The ‘Kaiapoi Town Centre Plan – 2028 and Beyond’ was adopted by Council in November 2018 following public consultation. It has been described as a ‘bold’ plan for Kaiapoi’s future and the Council is committed to seeing it implemented.

Work on a number of key projects in the Town Centre has continued. One highlight would be the Riverview development that includes a boutique brewery and five retail tenancies on the North East corner of the Williams Street Bridge.

In conjunction with this development, Council has built terraces along the river bank in front of the Brewery, and pontoons which will allow boats to berth on the river. The boardwalks and terraces were officially opened on Sunday 17 February and the brewery, The Port & Eagle, is scheduled to open Friday 1 March.

The vacant site on the North West corner of the Williams Street Bridge has recently been sold to a local developer following a tender process. The developer has plans for a two storey retail and office building on this site, which will provide another quality building overlooking the river in the centre of Kaiapoi.

We understand that this development will get underway in the first quarter of this year. While vacant, the site has hosted various ‘gapfiller’ projects provided by local community groups.

The Council has received a number of ‘expressions of interest’ for the South and East Mixed Use Business Regeneration areas and we’ve started discussions with the various parties involved.

These include the New Zealand Motor Caravan Association, who expressed interest in developing a park for their members. Discussions around a suitable location in the East Mixed Use Business Area for this facility continue.

We’ll update the community further as these projects develop.

For further information and updates visit waimakariri.govt.nz/ktc