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# Auckland Region Netball Facilities

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## Regional Strategy

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## Section 1 Introduction

ARPASS, in partnership with several local authorities and Netball New Zealand, has commissioned a “Blueprint” for the provision of Netball Facilities in the Auckland region. This “Blueprint” is focused on the implementation of the Netball New Zealand National Netball Facilities Strategy in the Auckland region and building on the 2008 ARPASS commissioned Auckland Regional Netball Facilities Project. It provides a prioritised plan to guide and drive development and investment into netball facilities in the future.

Netball is a growing sport in Auckland and it is critical that sufficient quality facilities are provided in a network across the Auckland region in a sustainable manner and accessible to the region’s population of netball players. In developing this plan participation data has been based on the information provided by the centres for the 2010 season.

### 1.2 Process

A project team was established to oversee the development of the blueprint with representatives of ARPASS, Auckland Council, Netball New Zealand, Netball North, Auckland Waitakere Netball and Counties Manukau Netball.

The process in developing this blueprint included:

- Workshop on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2010 to introduce the project and the proposed process with representatives of all netball centres in the Region.
- Draft documents on the Current State of Play for each centre in the region circulated to all centres.
- Meeting with each centre to ensure that the information was accurate and that there was a clear understanding of the pressures facing the individual centres.
- A Current State of Play document circulated to each of the centres for comment and sign off.
- A second workshop on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2010, with representatives of all netball centres in the region to discuss the key regional issues, regional criteria to assess potential priorities, and potential regional solutions to meet demand.
- A Regional Netball Blueprint discussion document circulated for consultation between 7<sup>th</sup> December and the 18<sup>th</sup> February 2011 outlining potential options and recommendations.

### 1.3 Overview of National Strategy

When reviewing facility requirements, it is important to understand the relationship between the activity that takes place at the centre and the facilities to which the centre has access to. The range of facilities will be driven by the activities that take place e.g. ‘if we do Y then we need X’.

The range of facilities should be developed on a network approach to fully utilise a wide range of facilities within the community, Figure 1. A netball centre generally has the following characteristics:

- A central administration and competition base, with netball having primacy of use during the netball season.
- A central netball venue supported by other community facilities.
- Run flexibly to meet the local community needs and access to other netball facilities within the local community.
- Have access /use of indoor courts.

In considering the development of each Centre within the region Figure 1 sets out the range of possibilities, some of which will be more appropriate for some Centres than others depending on the needs of the individual centres. Developing satellite Centres may be done to meet an identified local need and care should be taken to ensure that there are resources available to manage them effectively while maintaining connection with, and where appropriate, transition to and use of other facilities.

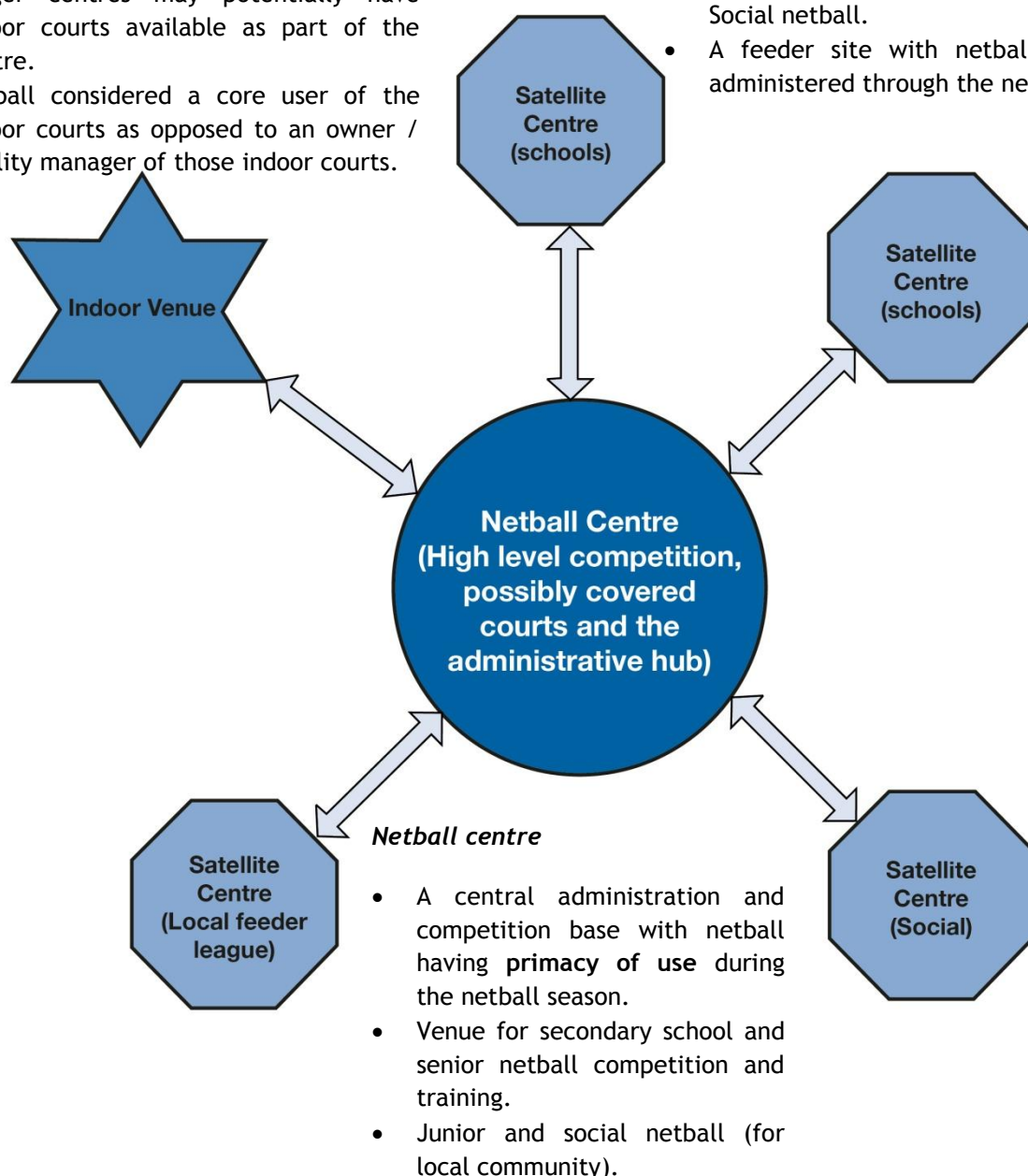
**Figure 1 A Netball Centre**

**Indoor Courts**

- Multi sport venues (e.g. recreation centre, schools) with netball as one of the core user groups.
- Larger centres may potentially have indoor courts available as part of the centre.
- Netball considered a core user of the indoor courts as opposed to an owner / facility manager of those indoor courts.

