

# STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HALL CATCHMENT AREAS AND TARGETED RATES





## **BACKGROUND**

Council owns 33 community halls, which are managed by committees made up of members of the community. Community halls receive funding through a targeted rate which is funded by ratepayers located in the 'catchment' area of a community hall. Targeted rates are paid for by those who receive that activity or service and are in addition to general rates.

Council has been reviewing the catchment area and targeted rate of each hall in the Waikato District. Council has worked with hall committees to identify health and safety practice, repairs and required maintenance on halls. Hall committees provided feedback on changes to catchment areas and targeted rates from November 2019 to January 2020.

Each hall committee has suggested changes to how much ratepayers should fund the hall, based on how much they need to cover their operating costs, and a revised catchment of their hall. These options are presented below.

Five halls have been prioritised at this stage in the process. These halls are:

- · Kariotahi Hall
- Aka Aka Hall
- Otaua Hall
- Naike Hall
- Te Akau Community Complex

### KEY CHANGES WE'RE PROPOSING TO MAKE



- For Kariotahi, Aka Aka and Otaua Halls, Council is proposing to extend the catchment area and increase the targeted rate to \$55. A minor change is proposed for Te Akau and Naike Halls, where three properties would move from the Naike catchment area into Te Akau.
- Council is also looking at the fees for hiring halls through the 2021-31 Long Term Plan. For more information, go to https://shape.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/xxxx



## 👸 KEY CHANGES FOR KARIOTAHI, AKA AKA AND OTAUA HALLS

Hall committee have made suggested changes to their targeted rates, based on how much they need to cover their operating costs. Current targeted rates for the five hall catchments have not increased for at least ten years and this has not kept up with increasing maintenance costs. The current catchment of halls also does not reflect current usage. Some halls, such as Kariotahi Hall, lost the rates properties through the 2010 Franklin District Council and Waikato District Council amalgamation, resulting in a significant decrease in funding.

Here's a summary of the key changes we're proposing to make:

#### What we're proposing

Option 1: Maintain the current catchment areas of the three halls, with no increase in targeted rate. This does not reflect what was requested from the Hall Committees and current target rates will not cover the cost of maintaining these properties.

Option 2: These proposed changes to Kariotahi, Aka Aka and Otaua Halls would see the following increases in targeted rates for dwellings within each proposed catchment:

Hall	Properties within current catchment (Attachment A)	Properties within proposed catchment (Attachment B)
Kariotahi	54 Properties	410 Properties
Aka Aka	184 Properties	293 Properties
Otaua	161 Properties	274 Properties

In addition to the new proposed boundaries, all three halls have requested that consultation occurs to increase the targeted rate to \$55.00 per household from the current targeted rate:

Hall	Current Targeted Rate	Proposed Targeted Rate
Kariotahi	\$28.74	\$55.00
Aka Aka	\$35.00	\$55.00
Otaua	\$50.00	\$55.00

#### Reasons for the proposal

- Hall committees have requested these changes to fund maintenance and allow for the effective day-to-day operation and management of these council-owned halls.
- In response to prior consultation with hall committees in regards to feedback on catchment areas.



This amendment has been requested by the Te Akau and Naike Hall Committee's to reflect current user patterns.

### What we're proposing

Option 1: Maintain current catchment area of Te Akau and Naike.

Option 2: Council is proposing to move three properties (five dwellings) from the Naike catchment into Te Akau catchment. No change to the targeted rate is proposed.

# SUBMISSIONS CAN BE:

### **ONLINE:**

https://shape.waikatodistrict. govt.nz/halls-review



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### **EMAILED:**

consult@waidc.govt.nz Subject heading should read: "Hall Catchment and Targeted Rate Review"

# WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Council will acknowledge each submission received in writing, either by letter or email.

Following the closing of submissions on 7 May 2021, all submissions will be reviewed. Verbal submissions will be heard and all submissions formally considered at a Council meeting between 25-28 May 2021 (or as soon thereafter as possible).

This meeting is open to both submitters and the public to attend.

