

Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Workshop Programme

Date of Workshop: Tuesday 28 March 2023
 Time: 10am – 3.30pm
 Venue: Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Office, Ground Floor, 1 The Strand, Takapuna and MS Teams
 Apologies:

| Time | Workshop Item | Presenter | Governance role | Proposed Outcome(s) |
|---------------|---|---|------------------|----------------------------|
| 10.00 – 11.00 | 1. Eke Panuku - Northcroft St public consultation update Attachments: 1.1 Memo - re Northcroft St Update Workshop 1.2 Supporting document - Northcroft Street Upgrade Summary 1.3 Presentation - Northcroft Street update March 2023 | Karen Richardson Senior Community Affairs Advisor Kate Cumberpatch Priority Location Director Vanshita Vanshita Senior Project Manager Leo Jew Principal Landscape Architect | Keeping informed | Receive update on progress |
| 11.00 – 1.00 | 2. Service Investment and Programming - Local Park Management Plan: Volume 1 Attachments: 2.1 Presentation – DTLB LPMP Vol 1 | Tommo Cooper-Cuthbert Service and Asset Planner Bianka Griffiths Specialist Technical Statutory Advisor | Keeping informed | Receive update on progress |

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| 1.00 – 1.30 | 3. Auckland Transport - Devonport Towncentre works Attachments: 3.1 Presentation - Devonport Town Centre Preconstruction Engagement | Sunny Ha Senior Project Manager Alex Elton-Farr BID Engagement Partner Adam Moller Principal Transportation Engineer Krishna Paruchuri Local and Safety Projects Marilyn Nicholls Elected Member Relationship Manager | Keeping informed | Receive update on progress |
| 1 hour lunch break | | | | |
| 2.30 – 3.30 | 4. Parks and Places - Auburn Reserve Attachments: 4.1 Memo - Auburn Street March 2023 4.2 Supporting document - Auburn Street Reserve Service Assessment 4.3 Supporting document - Resolution Auburn Street Reserve | John McKellar Parks and Places Specialist | Keeping informed | Receive update on progress |

Next workshop: 4 April 2023

Role of Workshop:

- (a) Workshops do not have decision-making authority.
- (b) Workshops are used to canvass issues, prepare local board members for upcoming decisions and to enable discussion between elected members and staff.
- (c) Members are respectfully reminded of their Code of Conduct obligations with respect to conflicts of interest and confidentiality.
- (d) Workshops for groups of local boards can be held giving local boards the chance to work together on common interests or topics.

Memorandum

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| SUBJECT | Northcroft Street (Takapuna) update - workshop, 28 March 2023 |
| DATE | 21 March 2023 |
| TO | Devonport – Takapuna Local Board |
| FROM | Kate Cumberpatch, Priority Location Director |

Kia ora koutou,

At our workshop next week, I will provide an update on the Northcroft Street public consultation and how we have used this feedback to revise our concept design.

Project background

The proposed Northcroft Street upgrade is part of the wider regeneration plan for a thriving Takapuna and supports your Local Board Plan - Outcome 4 (transport and access) and 5 (Opportunity, prosperity, and growth).

We consulted the public on their usage of Northcroft Street, and proposed safety and streetscape enhancements in October and November 2022. Attached is a summary of results.

Using the public feedback, we have revised the proposed concept design - see the attached presentation.

We anticipate starting construction on Northcroft Street from July 2023.

Workshop

At next week's workshop, we would welcome your feedback on the revised concept design to help us finalise this.

Ngā mihi,

Kate Cumberpatch
Priority Location Director
Eke Panuku

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Northcroft Street Upgrade

**Consultation
feedback results**

2022

What we consulted Aucklanders on

TOTAL SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED: 141

This summary covers feedback received, during the consultation period of 21 October to 20 November 2022, on the Eke Panuku proposed upgrade of Northcroft Street, Takapuna.

We sought public feedback about how Northcroft Street was being used, and also on safe speeds, proposed crossing points, safety improvements and streetscape enhancements.

We received 141 pieces of feedback – 134 pieces from individuals and seven from local organisations. This feedback came via two channels:

- 120 via our online feedback form
- 21 via hard copy feedback forms.

The following questions were asked:

1. How often do you use or visit Northcroft Street?
2. What usually brings you to Northcroft Street?
3. Do you think the proposed locations for pedestrian crossings (including outside the Sentinel apartments) are suitable crossing points along the street?
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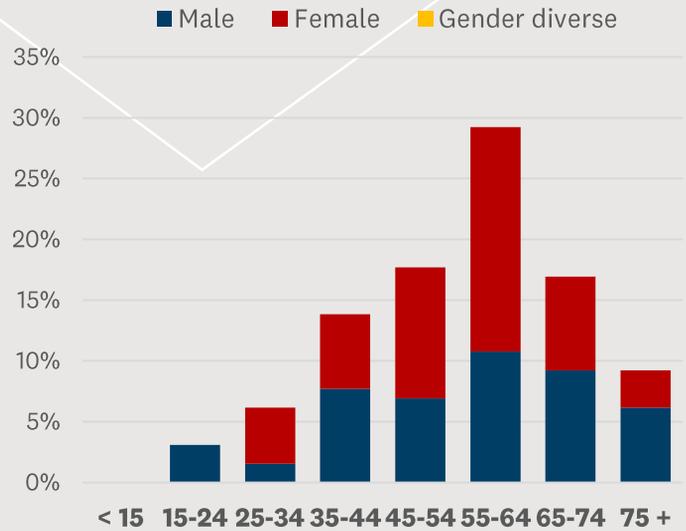
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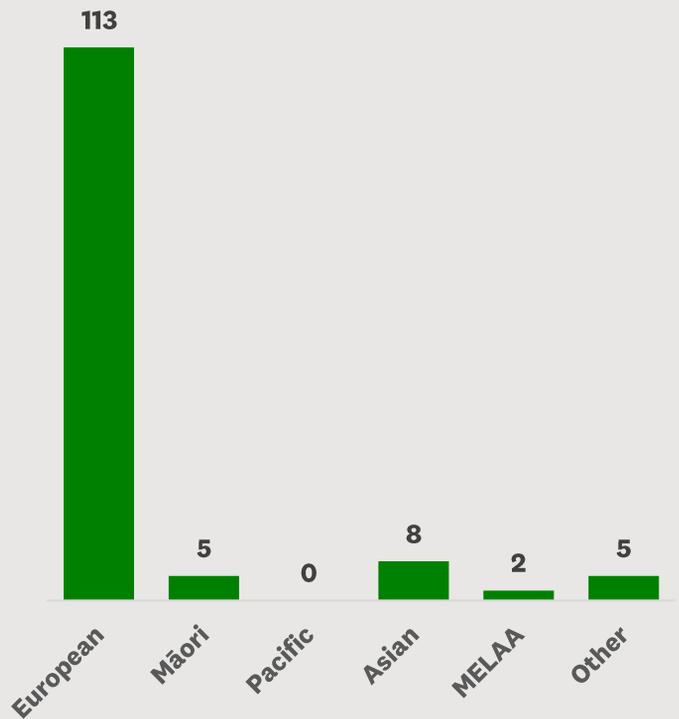
Who we heard from

The tables below indicate the demographic profile of those that answered the demographic questions.

| AGE | Male | Female | Total | % |
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| < 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| 15 - 24 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 4% |
| 25 - 34 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 7% |
| 35 - 44 | 10 | 8 | 19 | 15% |
| 45 - 54 | 9 | 14 | 24 | 18% |
| 55 - 64 | 14 | 24 | 39 | 30% |
| 65 - 74 | 12 | 10 | 22 | 17% |
| 75 + | 8 | 4 | 12 | 9% |
| Total submitters providing data | | | 130 | 100% |



| ETHNICITY | # | % |
|--|------------|-----------|
| European | 113 | 90% |
| Pākehā/NZ European | 106 | 84% |
| Other European | 7 | 6% |
| Māori | 5 | 4% |
| Pacific | 0 | 0% |
| Samoan | 0 | 0% |
| Tongan | 0 | 0% |
| Other Pasifika | 0 | 0% |
| Asian | 8 | 6% |
| Chinese | 5 | 4% |
| Southeast Asian | 2 | 2% |
| Indian | 0 | 0% |
| Other Asian | 1 | 1% |
| Middle Eastern/Latin American/African | 2 | 2% |
| Other (incl. Kiwi/New Zealander) | 5 | 4% |
| Total submitters providing data | 126 | NA |



Regarding location, around 110 pieces of feedback came from people living in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area, 21 from people outside the local board area, and 5 did not provide this information.



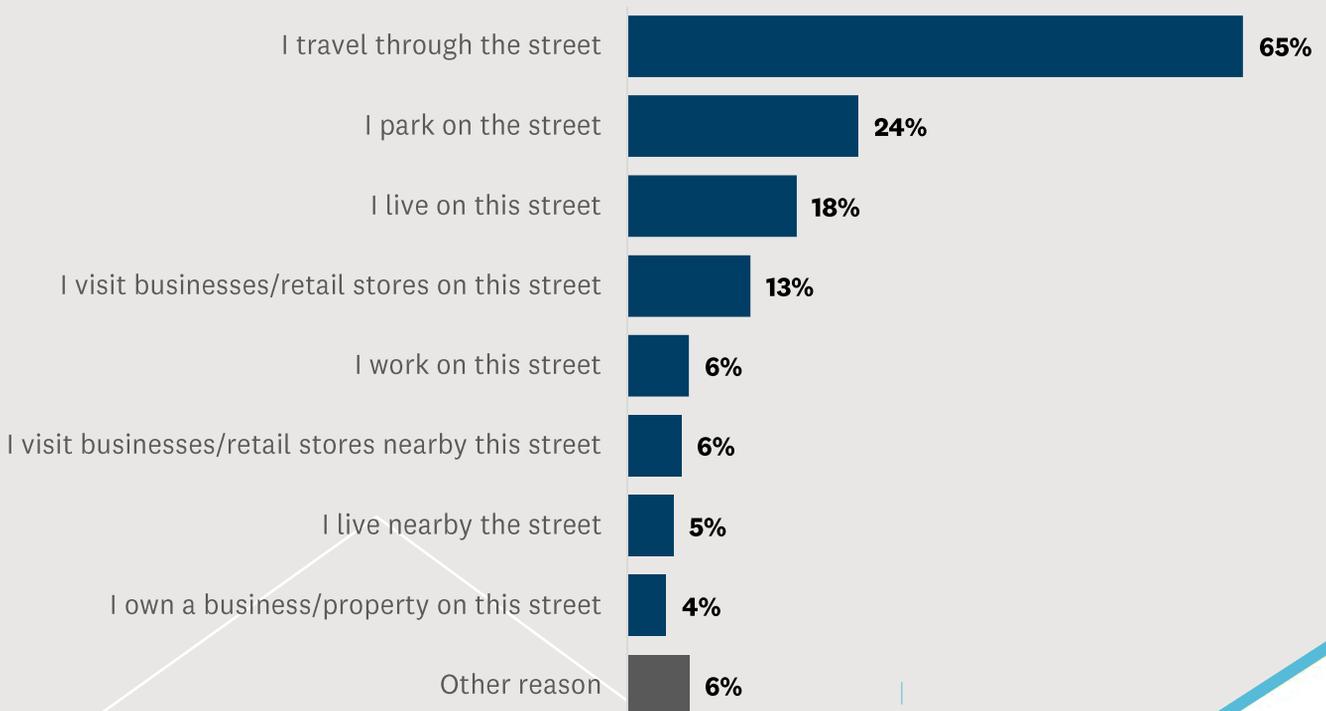
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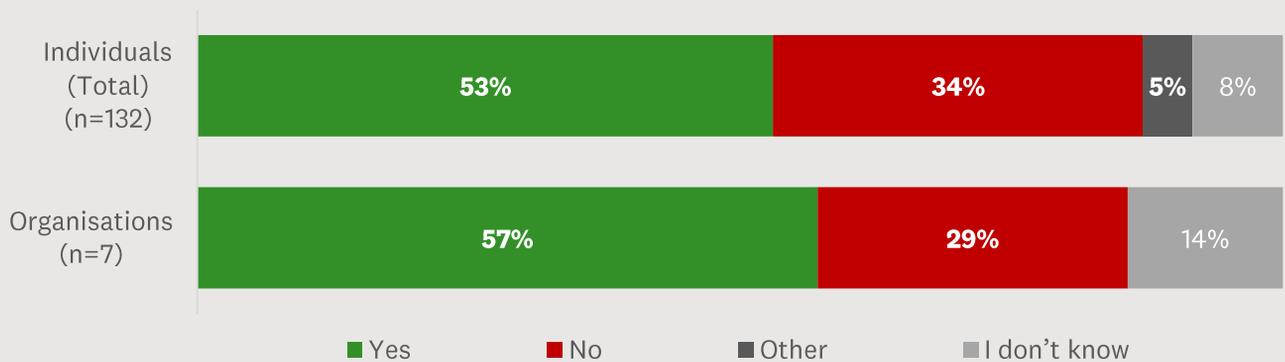


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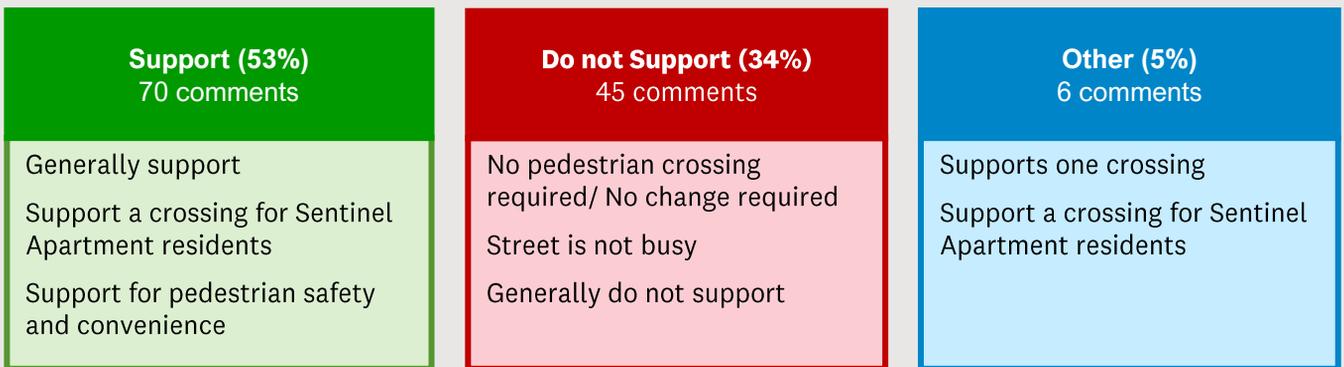
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The proposed design will narrow Northcroft Street and install a raised speed table with a pedestrian crossing outside the Sentinel apartments to slow vehicles to a safer speed while providing a safe crossing point for people.

