

Warkworth Structure Plan

Community engagement— 'Report back'

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Executive Summary

The Warkworth Structure Plan project seeks to develop a land use and infrastructure plan for the 1,000ha of Future Urban zoned land that surrounds Warkworth.

During August 2018 the council team reported back to the community. The purpose this phase of engagement was to report back to the community on the outcomes from the previous workshops in June 2018, and to share the draft planning principles of the Warkworth Structure Plan.

1 Introduction

The Warkworth Structure Plan project seeks to develop a land use and infrastructure plan for the 1,000ha of Future Urban zoned land that surrounds Warkworth. In June 2018 a number of community workshops were held to generate ideas on how to develop the Future Urban zone. During these workshops the council undertook to report back to the community on the outcomes from the workshops.

During August 2018 the council reported the workshop outcomes to the community and shared some draft planning principles for the development of the Warkworth Structure Plan.

2 'Reporting back'

Following the community workshops in June 2018, the council prepared a summary report that outlined the process and the outcomes from the workshops. This report was entitled "Warkworth Structure Plan Community Workshops Summary August 2018".

The report was made available in August on the project webpage and project stakeholders (including attendees at the June workshops) were made aware of the report via an email (**Appendix 1**).

The council also displayed material summarising the workshop process and outcomes at two public information days in August 2018. These events were held at the Warkworth Town Hall over two separate (but identical) sessions:

- Saturday, 18th August, from 10am to 1pm
- Wednesday, 22nd August, from 3.30pm to 7pm

These information day sessions were run in conjunction with the Supporting Growth Alliance who were presenting high-level transport network options for the future of Warkworth. Other Warkworth transport projects teams such as the Ara Tūhono - Puhoi to Warkworth motorway, the Hill Street intersection, and the Matakana Link Road were also in attendance.

The information days were advertised by the Supporting Growth Alliance. Approximately 60 people attended the Saturday session and 80 people attended the Wednesday session.



Figure 1: Photo of information day at the Warkworth Town Hall – 18 August 2018



Figure 2: Photo of information day at the Warkworth Town Hall – 22 August 2018

The council display at the information day was made up of A0 sized boards with the following information:

- General project information and a map of the study area
- The draft planning principles to help guide the development of the draft Warkworth Structure Plan
- A recap of the community workshop process
- Maps showing the suggested locations (from the workshops) for industrial land, centres, major parks, road and public transport links, and walking/cycling routes.

A copy of these display boards is included in **Appendix 2**.

The purpose of these information days was to keep the community informed by reporting back on a summary of what had occurred at the previous community workshops. The council project team also used the opportunity to share some draft planning principles for the development of the Warkworth Structure Plan with the public.

One stakeholder chose to provide written feedback on the draft planning principles and the consultation summary report for the community workshops. This feedback has been taken into account in finalising the planning principles for the draft Warkworth Structure Plan. Another stakeholder chose to outline how a land use proposal for an area of the Future Urban zone would be consistent with the draft planning principles.

The council also attended the Warkworth Area Liaison Group meeting on 4 July 2018 and gave a presentation covering the Warkworth Structure Plan project, including the community workshops in June. Due to the timing, this presentation was unable to cover the outcomes of the workshops in any detail.

3 Where to from here?

The next step for the Warkworth Structure Plan project is to finalise a draft Warkworth Structure Plan and then present it to the public in early 2019 for feedback.

Appendix 1 – Email to stakeholders

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Warkworth Update



Community Structure Plan Workshops

Hi

The council's Warkworth Structure Plan project has reached another milestone.

In late June we ran two structure plan workshops with the community. These workshops were an opportunity for the community to come up with ideas on how the growth areas of Warkworth could be planned – where the different land uses could go and what supporting infrastructure could be required.