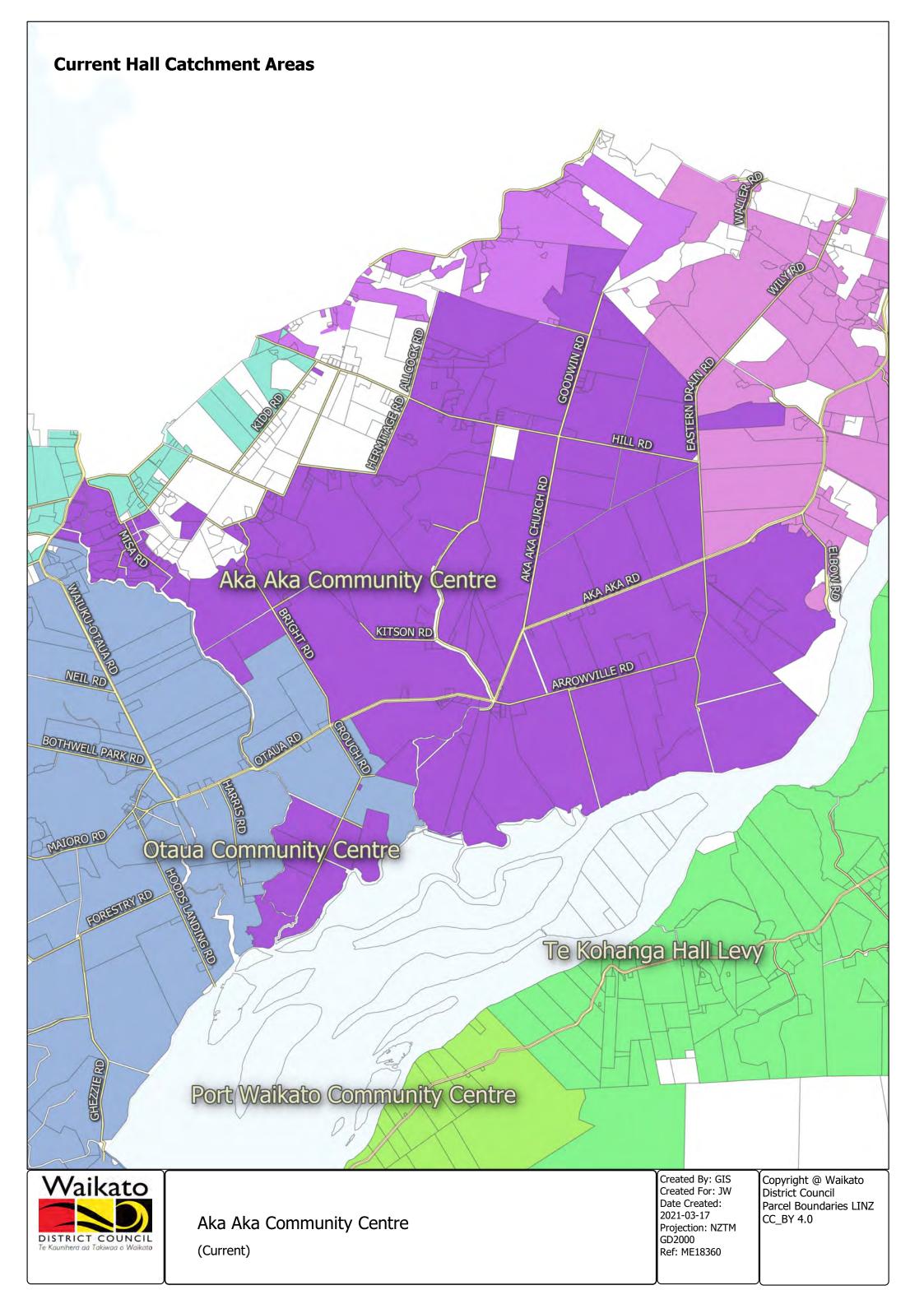
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