**Satellite Centre**

- Community based courts (e.g. school or recreation centre) providing opportunities for Fun Ferns, Future Ferns, Year 7 & 8, and Social netball.
- A feeder site with netball managed and administered through the netball centre.



Note: The model can be implemented in different ways (individual parts or all) depending on the needs of the centre.

## Section 2 The Current Situation

In considering the future demand for netball the blueprint has focused on identifying the demand on the courts during the peak time (the winter netball season). This has identified that in 2010 there were a total of 3,510 netball teams using the 12 netball centres within the region during an average week.

The blueprint has focused on the peak winter season usage as this represents the highest level of demand on the netball facilities. It is acknowledged that the centres are used throughout the year, however it is considered that if the centre has sufficient capacity to meet the needs of the winter season then there will be sufficient capacity to meet the lower level of demand experienced during the summer months.

These teams use the courts for a variety of different activities including affiliated competitions, club training and social netball with many teams using the facilities on several occasions throughout the week.

In addition to the netball use of the centres many fulfil a far wider role within their local community and are used for a wide variety of other sporting and non sporting activity, for example, tennis, school holiday programmes, afterschool programmes, karate and community meetings to name a few.

When analysing the current situation the blueprint has considered a number of factors including the number of teams, the active population, the number of teams per 1,000 active population, and the number of teams per court. A further description can be found in Table 2.1.

**Table 2.1 Factors Considered in Analysis of the Current Situation**

	Description
<b>Teams</b>	The teams identified include all teams that play at the centre during the winter season with any summer based teams excluded. Fun Ferns have been calculated as 10 players per team. Some teams utilise the centre on several occasions during the week and some players play for several teams. This has been identified across the region and for consistency a team rather than individuals have been counted and each team has been counted once for the purpose of analysis.
<b>Active Population</b>	The active population has been identified as women and girls aged under 40. It is acknowledged that some players are active beyond the age of 40, however this age range includes the majority of participants to enable consistent analysis.
<b>Teams per 1,000 Population</b>	This identifies how many teams play at the centre for every 1,000 women and girls aged under 40 within the defined catchment area. This provides an indication of the local participation rate in netball, the higher the number of teams the higher the local participation.
<b>Teams per Court</b>	This provides a measure of how utilised the courts are at a centre by considering how many teams play at a centre for each netball court that is available. Again the higher the number of teams per court the higher the level and intensity of court utilisation.

## 2.1 Current Participation (Teams per 1,000 Active Population)

There is a range of local participation rates identified across the region from 1.3 teams per 1,000 active population at Manurewa to 17.2 teams per 1,000 active population at Pukekohe (Table 2.2). The local participation rate is influenced by a number of factors including:

- Other competing activities.
- People choosing to play at centres other than their local centre.
- Socio economic factors (e.g. cost, travel times, accessibility).
- Development programmes and activities at the centre.
- Availability of other competitions locally.
- Quality of the facility.
- Capacity of the centre to accommodate additional teams.

**Table 2.2 Teams per 1,000 Active Population**

	Teams	Teams Per 1,000 Active Population
Hibiscus Coast	114	10.7
Kaipara	75	8.9
North Harbour	774	12.8
Rodney	70	8.9
Auckland	923	6.9
Waitakere	639	10.7
Howick Pakuranga	262	7.8
Mangere Otahuhu	132	5.2
Manurewa	71	1.3
Papakura	209	14.6
Pukekohe	166	17.2
Waiuku	75	11.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,510</b>	<b>8.3</b>

## 2.2 Current Utilisation (Teams per Court)

The level of court utilisation varies significantly across the region from 5.9 teams per court at Manurewa through to 36.9 teams per court at North Harbour (Table 2.3).

**Table 2.3 Teams per Court**

Centre	Courts	Teams Per Court
Hibiscus Coast	6	19.0
Kaipara	8	9.4
North Harbour	21	36.9
Rodney	6	11.7
Auckland	29	31.8
Waitakere	21	28.4
Howick Pakuranga	16	16.4
Mangere Otahuhu	10	13.2
Manurewa	12	5.9
Papakura	26	8.0
Pukekohe	15	11.1
Waiuku	6	13.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>19.9</b>

Notes: Auckland currently use 2 courts at Windmill Road for training and holiday programmes and are not included in the above calculations.

While one solution does not fit all, analysis of the utilisation of a netball centre indicates that a centre operating with over 30 teams per court can be considered to be at or above capacity. While a netball centre with fewer than 30 teams per court has potential spare capacity and could be more efficiently used through a more flexible utilisation of the facility across the week.

Analysis of the National Facility Strategy and the region’s netball centres indicates that:

- A centre can no longer accommodate all games on a Saturday and is required to play competitions across the week, when there is an average of approximately **20** winter based teams per court.
- A centre can be considered to be running at or near capacity when there is an average of **over 30** winter based teams per court.

## Section 3 Projected Demand 2031

### 3.1 Population change

Changing demographics have the potential to significantly impact on the numbers of people playing netball. When this is combined with an aging population, and while there is projected to be a significant increase in participation in some areas, others are likely to see a decline in both the active population and participation. For this study the ‘active population’ has been defined as female, aged under 40 years old.

