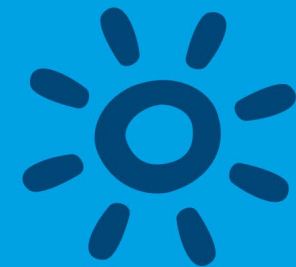


# Western Bay of Plenty Public Transport Services & Infrastructure Business Case

Combined Tangata Whenua Forum – 28 November 2023

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# Purpose

- **To provide you with a briefing on the Western Bay Public Transport Services and Infrastructure project**
- **Answer any questions you may have about the project**





# **Involvement with Iwi across Tauranga Moana & Western Bay**

- Important to us that we ensure we have cultural oversight & inputs from Tangata Whenua into our planning work**
- Project has been going on for nearly year & we are close to completing the development of our plan**
- We know there are current issues with bus services which we need to deal with outside of this project**
- To date we have been talking to representatives of Te Rangapū (Tauranga Moana) and more recently with Te Ihu o te Waka o te Arawa & Te Kāhui Mana Whenua o Tauranga Moana (Western Bay Iwi Forum)**

# The Project Team / Funding Partners



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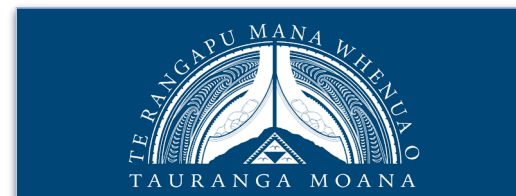


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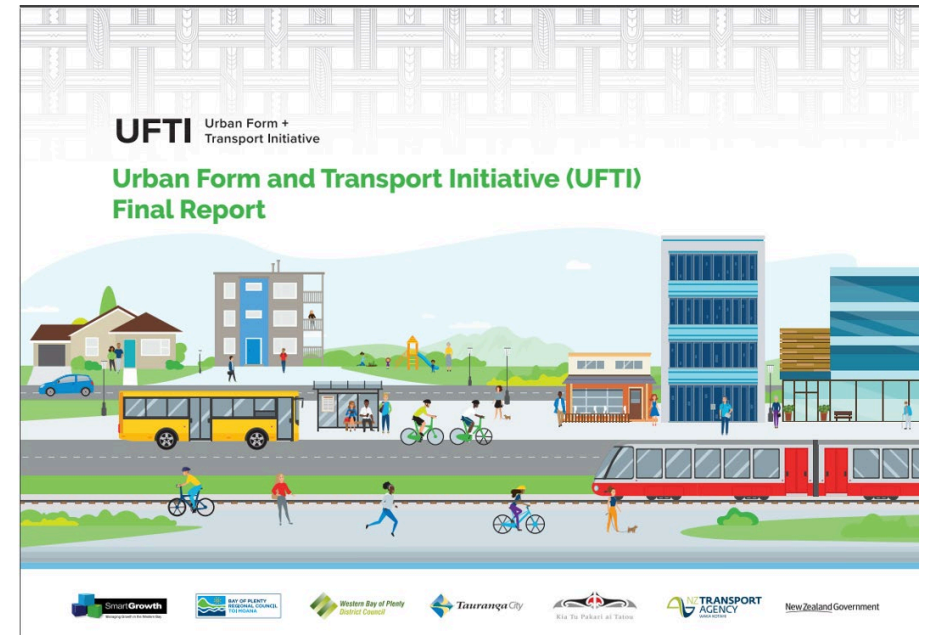
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# Project Background

- UFTI & TSP identified the need for this project (to support the Connected Centres programme)
- Identified the need for a joint business case for services and infrastructure
- This is a sub-regional and joint partner project