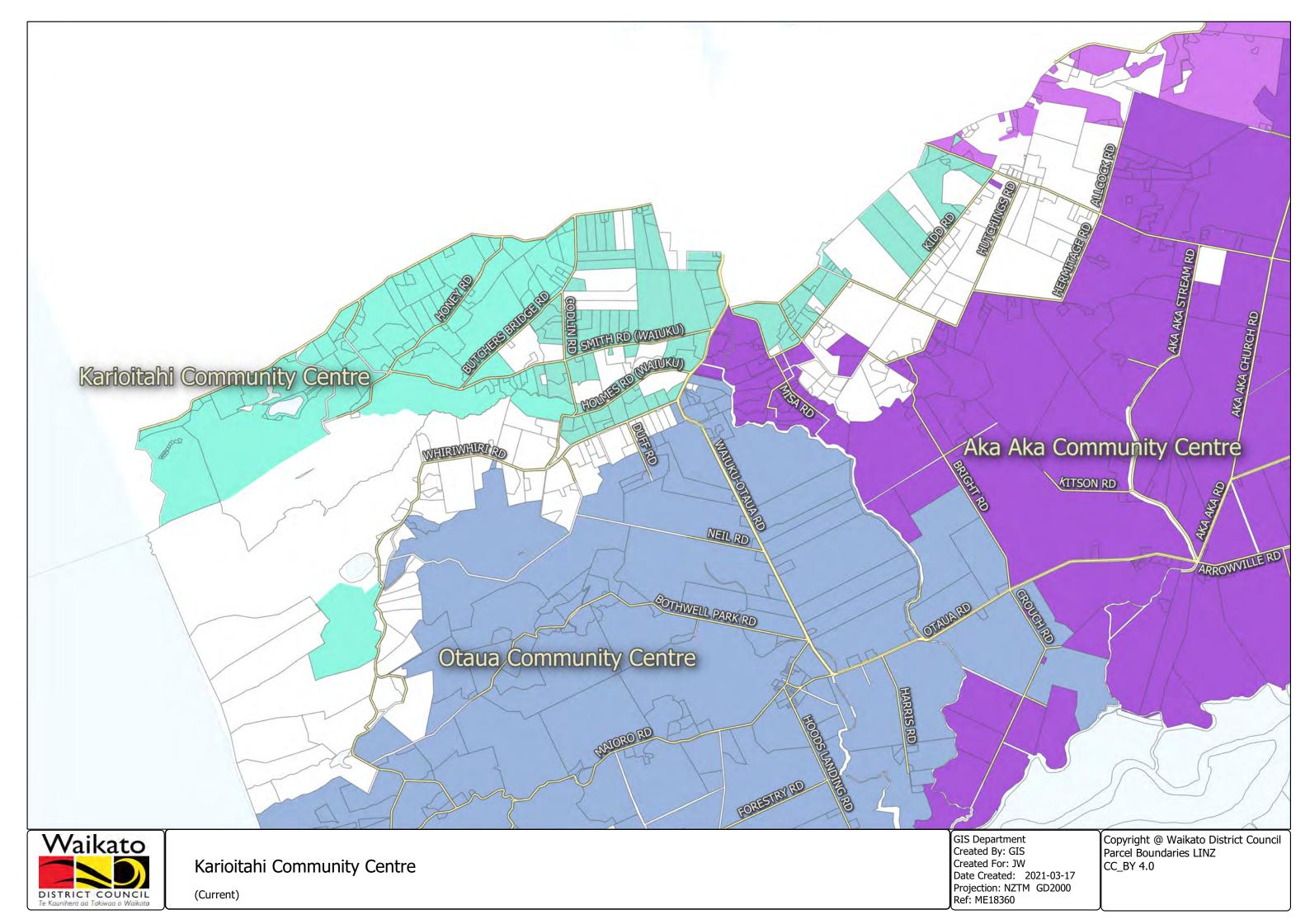
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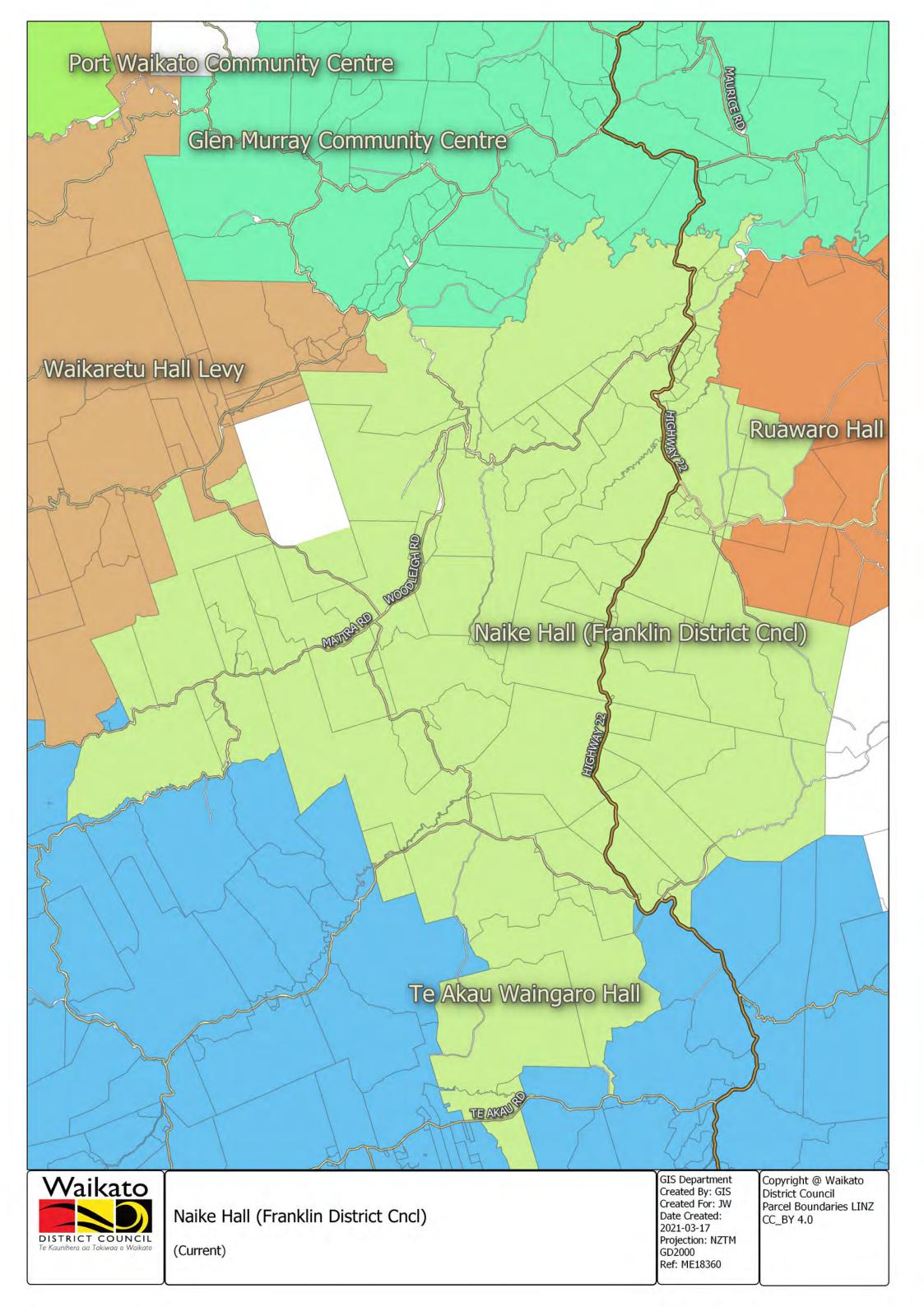
