About the AMETI Transport Projects

The Auckland Manukau Eastern Transport Initiative (AMETI) is a group of transport projects for the southeast (Panmure, Mt Wellington, Sylvia Park, Pakuranga, Howick and Botany).

The aim is to give people living in the area more transport choices by improving public transport, walking and cycling facilities and reducing traffic congestion. Other major aims are to create jobs by unlocking the economic potential of the area, improve transport for freight and business traffic and to promote good urban design.

The AMETI area has some of the highest traffic flows, highest proportions of freight traffic and greatest levels of congestion, anywhere in the country. Public transport is a poor option because buses get caught in congestion, resulting in long travel times. It also has some of the worst conditions for walking and cycling in Auckland.

The two bridges across the Tamaki River carry more than 120,000 vehicles a day, more than State Highway One through Victoria Park. They also have more freight traffic than any other corridor in the country.

The population is also expected to grow by 20-25,000 during the next 20 years, further increasing pressure on the transport system.

AMETI will be delivered in stages:

Phase 1 Panmure: New road linking Mt Wellington Highway and Morrin Rd, Panmure Station upgrade, Van Damm's Lagoon improvements, walking and cycling paths, busway bridge and two bridge replacements.

Phase 2 Panmure to Pakuranga: new intersection to replace Panmure roundabout, busway from Panmure Station to Pakuranga town centre, new Panmure Bridge, walking and cycle paths, Reeves Rd flyer.

Future development:

- Improved South Eastern Highway and East-West connections to State Highway 1
- New Sylvia Park bus interchange and route improvements
- Extension of new AMETI road to Merton Rd
- New Quarry Link Rd (linking Stonefields and Pilkington Rd)

Overall strategy:

- Get more people onto public transport to free up roads for freight and business traffic
- Focus roading improvements on key congestion points like Panmure town centre and the Ti Rakau Dr/Reeves Rd/south eastern highway (SEART) intersection
- Focus local journeys and public transport on the Panmure Bridge route
- Waipuna Bridge and the South Eastern Highway to become the primary route for through traffic to Auckland central and freight/business traffic.