The active population is projected to increase from 421,310 in 2006 to 523,190 in 2031 (Table 3.1). This significant increase of 101,880 in the active population that may potentially play netball places significant challenges for the region to ensure that there will be sufficient quality netball facilities to meet the potential future demand.

**Table 3.1 Active Population Projections (Women and Girls Aged Under 40)**

Centre	2006	2011	2021	2031
Hibiscus Coast	10,660	11,100	12,850	14,760
Kaipara	8,370	9,290	10,880	12,490
North Harbour	60,930	62,590	67,820	70,720
Rodney Catchment Area	7,870	8,330	9,670	11,110
Auckland	133,220	139,340	151,670	153,710
Waitakere	59,930	62,700	68,280	73,460
Howick Pakuranga	33,780	35,890	38,460	40,710
Mangere Otahuhu	24,330	25,550	28,880	31,950
Manurewa	52,800	56,890	68,160	77,340
Papakura	14,320	15,030	16,590	18,160
Pukekohe	9,660	9,860	11,050	12,420
Waiuku	5,440	5,690	6,020	6,360
<b>Total</b>	<b>421,310</b>	<b>442,260</b>	<b>490,330</b>	<b>523,190</b>

The catchment areas have been defined based on an overview of census unit areas. It is acknowledged however that individuals and teams often do travel from outside of these areas to play at a particular centre, and that the catchment areas of some centres can overlap. While this is

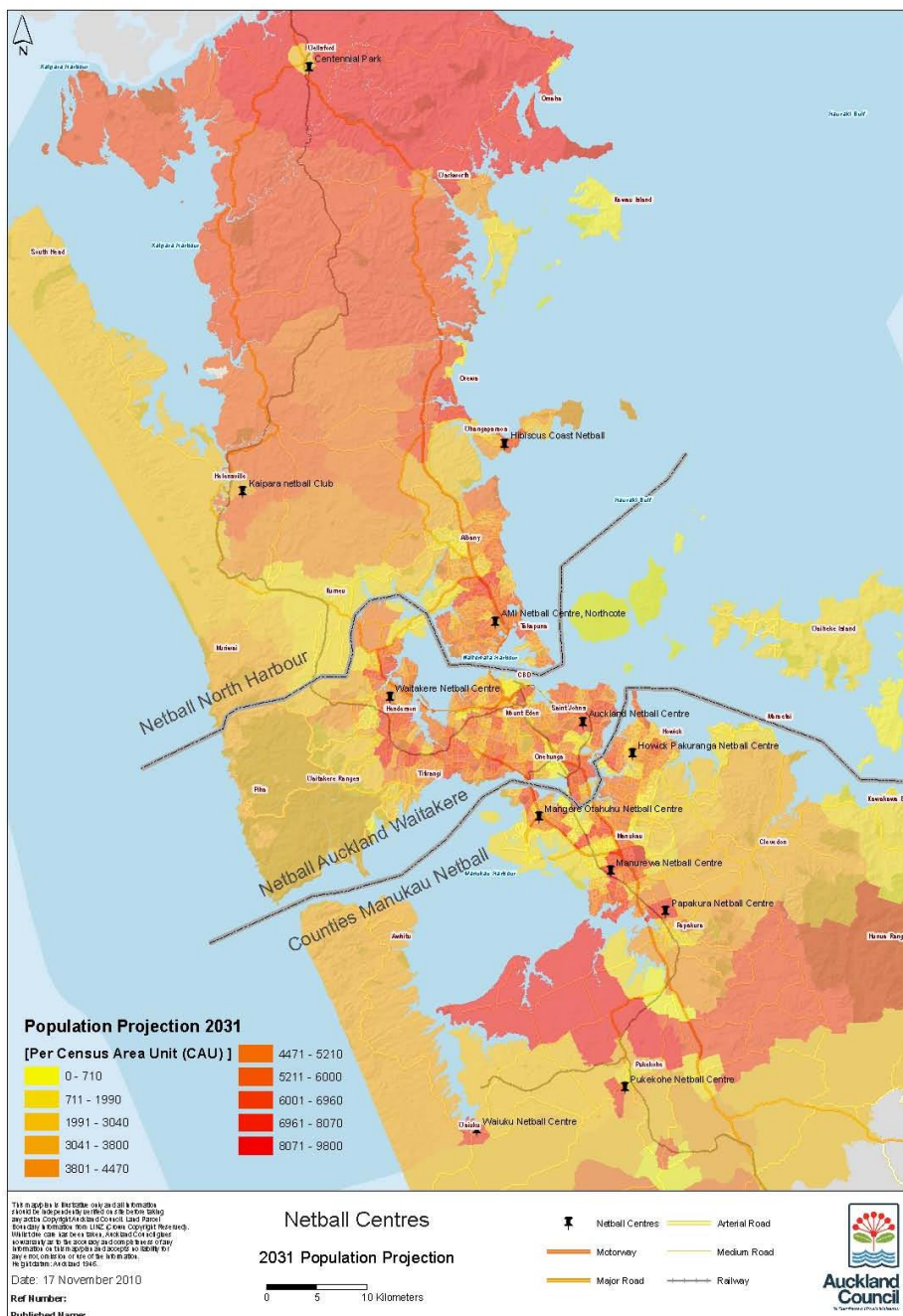
acknowledged these areas provide an overview of the core catchment areas, ensuring the entire region is considered and that no area is double counted to enable the implications of population change to be considered.

### 3.2 Future Teams

While there is a significant increase in the potential active population, not all of these will actively play netball. Once the local participation rates have been taken into account it is projected that the demand for netball will increase by 832 teams from 3,510 teams in 2010 to 4,342 by 2031. This is approximately an additional 8,000 individuals playing netball (excluding summer based competition) in the Auckland region (Table 3.1).