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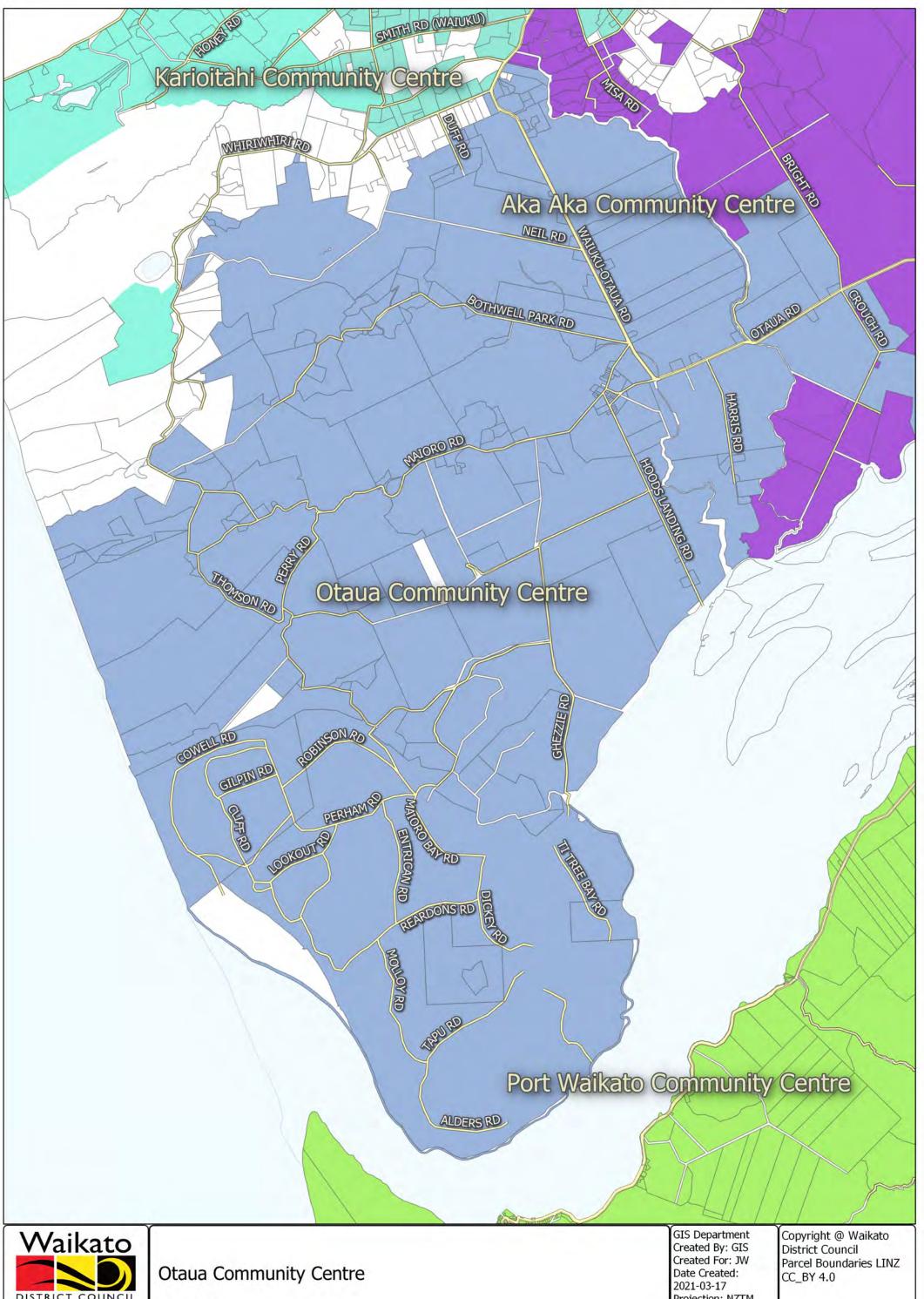
