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| **Overview of presentation** (300-word maximum)  Northwest Auckland is expected to experience significant growth in the next three decades, with 87,000 additional residents and 43,000 new jobs, which will create significantly increased travel demand along the Northwestern corridor. As a result, the NorthWest Rapid Transit Corridor has been identified as one of the highest priority public transport projects for Auckland (Auckland Transport Alignment Project, 2016).  The context within which the Northwest Rapid Transit is being developed is everchanging with respect to technology, access to information and services as well as people’s expectations, behaviour and access to information and services.  The role of emerging technology, future behaviours and development was recognised and needed to be actively considered and included in future development stages of the project. This created a challenge – how do we develop a solution that addresses an immediate need while also considering technogy and behavioural changes in the future? This challenge was also made more complex by differing political views on the future of the corridor.  In developing designs for the corridor and stations, a number of things have been assessed to identify options to opportunities to increase accessibility to stations and ensure the ability to adapt for future technology and behaviour changes, inlcuding:  • Mobility as a Service  • Autonomous vehicles  • First mile and last mile transport  • How changes might affect patronage uplift  • How emerging technologies could impact on solution development | | | | |