A full report summarising the community workshop consultation phase can be found on the project [webpage](#)

Public Information Days

We are holding two public information days where the Warkworth Structure Plan team will report back on what we heard at the community workshops. These sessions will be at the Warkworth Town Hall on:

- **Saturday 18 August: 10am – 1pm**

- **Wednesday 22 August: 3.30pm – 7pm**

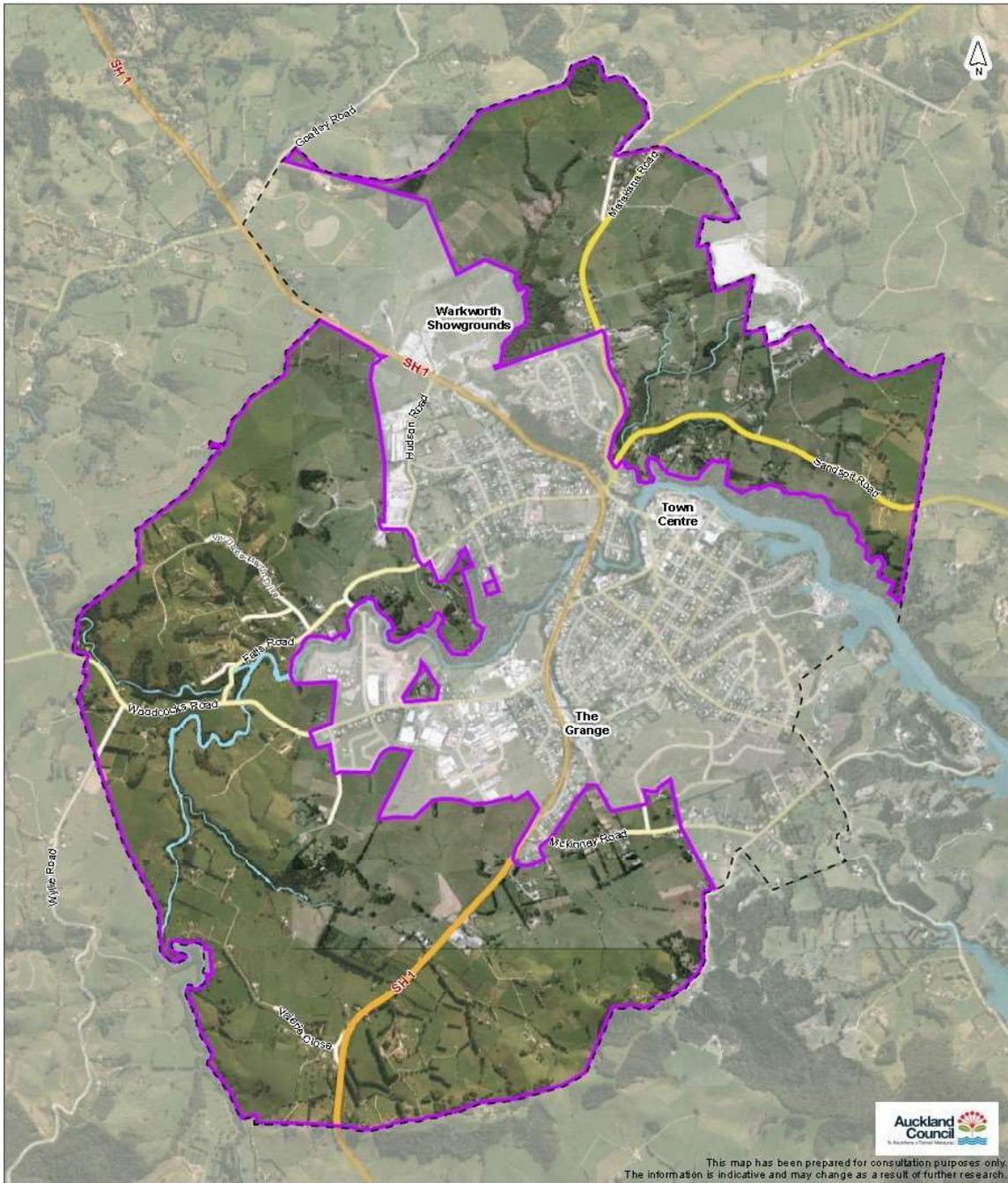
Please note that these information days are being held in conjunction with various other Warkworth projects including the Supporting Growth Programme which is looking at transport network plans to support future urban growth in Warkworth (www.supportinggrowth.govt.nz).