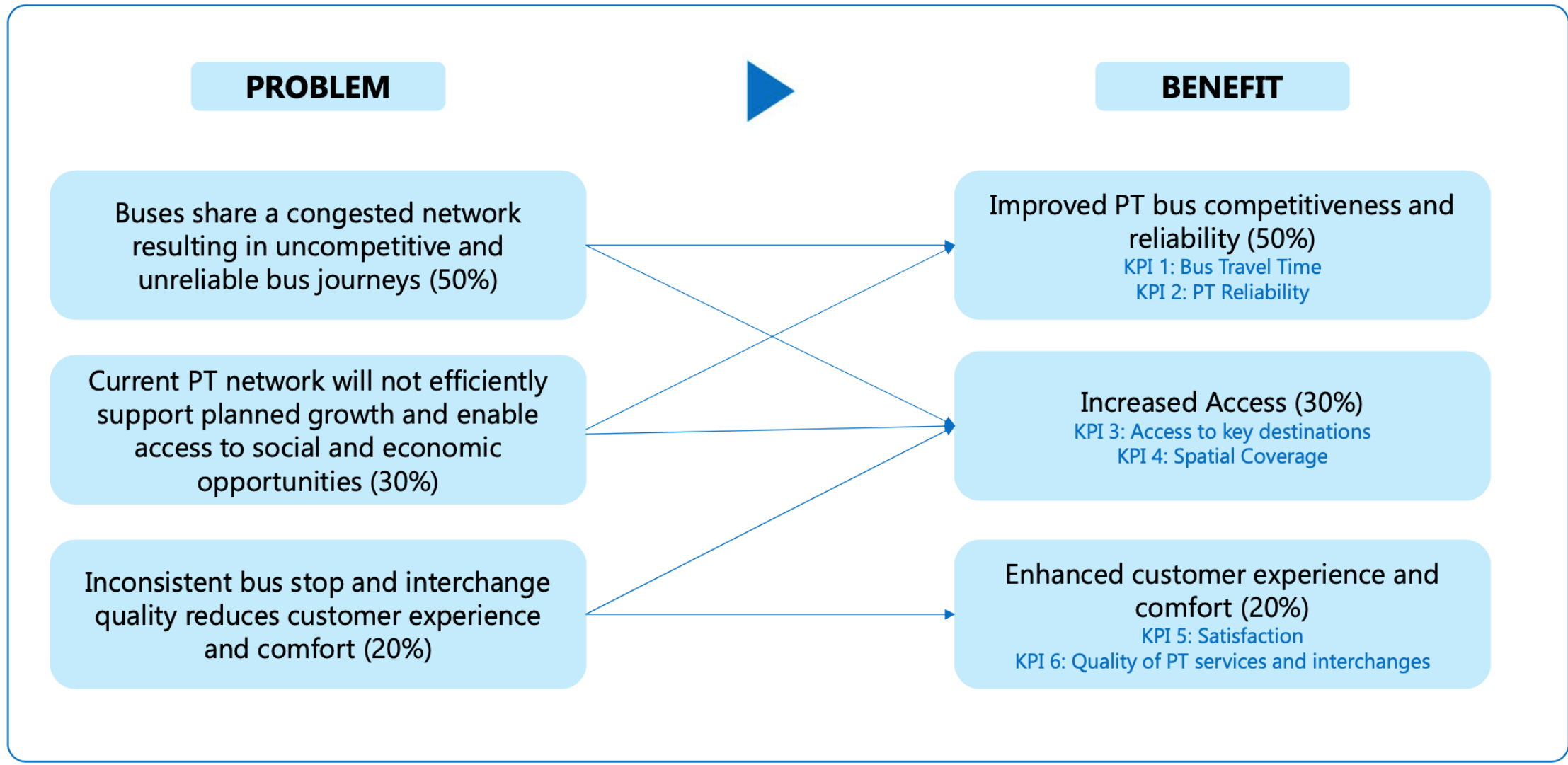


# Project Scope

- This is a planning project - how we provide better public transport (buses) around Tauranga & western Bay sub-region in the future
- **Bus Services:**
  - Identify routes, frequencies, interchange points, park and ride
- **Infrastructure:**
  - Physical improvements to the network to support the agreed services (bus priority schemes, improvements at bus stops etc)
- **10-year horizon with 30-year outlook**



# What's the project trying to solve





# Our Objectives

- 1. To improve competitiveness of PT by improving bus journey times**
- 2. To improve the reliability of PT in peak hours**
- 3. To enhance PT customer experience and perception by increasing user satisfaction**
- 4. To increase access to key destinations via public transport to key UFTI destinations**
- 5. To improve the reach of PT by increasing the proportion of people within a 10 minute walking time**