The growth is not evenly distributed throughout the region however accommodating this level of growth represents a significant challenge for the centres to ensure that there will be sufficient capacity to meet demand.

**Map 1 Location of the Netball Centre in Relation to Projected Population Growth**



It can be seen that the level of court utilisation increases at all centres across the region, with three centres identified as being unable to meet the projected future demand without securing access to additional facilities.

**Table 3.2 Future Teams and Teams per Court**

Centre	Future Teams (2031)	Teams Per Court (2031)
Hibiscus Coast	158	26.7
Kaipara	112	14.0
North Harbour	897	42.7
Rodney	99	16.5
Auckland	1,064	36.7
Waitakere	784	34.2
Howick Pakuranga	316	19.8
Mangere Otahuhu	232	23.2
Manurewa	104	8.7
Papakura	265	10.2
Pukekohe	213	14.2
Waiuku	98	16.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,342 (+832)</b>	<b>24.7</b>

Notes:

In considering the future demand there is potentially significant latent demand within the Manurewa catchment area. Should the regional average of 12.7 teams per 1,000 active population be achieved current participation could be 660 teams based at the centre increasing to 997 by 2031. Some of these will play at other centres within the region, however there is potential for local unmet demand.

## Section 4 Main Regional Challenges and Opportunities

While many of the challenges facing the netball centres in the region are similar, it is important to acknowledge that each centre is individual and serves their local community. In considering the future demand for netball and the implications on facilities it is important to consider the diversity within the region and identify the main regional issues.

Through the individual centre meetings and the workshop sessions the main regional issues have been identified.

### 4.1 North

The main challenges and opportunities facing the north of the Auckland region were identified as including:

- Future population growth resulting in increased demand.
- Growth focused on certain geographical areas.
- North Harbour currently operating at capacity resulting in:
  - Limited ability to offer a greater range of competition “products” e.g. social netball.
  - Current situation leading possibly to rationing.
- High level of projected growth of the Asian population combined with low participation rates within Asian communities.
- Competition with other sports e.g. football.

- Indoor sports currently at capacity - pay for play.
- Hibiscus Coast will be at capacity soon.

## 4.2 Central

The main challenges and opportunities facing the central area of the Auckland region were identified as being:

- Auckland operating near capacity.
  - Not just number of courts but also types of court, admin / officials.
  - Require new models e.g. Direct Debit.
- Strong commercial model.
  - Driven by need, providing diversity, effective practice overseas.
  - Significant increase in social netball providing netball in different forms / different seasons to meet demand.
- Development of satellites needed to meet accessibility.
- High quality service - people will pay more / travel. People need to 'belong' to the centre. Satellites are an option not a need.
- Need for appropriate car parking.

## 4.3 South

The main challenges and opportunities facing the southern area of the Auckland region were identified as:

- Lack of indoor venue for national standard / premier competition.
- Large projected population growth.
- Existing facilities have the capacity to meet the future demand, however the condition of some facilities is of concern.
- Need to maximise the utilisation of the current facilities.
- Needs of local community to be considered, one solution doesn't fit all.
- Concerns over the capacity of the volunteers to manage competitions across the week
- Getting a paid administrator could change the way the centres work and impact on the volunteer / family culture of the centres.

## Section 5 Current Priorities

### 5.1 On Going / Currently Funded Projects

It is identified that a number of projects are either ongoing or have secured funding and are about to commence work. The blueprint acknowledges that these projects will have been completed as planned when considering future priorities.

Table 5.1 Ongoing / Currently Funded Projects

Priority	Centre	Project
Ongoing / funded	North Harbour	Complete the development of covered courts
	Howick Pakuranga	Refurbish clubrooms and indoor facilities
	Manurewa	Clubroom development
	Auckland	Rubberisation of the remaining 12 courts. Build court 30
	Mangere - Otahuhu	Floodlighting for 5 courts. 4 courts by 2011, the 5 <sup>th</sup> when court resurfacing undertaken.

### 5.2 Current Regional Prioritisation Criteria

In considering the regional priorities for future facility developments the first priority is to ensure that each centre is able to provide for a minimum standard of play. All netball facilities should be provided to a standard which allows netball to be played in a safe environment.

The first priority is to maintain and utilise existing facilities before developing new ones and ensuring a minimum standard of play.

#### Minimum Standard of Play

- A non slippery court surface free of cracks, weeds and other obstructions.
- Minimum court run off areas appropriate to the level of competition.
- Clear court markings and well maintained goal posts.
- Court floodlighting.
- Appropriate lighting around entrances and car parking areas.
- Access to toilets.
- Access to an administration hub / pavilion.

These criteria are used to evaluate and prioritise all current netball projects.

### 5.3 Meeting the Minimum Standard of Play

Table 5.2 highlights the facility development projects that will need to be undertaken within the next 5 years to ensure that all centres in the region are able to meet the minimum standard of play.

Table 5.2 Priority Projects

Priority	Centre	Project
Priority 1 (1 - 2 years)	Hibiscus Coast	Resurface and rubberise 6 courts
	Kaipara	Resurfacing of all courts
	North Harbour	Resurface 6 courts at the Tennis Centre as a satellite centre
	North Harbour	Resurfacing of Courts 1 - 3
	Rodney	Improve the lighting around the site.
	Waitakere	Resurface 2 courts
	Mangere Otahuhu	Undertake court drainage and re-surfacing of the courts
	Mangere Otahuhu	Install floodlighting on all courts (note funding secured however needs to be undertaken in conjunction with drainage works)
	Manurewa	Resurfacing of 12 courts.
	Waiuku	Resurface 2 courts
Priority 2 (2 - 3 years)	Hibiscus Coast	Upgrade floodlighting
	Auckland	Upgrade Windmill Road courts to develop a satellite centre
	Waitakere	Resurface 4 courts
	Waitakere	Install floodlighting on final 2 courts
	Howick Pakuranga	Resurface minimum of 3 courts (then three courts every 2 years)
	Mangere Otahuhu	Repair / replace pavilion roof
	Manurewa	Improved storage and disabled toilet
	Pukekohe	Install floodlighting on the 4 new courts
	Waiuku	Resurface 2 courts
Priority 3 (3 - 5 years)	Hibiscus Coast	Develop court side shelter
	Kaipara	Install floodlighting on remaining 4 courts
	North Harbour	Refurbish building to rationalise space and improve access
	North Harbour	Ongoing lighting upgrades and court re-surfacing.
	Rodney	Install electronic timer for the courts
	Rodney	Develop a shelter around court 6
	Mangere Otahuhu	Improve car parking
	Manurewa	Improved car parking.
	Papakura	Resurface 12 courts and rubberise.
	Pukekohe	Upgrading of the four remaining courts to a rubberised surface.