If you wish to contact anyone on the Warkworth Structure Plan project team then please email warkworthstructureplan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Kind regards,

Warkworth Structure Plan project team

Warkworth Future Urban Zone



This map has been prepared for consultation purposes only. The information is indicative and may change as a result of further research.

Aerial Base map

- Rural Urban Boundary (RUB)
- Study area

Scale @ A3
= 1:18,125

Date Printed:
8/03/2018



Appendix 2 – Display boards for information days (August)

Have your say on Planning for Warkworth's growth



The council is preparing a structure plan for Future Urban zoned (FUZ) land around the edge of Warkworth. This is a high-level plan that shows the future land use and infrastructure layout. The FUZ covers about 1,000ha as shown on the map. Reports have been produced outlining the existing characteristics, opportunities and

constraints in the study area (e.g. storm water, heritage, contaminated land, and landscape).

In April the council sought feedback on these topics and the things that people value about Warkworth. The council team is using this feedback to guide the Warkworth Structure Plan project.

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Have your say on Community workshops (June 2018)



The council team ran two workshops with the Warkworth community on 28 and 30 June 2018. These workshops were an opportunity for community members to come up with a land use plan for Warkworth's expansion area. Participants used a constraints map to guide them in locating the different uses and supporting infrastructure (see Constraints Map). Around 100 people prepared 15 different maps. While each plan was unique, common themes emerged including increasing roading connections, having future industrial uses in 2-3 locations, and clustering schools/parks/

higher density housing around centres. The following maps show each group's suggested location of some of the larger urban "building blocks" (industrial land, centres, major parks) within the study area and ideas on how the transport network should be planned.

Next steps

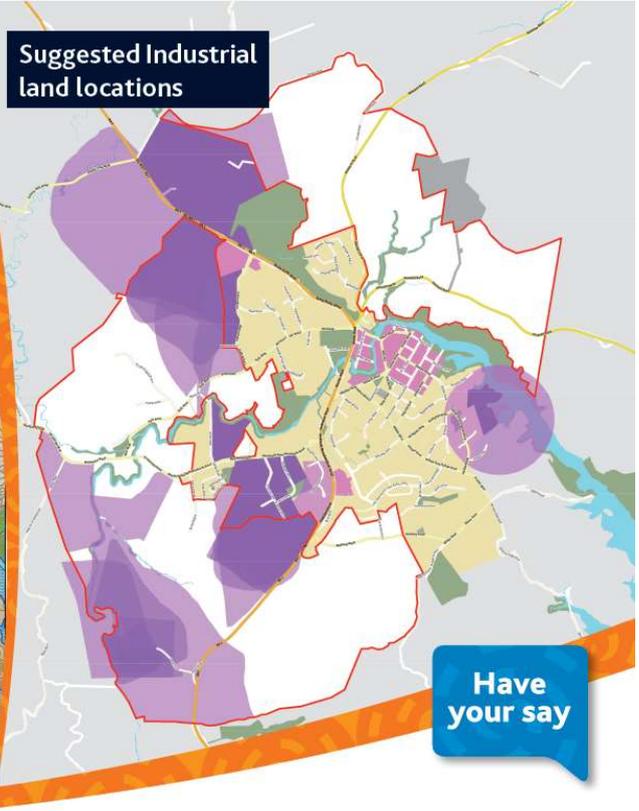
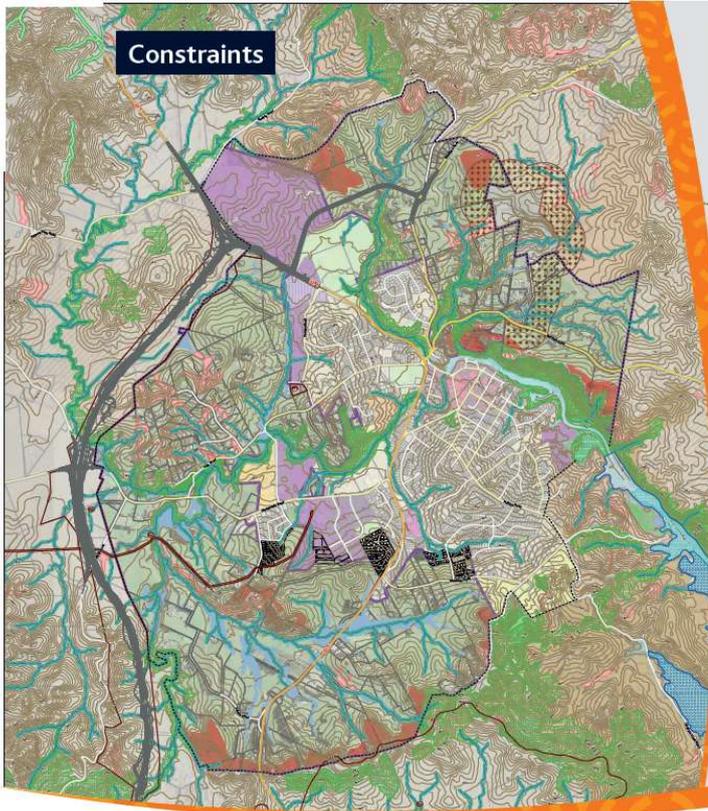
The council team will review feedback we receive for the Warkworth Structure Plan and make any changes required.

