts, and space for 4x grass diamonds – only used in summer due to drainage issues.	District	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City

Council Area	Field Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Fergusson Park	Equivalent of 8x full size fields, laid out as 4x full football fields and 15x junior fields, with training lights on 2 full fields and 4 junior fields (depending on set-up).	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Gordon Spratt Reserve	Equivalent of 10x full sized fields laid out as 4x full size fields, 10x junior fields, 2x rugby/league, with lights on 5.5 fields. Regularly used for regional and national tournaments (predominantly football, touch, baseball and cricket - see Section 5.0). Baseball set-up includes cages.	Regional	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Greerton Park	4x rugby fields with training lights on 3	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Hangarau Sports Club	1x rugby field (not used for competition games only casual community use)	Local	Maori Owners	Bethlehem Marae Sports Development Club	Hangarau Sports Club
Tauranga City	Judea Sports Club	2x rugby fields	Local	Maori Ownership	Judea Sports Club	Judea Sports Club
Tauranga City	Links Avenue Reserve	3x full-sized fields (laid out as 2x full and 3x junior) with game standard lights on 1, and an additional large dog training area	Regional	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Macville Park	2x ¾ sized fields and training lights on both	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Mitchell Park	2x full-sized fields, 1 with lights	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Morland Fox Park	1x full sized field and 1x junior field laid out as some senior and some junior, all lit	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Ocean Downs Reserve	2x full-sized fields and training lights	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Pemberton Park	4x full full-sized fields laid out with some senior and some junior (no lighting)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club	1x field	Local	Rangataua Rugby Football Club	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain	3x full-sized fields (2 with lights)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Te Wati Park	2x full-sized fields (1 with lights)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City

Council Area	Field Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Trustpower Baypark	1x full-sized field, full lights and grandstand and 1 basic training field. Used for both sport and events.	Regional	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Waipuna Park	8x full-sized fields, 1 rugby, 1 league and 6 football, with lighting on 10.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Wharepai Domain	1x full-sized field	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Centennial Park	Equivalent of 5x full fields laid out as 1x rugby (lit) and 4x football	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Fairhaven Park	1x ¾ football field (junior)	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Jubilee Park	1x football field	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Maketu Sports Ground	1x rugby field, but not used for competitive games	Local (Casual Use)	Ngati Whakaue	Ngati Whakaue	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Maramatanga Park	6x fields, 1 lit, laid out as 3x Rugby and 3x Football	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Moore Park	3 rugby fields, 6 x fields split over two park sections, mainly football use	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty OP	Murray Salt Stadium	2x rugby fields, lights on both fields with 1 set suitable for night games.	Local	Te Puke Sports	Te Puke Sports	Te Puke Sports
Western Bay of Plenty	Ōmokoroa Sports Ground Reserve	Equivalent 2x full fields, laid out as 1x football and 4 junior football, 1 basic lit training area	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Paengaroa Domain	3x rugby fields with 1 lit. Regularly used for Regional level training and regional events	Regional	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Domain	2x fields, 1 used for rugby and 1 for cricket (also used by the school)	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Uretara Domain	Large open space not currently in active sports code use in winter. Is used for cricket in summer. Grass area is shared between Katikati Pony Club and Katikati Cricket.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District

Council Area	Field Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Awakeri Sports Field	4x Football fields laid out as 1 senior and 3 junior, with 1 lit	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Bluett Park	3x football fields	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Edgecumbe Domain	2x football fields and 3x junior/training football fields	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Dunderdale Park	1x rugby field	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Te Teko Rugby and Sports Club Incorporated
Whakatane	Eve Rimmer Park	1x league field and full lighting	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Galatea Reserve	1 x rugby field (also used for cricket)	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District / Local Committee
Whakatane	Matata Rugby and Sports Club	2x rugby fields, 1 lit	Local	Whakatane District	Matata Rugby & Sports Club	Matata Rugby & Sports Club
Whakatane	Mitchell Park Taneatua	1x league field	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Murupara Domain	2x fields (one training part lit) and area for outdoor cross fit	Local	Local Marae	Local Marae	Local Marae
Whakatane	Paroa Rugby and Sports club	2x rugby fields	Local	Paroa Rugby and Sports Club	Paroa Rugby and Sports Club	Paroa Rugby and Sports Club
Whakatane	Poroporo Park	2x Rugby fields, with lights	Local	Poroporo Sports and Rugby Club	Poroporo Sports and Rugby Club	Poroporo Sports and Rugby Club
Whakatane	Rex Morpeth Park	8x football fields of varying sizes (2 lit) and grass athletics domain (1x lit athletics track).	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District & Whakatane Town AFC

Council Area	Field Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane	Richmond Park	2x rugby fields with lights	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Ruatoki - Tuhoehoe Park	1 x rugby field and clubrooms (also has netball courts on wider park site)	Local	Local Iwi	Local Iwi	Local Iwi
Whakatane	Rugby Park Whakatane	2x rugby fields, 1 lit and small grandstand	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Taneatua – Rob Shaw Park	2 x rugby fields (also netball & tennis on the wider park site)	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Te Teko – Eivers Park	2 x rugby field with lights (with pavilion).	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Waimana Domain	1x rugby field with lights (new lights and power upgrade in 2020)	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Waiohau	1 x rugby field with clubrooms	Local	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Whakatane	Warren Park	Equivalent of 2x full fields, variable layouts.	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Whakatane Marist Rugby Club (Red Conway Park)	1x rugby field with lights	Local	Whakatane District	Marist Whakatane Rugby Sports Club	Marist Whakatane Rugby Sports Club
Whakatane	Wingate Park	1x rugby fields (and athletics track)	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

ARTIFICIAL HOCKEY FIELDS/TURFS

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Smallbone Park Hockey	2x artificial Hockey turfs, irrigation and lights (suitable for night games)	Regional	Rotorua Lakes	Bay of Plenty Hockey Association	Rotorua Hockey Association
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Tauranga Hockey Centre (Blake Park)	3x artificial Hockey turfs (Tier 2 HNZ), irrigation and lights (suitable for night games)	International	Tauranga City	Tauranga Hockey Association	Tauranga Hockey Association
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Warren Park - Stadium Horizon	1x artificial Hockey turf, irrigation and lights (suitable for night games)	Regional	Ministry of Education	Central Bay Hockey Charitable Trust	Central Bay of Plenty Hockey Assoc

4.5 PERSPECTIVES ON FIELD PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- Field capacity issues as codes continue to grow, overlapping seasons and extended representative programmes.
- Tauranga City Council is no longer taking bookings for training on identified key number one fields.
- Intensified use has not been matched with appropriate levels of ground maintenance.
- Warren Park (Whakatane) has serious drainage issues.
- Road developments planned for Paurenga Park will negative impact junior football.

- Lighting issues at Neil Hunt Park and Ngongotaha Reserve – Rotorua.
- Significant issues with drainage at Neil Hunt and Paurenga Parks – Rotorua.

4.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

ROTORUA LAKES COUNCIL

The development of the Westbrook Sport and Recreation Precinct is planned to address the identified shortfall of 11 unsuitable fields following soil analysis and overlaying projected demand. The wider precinct development would incorporate Westbrook Reserve, Ray Boord Park, Smallbone Park, Rotorua International Stadium and the Springfield Golf Course. The development would support and match council's Vision 2030 of a city that has outstanding places to play and an enhanced environment for all to enjoy. Through the development of light and medium intensification housing on the site, the project would run parallel with the Liveable Communities.

Through the optimisation of the surrounding parks, and the repurposing of the current back-9 of the Springfield Golf Course for fields would support lack of existing suitable provision. The development could also hold national significance as a tournament site/facility, and more specifically, the home of Maori sport (ability to hold events and exhibiting the uniqueness of the space).

TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL

A master plan has been developed for hockey on Blake Park which includes the addition of a half-turf and the redevelopment of the existing pavilion.

WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT COUNCIL

The following capital projects are included in the current Long-Term Plan over the next 5 years:

- Moore Park improvements (\$1,000,000). Timeframe – 2019 to 2022.
- Wilson Park development (\$50,000). Timeframe – 2020.
- Ōmokoroa sportsground development (\$243,000). Timeframe – 2020.
- Centennial Park sports fields renovation and drainage (\$775,000). Timeframe 2022 and 2024.
- Ōmokoroa 10 ha land purchase (\$5,800,000). Timeframe – 2024 and 2026.
- Midway Park and Pukehina Parade sports field (\$74,000). Timeframe – 2025.

4.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- Strategic direction for field provision needs to be based on the strategies and plans of Councils (the predominant landowners) and the sports codes (the predominant field users).
- National Sport specific strategies with implications for Bay of Plenty facilities have been developed for Hockey, Football, and Rugby League.
- The theme of these national strategies is that new playing fields are not generally required except in growth areas and better use of current fields is required (lighting and field upgrades may enable this to happen).
- Some imbalances in field provision compared to code participation needs exist, often based on historical associations of clubs to certain fields.
- Maximising use of existing fields can be achieved through improved field quality, appropriate facility hierarchies (including rationalisation of lower quality fields where appropriate), additional sharing arrangements and re-allocations between codes.
- Demographic projections¹⁹ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- School and other private Playing Field facilities should be considered for an increasing role in the provision of community Playing Field opportunities. This is particularly important to meet the needs of geographically dispersed populations, urban areas with high demand, and areas with a strong aging population.

¹⁹ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

General Approaches to Playing Fields

- Undertake a process of regular (3 yearly) supply and demand assessments of field utilisation and demand by key codes.
- Monitor field quality to ensure community sports use is nurtured.
- Rationalisation or reallocation between codes should be considered where demand does not exist.
- Continue the planned programme of investment to maximise use of existing fields through provision of lighting, drainage and irrigation where required.
- Continue to promote the network approach for using playing fields to reduce pressure on grounds and to best absorb demand.
- If required, enter into formalised partnerships to facilitate ongoing public access to school and marae facilities.
- Prior to any major renewals or upgrades undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative facility delivery approaches (such as school partnerships or appropriately scaled Sportville hubs).
- Explore adaptable and flexible sport delivery models that can best utilise field capacity levels.

Council	Playing Fields	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boyce Park • Firmin Field • Prideaux Park • Stoneham Park • Tarawera Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Playing Field facility approaches on Page 56 as required.
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorial Park • Opotiki Domain • Ohui Domain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. • Anecdotal evidence suggests there is an oversupply of sports fields across the district. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Playing Field facility approaches on Page 56 as required.
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jessie Martin Park junior soccer fields • Kuirau Park • Linton Park East • Marist St Michaels Reserve • Medical Officers Reserve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. • Focus should be where there is any current deficiency. • Focus will also be required in areas of new residential development. • This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further investigation into the Westbrook Sport and Recreation Precinct (encompassing Westbrook Reserve, Ray Boord Park, Smallbone Park, Rotorua International Stadium and Springfield Golf Course), with emphasis placed on repurposing, optimising and acquiring land to

Council	Playing Fields	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neil Hunt Park Ngongotaha Domain Rugby Fields Ngongotaha Soccer Grounds (Tamarahi Reserve) Puarenga Park Puketawhero Park Rugby League Grounds Rerewhakaaitu Domain Reporoa Rugby Club Rotoiti Sports & Community Club Grounds Rotorua International Stadium Waikite Rugby & Sports Club Westbrook Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. Lack of suitable fields to address demand (11 deemed unsuitable following soil analysis). There is a lack of suitable greenspace across Rotorua. Opportunity exists with the upcoming less expiry of Springfield Golf Course to repurpose suitable land for playing fields. 	<p>address forecasted shortfall (as fields deteriorate and rendered not usable).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Playing Field facility approaches on Page 56 as required.
<p>Tauranga City</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arataki Park Trustpower Baypark Blake Park Fergusson Park Gordon Spratt Reserve Greerton Park Hangarau Sports Club Judea Sports Club Links Avenue Reserve Macville Park Mitchell Park Morland Fox Park Ocean Downs Reserve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently there is a supply surplus of 201 hours per week (from 107 sports fields providing 924.5 full-sized equivalent playing hours per week). All shortfalls in individual community analysis areas can be accommodated by surplus supply in neighbouring areas. There is a current imbalance in field provision between codes with football in surplus and both rugby and rugby league in shortfall. By 2028, there is an anticipated shortfall of 47 hours per week (spread evenly between East and West) and 163 hours by 2038. In Tauranga East consider reallocation of 2 – 3 fields from football to rugby, with league allocated some use on of the reallocated fields. In Tauranga West consider reallocation of 1 - 2 fields from football to rugby, and meeting league training demand through sharing one of the fields. Additional weekend capacity is required in Tauranga West by 2023 to provide network flexibility – this can be met by the Wairoa Active Reserve. Blake Park is under increasing use pressure (from community sport, high performance and events use). Previous reports to Council have indicated infrastructure investment is required to increase the functionality and capacity of fields along with relocation of some existing uses off the park in the short to medium term. A number of developments have commenced since 2017, while 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor and review existing field utilisation and quality through regular supply and demand assessments in partnership with WBOPDC. Implement the recommendations from GLG Supply and Demand report regarding reallocation of fields across codes. Blake Park - Continue exploration of the need and viability of a multi-purpose turf. Undertake the Wairoa Active Reserve development to meet projected population growth and subsequent demand. Collaborate with WBOP District over field provision in Papamoa East, Te Puke, Bethlehem, Te Puna and Ōmokoroa to ensure reasonable geographic distribution and to reduce increased travel times (barrier to participation).

Council	Playing Fields	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pemberton Park Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club Tauranga Domain Sportsfields Te Wati Park Waipuna Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> other initiatives are being explored. Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development, not forgetting any areas where there is any identified current deficiency. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Playing Field facility approaches on Page 56 as required.
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centennial Park Fairhaven Park Jubilee Park Maketu Sports Ground Maramatanga Park Moore Park Ōmokoroa Sports Ground Reserve Paengaroa Domain Te Puke Domain Uretara Domain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overall, there is a significant field surplus across the district (167 hours). Overall, there is a current imbalance in field provision between codes with football in surplus and both rugby and rugby league in shortfall. The Demand and Supply Report suggests considering reallocating 1 field in both Katikati and Kaimai from football to rugby (primarily for rugby with use by league). Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. Land purchases have been undertaken at Moore Park and is being considered in Ōmokoroa. Use of Centennial Park (Te Puke) is impacted by drainage issues – currently unusable in winter. Council is currently reviewing the Level of Service (LOS) for sportsfields. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor and review existing field utilisation and quality through regular supply and demand assessments with TCC. Implement the recommendations from GLG Supply and Demand report regarding reallocation of fields across codes. Prior to any land purchases, consider how the existing surplus of fields can be best utilised across the district to meet local and/or district community needs – including Ōmokoroa. Address drainage issues at Centennial Park, Te Puke – to enable winter use primarily for rugby (identified shortfall). Implement the outcome of the 2021/31 Long Term Plan Sportsfields levels of service review Collaborate with WBOP District over field provision in Papamoa East, Te Puke, Bethlehem, Te Puna and Ōmokoroa to ensure reasonable geographic distribution and to reduce increased travel times (barrier to participation). Follow and action the general Playing Field facility approaches on Page 56 as required.
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awakeri Sports Field Bluett Park Edgecumbe Domain Eve Rimmer Park Galatea Reserve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Playing Field facility approaches on Page 56 as required.

Council	Playing Fields	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matata Rugby and Sports Club Incorporated • Murupara Domain • Mitchell Park Taneatua • Paroa Rugby and Sports club • Poroporo Park • Rex Morpeth Park • Red Conway Park • Ruatoki - Tuhoe Park • Rugby Park • Taneatua – Rob Shaw Park • Te Teko Eivers Park • Waiohau • Warren Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. 	

4.8 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH ARTIFICIAL HOCKEY TURF

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- Due to the investment required to provide hockey turf facilities, it is important that a hierarchy of facilities is provided across the region ranging from those suitable for top level competitive play to facilities for junior use, training and casual play.
- It is important that turfs are maintained at a high standard, but this does not mean all turfs need to be suitable for top level competition. Rather this means maintaining appropriate turf surfaces and amenities (such as lighting) given the role of the turf in the hierarchy and prioritising the use of facilities in line with that role. It is also important to consider and provide for multi-code use of artificial surfaces within the hierarchy.
- Continue a hub and spoke model with the three existing hockey venues operating as the hubs, supported by local / school facilities (including tennis courts). This may require cross boundary support from Council's into hubs in adjacent TA areas.
- A number of schools in the region have hockey specific artificial turfs which are integral to the delivery of hockey in the region.
- Many schools also provide multiuse artificial turfs which are suitable for junior hockey and training purposes.
- Ensure hockey needs are considered when planning and investing in other court developments (tennis courts can play a role in catering for casual and junior play if they are of an appropriate artificial surface and configured appropriately).
- The newly developed turf at Blake Park will address current and future demand for an estimated 5 years, beyond which there will be a forecasted shortfall.

Council Area	Proposed Facility Approach
Rotorua Lakes	
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use a hub and spoke model for hockey provision, with Smallbone Park turf facilities as the hockey hub for Rotorua (supported by school / tennis court facilities). • Maintain the Smallbone Park turfs in line with their asset management plan. • Ensure future turf renewals are planned and budgeted for. • Ensure hockey needs are considered when planning and investing in other court developments (e.g. tennis court developments).
Tauranga City & Western Bay of Plenty District	
Tauranga City / Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use a hub and spoke model for hockey provision, with the Tauranga Hockey Centre (at Blake Park) as the hockey hub for the Western Bay sub-region (supported by a network of school facilities). • Maintain the Blake Park turfs in line with their asset management plan. • Explore widening the existing financial partnership between TCC and Tauranga Hockey to secure fit-for-purpose provision at Blake Park and school ancillary facilities. This approach will broaden quality provision through a hub and spoke model and create potential facility efficiencies through multi-use functions. • Ensure hockey needs are considered when planning and investing in other court developments (such as tennis or school partnerships). • Consideration of lighting to maximise availability should be explored.
Whakatane District	
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use a hub and spoke model for hockey provision, with the Stadium Horizon turf as the hockey hub for the Eastern Bay of Plenty sub-region (supported by school / tennis facilities). • Ensure the Stadium Horizon turf is maintained in line with its asset management plan. • Ensure hockey needs are considered when planning and investing in other court developments (e.g. tennis, school partnerships).



5.0 CRICKET FACILITIES

5.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

Western Bay of Plenty District Council – 2014 report

The Longdill Sportsfield Supply and Demand report outlines the following:

- The supply of cricket wickets will meet demand, however, there is a shortfall of cricket nets in Waihi Beach/Katikati.

5.2 PARTICIPATION

CRICKET

Participation details outlined below are based on trends highlighted by sporting codes (survey responses from clubs and regional/national sports organisations) and data available through desktop analysis.

Clubs have indicated a slight membership growth since 2017, with most growth apparent with female players.

5.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL

Mount Maunganui Junior Cricket – New cricket nets (owned by the club) and an artificial wicket on field 3 at Blake Park.

5.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Field Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Prideaux Park	1x artificial wicket	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Ohui Domain	1x artificial wickets (concrete) and 1x clay	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Neil Hunt Park	3x artificial wickets	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Puarenga Park	3x artificial wickets	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Smallbone Park	1x grass wicket at first class level and 1x adjacent artificial wicket at dedicated cricket oval	Regional	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Westbrook/ Ray Boord Park	3x grass wickets and 3x adjacent artificial wickets, plus a 3-lane net facility	District	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Bay Oval	1x grass wicket at international standard, plus an 18-lane net facility at dedicated cricket oval	International	Tauranga City	Bay Oval Trust	Bay Oval Trust
Tauranga City	Blake Park	4x grass wickets and 1x artificial wicket, plus a 4-lane net facility – owned by Mt Cricket Club	District	Tauranga City	Mt Cricket Club Tauranga City	Mt Cricket Club Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Fergusson Park	3x grass wickets and 4 adjacent artificial wickets, plus a 3-lane net facility	Local	Tauranga City	Otumoetai Cricket Club Tauranga City	Otumoetai Cricket Club Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Gordon Spratt Reserve (and Alice Johnson Oval)	2x full size and 3x junior sizer artificial wickets - including Alice Johnson Oval – 4-lane net facility currently being installed. New grass wicket and oval have been developed.	District	Tauranga City	Papamoa Cricket Club Tauranga City	Papamoa Cricket Club Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Macville Park	1x artificial wicket	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Mitchell Park	1x artificial wicket	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City

Council Area	Field Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Pemberton Park	1x grass wicket and 1x adjacent artificial wicket, plus a 2-lane net facility	Local	Tauranga City	Greerton Cricket Club Tauranga City	Greerton Cricket Club Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain	1x grass wicket, plus a 3-lane net facility with lights	Local	Tauranga City	Otumoetai Cadets Tauranga City	Otumoetai Cadets Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Te Wati Park	1x artificial wicket (junior)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Waipuna Park	3x artificial wickets	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Centennial Park	2x artificial wickets	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Maramatanga Park	Has been used for 3x junior/social grass wickets (and more adjacent)	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Moore Park	1x artificial wicket	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Paengaroa Domain	1x artificial wicket, plus a 2-lane net facility	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Domain	1x grass wicket	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puke Cricket Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Uretara Domain	1x artificial wicket	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Katikati Cricket Club	Katikati Cricket Club
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Awakeri Sports Field	1x artificial wicket	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Bluett Park	1x artificial wicket, plus a 1 lane net facility	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

Council Area	Field Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane	Galatea Domain	1x artificial wicket	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District / Local committee
Whakatane	Mitchell Park, Taneatua	1x artificial wicket	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Rex Morpeth Park	2x grass wickets and a 4-lane net facility	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

5.5 PERSPECTIVES ON FIELD/NET PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- Growing participation places pressure on grass and artificial wickets in Tauranga.
- Concerns regarding outfield conditions where sprigged-based activity (i.e. touch and sevens rugby) impacts surface suitability (heath and safety issues).
- There is need for indoor cricket nets provisioned for in the Western Bay of Plenty.

5.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

Mount Maunganui Cricket – Intentions to develop a 200m² cricket-led operations facility (clubrooms developments are outlined in Section 12.0).

New Zealand Cricket are in the process of installing nets at Blake Park.

5.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations (across all TAs)

- General considerations include developing a facility network plan to improve current facilities; improving consistency of facilities; developing more artificial facilities for playing and training.
- Demographic projections²⁰ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- School and other private cricket facilities should be considered for an increasing role in the provision of community cricket opportunities. This is particularly important to meet the needs of geographically dispersed populations, urban areas with high demand, and areas with a strong aging population.
- Anecdotal information suggests that there has been an increase in mid-week twilight cricket, social twenty20 cricket and informal cricket use (by some ethnic groups) in the region. Whilst the data is not available to assess any patterns or trends regarding these types of uses it is important to be aware of the existence of these types of demand for cricket suitable spaces.

²⁰ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

General Approaches to Cricket Facilities

- Maintain existing facilities in line with asset and maintenance plans.
- Monitor and review existing facility utilisation and quality to ensure community sports use is nurtured (including formal supply and demand assessments where possible).
- Prior to any major renewals or upgrades undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative facility delivery approaches (such as provision of artificial wickets, school partnerships or appropriate Sportville hubs).
- If required enter into formalised partnerships to facilitate ongoing public access to school facilities.

Council	Cricket Wickets/ Nets	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau District			
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prideaux Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Cricket facility approaches on Page 66 as required.
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ohui Domain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Cricket facility approaches on Page 66 as required.

Council	Cricket Wickets/ Nets	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Rotorua Lakes			
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neil Hunt Park Puarenga Park Smallbone Park Westbrook/ Ray Boord Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be where there is any current deficiency. Focus will also be required in areas of new residential development. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate cricket provision opportunities with the proposed Westbrook Sport and Recreation Precinct development. Follow and action the general Cricket facility approaches on Page 66 as required.
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bay Oval Blake Park Fergusson Park Gordon Spratt Reserve and Alice Johnson Oval Macville Park Mitchell Park Pemberton Park Tauranga Domain Cricket Facilities Te Wati Park Waipuna Park <p>Private Facility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bay Indoor Centre (provides indoor wickets – see Indoor Court section for further detail) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development, not forgetting any areas where there is any identified current deficiency. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase. Identified need by Bay of Plenty Cricket for indoor nets provisioned in the Western Bay of Plenty. Gordon Spratt oval and grass wicket have been developed to District level status, with supporting building planned. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor and review existing wicket and net utilisation and quality through regular supply and demand assessments in partnership with WBOPDC. The Bay Oval provides the key competitive cricket facility for the sub-region along with serving the wider region for national and international level cricket. To ensure this site is maximised it is important it has appropriate support infrastructure to maintain the international facility standard. All new infrastructure should be subject to detailed feasibility analysis before development. Blake Park – support the Bay Oval Pavilion project, and indoor cricket training facility in accordance with the outcomes of a feasibility study. Follow and action the general Cricket facility approaches on Page 66 as required.
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Centennial Park Maramatanga Park Moore Park Paengaroa Domain Te Puke Domain Uretara Domain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor and review existing wicket and net utilisation and quality through regular supply and demand assessments in partnership with TCC. Follow and action the general Cricket facility approaches on Page 66 as required.

Council	Cricket Wickets/ Nets	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. Identified need by Bay of Plenty Cricket for indoor nets provisioned in the Western Bay of Plenty. 	
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awakeri Sports Field Bluett Park Galatea Domain Mitchell Park Taneatua Rex Morpeth Park Rugby Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Cricket facility approaches on Page 66 as required.



6.0 TENNIS COURTS

6.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

TENNIS NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL FACILITIES GUIDELINES (2018)

The guidelines have been prepared with a range of stakeholders in mind to cover a variety of needs:

- Guidance to tennis bodies for future planning at all levels.
- Planning coordination and alignment between tennis bodies and sports or local authorities.
- Prioritisation of major investment decisions contemplated by Tennis NZ members, Sport NZ, local or central government.
- Guidance for grassroots decision makers when considering facilities investments.

The hierarchy of tennis facilities in the Bay of Plenty include:

- There are no regional facilities.
- The Papamoa Tennis Club is recognised as the only sub-regional facility in the Bay of Plenty – consisting of 12 hard courts and 4 astroturf (all are floodlit).
- The Rotorua Tennis Club is an identified urban area without formal ‘sub-regional’ facilities.
- Tennis New Zealand supports the concept of covered outdoor courts where indoor court facilities are cost prohibitive. Particularly as they protect participants from inclement weather, provide shade from the sun and extends the use of the facility.

Where standalone tennis facilities are not financially viable on their own right, multi-use courts and multi-sport venues can potentially generate income

and be cost effective approaches. Consideration does need to be given to identifying suitable partners to maintain the standard of the surfaces.

6.2 PARTICIPATION

Participation details outlined below are based on trends highlighted by sporting codes (survey responses from clubs and regional/national sports organisations) and data available through desktop analysis.

Since the 2016/17 season, tennis membership in the Waikato-Bays area has increased from 5,285 to 5,440 members (2.9%). Although there was a notable spike in the 2017/18 season (increase of 5.9%) which has since dropped by 2.8% in 2018/19. Of note, the wider region has seen casual players decrease over the same period by 22%.²¹

Clubs that responded to the regional survey indicated that their membership has been stable or experienced a slight decrease.