We asked people to select one of the following response options (n=139)



Tell us why (Individuals):



Tell us why (Organisations):

Of the four organisations that supported the proposal, they were two comments generally supporting the upgrade. The other two organisations had no additional comment.

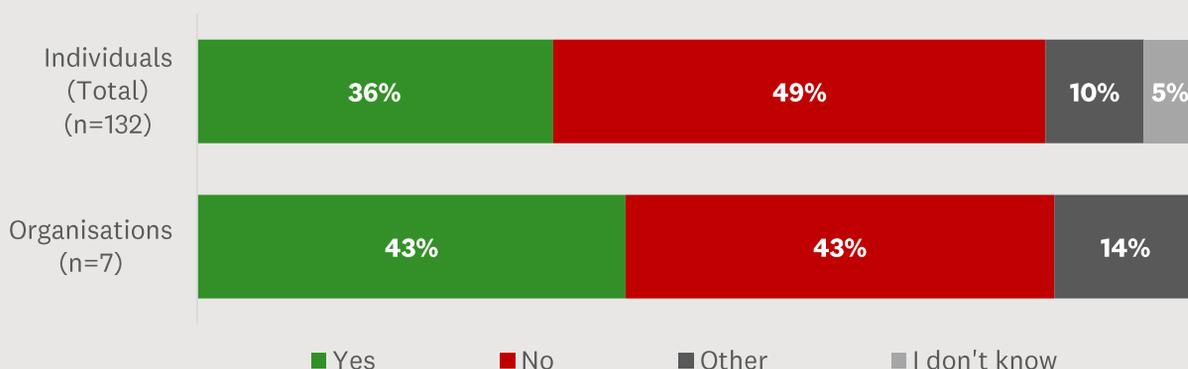
The organisations that did not support the proposal had varied reasons.



Q4: Would you feel safer walking or cycling along Northcroft Street with the proposed changes in place?

One of the key objectives of the project is to improve safety through wider footpaths, better lighting, and a slower speed environment for the many more people that will be using the street in the near future.

We asked people to select one of the following response options (n=139)



Tell us why (Individuals):



Tell us why (Organisations):

Three organisations that supported the proposal, had no further comment. One organisation that selected “other” believed the proposal is a waste of money.

Three organisations did not support the proposal, two of which generally disagreed with the proposal.

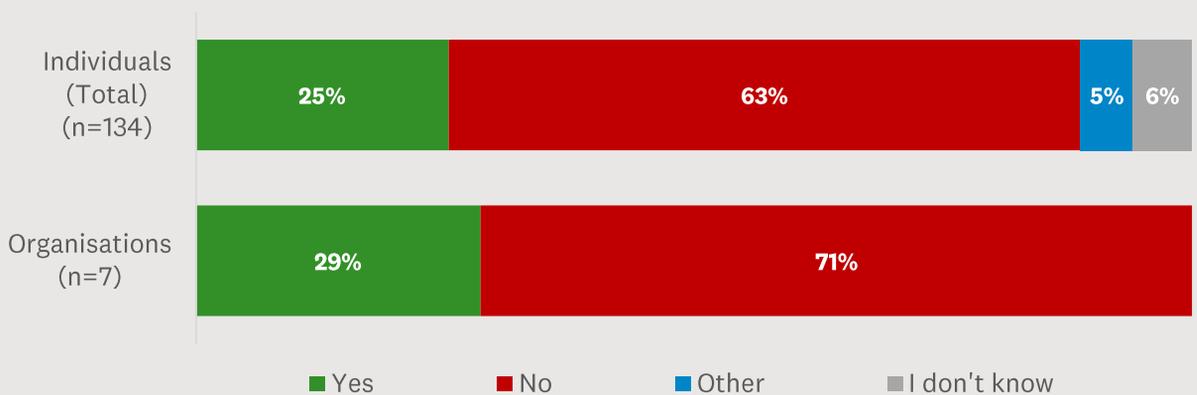


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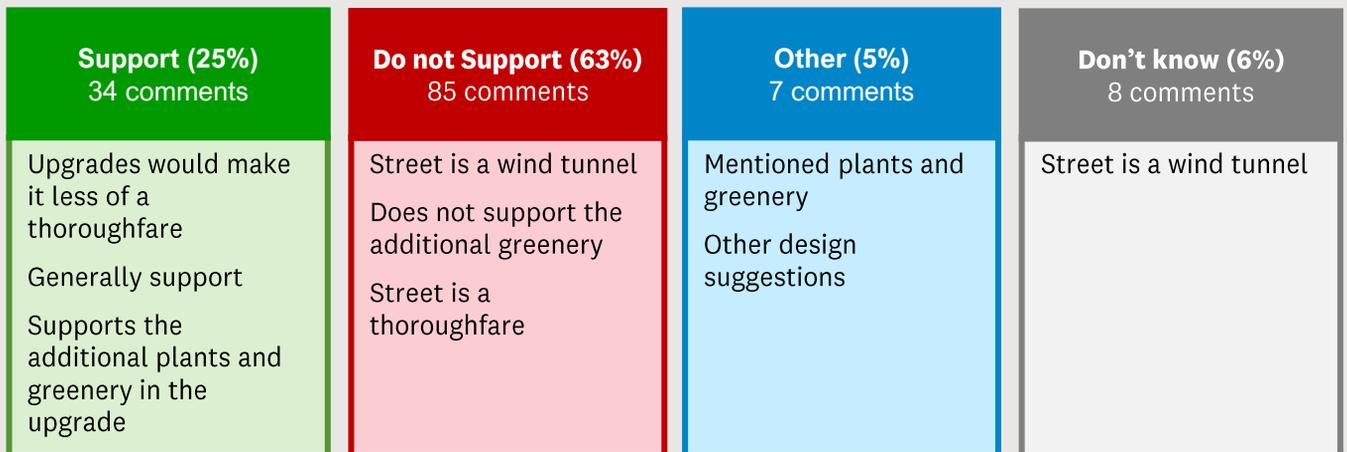
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We propose planting native trees in between the road and the footpath throughout the street, with spaces for bench seats and informal seating, similar to the upgraded Hurstmere Road.

We asked people to select one of the following response options (n=94)



Tell us why (Individuals):



Tell us why (Organisations):

Two organisations that support the proposal, generally support the proposed upgrade.

Of the five organisations that did not support the proposal, the common theme was that the street is a wind tunnel (two comments).



Q6: Do you have any other feedback about the proposed improvements to Northcroft Street?

We received 101 comments from individuals and six comments from organisations.

Individual submitters raised common themes including:

- No changes required (35 comments)
- Street parking needs to stay (17 comments)
- The street is a wind tunnel (16 comments).

Regarding the level of support for the proposed upgrades:

- 12 comments were supportive of the project
- 15 comments were not supportive the project.

As for organisations, the most common theme was that the street is a wind tunnel (three comments).



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Northcroft Street update

March 2023

Agenda

1. Background
2. Public consultation results
3. Revised concept design
4. Next steps

Background

- Oct-Nov. 2022 – public consultation on Northcroft Street usage, and proposed safety and streetscape enhancements
- The proposed upgrade is part of the wider regeneration plan for a thriving Takapuna and supports your Local Board Plan, Outcome 4 (transport and access) and 5 (Opportunity, prosperity and growth)
- The proposed changes were design to:
 - Improve safety for pedestrians and people on bikes
 - Improve retail vitality
 - Create a more attractive streetscape with native planting, street furniture and better lighting
 - Improve stormwater runoff

Consulted design



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| 1 NARROWED STREET | 5 SEATING AREA | - - - EXISTING KERBLINE |
| 2 POTENTIAL LOCATION OF RAISED SPEED TABLES | 6 SHELTER CANOPY | BUILDING CANOPY |
| 3 POTENTIAL LOCATION OF SECOND CROSSING POINT | 7 CYCLE RACKS | - - - - - EXTENT OF WORKS |
| 4 PLANTING AREA | 8 VOLCANIC STONE WALL | |

What questions did we ask?

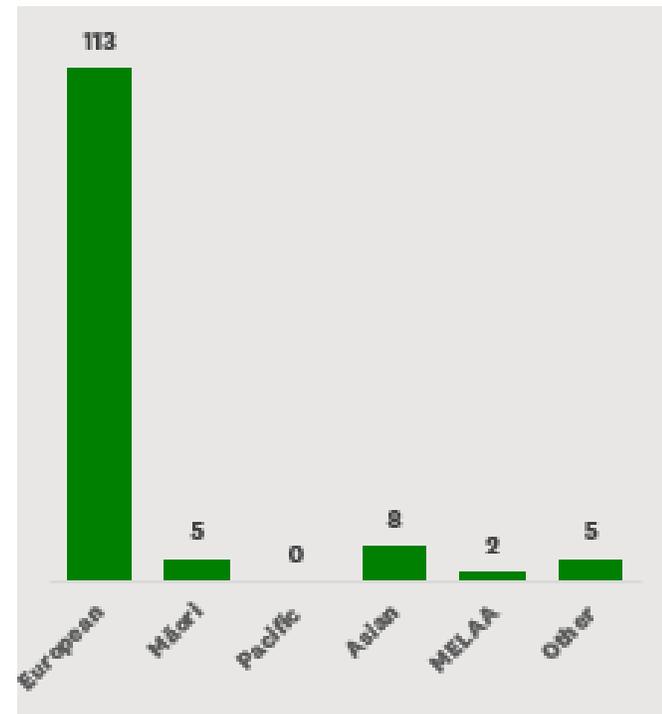
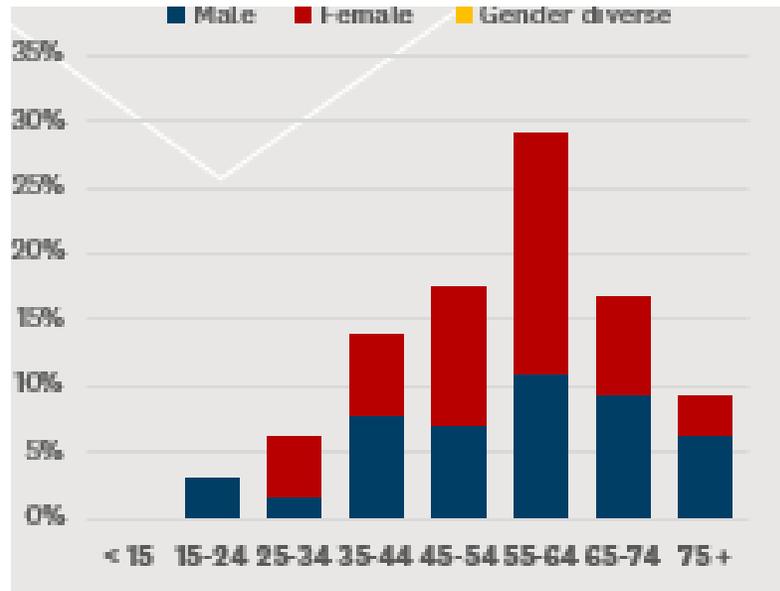
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- Two feedback channels:
 - Online - most people (120) completed an online form
 - Hard copy – 21 paper feedback forms were received



Who we heard from



Key points:

- Most respondents were European and older
- Most people (110) live in the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area

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We asked people to select one of the following response options (n=133 individuals)



■ Every day or most days

■ Once or twice a week

■ Once or twice a month

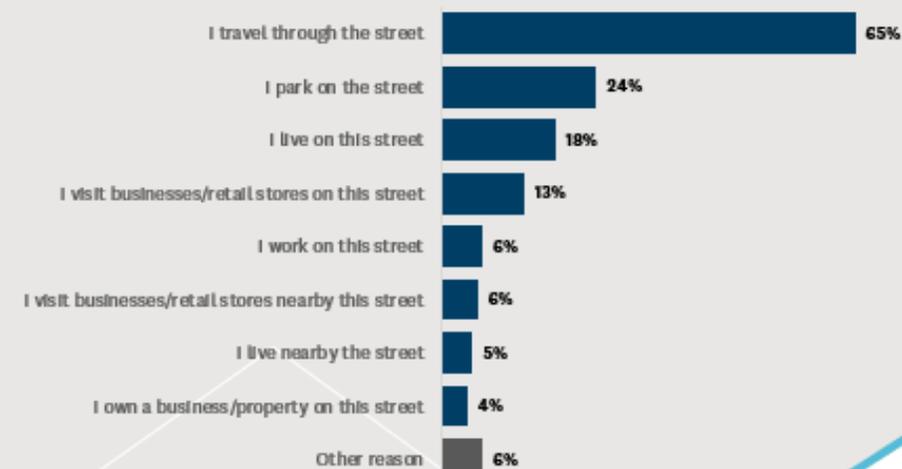
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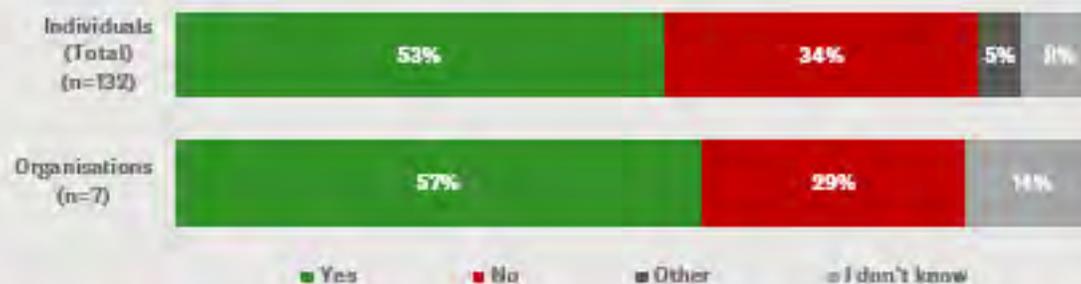


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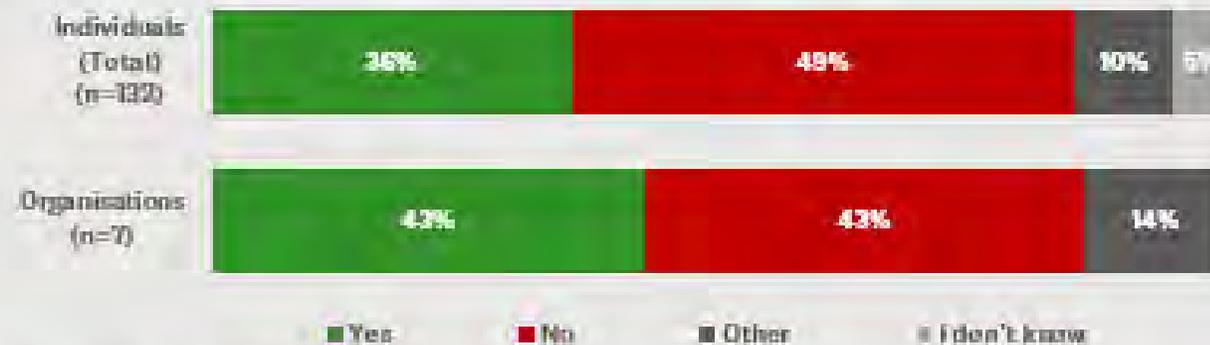
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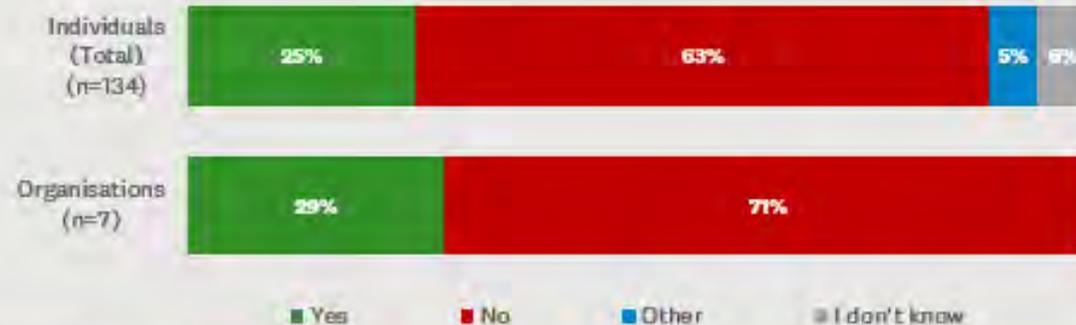