The council will work to prepare a draft Warkworth Structure Plan for anticipated consultation in November and adoption in early 2019.

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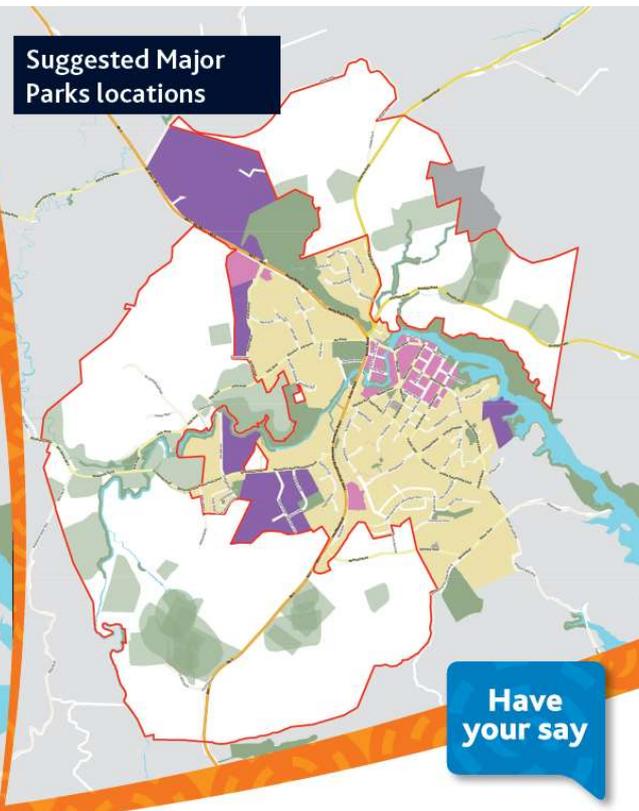
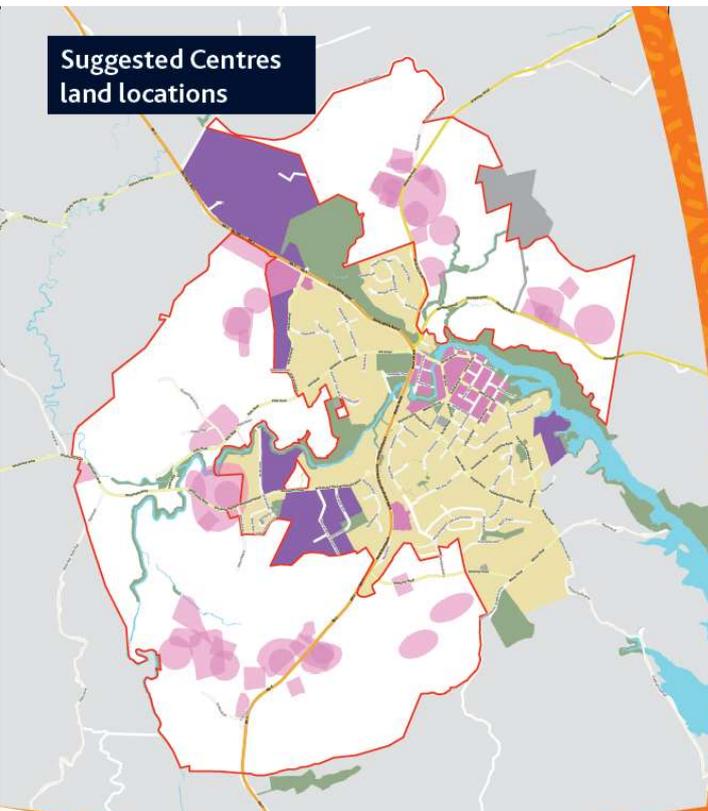