From 2017/18 to 2018/19, the key movements in participation include:

- A marked drop in female participation in the 35+ year old age bracket.
- Notable drop in male participation aged between 19-34.]
- Drop in junior participants (aged 13-18).
- Significant increase of male and female participants aged 12 and under.

²¹ As outlined in the 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19 Tennis New Zealand Annual Reports

6.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

ROTORUA LAKES COUNCIL

Rotorua Tennis Club - Redevelopment of the 12x courts at the Manuka Crescent Tennis Centre – comprising of 6x Rebound Ace and 6x astroturf surfaces. The project costed \$300,000.

TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL

Tauranga Lawn Tennis Club – 3x court redevelopment (base and resurfacing) and replacement lighting on 10 courts – totalling \$242,500.

Harbourside Netball Centre – 10 multi-use courts (tennis and netball) have been resurfaced (asphalt) with floodlighting.

Bellevue Park Tennis Courts – new lighting in 2019.

Mount Maunganui Tennis Club – 10x Netball Centre courts were resurfaced in 2020 (used during summer).

WHAKATANE DISTRICT COUNCIL

All-weather court at Waimana Domain has been resurfaced and extended.

6.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Tennis Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Prideaux Park	1x asphalt court with net put up for casual use (7 more court spaces but not set up). All court spaces are lit.	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Memorial Park	6x asphalt courts	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Lake Okareka Tennis Courts	2x astroturf courts	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Lake Okareka Tennis Club	Lake Okareka Tennis Club
Rotorua Lakes	Lynmore Tennis Courts	6x astroturf courts, with lights	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Lynmore Tennis Club	Lynmore Tennis Club
Rotorua Lakes	Manuka Crescent Tennis Courts	6x Rebound Ace and 6x astroturf courts, with lights	District	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes & Rotorua Tennis Club	Rotorua Tennis Club
Rotorua Lakes	Reporoa Public Tennis Court	2x asphalt courts, with lights	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Reporoa Tennis Club

Council Area	Tennis Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Domain	3x asphalt courts for public use	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Rural Reserves Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Girls High School	3x rebound ace courts	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Rotorua Girls High School
Rotorua Lakes	Tarewa Tennis Courts	3x asphalt courts	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Bellevue Park Tennis Courts	4x Plexicushion courts and 8x astrograss, with new lights (2019)	Local	Tauranga City	Otumoetai Tennis Club	Otumoetai Tennis Club
Tauranga City	Gate Pa Tennis Club	8x astrograss courts, with lights	Local	Tauranga City	Gate Pa Tennis Club	Gate Pa Tennis Club
Tauranga City	Hangarau Sports Club	2x asphalt courts	Local	Maori Owners	Bethlehem Marae Sports Development Club	Hangarau Sports Club
Tauranga City	Harbourside Netball Centre	10 x asphalt courts (Netball courts opened for tennis in summer)	District	Tauranga City	Harbourside Netball Centre	Harbourside Netball Centre
Tauranga City	Matua Park	2x asphalt courts	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Tennis Club	9x astroturf with lights (with 10x extra courts from adjacent Netball Centre in summer)	Local	Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Tennis Club	Mt Maunganui Tennis Club
Tauranga City	Papamoa Sports Tennis Courts	14x mixture of astroturf and plexipave courts and 2x asphalt courts (2x asphalt netball courts also available for tennis)	Sub-Regional	Tauranga City	Papamoa Sports Tennis Club & Western Bay of Plenty Tennis	Papamoa Sports Tennis Club & Western Bay of Plenty Tennis
Tauranga City	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club	4x asphalt courts	Local	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club
Tauranga City	Selwyn Park Tennis Courts	2x asphalt courts with plexi-pave (includes 1 basketball and netball)	Local	Tauranga City	Welcome Bay Tennis Club	Welcome Bay Tennis Club

Council Area	Tennis Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Tauranga Lawn Tennis Club	10x astroturf courts, with lights	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga Lawn Tennis Club	Tauranga Lawn Tennis Club
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Adela Stewart Reserve	1x asphalt court	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Aongatete Domain	2x asphalt courts	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Fairview Estate Country Club	2x astro turf courts	Local	Fairview Estate	Fairview Estate	Fairview Estate
Western Bay of Plenty	Homewood Park Tennis Club	6x astroturf courts, 3 with lights	Local	Homewood Park Tennis Club	Homewood Park Tennis Club	Homewood Park Tennis Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Maramatanga Park	4x astroturf court with lights, plus 4x asphalt courts (with netball line markings on 3 courts)	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puna Tennis Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Midway Park	2x asphalt courts	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Ōmokoroa Sports Ground Reserve	2x astroturf courts with lights	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Ōmokoroa Community Tennis Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Paengaroa Domain	4x asphalt courts	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Papaunahi Rd Recreation Reserve	1x astroturf court	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Pio Shores Tennis Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Pohutukawa Park	6x astroturf courts, 2 with lights	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Waihi Beach Tennis Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Tennis Club (Centennial Park)	8 x astroturf courts with lights.	District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puke Tennis Club	Te Puke Tennis Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Waihi Beach Community Centre	1x asphalt court	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western BOP District

Council Area	Tennis Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Bluett Park (Ohope Tennis Club)	3x astroturf courts at new site	Local	Whakatane District	Ohope Tennis Club	Ohope Tennis Club
Whakatane	Edgecumbe Squash Club	4x astroturf courts, with lights	Local	Whakatane District	Edgecumbe Squash Club	Edgecumbe Squash Club
Whakatane	Galatea Domain Courts	Part of general Domain - may be unused	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Matata Tennis Club	5 x asphalt courts (poor condition) with chain link boundary fencing	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District Council	Matata Tennis Club
Whakatane	Otarawairere Tennis Court	2 x courts with nets/ hotmix surface	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Taneatua Tennis Courts	3 x courts with nets/ hotmix surface	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District Council	Unknown
Whakatane	Waimana Domain	3 x Tennis Courts (Astro turf) with chain link fence around courts small shelter & public toilets.	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Whakatane Tennis Club	10x astroturf courts, with lights, plus 1x asphalt court	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane Tennis Club	Whakatane Tennis Club
Whakatane	Wharekura Reserve Tennis Courts	2x asphalt courts	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

RETIREMENT HOME / PRIVATE ESTATE PROVISION

Council Area	Tennis Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Althorp Village (Retirement)	1x astroturf court	Private	Althorp Village Ltd	Althorp Village Ltd	Althorp Village Ltd
Tauranga City	Metlife Greenwood Park (Retirement)	1x asphalt court	Private	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Pacific Lakes Village	1x astroturf	Local	Generus Living Group	Generus Living Group	Generus Living Group

6.5 PERSPECTIVES ON PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- Access and parking difficulties into Tauranga Domain as it supports a range of activities and events.
- In light of recent court developments, clubs in general are extremely satisfied with the playing conditions.
- Need to futureproof facilities to ensure they meet participation growth.

6.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL

Upgrade lighting of the Papamoa Tennis Courts (new LED lights), which will include provision on the 4 public open courts. And the replacement of 4 astro courts.

Matua Park – plans to resurface the two asphalt courts.

Papamoa Sports Tennis Courts – Future plans to open-up another 2 courts for netball.

Selwyn Park Tennis Courts – Resurface is planned for 2020/21 and the installation of pole holes for flexi-space to enable basketball to be played.

6.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- There are currently no national or regional facilities strategies in place for Tennis.
- General considerations are for the sustainability of facilities and maximising use of facilities.
- Astroturf court surfaces are considered to be beneficial for older players which is an important consideration given the aging population trend. They also have the advantage of creating multiuse opportunities for rugby training, football training and junior / social hockey. New hardcourt technologies can also support these outcomes (although more expensive), whilst being accredited surfaces of ITF and the recommended playing surface of Tennis New Zealand.
- Due to the investment required to provide court facilities it is important that a hierarchy of facilities is provided across the region ranging from those suitable for top level competitive play to facilities for junior use, training and casual play. It is important that courts are maintained at a high standard, but this does not mean all courts need to be suitable for top level competition. Rather this means maintaining appropriate court surfaces and amenities (such as lighting) given the role of the courts in the hierarchy and prioritising the use of facilities in line with that role. It is also important to consider and provide for multi-code use of court surfaces within the hierarchy.
- Demographic projections²² also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- School and other private tennis facilities should be considered for an increasing role in the provision of community tennis opportunities. This is particularly important to meet the needs of geographically dispersed populations, urban areas with high demand, and areas with a strong aging population.

²² From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

General Approaches to Tennis Courts

- Maintain existing facilities in line with their asset management plans.
- Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative facility delivery approaches (such as multi use courts potentially in partnership with schools).
- Rationalisation should also be considered where demand does not exist or where club sustainability is an issue (such as low membership, lack of volunteers, and the lack of ability to maintain assets).
- Where appropriate look at co-locating tennis courts as part of a multi-use precinct (for example so AstroTurf courts can be used for junior / social hockey, football, and rugby training).

Council Area	Tennis Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau District			
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prideaux Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the need for the existing single court and consider the development of a multi code court configuration (potentially on another site). For example, 3 AstroTurf courts that can be used for rugby training, football training and junior / social hockey games as well as tennis).²³. • Follow and action the general Tennis Court facility approaches on Page 75 as required.
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorial Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Tennis Court facility approaches on Page 75 as required.

²³ This approach is considered important in both smaller communities (to offer a better range of recreational opportunities than otherwise may have been possible) and in larger urban areas (to offer a hierarchy of facilities at the appropriate level to better meet demand). For example, in smaller communities residents have access to a surface they can use for tennis and social junior hockey, while in larger urban areas junior hockey players do not take up time on water based surfaces better used by senior players.

Council Area	Tennis Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Rotorua Lakes			
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lake Okareka Tennis Courts Lynmore Park Tennis Courts Manuka Crescent Tennis Courts Reporoa Tennis Courts Rerewhakaaitu Domain Tennis Courts Tarewa Tennis Courts Rotorua Girls High School 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be placed on where there is any current deficiency. Focus will also be required in areas of new residential development. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. Large redevelopment was undertaken at the district level facility comprising of 6x rebound ace and 6x astroturf surfaces. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Tennis Court facility approaches on Page 75 as required.
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Otumoetai Tennis Club (Bellevue Park) Papamoa Sports Tennis (Gordon Spratt Reserve) Gate Pa Tennis Club (Gate Pa Domain) Mt Maunganui Tennis Centre (Blake Park) Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club Matua Park Tennis Courts Welcome Bay Tennis Club (Selwyn Park) Tauranga Lawn Tennis Club (Tauranga Domain) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council has clear assessment criteria (Active Reserves LOS policy 2012 – schedule 3) for assessing requests for items not included in the LOS policy for example non field surfaces on active reserves (e.g. artificial surfaces including tennis courts) The Active Reserves Management Plan (2005) provides specific direction regarding current tennis clubs. Otumoetai is permitted to expand to a maximum of 14 courts; No extensions are permitted at Gate Pa and Welcome Bay Tennis Clubs (Selwyn Park); no lights are permitted at Selwyn Park; There is currently no space for Tauranga Lawn Tennis Club's desired expansion (although 3x courts have been recently redeveloped and replacement lighting on 10 courts). Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development, not forgetting any areas where there is any identified current deficiency. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain existing hub and spoke model with Papamoa serving as the sub-regional hub facility – lighting upgrade and new surfaces required. Follow and action the general Tennis Court facility approaches on Page 75 as required.

Council Area	Tennis Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adela Stewart Reserve Aogatete Domain Homewood Park Tennis Club (Katikati) Maramatanga Park Midway Park Ōmokoroa Sports Ground Paengaroa Domain Papauahi Road Recreation Reserve Te Puke Tennis Club (Centennial Park) Waihi Beach Community Centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council Level of Service (LOS) is to provide a basic LOS i.e. asphalted concrete surface, fencing, parking and toilets (if more than 2 courts). The club or community group is to provide above this e.g. line marking, lighting, equipment, specialised surfaces. Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Tennis Court facility approaches on Page 75 as required.
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bluett Park (Ohope Tennis) Edgcumbe Squash and Tennis Galatea Domain Matata Tennis Club Otarawairere Tennis Court Taneatua Tennis Courts Waimana Domain Wharekura Reserve Tennis Whakatane Centre Inc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council Level of Service (LOS) is to provide a basic LOS i.e. asphalted concrete surface. Anything above that is to be funded by the local club or community group involved. Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgcumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Tennis Court facility approaches on Page 75 as required.



7.0 NETBALL COURTS (OUTDOOR)

7.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

COURT PROVISION

Quantifying the Supply and Demand Winter Sports Fields, Outdoor Courts and Turf in the Western Bay of Plenty Sub-Region (Updated June 2019)

Tauranga City

The report outlines the following findings relating to outdoor netball court provision:

- There are currently 19 outdoor netball courts providing 374 playing hours per week – current surplus of 146 hours per week.
- By 2028, this surplus is forecasted to reduce to 87 hours per week, and down to 38 hours per week by 2038.
- There is an adequate supply to meet future demand.
- Consideration should be given to a quality review to ensure the courts meet a minimum quality standard.

Western Bay of Plenty District

The report outlines the following findings relating to outdoor netball court provision:

- There are currently 12 outdoor netball courts provide 120 playing hours per week – currently surplus of 102 hours per week.
- By 2028, this surplus is forecasted to reduce to 99 hours per week, and down to 97 hours per week by 2038.
- There is an adequate supply to meet future demand.
- Consideration should be given to a quality review to ensure the courts meet a minimum quality standard.

CODE PLAN

Netball New Zealand Facilities Strategy (2011)

The strategy was developed to identify community needs, outline the key challenges experienced and set out a strategic framework for the future. The key findings include:

- By 2031, the projected number of teams in the Bay of Plenty is forecasted to increase by 27 (3% increase).
- Facility network approach needs to consider a range of facilities for programme delivery:

Satellite Centres – Where demand exists, satellite centres are considered an integral part of a netball centre. These are likely to focus on the provision of junior and intermediate school competitions, social competitions or feeder leagues, and be located close to the local communities on school sites or other community courts.

In developing courts, there is a spectrum of facilities that should be considered, from outdoor courts to indoor courts/events venues. In deciding the most appropriate type of indoor facility to be developed, detailed consideration needs to be given to maximising the usage of other community facilities and ensuring the ongoing sustainability of the centre.

Spectrum options include outdoor courts, floodlit outdoor courts, covered courts, enclosed courts and indoor courts (events venues).

The two priority investment strategies pertaining to this strategy include:

1. A network approach to netball centre development

- Work to ensure that each region should have access to at least one indoor multi-court venue with a minimum of two courts (as outlined in Section 3.0).

2. The mix of indoor, covered and outdoor courts – that the optimal netball provision be provided by a mix of outdoor, covered and indoor courts.

7.2 PARTICIPATION

Participation details outlined below are based on trends highlighted by sporting codes (survey responses from clubs and regional/national sports organisations) and data available through desktop analysis.

NETBALL

A majority of netball activity in the region is played outdoors courts. Affiliated player membership to the Waikato/Bay of Plenty Zone have experienced a slight decrease of 2% from 2016 to 2018.²⁴ Netball Waikato/Bay of Plenty have indicated that junior age-groups in the region continue to grow, youth-age groups remain static, while senior players are either seeking social activity (turn-up and play) or competitive leagues held indoors.

7.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

ROTORUA LAKES COUNCIL

Westbrook Park – The Netball Rotorua Centre resurfaced all courts with Rebound Ace (previously asphalt). In doing so, the number of courts reduced from 20 to 16, whereby all courts now meet Netball New Zealand court specifications. The project totalled \$1.3 million and was completed in 2019 (included in the project costs were footprint extension and drainage upgrading).

TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL

Harbourside Netball Centre – 10 multi-use courts (tennis and netball) have been resurfaced (asphalt) with floodlighting.

7.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Netball Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Prideaux Park	6x asphalt courts, with single tennis court in summer	District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Memorial Park	6x asphalt courts, with tennis courts in summer	District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Lynmore School Courts	2x courts, with tennis courts in summer	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Lynmore Primary School
Rotorua Lakes	Marist St Michaels Reserve	1x court, with no formal summer use	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes (land); Marist St Michaels Rugby & Sports Club (courts)	Marist St Michaels Rugby & Sports Club
Rotorua Lakes	Puarenga Park	2x courts	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes (land); Whakarewarewa Sports & Community Club (courts)	Whakarewarewa Sports & Community Club

²⁴ As cited in the 2016 and 2019 Netball New Zealand Annual Reports.

Council Area	Netball Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes High School	2x covered courts	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Rotorua Lakes High School
Rotorua Lakes	Westbrook Park	16x courts (Rebound Ace), with no formal summer use (8 with lights). 8 courts meet Netball New Zealand court specifications.	Regional	Rotorua Lakes Council	Rotorua Lakes (land); Rotorua Netball Assn (courts)	Rotorua Netball Assn
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Gordon Spratt Reserve & Alice Johnson Oval	2 x courts used for recreational and club activity (spoke of Harbourside Netball Centre) The courts are used for basketball, as well as overflow for tennis games in summer. TCC arrangement for public use in winter.	Local	Tauranga City	Papamoa Sports Tennis Club and Western Bay of Plenty Tennis	Papamoa Sports Tennis Club and Western Bay of Plenty Tennis
Tauranga City	Greerton Park	2x courts with lights. (low levels of use due to quality of surface)	Local	Tauranga City	Greerton Rugby and Sports Club	Greerton Rugby and Sports Club
Tauranga City	Harbourside Netball Centre	19x courts with lights. 10 courts are marked for tennis and used by the adjacent Mt Maunganui Tennis Club in summer.	Regional	Tauranga City	Harbourside Netball Centre	Harbourside Netball Centre
Tauranga City	Judea Sports Club	2x courts, with no formal summer use except for overflow tennis games	Local	Maori Ownership	Judea Sports Club	Judea Sports Club
Tauranga City	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club	4x asphalt courts (only 1 currently useable – surface needs resealing).	Local	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Maramatanga Park	3x asphalt courts (1 with lights) with shared line markings for tennis. Adjacent to 1 further asphalt and 4 artificial tennis courts.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puke Netball Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Midway Park	2x asphalt courts. Primarily used for tennis, but the courts have netball post sockets and line markings.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Paengaroa Domain	3x courts, with no formal summer use other than social tennis.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puna Tennis Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Domain	9x lit courts, no formal summer use.	District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District

Council Area	Netball Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Netball Whakatane Centre Inc	10x courts and 4 with lights, and no formal summer use.	District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Murupara Netball Courts	3x courts				
Whakatane	Ruatoki - Tuhoe Park	2 x courts (wider site also has rugby fields and clubrooms).	Local	Local Iwi	Local Iwi	Local Iwi
Whakatane	Taneatua – Rob Shaw Park	2 x netball courts (also separate tennis on the wider park site).	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

7.5 PERSPECTIVES ON PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- More localised provision would assist meeting demand (current and future), while making the sport more accessible (satellite venues).
- Recent upgrades will improve playing conditions, and new lighting will support training and game delivery.
- There is limited provision in Kawerau and Opotiki, with secondary schools and senior netball played at the Whakatane Netball Centre.
- The Whakatane Netball Centre is in need of pending upgrades.
- Indoor court provision is required to complement outdoor netball courts. Indoor courts are required to accommodate elite senior and college

players as part of the development pathways, and for retaining players in the sport.

- Indoor venues should consider adapted/modified versions of the game i.e. Fast-5.
- There are possibilities for increasing the utilisation of the three main netball centres (Harbourside, Whakatane and Rotorua) through partnerships/use agreements with other sports or user groups.

7.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL

The sports hub concept for Papamoa and Tauriko could support netball in the respective areas to create a network of facilities for more localised and dispersed delivery.

Potential for delivering beach netball alongside beach volleyball in the summer – explore possibilities for facility provision.

7.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- The National Facilities strategy for netball identifies the following key considerations:
 - The number of netball teams in the Bay of Plenty region was projected to increase from 826 in 2010 to 853 by 2031.
 - The Bay of Plenty Region overall had 10.7 teams per court, which was lower than the average for New Zealand overall (13.6 teams per court).
 - A centre having fewer than 30 teams per court has potential spare capacity. No centres in the region were seen as being close to capacity.
 - Due to the investment required to provide court facilities it is important that a hierarchy of facilities is provided across the region ranging from indoor to outdoor courts, and those suitable for top level competitive play to facilities for junior use, training and casual play.
 - To help reduce the desire for netball to shift indoors, it is important that outdoor courts are maintained at a high standard, but this does not mean all courts need to be suitable for top level competition. Rather this means maintaining appropriate court surfaces and amenities (such as lighting) given the role of the courts in the hierarchy and prioritising the use of facilities in line with that role. It is also important to consider and provide for multi-code use of court surfaces within the hierarchy (for example sharing with tennis).
- Demographic projections²⁵ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- School netball facilities should be considered for an increasing role in the provision of community netball opportunities. This is particularly important to meet the needs of geographically dispersed populations, urban areas with high demand, and areas with a strong aging population.

General Approaches to Netball Courts

- Monitor and review existing court utilisation and quality to ensure community sports use is nurtured.
- Maintain existing facilities in line with their asset management plans.
- Prior to any major renewals or new builds undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative facility delivery approaches including the potential benefits of co-locating sport and recreational facilities (multi use courts and potential school partnerships).
- Rationalisation should also be considered where demand does not exist.
- Monitor the accessibility of school facilities to community groups.
- If required enter into formalised partnerships to facilitate ongoing public access to school facilities.
- Investigate potential partnership opportunities with other court-based sports and identify suitable delivery and facility type options.
- Develop and implement a Regional Indoor Court Facility Plan.

²⁵ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

Council	Netball Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau District			
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prideaux Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Outdoor Netball Court facility approaches on Page 82 as required.
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memorial Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Outdoor Netball Court facility approaches on Page 82 as required.
Rotorua Lakes			
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lynmore School Courts Marist St Michaels Reserve Puarenga Park Westbrook/ Ray Boord Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be placed where there is any current deficiency. Focus will also be required in areas of new residential development. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. Large scale development of the courts at Westbrook has been undertaken with 8 courts meeting Netball New Zealand specifications. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate potential partnership opportunities with basketball and to identify suitable delivery and facility type options. Follow and action the general Outdoor Netball Court facility approaches on Page 82 as required.

Council	Netball Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gordon Spratt Reserve and Alice Johnson Oval Greerton Park Harbourside Netball Centre Judea Sports Club Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development, not forgetting any areas where there is any identified current deficiency. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase. There is currently a court surplus of 146 hours per week with this forecasted to reduce to 87 hours by 2028 and 38 hours by 2038. The Supply and Demand Report commissioned (updated 2019) suggests that future projections indicate adequate supply to meet demand. With consideration given to a quality review to ensure courts meet a minimum quality standard. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to implement a hub and spoke model with the Harbourside Netball Centre as the hub facility for the district. Investigate potential partnership opportunities with basketball and to identify suitable delivery and facility type options. Follow and action the general Outdoor Netball Court facility approaches on Page 82 as required.
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maramatanga Park Paengaroa Domain Te Puke Domain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council Level of Service (LOS) is to provide a basic LOS i.e. asphalted concrete surface, fencing, parking and toilets (if more than 2 courts). The club or community group is to provide above this e.g. line marking, lighting, equipment, specialised surfaces. Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree) This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. There is currently a court surplus of 102 hours per week with this forecasted to reduce to 99 hours by 2028. The Supply and Demand Report commissioned (updated 2019) suggests that future projections indicate adequate supply to meet demand. With consideration given to a quality review to ensure courts meet a minimum quality standard. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to implement a hub and spoke model with the Harbourside Netball Centre as the hub facility for the district. Investigate potential partnership opportunities with basketball and to identify suitable delivery and facility type options. Follow and action the general Outdoor Netball Court facility approaches on Page 82 as required.

Council	Netball Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Netball Whakatane Centre Inc • Ruatoki - Tuhoe Park • Taneatua – Rob Shaw Park 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. • This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Netball Court facility approaches on Page 82 as required.



8.0 SURF LIFESAVING FACILITIES

Surf lifesaving is an essential community service and is supported by a range of activities and associated facilities. Aquatic facilities are utilised for sport components, education and swim training (primarily during winter) – these facilities are detailed further in Section 2.0 – Aquatic Facilities. Other facilities used to service community activity and the sport of surf lifesaving include beaches, clubrooms and ground towers.

8.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

The Bay of Plenty has over 125km of coastline and home to some nationally and internationally renowned beaches. With the vast coastline, warm climate and well populated beaches, surf lifesaving presence is vitally important. The Bay of Plenty Water Safety (2019-2023) highlights that the region has the 4th highest regional drowning rate in the country, with a trend that has not abated over the last 10-years. Therefore, surf lifesaving services and facilities need to be prevalent and remain fit-for-purpose.

STRATEGIC CONTEXT

SURF LIFE SAVING NEW ZEALAND STRATEGIC PLAN

Of relevance to the development of this plan are the following strategic priorities and outcomes:

- Support clubs to deliver core services to agreed standards
 - Providing support for club's core operations that result in saving lives on New Zealand beaches.
 - Working with clubs that are struggling to meet minimum standards of service delivery relevant to their members, beaches and community.
- Operational Excellence and Innovation

- A culture focused on improved professional delivery of services and clubs as the client.
- Innovation focus narrowed to areas that support core service delivery as the priority.

Surf Life Saving NZ support:

Support clubs in obtaining the best appropriate equipment and facilities.

8.2 PARTICIPATION (ORGANISED SPORT)

Participation details outlined below are based on trends highlighted by sporting codes (survey responses from clubs and regional/national sports organisations) and data available through desktop analysis.

Overall participation in surf sports has been static across the Eastern Region (which stretches down the eastern coast of the North Island). Individual club membership fluctuations are apparent – i.e. increases evident at Mt Maunganui, Papamoa and Pukehina. Since 2016/17, there were 5 less members during the 2018/19 season (total of 5,933). This follows significant growth from the 2015/16 season to the 2016/17 season of 11%. The proportion of male and female participants has remained relatively constant over this time (around 52% male and 48% female), with a slight increase in female participation evident.²⁶

8.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

In 2019, the new Mt Maunganui Lifeguard Service Centre was completed, including 8x council-funded unisex public toilets and external showers.

Construction of the Papamoa Surf Lifesaving Clubrooms has commenced, with temporary portacoms used during the 2019/2020 summer.

