

Regional Deals Progress Update

Council Workshop

23 January 2025

Regional Deal Strategic Framework – Refresher



The purpose of regional deals is to deliver on shared objectives between central and local government

- > Deals will be based on a (existing) 30-year vision
- > Deals will have negotiated 10-year strategic plans
- > Deals will represent long-term commitments intended to endure

‘Regional’ can be regional, sub-regional or another appropriate scale, so long as they are defined economic and geographic areas with functional local authorities. It is up to Councils to determine how they group themselves in support of a regional deal

Guiding principles aim to help set the foundation for regional deals



Partnerships



Certainty of decision making



Adaptability



Accountability & transparency

Regional deals are to focus on priority objectives



Build economic growth

- > Increased jobs and skills
- > Improved standard of living
- > Increased productivity



Delivering connected and resilient infrastructure

- > Better connected communities and businesses through infrastructure
- > Infrastructure built (and identified investment in support of it) is more resilient against the impacts of natural hazards and climate change
- > Infrastructure built enables development, including housing, objectives



Improving the supply of affordable, quality housing

- > Increased supply of build ready land (both greenfield and brownfield), including ensuring the necessary infrastructure is in place for development
- > Improved housing affordability for rental and home ownership

Key Points to note

Participating Councils must demonstrate:

- > How proposed regional deal delivers on a commitment to regional spatial priorities
- > Previous collaboration with each other and Central Government
- > Alignment with reform and legislative agenda – especially LWDW and Going for Housing Growth
- > Explicit focus on economic growth
- > Capability, capacity and readiness to deliver – working with private sector and Kāi Tahu partners

Proposed Packages – Refresher

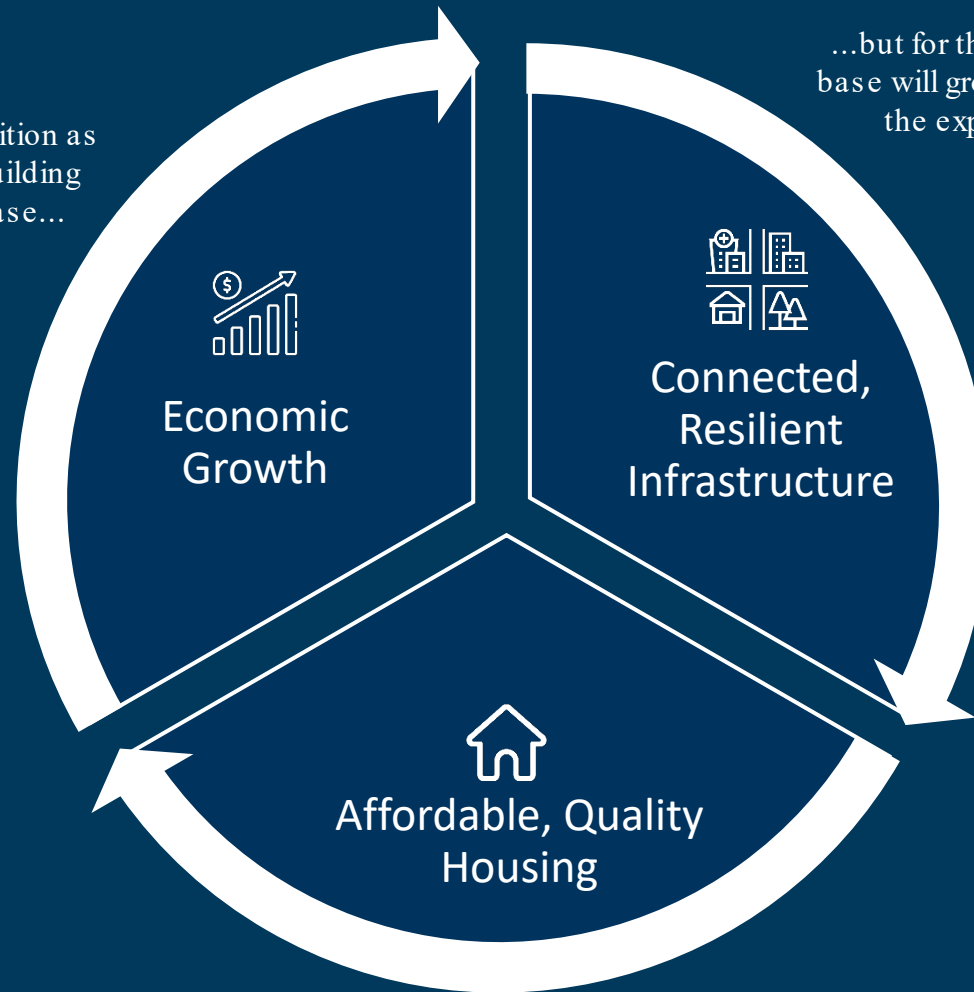
Economic growth needs to leverage our unique position as the tourism gateway to NZ, while simultaneously building new industries to diversify the region's economic base...

Priority packages:

Increasing the value of tourism

Increasing productivity through economic resilience

Building an international investment gateway to NZ



...but for the economy to grow our population base and visitor base will grow and we will need infrastructure that can support the expected quality of life for residents and a great visitor experience

Priority packages:

Transforming the transport system

Securing energy needs for the future

Innovative approach to health services

Delivering high quality education and professional development

And we need alternative methods for delivering affordable housing and funding growth infrastructure

Priority package:

Sharing the value created from growth

NOTE: Many proposed packages deliver on more than one of the primary objectives

Regional Collaboration – Progress



- > Agreement across the Mayors and CEs that the packages identified by QLDC are focused on the right areas
- > Now working with CODC and ORC (as well as key stakeholders eg Aurora) to ensure packages deliver benefits across the whole sub-region
- > Have not yet identified any major points of difference or packages where there isn't an obvious link to Central Otago



“Sharing the value from growth” package is likely to request a portion of royalties from the Santana mine to be returned to Central Otago to fund infrastructure / economic development.



- > Planning a joint workshop to discuss updated package in early Feb
- > Have also continued to engage with the private sector on opportunities for private investment in the packages

Next Steps

COMPLETE	QLDC Workshop to discuss package options and joint approach
COMPLETE	Meeting QLDC, CODC, ORC to discuss joint approach
COMPLETE	Submit registration of interest to DIA (signed by Mayors)
UNDERWAY	Socialise package options and joint approach with key stakeholders
UNDERWAY	Update packages based on CODC / ORC and key stakeholder input
TODAY	QLDC Workshop to discuss progress
5(?) February 2025	Joint QLDC, CODC, ORC workshop
February 2025	Develop draft proposal
19 February 2025	ORC Council approval of proposal
25 February 2025	QLDC Council approval of proposal
26 February 2025	CODC Council approval of proposal
28 February 2025	Submit proposal to DIA