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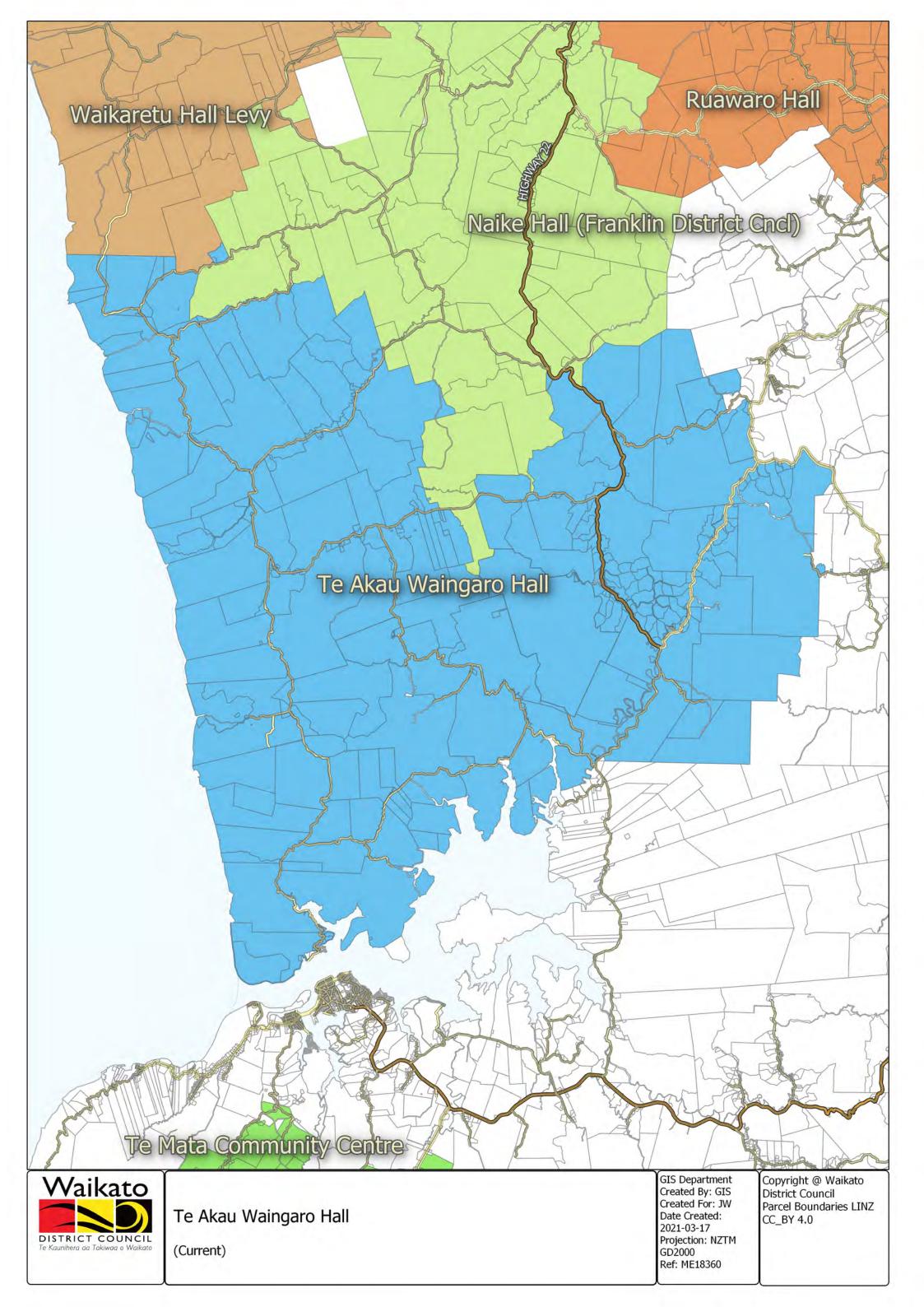