## Section 6 Future Priorities

### 6.1 Future Regional Prioritisation Criteria

Throughout the process of developing the Blueprint a number of criteria by which all future facility developments should be considered have been developed. These were developed at the workshop of centres and agreed following consultation on the discussion document. These are:

- **Sustainability.**  
Future facility developments should be financially sustainable for individual centres and include consideration of the long term maintenance. Where possible the design must be flexible to meet changing needs of netball and enable the facility to be utilised by as wide a range of other users as possible. Consideration needs to be given to the quality of facilities to ensure that future maintenance is undertaken to a high standard.
- **Accessibility.**  
Future facility developments should increase the accessibility of netball within the community. This should consider providing opportunities within the local community to minimise travel times and increase the number of opportunities to play netball locally and linking to good public transport.
- **Future proofing of facilities.**  
Facility developments should consider both the current and future needs of netball and other complementary sporting activities taking into account future population growth.
- **Increasing participation.**  
While it is recognised that maintaining and improving existing facilities is important, future facility developments that maximise the opportunities to increase participation (including social and user pays netball) where there is an identified demand, should be considered a high priority.
- **Co-ordination between centres to avoid duplication.**  
Opportunities to co-ordinate between facilities / venues, avoiding duplication of activity and/or maximising opportunities available to participants, while ensuring quality facilities, should be considered a priority.
- **Centre utilisation and population growth**  
All facility developments should be based on meeting current and future demand. A higher priority should be given to projects that increase participation where there is a high level of utilisation and/or high projected population growth.
- **Proposed developments should be appropriate to the local community**  
Facility development should take account of the social fabric / local community culture to ensure that they meet the needs of the local community.

## Section 7 Future Priorities

In considering the future priorities for the region it is important to consider that the development of one facility will have an impact on the wider region. A number of options were developed at the 18<sup>th</sup> November workshop and recommended options agreed following the discussion consultation on the discussion document. The future priorities have been identified in terms of the North, Central and South of the region.

### 7.1 North

The development of a long term solution that can create significant additional capacity for netball is a key priority for the North. In considering all options it is recognised that creating additional capacity within the North Harbour Centre itself is likely to further exacerbate the travel pressures within the area, with more teams wanting to play away from the centre. As such it is recommended that all future options consider the development of the four centres in the region and how the development of netball can be best supported across all centres.

#### Future Priorities

- Develop a hub and spoke model for the North Harbour Centre including:
  - Maintain the North Harbour Netball Centre as the administrative and competitive base and cover 2 courts.
  - Continue to support school based satellites for junior netball based in Birkenhead and Devonport and explore opportunities to expand the number of sites.
  - Investigate a partnership with the Albany Tennis Centre to resurface and share 6 courts for junior / social netball<sup>1</sup>.
  - Develop a phased approach to secure a long term solution to access an additional 20 full sized outdoor and 3 covered courts by 2031. Potential sites include Albany Tennis Centre, Greens Road, Metro Park, Rosedale.
- Co-ordinate and support the development of netball between North Harbour, Hibiscus Coast, Kaipara and Rodney.
- Maintain court and administration / club house facilities to a high standard (no additional courts required) at Hibiscus Coast, Kaipara and Rodney.
- Ensure refurbishment / expansion of North Shore Events Centre as a regional venue.

North Harbour centre with a future provision of 39 outdoor courts and 5 covered / indoor courts would be operating at 20.4 teams per court by 2031 (based on current growth assumption). Considering North Harbour and Hibiscus Coast together the centres would be operating at 21.1 teams per court combined.

This would allow sufficient capacity to meet the projected demand and accommodate projected growth; however consideration needs to be given to providing additional outdoor and indoor courts as demand grows beyond 2031.

To achieve this it is recommended that a detailed feasibility study is undertaken to secure the access to the additional courts required.

### 7.2 Central

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<sup>1</sup> The courts developed at the Albany Tennis Centre will be undersized and only available for junior and social netball and should be utilised while a longer term solution can be developed to secure full sized courts at the Tennis Centre or other locations identified.

## Future Priorities

- Develop a satellite centre for the Auckland Netball Centre at Windmill Road with 14 courts.
- Cover 6 courts at the Auckland Netball Centre.
- Develop an additional 15 courts at satellite centres for the Waitakere Netball Centre.  
Potential sites include:
  - Avondale (existing sites)
  - Huapai (existing sites)
  - Hobsonville (to meet population growth)
  - Massey North (to meet population growth)
- Cover an additional 3 courts at the Waitakere Netball Centre.

Auckland Netball Centre with access to 38 outdoor courts, 6 covered and 3 indoor would be operating at 22.6 teams per court by 2031 (based on current growth assumption). Waitakere Netball Centre with access to 33 outdoor courts and 6 covered courts would be operating at 20.1 teams per court.

This would allow sufficient capacity to meet the projected demand and accommodate the projected growth; however consideration needs to be given to providing additional outdoor and indoor courts as demand grows beyond 2031.

The development of additional indoor courts provides the potential to secure additional revenue streams, however this requires significant additional capital investment and is not considered the highest priority in meeting future netball demand in the region. Additional indoor courts could be supported if a business case can demonstrate the viability of additional indoor courts as a multisport venue.

