



Bike Waikato Submission to Waikato District Council Long Term Plan 2025-2034

Kia ora Waikato District Council

We are writing to provide feedback on the Long Term Plan 2025-2034¹.

We are a cycling advocacy group based in the Waikato with a goal to have more people riding bikes safely.

We are supportive of the vision of the Council (emphasis ours): *"Well-maintained roads, accessible pathways, and vibrant cycleways make getting around our district easier and safer for all. By prioritising projects and renewals and managing our roading contracts effectively, we support active lifestyles, reduce congestion, and enhance connections between people and places."*

It is important that footpath and cycleway maintenance and improvements are appropriately funded. On this basis, we support **Option 2** to invest in additional maintenance, particularly for footpaths and cycleways, over the next three years.

We note also that the Council has an opportunity to refresh the Waikato District cycling network by remarking and repainting cycle lanes during routine maintenance activities (line marking, etc.).

With several satellite cities to Hamilton and several more settlements along Te Awa, the Waikato District has a real opportunity to improve and encourage access to cycling.

Thank you for considering our submission.

Kind regards

Bike Waikato Committee

¹ Long Term Plan 2025-2034 Consultation Document.

https://hdp-au-prod-app-waik-shape-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/7017/4433/7149/Long_Term_Plan_Consultation_Document.pdf