

## 5. SERVICES AND FACILITIES STRATEGY

<b>Services and Facilities Strategy</b>	
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### 5.1. Strategy Objectives

- Enhance access to and use of Council's services and facilities.

### 5.2. Link to Council Outcomes

- **Quality services and facilities:** Council provides quality local public services and facilities which are cost effective to households and businesses, now and in the future.

### 5.3. Background and Current Position

The South Waikato Sport and Events Centre has been an amazing success but Council does not plan any major new facilities. Our approach is to work with the community to see whether the services offered are well used and whether they can be provided differently. Our population is likely to decline in the future and the change in the composition of our community will bring different needs. Are all of our sporting and leisure facilities and grounds well used? Is there the potential to bring these facilities together to save cost and more importantly increase the level of vibrancy in these areas? For example should the Logan Street Skatepark in Tokoroa be relocated to the Tokoroa Memorial Grounds Ground when it is upgraded? From 1 July 2015, Council plans on changing the library services provided to the Tirau community from a dedicated library building (which is only open 19 hours a week) to an outreach programme which will operate from the other libraries in the district. This will make the library service more available to members of the Tirau Community who are not currently able to visit the Tirau Library during opening hours.

### 5.4. Strategic Priorities

- Ensure that our services and facilities are going to cater for the needs of our community in the future.
- During the development of the Long Term Plan, Council reviewed our parks, reserves and playgrounds to ensure that resources are allocated to obtain maximum benefit.
- In mid 2015 Council will begin the review of the Reserve Management Plans. This will allow the public the opportunity to tell Council how they would like our reserves to be managed going forward into the future.
- Develop and maintain parks and reserves for public enjoyment.

**5.5. Year 1 Action Plan (2015-16)**

Action	Position Responsible	Date	Resource Requirement
Develop and implement Library Outreach Programme to service the Tīrau Community	Group Manager Community		
Review Reserve Management Plans	Parks and Property Manager		

**5.6. Annotations**

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