## 7.3 South

### Future Priorities

- Access to 4 indoor courts as a central venue for the Southern Region. (Currently provided through the 6 court multisport venue proposed at Papakura).
- Developing a network based approach to the region.
  - 2/3 Covered courts at Howick Pakuranga.
  - Upgrading Pukekohe Recreation Centre to wooden floor as venue for Pukekohe and Waiuku.
  - Refurbishing the indoor court at Manurewa.
- All other centres developed to ensure a high quality minimum standard with ongoing maintenance.

This would allow sufficient capacity to meet the projected demand and accommodate the projected growth; however consideration needs to be given to providing additional outdoor and indoor courts as demand grows beyond 2031.

## Appendix A Individual Centre Summaries

In developing the future priorities the following challenges were identified and agreed by the individual centres within the State of Play summaries developed as part of the development of the Blueprint.

It is important to note that the Future Development issues, in particularly concerning indoor facilities, were based on the issues identified by the individual centres. These have been amended to reflect the workshop sessions and agreed priorities identified in Section 7.

### Auckland Netball Centre

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 141 teams within the Auckland Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. Should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 36.7 teams per court. Based on an estimated usage of 36.7 teams per court it is considered that access to a number of additional courts will be required.

Should the centre complete the construction of court 30 and be able to make full use of the 14 courts at Windmill Road the future estimated teams per court would be 24.2. While the current information of court utilisation indicates that this level of use is possible there would be limited spare capacity to accommodate additional future growth.

In addition to securing access to netball courts a key challenge for the centre is to secure the future sustainability of the netball centre while providing affordable opportunities for all to participate. It was also noted that the majority of growth in recent years has been in social netball with the number of social teams increasing by 47 from 2009 to 2010. This level of social competition helps to support the financial sustainability of the centre however places significant additional pressures on use of the courts.

### Auckland Netball Centre Current Priority Issues

	Timescale
Complete the rubberisation of the remaining 12 courts and the construction of court 30	Ongoing (Within 1 year)
Upgrade Windmill Road courts to develop a satellite centre.	Priority 2 (2 to 3 years)

### Auckland Netball Centre Future Development Priorities

	Potential Timescale
Develop a satellite centre for the Auckland Netball Centre at Windmill Road with 14 courts.	Within 5 years
Cover 6 courts at the Auckland Netball Centre.	4 to 6 years
While not considered the highest priority for meeting the future netball demand in the region investigate developing additional indoor courts if a business case can demonstrate the viability of additional indoor courts as a multisport venue.	2 to 5 years

## Hibiscus Coast Netball Centre

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 44 teams within the Hibiscus Coast Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. Should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 26.3 teams per court.

Based on an estimated usage of 26.3 teams per court it is considered that this demand can be accommodated within the existing number of courts however there will need to be increased flexibility of competitions and training to maximise the utilisation of the centre of across the week.

### Hibiscus Coast Netball Centre Current Priority Issues

	Timescale
Resurface and rubberise 6 courts	Priority 1 (1 to 2 years)
Upgrade floodlighting	Priority 2 (2 to 3 years)
Develop court side shelter	Priority 3 (3 to 5 years)

### Hibiscus Coast Netball Centre Future Development Priorities

	Potential Timescale
Co-ordinate and support the development of netball between North Harbour, Hibiscus Coast, Kaipara and Rodney.	On going
Maintain court and administration / club house facilities to a high standard (no additional courts required). Plan for refurbish of clubrooms and associated indoor facilities.	Refurbishment - 10 to 15 years
Explore options to secure access to an indoor venue / covered courts	10 to 15 years

## Howick Pakuranga

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 54 teams within the Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. On the basis of the current participation patterns, should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 19.8 teams per court.

Based on an estimated usage of 19.8 teams per court it is considered that this demand can be accommodated within the existing number of courts, however there will need to be increased flexibility of competitions and training to maximise the utilisation of the centre of across the week.

The centre identifies that the clubrooms are in need for refurbishment and plans have been developed for a \$2m upgrade. It was identified that \$900,000 has been secured towards this project.

### Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre Current Priority Issues

	Timescale
Refurbish and upgrade the clubrooms and indoor facilities	Ongoing (1 to 2 years)
Resurface minimum of 3 courts (then three courts every 2 years thereafter)	Priority 2 (2 to 3 years)

### Howick Pakuranga Netball Centre Future Development Priorities

	Potential Timescale
Explore options to develop partnerships with schools, ensuring schools facilities are of an appropriate quality) to enable teams to train locally.	3 to 5 years
A network based approach to the region including developing 2/3 Covered courts at Howick Pakuranga with access to 4 indoor courts at Papakura as a central regional venue.	5 to 10 years
Ensure centre developed to ensure a high quality minimum standard with ongoing maintenance.	On going

### Kaipara Netball Centre

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 37 teams within the Kaipara Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. Should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 14 teams per court.

Based on an estimated usage of 14 teams per court it is considered that there are sufficient courts to meet the future demand.

#### Kaipara Netball Centre Current Priority Issues

	Timescale
Resurfacing of all courts	Priority 1 (1 to 2 years)
Install floodlighting on remaining 4 courts	Priority 3 (3 to 5 years)

#### Kaipara Netball Centre Future Development Priorities

	Potential Timescale
Co-ordinate and support the development of netball between North Harbour, Hibiscus Coast, Kaipara and Rodney.	Ongoing
Maintain court and administration / club house facilities to a high standard (no additional courts required).	Ongoing
Explore options to secure access to an indoor venue / covered court.	10 to 15 years

### Mangere Otahuhu Netball Centre

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 100 teams within the Mangere Otahuhu Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. On the basis of the current participation patterns, should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 23.2 teams per court.

Based on an estimated usage of 23.2 teams per court it is considered that there are sufficient courts to meet the future demand however the centre will be required to restructure competitions and training to fully utilise the courts across the week.

