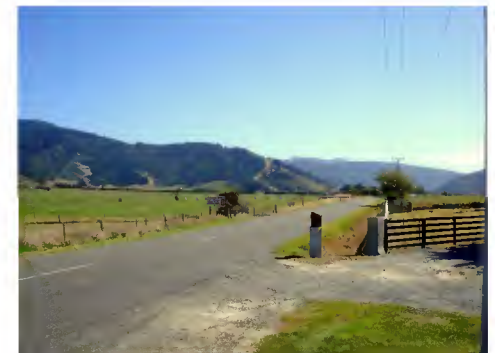


7.5 Linkwater / The Grove

Summary of findings and proposed initiatives:

- Possible creation of a residential growth node consisting of approximately 100 sections
- Construction of proposed public toilets along Queen Charlotte Drive in Linkwater
- Proposals aimed at speed restriction and traffic calming within The Grove
- Upgrade of the jetty
- Reclassification of the foreshore reserve in The Grove
- Freedom camping restrictions



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7.5.1 Residential growth

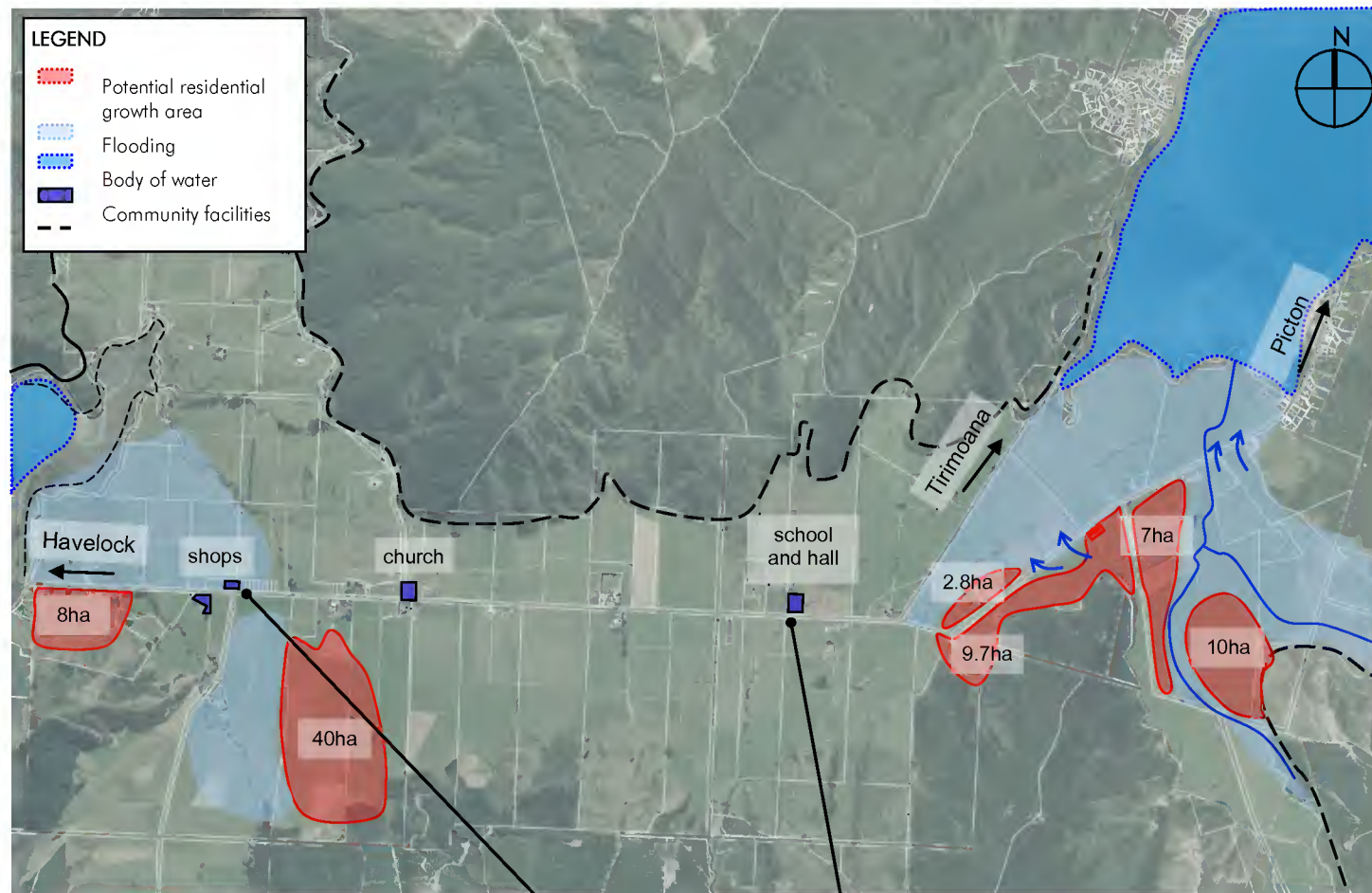
The Linkwater / The Grove area was considered favourably as an area that could potentially accommodate residential growth. Several advantages were indicated as follows:

- The location of Linkwater centrally between the service and employment centres of Picton and Havelock;
- The location of Linkwater on a cross roads of the Queen Charlotte Drive and the Anakiwa and Kenepuru Roads;
- The presence of community facilities, including a school, hall, and church;
- The presence of commercial facilities, including a service centre and general store; and
- The availability of seemingly unconstrained developable land.

Several areas within the Linkwater/ The Grove area were tested for their residential development potential (refer to Figure 7-9). The easternmost areas were favoured for the following reasons:

- The area is slightly elevated and offers some seaviews of the Grove Arm.
- The area is mildly sloping to the north and receives better solar access than the areas to the west, which are shaded in winter for a greater part of the day.
- An existing paper road can function as the backbone access for the development.

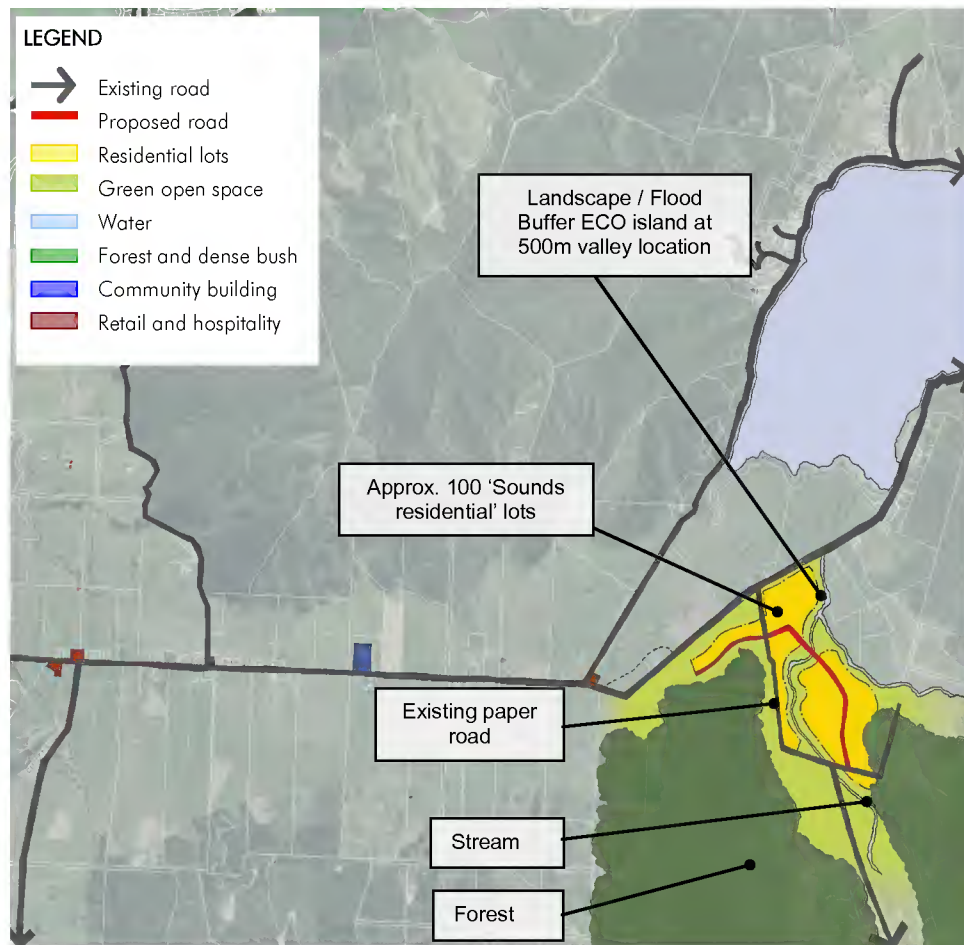
Figures 7-10 and 7-11 overleaf show a concept plan and artist's impression respectively for this proposed growth node



