THE RANGIURU BUSINESS PARK



September 2022

Our earthworks season for the second year is underway!

We are ramping up for another busy spring / summer season as the development for Stage 1a takes shape. JMC are our lead contractors for the earthworks and we look forward to new shapes on the horizon as the diggers roll back into use.

Continued earthworks are not the only thing happening this summer - we have additionally awarded the tender for the interchange so there will be major additional works underway along the Tauranga Eastern Link Toll Road.

On a final note, this is my last communication on the Rangiuru Business Park as the CEO of Quayside as I move onto new horizons. The Business Park has been a long-held vision so I will be watching with interest as this development continues. I know the result will be one the entire community will be proud of and I thank all of our stakeholders that have helped bring this vision to life.

> **Scott Hamilton** Chief Executive Officer

Progress in pictures....





7 minutes to Port of Tauranga



2**.5 hour drive** to 50% of NZ's population



Growth Western Bay sub-region (2018)



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Stage 1 35 hectares (approx.)



INTERCHANGE

This spring we start our interchange to the Tauranga Eastern Link Toll Road with our tender recently being awarded to Higgins. Works are scheduled to commence in October 2022 for approximately the next 26 months.

It is exciting to announce this next significant phase of the development, as this interchange will ensure transport connections to the Rangiuru Business Park modern, connected, future-focused.

This interchange also benefits the local community through employment opportunities for a sustained period.

ARCHAEOLOGY& WHAKAPAPA

Through the last earthworks season, Archaeology B.O.P uncovered some interesting archaeology related to the Māori settlements on this whenua, including gardens associated with crop cultivation and storage pits which were most likely utilised for storing kūmara. As part of this process, kōiwi tangata (human skeletal remains) were also found.

We continue to work closely with Tapuika Iwi Authority and Archaeology B.O.P around the kõiwi discovery.

Recently, our team and Tapuika spent some time with Archaeology B.O.P to understand the historical significance of the kōiwi, which is dated back to sometime between 1440AD - 1630AD, with the most likely date to be around 1460AD - 1500AD.

As we progress to the second earthworks season, we continue to work with our partners to respect the tangata whenua and any further discoveries that may occur.

It is a sign of our strong partnerships that we can share these stories together and learn more about the history of the rohe and Tapuika as part of our wider journey.