However, there is significant travel within the region, and these figures may not provide an accurate assessment of the participation levels locally and enable the potential future population growth. This travel within the region is currently based on individual and team perceptions about individual Centres and levels of competition. While this is a challenge it also provides a significant opportunity to improve the opportunities for netball by closer co-ordination between the Centres within the region to provide accessible netballing opportunities.

#### Mangere Otahuhu Netball Centre Current Priority Issues

	Timescale

Undertake court drainage and re-surfacing of the courts	Priority 1 (1 to 2 years)
Install floodlighting on all courts (funding has currently been secured for 5 courts to be floodlit however this cannot be completed until after the drainage improvements have been made).	Priority 1 (1 to 2 years)
Repair / replace pavilion roof	Priority 2 (2 to 3 years)
Improve car parking (note this is currently the responsibility of the Council)	Priority 3 (3 to 5 years)

#### **Mangere Otahuhu Netball Centre Future Development Priorities**

	<b>Potential Timescale</b>
A network based approach to the region including access to 4 indoor courts at Papakura as a central regional venue.	1 to 2 years
Ensure centre developed to ensure a high quality minimum standard with ongoing maintenance and plan for the refurbishment of the pavilion including the indoor area, toilets and changing facilities.	Refurbishment - 5 to 10 years

#### **Manurewa Netball Centre**

It is estimated that by 2031 that, based on the current participation levels, there will be demand for an additional 39 teams within the Manurewa Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. On the basis of the current participation patterns, should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 8.7 teams per court.

Based on an estimated usage of 8.7 teams per court it is considered that there are sufficient courts to meet the future demand.

However, there are a number of factors that may potentially reduce the level of demand including a number of teams travelling within the region and other barriers preventing a significant section of the population participating in netball. These figures may not provide an accurate assessment of the participation levels locally and enable the potential future population growth.

#### **Manurewa Netball Centre Current Priority Issues**

	<b>Timescale</b>
Demolition and rebuilding of significant parts of the clubrooms, changing rooms and other ancillary facilities.	Ongoing (By 2011 Season)
Resurfacing of 12 courts.	Priority 1 (1 - 2 years)
Improved storage and disabled toilet facilities (currently part funded)	Priority 2 (2 - 3 years)
Improved car parking.	Priority 3 (3 - 5 years)

#### **Manurewa Netball Centre Future Development Priorities**

	<b>Potential Timescale</b>
A network based approach to the region including refurbishing the indoor court and securing access to 4 indoor courts at Papakura as a central regional venue.	Refurbishing indoor court - 10 to 15 years
Ensure centre developed to ensure a high quality minimum standard with ongoing maintenance including investigating installation of floodlights on the remaining 6 courts.	Floodlighting 5 to 10 years

#### **North Harbour Netball Centre**

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 125 teams within the North Harbour Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. Should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 42.7 teams per court. Based on an estimated usage of 42.7 teams per court it is considered that access to a number of additional courts will be required.

Should the centre be able to fully utilise the 6 additional courts at the Tennis Centre the future estimated teams per court would be 33.2. While the current information of court utilisation indicates that this level of use may be possible it is considered that there would be insufficient courts to meet demand.

It is considered that a long term solution is required to increase the access to netball courts. The Centre has highlighted that a number of options have been discussed to provide a long term solution including relocating and developing a new netball centre with 30 outdoor and 6 indoor courts. This would provide for an average of 24.9 teams per court and is considered appropriate to meet demand.

It is considered that a detailed feasibility study into all future options should be undertaken to consider the following:

- Ability to provide local, accessible netball opportunities through increased partnerships (e.g. there is potential to develop additional indoor and outdoor courts in partnership with Tennis Northern)
- Future use of the current centre (should a new centre be developed)
- Potential impact on the other centres in the Netball North region.
- Options to phase the development to meet demand.

#### North Harbour Coast Netball Centre Current Development Issues

	Timescale
Complete the development of covered courts	Ongoing (Within 1 year)
Resurface 6 courts at the Tennis Centre and establish satellite centre for junior netball	Priority 1 (1 to 2 years)
Resurfacing of Courts 1 - 3	Priority 1 (1 to 2 years)
Refurbish building to rationalise space and improve access	Priority 3 (3 to 5 years)
Undertake lighting upgrades and court re-surfacing on a regular basis.	Priority 3 (3 to 5 years)

### North Harbour Netball Centre Future Development Issues

	Potential Timescale
Develop a hub and spoke model for the North Harbour Centre including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain the North Harbour Netball Centre as the administrative and competitive base and cover 2 courts.</li> <li>• Continue to support school based satellites for junior netball based in Birkenhead and Devonport and explore opportunities to expand the number of sites.</li> <li>• Investigate a partnership with the Albany Tennis Centre to resurface and share 6 courts for junior / social netball<sup>2</sup>.</li> <li>• Develop a phased approach to secure a long term solution to access an additional 20 full sized outdoor and 3 covered courts by 2031 (making a total of an additional 20 outdoor and 3 indoor courts). Potential sites include Albany Tennis Centre, Greens Road, Metro Park, and Rosedale.</li> </ul>	Ongoing
Undertake a detailed feasibility study to secure long term access to netball facilities (including developing partnerships and consideration of re-location of the centre)	1 to 2 years
Co-ordinate and support the development of netball between North Harbour, Hibiscus Coast, Kaipara and Rodney.	On going

### Papakura Netball Centre

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 64 teams within the Papakura Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. Should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 10.2 teams per court.

Based on an estimated usage of 10.2 teams per court it is considered that there are sufficient courts to meet the future demand.

There are current plans to develop a 6 court indoor multisport venue at the Papakura Netball Centre. It is projected that 4 indoor courts are required to meet the needs of netball.