²⁶ As outlined in the 2016/17, 17/18 and 18/19 Surf Lifesaving New Zealand Annual Reports

8.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Opotiki Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	Single Clubroom and facilities (Surf) including storage – built in 1980.	Local	Multiple (including Council, NZTA)	Opotiki Surf Life Saving Club	Opotiki Surf Life Saving Club
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Lifeguard Service Centre	New complex including a main function room (accommodating 110 seated guests), upstairs venue (accommodating 50 seated guests), board room, accommodation facilities, storage, operations spaces and 8x unisex public toilets and external showers.	Local	Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Lifeguard Service	Mt Maunganui Lifeguard Service
Tauranga City	Omanu Beach Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	2 story multi-room complex including large deck, hall area, meeting room, ops rooms, bunk room, storage. Also, Council funded public toilets.	Local	Tauranga City	Omanu Beach Surf Life Saving Club	Omanu Beach Surf Life Saving Club
Tauranga City	Papamoa Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	Construction of new clubrooms is to be completed in 2020. Comprising of surf lifesaving hub areas (operations room, storage and workshops, lounge, kitchen, toilet and changing rooms) and community use spaces (breakout room – catering for 20 seated guests), classroom, toilets, lounge and kitchen).	Local	Tauranga City	Papamoa Surf Life Saving Club	Papamoa Surf Life Saving Club
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Maketu Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	Small 60sqm surf club clubrooms building with public toilets on ground floor	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Maketu Surf Life Saving Club	Maketu Surf Life Saving Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Pukehina Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	Single clubroom and public toilets. Complete rebuild is to be undertaken in 2020 which will double the size of the existing building.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Pukehina Surf Life Saving Club	Pukehina Surf Life Saving Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Waihi Beach Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	2-story building including lounge/bar, member accommodation, storage and deck.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Waihi Beach Surf Life Saving Club	Waihi Beach Surf Life Saving Club
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Whakatane Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	Building including kitchen, bunk room, conference room.	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane Surf Life Saving Club	Whakatane Surf Life Saving Club

All clubs have paid lifeguards, but the Papamoa and Pukehina clubs do not have Beach Education delivery.

8.5 PERSPECTIVES ON PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

- Would ideally like to bring venues up to a standard and capacity where they can host Beach Education which is the main community education programme (2 clubs are unable to provide Beach Education at present – Papamoa and Pukehina).
- Identified gap of patrols at Grove Avenue and Shark Alley which require additional infrastructure (ground towers) to support the service.
- A ground tower is required at Island View Reserve - Waihi (following health, safety and welfare concerns raised in 2019/2020).
- Replacement of ground towers at Papamoa East, Thornton and Ohope Camping Ground are required (estimated cost of \$50,000 each).
- The addition of six ground towers (as outlined above) will increase lifesaving capability across the region.
- Beach grooming service at Waihi Beach to best utilise the beach areas safely – similar to Mt Maunganui.
- Perception that the Western Bay of Plenty is neglected regarding the planning and provision of facilities.
- Ongoing refurbishments and recent (and upcoming) large capital developments generally have the inventory of clubrooms in good condition.

8.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

OPOTIKI DISTRICT

Opotiki Surf Lifesaving Club – Continuously undertaking small projects.

TAURANGA CITY

Omanu Surf Lifesaving Club – Refurbishment project is in the works, including a gear shed (valued at \$110,000). Additional satellite facility on Golf Road Reserve is being proposed.

Papamoa Surf Lifesaving Club – Clubroom construction has commenced with the old building demolished in December 2019. Temporary portacoms were used during the 2019/2020 season. Total estimated cost of \$3.9 million.

Grove Alley – ground tower required - ~\$50,000.

Shark Alley - ground tower required - ~\$50,000.

Papamoa East – replace existing ground tower.

WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Pukehina Surf Lifesaving Club – Clubroom development to double the size of the existing footprint – total estimated cost of \$2.4 million.

Island View Reserve – ground tower required - ~\$50,000.

Ohope Camping Ground – replace existing ground tower - ~\$50,000.

WHAKATANE DISTRICT

Thornton Beach – replace existing ground tower - ~\$50,000.

8.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations (across all TAs)

- Surf lifesaving facilities provide and support services that reach outside of the traditional realms of sport and active recreation. The facilities play a critical role in supporting essential community services to its members and the general public.
- Significant population growth areas along coastline i.e. Papamoa, will lead to increased demands on facilities and services.
- Demographic projections²⁷ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- Coupling the favourable weather conditions²⁸, population growth and being a destination location, places extra demand on beach and water-oriented spaces in the Bay of Plenty.
- The Bay of Plenty has the 4th highest regional drowning rate in New Zealand and over the past 10-years the average annual number of preventable drowning fatalities has been increasing – between 2010 and 2019 there were 71 preventable fatalities.²⁹
- There are various identified gaps in patrolled service provision across the region.
- Where new developments are being considered, undertake a needs and options analysis for provision of services, which covers the spectrum of options from a simple tower/storage facility through to a full multi use clubroom development (catering to other water-based sport requirements and general community recreation needs) – driven by strategic direction.
- Ensure a proactive, planned maintenance programme is implemented at the Surf Clubs (the coastal environment is particularly hard on building materials).

General Approaches to Surf Lifesaving Facilities

- Maintain existing facilities in line with their asset management plans.
- Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative delivery options.
- Review existing and proposed future provision to enable flexibility in approach for adapting to changing public behaviours.
- Develop a Bay of Plenty Water Sports Facility and Water Access Strategy.

Council Area	Tennis Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opotiki Surf Lifesaving Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Surf Lifesaving facility approaches on Page 89 as required.

²⁷ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

²⁸ Increasing trend of annual sunshine hours and high comparative levels compared to other areas of the country (Statistics NZ and NIWA).

²⁹ Bay of Plenty Water Safety Strategy (2019-2023).

Council Area	Tennis Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mt Maunganui Lifeguard Service Centre • Omanu Surf Lifesaving Club • Papamoa Surf Lifesaving Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High growth area will place considerable strain on physical infrastructure and services being provided/supported. • Destination sites, such as Mount Maunganui, will be impacted by higher levels of local population and ongoing visitors (tourism impact). • Isolated growth areas, such as Papamoa, will have high concentrated levels of residents using the facilities and services. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase. • Development of the Mount Maunganui Lifeguard Service Centre has been completed and opened in 2019. • The Papamoa Surf Lifesaving Club development has commenced and will conclude in 2020. • Refurbishment plans for the Omanu Surf Lifesaving Club, including a gear shed. • The Mt Maunganui development was completed in late 2019. • Additional ground towers are required to increase lifeguarding capability. • Growth is evident across the number of lifeguards, supervised hours and sport participants. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the Papamoa Surf Lifesaving Club development. • Review and prioritise new or replacement ground towers – in line with strategic direction. • Follow and action the general Surf Lifesaving facility approaches on Page 89 as required.
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maketu Surf Lifesaving Club • Pukehina Surf Lifesaving Club • Waihi Beach Surf Lifesaving Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waihi Beach is the only surf lifesaving club in the area, therefore services a large catchment area across to Omokoroa and Te Puna. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. • New facility to be developed in Pukehina in 2020 (double the footprint of the existing building). • The Maketu Surf Lifesaving Club facility was built in 1960 – requires constant monitoring. • No ground tower at Island View Reserve led to health, safety and welfare issues at times. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete the Pukehina Surf Lifesaving Club development • Explore the installation of a ground tower at Island View Reserve – Waihi Beach and Bowentown. • Follow and action the general Surf Lifesaving facility approaches on Page 89 as required.

Council Area	Tennis Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whakatane Surf Lifesaving Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The surf club, as the sole service provider in the area, caters for a wide catchment. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. Refurbishments over the last 5-years has placed the facility in very good condition. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore the viability of replacing the ground tower located at the Ohope Camping Ground. Follow and action the general Surf Lifesaving facility approaches on Page 89 as required.



9.0 BOWLING GREENS

9.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

BOWLS NEW ZEALAND FACILITIES STRATEGY (2012)

The National Bowls Facility Strategy is the overarching strategic document for Bowls facilities. The Strategy determined that:

- Under strategy guidelines bowls venues should preferably serve a population of 18,000, a catchment of 3km and an average membership of 187. However, an exception is made for single community clubs.
- The Bay of Plenty region has 24 currently active clubs, including 11 single community clubs which are excluded from rationalisation. Under these guidelines the remaining 13 club venues should be increased to 15. (Note: However, for sustainability and optimisation reasons, having fewer but stronger clubs may be preferable).
- Bowls needs to adopt a more partnership-oriented facility use model to facilitate efficient use of resources, including the rationalisation of venues and considering involvement in shared-use venues (e.g. 'sportvilles').
- Compared with other NZ regions, the Bay of Plenty region was among those having relatively even proportion of pay-for-play-participants (2,347) relative to club member numbers (2,587).

Bowls New Zealand have further commented that clubs have failed to adjust and adapt to the needs of its membership and relationship with their local communities. Consequently, this has seen numerous clubs close, or are in perilous position. There is an opportunity for the rationalisation of facilities, particularly in Rotorua. Between three clubs (excluding Ngongotaha), there are 7 green for 128 members – which equates to 1 green per 18 members. An accepted standard is around 1 green per 100 members.

9.2 PARTICIPATION

Nationally, membership and casual participation has increased at varying levels. Full playing membership remains stable (around 1% increase), social participation has increased by 3% and casual participation has increased to 23% (amassing 103,000 casual participants)

Specifically, for the Bay of Plenty, overall participation levels have decreased by 2% from 2017/18. This is primarily resultant of casual participation decreasing by 4% over the period, with member-based activity (full playing and social) increasing by 11% (with social increasing by 10% alone).

A downward trend in participation levels is evident when extending analysis out to 2016, with total levels from 10,360 in 2016 decreasing to 9,657 in 2018/19 (-7%). Over the same period, member-based programmes decreased by 12% (currently 2,239 members) and casual participation by 6% (currently 7,418 casual bowlers).³⁰

Bowls New Zealand have indicated that for every traditional bowler there is, there are 4+ casual participants.

9.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL

Gate Pa Bowling Club – Closed in 2017 with all assets (2x greens and small clubrooms) transferring to Tauranga City Council.

Omanu Bowling Club – Closed in 2020.

WHAKATANE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Edgecumbe Bowling Club – Closed in 2019 with all assets (1 green and small clubrooms) transferring to Whakatane District Council.

Over the last 10-years, the above clubs have joined the Rotorua West and Taneatua Bowling Clubs who have closed across the region.

³⁰ As cited in the 2018/19, 2017/18 and 2016/17 Bowls New Zealand Annual Reports.

9.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Bowling Green Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status ³¹	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Kawerau Bowling Club	2x greens (with lights), 1 grass and 1 astroturf, plus standard clubrooms / facilities. Adjacent to other sports facilities at Prideaux Park in Kawerau	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau Bowling Club	Kawerau Bowling Club
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Opotiki Lawn Bowls Club	2x greens, 1 grass and 1 tigerturf (with lights), plus small clubrooms and facilities.	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki Lawn Bowls Club	Opotiki Lawn Bowls Club
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Arawa Bowling Club	3x grass greens, plus small clubrooms	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Arawa Bowling Club	Arawa Bowling Club
Rotorua Lakes	Ngongotaha Bowling Club Greens	2x grass greens, plus small clubrooms	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Ngongotaha Bowling Club	Ngongotaha Bowling Club
Rotorua Lakes	Reporoa Bowling Club	1x grass green, plus small clubrooms	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Reporoa Bowling Club	Reporoa Bowling Club
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Bowling Club (Government Gardens)	3x grass greens, plus large clubrooms in historic precinct. Also, an adjacent petanque terrain	District	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes (building - Club)	Rotorua Bowling Club
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua East Bowling Club	2x grass greens, plus large clubrooms	Local	Rotorua District	Rotorua East Bowling Club	Rotorua East Bowling Club
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Bowls Mount Maunganui (At Mount Green Sports)	3x greens, 2x grass and 1x artificial, plus large shared clubrooms with croquet, petanque, and Club Mount Maunganui (chartered club)	District	Tauranga City	Mt Greens	Mt Greens
Tauranga City	Bowls Tauranga South	3x grass greens, plus small clubrooms (club own the land and facilities)	Local	Bowls Tauranga South Inc.	Bowls Tauranga South Inc.	Bowls Tauranga South Inc.
Tauranga City	Matua Bowling Club	3 greens (2 x grass & 1 artificial), plus large clubrooms	Local	Tauranga City	Matua Bowling Club	Matua Bowling Club

³¹ Note: the status of a facility does not preclude it taking on a higher level (regional or national) role for particular events. Usually the ability to host regional and national tournaments is achieved by using a cluster delivery approach with multiple clubs providing venues for the tournament.

Council Area	Bowling Green Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status ³¹	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Papamoa Bowling Club	1x artificial green, plus small clubrooms adjacent to tennis club. Allocation of land on the reserve for future expansion if required.	Local	Tauranga City	Papamoa Sports Outdoor Bowling	Papamoa Sports Outdoor Bowling
Tauranga City	Tauranga Bowling Club	2x grass greens, plus small clubrooms adjacent to croquet club, tennis club and other clubrooms	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga Bowling Club	Tauranga Bowling Club
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Katikati Bowling Club	2x grass greens, plus small clubrooms adjacent to tennis club	Local	Katikati Bowling Club	Katikati Bowling Club	Katikati Bowling Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Ōmokoroa Bowling Club	2x grass greens and small clubrooms	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Ōmokoroa Bowling Club	Ōmokoroa Bowling Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Bowling Club	2x grass greens and small clubrooms	Local	Te Puke Bowling Club	Te Puke Bowling Club	Te Puke Bowling Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Waihi Beach RSA	1x grass green and large RSA clubrooms	Local	Waihi Beach RSA	Waihi Beach RSA	Waihi Beach RSA
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Ohope Bowling Club	2x artificial greens (1 with lights) and small clubrooms	Local	Ohope Bowling Club	Ohope Bowling Club	Ohope Bowling Club
Whakatane	Whakatane Bowling Club	2x artificial greens and clubrooms	Local	Whakatane Bowling Club	Whakatane Bowling Club	Whakatane Bowling Club

RETIREMENT VILLAGE PROVISION (SNAPSHOT OF PROVISION FROM DESKTOP EXERCISE)

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Retirement Village - Glenbrae	Green in retirement village	Local	Arvida Group	Arvida Group	Arvida Group
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Althorp Village	Green in retirement village	Local	Althorp Village Ltd	Althorp Village Ltd	Althorp Village Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Bethlehem Country Club	Green in retirement village	Local	Arvida Group	Arvida Group	Arvida Group
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Bob Owens	Green in retirement village	Local	Bob Owens Retirement Village Ltd	Bob Owens Retirement Village Ltd	Bob Owens Retirement Village Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Carmel Country Estate	Green in retirement village	Local	Carmel Holdings Ltd	Carmel Holdings Ltd	Carmel Holdings Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Copper Crest	Green in retirement village	Local	Arvida Group	Arvida Group	Arvida Group
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Bayswater Village	Green in retirement village	Local	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Greenwood Park	Green in retirement village	Local	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Somervale	Green in retirement village	Local	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Ocean Shores	Green in retirement village	Local	Ocean Shores Village	Ocean Shores Village	Ocean Shores Village
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Omokoroa Country Estate	Green in retirement village	Local	Omokoroa Country Estate	Omokoroa Country Estate	Omokoroa Country Estate
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Orange Grove Village	Green in retirement village	Local	Orange Grove Village	Orange Grove Village	Orange Grove Village

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Pacific Coast Village	Green in retirement village	Local	Generus Living Group	Generus Living Group	Generus Living Group
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Pacific Lakes Village	Green in retirement village	Local	Generus Living Group	Generus Living Group	Generus Living Group
aTauranga City	Retirement Village – Summerset by the Dunes	Green in retirement village	Local	Summerset by the Dunes	Summerset by the Dunes	Summerset by the Dunes
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – The Vines at Bethlehem	Green in retirement village	Local	The Vines at Bethlehem	The Vines at Bethlehem	The Vines at Bethlehem
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Summerset by the Sea (Katikati)	Green in retirement village	Local	Summerset Group	Summerset Group	Summerset Group

Here it is important to note that while the current age-profile of bowls participants features older participants, this does not mean that an aging population will necessarily translate into increased bowls participation. The current age-profile for bowls may simply represent a greater popularity for bowls in earlier times, with a declining cohort of now-older participants. More specific investigation would be required to assess the activity preferences of future older age-groups.

Of the retirement villages outlined above, the Pacific Coast Village specifically encourages access to the local bowls club fraternity. The site comprises an international sized bowling – which is one of the largest artificial bowling greens of retirements villages across the country. The site hosts tournaments (residents and local bowlers) and extends invitations to local bowling clubs.

9.5 PERSPECTIVES ON PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- There is recognised value associated with the provision of covered greens to increase participation and enhance the bowler experience. There is currently no provision in the region, but an opportunity exists in Mount Maunganui.
- There is an oversupply of clubs in areas such as Rotorua, with an opportunity to rationalise with collaborative approaches.

9.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

TAURANGA CITY COUNCIL

Bowls Mount Maunganui - Covered greens and new fire rated carpet – indicative cost of \$1 million (plans for completion in 2021/22).

Matua Bowling Club – install two artificial greens.

9.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- The National Bowls Facilities strategy guidelines suggest bowls venues should preferably serve a population of 18,000, a catchment of 3km and an average membership of 187. However, an exception is made for single community clubs.
- Where single community clubs exist (as per the National Strategy) this does not preclude relocations or partnerships for improved facility performance and sustainability.
- Bowls needs to adopt a more partnership-oriented facility use model to facilitate efficient use of resources, including the rationalisation of venues and considering involvement in shared-use venues (e.g. 'sportvilles', retirement homes).
- Support covered greens where there is identified need and viability.
- The trend in provision of bowling greens (among other recreation facilities) in retirement villages may provide enough resource to cater for new growth areas.
- Currently Council's in the region consider support for Bowling Club facility provision on a case by case basis.
- Bowls New Zealand have commented that clubs have failed to adjust and adapt to the needs of its membership and relationship with their local communities – with financial viability an immediate concern of many clubs.
- Demographic projections³² also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- Note that while bowls is currently associated with older participants, that current characteristic does not mean an aging trend will necessarily see more bowls participation in the future (more specific investigation of likely activity preferences of the future older population is required).
- Private bowls facilities should be considered for an increasing role in the provision of general community bowls opportunities. This is particularly important to meet the needs of geographically dispersed populations, urban areas with high demand, and areas with a strong aging population.
- In the last 10-years, 5 clubs have closed across the region, with 3 closing since 2017.

General Approaches to Bowling Greens

- Monitor and review utilisation and encourage facility sharing where possible.
- Maintain facilities in line with asset management plans. Prior to any major renewals or new builds undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative facility delivery approaches (e.g. sportville hubs or private provision – collocation with retirement homes).
- Rationalisation should be considered where demand does not exist or where mergers to create a larger, more sustainable club are possible.
- Investigate the potential for collocation with retirement village developments to cater to demand in new growth areas.
- Retention as a "single community club" (as per the National Strategy) does not preclude relocations or partnerships for improved facility performance and sustainability.
- Develop a Regional Bowls Facility Plan.

³² From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

Council	Bowling Greens	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau District			
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kawerau Bowling Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Bowling Green facility approaches on Page 97 as required.
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opotiki Lawn Bowls Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Bowling Green facility approaches on Page 97 as required.
Rotorua Lakes			
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arawa Bowling Club Rotorua Bowling Club (Government Gardens) Ngongotaha Bowling Club Greens Reporoa Bowling Club Rotorua East Bowling Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be where there is any current deficiency. While strong population growth is not projected, focus would also be required needs in areas of new residential development. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate rationalisation of clubs/facilities to enable a viable network. Follow and action the general Bowling Green facility approaches on Page 97 as required.

Council	Bowling Greens	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bowls Tauranga South Matua Bowling Club Bowls Mount Maunganui (at Mount Green Sports) Papamoa Bowling Club Tauranga Bowling Club And including 15 retirement home facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tauranga has assessment criteria for considering requests for artificial surfaces (including artificial bowling greens). Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development, particularly where there is a focus on providing for older residents. When combining club and retirement village provision, there are 20 sites offering lawn bowls. Covered green provision is currently being explored. Bowls New Zealand considers covering a green at Mt Greens Sports as the number one priority for the region. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mt Greens Sports – Continue detailed planning and feasibility for covering the green. This is considered by Bowls New Zealand as the number one priority in the region. Undertake feasibility analysis on the proposed development of a covered green at the Matua Bowling Club in the next 4-years. Consideration should be given to identifying suitable retirement homes that could potentially be used for community use and/or for delivering tournaments i.e. Pacific Coast Village. Follow and action the general Bowling Green facility approaches on Page 97 as required.
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Katikati Bowling Club Ōmokoroa Bowling Club Te Puke Bowling Club Waihi Beach RSA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. Council will consider support for Bowling Club facility provision on a case by case basis. Generally, if a club/community wants anything above a basic level of service (LOS) they need to fund the extra costs. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Bowling Green facility approaches on Page 97 as required.
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ohope Bowling Club Whakatane Bowling Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Bowling Green facility approaches on Page 97 as required.

10.0 GOLF FACILITIES

10.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

NEW ZEALAND GOLF NATIONAL FACILITY PLAN (2020)

Was not published prior to this strategy being released.

NEW ZEALAND GOLF – BAY OF PLENTY REGIONAL PLAN (2020)

Was not published prior to this strategy being released.

10.2 PARTICIPATION

Participation details outlined below are based on trends highlighted by sporting codes (survey responses from clubs and regional/national sports organisations) and data available through desktop analysis.

The total numbers of rounds used for handicapping purposes have increased 3% from 2018 to 2019, with a total of 391,819 rounds. However, net membership has decreased to 14,501 members, consisting of 8,105 members and 6,306 casual members*. The net decline is primarily related to traditional membership which has decreased from 2018 to 2019, while over the same period, casual membership has increased.³³

*It should be noted that New Zealand Golf encompasses Taupo within the Bay of Plenty boundary.

Mt Maunganui, Omanu, Tauranga and Te Puke are reporting 95-100% capacity on traditional club golf days. However, there is capacity at off-peak times – which may not be suitable for the current membership profile.

Some decline was evident at club level which was attributed to an aging population.

Other options to traditional golf have been introduced, with footgolf being one example of this at the Rotorua Golf Club.

³³ Based on 2019 New Zealand Golf Membership Figures.

10.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

In 2018, a private 9-hole course was established at Moose Lodge Estate complementing a full range of facilities that are available on the shores of Lake Rotoiti.

The Government Gardens 9-hole golf course has closed. As a direct result, there is an identified gap for designated learner facilities in the Rotorua area. The driving range and mini-putt course remain on site.

As included in the 2017 version of the strategy, shareholders of the Renner Golf Club voted to sell the site (note that the club had entered the preliminary stages when the original strategy was published) – the course has remained open.

10.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Golf Course Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Kawerau Golf & Squash Club	18 hole, clubhouse, showers, changing rooms, practice facilities, catering facilities, bar. Share with squash	Local	Kawerau Golf & Squash Club Inc	Kawerau Golf & Squash Club Inc	Kawerau Golf & Squash Club
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Opotiki Golf Course	18 hole, clubhouse, restaurant, rentals, pro shop	Local	Opotiki Golf Club	Opotiki Golf Club	Opotiki Golf Club
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Government Gardens	Driving range and mini-putt course remain on-site following the closure of the 9-hole course.	Local	Rotorua Lakes Council	Government Gardens Golf	Government Gardens Golf
Rotorua Lakes	Hamurana Golf Course	9 hole (17ha), small clubhouse (10m2),	Local	Te Tahuu O Tawakeheimoa Trust	Te Tahuu O Tawakeheimoa Trust	Hamurana Golf Club
Rotorua Lakes	Hinehopu Golf Course	9 hole (12ha), clubhouse, bar/kitchen, pro shop, practice facilities, pro available	Local	Multiple Maori Owners	Multiple Maori Owners	Hinehopu Golf Club
Rotorua Lakes	Kaingaroa Forest Golf Club	18 hole country course.	Local			
Rotorua Lakes	Lakeview Golf Club	18 hole (48ha), large clubrooms burnt down in early 2020.	Local	Lakeview Golf & Country Club	Lakeview Golf & Country Club	Lakeview Golf & Country Club
Rotorua Lakes	Moose Lodge Estate	9 hole, lodge, thermal pools, spa, dining	Local	Moose Lodge Estate	Moose Lodge Estate	Moose Lodge Estate
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Golf Course (Arikikapakapa)	18 hole (48ha), large clubrooms (650m ²), offices, meeting & function rooms, bar & kitchen facilities, rental gear, pro shop, pro available. Note: same site as Waiariki Institute Course	Regional	Iwi owners	Rotorua Golf Club	Rotorua Golf Club
Rotorua Lakes	Springfield Golf Course	18 hole (34ha) championship, large clubrooms (900m2), offices, meeting & function rooms, bar & kitchen facilities, rental gear, pro shop, pro available	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Springfield Golf Club	Springfield Golf Club

Council Area	Golf Course Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Waiariki Institute Course (Arikikapakapa)	9 hole (17ha) private course, for Waiariki Institute Golf Academy courses. Note: same site as Rotorua Golf Course	Local	Department of Conservation	Rotorua Golf Club	Wairiki Technical Institute Golfing Academy
Rotorua Lakes	Waikite Valley Golf Club	9 hole, clubhouse, bar/kitchen facilities, social use	Local	Waikite Valley Golf Club	Waikite Valley Golf Club	Waikite Valley Golf Club
Rotorua Lakes	Waiotapu Golf Club	18 hole (43ha) with small clubrooms (150m ²)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Waiotapu Golf Club	Waiotapu Golf Club
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Golf Course	18 hole, large clubrooms, bar/kitchen/dining facilities, café, Golf School, pro shop, pro available, rental gear, putting	Regional	Mount Maunganui Golf Club Inc	Mount Maunganui Golf Club Inc	Mount Maunganui Golf Club Inc
Tauranga City	Omanu Golf Course	18 hole, large clubrooms, bar/kitchen/dining facilities, café, pro shop, pro available, rental gear, putting green	Regional	Tauranga City	Omanu Golf Club	Omanu Golf Club
Tauranga City	Otumoetai Golf Course	9 hole, small clubhouse, rental gear	Local	Tauranga City	Otumoetai Golf Club	Otumoetai Golf Club
Tauranga City	Renner Park	9 hole and 18 hole mini-putt (40ha), small clubrooms, bar/kitchen facilities, rental gear, pro shop, pro available	Local	Has been recently sold but still used as a golf club.		
Tauranga City	Tauranga Golf Course	18 hole, large clubrooms, bar/kitchen facilities, pro shop, pro available, rental gear, putting green	Regional	Tauranga City	Tauranga Golf Club Inc	Tauranga Golf Club Inc
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Fairview Golf Course	18 hole championship standard, clubrooms, bar/kitchen/dining facilities, pro shop, pro available, rental gear, practice facilities	Local	Fairview Estate	Fairview Estate	Fairview Golf Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Ōmokoroa Golf Club	18 hole, clubhouse, practice facilities, rental gear, meeting facilities, bar/kitchen facilities	Local	Ōmokoroa Golf Club	Ōmokoroa Golf Club	Ōmokoroa Golf Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Summerhill Golf Course	9 hole course operating with an honesty box system.	Local	Summerhill Country Club	Summerhill Country Club	Summerhill Country Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Golf Club	18 hole, clubhouse, golf school, pro shop, pro available, practice facilities, rental gear, bar/kitchen/dining facilities	Local	Te Puke Golf Club	Te Puke Golf Club	Te Puke Golf Club

Council Area	Golf Course Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Murupara Golf Course	18 hole, clubhouse, pro shop, pro available, practice facilities, bar/kitchen/dining facilities	Local	Murupara Golf club	Murupara Golf Club	Murupara Golf club
Whakatane	Ohope International Golf Club Inc	18 hole, clubhouse, rental gear, pro shop, pro available, practice facilities, bar/kitchen/dining facilities	Regional	Whakatane District	Ohope International Golf Club Inc	Ohope International Golf Club Inc
Whakatane	Te Teko Golf Course	18 hole, clubhouse, rental gear, practice facilities, bar/kitchen facilities	Local	Whakatane District	Te Teko Golf Club	Te Teko Golf Club
Whakatane	Whakatane Golf Course	18 hole, clubhouse, rental gear, pro shop, pro available, practice facilities, bar/kitchen/dining facilities	Regional	Whakatane Golf Club Inc	Whakatane Golf Club Inc	Whakatane Golf Club Inc

Additionally, a range of putting greens are provisioned at retirement villages across the region.