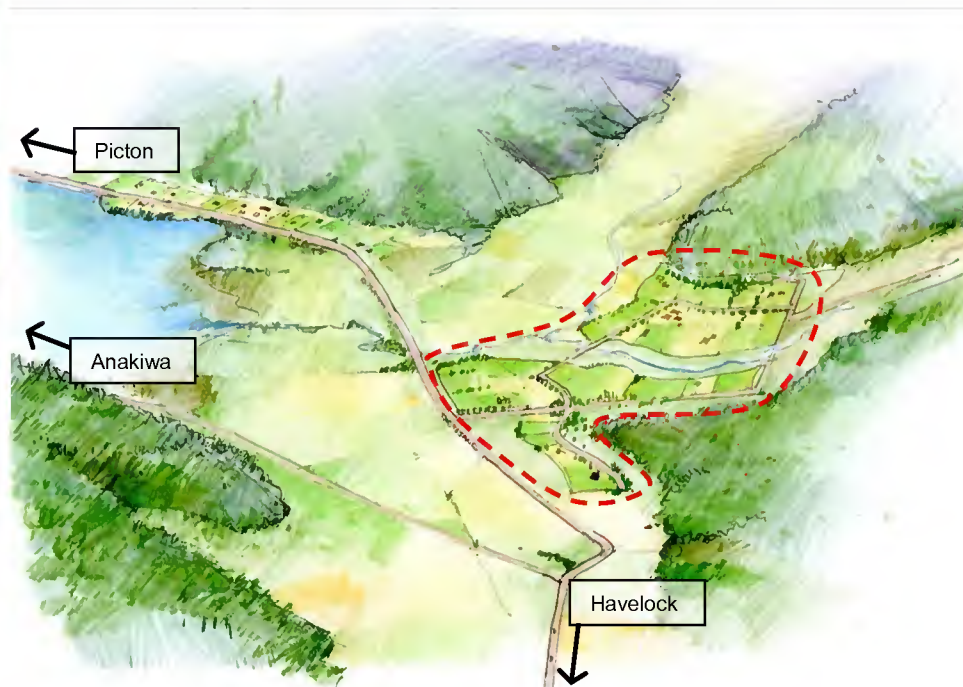
ABOVE FIG. 7-9: Summary of growth areas considered in Linkwater



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ABOVE FIG. 7-10: concept for the proposed growth node in Linkwater



ABOVE FIG. 7-11: artist's impression of the proposed growth node in Linkwater

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7.5.2 Proposed initiatives Linkwater

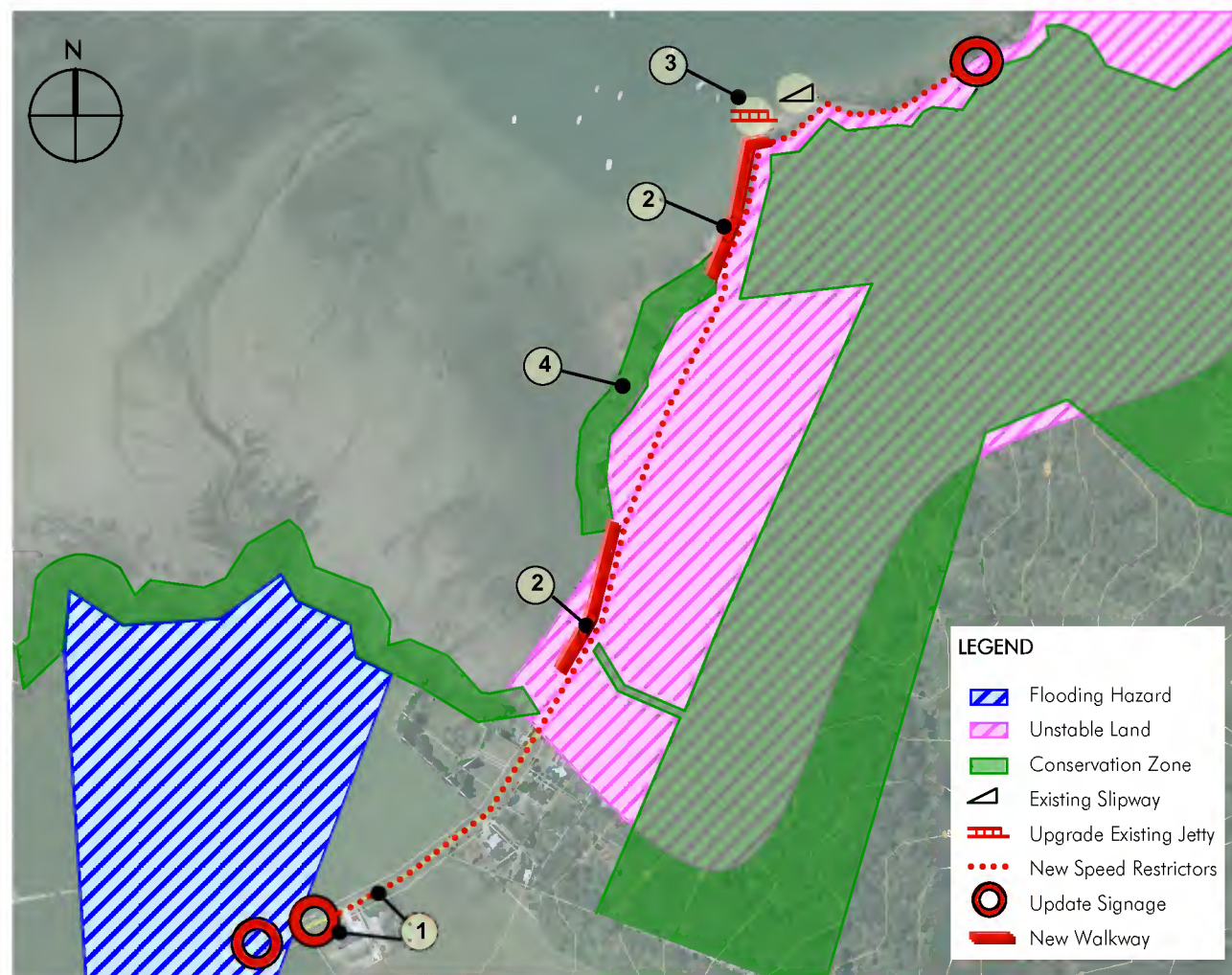
The following illustrates the proposed initiatives for Linkwater:

- The already proposed public toilets at Linkwater will enhance visitor amenity along Queen Charlotte Drive without reliance on commercial facilities.
- It is proposed that the Council will assist with the extension and maintenance of the Link Track.
- Upgrades to roading and other facilities will be required if and when the proposed residential development of approximately 100 lots will occur in the area.

7.5.3 Proposed initiatives The Grove

The following illustrates the proposed actions and their benefits for The Grove:

- In order to improve traffic safety along Queen Charlotte Drive within the settlement, it is proposed that speed restrictions be introduced, through the provision of:
 - A flush median in the recently widened road, which will optically narrow down the carriageway, resulting in traffic calming (refer to 1 in Figure 7-12); and
 - Large speed limit signs which will alert drivers that they are approaching a residential area (1).
- Facilitate the continuation of Link Track as planned (2).
- Upgrade of the jetty should be considered within the Council's proposed Jetty Upgrade Strategy to provide a higher level of amenity at the water's edge (3).
- Investigate the reclassification of the coastal reserve (4) from 'Conservation' to 'Recreation', so that the community is able to maintain this resource itself, as suggested during public consultation.
- Locate 'No freedom camping' signage in the wider area to ensure the preservation of the natural environment.



ABOVE FIG. 7-12: Summary of proposed initiatives in The Grove

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7.5.4 Implementation schedule of actions Linkwater

Ref.	Page	Action	Type of project	Timeline Short: 0-2yr; Medium: 2-5yr; Long: 5yr+.	Priority High; Medium; Low.	Comments
LW-1	149	Construct the proposed public toilets	Physical	Short	H	
LW-2	149	Facilitate the continuation of the Link Track as planned	Administrative	Short	H	
LW-3	147, 148	Undertake a detailed investigation into the suitability of the land for residential growth (1,000m ² lots + infrastructure) in the indicated area	Administrative	Short	H	
LW-4	147, 148	If the outcomes of the above mentioned investigation prove positive, possibly rezone the land to accommodate 1,000m ² residential lots	Administrative	Short	L	

7.5.5 Implementation schedule of actions The Grove

Ref.	Page	Action	Type of project	Timeline Short: 0-2yr; Medium: 2-5yr; Long: 5yr+.	Priority High; Medium; Low.	Comments
TG-1	149	Erect larger speed signs	Physical	Short	M	
TG-2	149	Paint a flush median on Queen Charlotte Drive through the settlement to narrow the traffic lanes	Physical	Short	H	
TG-3	149	Facilitate the continuation of the Link Track as planned	Physical	Medium	H	
TG-4	149	Upgrade the jetty	Physical	Medium	M	
TG-5	149	Investigate the reclassification of the reserve from 'Conservation' to 'Recreation'	Administrative	Short	M	
TG-6	149	Erect 'No freedom camping' signage	Physical	Short	H	