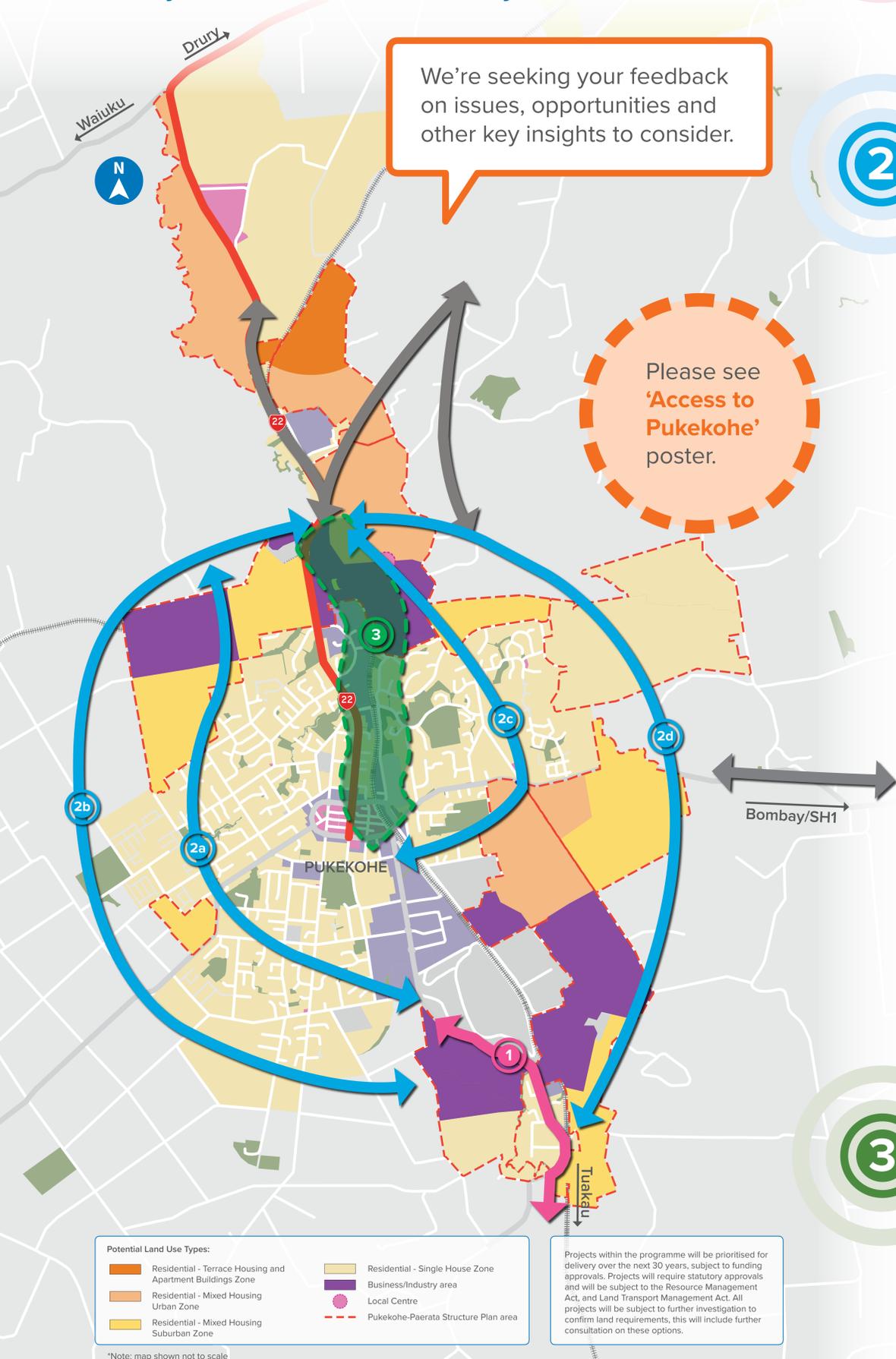


IMPROVING CONNECTIONS FOR PUKEKOHE-PAERATA

In Pukekohe the transport options are influenced by key land use decisions around centres and the areas of employment. The character and identity of Pukekohe is important while improving access to different modes of transport.

We are planning how we can best deliver the infrastructure for both the existing and future communities to have safe, connected and attractive transport choices to key destinations in and beyond the town.



1

Buckland Road

Significant levels of growth are currently planned for Pokeno and Tuakau. More residential development in North Waikato will likely lead to an increase in traffic along Buckland Road. We are exploring how we can improve the road not only for vehicles but for other users too (e.g. cyclists).

2

New Pukekohe Ring Roads

The main route from one side of Pukekohe to the other currently requires drivers to travel through the town centre. This causes congestion, which will increase as the community grows. We are looking for opportunities for improving road alignments to relieve town centre congestion.

We are considering up to four ring road options:

2a

Western inner ring road

Utilising existing roads from Buckland Road to the strategic network north of Pukekohe. This option travels through the existing urbanised areas of Pukekohe

2b

Western outer ring road

This option is a new road outside the future urban zone of west Pukekohe from Buckland Road and connecting to State Highway 22 north of Pukekohe

2c

Eastern inner ring road

Existing roads from Manukau Road to connect to East Street and the strategic network north of Pukekohe. This option travels through the existing urbanised areas of Pukekohe

2d

Eastern outer ring road

This option is a new road outside the future urban zone of east Pukekohe from Buckland Road and connecting to the strategic network north of Pukekohe.

3

East-west connections

With the upgrading of the rail corridor we are looking at opportunities to improve connections from east to west over the rail corridor. This could include improving existing crossings, creating new crossing opportunities for all forms of transport or, if required, removing unsafe crossings.