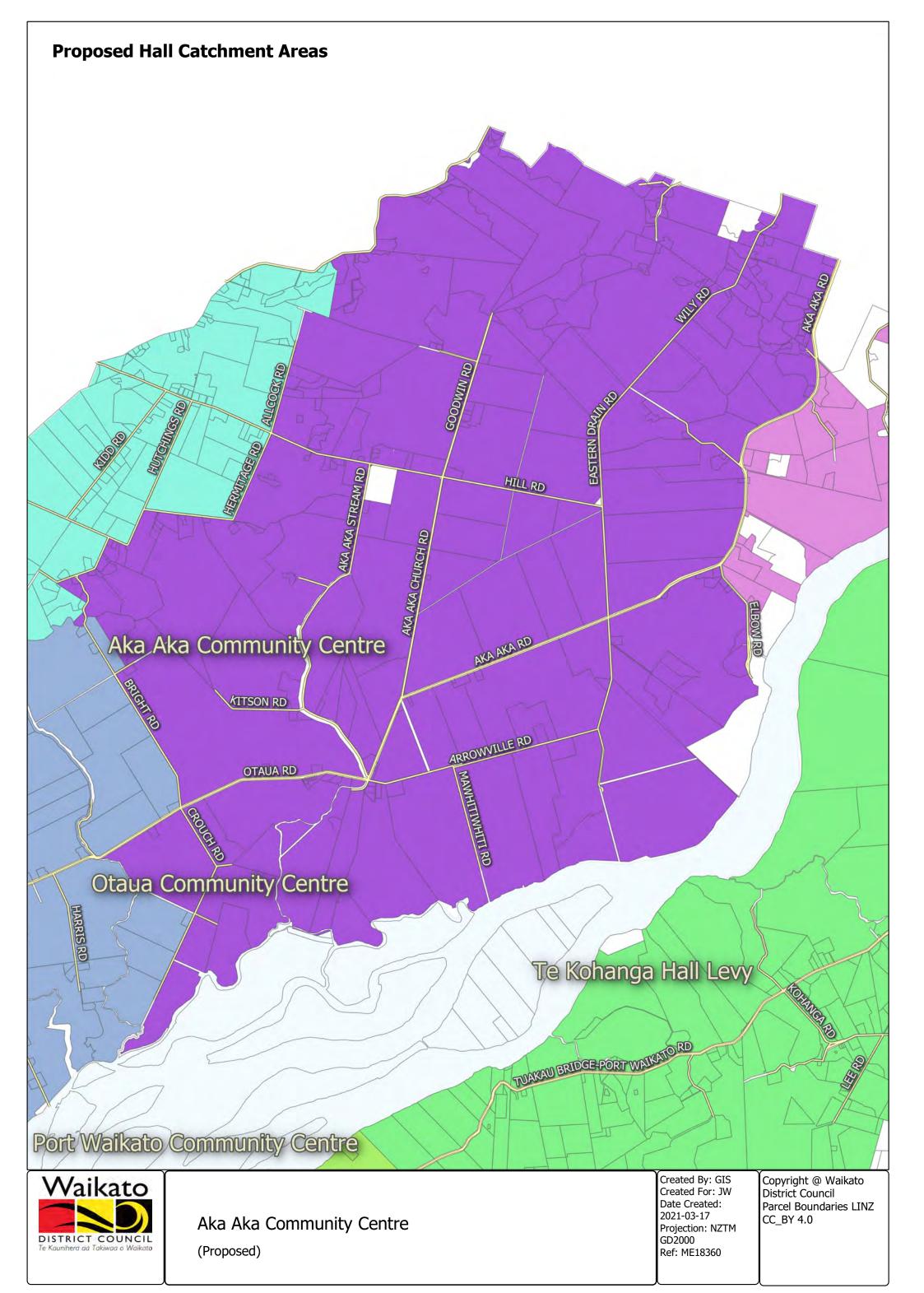


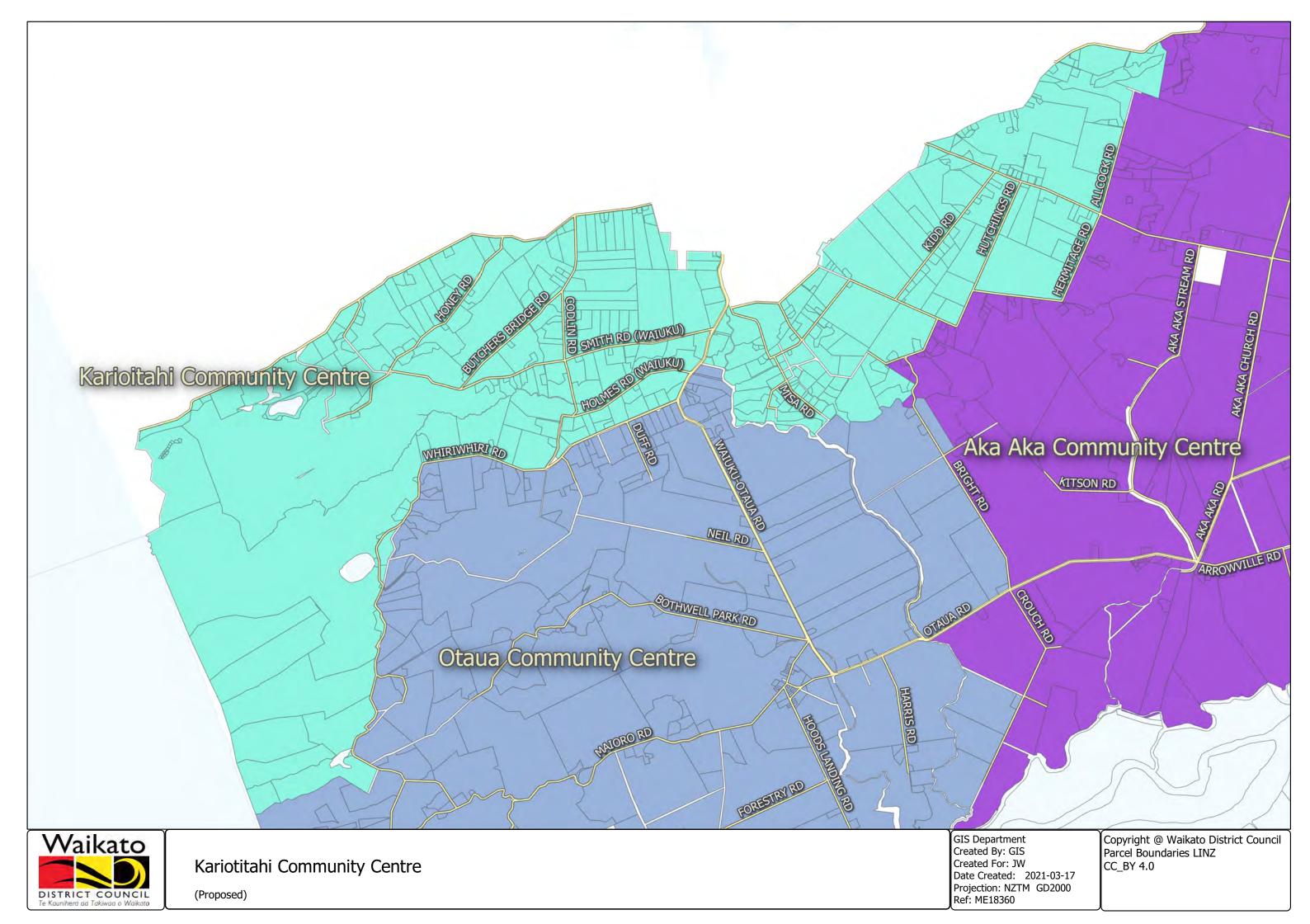


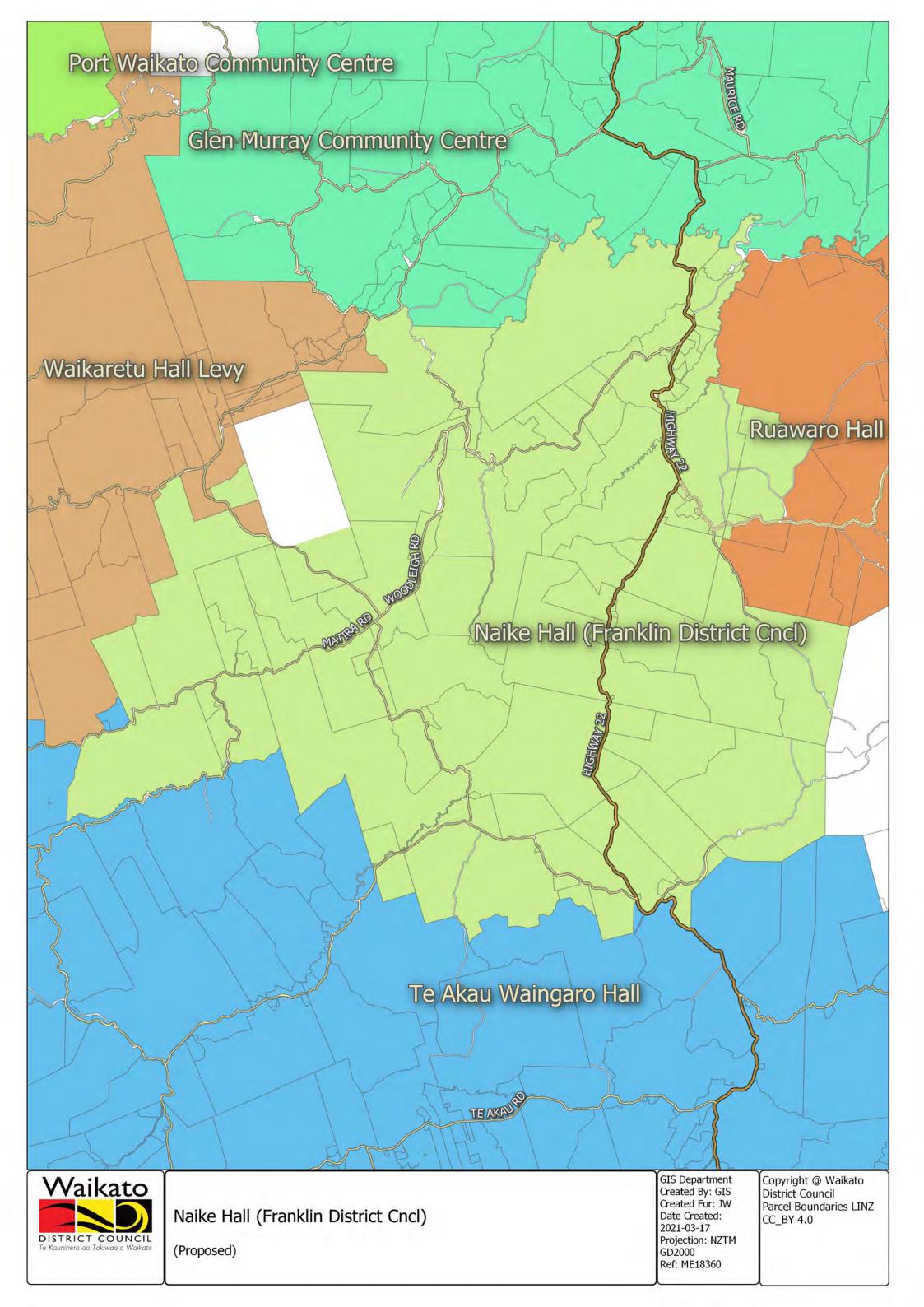