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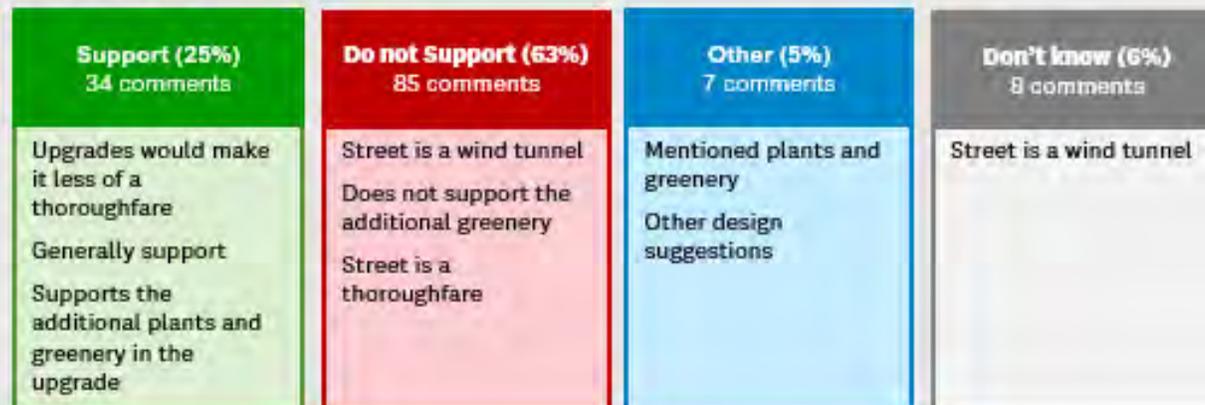
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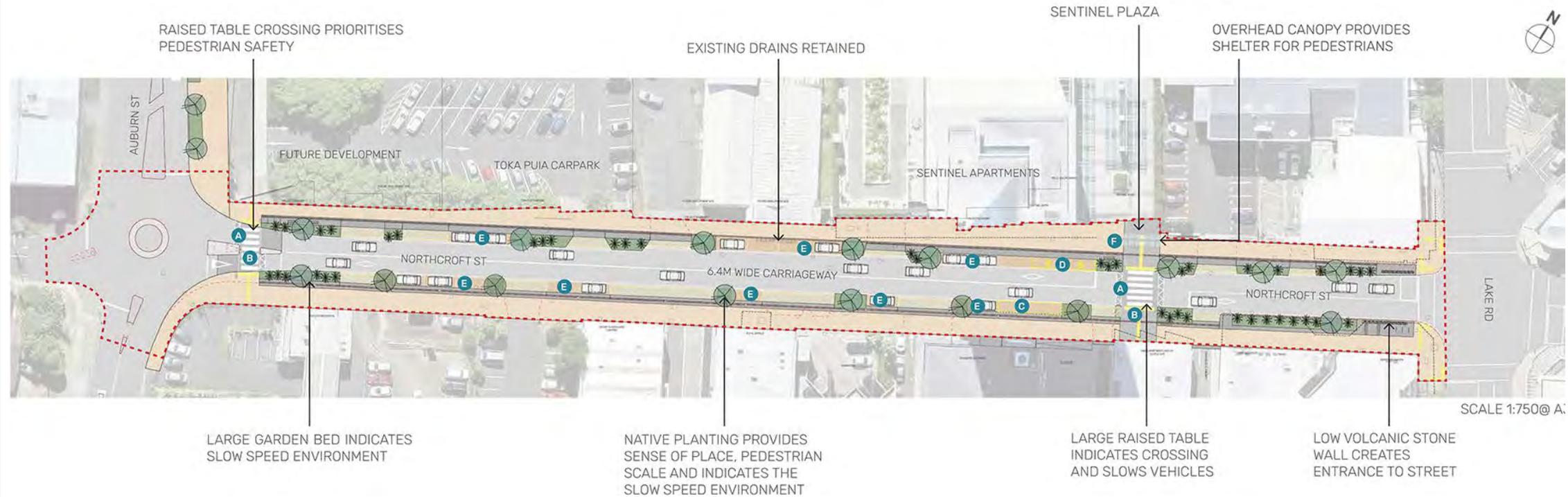
Key points

- People were unaware of a future mixed-use development on the corner of Northcroft and Auburn streets, which will considerably increase future use of the street
- Most respondents were older Europeans who used or parked on the street regularly. 20% live on the street
- The majority thought the proposed locations for pedestrian crossings were suitable (34% didn't support these, mainly because they couldn't see the current need for it)

Key points (cont.)

- Around 40% thought proposed changes would make the street safer for walking/cycling. 49% individuals disagreed, mainly because they couldn't see the need
- Most people did not think the changes would make them spend more time in the street, mainly because it's seen as a wind tunnel and a thoroughfare. 25% of people were supportive
- Common themes from feedback provided at the end of the survey included that no change was required, the street is a wind tunnel and street parking needs to stay

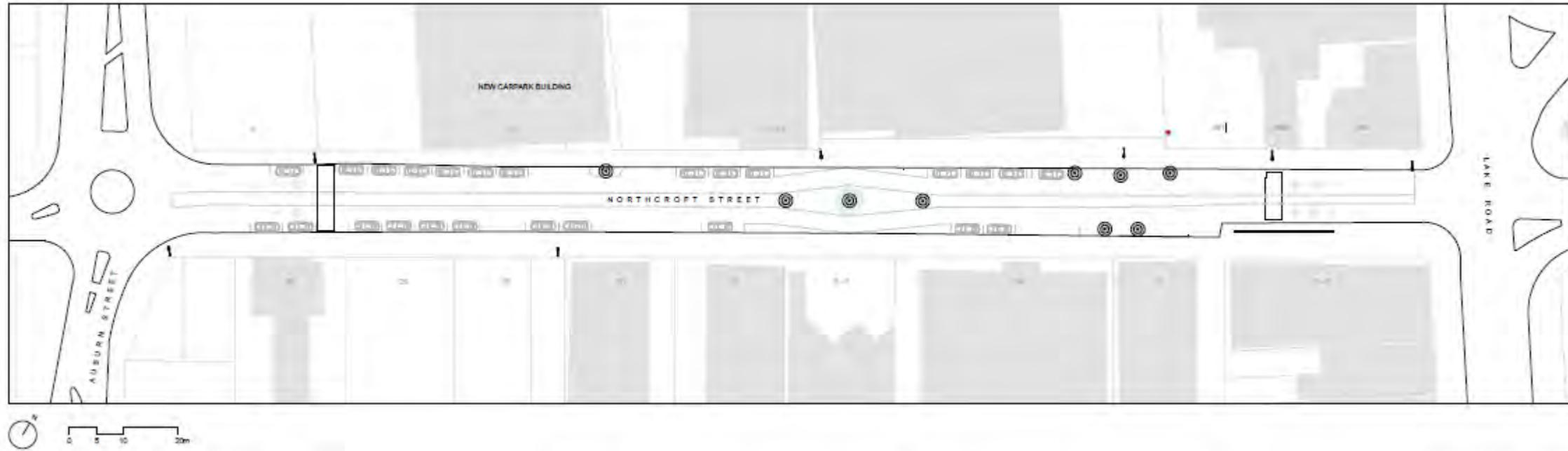
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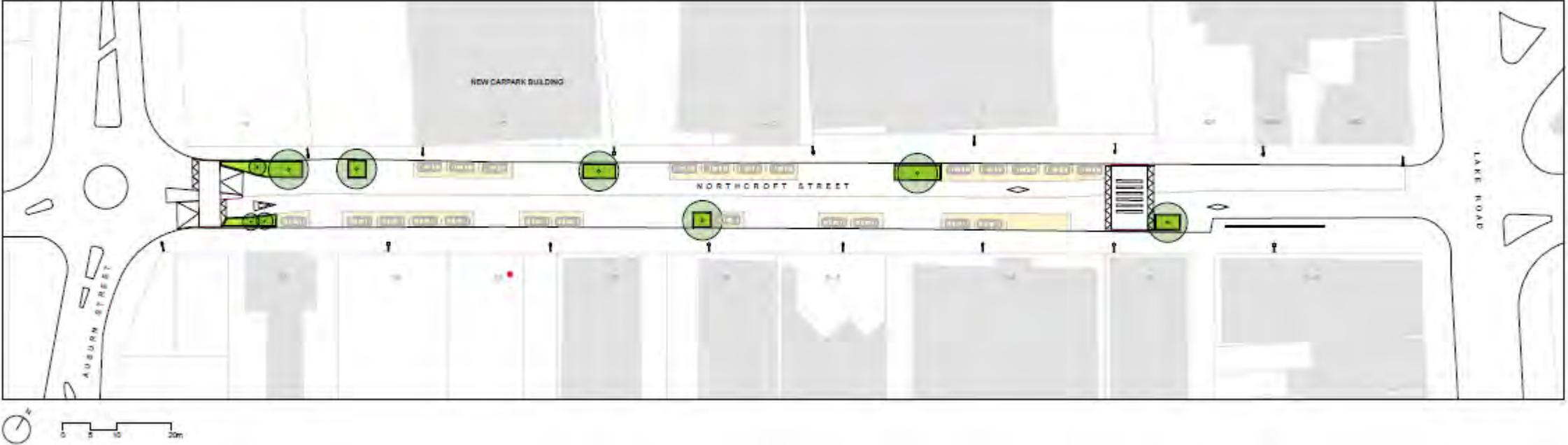
Key changes

- Deletion of western mid-block crossing point
- Reduction in street amenity with less seating (from 9 to 4)
- Less street trees (from 22 to 16)
- Retention of narrowed carriageway
- Retention of 18 x carparks (as consulted)

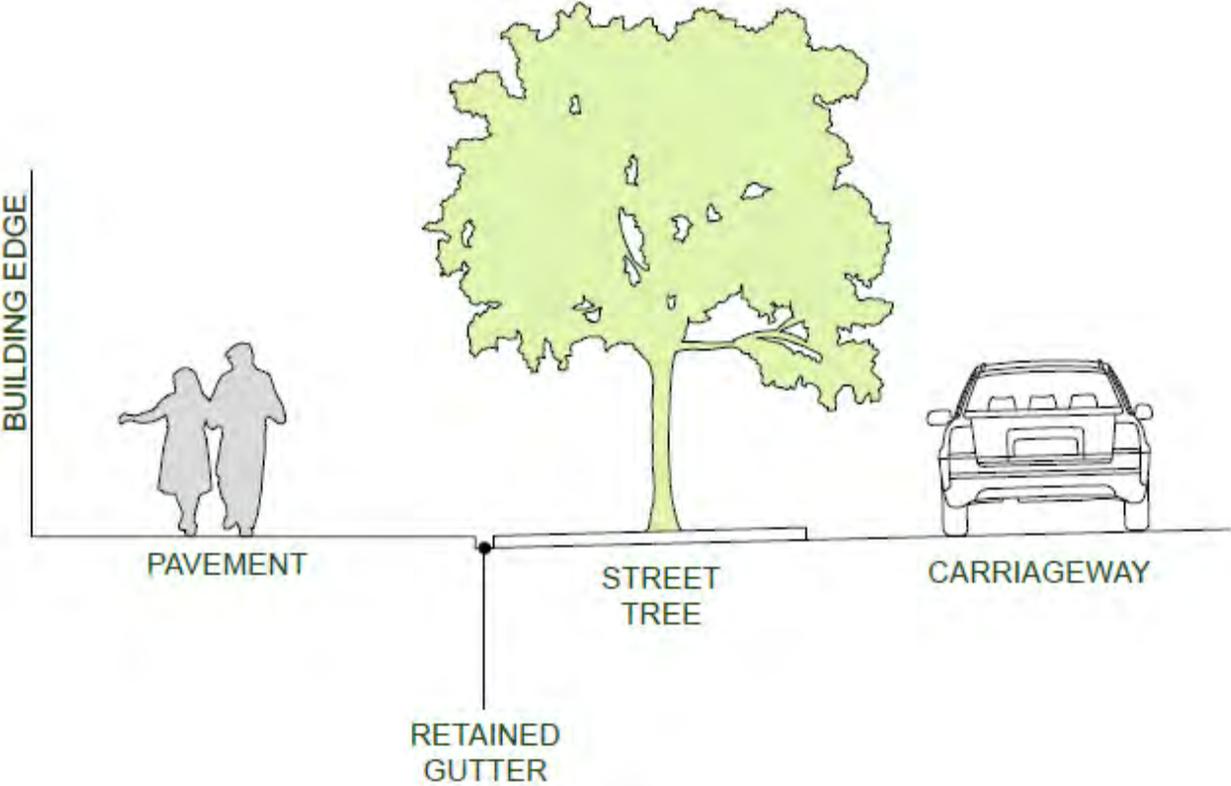
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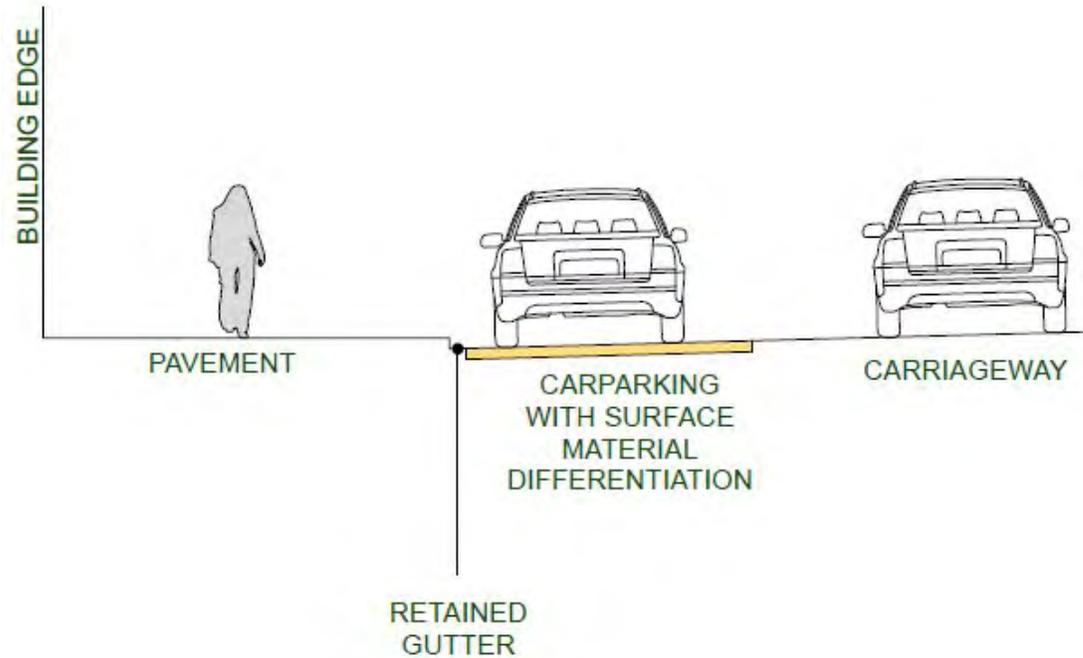
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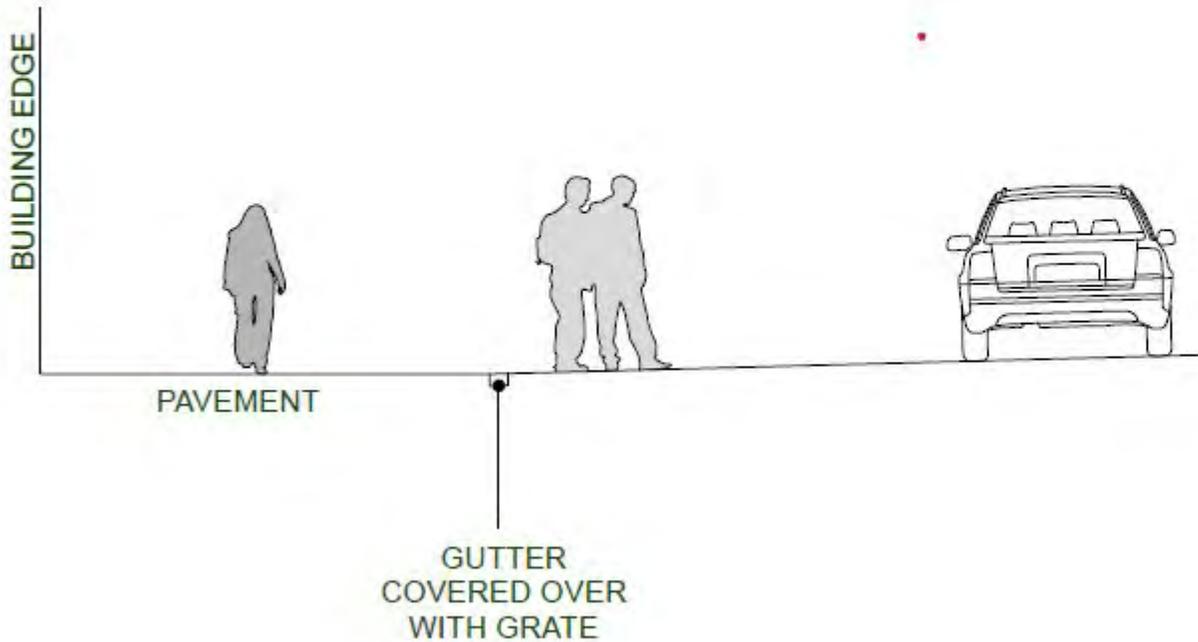
Trees



