Baypark to Bayfair Link

An effective transport system is essential to connecting people, places and products throughout Aotearoa New Zealand.

Every day, approximately 38,000 vehicles travel along the Baypark to Bayfair Link (Bay Link). Comprised of State Highway 2 (SH2) and State Highway 29A (SH29A), it's a busy route with a diverse mix of users.

The Bay Link project will improve safety by separating local traffic from the state highway and rail corridor, provide safer walking and cycling connections, and complete the SH2 Eastern Corridor for the Bay of Plenty.

Key benefits for our community

Whether you're commuting, touring or transporting goods, we're improving safety, accessibility and connectivity for all road users between Baypark and Bayfair.

Safety

- » Bay Link will provide greater safety benefits by separating state highway and local traffic.
- » Traffic will be separated from the rail corridor as a result of the Te Maunga interchange taking SH29A traffic over the railway line and the relocation of the East Coast Main Trunk railway line from along SH2 (part of the project's enabling works).
- » The Bayfair roundabout is being upgraded to a larger version with traffic signals, allowing more controlled flow and movement of vehicles, and improving overall safety for road users.

Accessibility

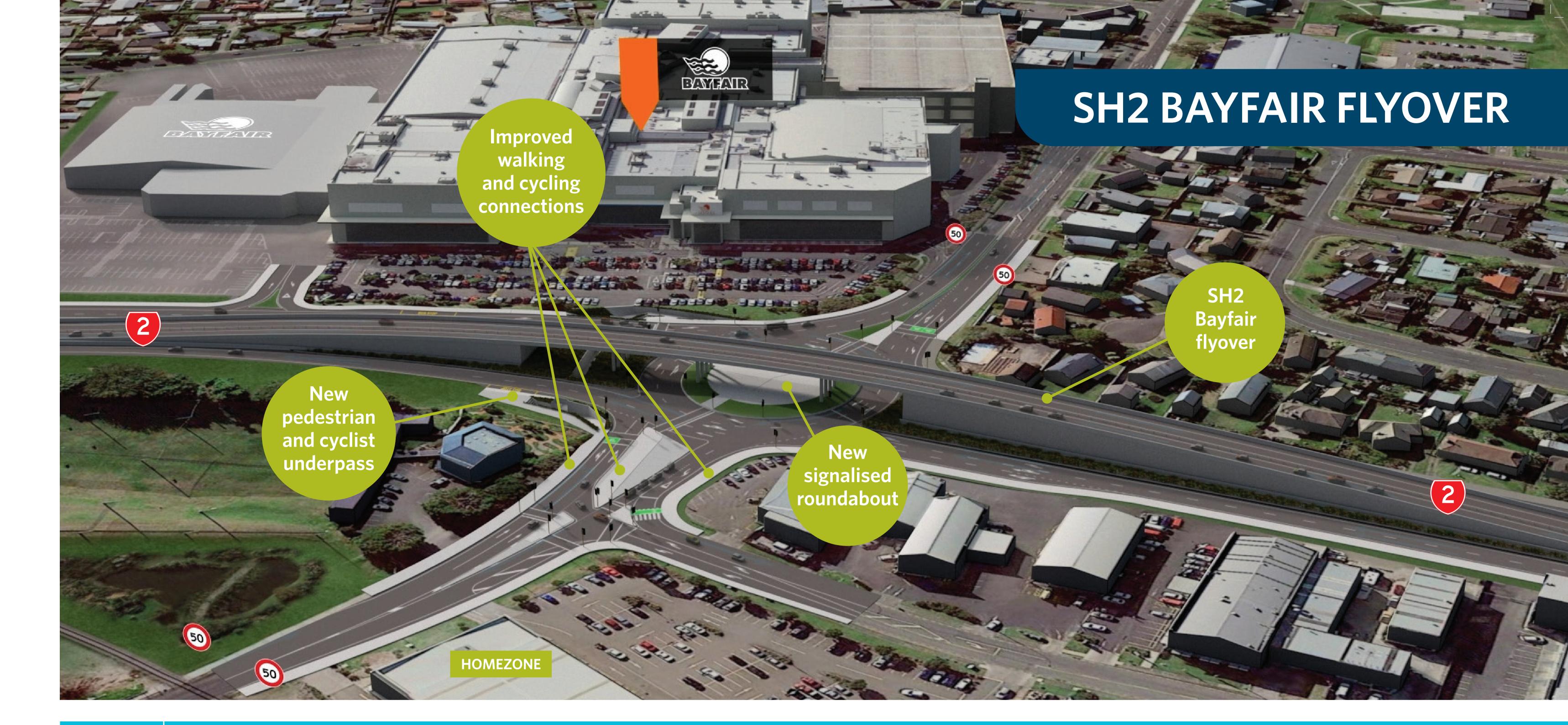
- » By separating local traffic from state highway traffic, accessibility will be improved to nearby retail, including Bayfair Shopping Centre and HomeZone.
- » The interchange at the Te Maunga intersection will allow traffic to flow more freely onto the Tauranga Eastern Link.
- » The Bayfair flyover and the Te Maunga interchange will provide a separate, streamlined freight route from the Tauranga Eastern Link to the Port of Tauranga.

Connectivity

- » Overall, pedestrians and connectivity between Tauranga City, Mount
- children will have safer and and Arataki.
- » With the addition of the underpass near Bayfair there will be greater connectivity to Tauranga's wider cycling network.



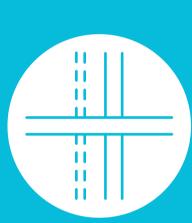
- cyclists will have improved Maunganui and Pāpāmoa.
- » Local residents and school improved walking and cycling connections with surrounding suburbs, including Matapihi



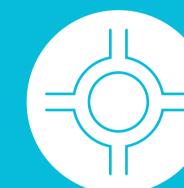
Construction of a four-span flyover at Bayfair to take SH2 traffic over the Bayfair roundabout



Construction of a new pedestrian and cyclist underpass under SH2 near Bayfair and a controlled signalised crossing through the Bayfair roundabout, connecting Matapihi and Arataki



Construction of an interchange to take SH29A over the railway line and the Te Maunga intersection



Construction of a new roundabout at the intersection of SH29A and Truman Lane near Baypark



Improved walking and cycling connections between Baypark and Bayfair







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