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Carmel Country Estate	Retirement village putting green	Local	Carmel Holdings Ltd	Carmel Holdings Ltd	Carmel Holdings Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Bayswater Village	Retirement village putting green	Local	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Greenwood Park	Retirement village putting green	Local	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Somervale	Retirement village putting green	Local	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Bethlehem Country Club	Retirement village putting green	Local	Arvida Ltd	Arvida Ltd	Arvida Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – The Vines at Bethlehem	Retirement village putting green	Local	The Vines at Bethlehem	The Vines at Bethlehem	The Vines at Bethlehem

10.5 PERSPECTIVES ON PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- There is apparent pressure on traditional golf delivery for Western Bay of Plenty clubs as population growth continues in and around Tauranga.
- In some areas there is an oversupply of similar offerings – need to evolve and adapt delivery.

10.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

ROTORUA LAKES

Rotorua Lakes Council - The development of the Westbrook Sport and Recreation Precinct is planned to address the identified shortfall of 11 unsuitable fields following soil analysis and overlaying projected demand. As the lease for the Springfield Golf Club is nearing expiry, an opportunity exists to rationalise golf club facilities in Rotorua, while reallocating spaces to accommodate the identified shortfall of fields – maximise participation outcomes with suitable open space provision.

Rotorua Golf Club – Have expressed their desire for a new club house, restaurant and bar, alongside course improvements. Major upgrade plans in association with Te Puia to develop a destination course for golfing tourists.

Waiotapu Golf Club – Possible redevelopments to create a destination course.

10.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations (across all TAs)

- The region has a relatively balanced urban-rural golf network and well placed to meet existing demand.
- Demographic projections³⁴ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- Seeking participation growth and facility partnerships to sustain localised golf facilities should be considered for an increasing role in the provision of general community golf opportunities. This is particularly important to meet the needs of geographically dispersed populations, urban areas with high demand, and areas with a strong aging population.

General Approaches to Golf Facilities

- Engage with the club(s) to ensure they have an asset management plan in place and are maintaining the facilities in line with these plans and any lease requirements.
- Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative facility delivery approaches (including Sportville partnerships and developing differentiated service offerings that meet a wider potential player profile)
- Rationalisation/ amalgamation should also be considered where sufficient demand may not exist, or partnership opportunities may provide improved facility performance and sustainability.
- Focus placed on golf infrastructure which promotes golf experiences outside of 9 or 18 hole courses i.e. driving ranges and learner facilities.

³⁴ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

Council	Golf Facilities	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau District			
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kawerau Golf and Squash Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Golf facility approaches on Page 104 as required.
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opotiki Golf Course 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Golf facility approaches on Page 104 as required.
Rotorua Lakes			
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government Gardens Golf Facilities Hamurana Golf Course Hinehopu Golf Course Lakeview Golf Club Rotorua Golf Course (Arikikapapa). Note: same site as Waiariki Institutue Course. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be where there is any current deficiency. Focus will also be required in areas of new residential development. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. Opportunity to rationalise facilities in Rotorua in line with the Springfield Golf Course lease expiring in 2027 and 11 sports fields rendered unsuitable (with no other suitably conditioned fields available). 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further explore the opportunity of rationalising golf courses in Rotorua to repurpose a portion of the course for sports field provision and review possible developments at the Rotorua Golf Course. Continue to investigate the opportunities for developing the Rotorua Golf Course into a destination course and the reopening of the Government Gardens 9-hole course. Follow and action the general Golf facility approaches on Page 104 as required.

Council	Golf Facilities	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waiariki Institute Course (Arikikapakapa) Note: same site as Rotorua Golf Course. Springfield Golf Course Waikite Valley Golf Club Waiootapu Golf Club Moose Lodge Estate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moose Lodge Estate (9-hole course) opened in 2019. There is a possibility of reopening the 9-hole course at Government Gardens. Major upgrade plans for the Rotorua Golf Course in association with Te Puia to develop a destination course. Possible redevelopment work undertaken at the Waitotapu Golf Club to create a destination course. 	
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mt Maunganui Golf Course Omanu Golf Course Otumoetai Golf Course Renner Park Tauranga Golf Course 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Sport and Active Living Strategy (2012) identifies the need to encourage the development of private golf training facilities. Council currently only provides land for golf courses due to historical reasons or where land is constrained from other development and serves other priority functions (e.g. stormwater management). Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development, not forgetting any areas where there is any identified current deficiency. Renner Golf Club has changed ownership but is still in operation. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within strong general population increase. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep a watching brief on the Renner Golf Club given its recent sale. If the land is repurposed, options to address gaps in entry-level provision should be explored. Monitor population growth areas and their accessibility to local golf courses – identified possible shortfall in Western Bay of Plenty in line with growth projections. Follow and action the general Golf facility approaches on Page 104 as required.
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fairview Golf Course Ōmokoroa Golf Club Summerhill Golf Course Te Puke Golf Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council does not currently provide land for golf courses. Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor population growth areas and their accessibility to local golf courses – identified possible shortfall in Western Bay of Plenty in line with growth projections. Follow and action the general Golf facility approaches on Page 104 as required.

Council	Golf Facilities	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Murupara Golf Course • Ohope International Golf Club Inc • Te Teko Golf Course • Whakatane Golf Course 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. • This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Golf facility approaches on Page 104 as required.



11.0 SQUASH COURT FACILITIES

11.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

There is no published national squash strategy available.

SQUASH BAY OF PLENTY PRIORITY LIST

Squash Bay of Plenty have detailed a priority list of capital projects for the region.

TIER ONE

- New purpose-built facility in Rotorua.
- Devoy Squash and Fitness Centre – Convert 3x fixed walls to moveable walls and the addition of 2x squash courts.

TIER TWO

- Katikati Squash Club - Install a new kitchen and bar, and a new double and half-court.
- Mount Maunganui Squash Club – Addition of a 4th court and development reconfigurations to enable two doubles courts.

TIER THREE

- Oropi – Development of a new facility extension at the Oropi Memorial Hall.

11.2 PARTICIPATION

Squash in the Bay of Plenty has experienced growth since 2016/17, with static membership through to 2017/18, and pronounced growth in 2018/19 (9%). It is important to note that Squash Bay of Plenty boundary includes clubs that are located outside of the Bay of Plenty District. When these clubs are

removed, slightly higher growth is illustrated from 2016/17 to 2017/18 (1%) and slightly lower growth levels from 2016/17 to 2018/19 (7%).³⁵

Membership levels fluctuate across clubs, with significant growth at the Geyser City Squash Club (78%) and to a lesser degree at Katikati, Taneatua and Lakes High Squash Clubs (28-31%). In 2019, the Opotiki Squash club reaffiliated which provided a direct increase in membership.

The Devoy Squash and Fitness Centre dropped substantially from 2016/17 to 2018/19 (41% - 621 to 580). However, a drop from 2016/17 to 2017/18 (27% - to 455 members) was immediately followed by a 125% increase. Membership at the Devoy Squash and Fitness Centre comprises one-third of total membership in the Bay of Plenty (excluding out-of-district clubs). In 2016/17 this reached as high as 38%.

Since 2016/17, membership in the Rotorua Lakes has increased by 35% (96 members), which is substantially higher than any other district – either relatively (%) or numerically. Modest increases were evident in the Western Bay of Plenty and Whakatane Districts. Although growth levels have decreased in Tauranga City, membership comprises 42% of the total membership in the Bay of Plenty.

It was identified by Squash Bay of Plenty that the traditional membership model is experiencing pressure, while more players are seeking casual/short-term access to the sport.

11.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

In 2019, the Opotiki Squash Club was reaffiliated. At the time of developing the 2017 strategy the squash courts existed but were not used.

Ti Street Squash Club in Rotorua closed following the 2015/16 financial year.

³⁵ As cited in the 2017, 2018 and 2019 Squash New Zealand Annual Reports.

11.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Squash Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Kawerau Golf and Squash Club	2x courts and shared clubrooms with golf club, bar and kitchen facilities (this facility is not currently used)	Local	Kawerau Golf & Squash Club	Kawerau Golf & Squash Club Inc	Kawerau Golf & Squash Club
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Opotiki Squash Courts	3x courts and clubrooms, with viewing galleries.	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Opotiki College
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Geyser City Squash Courts	4x courts (1 glass back) and clubrooms with viewing galleries, with bar and kitchen facilities	National	Rotorua Lakes	Geyser City Squash Club	Geyser City Squash Club
Rotorua Lakes	Lakes High Squash Courts	3x courts at High School, owned by school and managed by club	Local	Ministry of Education	Ministry of Education	Lakes High Squash Club
Rotorua Lakes	Reporoa squash Courts	2x courts and clubrooms	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Reporoa Squash Club	Reporoa Squash Club
Rotorua Lakes	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club	2x courts in shared clubrooms with rugby club	Local	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club
Rotorua Lakes	Waikite Valley Squash Rackets Club	2x courts	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Waikite Valley Squash Rackets Club	Waikite Valley Squash Rackets Club
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Devoy Squash & Fitness Centre	6 x glass back courts, members lounge, changing facilities and viewing galleries Future development of extra courts is planned.	International	Ministry of Education	Tauranga Squash Rackets Club	Tauranga Squash Rackets Club
Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Squash Club	3x courts (1 glass back), viewing galleries, bar and lounge areas	Regional	Tauranga City	Mt Sports Club	Mt Sports Club

Council Area	Squash Court Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Katikati Squash Club	2x courts, clubrooms and bar. Future expansion is planned	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Katikati Squash Rackets Club	Katikati Squash Rackets Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Squash Club	3x courts (1 glass back), with bar, kitchen and changing facilities	Regional	Te Puke Squash Club	Te Puke Squash Club	Te Puke Squash Club
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Edgecumbe Squash and Tennis Club	3x courts (1 glass back), kitchen, bar and changing facilities, in shared clubrooms with tennis	Local	Whakatane District	Edgecumbe Squash Club	Edgecumbe Squash Club
Whakatane	Galatea Squash Club	2x courts with changing rooms and lounge/bar	Local	Galatea Sports & Social Club	Galatea Sports & Social Club	Galatea Sports & Social Club
Whakatane	Taneatua Squash Club	2x courts with changing rooms and lounge/bar	Local	Taneatua Squash Club	Taneatua Squash Club	Taneatua Squash Club
Whakatane	Whakatane Marist Rugby Sports Club	2x courts in share clubrooms with Rugby club, with bar, kitchen and changing facilities	Local	Whakatane District Council	Marist Whakatane Rugby Sports Club	Marist Whakatane Rugby Sports Club
Whakatane	Whakatane Squash Club	4x glass back courts with viewing galleries, bar	National	Whakatane District	Whakatane Squash Club	Whakatane Squash Club

11.5 PERSPECTIVES ON PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- Some club facilities are constantly upgrading and improving.
- Other clubs are in various states of repair and require investment to bring them up to standard.
- There are courts which have significant pressure points that require extra capacity.
- Various clubs have courts that experience long down times and are in need of repair to entice more activity.
- Access to courts is the biggest challenge for the sport – particularly as most clubs are inaccessible for non-members.
- Need for greater capacity in the Western Bay of Plenty.
- Need for a modern facility in Rotorua.

11.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

Squash Bay of Plenty have indicated that court capacity needs to be increased in the Western Bay of Plenty, while a modern facility is needed in Rotorua.

Potential opportunity for the development of a dedicated squash complex as part of the Westbrook Development, Rotorua.

Conversion of existing courts to accommodate moveable walls and the addition of 2x squash courts at the Devoy Squash and Fitness Centre.

Additional court and facility upgrade of Mt Sports Club.

New Oropi squash complex as a development extension to the Oropi Memorial Hall (comprising of removable walls) – estimated cost \$1.1 million.

11.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- Demographic projections³⁶ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- To sustain localised squash facilities partnerships with other codes should be considered in order to maintain general community squash opportunities. This is particularly important in order to meet the needs of geographically dispersed populations, urban areas with high demand, and areas with a strong aging population.
- Participation has been relatively static across the region with pockets of growth evident – particularly in Rotorua.
- There is strong demand for casual participation, however, this is restricted by most clubs being inaccessible for non-members.
- More emphasis on new developments is being placed on creating more flexible spaces through movable walls.

General Approaches to Squash Court Facilities

- Monitor and review utilisation and encourage enhanced clubroom facility sharing where possible (building on current arrangements at Mt Sports and any current or potential future links to clubs and schools).
- Engage with clubs to ensure they have asset management plans in place and are maintaining the facilities in line with these plans and any lease requirements.
- Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative facility delivery approaches (e.g. partnerships, co-location with schools or other clubs etc).
- Develop a Regional Squash Facility Plan.

³⁶ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

Council Area	Squash Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau District			
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kawerau Golf and Squash Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Squash facility approaches on Page 111 as required.
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opotiki Squash Courts (Opotiki College) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. The club was re-established in 2019 and has shown encouraging public interest and subsequent membership. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor and review utilisation and the accessibility of the school facility to the community. Ensure the facility is and remains fit-for-purpose. If required, enter into formalised partnerships to facilitate ongoing public access. Follow and action the general Squash facility approaches on Page 111 as required.
Rotorua Lakes			
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lakes High Squash Courts Reporoa squash courts Waikite Rugby & Sports Club Waikite Valley Squash Rackets Club Geyser City Squash Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be where there is any current deficiency. Focus will also be required in areas of new residential development. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to has a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. Strong participation growth is evident in Rotorua. Prospective developments in Rotorua have earmarked the inclusion of a new squash complex – notably Westbrook. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate the relocation of courts to Westbrook and the potential rationalisation of the Rotorua-based clubs and/or facilities. Follow and action the general Squash facility approaches on Page 111 as required.

Council Area	Squash Courts	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Devoy Squash & Fitness Centre • Mt Maunganui Squash Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Blake Park reserve management plan permits the extension of the Mount Maunganui Sports club building for an additional squash court. • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population • Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development, not forgetting any areas where there is any identified current deficiency. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • A vast majority of regional membership is concentrated in Tauranga. • Lack of provision identified in Western Bay of Plenty to meet projected demand. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore the conversion of the existing squash courts and the addition of new courts at the Devoy Squash and Fitness Centre. Investigations will need to consider event overlay, participation outcomes and wider network provision (centralised or localised). • Follow and action the general Squash facility approaches on Page 111 as required.
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Te Puke Squash Club • Katikati Squash Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council will consider support for Squash Club provision on a case by case basis. Generally, Council may provide land (through leasing) with the club / community required to fund facility development. • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). • The second stage of development at the Oropi Memorial Hall and Community Centre (opened in 2016) has future extension plans to include a squash complex. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further investigate the viable development of a squash complex at the Oropi Memorial Hall and Community Centre. • Follow and action the general Squash facility approaches on Page 111 as required.
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Galatea Squash Club • Taneatua Squash Club • Edgecumbe Squash and Tennis Club • Whakatane Marist Rugby Sports Club • Whakatane Squash Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. • This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Squash facility approaches on Page 111 as required.

12.0 CLUBROOM FACILITIES

12.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

While there are no applicable national or regional facility strategies for clubrooms, regionally there is a strong theme across councils for encouraging shared clubroom facilities by multiple codes. This approach supports addressing asset repairs, maintenance and renewals, constructing viable operating models and maximising capital investment.

The existing regional clubroom infrastructure primarily comprises of standalone facilities located on their host sites.

Numerous sites across the region have notable clusters of facilities, effectively representing quite defined sport and recreation precincts in some locations. Examples (at different scales) included facilities clustered on (or adjacent to):

- Neil Hunt Park, Rotorua
- Smallbone Park, Rotorua
- Blake Park, Tauranga
- Tarawera Park, Kawerau
- Prideaux Park, Kawerau
- Rex Morpeth Park, Whakatane
- Government Gardens, Rotorua
- Tauranga Domain, Tauranga
- Gordon Spratt Reserve, Tauranga

12.2 INVENTORY

Note that surf lifesaving clubrooms are outlined separately in Section 8.0.

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Boyce Park - Judo Club Clubrooms	Single small clubrooms on Boyce Park (Judo)	Local	Kawerau District	Judo Club	Judo Club
Kawerau	Firmin Field - Lodge	Old riverside clubroom at Firmin Field, converted to 48 bunk outdoor recreation accommodation and hall, used for white water base by Canoe Slalom BOP and by schools	Regional	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Kawerau Golf and Squash Club - Shared Clubrooms	Shared clubrooms and facilities (Golf, Squash) including squash courts, adjacent to Tarawera Park	Local	Kawerau Golf & Squash Club	Kawerau Golf & Squash Club Inc	Kawerau Golf & Squash Club
Kawerau	Prideaux Park - Kawerau Bowling Clubrooms	Clubroom and facilities (Bowls), in multi-facility sports precinct at Prideaux Park	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau Bowling Club	Kawerau Bowling Club

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau	Prideaux Park - Netball Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Netball), in multi-facility sports precinct at Prideaux Park	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Tarawera Park – Crossfit rooms	Old single sport clubroom converted for other use (Crossfit), not for field users	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Tarawera Park - Kawerau Sports Clubrooms	Single clubroom (Football), but not changing facilities. There is a separate standalone utility block	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Ohui Domain Pavilion	Multi-purpose pavilion with shared clubrooms, social and changing facilities for multiple groups (Football, Cricket), adjacent to airfield	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Opotiki	Opotiki Domain - Rugby Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby) with grandstand	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki Sports Club	Opotiki Sports Club
Opotiki	Opotiki Golf Club Clubrooms	Large single clubroom and facilities (Golf), including function and storage space	Local	Opotiki Golf Club	Opotiki Golf Club	Opotiki Golf Club
Opotiki	Opotiki Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	Single Clubroom and facilities (Surf) including storage – built in 1980.	Local	Multiple landowners (including Council, NZTA)	Opotiki Surf Life Saving Club	Opotiki Surf Life Saving Club
Opotiki	War Memorial Park - Multi-purpose sports pavilion	Multi-purpose pavilion with shared social and changing facilities for multiple groups (Rugby, tennis, touch, netball and others)	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Arawa Bowling Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Bowls)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Arawa Bowling Club	Arawa Bowling Club
Rotorua Lakes	Arawa Park Racecourse	Grandstand and various function and utility rooms (Racing)	Regional	Rotorua Lakes (Park), Rotorua Racing Club (Buildings)	Rotorua Lakes (Park), Rotorua Racing Club (Buildings)	Rotorua Racing Club
Rotorua Lakes	Government Gardens - Bowling Green Clubrooms	Clubroom facilities as part of the Government Gardens Heritage precinct	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Bowling Club	Rotorua Bowling Club

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Government Gardens - Croquet Clubrooms	Clubroom facilities as part of the Government Gardens Heritage precinct	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Croquet Club	Rotorua Croquet Club
Rotorua Lakes	Hamurana Golf Course Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf)	Local	Te Tahuhu O Tawakeheimoa Trust	Te Tahuhu O Tawakeheimoa Trust	Hamurana Golf Club
Rotorua Lakes	Hinehopu Golf Course Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf)	Local	Multiple Maori Owners	Multiple Maori Owners	Hinehopu Golf Club
Rotorua Lakes	Lakeview Golf Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf)	Local	Lakeview Golf & Country Club	Lakeview Golf & Country Club	Lakeview Golf & Country Club
Rotorua Lakes	Linton Park East - League Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby League) – 400m ² two storey clubroom with changing rooms, function room, kitchen and bar facilities.	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Central Rugby League	Central Rugby League
Rotorua Lakes	Lynmore Tennis Clubrooms	Single clubrooms and facilities (Tennis)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Lynmore Tennis Club	Lynmore Tennis Club
Rotorua Lakes	Manuka Crescent Tennis Court rooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Tennis), Rotorua Tennis Club	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Tennis Club	Rotorua Tennis Club
Rotorua Lakes	Marist St Michaels Reserve - Rugby Clubrooms	Single clubrooms and facilities (Rugby)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Marist St Michaels Rugby & Sports Club	Marist St Michaels Rugby & Sports Club
Rotorua Lakes	Neil Hunt Park - Eastern Pirates Rugby Clubrooms	Large single clubroom, facilities and gym (Rugby), including use by NZ Sports Academy, part of the multi-facility Neil Hunt Park sports precinct	District	Rotorua Lakes	Eastern Pirates Sports & Cultural Club	Eastern Pirates Sports & Cultural Club
Rotorua Lakes	Neil Hunt Park - Ngongotaha League Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby league), part of the multi-facility Neil Hunt Park sports precinct. Utilised by club members that play at Puketawhero Park.	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Ngongotaha League Club	Ngongotaha League Club
Rotorua Lakes	Neil Hunt Park - Rotorua Athletic Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Athletics), part of the multi-facility Neil Hunt Park sports precinct	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Athletic Club	Rotorua Athletic Club
Rotorua Lakes	Neil Hunt Park - Rotorua United Football Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Football), part of the multi-facility Neil Hunt Park sports precinct	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua United Football Assn	Rotorua United Football Assn
Rotorua Lakes	Ngongotaha Soccer Grounds - Clubrooms	Single clubrooms and facilities (Football)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Ngongotaha Association Football Club	Ngongotaha Association Football Club

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Pikiao Rugby League Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Pikiao Rugby League Club	Pikiao Rugby League Club
Rotorua Lakes	Puarenga Park - Clubrooms	Clubrooms are located adjacent to netball courts and fields. Large clubrooms and changing rooms (950m ²), comprising an indoor gym, kitchen and bar facilities.	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Council and Whakarewarewa Sports and Community Club	Council and Whakarewarewa Sports and Community Club
Rotorua Lakes	Puketawhero Park - Grandstand	Grandstand and clubroom facility with changing rooms, storage provided underneath.	Local	Rotorua District	BOP Rugby League Association	BOP Rugby League Association
Rotorua Lakes	Reporora Rugby Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Reporora Rugby Club	Reporora Rugby Club
Rotorua Lakes	Rotoiti Sports and Community Club Grounds - Clubrooms	Standard clubrooms and facilities (Rugby - with some golf and fishing social use)	Local	Multiple Maori Owners	Rotoiti Sports & Community Association	Rotoiti Sports & Community Association
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Golf Course Clubrooms (Arikikapakapa)	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf) with meeting/functions rooms	Local	Iwi owned	Rotorua Golf Club	Rotorua Golf Club
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua International Stadium	Large premiere venue including 3x lounges, 2x corporate boxes, a control room, storeroom, 8x offices and 6x changing facilities.	Regional	Rotorua District	Rotorua District	Rotorua District
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes Watersports Trust Clubrooms	Multi-purpose sports clubroom and facilities (900m ² – 2-storey), including storage and launching (Outdoor water sports)	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes Watersports Trust	Rotorua Lakes Watersports Trust
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Swimming Club	Changing facilities in pool, adjacent to Kuirau Park fields within the Aquatic Centre precinct.	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Smallbone Park (Cricket) Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Cricket), adjacent to Hockey facility and golf course.	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Cricket Association	Rotorua Cricket Association
Rotorua Lakes	Smallbone Park (Hockey) Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Hockey), adjacent to cricket facility and golf course.	Local	Rotorua Lakes	BOP Hockey Association	BOP Hockey Association
Rotorua Lakes	Springfield Golf Course Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf) with meeting/functions rooms adjacent to Smallbone Park (cricket and netball).	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Springfield Golf Club	Springfield Golf Club

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Waikite Rugby & Sports Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby) including 2 squash courts and function spaces	Local	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club	Waikite Rugby & Sports Club
Rotorua Lakes	Waikite Valley Golf Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf)	Local	Waikite Valley Golf Club	Waikite Valley Golf Club	Waikite Valley Golf Club
Rotorua Lakes	Waiotapu Golf Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf) with meeting/function rooms	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Waiotapu Golf Club	Waiotapu Golf Club
Rotorua Lakes	Westbrook Park - Netball Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Netball) in greater Westbrook Park sports precinct	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Netball Association	Rotorua Netball Association
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Arataki Park - Community Centre	Community Centre space opening onto Arataki Park. Not traditional clubrooms but sometimes booked for sport social functions. Adjacent, separate changing facilities (includes team change rooms, refs' room, storage and toilets). Adjacent to Baywave TECT Aquatic Centre and 2 schools	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Ariki Park - Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby), with Tennis courts nearby	Local	Rangataua Rugby Football Club	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club	Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club
Tauranga City	Bellevue Park Tennis Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Tennis), adjacent to Otumoetai Pool	Local	Tauranga City	Otumoetai Tennis Club	Otumoetai Tennis Club
Tauranga City	Blake Park - Bay Oval Pavilion	Large pavilion, facilities and function space at premiere cricket oval, part of multi-facility Blake Park sports precinct (Mt Maunganui)	Regional	Tauranga City	Bay Oval Trust	Bay Oval Trust
Tauranga City	Blake Park - Harbourside Netball Centre Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Netball), part of Blake Park sports precinct (Mt Maunganui)	District	Tauranga City	Harbourside Netball Centre	Harbourside Netball Centre
Tauranga City	Blake Park - Mount Greens/Club Mt Maunganui	Mount Greens hub (Bowls, Croquet etc), multiple changing and function facilities in shared building ('Mount Greens' within wider Blake Park precinct)	Local	Tauranga City	Club Mount Maunganui	Club Mount Maunganui
Tauranga City	Blake Park - Mt Maunganui Tennis Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Tennis), part of Blake Park sports precinct	Local	Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Tennis Club	Mt Maunganui Tennis Club