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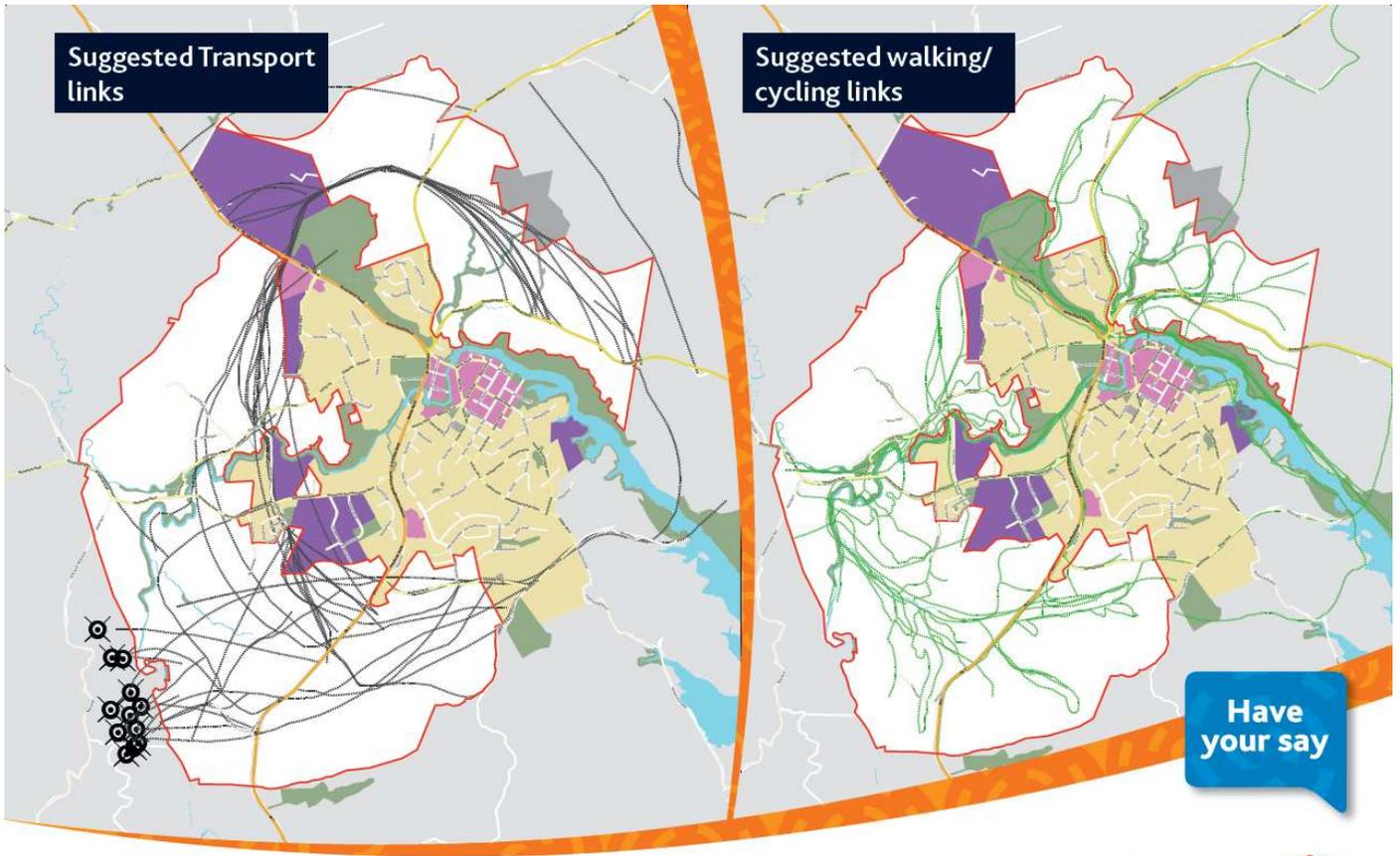


