

Where We Want To Be

New and existing roads are designed and maintained as corridors that fulfil the needs of all users and the planned function of the roads.

All of Council's sealed roads have been maintained to an average (but acceptable) ride quality, with the exception of those sections of roads where reversion to unsealed is considered the most economically acceptable option.

✓ **Seal Extension Programme**

The Seal Extension Programme has significant community support and is only progressed where local and/or NZ Transport Agency funding is available. However changes in the NZ Transport Agency priorities have made subsidised seal extensions almost impossible to achieve. Council will also consider promoting projects where residents or developers provide the funding.

✓ **Reseals Programme**

Council reseals approximately 30 kilometres across the District per annum to prevent major pavement failures and improve skid resistance.

✓ **Bridge Replacement Programme**

Council has a programme of bridge replacements to ensure bridges are replaced as dictated by condition and age.

✓ **Slip Programme**

An allocation is provided under preventative maintenance each year to allow for storm events that are expected. If no storms eventuate during the year the allocation is used to catch up on repairs required as a result of previous storm events.

How We Plan To Get There

Continuing the 2011/2012 programmes of ongoing maintenance, renewals and upgrades in accordance with the 2012 Asset Management Plan. This also includes:

✓ **Seal Extension Programme**

The proposed seal extension programme for future years is subject to continued NZ Transport Agency funding and community support. Some sections of roads have been prioritised for seal extension when and if funding is available. Nothing is planned unless funded by roading contributions.

The Reseals, bridge Replacement and Slips Programmes along with the Road Maintenance and Renewals Programme are based on the 2012 Asset Management Plan and rely on the proposed level of NZ Transport Agency subsidies at the minimum rate of 59 per cent.

✓ **Development Contributions**

Development Contributions are not currently being collected for new subdivision applications for Otamatea and Mangawhai. Work which comes under development contributions can only proceed once sufficient funding has been collected. A review of previous contributions and expenditure will be undertaken to determine sustainability and timing of future works.

✓ **Signage**

Signage will be improved within the proposed budgets. This will mostly be permanent warning signs as identified as part of the Government's Safer Journey's Strategy.