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Blake Park - Mt Sports Clubrooms	Mount Maunganui Sports Club hub, multiple changing and function facilities in shared building within wider Blake Park sports precinct. 2x council public changing rooms and toilets.	Local	Tauranga City	Mt Sports Club	Mt Sports Club
Tauranga City	Blake Park - Tauranga Hockey Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Hockey), part of multi-facility Blake Park sports precinct	Sub regional	Tauranga City	Tauranga Hockey	Tauranga Hockey
Tauranga City	Bowls Tauranga South Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Bowls)	Local	Bowls Tauranga South	Bowls Tauranga South	Bowls Tauranga South
Tauranga City	Club Mount Maunganui	Multi-room facility that provides clubrooms for Mt Green members, meeting rooms, restaurant and other facilities.	Local	Tauranga City	Club Mount Maunganui	Club Mount Maunganui
Tauranga City	Fergusson Park – Otumoetai Sports & Recreation Trust Clubrooms	Multi-purpose sports clubroom facilities for multiple groups (Football, Cricket and recreation groups)	Local	Tauranga City	Otumoetai Sports & Recreation Trust	Otumoetai Sports & Recreation Trust
Tauranga City	Gordon Spratt Reserve - Papamoa Sports Tennis Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Tennis) in the multi-facility Gordon Spratt Reserve sports precinct	Local	Tauranga City	Papamoa Tennis Club	Papamoa Tennis Club
Tauranga City	Greerton Park - Clubrooms	Clubroom and facilities (Rugby, Netball)	Local	Tauranga City	Greerton Marist Recreation & Community Sports Club	Greerton Marist Recreation & Community Sports Club
Tauranga City	Hangarau Sports Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby, Tennis)	Local	Maori Owners	Bethlehem Marae Sports Development Club	Bethlehem Marae Sports Development Club
Tauranga City	Judea Sports Club Clubrooms	Clubrooms and facilities (Rugby)	Local	Maori Ownership	Judea Sports Club	Judea Sports Club
Tauranga City	Links Avenue Reserve - Clubrooms	Clubrooms and facilities currently leased to football and dog club.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Matua Bowling Club	Clubrooms and facilities (Bowls), adjacent to community tennis courts and Matua Community Hall	Local	Tauranga City	Matua Bowling Club	Matua Bowling Club
Tauranga City	Mitchell Park - Clubrooms	Clubrooms and facilities (currently lease to Rugby League)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Morland Fox Park - Clubrooms	Shared clubrooms and facilities (currently leased to Football and indoor uses – martial arts), adjacent to Greerton Aquatic Centre	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Mount Ocean Sports Club	Shared social clubroom facility including restaurant and bar. Social base for the Mount Maunganui Underwater Club, Mount Maunganui Sport Fishing Club and Mount Maunganui Yacht Club.	Local	Tauranga City	Mount Ocean Sports Club	Mount Ocean Sports Club
Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Golf Course Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf), nearly adjacent to Omanu Golf Course	Local	Mount Maunganui Golf Club	Mount Maunganui Golf Club	Mount Maunganui Golf Club
Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Surf Lifesaving Clubrooms	Large 3 story complex with hall, meeting rooms, ops rooms, bunk room, storage. Also, Council funded public toilets and external showers.	Local	Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Lifeguard Service	Mt Maunganui Lifeguard Service
Tauranga City	Omanu Beach Surf Lifesaving Clubrooms	2 story multi-room complex including large deck, hall area, meeting room, ops rooms, bunk room, storage. Also, Council funded public toilets.	Local	Tauranga City	Omanu Beach Surf Lifesaving Club	Omanu Beach Surf Lifesaving Club
Tauranga City	Omanu Bowling Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Bowls), adjacent to Mt Maunganui Golf Course	Local	Tauranga City	Omanu Bowling Club	Omanu Bowling Club
Tauranga City	Omanu Golf Course Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf), nearly adjacent to Mt Maunganui Golf Course and Tauranga Airport	Local	Tauranga City	Omanu Golf Club	Omanu Golf Club
Tauranga City	Papamoa Lawn Bowls	Single clubroom and facilities (Bowls) in multi-facility Gordon Spratt Reserve sports precinct	Local	Tauranga City	Papamoa Sports Outdoor Bowling	Papamoa Sports Outdoor Bowling
Tauranga City	Papamoa Sports & Recreation Centre	Centre on major sporting reserve providing changing and officials facilities along with multiple function, activity and meeting rooms; commercial kitchen; and café/bar. Used by many sports codes along with fitness, recreation, social, church, dance, martial arts and music groups.	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Papamoa Surf Lifesaving Clubrooms	2 story complex including hall, meeting room, ops rooms, storage.	Local	Tauranga City	Papamoa Surf Lifesaving Club	Papamoa Surf Lifesaving Club
Tauranga City	Pemberton Park – Meredith Hall Clubrooms	Multi-purpose sports clubrooms and facilities (Football, Cricket, Athletics). Tauranga City Council owns the downstairs of the shared facility.	Local	Tauranga City	Blue Rovers Football Club & Tauranga City	Blue Rovers Football Club & Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Renner Park Golf Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf)	Local	New ownership		
Tauranga City	Selwyn Park Clubrooms	Single clubroom leased to YMCA and available for community hire.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Tauranga BMX Track rooms	Single clubroom and storage at track on Cambridge Rd, Tauranga (BMX)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga BMX Club	Tauranga BMX Club
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain - Bowls Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Bowls), in multi-facility sports precinct in Tauranga Domain	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga Bowling Club	Tauranga Bowling Club
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain - Cricket Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Cricket), in multi-facility sports precinct in Tauranga Domain	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain - Croquet Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Croquet), in multi-facility sports precinct in Tauranga Domain	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga Croquet Club	Tauranga Croquet Club
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain - Grandstand	Grandstand with changing rooms, storage and public toilets	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain - Rugby Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby), in multi-facility sports precinct in Tauranga Domain	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga Sports Club	Tauranga Sports Club
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain - Tauranga Lawn Tennis Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Tennis), in multi-facility sports precinct in Tauranga Domain	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga Lawn Tennis Club	Tauranga Lawn Tennis Club
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain - WBOP Rugby Football Sub Union Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (used by athletics, Sport Bay of Plenty, rugby referees), in multi-facility sports precinct in Tauranga Domain	Local	Tauranga City	WBOP Rugby Football Sub Union Incorporated	WBOP Rugby Football Sub Union Incorporated
Tauranga City	Tauranga Fish and Dive Club Incorporated	Social facility including restaurant and bar, adjacent to boat ramps and boat wash down area.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga Fish and Dive Club Incorporated	Tauranga Fish and Dive Club Incorporated
Tauranga City	Tauranga Golf Course Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf), adjacent to Racetrack	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga Golf Club Inc	Tauranga Golf Club Inc
Tauranga City	Tauranga Racecourse – Grandstand & Function rooms	Grandstand and various function and utility rooms (Racing)	Regional	Tauranga City	Racecourse Reserve Committee	Racecourse Reserve Committee
Tauranga City	Tauranga Rowing Club	Clubrooms with Rowing and Gym facilities plus Social Lounge and the Local Community Boat shed	District	Tauranga City	Tauranga Rowing Club	Tauranga Rowing Club
Tauranga City	Tauranga Yacht & Powerboat Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Boating), adjacent to marina and coastguard base	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga Yacht & Powerboat Club	Tauranga Yacht & Powerboat Club

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Trustpower Baypark – Grandstand and Social facilities	Large premiere venue including basic functional changing rooms for main stadium users (Rugby).	Regional	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Waipuna Park – Multi-purpose sports pavilion	Multi-purpose sports pavilion with hireable function space/kitchen and changing rooms, toilets (for field sports).	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Centennial Park - Te Puke Tennis Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puke Tennis Club	Te Puke Tennis Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Fairview Golf Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf) as part of larger country club	Local	Fairview Estate	Fairview Estate	Fairview Estate
Western Bay of Plenty	Homewood Park Tennis Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Tennis), adjacent to Bowling Club	Local	Homewood Park Tennis Club	Homewood Park Tennis Club	Homewood Park Tennis Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Hunter Reserve - Croquet Clubrooms (Nancy Merriman House)	Croquet Club pavilion	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Katikati Croquet Club	Katikati Croquet Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Hunter Reserve -Squash Club	Squash courts building, including a small social space.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Katikati Squash Rackets Club	Katikati Squash Rackets Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Katikati Bowling Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Bowls), adjacent to tennis club and school.	Local	Katikati Bowling Club	Katikati Bowling Club	Katikati Bowling Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Maketu Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	Small 60sqm surf club clubrooms building with public toilets on ground floor	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Maketu Surf Life Saving Club	Maketu Surf Life Saving Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Maramatanga Park - Rugby Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby), adjacent rugby fields.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puna Rugby Football Club	Te Puna Rugby Football Club
Western Bay of Plenty OP	Moore Park - Rugby Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby), with grandstand	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Katikati Rugby & Sports Club	Katikati Rugby & Sports Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Ōmokoroa Bowling Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Bowls)	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Ōmokoroa Bowling Club	Ōmokoroa Bowling Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Ōmokoroa Golf Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf)	Local	Ōmokoroa Golf Club	Ōmokoroa Golf Club	Ōmokoroa Golf Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Ōmokoroa Sports Ground Reserve – Social space	Standalone social space regularly used by multiple sport and recreation groups (including football, boxing etc)	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Ōmokoroa Sports & Recreation Society	Ōmokoroa Sports & Recreation Society

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Western Bay of Plenty	Paengaroa Domain - Rugby Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby), with social use by others (tennis, netball)	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Eastern Districts Rugby Club	Eastern Districts Rugby Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Pohutukawa Park - Tennis Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Tennis)	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western BOP District	Western BOP District
Western Bay of Plenty	Pukehina Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	Single clubroom and public toilets	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Pukehina Surf Life Saving Club	Pukehina Surf Life Saving Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Domain - Te Puke Cricket Clubrooms	Single clubroom facility (cricket) adjacent to netball centre.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puke Cricket Club	Te Puke Cricket Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Domain – Te Puke Netball Centre	Single clubroom facility (netball) adjacent to courts and separate cricket clubroom.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Te Puke Netball Centre	Te Puke Netball Centre
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Golf Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf)	Local	Te Puke Golf Club	Te Puke Golf Club	Te Puke Golf Club
Western Bay of Plenty	Waihi Beach RSA - Bowls	Clubrooms and facilities (Bowls) as part or larger RSA complex	Local	Waihi Beach RSA	Waihi Beach RSA	Waihi Beach RSA
Western Bay of Plenty	Waihi Beach Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	2-story building including lounge/bar, member accommodation, storage and deck.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Waihi Beach Surf Life Saving Club	Waihi Beach Surf Life Saving Club
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Dunderdale Park - Te Teko Rugby and Sports Club room	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby)	Local	Whakatane District	Te Teko Rugby Football Club	Te Teko Rugby Football Club
Whakatane	Eastern BOP Gymnastic Club, Lovelock Street	Single clubroom and facilities	Local	Ministry of Education	Eastern BOP Gymnastic Club	Eastern BOP Gymnastic Club
Whakatane	Edgecumbe Bowling Club Clubrooms	Clubrooms and facilities (Bowls)	Local	Whakatane District	Edgecumbe Bowling Club	incorporated committee
Whakatane	Edgecumbe Pony Club	Clubroom adjacent to riding arenas, Military Road, Whakatane	Local	Gow Estate	Edgecumbe Pony Club	Edgecumbe Pony Club
Whakatane	Edgecumbe Rugby Club, Edgecumbe Domain, Edgecumbe	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby)	Local	Whakatane District	Edgecumbe Rugby Club	Edgecumbe Rugby Club
Whakatane	Eivers Park - Te Teko Pavilion shared Clubrooms	Shared clubroom and facilities (Rugby, Tennis, Touch, Athletics)	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane	Eve Rimmer Park - Netball Whakatane Centre Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (netball), adjacent to courts and sports fields	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Galatea Rugby Club (Galatea Domain)	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby)	Local	Whakatane District	Galatea Rugby Club	Galatea Rugby Club
Whakatane	Lawson Park - Paroa Rugby & Sports Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby)	Local	Paroa Rugby & Sports Club	Paroa Rugby & Sports Club	Paroa Rugby & Sports Club
Whakatane	Matata Ground - Rugby Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby), Marata Rugby & Sports Club (Richmond Park)	Local	Whakatane District	Matata Rugby & Sports Club Incorporated	Matata Rugby & Sports Club Incorporated
Whakatane	Matata Tennis Club, Main Road, Matata	Single clubroom, adjacent to courts	Local	Whakatane District	Matata Tennis Club	Matata Tennis Club
Whakatane	Murupara Golf Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf)	Local			
Whakatane	Murupara Pavilion	Details relating to the facility	Local			
Whakatane	Ohope International Golf Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf)	Local	Whakatane District	Ohope International Golf Club	Ohope International Golf Club
Whakatane	Poroporo Park - Rugby Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby), with social use by others, Poroporo Sports and Rugby Club	Local	Poroporo Sports & Rugby Club	Poroporo Sports & Rugby Club	Poroporo Sports & Rugby Club
Whakatane	Port Ohope Yacht Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Boating)	Local	Whakatane District	Port Ohope Yacht Club	Port Ohope Yacht Club
Whakatane	Red Conway Park - Rugby Clubrooms	Clubrooms and facilities (Rugby), Marist Whakatane Rugby & Sports Club	Local	Whakatane District	Marist Whakatane Rugby Sports Club	Marist Whakatane Rugby Sports Club
Whakatane	Rex Morpeth Park - Athletics Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Athletics) in sports and recreation precinct at Rex Morpeth Park, adjacent to aquatic centre, indoor stadium, memorial hall, tennis courts, Rugby Park and high school	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane Athletic & Harrier Club	Whakatane Athletic & Harrier Club
Whakatane	Rex Morpeth Park - Whakatane Croquet Club	Single clubroom, adjacent to greens	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane Croquet Club	Whakatane Croquet Club

Council Area	Clubroom Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane	Rex Morpeth Park - Whakatane Town Football Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Football) in sports and recreation precinct at Rex Morpeth Park, adjacent to aquatic centre, indoor stadium, memorial hall, tennis courts, Rugby Park and high school	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane Town AFC
Whakatane	Rugby Park - Administration Building	Basic administration, storage and ref changing rooms for main park users (Rugby), adjacent the Whakatane Aquatic Centre, War Memorial Hall and Rex Morpeth Park precinct	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Rugby Park - Grandstand	Grandstand including basic functional changing rooms for main park users (Rugby), adjacent the Whakatane Aquatic Centre, War Memorial Hall and Rex Morpeth Park precinct	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Taneatua Rugby Club, Taneatua Domain, Taneatua	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby)	Local	Whakatane District	Taneatua Rugby Club	Taneatua Rugby Club
Whakatane	Te Teko Golf Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Golf)	Local			
Whakatane	Waimana Rugby Club, Waimana	Single clubroom and facilities (Rugby)	Local	Whakatane District	Waimana Rugby Club	Waimana Rugby Club
Whakatane	Warren Park - Stadium Horizon Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Hockey), Stadium Horizon	Local	Min of Education	Central Bay Hockey Trust	Central BOP Hockey Association
Whakatane	Whakatane Bowling Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Bowls)	Local	Whakatane Bowling Club	Whakatane Bowling Club	Whakatane Bowling Club
Whakatane	Whakatane Rowing Club	Large clubrooms and storage facilities.	District	Whakatane District	Whakatane Rowing Club	Whakatane Rowing Club
Whakatane	Whakatane Surf Life Saving Clubrooms	Building including kitchen, bunk room, conference room.	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane Surf Life Saving Club	Whakatane Surf Life Saving Club
Whakatane	Whakatane Tennis Club Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Athletics) in sports and recreation precinct at Rex Morpeth Park, adjacent to school, aquatic centre, indoor stadium, memorial hall, tennis courts and high school	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane Tennis Club	Whakatane Tennis Club
Whakatane	Whakatane Town Pony Club, Keepa Road, Whakatane	Single clubroom adjacent riding arenas and grazing	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane Town Pony Club	Whakatane Town Pony Club

UTILITY BUILDINGS/BLOCKS

Council Area	Utility Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Prideaux Park - Utility Block	Basic utility block (Athletics), in multi-facility sports precinct at Prideaux Park in Central Kawerau	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Tarawera Park - Utility Block	Basic utility block for all codes, including referee rooms	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Ngongotaha Rugby Fields - Utility Block	Standalone block containing toilet and changing rooms, only occasionally used, adjacent to Ngongotaha Bowling Club	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Puketawhero Park – Utility Block	Standalone block containing changing rooms and public toilet – as well as the changing rooms under the stand.	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua BMX Track Building	Basic storage block (BMX).	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua BMX Club	Rotorua BMX Club
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes Watersports Trust	Storage for Rowing Club and lake training facilities	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes Watersports Trust	Rotorua Lakes Watersports Trust
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Arataki Park - Changing Rooms	Changing rooms, referee room, storage, toilets and community showers. Part of Arataki Community Centre (2x storage garages for regular park users)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	BOP Canoe/Kayak Club	Rent space and have 3 containers (own 2 and Waimarino Adventure Park has 1) to store equipment and boats. Use Waimarino amenities.	Local	Waimarino Adventure Park	BOP Canoe/Kayak Club	BOP Canoe/Kayak Club
Tauranga City	Carlton Reserve - Utility Block	Standalone block containing toilet, changing and storage facilities (Softball)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City

Council Area	Utility Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Gordon Spratt Reserve - Utility Block	Standalone block containing toilet, changing and storage facilities, central location in Gordon Spratt Reserve sports precinct. Standalone storage located next to the Sport and Recreation Centre.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Graham Park	Storage facility and two toilets	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Hoe Aroha Whanau o Mauao Outrigger Canoe Club	Small shed storage for paddles, life jackets, safety equipment, waka	Local	Tauranga City	Canoe Club	Canoe Club
Tauranga City	Ocean Downs Reserve	2x changing rooms, 1x storage and public toilets	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Tauranga Moana Outrigger Canoe Club	New storage building and security fencing, train on the water.	Local	Tauranga City	Canoe Club	Canoe Club
Tauranga City	Te Wati Park - Utility Block	Basic utility block including public toilet and small storage space for football.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	East Bay Canoe Racing Club	Shipping container housing canoes, with public conveniences adjacent	Local	Whakatane District	East Bay Canoe Racing Club	East Bay Canoe Racing Club
Whakatane	Ever Rimmer Park - Utility Block	Standalone block containing toilet, changing and storage facilities, adjacent to Whakatane Netball Centre and Trident College (Rugby, Rugby League)	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Warren Park - Utility Block	Basic toilet block (Hockey)	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Whakatane War Memorial Hall - Changing rooms	Changing facilities in hall, in sports and recreation precinct at Rex Morpeth Park, adjacent to Rugby Park, sports fields, aquatic centre and indoor stadium, tennis courts and high school	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

'RECREATION GROUP' CLUBROOMS

Rotorua Lakes, Tauranga City and Whakatane provided information on some leisure clubrooms in their area (not exhaustive lists). Those listed below are a simple snapshot of those types of facilities which exist beyond the sport and recreation clubs listed above. The key considerations regarding these types of facilities are the same as for sport and recreation clubs (increasing age, maintenance requirements, membership and sustainability). Opportunities to increase facility sharing of these facilities are also important.

Council Area	Recreation Club Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Neil Hunt Park - Rotorua Bridge Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Bridge), part of the multi-facility Neil Hunt Park sports precinct	Local	Rotorua District	Rotorua Bridge Club	Rotorua Bridge Club
Rotorua Lakes	Neil Hunt Park - Rotorua Deer Stalkers Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Deer Stalkers), part of the multi-facility Neil Hunt Park sports precinct	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Deer Stalkers Club	Rotorua Deer Stalkers Club
Rotorua Lakes	Neil Hunt Park - Rotorua Netherlands Society Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Netherlands Society), part of the multi-facility Neil Hunt Park sports precinct	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Netherlands Society	Rotorua Netherlands Society
Rotorua Lakes	Neil Hunt Park - Rotorua Vintage & Veteran Car Clubrooms	Single clubroom and facilities (Car Club), part of the multi-facility Neil Hunt Park sports precinct	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Vintage Car Club	Rotorua Vintage Car Club
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Greerton Citizens Club	Single clubroom, small meeting space and kitchen facilities.	Local	Tauranga City	Greerton Citizens Club	Greerton Citizens Club
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Air Training Corp Club Rooms (ATC)	Single clubroom and facilities	Local	Whakatane District	Air Training Corp	Air Training Corp
Whakatane	Blue Light Pavilion, Edgecumbe Domain	Small clubrooms/pavilion	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Blue Light Edgecumbe
Whakatane	Dog Obedience Club	Single clubroom	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Dog Obedience Club

Note: Tauranga also provided some examples of standalone recreation clubroom facilities on council land, which are primarily used by the respective clubs/associations, including:

- Arataki-Omanu Scout Group; Bay Of Plenty Racing Club Inc; Bop Coastal Cruisers Incorporated; BOP Vintage Car Club Inc; Boy Scout Assn Of NZ; First Tauranga Scout Group; Greerton Scout Group; Hillier Centre; Legion Of Frontiersmen; Mount Maunganui Bridge Club Incorporated; Oceanside Street Rodders Inc; Tauranga Classic Motorcycle Club; Tauranga Model Marine & Engineering; Tauranga Yoga Centre; The Scout Association Of NZ; The Scout Association Of NZ And The Girl Guides Association Of NZ Incorporated.

These illustrate the range of potential opportunities which may be available for new kinds of partnerships around facility use.

12.3 PERSPECTIVES ON PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- The need to maintain upkeep of local amenity blocks and changing facilities.
- Capacity exists across the network with owners/managers endeavouring to maximise use (operational viability).
- Expectation that sports should be able to domicile in their own clubrooms as other sports do.
- The need for more shared and collaborative facilities.

12.4 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

ROTORUA LAKES

Rotorua Golf Club – Development of a new club house, restaurant and bar.

Rotorua Tennis Club – The clubrooms require bathroom and other upgrades and maintenance.

Rotorua Lakes Watersports Trust – included as part of the Lakefront redevelopment.

Westbrook Sports Precinct development will include Smallbone Park (hockey and cricket clubrooms).

TAURANGA CITY

Fergusson Park – Extension of the current Otumoetai Sport and Recreation Centre to accommodate more storage and the addition of another meeting room to meet demand.

Gordon Spratt – Development of a shared sports facility.

Blake Park – Upgrade of the Mt Maunganui Sports Club (including changing rooms).

Blake Park – Hockey expressed their interest for developing a new pavilion to meet community need and to service the turfs.

Blake Park – Investigate the development of new cricket clubrooms.

Blake Park – Upgrade and possible extension of Harbourside Netball.

Waikareao/Takitumu Reserve – Canoe slalom mentioned that access to public toilets at the reserve is important for both kayakers and the general public. Additionally, the use of clubrooms is seen as critical for storage and managing logistics.

WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Moore Park – The Katikati Sport and Recreation Centre has been proposed for Moore Park. The development is to incorporate a clubroom lounge, changing rooms, cafeteria, workshop, storage, kitchen and viewing deck areas. The initial cost estimate was \$2.9 million, but further investigation is required to ensure community demand is met.

12.5 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- There are currently no specific national or regional facilities strategies in place for clubroom type facilities.
- However, there is a national trend towards sportville facilities (hubs, multi-sport clubs).
- Historically Councils have tended to support clubs on a case by case basis, with support more likely to go to those groups who proactively seek Council support along with support of other funders and their members.
- Council's in the region are starting to align with the sportville concept. Some have clear policy or strategic direction in place to support this approach.
- General considerations across the region include: the increasing age of the existing network of clubrooms and associated maintenance implications; financial and membership sustainability of existing clubs and facilities; opportunities to maximise use through increasing other sport, recreation and community use of clubrooms.
- There are also a wide range of other leisure and passive recreation clubrooms provided across the region. Key considerations regarding these types of facilities are the same as for sport and recreation clubs (increasing age, maintenance, membership and sustainability). Opportunities to increase facility sharing of these facilities are also important. Where possible facilities should be able to support both sport and recreation and general community leisure outcomes, this is particularly important where facilities are on public land used for other sport and recreation purposes.
- Given the large number of (aging) clubroom facilities - many on multi-sport parks - there is considerable opportunity for rationalisation and redevelopment of multi-use clubroom hubs.
- Surf Club facilities need to be retained in strategic locations due to the link between surf club provision and surf lifesaving services including flagged swimming areas (these are addressed separately in Section 8.0).
- With a significant aging population, the Bay of Plenty Region needs to consider a strategy of adapting existing facilities to meet the needs of an aging population. This may involve more research on the potentially evolving nature of older people's recreation activity preferences.
- Demographic projections³⁷ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.

General Approaches to Clubroom Facilities

- Engage with clubs to ensure that they have asset management plans in place and are maintaining facilities in line with those plans (which take into account the building's lifecycle) and any lease requirements.
- No significant investment should be made in any clubrooms without an independent building condition assessment, and cost benefit analysis, needs assessment, and feasibility analysis being undertaken.
- Rationalisation should be considered for low use facilities, ageing facilities and in situations where more than one clubroom is located on the same site.
- Consider supporting existing multi-sport and recreation facility clusters regarding maintenance and renewal of infrastructure where appropriate.
- Consideration should be given to the development of new multi-sport and recreation facility clusters with suitable supporting infrastructure, such as car parking and lighting.
- Unless specific unique factors exist, investment should be prioritised to multi-sport facilities in the first instance (over single use facilities).
- With all redevelopments or new builds (including in new growth areas) undertake an options analysis to determine the potential benefits of co-locating sport and recreational facilities (including potential partnerships with schools).
- Undertake thorough facility master planning processes for all new reserve developments or redevelopments. This process needs to ensure that the number and location of clubrooms and amenity facilities are appropriate for the size of the site and number of users.
- If required, enter into formalised partnerships to facilitate ongoing public access.

³⁷ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

Council	Clubrooms	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau District			
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boyce Park - Judo Club Clubrooms Firmin Field - Lodge Kawerau Golf and Squash Club - Shared Clubrooms Prideaux Park - Kawerau Bowling Clubrooms Prideaux Park - Netball Clubrooms Tarawera Park - Clubrooms Tarawera Park - Kawerau Sports Clubrooms <p>Other utility facilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prideaux Park - Utility Block Tarawera Park - Utility Block 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Clubroom facility approaches on Page 130 as required.
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opotiki Domain - Rugby Clubrooms Opotiki Golf Club Clubrooms Opotiki Surf Life Saving Clubrooms Ohui Domain Pavilion War Memorial Park - Multi-purpose sports pavilion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District, This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district has relatively low median incomes. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Clubroom facility approaches on Page 130 as required.
Rotorua Lakes			
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arawa Bowling Clubrooms Arawa Park Racecourse Government Gardens - Bowling & Croquet Green Clubrooms Hamurana Golf Course Clubrooms Hinehopu Golf Course Clubrooms Lakeview Golf Clubrooms Linton Park East - League Clubrooms Lynmore Tennis Clubrooms Manuka Crescent Tennis Court rooms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A key objective of the Sport and Recreation Strategy (2015 – 2030) is to improve communication and collaboration between communities and sport and recreation stakeholders. Specifically, this includes a desire to increase the number of sport and recreation groups sharing facilities. Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be placed where there is any current / future deficiency (potentially around any new residential developments). 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In line with core participation infrastructure proposed as part of the Westbrook development, consideration should be given to a shared clubroom development that services numerous groups and activities – emphasis placed on minimising standalone ancillary facilities.