Car parking



Guttering



Next steps

- **April – May 2023** – Approval Auckland Transport & Traffic Control Committee (TCC)
- **May - June 2023** - Engineering Plans Approval (EPA)
- **July 2023 - March 2024** - Construction

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Devonport-Takapuna Local Parks Management Plan – Volume 1

Tommo Cooper-Cuthbert – Service and Asset Planner

March 2023



Devonport Town Centre Safety Improvements Local Board Workshop



4 April 2023

Memorandum

To: Devonport -Takapuna Local Board

Subject: Auburn Street Reserve Service Assessment Update

From: John McKellar - Parks and Places Specialist

Contact information: John.McKellar@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Purpose

1. To provide an update on the 2020/2021 work programme item 'Auburn Street Reserve Service Assessment'.

Summary

2. The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board's approved Parks, Sport and Recreation work programme for 2020/2021 included the item 'Auburn Street Reserve Service Assessment' (PSR SharePoint ID:24).
3. The service assessment provides guidelines to inform development, planning, and funding processes for Auburn Street Reserve in Takapuna.
4. The draft service assessment (attachment A) was presented to the local board at a business meeting on the 21 September 2021 for adoption. The board resolved to defer the item to allow further engagement with park leaseholders and stakeholders to be undertaken.

Context

5. The Devonport-Takapuna Local Board's approved Parks, Sport and Recreation work programme for 2020/2021 included the item 'Auburn Street Reserve Service Assessment' (PSR SharePoint ID:24) with an approved budget of \$20,000 LDI opex.
6. The Auburn Street Reserve in central Takapuna serves as an important pedestrian and cycle connection point in the area and provides valuable open space to the rapidly intensifying residential and commercial areas that surround it.
7. When finalised, this assessment will inform the basis of any development planning and funding processes for the reserve. The assessment also identifies a spatial plan for the reserve, showing key activity zones.
8. The service assessment does not provide any detail on specific development projects and no capital works funding is currently allocated for the development of this reserve.
9. Several community buildings and facilities are located on this reserve, including the Takapuna Playcentre, the Taitamariki Girl Guides Hall, the PHAB Centre and the Takapuna Croquet Club.
10. The legacy North Shore City Council purchased residential properties adjoining the reserve at 76 and 78 Anzac Street to enable a direct connection to Anzac Street and increase the

size of the reserve. This section of the reserve is currently separated from the main part of the reserve by the Takapuna Croquet Club fields.

Discussion

11. Further engagement with the reserve leaseholders from the Takapuna Playcentre, NZ Girl Guides, the PHAB Centre and the Takapuna Croquet Club has been undertaken. The details of this engagement will be discussed at the workshop.
12. Many of the aspects of the spatial plan and service assessment could only be progressed with changes to the layout of the buildings on the reserve. This will require ongoing engagement with the leaseholders as the goals of the service assessment are developed.
13. The current leasing agreements for these facilities are detailed in the service assessment (Attachment A, Page 11).

Next steps

14. Staff will undertake further engagement with leaseholders in preparation for the adoption of this service assessment at the next available local board business meeting.

Attachments

Attachment A: The Draft Auburn Street Reserve Service Assessment.

Attachment B: Resolution Auburn Street Reserve CP/2021/14498



Auburn Street Reserve

Service Assessment



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Auburn Street Reserve

Service Assessment

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Date: 02 July 2021
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Status: **Final**

| Revision | Date | Author | Reviewed By | Status |
|----------|---------------|--------------|---------------------|------------------|
| 001 | 30 April 2021 | James French | Courtenay Northcott | Work in progress |
| 002 | 19 May 2021 | James French | Courtenay Northcott | Draft |
| 003 | 29 June 2021 | James French | Courtenay Northcott | Client comment |
| 004 | 02 July 2021 | James French | Courtenay Northcott | Final |

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Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide a development guideline in the form of a spatial diagram for Auburn Street Reserve. This spatial diagram is aligned with Auckland Council's shift in its approach to park management, from an asset based approach (looking specifically at provision of infrastructure) to a people focused and service provision approach.

An in-depth site analysis and information review identifies opportunities and constraints for future management and possible development of the reserve with a vision to optimising public use and enjoyment of the reserve.

The spatial diagram aims to:

- Ensure adequate allocation of space for community use
- Create a meaningful spatial arrangement that allows for a variety of activities within the reserve, and thus:

Ensure that the Auburn Street Reserve remains an important asset to the community by providing recreation and amenity in a manner that is relevant to the community presently, and well into the future.

Process

A site visit to the Auburn Street Reserve was undertaken with an Auckland Council Parks and Places specialist in March 2021. The specialist provided valuable insight into Auckland Council's vision for the reserve in relation to the future growth and development of Takapuna. Possible options for the future development of

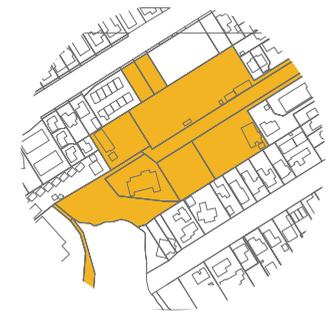


Figure 1 Auburn Street Reserve

the reserve, limitations on development and the ongoing management of the reserve were discussed.

Following the site visit, a desktop review of information was carried out. Documents reviewed included:

- Statutory and non-statutory strategic documents, legislation, policies and plans relevant to Auburn Street Reserve, Devonport-Takapuna Local Board and the wider Auckland region.
- Current leases held on the reserve

The above data was synthesised into a spatial plan for Auburn Street Reserve. This plan proposes how best the reserve may be developed and managed in the future to provide optimised public usage. The spatial plan focusses on defining key activities and zones within Auburn Street Reserve and does not go into detail around the specific site developments and infrastructure improvements.

It is intended that this spatial plan will be adopted by Devonport-Takapuna Local Board in order to guide prioritisation of projects and investment; and assist the Local Board in allocating funding for the reserve from 2021 onwards.

The Place

Auburn Street Reserve is located at 8 Auburn Street, Takapuna within the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board area. The irregularly shaped reserve is bounded on most sides by residential properties, and by the upper reaches

of Shoal Bay and the Patuone Reserve on its south-eastern edge.

Auburn Street Reserve is a reserve pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977. The reserve is classified for the following 3 purposes:

- Recreation Reserve ¹
- Local Purpose ²
 - Local Purpose (Community Buildings) Reserve
 - Local Purpose (Accessway) Reserve
- Scenic reserve ³

In 2009 Auckland Council purchased an additional 2 land parcels (held as Fee Simple) along Anzac street with the intention of creating additional road frontage to the reserve along Anzac Road, and as the start of a green connection in a northern direction to Lake Pupuke. Unfortunately, this area of land is cut off from the reserve due to the boundary walls around the croquet fields.

The Auburn Street Reserve provides a home to various community, sports and recreation facilities. Currently, most of the reserve is leased out to local community and sporting groups. Leases on the reserve are held by:

- Girl Guild Association New Zealand
- PHAB Association Auckland
- Takapuna Croquet Club
- The North Shore Play Centre Association

Each leased area has been fenced off and the reserve is dominated by 4 full-sized croquet fields and a disused bowling green. This has resulted in the poor articulation of publicly

accessible park space. Furthermore, an access road and centrally located car park run almost the length of the reserve further slicing up the remainder of accessible space.

The various lease agreements and a lack of cohesive master planning for the reserve has created poor movement and access for visitors to the reserve. Limited appealing pedestrian movement options, including fenced off sections of the reserve, hinder the transformational potential the reserve could have to support future liveability of the Takapuna Metropolitan Centre.

1. Held for the purpose of providing areas for the recreation and sporting activities and the physical welfare and enjoyment of the public, and for the protection of the natural environment and beauty of the countryside, with emphasis on the retention of open spaces and on outdoor recreational activities
2. Held for the purpose of providing and retaining areas for such local purpose or purposes as are specified in any classification of the reserve
3. Held for the purpose of protecting and preserving in perpetuity for their intrinsic worth and for the benefit, enjoyment, and use of the public, suitable areas possessing such qualities of scenic interest, beauty, or natural features or landscape that their protection and preservation are desirable in the public interest



Figure 2 Auburn Street Reserve Entrance Sign

Wider Context

1. Auburn Street Reserve
 2. Auckland City Centre
 3. Auckland Harbour Bridge
 4. Ports of Auckland
 5. Waitematā Golf Club
 6. Ngataranga Park
 7. Dacre Park
 8. Stanley Bay
 9. Mount Victoria
 10. Ngataranga Bay
 11. Shoal Bay
 12. Little Shoal Bay
 13. Onepoto Domain
 14. Tuff Crater Reserve
 15. Barrys Point Reserve
 16. AUT University - North Shore Campus
 17. Onewa Domain
 18. Lake Pupuke
 19. Takapuna Town Centre
 20. Takapuna Beach
 21. Takapuna Golf Course
- Greenway Connection
 - - - Proposed Green Connection
 - - - Proposed Cycleway Connection
 - Takapuna Metropolitan Centre



Figure 3 Auckland Context Location Map

Site Images



Figure 4 Site context and photo view point reference map
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View Point 1 Facing west down Auburn Street Reserve from Auburn Street



View Point 2 View looking west towards the Takapuna Croquet Club



View Point 3 Facing South east looking into PHAB Association Auckland



View Point 4 Facing South east looking into PHAB Association Auckland



View Point 5 Facing west looking towards Takapuna Croquet Club Grounds



View Point 6 Facing south towards a storage shed



View Point 7 Facing north-east up Auburn Street



View Point 8 View looking east towards storage shed and PHAB



View Point 9 View over croquet fields, through fence, towards the Sargeson Apartments



View Point 10 Facing north towards croquet club



View Point 11 Facing south towards Taitamariki Hall



View Point 12 Facing south-west near Taitamariki Hall



View Point 13 Facing north-west towards North Shore Playcentre Association



View Point 14 View north east looking towards PHAB



*Figure 5 Views of Takapuna, looking east to Rangitoto with Auburn Street Reserve in the foreground
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View Point 15 Facing north towards Takapuna Croquet Club



View Point 16 Facing south-west down towards Patuone Reserve



View Point 17 View north along Patuone entering the bush



View Point 18 View east from Patuone Walkway



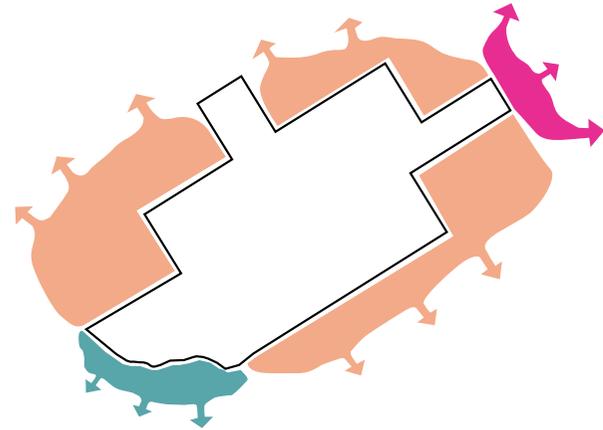
View Point 19 View south along Patuone walkway