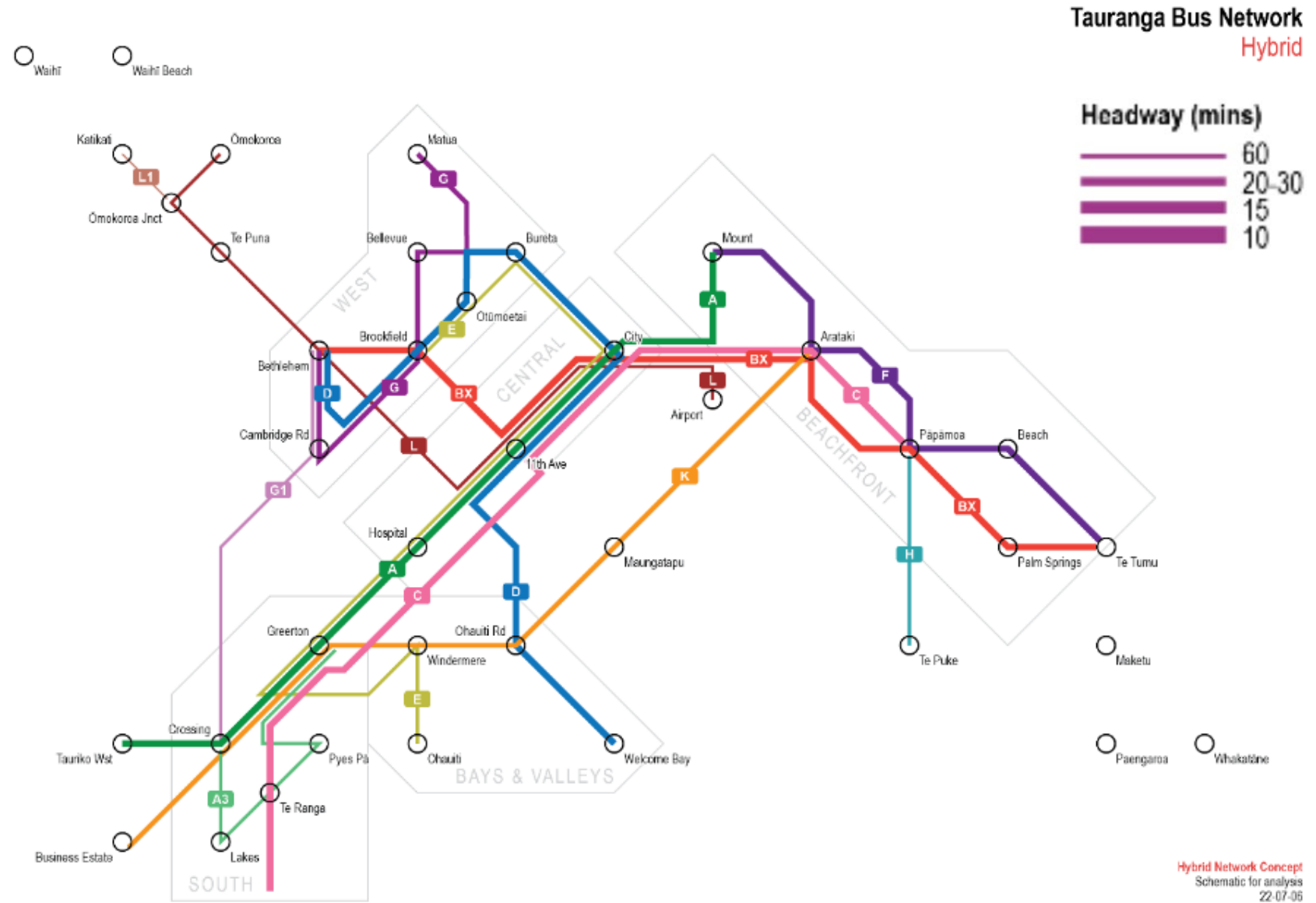


# Work done to date

- Project team began work in December 2022
- Agreed problems we're looking to solve and set our goals/objectives
- Investigating options for improving:
  - Services – increased services (mainly in urban area), less transfers
  - Infrastructure – bus priority (more on key corridors)
  - Park and Ride
- Recently completed workshop to identify the emerging recommended option



# Proposed Future PT Services – Fixed Routes





# What have we learnt so far?

- Without infrastructure, journey time reliability cannot improve
- To help emissions reduction, we need more to do more than services and infrastructure
- Improvements in Tauranga urban area will have positive impact on those Western Bay-Tauranga journeys
- Park & Ride may not be an easy answer
- We may need to look at different ways to service the rural area compared to the urban area
- We have heard that bus services to marae is important to you



***101 – Mid-block bus lanes***



***102 – Continuous bus lanes  
+ intersection priority***



***103 – Fully segregated bus  
way***

# Infrastructure levels considered



## Next steps

- **Improvement programme for the next 10 years is being developed up**
- **Draft report (Christmas)**
- **Completion of project (February 2024)**
- **If business case and funding are approved, we can start next phases (some design, some construction)**





# Questions?