Council	Clubrooms	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marist St Michaels Reserve - Rugby Clubrooms • Neil Hunt Park - Eastern Pirates Rugby Clubrooms • Neil Hunt Park - Ngongotaha League Clubrooms • Neil Hunt Park - Rotorua Athletic Clubrooms • Neil Hunt Park - Rotorua United Football Clubrooms • Ngongotaha Soccer Grounds – Clubrooms • Pikiaro Rugby League Clubrooms • Puarenga Park - Clubrooms • Puketawhero Park - Grandstand • Rotoiti Sports and Community Club Grounds - Clubrooms • Rotorua Swimming Club • Rotorua Golf Course Clubrooms (Arikikapakapa) • Rotorua Lakes Watersports Trust Clubrooms • Waikite Rugby & Sports Clubrooms • Waikite Valley Golf Club Clubrooms • Waiotapu Golf Clubrooms • Westbrook Park - Netball Clubrooms • Reporoa Rugby Club - Clubrooms • Rotorua International Stadium • Smallbone Park (Cricket) Clubrooms • Smallbone Park (Hockey) Clubrooms • Springfield Golf Course rooms Other utility facilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rotorua Lakes Watersports Trust • Ngongotaha Rugby Fields - Utility Block • Rotorua BMX Track Building 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are currently 8 separate clubrooms located on Neil Hunt Park. • This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify opportunities to optimise and rationalise facilities on the Neil Hunt Park. • Follow and action the general Clubroom facility approaches on Page 130 as required.
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arataki Park - Community Centre • Ariki Park - Rangataua Sports & Cultural Club Clubrooms • ASB Baypark – Grandstand and Social facilities • Bellevue Park Tennis Clubrooms • Blake Park - Bay Oval Pavilion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council’s role has traditionally been to provide land (leasing) and financial contributions to amenities (such as toilets) where they have a wider public use. • Tauranga City has a sportville policy which encourages shared use of club facilities. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gordon Spratt Reserve - Continue investigations into the most appropriate mix of spaces and facilities (with emphasis on multi-use) to accommodate users.

Council	Clubrooms	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blake Park - Harbourside Netball Centre Clubrooms • Blake Park - Mount Greens/Club Mt Maunganui • Blake Park - Mt Maunganui Tennis Club Clubrooms • Blake Park - Mt Sports Clubrooms • Blake Park - Tauranga Hockey Clubrooms • Blake Park – Club Mount Manganui • Bowls Tauranga South Clubrooms • Fergusson Park – Otumoetai Sports & Recreation Trust Clubrooms • Tauranga Fish And Dive Club Incorporated • Gate Pa Bowling Club Clubrooms • Gate Pa Tennis Club Clubrooms • Gordon Spratt Reserve - Papamoa Sports Tennis Clubrooms • Greerton Park - Clubrooms • Hangarau Sports Club Clubrooms • Judea Sports Club Clubrooms • Links Avenue Reserve - Clubrooms • Matua Park - Clubrooms • Mitchell Park - Clubrooms • Morland Fox Park - Clubrooms • Mt Maunganui Golf Course Clubrooms • Mt Maunganui Surf Life Saving Clubrooms • Mount Ocean Sports Club • Omanu Golf Course Clubrooms • Omanu Beach Surf Life Saving Clubrooms • Otumoetai Golf Course Clubrooms • Papamoa Lawn Bowls • Papamoa Surf Life Saving Clubrooms • Pemberton Park – Meredith Hall Clubrooms • Renner Park Golf Clubrooms • Selwyn Park Tennis Clubrooms • Tauranga BMX Track rooms • Tauranga Domain - Bowls Clubrooms • Tauranga Domain - Cricket Clubrooms • Tauranga Domain - Croquet Clubrooms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are some examples of multi-sport, hub facilities. However, many parks have a proliferation of ageing, single use club buildings. • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. • Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase. • Clubroom developments are proposed for the highest used fields – Gordon Spratt Reserve, Blake Park and Fergusson Park. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify how cricket clubroom provision can be accommodated on Blake Park. Options should explore the expansion of the pavilion, rationalising facilities to create multi-use clubrooms that service the fields and/or courts being complementary to surrounding infrastructure. • Follow and action the general Clubroom facility approaches on Page 130 as required.

Council	Clubrooms	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tauranga Domain - Rugby Clubrooms • Tauranga Domain - Grandstand • Tauranga Domain - Tauranga Lawn Tennis Clubrooms • Tauranga Domain - WBOP Rugby Football Sub Union Clubrooms • Tauranga Golf Course Clubrooms • Tauranga Racecourse – Grandstand & Function rooms • Tauranga Yacht & Powerboat Club Clubrooms • Waipuna Park – Multi-purpose sports pavilion • Tauranga Rowing Club <p>Other utility facilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arataki Park - Changing Rooms • BOP Canoe/Kayak Club • Carlton Reserve - Utility Block • Gordon Spratt Reserve - Utility Block • Hoe Aroha Whanau o Mauao Outrigger Canoe Club • Graham Park – storage and utility • Tauranga Moana Outrigger Canoe Club • Te Wati Park - Utility Block 		
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fairview Golf Club Clubrooms • Homewood Park Tennis Club Clubrooms • Hunter Reserve - Croquet Clubrooms • Hunter Reserve -Squash Club • Katikati Bowling Club Clubrooms • Maketu Surf Life Saving Clubrooms • Maramatanga Park - Rugby Clubrooms • Moore Park - Rugby Clubrooms • Ōmokoroa Bowling Club Clubrooms • Ōmokoroa Golf Club Clubrooms • Ōmokoroa Sports Ground Reserve – Social space • Paengaroa Domain - Rugby Clubrooms • Pohutukawa Park - Tennis Clubrooms • Pukehina Surf Life Saving Clubrooms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council's role has traditionally been to provide land (leasing) only with clubs and community groups responsible for facility development. • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. • A community driven project is to develop the Katikati Sport and Active Recreation Centre (encompassing clubrooms) at Moore Park – to complement the playing field extension. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete a feasibility study into the development of an appropriately scaled multi-sport clubroom at Moore Park. • Follow and action the general Clubroom facility approaches on Page 130 as required.

Council	Clubrooms	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Te Puke Domain - Te Puke Cricket Clubrooms Te Puke Domain – Te Puke Netball Centre Centennial Park - Te Puke Tennis Clubrooms Te Puke Golf Club Clubrooms Waihi Beach RSA – Bowls Waihi Beach Surf Life Saving Clubrooms 		
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dunderdale Park - Te Teko Rugby and Sports Club room Eastern BOP Gymnastic Club, Lovelock Street Edgecumbe Bowling Club Clubrooms Edgecumbe Rugby Club, Edgecumbe Domain, Edgecumbe Eivers Park - Te Teko Pavilion shared Clubrooms Eve Rimmer Park - Netball Whakatane Centre Clubrooms Galatea Rugby Club (Galatea Domain) Lawson Park - Paroa Rugby & Sports Clubrooms Matata Ground - Rugby Clubrooms Matata Tennis Club, Main Road, Matata Murupara Golf Club Clubrooms Ohope International Golf Clubrooms Poroporo Park - Rugby Clubrooms Port Ohope Yacht Clubrooms Red Conway Park - Rugby Clubrooms Rex Morpeth Park - Athletics Clubrooms Rex Morpeth Park - Whakatane Croquet Club Rex Morpeth Park - Whakatane Town Football Clubrooms Rugby Park - Administration Building Rugby Park - Grandstand Taneatua Rugby Club, Taneatua Domain, Taneatua Te Teko Golf Club Clubrooms Waimana Rugby Club, Waimana 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake a detailed feasibility and options analysis for the Whakatane War Memorial Hall (including maximising multi-sport use opportunities). Follow and action the general Clubroom facility approaches on Page 130 as required.

Council	Clubrooms	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warren Park - Stadium Horizon Clubrooms • Whakatane Bowling Club Clubrooms • Edgecumbe Pony Club • Whakatane Rowing Club • Whakatane Surf Life Saving Clubrooms • Whakatane Tennis Club Clubrooms • Whakatane Town Pony Club, Keepa Road, Whakatane <p>Other utility facilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Bay Canoe Racing Club • Ever Rimmer Park - Utility Block • Warren Park - Utility Block • Whakatane War Memorial Hall - Changing rooms 		

13.0 BIKE FACILITIES

This section focuses on specific sites and facilities supporting bike-related activities and does not include road cycling routes and community cycling infrastructure for active transport.

13.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

CODE PLANS

CYCLING NZ NATIONAL FACILITY STRATEGY (2010)

The National Bike Facility Strategy (2010) is the overarching strategic document for bike facilities. This Strategy determined that:

- No specific recommendations were made for any cycling facility developments in the Bay of Plenty region.
- New Zealand does not require any further velodromes or BMX Supercross tracks on a population basis, although cases could be made using geographical/access issues.
- BMX does require more regional-level facilities (generally).
- Mountain biking does not require any particular new facilities. Enhancing access to existing tracks is likely to be the major area of development interest.
- TA cycling strategies may highlight some more localised cycling facility and trail needs.

MOUNTAIN BIKING – NATIONAL SURVEY (2017)

- A survey conducted in 2017 found that Rotorua is the strongly preferred North Island location for hosting national series events – for both cross-country and down-hill. When cross-referencing the scores of South Island locations, Rotorua is the preferred national location for both disciplines. Tauranga was raised multiple times as a suggested alternate location for hosting mountain biking events (outside of Rotorua, Wellington, Hawkes Bay, Te Miro and Manawatu – North Island sites).³⁸

³⁸ As detailed in the National MTB Series 2017 Survey Results.

COUNCIL STRATEGIES AND PLANS

EASTERN BAY OF PLENTY CYCLE TRAIL STRATEGY (2015)

The Kawerau, Opotiki and Whakatane District Councils have produced the document to provide the strategic framework for an Eastern Bay of Plenty cycle trail network linking the region's major communities. The trail would traverse areas of high amenity value, including coastal reserves, rivers and lakes.

The purpose of the strategy is to:

- Establish the strategic direction for a cycle trail network.
- Provide for the development of an integrated Eastern Bay of Plenty Cycle Trail Network.
- Support future funding proposals for network development and expansion.
- Seek support and endorsement from New Zealand Cycle Trail (NZCT) for inclusion as potential expansion to the 'Great Rides' network.

Four geographic areas with associated trails (key backbone trail opportunities) were identified as part of the wider network:

<p>OPOTIKI DISTRICT – EAST TO WEST</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motu Trails (existing NZCT Great Ride) 2. Opotiki Stopbank Trail 3. Huntress Creek to Opotiki 4. Waiotahi Beach Trail 5. Ohiwa Harbour Trail 	<p>WHAKATANE DISTRICT EAST TO WEST</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ohiwa Harbour to Ohope <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Ohiwa Harbour Water Taxi/Ferry Shuttle; and/or b. Ohiwa Harbour Trail 2. Ohope Spit Ocean/Harbour Road (development opportunity in conjunction with Whakatane Rotary Club) 3. Ohope Community (existing on-road cycleway) Pohutukawa Avenue <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Whakatane – Ohope Cycleway b. Burma Road West (existing, but requires further redevelopment) c. Whakatane Riverside Cycleway and Urban Loops (existing) d. Whakatane – Matata Coastal Dune Cycleway (part of the proposed Coastal Dunes extension)
<p>WHAKATANE CYCLE OPPORTUNITIES NORTH TO SOUTH</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Matatā to Kawerau; or 2. Thornton to Edgecumbe/Te Teko 3. Te Teko to Kawerau 	<p>KAWERAU CYCLE OPPORTUNITIES NORTH TO SOUTH/WEST</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kawerau River/Forest Trail 2. Tarawera/Rotorua Connection

It is noted that although these projects will form the backbone of the network, many other cycle opportunities exist within Districts that will build a varied and more localised internal network of cycle options.

ROTORUA SPORT AND RECREATION STRATEGY (2016)

Specific strategies, objectives and actions relating to cycling include:

Objective 4 – Prioritise the enhancement and development of Rotorua’s unique sport and recreation offerings.

4.1 – Strengthen Rotorua’s urban and off-road trail network to create the ‘City of Trails’

In partnership with the Rotorua Trails Trust and other key stakeholders, continue to sustainably extend, develop and maintain Rotorua’s network for mountain bikers.

WHAKAREWAREWA FOREST

Mountain biking visitors to Whakarewarewa Forest have grown by around 15% per annum since 2009. As a biking destination, Rotorua has hosted national and world level championships as well as numerous other cycling orientated events including the recent staging of Crankworx Rotorua part of a global mountain biking festival. Rotorua is home to the New Zealand Mountain Biking Centre of Excellence, and several Olympic riders base themselves here.

While mountain biking is already a major contributor to Rotorua’s economic activity, there remains significant opportunity for growth which will require ongoing development of trails to create a network to contribute towards our ‘City of Trails’ aspirations. Conservative estimates are that biking tourism currently generates at least \$12 million annually for the Rotorua economy. In line with overseas cycling growth trends, it has been estimated that the potential exists to grow this exponentially.

ROTORUA TRAILS TRUST – STRATEGY 2019-2024

Priorities outlined in the strategy include:

1. Maintenance of the existing track network – Whakarewarewa Forest.
2. New trails for development

- a. Whakarewarewa Forest Loop – Reinvention of Te Ara Ahi to a world-class, one or multi-day, grade two trail around the edge of Whakarewarewa forest, including Lakes Tikitapu and Rotokakahi.
- b. Te Ara Ahi City Loop – extend existing parts of Te Ara Ahi to create a genuinely world class loop that highlights the unique features and stories on offer around the city.
- c. New trail outside of the forest – consult with landowners to investigate the feasibility of creating a new world-class trail inside the caldera based around Lake Rotorua, linking marae, communities, parks and reserves and telling the stories of our culture and history.

13.2 PARTICIPATION

Participation details outlined below are based on trends highlighted by sporting codes (survey responses from clubs and regional/national sports organisations) and data available through desktop analysis.

Of the 5 BMX tracks located in the region, 2 tracks have Cycling NZ affiliated clubs domiciled on them – Tauranga and Rotorua. From 2013-2018, registered members reduced by 38%, and 35% between 2016 and 2018. More pronounced decline is evident in Rotorua with 43% decline from 2016-2018 (although this trend may change with the opening of a new track at the end of 2019), compared to 30% over the same period in Tauranga.³⁹

It has been estimated in an economic impact study on the Whakarewarewa Forest that 230,000 annual rides are made (considered a conservative estimate as there are numerous entry points).⁴⁰ – 15% increase per annum since 2009.

Opotiki District Council have indicated that the Motu Trails - ‘Great Ride’ attracts 35,000 riders – in partnership with the Gisborne District Council, Gisborne Tourism and the Department of Conservation.

³⁹ As detailed in the BMX New Zealand 2019 AGM Annual Report.

⁴⁰ MCA (2018) – Mountain Biking in Whakarewarewa Forest Economic Impact Study.

13.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

In late 2019 a new BMX track was opened in Rotorua – including an 8m Supercross ramp. The project cost totalled \$1.6 million (and subsequent closure of the previous track).

Whakarewarewa Forest Development – Long Mile Road infrastructure including roading and parking (car and bus) has been completed, while a range of other projects are under development.

13.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Bike Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Kawerau BMX Track	BMX track complex in town centre (275m dirt soil track with night lighting)	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Monica Lanham Reserve	Tracks available for mountain biking – approximately 3km.	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	BMX Track	BMX track	Local	Opotiki District		
Opotiki	Motu Trails - Dunes Section	Coastal section of Motu Cycle Trail from Opotiki (11km Easy Grade 2 track)	National	Opotiki District/ DOC	Opotiki District/ DOC	Motu Trails Trust
Opotiki	Motu Trails - Motu Road Section	Backcountry road section of the Motu Cycle Trail (34km Intermediate Grade) - access to the Pakihi Track Section (31km)	National	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Motu Trails Trust
Opotiki	Motu Trails - Pakihi Track Section	Backcountry MTB downhill single-track section of the Motu trail – includes a DOC hut 11km down the track (half-way point)	National	DOC	DOC	Motu Trails Trust
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua BMX Track	New BMX track (2019) including an 8m supercross ramp.	Regional	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes/Rotorua BMX Club	Rotorua BMX Club

Council Area	Bike Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Skyline Rotorua	Commercial downhill MTB trails	Regional	Skyline Rotorua	Skyline Rotorua /Mountain Bike Rotorua	Mountain Bike Rotorua
Rotorua Lakes	Te Aha Ahi Cycle Trail	48km cycle trail between Rotorua and Waikite Valley	National	Multiple	Multiple	Mutipe/ NZ Cycle Trail
Rotorua Lakes	Tokorangi (Redwoods) & Whakarewarewa Forests	Internationally recognised multi-trail MTB venue. 70 MTB only trails which extend over 140kms. Includes bike racks, bike wash at the main MTB carpark and toilet and shower facilities.	National	Central North Island Iwi Holdings Ltd	Rotorua Lakes /Kaingaroa Timberlands	Rotorua Lakes/ Kaingaroa Timberlands Ltd
Rotorua Lakes	Tui Ridge Park	MTB trails at private camp/education centre	Local	Seventh Day Adventists Church	Seventh Day Adventists Church	Seventh Day Adventists Church
Rotorua Lakes	Westbrook/Ray Boord Park Velodrome	Outdoor concrete velodrome – 333m oval track.	District	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City (land in Western Bay)	Oropi Grove Mountain Bike Trails	Multi-trail MTB venue	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Tauranga BMX Track	BMX track with small club operations and storage facility.	National	Tauranga City	Tauranga BMX Club	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Urban Mountain Bike Routes	Various cycleways available including - Birch Ave / Cambridge Park (7.2 km); Historic Village /Klopurererua Valley / Yatton Park (13km); The Strand / Matua / Bethlehem (20km).	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Midway Park BMX Track	BMX track (270m long)	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Papamoa Coast Kids	Private facility with BMX Track and bikes (as well as multiple other activities).	Local	Private	Private	Private
Western Bay of Plenty	TECT Park	Multi-trail MTB venue (20km trail network) and small pump track for juniors.	Sub-regional	Western Bay of Plenty District / Tauranga City	Western Bay of Plenty District / Tauranga City	Western Bay of Plenty District

Council Area	Bike Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	BMX Track - Warren Park	Cycle path around reserve and BMX jumps/skills area	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Burma Road Cycle Track	Cycle/walking track	Local	Whakatane District, Ngai Awa		DOC
Whakatane	Onepu Mountain Bike Park	Multi-trail MTB venue	Local	Norske Skog Tasman	Norske Skog Tasman	Norske Skog Tasman
Whakatane	Rawhiti Mountain Bike Park	A purpose-built park only a few kilometres from Ōhope Beach has a 15-kilometre network of tracks ranging from the kiddies loop know as Lollipop to Sleepyhead, a specially-designed track with jumps and drop-offs for the more adventurous. Privately owned facility, requires a permit to enter (these can be obtained from the Whakatane information centre, Whakatane cycle shop and Ohope Holiday park)	Local	Private	Private	Private
Whakatane	Whirinaki Mountain Bike Track	A purpose-built mountain bike track. The track is 16 km long, and most people complete it in 2 to 4 hours.	District	DOC	DOC	DOC

13.5 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

KAWERAU DISTRICT

2018-2028 Long Term Plan - Develop a trail along the Tawawera River. Going from Firmin Fields to the Tarawera Falls and ultimately Lake Tarawera, it would add to the network of mountain biking tracks in the Bay of Plenty and eventually link to Rotorua's Te Ara Trail with the Motu Trails in Opotiki.

OPOTIKI DISTRICT

2018-2028 Long Term Plan - New trails are planned for Tirohanga Military Track, Ōhiwa, Waioeka stopbanks and the Waiōtahe Coast. The vision is to link Mōtū Trails, the Dunes Trail west to Ōhiwa - enhancing the experience and growing a multi-day ride. Engage with neighbouring Councils to develop an integrated Eastern Bay of Plenty Trail – linking Ōpōtiki to Ōhope and beyond.

- Project – Opotiki-Waiotaha Beach-Ohiwa has \$2,305,682 allocated across 2019-2021.
- Project – Waiotahi Bridge Cycleway has \$1,020,000 allocated in 2020.

ROTORUA LAKES

2018-2028 Long Term Plan – Whakarewarewa Forest Development - Council investment of \$7.5 million has been evenly allocated across years 1-3. This investment has been matched by the Provincial Growth Fund (\$7 million). The project includes the following components:

- New Redwoods/Tokorangi Visitor Centre and Café – improved connection to the 'sail space' for functions and events, development of a natural play-place with picnic area, additional toilets and visitor amenities, opportunities for food and beverage retailers and other services.
- Long Mile Road Entrance - enhance roading infrastructure and coach and public parking (completed).
- Tarawera Road Visitor Hub - provide additional access to the forest and provide visitor infrastructure including toilet and shower facility, parking, event space and seating area (underway).
- Two New Great Rides – 1. CMB loop connecting the Rotorua lakefront and Whakarewarewa and Tokorangi Forests (The Redwoods).2. Connect the Waipa Valley Bike Hub and the Tarawera Road Forest Hub to Lake Tikitapu (underway).

TAURANGA CITY

2018-2028 Long Term Plan – Approval of \$1 million contribution to Western Bay of Plenty District Council towards the Omokoroa to Tauranga cycle trail, to assist with the additional cost for the Wairoa Bridge clip on and the cycleway from the bridge to Carmichael Road.

WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

2018-2028 Long Term Plan – Total investment of \$3.8 million has been committed to fund construction of new footpaths, walkways and cycle routes. Focus will be placed on three cycle routes that will form part of the Tauranga Moana Coastal Cycle Trail which will extend from Waihi Beach around the Tauranga Harbour margin to Tauranga, onwards to Maketu and then inland to Paengaroa.

There is a desire to link the cycleways with neighbouring districts such as Tauranga City, Hauraki and the Rotorua Lakes, and work with NZTA to achieve a cycleway network associated with State Highways.

A concept plan has been developed for Waitekohekohe (ex-Lund Road Reserve forest) in Katikati including provision for mountain bike trails and supporting infrastructure.

WHAKATANE DISTRICT

2018-2028 Long Term Plan – Explore the extension of the Motu Trails from Opotiki to Whakatane. To establish the extension, a collaborative project will need to involve the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE), Whakatane and Opotiki District Councils and the Motu Trails Charitable Trust. A business case has been developed and submitted to MBIE with detailed design required to determine cost and feasibility.

13.6 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- Demographic projections⁴¹ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- Emphasis is to be placed on maintaining mountain bike trails (and completing trails currently under construction) and supporting amenities, while more localised tracks may be established to meet community needs.
- Updated TA cycling strategies may highlight some more localised cycling facility and trail needs.
- Alignment with transport network enhancements and tourism demand and developments should be sought
- The Bay of Plenty would benefit from a wider regional network approach to guide investment into cycle trail provision across the region, particularly those with a transport and tourism focus and where opportunities exist for creating links to existing cycle trails across the region. This can be achieved by connecting the array of strategies and plans that have been developed across certain geographic areas.
- The region has a strong and well-recognised network of trails which can be extended and leveraged upon (local, regional, national and international level).
- High levels of visitation and use of tracks demonstrating sustained growth.
- All TAs have plans and allocated investment into the development of cycling tracks within and across their boundary.
- Partnerships with clubs and commercial providers should be sought for provision of specific types of cycle opportunities such as BMX tracks, specialised mountain bike tracks etc. – where need exists.

General Approaches to Bike Facilities

- Maintain the existing cycling facilities (BMX/trails).
- Consider the need for additional cycling facilities, where possible, this should take into account both recreational and commuter cycling needs.
- Investment in new cycle infrastructure which creates links / connections between existing cycle trails / routes in the wider sub-region should be prioritised.
- Monitor and review existing facility utilisation and club sustainability on a regular basis. (BMX/velodrome).
- Ensure facility owners and operators have an asset management plan and are maintaining facilities in line with this and any lease requirements.
- Develop an 'Opportunities Paper' which overlays the existing and proposed Cycle and Walking tracks across the region to identify network connection opportunities.

⁴¹ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

Council	Bike Facilities	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau District			
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kawerau BMX Track • Monica Lanham Reserve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. • Eastern Bay of Plenty Cycle Trail Strategy identifies a possible trail opportunity for connecting Tarawera and Rotorua. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct feasibility study for a cycle/walking trail connecting Kawerau to Lake Tarawera. • Conduct feasibility study for a cycle/walking trail connecting to Gisborne. • Continue to work with Opotiki, Whakatane and Rotorua District Councils to implement the Eastern Bay of Plenty Cycle Trail Strategy. • Follow and action the general Bike facility approaches on Page 144 as required.
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motu Trails - Dunes Section • Motu Trails - Motu Road Section • Motu Trails - Pakihi Track Section • Opotiki BMX Track 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. • Alignment to tourism development priorities should be sought, especially related to the Motu Trail and connected developments • Significant investment has been allocated in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan for connecting and expanding the trail network further. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete extensions of the Motu Trails: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Extension to Whakatane – Coastal Eastern Extension; & 2. Gisborne connection link. • Continue to work with Opotiki, Whakatane and Rotorua District Councils to implement the Eastern Bay of Plenty Cycle Trail Strategy. • Investment in new cycle infrastructure that creates connections between existing sport and recreation facilities should also be prioritised. For example, links between the College facilities and Memorial Park and Ohui Domain. The stop bank cycle trail and the Eastern Bay Cycle Trails may contribute to this. • Follow and action the general Bike facility approaches on Page 144 as required.

Council	Bike Facilities	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Rotorua Lakes			
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rotorua BMX Track Skyline Rotorua Tokorangi and Whakarewarewa Forests Tui Ridge Park Westbrook/ Ray Boord Park Velodrome Te Aha ahi Cycle Trail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. The Rotorua Lakes region is renowned for its mountain biking facilities, resulting in significant tourism and economic benefit to the area. New BMX facility opened in late 2019 providing a regional level facility. Total of \$14.5 million has been invested by Rotorua Lakes Council and from the Provincial Growth Fund into developments at Tokorangi/Whakarewarewa. Alignment to tourism development priorities should be sought, especially related to the Te Ara Ahi Trail (reclassified to a heartland ride) and connected developments. The velodrome in Rotorua is in poor condition and subject to possible land sale – but forms an important component in the sporting hub. The District has the only velodrome facility in the Region, although use is low. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to develop and support the new trails, visitor hub facilities and new access points to Tokorangi/Whakarewarewa and ensure existing network maintenance is supported. Monitor and review existing facility (BMX/Velodrome) utilisation and club sustainability on a regular basis and continue support for Rotorua BMX's new track at Waipa Work with Kawerau, Whakatane and Opotiki to implement projects outlined in the Eastern Bay Cycle Trail Strategy – particularly the Tarawera/Rotorua connection. Maintain the Rotorua BMX track in line with asset management plans, and where possible, continue to attract local, regional and national events. Follow and action the general Bike facility approaches on Page 144 as required.
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oropi Grove Mountain Bike Trails (TCC owned land in Western Bay area) Tauranga BMX Track 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development, not forgetting any areas where there is any identified current deficiency. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase Investment is primarily supporting the implementation of the Tauranga Cycle Plan which focuses on urban cycleways (commuter routes/active transport). 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prior to any major renewals of the BMX track undertake a needs and options assessment to ensure the most appropriate type/ style of facility is provided to meet demand (in line with changing trends and other regional provision). Further collaborate with Western Bay of Plenty District Council for completing stages of the Tauranga Moana Coastal Cycle Trail. Follow and action the general Bike facility approaches on Page 144 as required.