View Point 20 View south-east from Anzac Road towards Auburn Street Reserve

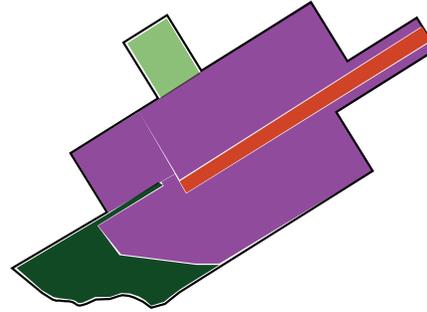
Site Analysis Diagrams

Surrounding Context



- Patuone Reserve
- Residential
- Business

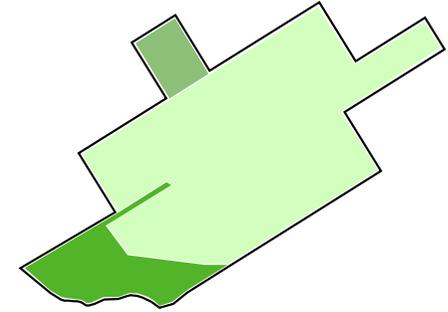
Land Classification



- Scenic Reserve *
- Local Purpose (Accessway) Reserve *
- Local Purpose (Community Buildings) Reserve *
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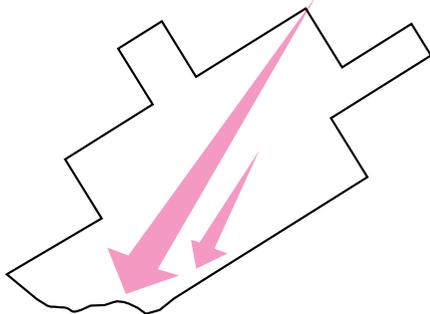
* Reserves Act 1977

Unitary Plan Zoning



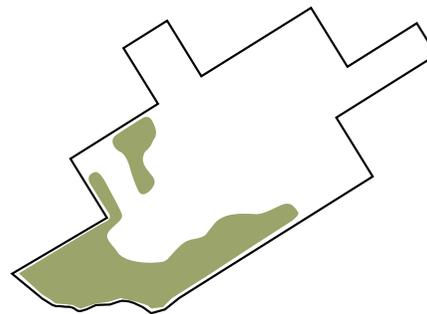
- Informal Recreation Reserve
- Sport and Active Recreation
- Conservation

View Shafts



View Shaft To Auckland City Centre

Site Vegetation



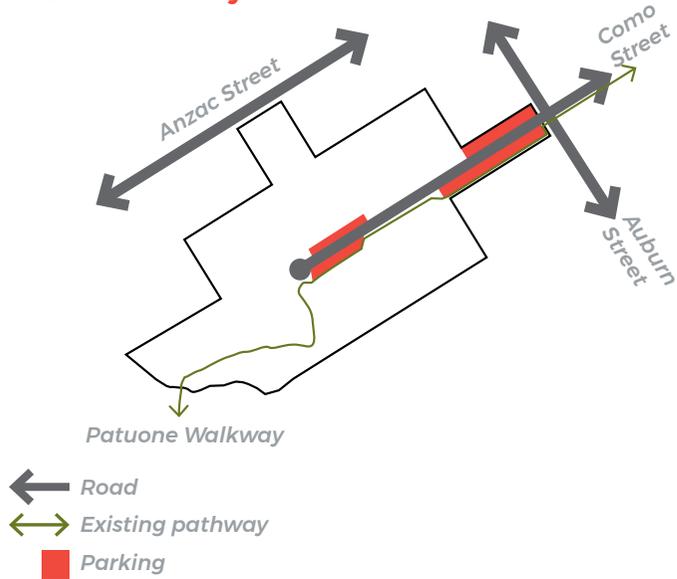
- Tree canopy cover

Hydrology and Topography

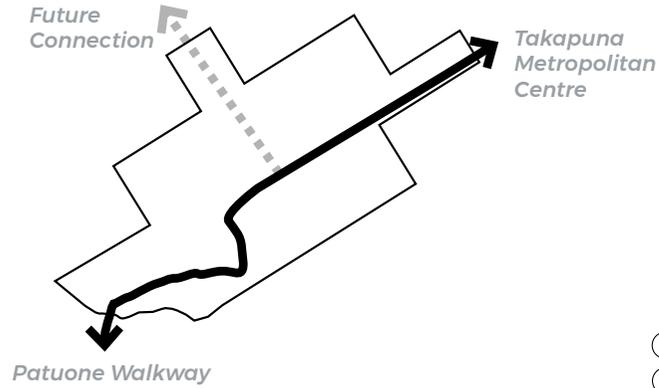


- Overland flow paths
- Flood Plains

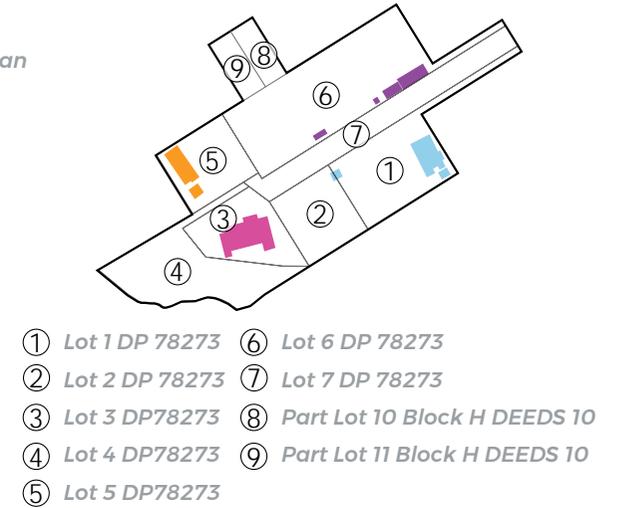
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Proposed Walk and Cycle Strategy



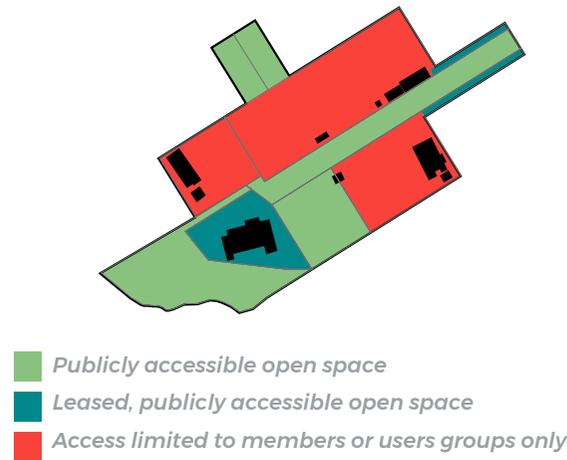
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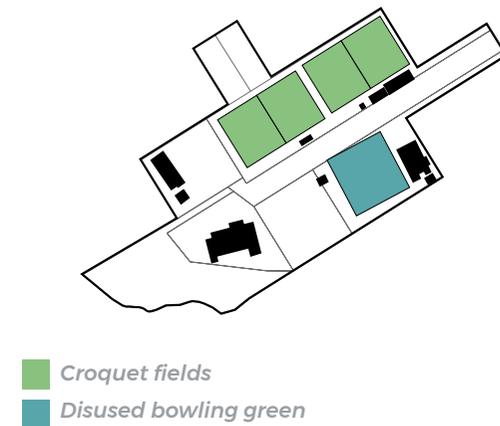
Lease Holdings



Open Space Accessibility



Sports Facilities



Leaseholder Information

Girl Guide Association New Zealand

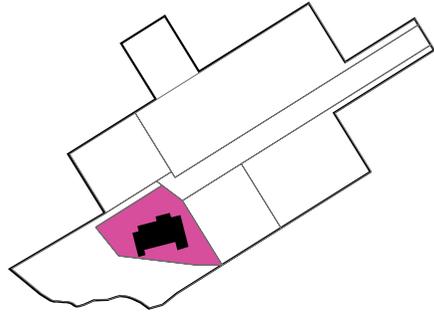


Figure 5 Taitamariki Hall

Term: 10 years with one right of renewal for a further 10 years
 Lease commenced: 01/04/2002
 Lease renewal: 01/04/2012
 Final expiry: 31/03/2022
 Facilities: Taitamariki Hall (Girl Guides Hall)

Takapuna Croquet Club

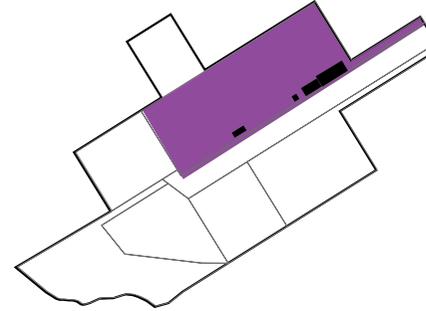


Figure 7 Takapuna Croquet Clubhouse

Term: 10 years with one right of renewal for a further 10 years
 Lease commenced: 22/08/2018
 Lease renewal: 22/08/2028
 Final expiry: 21/08/2038
 Facilities: 4 x Full sized croquet fields, clubhouse, changerooms and storage

PHAB Association Auckland

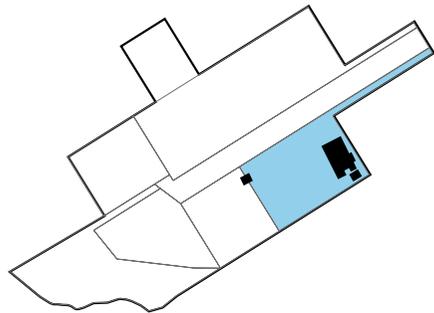


Figure 5 PHAB building

Term: 10 years with one right of renewal for a further 10 years
 Lease commenced: 01/09/2016
 Lease renewal: 01/09/2026
 Final expiry: 31/08/2036
 Facilities: 1 x Full sized bowling green, PHAB building, accessible swing set

The North Shore Play Centre Association

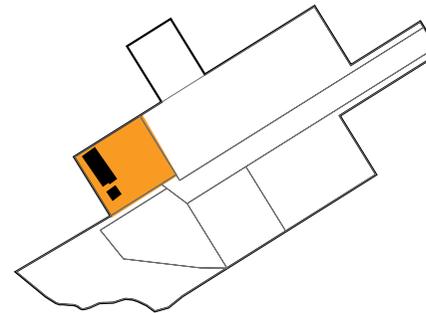


Figure 8 North Shore Play Centre Entrance

Term: 10 years with one right of renewal for a further 10 years
 Lease commenced: 01/10/2001
 Lease renewal: 01/10/2011
 Final expiry: 30/09/2021
 Facilities: School buildings and outdoor play area with playground equipment

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)

A high-level desktop review of CPTED strategies for the Auburn Street Reserve was undertaken. In carrying out the review, it was assumed that the reserve will be used by the public for recreation purposes.

The Ministry of Justice CPTED Guidelines were referred to as a suitable structure for reference. The Guidelines incorporate four underlying principles:

- Surveillance
- Access management
- Territorial reinforcement
- Quality environments

Legend

- S - Surveillance
- A - Access Management
- T - Territorial Reinforcement
- Q - Quality Environment



Figure 6 CPTED Issues diagram
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ISSUES IDENTIFIED

SURVEILLANCE (S)

The irregular shaped reserve is bounded on most sides by residential properties.

While trees and foliage run along the perimeter (obscuring visibility) there are a number of multi story apartment blocks which give a good impression that the park will be overlooked.

MITIGATION / MANAGEMENT

Thinning of tree foliage and the removal of exotic pest plants would improve surveillance and local ecologies and should be considered within the management of the reserve.

While the impression is of good passive surveillance this can be augmented by the addition of CCTV and lighting. Lighting would

ISSUES IDENTIFIED

A connection to the Patuone Walkway connection behind the Taitamariki Hall is through an area of dense bush with little possibility for surveillance.

ACCESS MANAGEMENT (A)

An existing access road provides good access to a mixture of community facilities and general outdoor recreation however the lack of exit options make the park a cul-de sac and this needs to be communicated clearly at the access point into the reserve.

A connection to the Patuone Walkway connection behind the Taitamariki Hall provides pedestrian access to the reserve, however, this access is through an area of dense bush with little possibility for surveillance.

The reserve along ANZAC street is isolated from the larger reserve due to the fence around the croquet fields.

TERRITORIAL REINFORCEMENT (T)

There is potential for a sense of danger related to unclear ownership. Where this ambiguity occurs, a sense of neglect may lead to a perception of danger.

QUALITY ENVIRONMENT (Q)

Clearly articulated spaces supplemented by good aesthetic consideration can reinforce a feeling of an environment which is cared for. This reflects a sense of pride and ownership and makes a space less prone to vandalism or crime.

Good aesthetics in the design elements and layout backed up by regular and consistent maintenance will greatly contribute to a high quality space that will promote a positive perception of the space.

MITIGATION / MANAGEMENT

especially be important to extend the hours of use, however, this should be balanced by the sensitivities of the surrounding residential properties (light spill)

Additional routes and connections will provide improved access through the reserve.

Removing or minimising visual barriers and strengthening visual connections across the reserve will make it appear more cohesive and confirm its role as a public space.

Signage at the entry points will establish who owns what and reinforce the function and extent of public space - making clear what space is for the public to use.

To achieve a feeling of quality in the environment, there should be a corresponding quality in the design of key landscape elements such as lighting, furniture, gateway statements, art, signage and way finding.

Summary of CPTED mitigations

1. Ensure that both visual and physical connections across the reserve are maintained
2. Minimise or avoid fencing within the reserve to encourage public visual and physical connections across the reserve
3. Thin vegetation at strategic points to create or maintain surveillance. This should take place with the consent of key stakeholders and with the direction of arborist expertise
4. Ensure the layout of the reserve is legible and clear before entering, avoiding surprises. This can be achieved by new or supplementary signage and wayfinding.
5. Carry out a consistent maintenance regime to provide a well-cared for environment, strengthen clear ownership and maintain surveillance.
6. Consider further safety aspects such as:
 - Promoting community awareness of the park functions and connectivity in the community walkway system
 - Artwork
 - Visually transparent fencing where boundary fencing is necessary
 - Lighting where appropriate
 - CCTV if this is deemed appropriate

Information Review

A review of key statutory and non-statutory strategic documents, legislation, policies and plans relevant to Auburn Street Reserve, Devonport-Takapuna Local Board and the wider Auckland region.

Documents reviewed included:

- [Reserves Act 1977](#)
- [Resource Management Act 1991](#)
- [Auckland Council Parks and Open Spaces Strategic Action Plan 2013](#)
- [Devonport-Takapuna Greenways 2015](#)
- [Auckland Council Open Space Provision Policy 2016](#)
- [Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Plan 2017](#)
- [Devonport-Takapuna Open Space Network Plan 2019](#)
- [Auckland's Urban Ngahere \(Forest\) Strategy](#)
- [Takapuna Framework Plan 2017](#)
- [Auckland Unitary Plan Operative in Part 2016](#)
- Patuone Walkway 100% Concept Design 2018

Opportunities And Constraints

Opportunities and constraints are based on:

- Auburn Street Reserves strategic location within Takapuna, and the projected development and growth of Takapuna as a Terraced Housing and Apartment (THAB) zone in the Auckland Unitary Plan
- Population growth and the associated increased demands on the reserve
- Existing, and possible future connections to other open spaces

Opportunities and constraints are used to inform the development of the spatial diagram.