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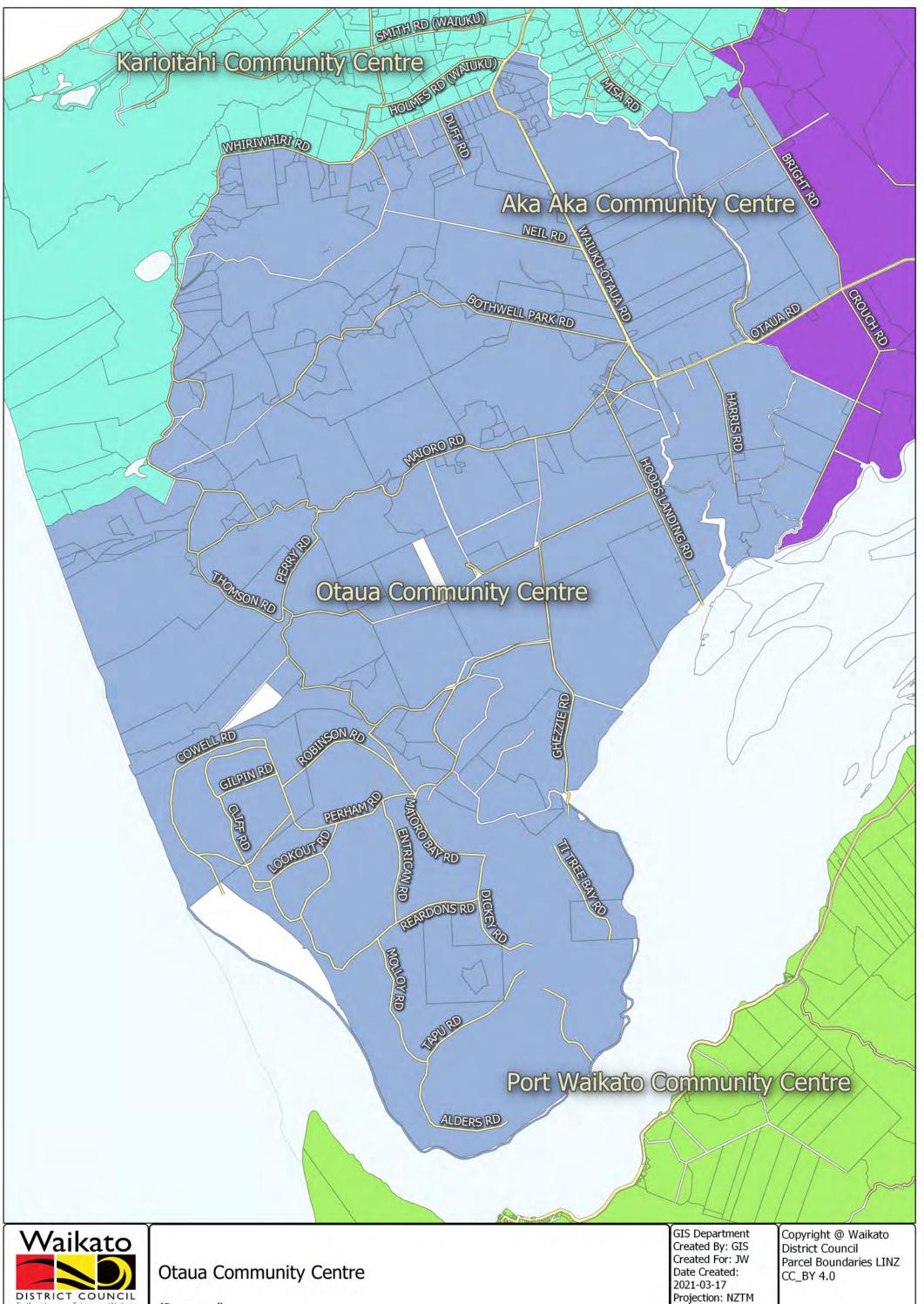
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