Council	Bike Facilities	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Midway Park TECT Park <p>Note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oropi Grove Mountain Bike Trails (on TCC owned land in Western Bay area) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. Concept plan for Waitekohekohe, Katitkati has been developed with provision for mountain bike trails and supporting infrastructure. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment in new cycle infrastructure which creates links / connections between existing cycle trails / routes in the wider sub-region should be prioritised i.e. Tauranga Moana Coastal Cycle Trail. Implement the outcomes of the 2020 Walking and Cycling Strategy and Action Plan. Implement Waitekohekohe (ex-Lund Road forestry) concept plan with provision for mountain bike trails. Follow and action the general Bike facility approaches on Page 144 as required.
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pump Track - Warren Park Burma Road Cycle Track Onepu Mountain Bike Park Rawhiti Mountain Bike Park Whirinaki Mountain Bike Tracks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. Business plan has been developed to extend the Motu Trails from Opotiki to Whakatane. Focus is being placed on working with neighbouring Councils on connections across the region. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Kawerau, Whakatane and Opotiki to implement projects outlined in the Eastern Bay Cycle Trail Strategy. Continue to progress the Motu Trail from Opotiki to Whakatane. Implementation of the Whakatane Cycle Trails Strategy. Investigate the options to develop a Whakatane Mountain Bike Park. Follow and action the general Bike facility approaches on Page 144 as required.

14.0 EQUESTRIAN FACILITIES

14.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

There are no applicable National or Regional Facility Strategy for Equestrian facilities in the Bay of Plenty region. There is limited strategic direction from individual Council's with regards to their role in the provision of equestrian facilities.

COUNCIL REFERENCES

In the Opotiki District Council 2018-2028 Long Term Plan it was noted that there is ongoing demand for horse tracks alongside rural roads.

The Rotorua Lakes Council Sport and Recreation Strategy (2016) outlines a key strategy is to strengthen Rotorua's urban and off-road trail network to create the 'City of Trails'. A specific action underpinning this strategy is, in partnership with the Rotorua Trails Trust and other key stakeholders, is to continue to sustainably extend, develop and maintain Rotorua's trail network for horse riders across the district.

REVIEW OF THE NEW ZEALAND RACING INDUSTRY – 'MESSARA REPORT' (2018)

The report was commissioned to:

- a. Review the financial viability of the thoroughbred racing Code and how the current industry model supports the long-term sustainability of the racing industry in New Zealand.
- b. Provide high-level recommendations, supported by research, for potential reform, which may include legislative, operational, structural and organisational changes to the New Zealand racing industry.

In determining the future venue plan for thoroughbred racecourses the following information was considered: location, topographical barriers, ownership model, tier, race meetings (number held and attendance), infrastructure ratings, financials (including betting turnover), horses trained

and starters produced, animal welfare issues, health and safety issues, and population figures.

The following recommendation was made relating to the Bay of Plenty:

Phase 5 – No Licences from 2023/24 for 2 Venues

Rotorua – Deemed not required when the proposed Cambridge synthetic tack is available and the Ellerslie Course (Auckland) rebuild is completed. Racing Rotorua and Rotorua – Bay of Plenty HC should race at Tauranga.

In total, it was recommended that 20 venues are closed, whereby the 52 race meetings that were held across the venues would need to be progressively reallocated to reach the total number of meets proposed by the New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing (310).

14.2 PARTICIPATION (ORGANISED SPORT)

EQUESTRIAN SPORTS

Overall membership figures have reduced significantly in 2019, following stable levels across 2017-2018 (noting that the Bay of Plenty region includes Taupo). Membership levels of 700 have dropped down to just over 300. National membership primarily consists of 10-19 year old cohorts, followed by 40-49 (although around half the number).⁴²

It was noted in feedback received that it is becoming more difficult attract younger people to the sport. Main reasons proposed include perception issues (seen as expensive and elitist), non-rural residents have to pay for grazing and growing urbanisation.

THOROUGHBRED RACING

As reported in the 'Messara Report' (2018), the following meet activity occurred at the respective racecourses in the 2017/2018 season across the region. Rotorua – 11 race meetings; Tauranga – 12 race meetings; Te Teko – 2 race meetings.

⁴² As referenced in the 2017, 2018 and 2019 Equestrian Sports New Zealand Annual Reports.

14.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

Although not located in the geographic boundary of the Bay of Plenty, the National Equestrian Centre in Taupo was opened in 2018 and should be considered as part of the wider network (all-weather training and competition venue).

Te Teko Racecourse in Whakatane was closed in 2020.

14.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Equestrian Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Kawerau Pony Club	Private open space used for equestrian activities.	Local	Kawerau Pony Club	Kawerau Pony Club	Kawerau Pony Club
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Opotiki Pony Club (Memorial Park Showgrounds)	At the Opotiki Showgrounds hub. Pony Club provides a show jumping arena, storage shed and makeshift clubrooms.	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki Pony Club (shed, clubroom)	Opotiki Pony Club
Opotiki	Memorial Park Showgrounds	Multiuse facilities for horse sports, rodeo and events. Include large open grass area, rodeo yards and large storage shed (Pony club lease part of site)	District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District / A&P Society	Opotiki District / A&P Society
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Arawa Park Racecourse	1,400m grass horse racing track and associated stable and storage facilities	Regional	Rotorua Lakes (Park), Racing Club (Course)	Rotorua Lakes (Park), Racing Club (Course)	Rotorua Racing Club
Rotorua Lakes	Lakes Ranch (Horse camps)	Indoor arena that is also used as an event centre and also on horse camps	Local	Lakes Ranch	Lakes Ranch	Lakes Ranch
Rotorua Lakes	Makoia Pony Club (Centennial Park)	Full cross-country course, a 60 x 40m sand & 60m x 20m dressage arenas, covered wash bay area & 9 grazing paddocks	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Makoia Pony Club	Makoia Pony Club
Rotorua Lakes	Reporoa Pony Club	20m x 60m dressage arena & showjumping course	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Reporoa Pony Club	Reporoa Pony Club

Council Area	Equestrian Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Domain	1 large outdoor Rodeo Arena		Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Rural Reserves Committee
Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Pony Club (Domain)	Cross country course, jumping course, Dismounted rallies in Sports Hall.	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rerewhakaaitu Pony Club	Rerewhakaaitu Pony Club
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua & Districts Riding for the Disabled (RDA)	3000m2 Indoor riding arena, conference room & 5 Ha outdoor riding paddocks	District	Multi Maori Landowners	Rotorua & Districts Riding for the Disabled (RDA)	Rotorua & Districts Riding for the Disabled (RDA)
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua A & P Showgrounds	4.3 ha grassed area used for show jumping and dressage events. Also has a cross country jumping course overlapping onto adjacent Maori land. This site is also home to the Ngongotaha Pony Club.	Sub-regional	Rotorua Agricultural & Pastoral Association	Rotorua Agricultural & Pastoral Association	Rotorua Agricultural & Pastoral Association
Rotorua Lakes	Tokorangi and Whakarewarewa Forests	4 signposted horse trekking trails of varying lengths, and forestry roads (5667 ha of forest)	Sub-Regional	Central North Island Iwi Holdings Ltd	Rotorua Lakes, Kaingaroa Timberlands	Rotorua Lakes, Timberlands, Central North Island Land Management
Rotorua Lakes	Upper Atiamuri Pony Club	Jumping course	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Upper Atiamuri Pony Club	Upper Atiamuri Pony Club
Rotorua Lakes	Waikite Valley Pony Club	Jumping course	Local	Private Owner	Private Owner	Waikite Valley Pony Club
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Papamoa Mt Maunganui Pony Club	Small 2.5ha site used for pony club activities. Small storage/operations facility onsite.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Tauranga Racecourse	Equestrian Centre inside racecourse - used for show jumping, dressage, western riding, AMP, Show Club etc	Regional	Tauranga City/Racecourse Reserve Committee	Racecourse Reserve Committee	Racecourse Reserve Committee
Tauranga City	Tauranga RDA Equestrian Therapy Centre	Tauranga RDA Equestrian Therapy Centre includes an Indoor Arena which provides therapeutic horse related activities for children and adults with physical, mental, cognitive, social or behavioural needs.	District	Tauranga RDA	Tauranga RDA	Tauranga RDA

Council Area	Equestrian Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western BOP	McLaren Falls Equestrian Park	A 10 Ha equestrian facility with jumps, water obstacles etc.	Local	Western BOP/ Tauranga City	Tauranga Pony Club	Western BOP/ Tauranga City
Western BOP	TECT Park	Over 25km of trails in 300ha shared-use forest, with car-parking, horse preparation/handling yards, weather shelter, toilet and water tanks.	Local	Western BOP / Tauranga City	Western BOP / Tauranga City	Western BOP
Western BOP	Uretara Domain	Uretara Domain grass fields and 2 storage sheds for equestrian equipment.	Local	Western BOP District	Western Bay District	Tauranga Pony Club - Katikati Branch
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Edgecumbe Pony Club	Open paddock with clubroom containing kitchenette, office, toilet and a communal area.	Local	Private	Edgecumbe Pony Club	Edgecumbe Pony Club
Whakatane	Whakatane Town Pony Club	Riding arenas and grazing with adjacent clubroom. Keepa Road, Whakatane	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane Town Pony Club	Whakatane Town Pony Club

14.5 PERSPECTIVES ON PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

- Regional centre located in Whakatane District that accommodates all equestrian disciplines would be valuable. It would encourage non-rural resident who have a passion for equestrian to participate if they had a facility where they could ride/train/compete and receive coaching without the need to travel to Taupo.

14.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

The 'Messara Report' (2018) recommends the rationalisation of existing racecourses, with the closure of the Arawa Park Racecourse as part of Phase 5 – 2023/24). Should this eventuate and the proportionate level of race meets is maintained in the region, reallocated race meets would be held in Tauranga or Te Teko.

It was noted in the report that the Tauranga Racecourse requires demolition of the public grandstand and rebuild of a new facility, while other facility improvements and landscaping were required.

A concept plan has been developed for Waitekohekohe (ex-Lund Road Reserve forest) in Katikati including provision for equestrian trails and supporting infrastructure.

14.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations (across all TAs)

- Demographic projections⁴³ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- No specific recommendations were made for any national or regional level equestrian facility developments in the Bay of Plenty region, although need for horse trails was identified in the Opotiki District Council Long Term Plan.
- As urban areas expand increased consideration should be given to cross boundary Council partnerships such as at TECT Park and McLaren Falls Park (where equestrian need can be strategically met from a regional perspective).
- The National Equestrian Centre located in Taupo was opened in 2018.
- The Messara Report recommends the closure of the Arawa Park Racecourse (Phase 5 – 2023/24) with meet allocations primarily transferred to Tauranga.
- Explore access and utilisation of racecourses for delivering sport and active recreation i.e. to address field shortfalls.

⁴³ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

General Approaches to Equestrian Facilities

- Engage with clubs/groups to ensure that they have asset management plans in place and are maintaining facilities in line with these plans and any lease requirements.
- Monitor and review existing facility utilisation and club sustainability on a regular basis.
- Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options analysis to determine the costs and benefits of reinvestment and to determine the most cost-effective way to continue to meet the demand for equestrian activities and associated infrastructure.
- Any expansion or redevelopment of existing facilities needs to be undertaken in accordance with the applicable reserve management plans.
- Develop a Regional Equestrian Facility Plan.

Council	Equestrian Facility	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Kawerau District			
Kawerau	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kawerau Pony Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horse riding along the Tarawera River trails is permitted. • Delivery of sports facilities and services will need to be suitable for the highly centralised population base in Kawerau alone, with no other notable population bases elsewhere. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow and action the general Equestrian facility approaches on Page 153 as required.
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opotiki Pony Club • Opotiki Showgrounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horse riding on the beach is permitted. • Horse riding and horse sports are popular activities in the district. • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. • Alignment to tourism development priorities should be sought, especially related to the Motu Trail and connected developments. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to provide the collocation model with the showgrounds and pony club activities provided on the same site. • Undertake the planned provision for bridle trails. • Review and maintain horse trails throughout the District and create new trails where need and viability are determined. • Follow and action the general Equestrian facility approaches on Page 153 as required.

Council	Equestrian Facility	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Rotorua Lakes			
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arawa Park Racecourse Lakes Ranch (Horse camps) Makoia Pony Club Reporoa Pony Club Rerewhakaaitu Domain Rotorua A & P Showgrounds Rotorua & Districts Riding for the Disabled (RDA) Tokorangi and Whakarewarewa Forests Upper Atiamuri Pony Club Waikite Valley Pony Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rotorua's Sport & Recreation Strategy identifies "City of Trails" network for developing and maintaining horse rider trails across the district. Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus should be where there is any current deficiency. Focus will also be required in areas of new residential development. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. The 'Messara Report' recommends the closure of the Arawa Park Racecourse in 2023/24. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to provide the co-location model with the A&P showgrounds and Ngongotaha pony club provided on the same site. Continue investment and support of horse-riding trails in Tokorangi/Whakarewarewa forest with Rotorua Trails Trust. Follow and action the general Equestrian facility approaches on Page 153 as required.
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Papamoa Mt Maunganui Pony Club Tauranga Racecourse Tauranga Riding for the Disabled Equestrian Terapy Centre McLaren Falls Park - Equestrian Area (land owned by TCC in Western Bay area) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The McLaren Falls Park Reserve Management Plan (2008) supports the extension of the equestrian area to provide additional jumps and trails. The desire is to gain a nationally recognised course. Council has purchased additional land, expanding McLaren Falls Park in recent years. This could allow for the equestrian extension as identified in the management plan. The Coastal Reserves Management Plan (2013) identifies that an annual licence to occupy only is permitted to the Mount/Papamoa Pony Club. Any proposals to develop additional infrastructure will be considered in accordance with the assessment criteria in the management plan. Delivery of sport & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development, not forgetting any areas where there is any identified current deficiency. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor the implementation outcomes of the Messara Report to gauge the level of impact (including capital upgrades) on the Tauranga Racecourse and the network in general. Monitor demand from new growth areas such as Wairakei/Te Tumu. Follow and action the general Equestrian facility approaches on Page 153 as required.

Council	Equestrian Facility	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> McLaren Falls Park - Equestrian Area (land owned by TCC in Western Bay area) TECT Park Uretara Domain 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The TECT Park Management Plan is supportive of equestrian sports use of the park (in appropriate areas). Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. Concept plan for Waitekohekohe, Katikati has been developed with provision for equestrian trails and supporting infrastructure. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to maintain and develop equestrian trails at TECT Park. Implement Waitekohekohe (ex-Lund Road forestry) concept plan with provision for equestrian trails and supporting infrastructure. Develop Tuapiro Point Reserve equestrian riding area. Follow and action the general Equestrian facility approaches on Page 153 as required.
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Edgecumbe Pony Club Whakatane Town Pony Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. Closure of Te Teko Racecourse in 2020. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Equestrian facility approaches on Page 153 as required.

15.0 GYMSPORTS FACILITIES

15.1 BACKGROUND CONTEXT

BAY OF PLENTY GYMSPORTS FACILITY NETWORK PLAN (2019)

In 2019, the Bay of Plenty Gymsports Facility Network Plan was developed to address the following key outcomes:

1. Develop the optimal facility network for the Bay of Plenty.
2. Examine the options available for developing a regional gymnastics facility (should the need be confirmed).
3. Provide a roadmap/implementation plan for achieving the optimal network (complementary network of facilities).

A range of constraints were identified with existing provision including capacity constraints, servicing high commercial leases, strong demand, precarious tenure and site limitations.

Based on a range of factors, the plan determined that developing a regional facility at this time would likely be challenging in the short-to-medium term. It would also likely damage the wider network, drawing available funding at the expense of other projects. A pragmatic network approach is therefore proposed. Central to this approach is:

- Having no single regional facility for the Bay of Plenty area in the medium term.
- 3 sub-regional facilities will be required to complete the regional gymsports network in the medium term.
- For achievability and maintaining geographic provision, utilising existing facilities which are categorised as sub-regional facilities will be critical.
- Each sub-regional facility will have different areas of expertise that will be reflected in the facility design and/or apparatus accommodated.
- Each sub-regional facility will be expected to work collaboratively with other clubs and facilities.

- Community club facilities will be maintained appropriately to support the wider network.

A key consideration for the community network plan will be the security of tenure of the existing gymsports facilities.

The following priority actions are outlined for achieving the optimal network:

1. Te Puke Gymsport new facility – The existing facility has only two years remaining on their leased building which will not be renewed. With a growing membership, situated in a growth area and no other viable facilities currently available, new provision is required. Due to the time constraints faced pertaining to the lease expiry, it is vitally important that alternate and viable facilities are continually explored should a new facility not be in place.
2. ARGOS Gymsport – Either a redevelopment on the existing premises or the development of a new facility. The club has demonstrated growth, offers all gymsports codes, has site limitations, requires upgrades and owns both land and building.
3. Secure Tenure of Club Facilities – Focus needs to be placed on supporting gymsports facilities that require long term tenure. Access of facilities is an identified issue across a range of sites and locations in the region.

The following items are recommended:

- A replacement building for Te Puke Gymsport is critical for maintaining provision for gymsports activity in the Western Bay of Plenty region. This will include progressing the development opportunity on Centennial Park, while continuing to investigate existing buildings with the required spatial dimensions (if the new development is not in place at the end of the current lease period).
- Secure new lease agreements for Mid Island Gym Sports, Eastern Bay of Plenty Gymnastics Club and the Opotiki Gymnastics Club.
- A watching brief should be maintained on the operational capacity of ARGOS Gymsport and Impact Gymsports Academy to accommodate Future Gymnastics. While reviewing the ability to deliver the programme

at these facilities, explore a mid-to-long term site for Future Gymnastics (should the need transpire).

- Optimise the existing ARGOS Gymsport site (conducting a Gymnastics New Zealand Service Review) and investigate site extensions to meet spatial requirements.
- The Bay of Plenty Approach - facilitated discussions to be held on identifying and detailing the role each sub-regional facility will play in the network – including how community and sub-regional based clubs will gain suitable access to required facilities and services.

15.2 PARTICIPATION (ORGANISED SPORT)

Membership has remained static since 2017, with 2,500 members across the region. The membership is primarily female (83%) and under the age of 12 (91%). Marked growth is apparent in Te Puke (46% growth and high relative numeric levels), Opotiki (56% growth with lower relative numeric levels) and Eastern Bay of Plenty (22% growth with moderate relative numeric levels).

Additionally, there are 15,500 casual participants who engage in the sport around the Bay of Plenty. A majority of the activity comprises of causal classes (2-10 year olds) and school sessions. Latent demand is evident through waiting lists at numerous clubs as exiting facility constraints prevent their immediate participation.

15.3 RECENT DEVELOPMENTS & CHANGES (SINCE 2017 STRATEGY)

Impact Gymsports relocated into the repurposed Pavilion 1 at Trustpower Baypark.

Future Gymnastics have been required to vacate ACG Tauranga as more access is provided for school-based activity.

15.4 INVENTORY

Council Area	Gymsports Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Opotiki Gymnastics Club	Set-up and pack-down of the Old Scout Hall (300m ²)	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Mid Island Gym Sports	Standalone dedicated building with extensive physical space around a large recreating reserve - Puarenga Park (800 m ²).	Sub Regional	Rotorua Lakes	Mid Island Gym Sports	Mid Island Gym Sports
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	ARGOS Gymsport	Old standalone dedicated industrial building situated in a warehouse area (1,450m ²)	Sub Regional	ARGOS Gymsport	ARGOS Gymsport	ARGOS Gymsport

Council Area	Gymsports Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Impact Gymsports Academy	Standalone dedicated building located on Baypark - Pavilion 1 (978m ²).	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Limited	Impact Gymsports Academy
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Te Puke Gymsports	Old standalone dedicated industrial building in a warehouse area (700m ²).	Local	Private	Private	Te Puke Gymsports
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Eastern Bay of Plenty Gymnastics Club	Standalone dedicated building on the High School grounds (520m ²).	Local	Ministry of Education	Whakatane High School	Eastern Bay of Plenty Gymnastics Club

15.5 PERSPECTIVES ON PROVISION

The following perceptions were outlined during regional sector workshops and survey responses (submitted by National & Regional Sports Organisations and clubs):

CURRENT PERCEPTIONS:

- Existing facilities are unable to accommodate existing and future demand that is evident.
- As the sport requires large spatial parameters, industrial buildings are often accessed with high associated commercial leases – causing viability concerns.
- Access to school facilities has been restrictive.
- Tenure of some facilities is precarious given pending lease expiry.
- There are certain site constrictions limiting the ability to expand and remain fit-for-purpose.
- Good geographic spread of facilities throughout the region.

15.6 PLANNED OR PROSPECTIVE FACILITIES

TAURANGA CITY

Impact Gymsport are currently investigating options to develop a new facility or to expand their existing premises.

WESTERN BAY OF PLENTY DISTRICT

Te Puke Gymsports are progressing the development opportunity of a sub-regional facility on Centennial Park.

15.7 PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH

Regional Key Considerations

(across all TAs)

- Demographic projections⁴⁴ also indicate an increase in the median age across the region, with a notable increase in the 65+ age-group. Since 2013, all Council areas have experienced growth, belying previous Statistics New Zealand forecasting. Aside from Tauranga City and Western Bay of Plenty, all other Council areas were displaying a relatively stable or declining population base at the 2013 Census. However, all areas have increased by at least 9%, reaching above pre-2001 Census levels. The highest rate and numeric growth from 2013 to 2018 was experienced in Tauranga City and the Western Bay of Plenty.
- Participation is constrained by existing facility infrastructure.
- High demand for the sport (both regionally and nationally), with latent demand evident.
- In general, there is low security of tenure across the network with short-to-medium term leases.
- There are viability concerns with numerous commercial leases being serviced.
- A network approach is seen as critical for effectively delivering on sport outcomes – when considering the type of programmes being delivered, specialised equipment available, level of participation, pathway opportunities established etc. Facilities and activities need to be complementary and collaborative.
- Accessing satellite venues will be an important strategy moving forward to alleviate capacity issues and to provide more localised delivery.

General Approaches to Gymsports Facilities

- Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of alternative facility delivery approaches (such as collocating with other sport and recreation assets).
- Explore the opportunity of establishing satellite venues to provide more localised delivery (metropolitan and rural areas) and to alleviate capacity constraints. Where demand exists and is complementary to the wider network (where there are gaps in provision).
- Maintain existing facilities in line with their asset management plans.

Council Area	Gymsports Facilities	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Opotiki District			
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opotiki Gymnastics Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for Opotiki which makes up around half of the Districts population base. There are no other significantly large townships in the District. • This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. • This district has relatively low median incomes. • This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. • Recent population increase belies 2013 Census forecasted modelling of overall decline. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor and review utilisation, accessibility and condition of the Old Scouts Hall. • Follow and action the general Gymsports facility approaches on Page 159 as required.

⁴⁴ From Statistics New Zealand Projections (2013 base), Medium series and as estimated further in the NIDEA projection report - Jackson, N.O., Cameron, M. and Cochrane, B. (2014). 2014 Review of Demographic and Labour Force Projections for the Bay of Plenty Region for the Period 2013 – 2063. Commissioned Report. Hamilton, New Zealand: University of Waikato, National Institute of Demographic and Economic Analysis.

Council Area	Gymsports Facilities	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
Rotorua Lakes			
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mid Island Gym Sports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population. Focus will be required in areas of new residential development. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. Against Statistics New Zealand projected trends, 11% population increase was experienced between 2013 and 2018. Previous modelling suggested a stable population base. The land lease with Council has been renewed for the sub-regional facility in Rotorua (since the 2019 Bay of Plenty Gymsports Facility Network Plan). The facility has a critical role in achieving the optimal regional facility network for the delivery of gymsports across the Bay of Plenty. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain sub-regional status as outlined in the Bay of Plenty Gymsports Facility Network Plan. Follow and action the general Gymsports facility approaches on Page 159 as required.
Tauranga City			
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ARGOS Gymsport Impact Gymsports Academy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for a predominantly city-based population Given the projected population growth, focus should be on meeting needs in areas of new residential development, not forgetting any areas where there is any identified current deficiency. This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity This district is projected to have a strong aging trend within a strong general population increase. There are capacity issues and site constraints associated with the sub-regional facility. There is limited greenspace for new developments and commercial buildings are sought after to meet growing demand – driving high leases. ARGOS Gymsport own their existing commercial building, and if sold, proceeds can be reinvested into a new development. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage with ARGOS Gymsport to ensure they have an asset management plan in place and are maintaining the facilities in line with these plans. Explore a new sub-regional facility or the expansion/redevelopment of the existing premises. Monitor sustainability and affordability of existing network of gymsports facilities and explore opportunities as they arise for alleviating financial concerns. Follow and action the general Gymsports facility approaches on Page 159 as required.
Western Bay of Plenty District			
Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Te Puke Gymnastics Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for the widely dispersed rural populations for much of the District, and particularly for the widely dispersed small towns making up most of the population base (e.g. Te Puke, Katikati, Waihi Beach, Maketu, Paengaroa, Athenree). This District has a notably high proportion of people identifying with European ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue the development approach of a new sub-regional gymsports facility on Centennial Park, Te Puke. Explore alternate or short-term facility options should the development not proceed prior to lease expiry.

Council Area	Gymsports Facilities	Specific Key Considerations (for specific TAs)	Facility Approach
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recent population increase surpasses 2013 Census forecasted modelling of moderate growth (Statistics New Zealand). 17% increase was experienced from 2013 to 2018. There have been high levels of participation growth experienced in Te Puke. There are no existing viable facilities in Te Puke and the current lease is not being renewed. Site at Centennial Park has been identified for a new sub-regional facility. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow and action the general Gymsports facility approaches on Page 159 as required.
Whakatane District			
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eastern Bay of Plenty Gymnastics Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivery of sports & recreation facilities and services will need to be suitable for having a main centre (Whakatane) making up around half of the Districts population base, along with widely dispersed smaller towns (e.g. Murupara, Edgecumbe, Taneatua, Matata, Te Teko) and rural population. This District has a moderately high proportion of people identifying with Maori ethnicity. This district is projected to have a strong aging trend. A relatively stable population between 2001 and 2013 was followed by an increase of 9% from 2013 to 2018 – this belies Statistics New Zealand's forecasted deficit over the same period. The existing school lease is expiring. 	<p>In order to maintain and develop a sustainable and accessible facility network:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the lease renewal for continued access to Whakatane High School – encourage the continuation of the school-club partnership. Follow and action the general Gymsports facility approaches on Page 159 as required.

16.0 OTHER FACILITIES SUMMARY

A wide variety of facility-types are evident across the region. As available information on these facilities is quite scarce and very diverse, this summary is mainly descriptive and high-level. Where possible, potential opportunities or challenges are identified with respect to meeting wider facility needs. Relevant strategic context is also noted where applicable.

16.1 OPEN SPACE FACILITIES

These represented a wide variety of facility types and activities. These types of more general open spaces were not the primary focus of this project, although they are included here as there are overlaps on occasion with other facility types - especially for biking activities and some specialised outdoor recreation activities.