Opportunities

- Urban growth and associated rise in population will increase the demands on the park as an open green space
- Provide space for passive recreation
- Greenway links – pedestrian and cycle routes through the reserve to link the Takapuna Metropolitan Centre, Devonport Greenways, Northern Pathway and Akoranga Bus Station via the Patuone reserve.
- Provide opportunities for sports facilities
- Meaningful spatial re-arrangement and allocation for community use

Constraints

- Reserve is valued as a car park
- Multiple stakeholders already on site
- Current leases over large areas of the reserve
- Poor movement routes through the reserve
- Limited and poorly articulated access for public access to the reserve

Future (Possible) Connections

This future connections diagram shows the Auburn Street Reserves strategic position in the future connectivity of green open spaces in the Takapuna area.

-  Auburn Street Reserve
-  Future Connection
-  Existing Green Space



Figure7 Future (possible) connections to Auburn Street Reserve
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Proposed Spatial Diagram

The spatial diagram aims to:

- Ensure adequate allocation of space for community use
- Create a meaningful spatial arrangement that allows for a variety of activities within the reserve

- Recreation
- Community Facilities
- Parking
- Pedestrian and cycle routes

Key Moves

1. Consolidate spatial arrangement of Community Facilities and car parks
2. Consolidation of open space for public use
3. Remove fences to ensure visual connection throughout the reserve
4. Well articulated pedestrian and cycle connections through the reserve
5. New link to Anzac Street and possible future connection to the Killarney Reserve
6. Accessible connection to Patuone Walkway and linked greenway connections



Figure 8 Auburn Street Reserve development guideline spatial diagram
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Proposed Quick-Wins

The quick-wins diagram identifies key moves that could be implemented in the short term to improve the functional capacity and legibility of the Auburn Street Reserve.

Key Moves

1. Signage and way finding to increase legibility of the reserve
2. The North Shore Play Centre Association lease expires on 30 September 2021 - decide on future use of leased land
3. Girl Guide Association New Zealand lease expires on 31 March 2022 - decide on future use of leased land
4. Activate the two land parcels along Anzac road by developing them as a green space
5. Connection of 2 land parcels along Anzac Street to the reserve
6. Clear and legible connection to Patuone Walkway



Figure 9 Auburn Street Reserve development guideline quick-wins diagram
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Planning For The Future

Our future world will be very different from today. Trends in climate, society, technology and resources will have an impact on the communities in which we live and the infrastructure we develop in the future.

The non-exhaustive list below identifies factors that may assist in the planning for the future of the Auburn Street Reserve.

Climate

- Sea level rise and risk of flooding
- Extreme weather events
- Global warming

Society

- Population growth
- Ageing population
- Inclusion and diversity
- Urbanisation
- Safe, accessible housing and green spaces
- Social isolation and loneliness
- Health and well-being
- Remote and flexible working spaces

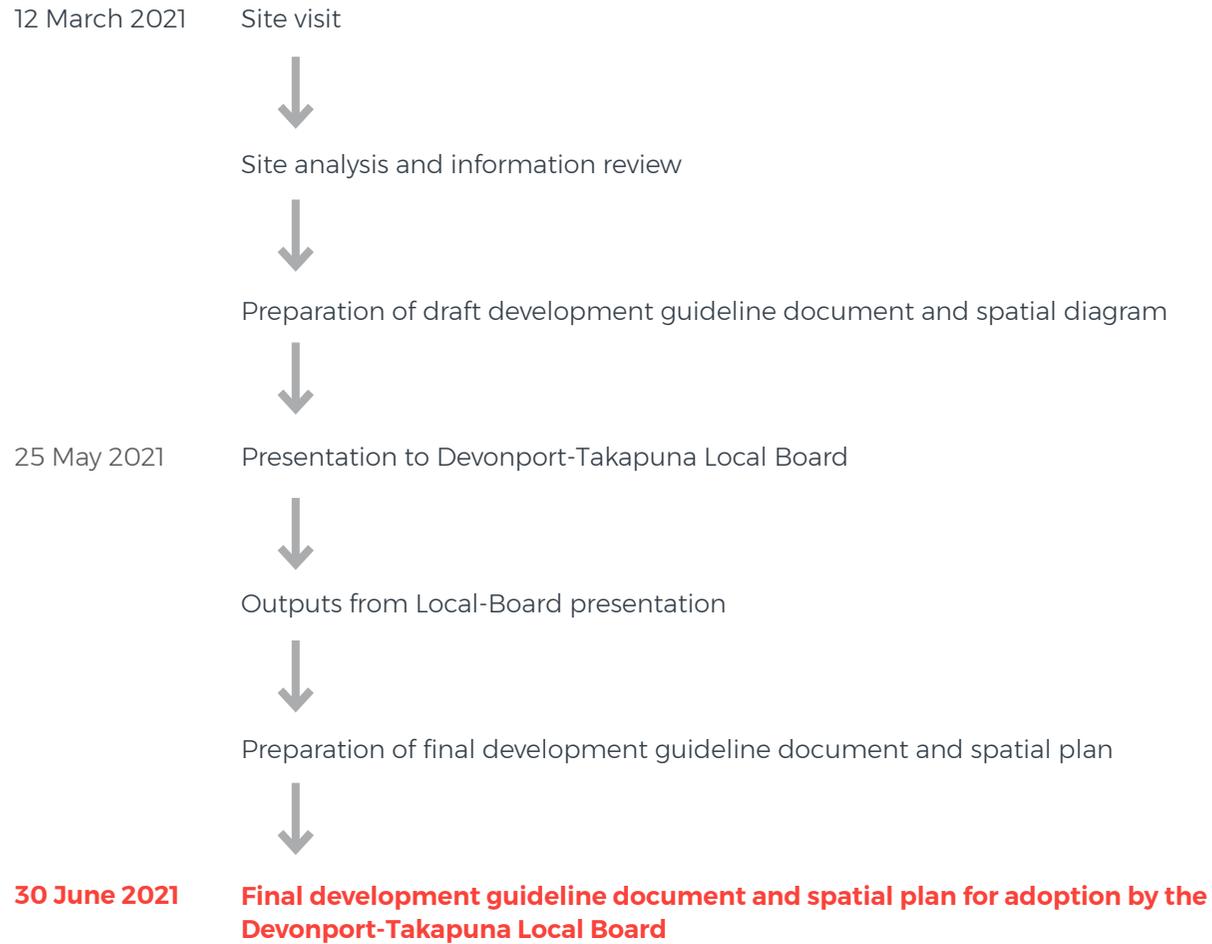
Technology

- Transportation methods
- Micro-mobility
- Automation
- Vehicle ownership
- Energy efficiency
- Smart data and intelligent systems
- Drones

Resources

- Decarbonisation
- Sustainability
- Circular economy
- Biodiversity
- Water
- Smart grids
- Renewable energy

Process



Information Only

MEMO TO: John McKellar - Parks & Places Specialist

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FROM: Rhiannon Foulstone-Guinness - Democracy Advisor

DATE: 23 September 2021

MEETING: Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Meeting of 21/09/2021

Please note for your action / information the following decision arising from the meeting named above:

DT/2021/141 **Auburn Street Reserve Service Assessment**
FILE REF CP2021/12580
AGENDA ITEM NO. 15

15 **Auburn Street Reserve Service Assessment**

Resolution number DT/2021/141

MOVED by Chairperson R Jackson, seconded by Deputy Chairperson J O'Connor:

That the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board:

- a) **defer further discussion on the Auburn Street Reserve Service Assessment as included as Attachment A to the agenda report, until**
 - i) **in-depth engagement with park leaseholders and stakeholders has been undertaken;**
 - ii) **there has been further assessment of gaps in service provision in the area and whether any of these unmet needs could be fulfilled at Auburn Reserve; and**
 - iii) **the outcomes of the engagement and future needs assessment have been incorporated into an updated report and options provided on a way forward.**

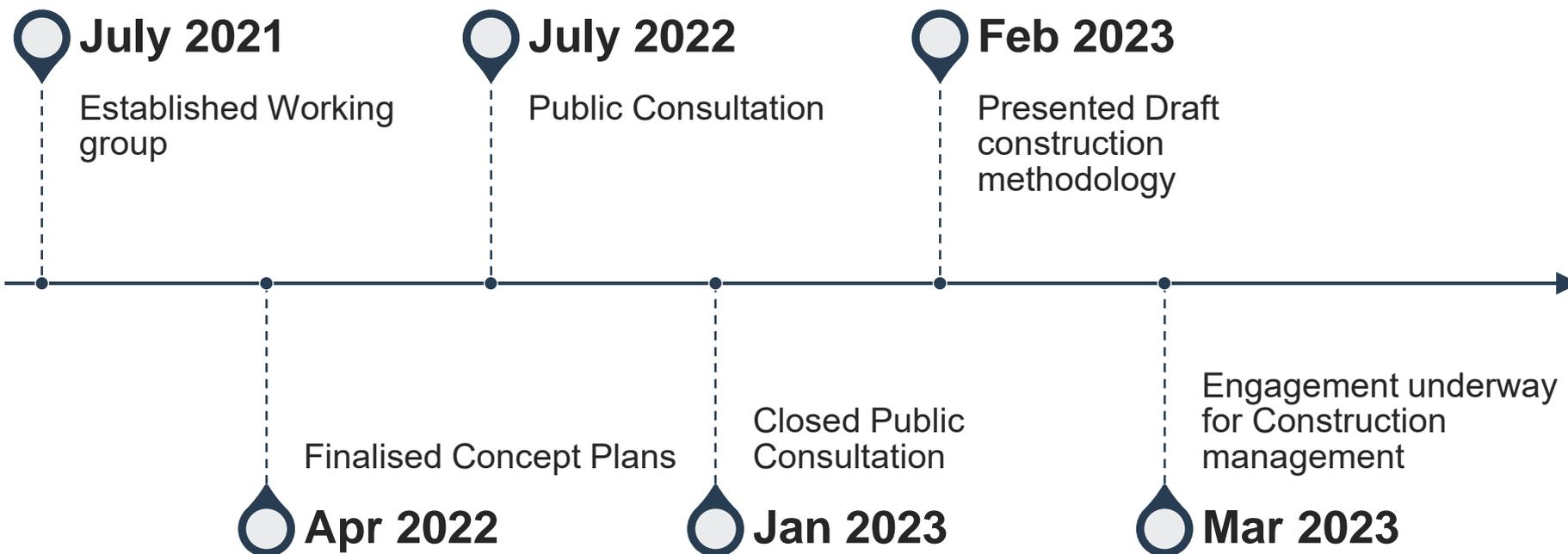
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SPECIFIC ACTIONS REQUIRED:

Agenda

- Introductions
- Project Recap
- Construction Planning
- Adjustments
- Discussion

Project Timeline



Public Consultation Jul-22 Jan-23

Drop in
sessions

Flyers

Newspaper
article

Project
boards

Presented
to MP

Presented to
Local Board

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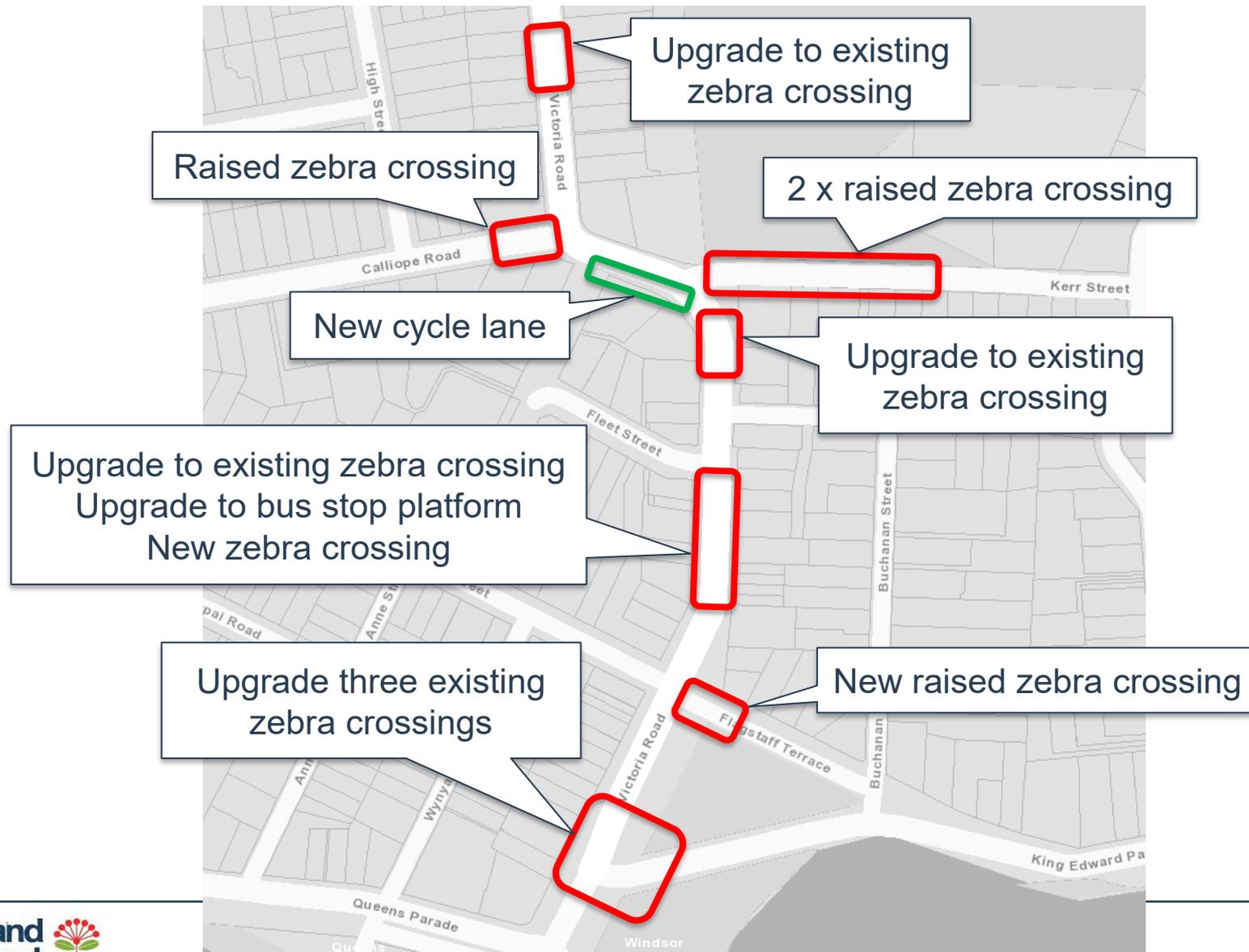
AT Website