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Draft planning principles for the Warkworth Structure Plan



There are seven draft planning principles for the Warkworth Structure Plan.

The Mahurangi River is the Jewel in Warkworth's crown

- Protect the Mahurangi River from the effects of urbanisation as a matter of paramount importance in the development of the Future Urban zone
- Use the development of the Future Urban zone to improve the health and quality of the Mahurangi River wherever possible
- Treat all the tributaries in the Future Urban zone as being vital to the health of the Mahurangi River

Character and Identity

- Celebrate Warkworth's heritage, both Maori and European, and its relationship with mana whenua
- Retain the current town centre as the focal point and 'beating heart' of Warkworth

- Protect the views from the current town centre to the bush clad northern escarpment of the Mahurangi River and the rural views out from the Future Urban zone that contribute to Warkworth's rural character
- Apply lower density residential zones to areas valued for their landscape and character
- Use the Future Urban zone efficiently to protect against the need for further urban expansion into Warkworth's valued rural hinterland

A place to live and work

- Provide a range of housing options in Warkworth so that it is a place for people to live at all stages of life
- Provide new local employment areas (e.g. small centres, industrial areas) so people can work locally in Warkworth

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Draft planning principles for the Warkworth Structure Plan



Sustainability and natural heritage

- Plan to enable development of the Future Urban zone to be sustainable, including having a compact urban form, providing local employment options, enabling extensive active and public transport routes, and minimising discharges to air and water bodies
- Design the Future Urban zone to be able to adapt to the effects of climate change
- Protect and enhance existing bush/natural areas and create ecological corridors linking the Future Urban zone to other ecological areas

A well-connected town

- Use the development of Warkworth's growth areas to help address Warkworth's existing road congestion through integrated land use and transport planning and new infrastructure
- Provide convenient, segregated, and safe walking and cycling routes through the Future Urban zone connecting residential areas with key locations (e.g. schools, parks, centres), and the existing town, and to regional walking/cycling routes

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- Provide convenient, high quality public transport routes through the Future Urban zone (connecting to the rest of Warkworth, the surrounding rural settlements, and Auckland)

Quality built urban environment

- Design the Future Urban zone to enable high-quality and integrated urban development that reinforces the town's identity
- Locate higher density residential areas around appropriate amenities
- Provide well located and accessible areas of open space linked by a green network of walking and cycling trails along the streams

Infrastructure

- Plan for infrastructure (transport, water, etc) to be ready before new houses and businesses are built in the Future Urban zone
- Provide for social and cultural infrastructure (i.e. libraries, halls, schools, community meeting places) to support the needs of the community as it grows



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