INVENTORY

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Hilldale Reserve	Passive open space (ex-sports field)	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Monica Lanham Reserve	Forest Reserve with walking/biking tracks	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Kawerau	Waterhouse Street Reserve	Passive open space beside kayaking course	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Lakes Ranch	Private open space and forest at Outdoor Camp Centre with various tracks and activity spaces (e.g. archery, abseiling, equestrian etc).	Local	Lakes Ranch	Lakes Ranch	Lakes Ranch
Rotorua Lakes	Mead Rd Recreation Area	Outdoor spaces and facilities for shooting ranges and model aircraft.	Local	Central North Island Iwi Collective	Individual Clubs	Individual Clubs
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Archery Club (Puarenga Park)	Large outdoor archery range (5,000m ²).	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Archery Club	Rotorua Archery Club
Rotorua Lakes	Tui Ridge Park	Private open space and forest at Outdoor Camp Centre with various tracks and activity spaces (including archery, abseiling, mountain biking, rock climbing etc.).	Local	Seventh Day Adventists	Seventh Day Adventists	Seventh Day Adventists

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Graham Park	Reserve used for Archery or passive activities.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	McLaren Falls Park	Reserve for walking cycling, fishing and kayaking	District	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Summerhill Park	Walking tracks	District	Private	Private	Private
Western Bay of Plenty	TECT Park - Adrenalin Forest	Commercial recreational high ropes/ adventure facility.	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District/ Tauranga City	Western Bay of Plenty District/ Tauranga City	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	TECT Park - General	Open and forested spaces used for a variety of specialist outdoor activities - motorsports, bike, equestrian, shooting, model aircraft.	District	Western Bay of Plenty District/ Tauranga City	Western Bay of Plenty District/ Tauranga City	Western Bay of Plenty District
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Lathams Track	Rural walking track by hot pools.	Local	Private	Private	Private
Whakatane	Ohope Beach Volleyball Courts	Sand volleyball courts	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Tois Track	Scenic coastal walking track.	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Warren Cole Walkway	Riverside walking tack connecting parks and open spaces by CBD	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

NOTES

- The region has a number of public and private Outdoor Recreation Parks which cater to a variety of outdoor recreation activities including tracks (for walking, cycling, running and equestrian), outdoor pursuits (including archery, abseiling, climbing and, shooting ranges) and motorsport.
- Significant investment in visitor centre, camping, accommodation and playground development is also proposed for TECT Park.

PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH – REGIONAL KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Sport NZ Insights Tool (2017) – Bay of Plenty regional data shows that the highest rate of participation in sport and active recreation is expected to occur in the following activities (in order) walking, jogging/running, playing games, individual workout, swimming and cycling/biking. In comparison to national benchmarks, the rate of expected participation in walking, swimming and cycling/biking is significantly higher in the Bay of Plenty.
- Continued investment in the maintenance and development of facilities that support activities such as walking, cycling and jogging/running, which aligns well with these regional participation trends.
- With an aging population trend across the region it is anticipated that walking and cycling will continue to be favoured recreational activities.

SPECIFIC DIRECTION - OUTDOOR RECREATION PARKS

Council Area	Proposed Facility Approach
Rotorua Lakes	
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain existing Outdoor Recreation Park assets such as the Tokorangi, Redwoods and Whakarewarewa Forests as these provide important local community sport and recreation opportunities along with catering to the event and tourism markets. • Complete the developments currently being undertaken at the Tokorangi, Redwoods and Whakarewarewa Forests to meet growing demand. As a key site both domestically and internationally, future developments that support different types of sport and recreation activities should be constantly explored.
Tauranga City	
Tauranga City / Western Bay of Plenty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue the sub-regional partnership for the development and funding of sub-regional parks such as the TECT Park. • Continue with the staged development approach to increase the facilities and opportunities provided at the TECT Park.

16.2 CROQUET GREENS

There is a strong presence of croquet facilities in the retirement village sector, representing the current association between the activity and older participants. Croquet was included along with bowls in the original development of the Mt Greens multi-sport facility in Mt Maunganui. It is also part of the activity mix provided for at the historic Government Gardens heritage and tourism precinct in Rotorua.

INVENTORY

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Government Gardens	6 x Croquet greens adjacent to bowling club.	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Croquet Club	Rotorua Croquet Club
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Club Mount Maunganui	3x croquet greens and shared clubroom facilities in multisport complex (with bowls & petanque)	District	Tauranga City	Mount Greens	Mount Greens
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain - Croquet	4x greens in multi facility sports precinct (adjacent to tennis courts & bowls club)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga Croquet Club	Tauranga Croquet Club
Retirement Villages						
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Ocean Shores	Croquet green at retirement village	Local	Ocean Shores Village	Ocean Shores Village	Ocean Shores Village
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Althorp Village	Croquet green at retirement village	Local	Althorp Village Ltd	Althorp Village Ltd	Althorp Village Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Carmel Country Estate	Croquet green at retirement village	Local	Carmel Holdings Ltd	Carmel Holdings Ltd	Carmel Holdings Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Bayswater Village	Croquet green at retirement village	Local	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Greenwood Park	Croquet green at retirement village	Local	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Somervale	Croquet green at retirement village	Local	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Bob Owens	Croquet green at retirement village	Local	Bob Owens Retirement Village Ltd	Bob Owens Retirement Village Ltd	Bob Owens Retirement Village Ltd

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Omokoroa Country Estate	Croquet green at retirement village	Local	Omokoroa Country Estate	Omokoroa Country Estate	Omokoroa Country Estate
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – The Vines at Bethlehem	Croquet green at retirement village	Local	The Vines at Bethlehem	The Vines at Bethlehem	The Vines at Bethlehem
Western Bay of Plenty						
Western Bay of Plenty	Hunter Reserve - Croquet Green	5x greens and clubrooms	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Katikati Croquet Club	Katikati Croquet Club
Whakatane						
Whakatane	Whakatane Croquet Club Incorporated	5x greens and clubrooms	Local	Whakatane Croquet Club	Whakatane Croquet Club	Whakatane Croquet Club

PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH – REGIONAL KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Maintain existing assets in line with asset management plans. Prior to any redevelopment undertake a needs and options assessment and/or seek opportunities to collocate with bowls clubs.
- Identify opportunities to partner delivery with retirement homes.

16.3 PETANQUE TERRAINS

There is a strong presence of petanque facilities in the retirement village sector, representing the current association between the activity and older participants. Petanque is also part of the activity mix provided for at the historic Government Gardens heritage and tourism precinct in Rotorua.

INVENTORY

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Government Gardens - Petanque terrain	Petanque terrain (for both club and casual public use).	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Petanque Club
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Bayfair Reserve Petanque	Petanque club and casual public terrain.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Cliff Road - Petanque terrain	Casual public terrain.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Club Mount Maunganui - Petanque	In 2017, there were 20 piste terrain constructed at Club Mt Maunganui (multi-sport site with bowls and croquet).	District	Tauranga City	Mount Greens	Mount Greens
Tauranga City	Gardens Drive Petanque Terrain	Casual public terrain.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Kulim Park - Petanque Terrain	Casual public terrain.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Memorial Park - Petanque terrain	Casual public terrain.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Retirement Villages						
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Althorp Village	Retirement village terrain.	Local	Althorp Village Ltd	Althorp Village Ltd	Althorp Village Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Carmel Country Estate	Retirement village terrain.	Local	Carmel Holdings Ltd	Owner/operated	Owner/operated
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Bayswater Village	Retirement village terrain.	Local	Metlifecare Bayswater Ltd	Metlifecare Board of Directors	Metlifecare Board of Directors

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Metlifecare Greenwood Park	Retirement village terrain.	Local	Metlifecare Greenwood Park Ltd	Metlifecare Board of Directors	Metlifecare Board of Directors
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Metlifecare Papamoa Beach	Retirement village terrain.	Local	Metlifecare Papamoa Ltd	Melife Board of Directors	Melife Board of Directors
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Metlifecare Somervale	Croquet green at retirement village	Local	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd	Metlifecare Somervale Ltd
Tauranga City	Retirement Village - Ocean Shores Village	Retirement village terrain.	Local	Ocean Shores Village	Ocean Shores Village	Ocean Shores Village
Tauranga City	Retirement Village – Pacific Lakes Village	Retirement village terrain.	Local	Generus Living Group	Generus Living Group	Generus Living Group
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Fairview Estate Country Club	Private membership terrain.	Local	Fairview Estate	Fairview Estate	Fairview Estate
Whakatane						
Whakatane	Rose Gardens - Petanque Terrain	Casual public terrain.	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

NOTES

- In 2017, a new 20 piste terrain development was completed at Club Mt Maunganui. The former location at Cliff Road has been retained and is well utilised by the public.

PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH – REGIONAL KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Maintain existing assets in line with asset management plans. Prior to any redevelopment undertake a needs and options assessment and/or explore opportunities for collocating.

16.4 MARTIAL ARTS

Martial arts are undertaken across a myriad of facility providers. Of the 37 facilities identified during desktop analysis, 14 (38%) are privately owned and operated, a further 13 (35%) are owned and operated by education providers, and 8 (22%) owned by Councils.

INVENTORY

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Boyce Park - Judo Club Clubrooms	Single small clubrooms on Boyce Park (Judo)	Local	Kawerau District	Judo Club	Judo Club
Kawerau	Ron Hardie Recreation Centre	Mt Putauaki Tae Kwon Do	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Ashbrook School Hall	School hall used by Opotiki Taekwondo Club	Local	Ministry of Education	Ashbrook School	Ashbrook School
Opotiki	Opotiki College Gymnasium	School gymnasium used by Phoenix Taekwondo Opotiki	Local	Ministry of Education	Opotiki College	Opotiki College
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Budokan Rotorua	Multi code Martial Arts Hall	District	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Budokan Rotorua Ltd
Rotorua Lakes	Eastern Pirates Clubrooms	Clubroom building with open space – Tukaha Braziloian Jiu Jitsu	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Eastern Pirates Sports and Cultural Club	Eastern Pirates Sports and Cultural Club
Rotorua Lakes	HT Strength and Fitness	Community gym that offers mixed martial arts.	Local	Private	Private	Private
Rotorua Lakes	Linton Park Community Centre	Used by Otonga Shotokan Karate	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Community Centre
Rotorua Lakes	Lynmore Primary School	School facility used by Han Lee Tae Kwon Do.	Local	Ministry of Education	Lynmore Primary School	Lynmore Primary School
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Primary School	School facility used by Han Lee Tae Kwon Do.	Local	Ministry of Education	Rotorua Primary School	Rotorua Primary School

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes	Samurai - Arts	Top floor of the Advocate Print Building	Local	Private	Private	Private
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Arataki Community Centre	Centre with multiple function, activity and meeting rooms (including acoustic sound room) and large kitchen.	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Bay of Plenty Taekwon-Do Academy	Martial arts studio	Local	Private	Private	Private
Tauranga City	Budo South Martial Arts	Martial arts studio	Local	Private	Private	Private
Tauranga City	Dae Han Judo	Martial arts studio	Local	Private	Private	Private
Tauranga City	Diamondback Eskrima International	Matua Community Hall	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd
Tauranga City	Greenpark School Hall	Used by United Ryukyu Kempo Alliance (NZ) Ryukenkan Dojo	Local	Ministry of Education	Greenpark School	Greenpark School
Tauranga City	Mile High Karate Studio	Martial arts studio	Local	Private	Private	Private
Tauranga City	Morland Fox Park	Shared clubrooms across multiple sports. Separate spaces are leased by Tauranga Judo Club and Aikido Shinryukan.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Mount Maunganui Jiu Jitsu	Martial arts studio	Local	Private	Private	Private
Tauranga City	Mt Maunganui Intermediate School Hall	School hall used by Kiaido Ryu Mount Maunganui Dojo.	Local	Ministry of Education	Mt Maunganui Intermediate School	Mt Maunganui Intermediate School
Tauranga City	Otumoetai College Old Gymnasium	Old gymnasium used by Kiaido Ryu Martial Arts.	Local	Ministry of Education	Otumoetai College	Otumoetai College
Tauranga City	Papamoa Primary School	Used by Goju Ryu Karate	Local	Ministry of Education	Papamoa Primary School	Papamoa Primary School
Tauranga City	Papamoa Sports & Recreation Centre	Centre on major sporting reserve providing changing and officials facilities along with multiple function, activity and meeting rooms; commercial kitchen; and café/bar.	Local	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Ltd	Bay Venues Ltd

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
		Used by Kiado Ryu Martial Arts and Shi Sei Kan Karate-Do.				
Tauranga City	Physical Impact	Martial arts studio	Local	Private	Private	Private
Tauranga City	Systema Tauranga	Te Wati Park	Local	Tauranga City Council	Tauranga City Council	Tauranga City Council
Tauranga City	Tahatai Coast School Hall	School hall used by Nam Wah Pai Kung Fu.	Local	Ministry of Education	Tahatai Coast School	Tahatai Coast School
Tauranga City	Taoist Tai Chi	Martial arts studio	Local	Private	Private	Private
Tauranga City	Tauranga Boys College Gymnasium	School gymnasium used by Nam Wah Pai Kung Fu.	Local	Ministry of Education	Tauranga Boys College	Tauranga Boys College
Tauranga City	Tauranga Primary School Hall	Used by Seido Karate Tauranga	Local	Ministry of Education	Tauranga Primary School	Tauranga Primary School
Tauranga City	Tauranga Taekwondo	ACG Sports Complex	Local	ACG Tauranga	ACG Tauranga	ACG Tauranga
Tauranga City	Te Puna School Hall	Used by Silla TKD	Local	Ministry of Education	Te Puna School Hall	Te Puna School Hall
Tauranga City	The Martial Arts Academy	Martial arts studio	District	Private	Private	Private
Tauranga City	Western Bay Olympic Taekwondo	Martial arts studio	Local	Private	Private	Private
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Katifit Gym	Fitness Centre comprising numerous fitness rooms and equipment. Used by Global Jiu Jitsu Academy.	Local	Private	Private	Private
Western Bay of Plenty	Katikati A&P Showgrounds Hall	Hall used by the Katikati Wrestling Club and the Global Jiu Jitsu Academy.	Local	Katikati A&P Society	Katikati A&P Society	Katikati A&P Society
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Ohope Hall	Primarily used as a sports hall. It has some fixed seating, storage space, and indoor and	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
		outdoor toilet and changing facilities. Used by Ohope Beach Jiu Jitsu.				
Whakatane	Whakatane Indoor Bowls	Used by Whakatane Judo Club	Local	Whakatane Indoor Bowls Association	Whakatane Indoor Bowls Association	Whakatane Indoor Bowls Association
Whakatane	Whakatane MMA Centre	Martial arts studio	Local	Private	Private	Private

PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH – REGIONAL KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Continue to monitor provision and access for martial arts, particularly those that are servicing commercial leases or are accessing schools.
- Where applicable and synergies exist, look to consolidate activity in multi-use martial arts 'centres'.

16.5 OUTDOOR BASKETBALL COURTS

Outdoor basketball courts were commonly associated with general purpose park areas, and in numerous instances skatepark venues.

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Tawawera Park - Outdoor basketball court	Full outdoor court on old roller-skating rink.	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Maraetai Bay Reserve, Te Kaha	Outdoor concrete surface - full court.	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Opotiki	Memorial Park	Outdoor hoops and full court	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Arataki Park Outdoor Basketball court	Outdoor full court (17m x 34m)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Gordon Spratt Reserve	Outdoor hoops and 3x full courts (15m x 30m) – shared with netball	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Hartford Avenue Basketball Court	Outdoor hoop with small concrete surface (8.5m x 5m)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Kulim Park Community Basketball Court	Outdoor hoop with small concrete surface (8m x 5m)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Matua Park - Outdoor Basketball court	Outdoor hoop with small concrete surface (8m x 5m)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Memorial Park - Outdoor basketball court	Outdoor hoop and small concrete surface (8m x 5m). Skate park in close vicinity.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Reilly Avenue Community Basketball Court	Outdoor hoop with small concrete surface (5m x 5m)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Selwyn Park	Outdoor full court	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Waitaha Reserve	Outdoor hoop half court (good for recreational use)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Western Bay of Plenty District						
Western Bay of Plenty	Brighton Reserve	Outdoor hoop and full court	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Jubilee Park, Te Puke	Outdoor hoops and half court. Skate park in close vicinity	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Maketu Sportsground	Outdoor hoops and half court. Skate bowl in close vicinity	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Western Bay of Plenty	Papaunahi Recreation Reserve	Outdoor hoop and half court (shares space with a tennis volley wall).	Local	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District	Western Bay of Plenty District
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Jack Knowles Reserve, Taneatua	Outdoor hoops and half court.	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Mahy Reserve, Ohope	Outdoor hoop and half court	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Ocean Playground	Outdoor hoops and half court.	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Thompson Crescent	Outdoor hoop and half court	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH – REGIONAL KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Maintain existing assets in line with asset management plans.
- Scope future developments in line with parks/reserve plans and growing communities.
- Consider outdoor and covered basketball courts as part of the wider delivery mix for basketball to meet demand (alongside indoor provision).
- Consider shared court facility models that are available for community use.
- Consider partnership opportunities with schools containing outdoor courts.

16.6 ATHLETICS TRACKS/FACILITIES

Athletics New Zealand have noted that the 2010 Athletics New Zealand Facility Strategy is no longer valid and does not reflect current thinking. The key changes include:

- Locations like Tauranga are now considered a possibility for hosting major events. With changes to the World Athletics ranking system the need to host major events in towns with reliably good weather is enhanced.
- As large children's events like Colgate Games are held during summer holidays, spikes in attendance are evident when held in holiday destination points – well suited to the Bay of Plenty.
- Actively interested in adding provision of all-weather tracks in regional centres – where need is evident, and viability determined.

INVENTORY

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Prideaux Park - Athletics track	Seasonal summer grass track, with minimal lighting – more casual use than for athletics.	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Memorial Park Athletics Track	Seasonal summer grass track.	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua International Stadium – Grass Athletics Track	400m grass track and associated field facilities, in stadium.	Local	Rotorua District	Rotorua District	Rotorua District
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Gordon Spratt Reserve - Athletics Track	Seasonal summer grass track, with associated field facilities.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain Athletics track	400m artificial track and associated field facilities.	Regional	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Rex Morpeth Park – Athletics	Seasonal summer grass track (lit)	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District
Whakatane	Wingate Park	Seasonal summer grass track	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

NOTES

- The all-weather track at Tauranga Domain was upgraded in the 2017/18 season costing \$766,000.
- Hire fees for accessing the Tauranga Domain athletics track have increased.
- Tauranga Domain is often unavailable during summer as large events book the facilities.
- There are potential issues with the resurfacing of the Tauranga Domain track, as many other tracks across the country have experienced accelerated wear and tear with recent developments.
- Athletics Waikato-Bay of Plenty have indicated that the level of provision of facilities is adequate across the region.
- Potential relocation of athletics to Neil Hunt Park.
- Desire for an artificial track in Rotorua has been expressed.

PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH – REGIONAL KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Continue to support the existing artificial track (supplemented with a network of seasonal summer grass tracks).
- With population growth focussed in the Western Bay sub region the key regional level athletics track facility should be maintained in the Tauranga area.

SPECIFIC DIRECTION – ATHLETICS TRACKS

Council Area	Proposed Facility Approach
Rotorua Lakes	
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the track and facilities in line with the overall asset management plan for the site.
Tauranga City	
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the track and facilities in line with its asset management plan. • Monitor wear and tear of the all-weather track to ensure it remains fit-for-purpose with the ability to host large meets.

16.7 WATERSPORT FACILITIES

Due to the lack of complete survey data and Council asset inventory lists, it is not possible to provide a detailed, standalone section overviewing watersports facilities. Given the nature of the Bay of Plenty environment and the number and importance of various water bodies in the region, it is considered important that further analysis of watersports facilities and opportunities is undertaken.

NOTES

Some comments relating to watersports facilities received include:

- Difficulties gaining access to suitable training sites i.e. land ownership, parking and access to toilets.
- Issues with water quality at suburban flat water sites.
- Lack of clubrooms.

PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH – REGIONAL KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Maintain existing assets in line with asset management plans. Prior to any redevelopment undertake a needs and options assessment.
- Given the importance of watersports in the region, develop a Bay of Plenty Water Sports Facility and Water Access Strategy
- Continue to encourage shared facilities/space for watersports, as suitable water access is limited across the region.

16.8 GRANDSTAND/STADIA VENUES

There are a number of local ‘older grandstands’ associated with particular sports grounds and/or clubs - most have had minimal use in more recent years. While the main stadia in the region comprise of Rotorua International Stadium, Trustpower Baypark, Tauranga Domain and Bay Oval.

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Opotiki District						
Opotiki	Opotiki Domain - Grandstand/Stadium Venue	Small, old wooden grandstand	Local	Opotiki District	Opotiki District	Opotiki District
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua International Stadium	Major multiuse grandstand/stadium used for sport and events – capacity of 20,000. Whilst this venue is capable of hosting international fixtures it is relatively infrequently used for this purpose.	International	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	Bay Oval	<p>Large pavilion, facilities and function space at premiere cricket oval, part of multi-facility Blake Park sports precinct (Mt Maunganui).</p> <p>Although not comprising a traditional grandstand, the boutique ground has a terraced section in front of the pavilion and surrounded by a large grass embankment – capacity of 10,000.</p> <p>The venue is a premiere international cricket ground in New Zealand.</p>	International	Tauranga City	Bay Oval Trust	Bay Oval Trust
Tauranga City	Tauranga Domain - Grandstand/Stadium Venue	<p>Basic grandstand overseeing rugby field and athletics track – capacity of 5,000 with flexibility to extend capacity.</p> <p>The venue hosts the annual National Sevens and Mitre 10 Cup games.</p>	Regional	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Trustpower Baypark	Major multi-use grandstand/stadium events complex (speedway track with a central playing field) – capacity of 20,000.	Regional	Tauranga City	Bay Venues	Bay Venues
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Rugby Park Grandstand	Basic grandstand overlooking rugby field with changing rooms and toilets underneath.	Regional	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH – REGIONAL KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- It is acknowledged that the current stadiums in Tauranga are not optimal for some sports.
- There are a number of proponents and possible proposals regarding the development of a purpose-built stadium in Tauranga to cater to rugby, rugby league, football and events. These proposals should be considered alongside the TCC Events Strategy.
- Due to the investment required to provide stadium facilities it is important that their specification is aligned to regular use and their capacity to attract and retain national tournaments such as rugby 7's, international cricket fixtures, northern league football and considerations for special events such as concerts, and commemorations. They also need to be accessible and affordable to be utilised to maximise their use.
- In the current infrastructure available one-off events are better catered for as an event overlay that bolsters the assets capacity over a peak use period.
- The capacity of Tauranga to attract frequent professional sports franchise games is likely to be limited and this fact should be taken into consideration when planning facilities.

SPECIFIC DIRECTION – GRANDSTAND / STADIA VENUES

Council Area	Proposed Facility Approach
Opotiki District	
Opotiki	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain the facility in line with its asset management plan. Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of continued provision of a grandstand facility.
Rotorua Lakes	
Rotorua Lakes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain the International Stadium facility in line with its asset management plan. Prior to any major renewals (at the stadium) undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of the current provision versus other options.
Tauranga City	
Tauranga City	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A needs assessment has been conducted on a proposed Tauranga Stadium, with a recommendation to proceed to a detailed feasibility stage. Any feasibility study undertaken will need to take into consideration the range of options available including event and tourism overlay, community outcomes, minor upgrades to existing stadium infrastructure, a new stadium and associated site and potential use levels. All options should undergo a cost benefit analysis. Maintain Bay Oval in accordance with international venue requirements – prior to commencing new developments, detailed feasibility study and business case need to be undertaken.
Whakatane District	
Whakatane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain the grandstand facility in line with its asset management plan. Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options assessment to determine the costs and benefits of the continued provision of a grandstand facility.

16.9 OTHER

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua A & P Showgrounds	Competitive shearing venue	Local	Rotorua A & P Association	Rotorua A & P Association	Rotorua A & P Association
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	The University of Waikato Adams Centre for High Performance	Opened in 2016, the centre comprises of a high-performance gym (650m ² – including a three-lane sprint track), recovery pools, sports science laboratory (with an environmental chamber) and athlete support services. Tenants include The University of Waikato (and strategic partner), Bay of Plenty Rugby Union, New Zealand Rugby Sevens and Body in Motion.	Regional / National	Tauranga City	Bay Venues Limited	Bay Venues Limited
Whakatane District						
Whakatane	Whakatane Aquatic Centre Meeting Rooms	Meeting rooms in swim centre	Local	Whakatane District	Whakatane District	Whakatane District

PROPOSED FACILITY APPROACH – REGIONAL KEY CONSIDERATIONS

- Maintain existing assets in line with asset management plans. Prior to any redevelopment undertake a needs and options assessment.
- The University of Waikato Adams Centre for High Performance - Continue to review high performance sport requirements (space and technical), level of use and keep a watching brief on changes to centralised vs. decentralised high-performance models from regional and national sporting bodies.

SKATE PARKS & PUMP TRACKS

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Rotorua Lakes						
Rotorua Lakes	Eastside Skatepark	Basic skatepark facilities	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Fordlands Skatepark	Neighbourhood skatepark facility	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Koutu Skatepark	Neighbourhood skatepark facility with toilet facilities	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Ngongotaha Skatepark	Local community skatepark facility	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Sheaf Park Skatepark	Main skatepark facility located in the inner city with toilet facilities and shade,	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Rotorua Lakes	Western Heights Skatepark	Neighbourhood skatepark facility	Local	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes	Rotorua Lakes
Tauranga City						
Tauranga City	17 th Avenue Skatepark	Neighbourhood skatepark (concrete bowl)	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Arataki Park Skatepark and pump track	Community facilities on main way home from schools as well located on a busy active reserve with BBQs' etc Large concrete bowl with jumps recently resurfaced. Newly constructed large pump track which caters for all levels	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Blake Park skate ramps	Large wooden skate ramp located on a busy active reserve – not for beginners or potentially under 5s	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City

Council Area	Facility	Description (summarised)	Proposed Status	Landowner	Facility Owner	Facility Manager
Tauranga City	Carlton street reserve skatepark	Concrete bowl with ramps	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Gordon Spratt Skatepark/ Pump Track	Concrete skate bowl with jumps, picnic tables located adjacent to a pump track which has a circuit of rollers, berms and jumps	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Memorial Park Skatepark	Concrete half pipe with permanent jumps and other structures part of a large recreational area with BBQ's, and other recreational activities	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Tauranga City	Standalone Pump Tracks	Hartford Ave and Horoipia reserves have community pump tracks with basic rollers, berms and jumps.	Local	Tauranga City	Tauranga City	Tauranga City
Kawerau District						
Kawerau	Skatepark	45x30m space containing concrete jumps, bowl, rails – with lighting and shade structure.	Local	Kawerau District	Kawerau District	Kawerau District

PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS

Construction of the Whakatane skatepark extension.

Rotorua Lakes - Inner City Skate Park Development: Continue the planning phases to develop a new skate park in the central city (replacing the existing), including further investigation to determine the extent of the development based on the fit within the Bay of Plenty region, procurement of design and build services and site preparation.

GENERAL APPROACH

Prior to any major renewals undertake a needs and options assessment to ensure the most appropriate type / style of facility is provided to meet demand (in line with changing trends).

New or existing park developments should consider participation trends, local catchment demographics and facilities that have synergies and do not duplicate or jettison existing facilities.



The following organisations have been instrumental in bringing together the Bay of Plenty Spaces and Places Strategy.