Social
Media

Construction Planning



Devonport Town Centre Safety Improvement



Engagement Till Date

✂ Presented draft Construction programme to the Working group

💬 Received Feedback

✓ Presented the revised Construction programme

📄 Submitted Memo to DBA

🤝 Seek feedback from businesses

📄 Seek feedback from Local Board – This session

📄 Present to Councillor Chris Darby - TBC

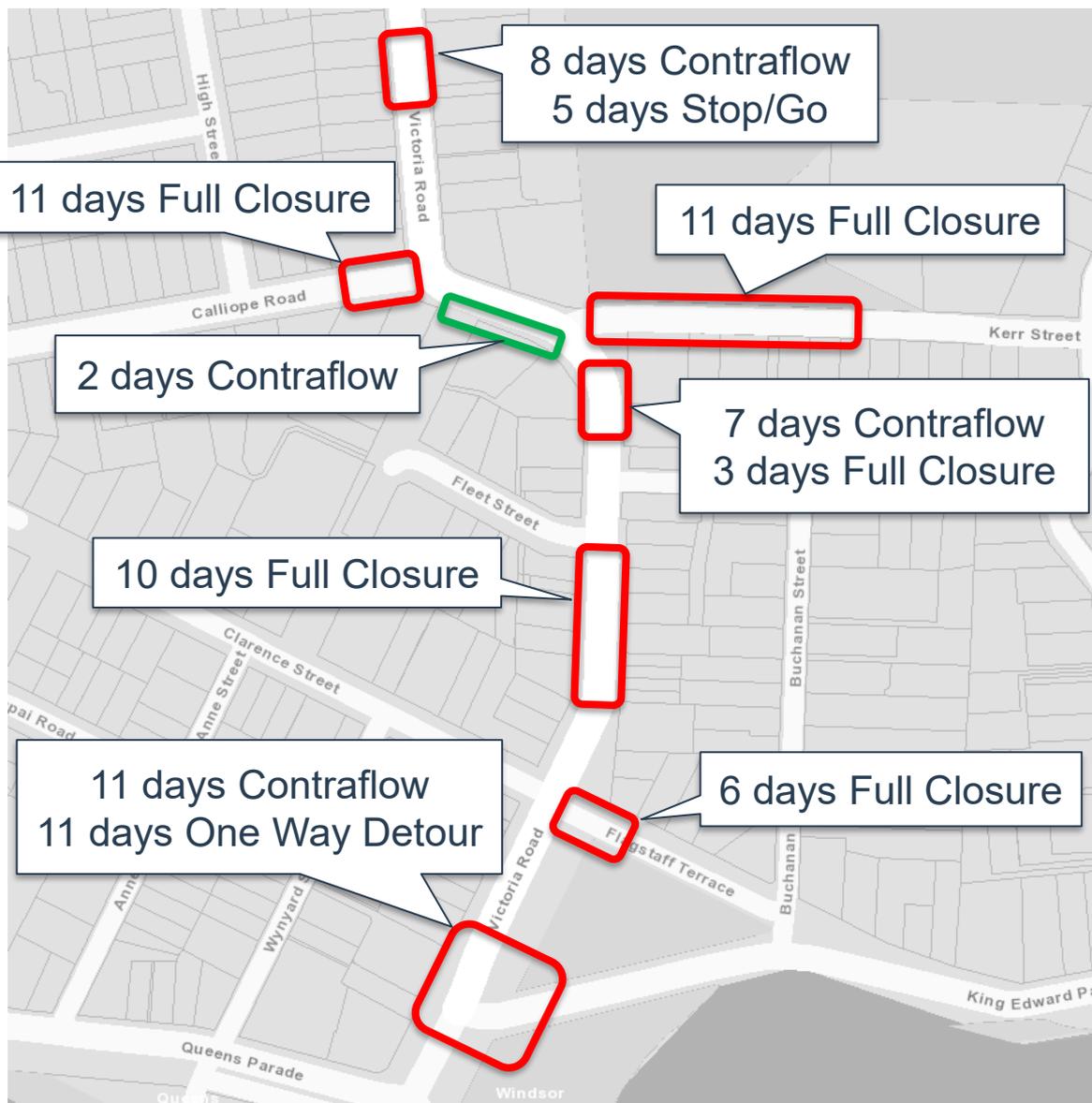
📄 Present to MP Simon Watts – TBC

📄 Finalise methodology and engage affected stakeholders

Feedback

- Reduce construction programme
 - Maximise use of closures
 - Work around school holidays
 - Work around Local Events
- Maintain parking
- Maintain access to businesses
- Minimise PT disruptions

Revised Programme



- Total 85 shifts
- 48 shifts in main town centre
 - 18 contraflow
 - 11 one way detour
 - 13 full closure (Victoria Rd)
 - 6 full closure (Flagstaff Tce)

Construction Programme

- Within main Town Centre
 - 48 shifts = 2 months (6 day working week)
- Factors:
 - RCA approvals
 - Sequential staging
 - Weather



Discussion



Thank you.



Purpose of Session

- Recap of the Local Park Management Plan (LPMP) project
 - Overview of scope and structure
- Brief introduction to Volume 1
 - Key reports and documents
- Next steps and classification update



What is a management plan?

Reprint as at 21 December 2018



Reserves Act 1977

Public Act 1977 No 66
Date of assent 23 December 1977
Commencement see section 1(2)

Devonport-Takapuna has approximately 124 local parks.

- Required under the Reserves Act 1977
- To guide use, management and protection of the land
- Understand mana whenua's and communities' values and expectations
- Focus is on identifying opportunities, and managing what can and can't happen on parks
- Once completed, the LPMP will replace all existing reserve management plans in a local board area.



Local parks management plan – land in scope

The table below outlines park land in and out of scope of the local parks management plan.

| Land in scope | Land out of scope |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Land held under this Reserves Act 1977.✓ Land held under the Local Government Act 2002 (LGA). | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✗ Land for which the local board does not have allocated decision-making power, e.g., roads (LB has an advocacy role if the road has a park function)✗ Regional parks land✗ Parkland owned and managed by other entities such as the tūpuna maunga o tāmaki makaurau authority.✗ Crown owned land for which there is no management agreement e.g., marginal strips (LB has an advocacy role if the road has a park function)✗ Open cemeteries✗ Council owned sites lacking any public open space (e.g., Broadlands Reserve, R 50 Sunnynook Road (childcare)) |



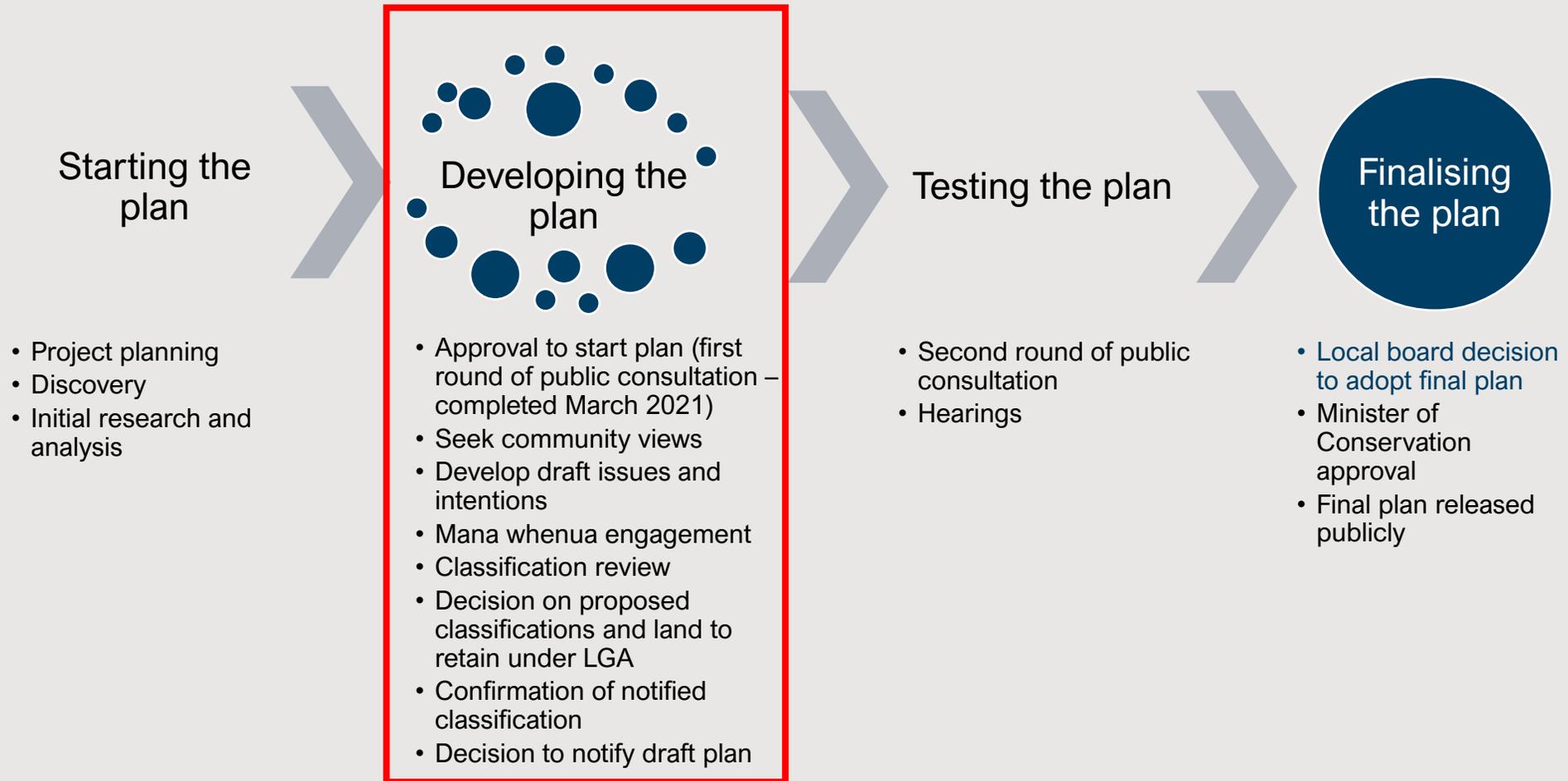
Local parks management plan – content in scope

The following table gives an overview of the content, which is in and out of scope of this plan:

| Content in scope | Content out of scope |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Park values, management issues, outcomes sought and policy responses across parks in a local board area. ✓ Input from mana whenua to reflect council’s outcomes for Māori comply with Māori/te Tiriti o Waitangi / Treaty of Waitangi statutory obligations ✓ Considerations and policies for assessing activities including guidance on commonly encountered activities such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ requests for new buildings on parks/reserves ○ requests for community gardens ○ requests for commercial activities. ✓ Guidance for developing and managing recreational opportunities, and conflicts including clarification of activities that are appropriate. ✓ Guidance for future spatial planning of local parks. ✓ Land inventory, review and resolution (including classification) of the legal status of parkland under the Reserves Act and Local Government Act. ✓ High level information on key parks relevant to policies to address issues at the park level. ✓ Possible policies and intentions to manage issues such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ threats to biodiversity (including kauri dieback) ○ climate change and sea level rise ○ protection of historic and cultural heritage from development. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✗ Spatial plans such as master, concept or development plans. ✗ Detailed operational or maintenance information, including plans. ✗ Additional work relating to providing new names for reserves outside of the management plan process (noting Te Kete Rukuruku provides a process to restore Māori names in parks across Auckland). ✗ Inclusion or consideration of specific investment proposals not yet approved by the local board. ✗ Implementation actions, priorities or timing of improvements. ✗ Research to inform reports on historical, environmental and contextual information. ✗ Guidance on council processes or roles noting that these are subject to change. ✗ Matters that are comprehensively covered by Bylaws or legislation other than the Reserves Act or Local Government Act. ✗ Property law issues related to easements, encumbrances, encroachments or other matters. ✗ Acquisition of new parkland. |



How will the local parks management plans be developed?



NB: key decisions for local board in blue; engagement with Local board outside of business meetings in **workshops** and/or **political reference group** meetings





Volume 1 – Overview of Plan Structure

Volume 1 includes general policies that apply to all parks. These relate to how the local board will manage the parks and how certain activities requiring authorisation will be considered.

Part A – Introduction and context – Statutory context and how to use this plan

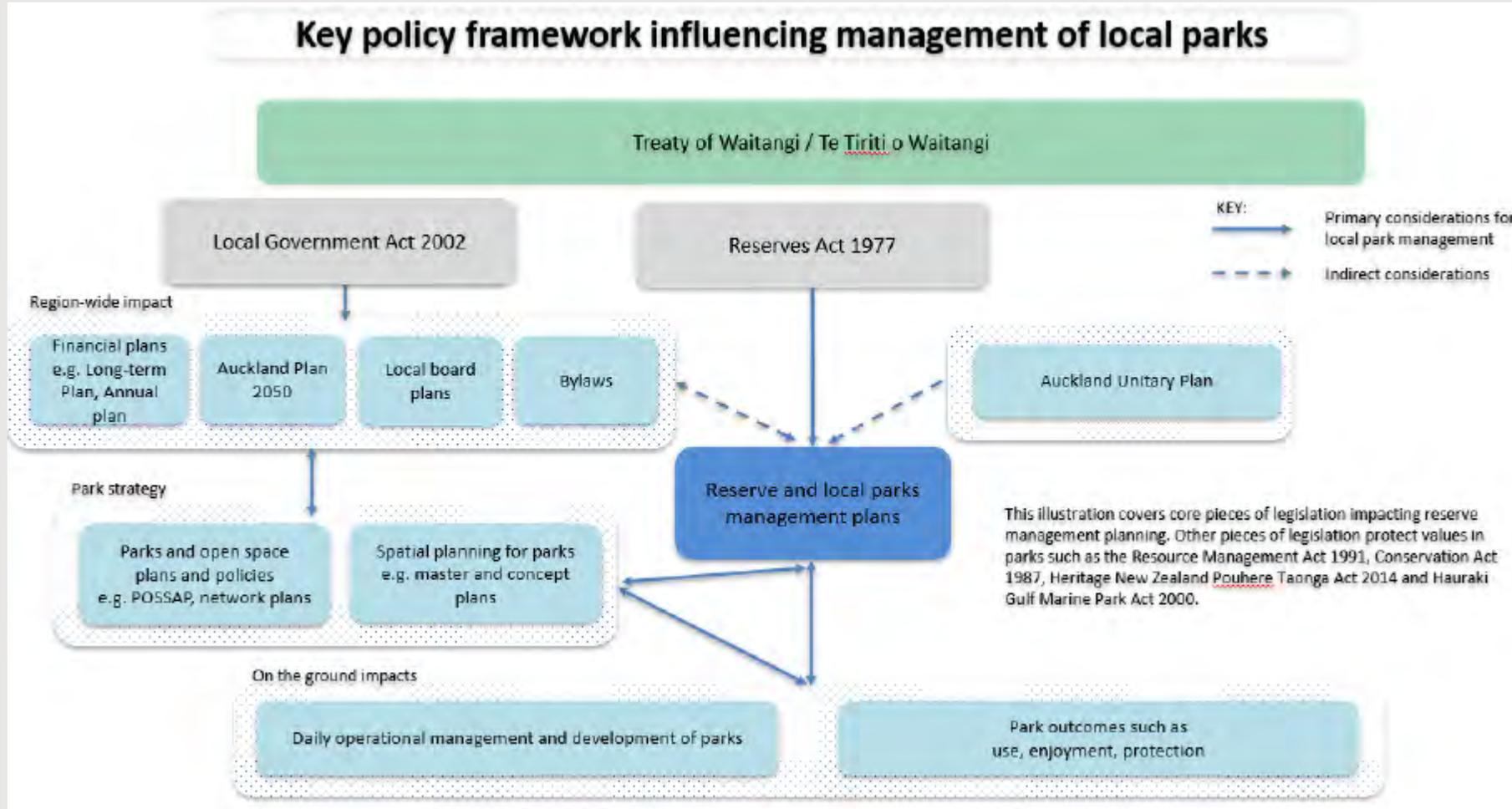
Part B – Devonport-Takapuna Local Board context – General context, issues, opportunities and park outcomes