### Papakura Netball Centre Current Priority Issues

	Timescale
Resurface 12 courts to provide a rubberised surface.	Priority 3 (3 to 5 years)
Install lighting to the car park to improve flexibility of the use of the centre (note this is currently the responsibility of the Bruce Pullman Park Trust)	3 to 5 years

### Papakura Netball Centre Future Development Priorities

	Potential Timescale
A network based approach to the region and developing 4 indoor courts at Papakura as a central regional venue.	1 to 2 years
Explore options to install lighting to the car park to improve flexibility of the use of the centre (note this is currently the responsibility of the Bruce Pullman Park Trust)	3 to 5 years
Explore options to install floodlighting on all outdoor courts	10 to 15 years

### Pukekohe Netball Centre

<sup>2</sup> The courts developed at the Albany Tennis Centre will be undersized and only available for junior and social netball and should be utilised while a longer term solution can be developed to secure full sized courts at the Tennis Centre or other locations identified.

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 47 teams within the Pukekohe Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. Should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 14.2 teams per court.

Based on an estimated usage of 14.2 teams per court it is considered that there are sufficient courts to meet the future demand.

#### **Pukekohe Netball Centre Current Priority Issues**

	<b>Timescale</b>
Install floodlighting on the 4 new courts.	Priority 2 (2 -3 years)
Upgrading of the four remaining courts to a rubberised surface.	Priority 3 (3 - 5 years)

Notes: The floodlighting is currently in the planning stages and it is anticipated that this will be completed in time for the 2011 season.

#### **Pukekohe Netball Centre Future Development Priorities**

	<b>Potential Timescale</b>
A network based approach to the region including refurbishing the indoor court and securing access to 4 indoor courts at Papakura as a central regional venue and upgrading Pukekohe Recreation Centre to wooden floor as venue for Pukekohe and Waiuku.	Upgrading Rec Centre - 5 to 10 years
Ensure centre developed to ensure a high quality minimum standard with ongoing maintenance.	On going

#### **Rodney Netball Centre**

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 29 teams within the Rodney Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. Should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 16.5 teams per court.

Based on an estimated usage of 16.5 teams per court it is considered that there are sufficient courts to meet the future demand however longer term consideration needs to be given to securing access to indoor courts and developing partnerships with other facilities in the community.

Should the teams based at Mahurangi College relocate back to the Rodney Netball Centre in the future it is estimated that the total future teams could increase to 124, resulting in usage of 20.6 teams per court. Should this happen it is still considered that there are sufficient courts to meet future demand.

#### **Rodney Netball Centre Current Priority Issues**

	<b>Timescale</b>
Improve the lighting around the building, car parking areas and overall site to enable increased evening utilisation of the centre and senior league to be played on a Friday evening.	Priority 1 (1 to 2 years)
Install electronic timer for the courts	Priority 3 (3 - 5 years)
Develop a shelter around court 6	Priority 3 (3 - 5 years)

Notes: Under the current lease agreement the lighting of the car parking and wider site is considered the responsibility of the council.

#### **Rodney Netball Centre Future Development Priorities**

	<b>Potential Timescale</b>

Co-ordinate and support the development of netball between North Harbour, Hibiscus Coast, Kaipara and Rodney.	Ongoing
Maintain court and administration facilities to a high standard (no additional courts required). Explore the potential of developing new club house facilities and indoor court as part of a wider multisport development.	New clubhouse - 5 to 10 years
Explore options to upgrade the courts to a rubberised surface.	5 to 10 years

Note: Should the development of a multisport facility not prove feasible or possible within a short to medium term then a refurbishment of the existing facilities is required with 5 years.

### Waitakere Netball Centre

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 145 teams within the Waitakere Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. Should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 34.2 teams per court.

Based on an estimated usage of 34.2 teams per court it is considered that access to a number of additional courts will be required. If the Centre were to operate at an average of 30 teams per courts, then a total of 26 courts may be required by 2031.

To meet the potential future demand a challenge is to develop satellite centres promoting accessible netballing opportunities within local communities. It is likely that these will have to be developed in partnership with schools however many schools are not well equipped to meet the needs of community netball. It is consider that assistance will be required to help facilitate the partnership with the schools and secure the capital investment to ensure the courts are of a good standard and ensure appropriate access to changing, toilets, shelter and first aid facilities.

### Waitakere Netball Centre Current Priority Issues

	Timescale
Resurfacing of 2 courts	Priority 1 (1 - 2 years)
Resurfacing of 4 courts	Priority 2 (2 - 3 years)
Install floodlighting on final 2 courts	Priority 2 (2 - 3 years)

### Waitakere Netball Centre Future Development Issues

	Potential Timescale
Develop an additional 15 courts at satellite centres for the Waitakere Netball Centre. Potential sites include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Huapai (existing sites)</li> <li>Hobsonville (to meet population growth)</li> <li>Avondale (existing sites)</li> <li>Massey North (to meet population growth)</li> </ul>	2 to 5 years 2 to 5 years 5 to 10 years 5 to 10 years
Cover an additional 3 courts at the Waitakere Netball Centre.	10 to 15 years

### Waiuku Netball Centre

It is estimated that by 2031 there will be demand for an additional 13 teams within the Waiuku Netball Centre catchment area due to population growth. Should this level of growth be achieved the Centre will be required to operate with an average of 16.3 teams per court.

Based on an estimated usage of 16.3 teams per court it is considered that there are sufficient courts to meet the future demand.

#### Waiuku Netball Centre Current Priority Issues

	<b>Timescale</b>
Resurface 2 courts	Priority 1 (1 to 3 years)
Resurface 2 courts	Priority 2 (2 to 3 years)

#### Waiuku Netball Centre Future Development Issues

	<b>Potential Timescale</b>
A network based approach to the region including refurbishing the indoor court and securing access to 4 indoor courts at Papakura as a central regional venue and Upgrading Pukekohe Recreation Centre to wooden floor as venue for Pukekohe and Waiuku.	Upgrading Rec Centre - 5 to 10 years
Ensure centre developed to ensure a high quality minimum standard with ongoing maintenance including installing floodlights on final 2 courts, resurfacing 2 courts and refurbishing the practice area.	5 to 10 years