





Waitakere

Sorting Out Transport in the City

Better Ways to Get Around

Everyone wants to be able to get around the city easily and plans are now being developed to make that possible – with a mix of better train, bus and ferry services and first class walk and cycle ways.

Key

-  Proposed Rail Trail
-  Existing cycle way
-  Twin Streams walk & cycle way
-  Sports cycle route

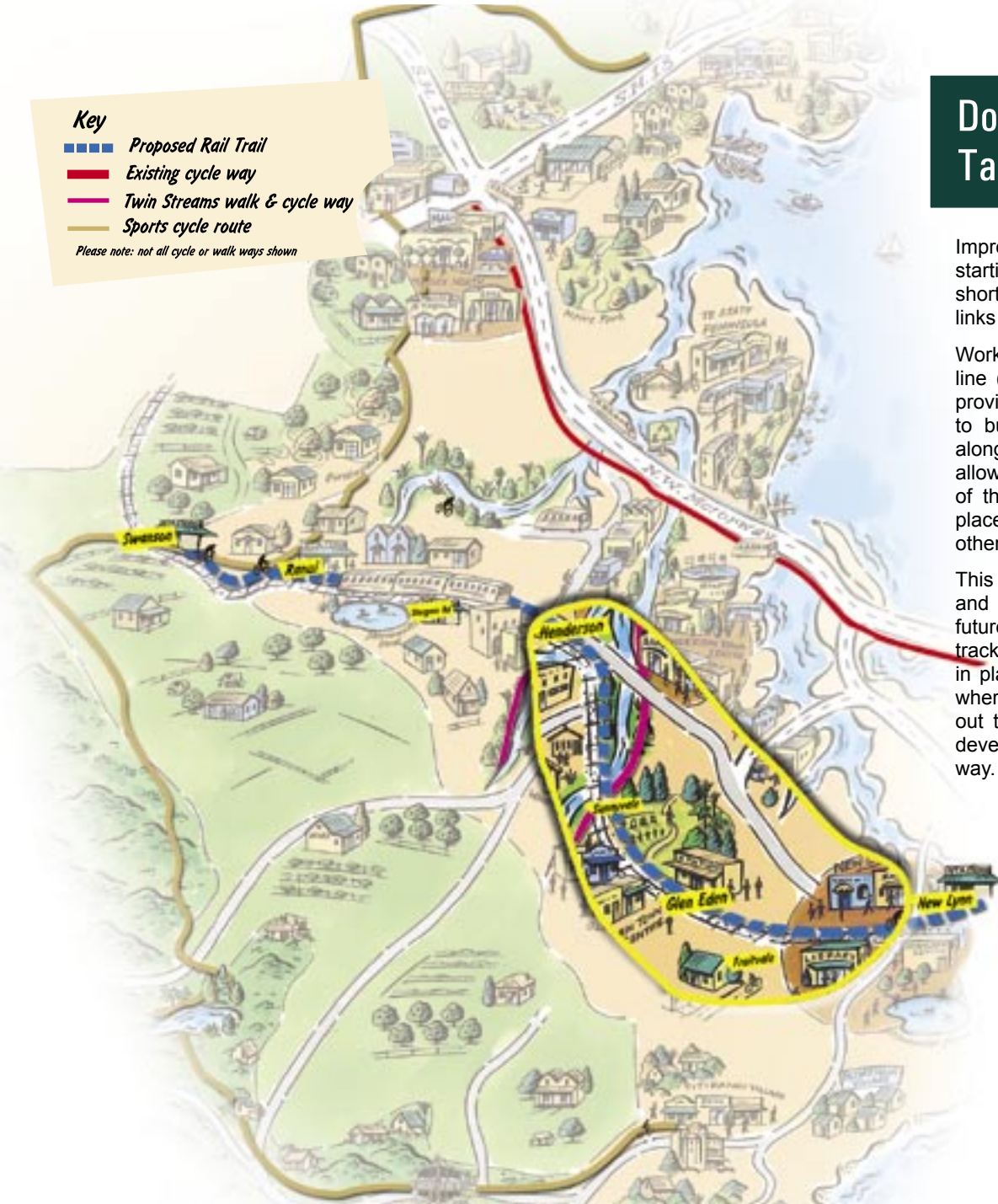
Please note: not all cycle or walk ways shown

Do You Want to Take a Shortcut?

Improving the rail line is a logical starting point because it is the shortest route across the city and links the main town centres.

Work on double tracking this line (to improve the rail service) provides the perfect opportunity to build a walk and cycle way alongside the railway line. This will allow people to take advantage of this short cut between workplaces, shops, schools, parks and other busy spots in the city.

This map shows how the walking and cycle way will look in the future, joining together some tracks and routes that are already in place. The highlighted area is where work will next be carried out to upgrade rail stations and develop the walking and cycle way.



Rail Trails are a proven success

Rail Trails - walk and cycle ways that run alongside a rail line - have worked really well in other places in New Zealand and overseas. Some of the benefits are:

- Walking and cycling ways provide another way to travel to work or school
- It will be easier to get to parks, community centres, libraries and shopping areas
- It will take less time to get across the city because you won't have to use busy roads.
- They are safer than routes on roads
- You will be able to connect to other off-road cycle and walking tracks.
- Walking and cycling provide the opportunity to improve health and feel good.

Fast tracking the rail service

The second track along the western line (double tracking) means more trains running in both directions, better services and on-time performance.

The Auckland Regional Transport Authority (ARTA) is carrying out the double tracking project and will be providing further information about exactly when and how it will go ahead.

At the same time, the Fruitvale, Glen Eden, Sunnyvale and Henderson rail stations are being improved to make them much better and safer places to catch the train, to provide better parking and at the same time make the stations connect better with roads, buses, and walking and cycling routes.

Improvements to rail stations are being carried out by the Auckland Regional Transport Network Limited (ARTNL).

What can you do to be part of the projects?

To get these projects right, we need to hear what will work best for people living near the rail line, stations and walk and cycle ways.

If you would like to know more and put ideas forward, there will be some community meetings held soon to ask for your opinions about some of the changes to the rail stations and the work on the walk and cycle way.

Keep an eye out for advertisements and fliers that will let you know when and where these meetings are scheduled.

For progress updates in the near future, please use the following web site addresses:

Rail corridor walk and cycle way: www.waitakere.govt.nz

Western rail corridor double-tracking: www.arta.co.nz

Rail station upgrades: www.artnl.co.nz