Part C – Park management framework – Park values and management principles, Te Ao Māori, classification, and management focus areas

Part D – Park management policies - General park management policies including authorisations



Part A - Key policy framework influences



Part B - Specific Devonport-Takapuna plans/context

Specific Devonport-Takapuna Plans included in Volume 1 include:

- Devonport-Takapuna Local board plan (2020)
 - Outcome one: Our natural environment, heritage features and cultural taonga are celebrated, protected, and enhanced.
 - Outcome two: Our parks, sports fields, community facilities, beaches and open spaces are well maintained to meet the recreation and social needs of our growing population.
 - Outcome three: Our communities, including mana whenua, feel connected and supported to plan, deliver, and participate in activities and services in their local area
 - Outcome four: Our communities can access an affordable, efficient, safe and integrated public transport system. A network of roads including cycle lanes, footpaths, and walkways will safely connect people to their desired destinations.
 - Outcome five: Our vibrant town centres attract and support new and existing businesses, and give locals and visitors opportunities to work, shop and play.
 - Outcome 6: Our unique Māori history, values and stories are told, celebrated, and embedded into our area.
- Devonport-Takapuna Open Space Network Plan (2019) - focuses on Devonport-Takapuna only
- Greenways Network Plan (2015)
- Devonport-Takapuna Community Parks Activation Options – Service Assessment (Play Assessment) (2019)

Any other plans we should be aware of?



Part C – Draft guiding principles for park management

Identifies key themes that are important to the community and guides the overall direction of local parks management.

Parks will be managed based on the following management principles (not ranked in importance):

1. Provide for public use and enjoyment of parks by supporting a diverse range of experiences.
2. Enable access and provide connections to the water, the coast, natural areas, neighbourhoods and the park network.
3. Value the input of the community in enhancing park outcomes and creating a shared sense of responsibility for parks.
4. Protect and respect local parks and their taonga (treasures).
5. Partner with mana whenua in managing parks.
6. Increase the visibility of Māori culture within parks.
7. Focus on environmentally sustainable practices in managing and improving parks.



Part C – Classifications overview

Land held under Reserves Act

The Reserves Act 1977 requires each park or parcel of land held under the Act to be classified according to its primary purpose.

Classification is a statutory/mandatory process, which needs to be completed for all reserves held under the Reserves Act. The aim of classification is to identify the primary purpose of a reserve.

Classification is the crucial element in management planning.

Land held under Local Government Act (LGA)

For parks managed under the LGA, the local board may consider it appropriate to bring this land under the Reserves Act and classify it according to its primary purpose.



Classification options under the Reserves Act

| Reserves Act section | Reserve classification | Primary Purpose |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| s.17(1) | Recreation reserve | "...for the purpose of providing areas for the recreation and sporting activities and the physical welfare and enjoyment of the public, and for the protection of the natural environment and beauty of the countryside, with emphasis on the retention of open spaces and on outdoor recreational activities, including recreational tracks in the countryside." |
| s.18(1) | Historic Reserve | "...for the purpose of protecting and preserving in perpetuity such places, objects, and natural features, and such things thereon or therein contained as are of historic, archaeological, cultural, educational, and other special interest." |
| s.19(1)(a) | Scenic Reserve 19(1)(a) | "...for the purpose of protecting and preserving in perpetuity for their intrinsic worth and for the benefit, enjoyment, and use of the public, suitable areas possessing such qualities of scenic interest, beauty, or natural features or landscape that their protection and preservation are desirable in the public interest." |
| s.19(1)(b) | Scenic Reserve 19(1)(b) | "...for the purpose of providing, in appropriate circumstances, suitable areas which by development and the introduction of flora, whether indigenous or exotic, will become of |

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| | | such scenic interest or beauty that their development, protection, and preservation are desirable in the public interest." |
| s.23(1) | Local Purpose Reserve | <p>"...for the purpose of providing and retaining areas for such local purpose or purposes as are specified in any classification of the reserve."</p> <p>Examples of purposes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • esplanade • accessway • plantation • community use / buildings • utility • drainage. |



Part C – Management focus areas

Management focus areas (MFAs) are used in the plan as a management tool. They describe a park or area within a park according to its characteristics, noting common issues, and outline the outcomes sought for those areas.

MFAs have been applied to Local Government Act land to clarify the primary purpose for that parkland as unlike the requirement for reserve land, there is no statutory requirement to determine this.

| Land status | Possible management focus |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Land held under the LGA and recreation reserves | Water and coastal access |
| | Informal recreation |
| | Protection of the natural environment |
| | Recreation and ecological linkage |
| | Organised sport and recreation |
| | Community use |



Part D – General policies

The policies below apply to all local parks and generally cover how the local board intends to manage parks to maximise the benefits to park users and minimise the impacts on the attributes of parks that people most value.

Policies need to be read in conjunction with the principles for park management, te ao Māori in local park management, classifications and management focus areas in Part C of Volume 1, and the parks specific information in Volume 2.

- General policies:

1. Park management policies, e.g., access and parking, buildings, climate change and natural hazards, and encroachments etc.
2. Authorisations for park use, e.g., commercial activities, community leases and licences, overnight accommodation, and events and activation etc.



Policies suite

- Access and parking
- Buildings
- Climate change and natural hazards
- Unmanned aerial vehicles (including drones)
- Encroachments
- Geological and landscape features
- Historic and cultural heritage
- Mana whenua and Māori outcomes
- Park development
- Park and park feature naming
- Partnering and volunteering
- Recreational use and enjoyment
- Signs, information and interpretation
- Trees, plants and animals
- Water



Authorisations for park use

- Activities requiring landowner authorisation
- Commercial activities
- Community leases and licences
- Events and activation
- Overnight accommodation
- Plaques and memorials and the scattering of ashes
- Utilities



Next steps and timeline

Work with local board to:

- Discuss draft policies and management issues and intentions with board
 - April - May 2023

Overview of individual parks - currently identified key parks:

- Devonport Domain, Barry's Point Reserve, Milford Reserve, Takapuna Beach Reserve, Sunnynook Park, Greville Reserve, Becroft Park and Killarney Park.

Any others? You have had the chance to feedback on individual parks, which will inform draft management intentions.

Classifications targets

- Classifications to be completed when the board makes resolution i.e., at a business meeting where the reports are submitted (We envision either May-June).
- Section 14 declaration of Milford Reserve and section 16(1) classifications for small number of other reserves to be completed following the local board's resolution upon publication in Gazette (by July, assuming there are no delays with Department of Internal Affairs).
- Hui to discuss land status review



Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Workshop Record

Date of Workshop: Tuesday 28 March 2023
Time: 10am – 2.33pm
Venue: Devonport-Takapuna Local Board Office, Ground Floor, 1 The Strand, Takapuna and MS Teams

Attendees

Chairperson: Toni van Tonder

Deputy Chairperson: Terence Harpur

Members: Peter Allen
Gavin Busch
Melissa Powell
George Wood

Staff: Trina Thompson – Local Area Manager
Maureen Buchanan – Senior Local Board Advisor
Rhiannon Guinness – Local Board Advisor
Henare King – Democracy Advisor
Deb Doyle – Community Broker

Apologies

None

| Workshop item | Presenters | Governance role | Summary of discussion and Action points |
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| <p>1. Eke Panuku</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Northcroft Street public consultation update | <p>Karen Richardson Senior Community Affairs Advisor</p> <p>Kate Cumberpatch Priority Location Director</p> <p>Vanshita Vanshita Senior Project Manager</p> <p>Leo Jew Principal Landscape Architect</p> | <p>Keeping informed</p> | <p>The local board was provided with an update on the Northcroft Street upgrade project.</p> <p>The local board raised the following points and questions in response to the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commended staff responsiveness to feedback while noting the funding constraints of the project. • Asked for an alternative to the proposed concrete tree pits, noting with concern that existing tree pits in Takapuna are nonhomogenous. Staff noted that the concrete works from a functional perspective and would look to the vegetation to give coherence; Pohutakawa the potential choice for ruggedness and consistency. Budget constraints also a factor. • Clarified that AT would be responsible for maintenance on the stormwater gutter, and that the proposed system was being utilised elsewhere in Auckland with success. • Clarified that the number of carparks would be mostly unaffected and that angle parking was not being considered for safety reasons. In the long term, after the Gasometer site is developed there will be 1 less carpark available. • Questioned if anything could be done about the windtunnel effect of the street. Staff suggest trees as the most suitable and cost-effective method, without drastically changing the layout of the street. • Confirmed that, due to budget constraints, no changes will be made to the pavements other than for the crossing. • Concern noted for the accessibility issues that a raised table would pose. Staff assure the connecting grate will be flush with the street. • Questioned the necessity of a raised crossing, considering the additional cost and 30kph speed limit in the town centre, as well as the fact that it is near an intersection. • Concern that the street lighting is insufficient at present. Staff to look into options. • Confirmed the budget for the project, which includes Huron St upgrades, has not changed since first proposal. • Clarified that rain cover for pedestrians along the entirety of the street was not included due to the number of vehicle crossings on the street, as well as budget constraints. • Clarified that the disruptions caused by construction on the street would be covered in the Traffic Management plans. Staff are optimistic that lanes both ways and pedestrian access can be maintained throughout the majority of upgrades. • Noted desire to match the curbing of Hurstmere Road. Staff noted that footpath curbing was a large cost and was likely to be left as is. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval from Auckland Transport and Traffic Control Committee – April/May 2023 • Engineering plans approval – May/June 2023 • Construction – July 2023 to March 2024. |

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| <p>2. Service Investment and Programming</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local Park Management Plan | <p>Tommo Cooper-Cuthbert Service and Asset Planner Kiri Le Heron Service and Asset Planning Team Leader Bianka Griffiths Specialist Technical Statutory Advisor</p> | <p>Keeping informed</p> | <p>The local board was provided with an update on the development of the Local Parks Management Plan.</p> <p>The local board raised the following points and questions in response to the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarified that all land held under the reserves act requires a management plan • Noted concern for the age of the Reserves Act; staff not aware of any plans to update. • Staff clarified they were working collaboratively to distil information from a large number of plans concerning public land in the local board area. • Concern that pockets of public land are only accessible by boat, request they be identified in the plan. • Expressed desire for the plan to be a reference for the public about what is public land they are able to utilise. • Clarified that land held under the reserves act it can be sold, following revocation of reserve status. • Questioned the possibility of capturing local cultural stories within the plan. Staff note they would seek guidance from Mana Whenua regarding stories that differ between iwi. Intention is to consult further with Mana Whenua for further input on the plan. • Clarified that most of the approximate 124 local parks in the board area are already classified as reserves. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss draft policies and management issues and intentions with the board; April-May 2023 • Overview of individual key parks • Classifications to be completed through board resolution at a business meeting; May-June 2023 |
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| <p>3. Auckland Transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Devonport Town Centre Works | <p>Sunny Ha Senior Project Manager Alex Elton-Farr BID Engagement Partner Adam Moller Principal Transportation Engineer Krishna Paruchuri Local and Safety Projects Marilyn Nicholls Elected Member Relationship Manager</p> | <p>Keeping informed</p> | <p>The local board was provided with an update on the Devonport Town Centre Safety Improvements project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff seeking endorsement and advocacy for the project from the Local Board. <p>The local board raised the following points and questions in response to the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanked staff for their work, noting that the process has been exemplary. • In support of the project, noting their has been some pushback from the community. • Noted the importance of the Traffic Management Plan (TMP). • Clarified with staff that night works was not a feasible option due to increased cost and extended time of works. • Questioned why the most disruptive part of the construction was towards the end of the project and not at the beginning, suggesting it could be infuriating for local residents if disruptions begin, drag on, and then worsen. Staff note the intent was to prepare road users for the ongoing roadworks. • Concerns regarding consultation; may have been more feedback if the works were separated into two stages so it was clearer for the community what the works entailed. Staff note the heavy public focus on the Victoria/Calliope intersection, appreciating that it may have detracted from the rest of the project. • Suggest formal steer from the Devonport Business Association to assist in ordering of works. • Concern regarding bus delays due to works; suggest a minivan could be a better option for the reduced road space if patronage of the busses is low. • Clarified that speed bumps would be 75mm in height • Recommend a construction liaison for the community for the duration of the project. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalise methodology and engage affected stakeholders |
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| <p>4. Parks and Places</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Auburn Reserve | <p>John McKellar Parks and Places Specialist</p> | <p>Keeping informed</p> | <p>The local board was provided with an update on the Auburn St Reserve service assessment.</p> <p>The local board raised the following points and questions in response to the presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questioned the patronage of the Playcentre, and the extent of their lease. Staff to come back to the board with figures. • Support connection to Anzac St and offered support to Staff for consulting with the croquet club. • Concern for lack of proper lighting in the reserve, making it unsafe. Staff note they are aware of this issue. • Questioned the potential for a fenced dog park area in the space, noting the concern for the wildlife in the Patuone walkway. Staff had not considered but note a lack of budget. • Suggestd a cantilevered walkway around the corner of the croquet club fields to connect to Anzac St. • Note that the area where the gardens in the croquet club are would require some landscaping. Staff note a small cost would apply. • Questioned if any feedback had been received from the neighbouring apartment residents regarding the croquet club space. Staff noted feedback included conflict over parking and a desire for more open/community space. • Clarified that the parking is currently managed via time restrictions, with AT ticketing. Aware of an informal permit system for the croquet club; nothing regarding parking in the leases for either apartments or croquet. Staff note that free parking in a downtown area often creates issues. <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential to include within the Local Park Management Plan, to adopt by resolution. • Progress the connection between Anzac St and Auburn Reserve on a future work programme. |
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The workshop concluded at 2.33pm