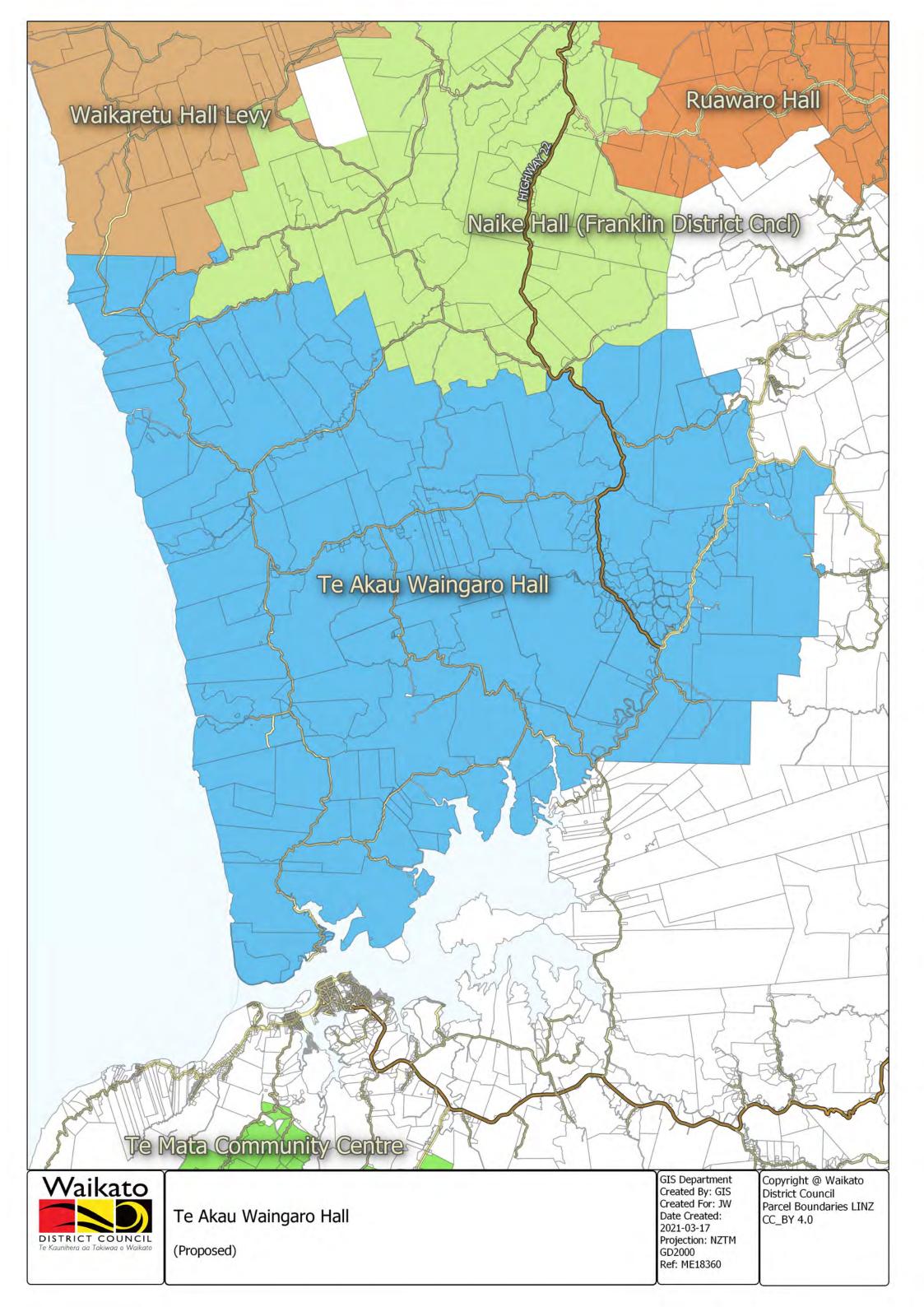






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