

Making Streets Spaces for People

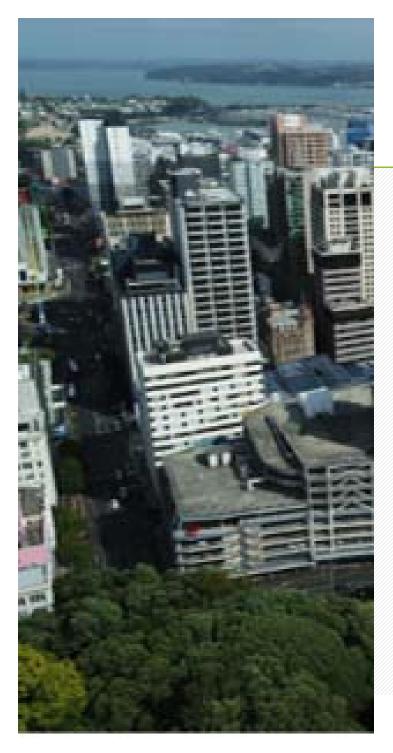
Te Hā Noa - The process behind Victoria Street linear park's indicative business case

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E hangaia ana te pokapū ā-tāone mō ō tātou iwi Building a city centre for our people



The Vision – Green Link



Te Hā Noa

- The project name provided by the Mana Whenua
- Te Hā Noa references the range of inputs that any given user will experience whilst journeying within the city and the link between Waikōkota and Rangipuke. Te Hā Noa - Hā, meaning: breath, essence, tone; Look, feel, sense, taste, sound, and action.
- Journeying from the middle ridges that form, through ways of breathing, create a pulse and rhythm of 'Hā' (breath) within the city
- 'Hā' is the hub, or nucleus, that brings into existence pockets of vitality and breathes life into the city; coming alive.



Video Link

AUCKLAND'S FUTURE IN PROGRESS





What's the process?

Better Business Case process

- Gets everyone on the same page at the beginning if done right
- Mitigating risk redesign, stakeholder opposition, delays
- Process saves time and money!
- Record of assumptions and decision making

PLUS:

Regenerative Theory

A lens to ensure our work enhances the whole of the city centre

Community of Practice

Drawing together broad community of experts right from the beginning

Strong partnership with mana whenua

- Commitment to ensuring partners are part of the process from the beginning
- Project emphasis on identify and culture



Regenerative theory

We are transforming Victoria Street to create a thriving public space for movement, rest and recreation, in a way that reflects the unique identity of Tāmaki Makaurau, to enhance the wellbeing of our people, our city and our natural environment.



Community of Practice

What and why?

- Broad multidisciplinary early engagement
- Serve as a conduit between the project and departments

Benefits

- Quicker decision making
- Buy-in and sense of involvement
- Reduce effort early on unachievable options





Imagining a linear park





Problems, Opportunities and Benefits

INVESTMENT LOGIC MAP

PROBLEMS/ OPPORTUNTY

There is inadequate space for people on Victoria Street to rest, move and play now and as Auckland grows

The absence of visible culture and history on Victoria Street results in a lack of identity and sense of connection between residents, commuters and visitors with the street, as a key destination

As a link between the two major city centre parks, Victoria Street has the potential to enhance the urban biodiversity and green space in the city centre

BENEFIT

Increased active transport linkages for movement along and across Victoria Street

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- Increased use of active modes
- Shorter crossing distances, less wait times
- Improved connections

Activated quality spaces for commercial and recreational activities

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- Time spent on the street by individuals
- Comfort of people using the street
- Reduced crashes between modes

Improved sense of belonging and connection to place

- Number of locations where cultural history is identifiable
- Visitor appreciation of cultural history
- Mana Whenua feel that the city reflects Maori culture and identity

Healthier and more sustainable city centre

- Increased use of active modes
- Increased availability and use of park space in the city centre

 Designed primarily for cars

 Bus stops blocking footpaths

Pedestrian congestion

Lack of public art

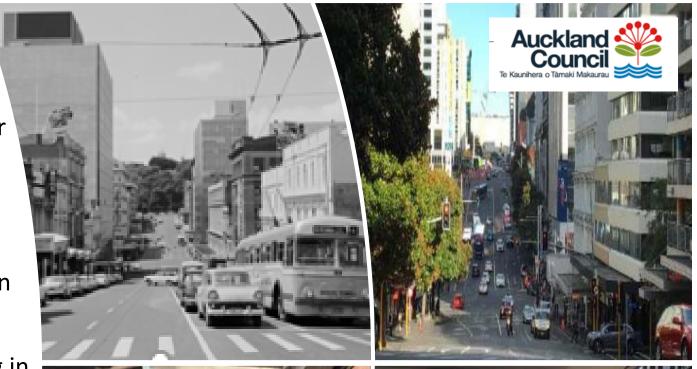
 Lack of sense of being in Auckland

Limited planting

Narrow footpaths

No cycle lane

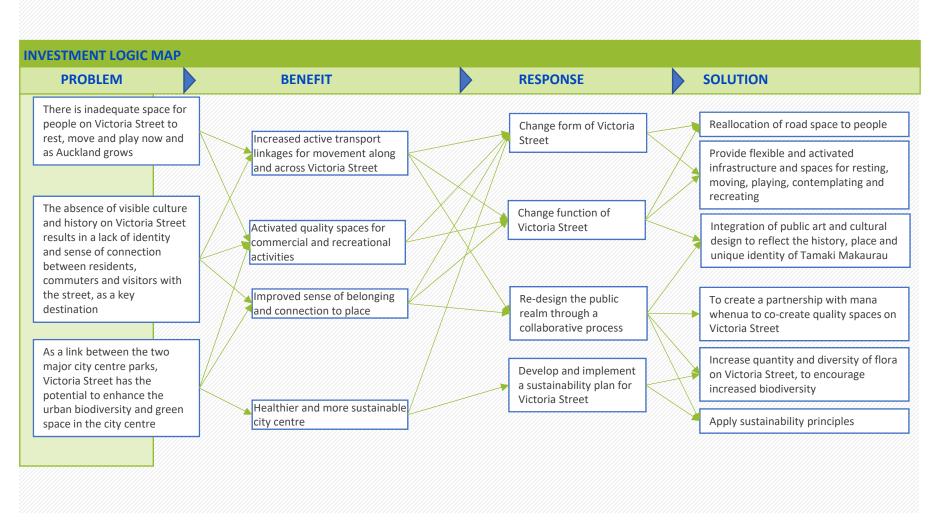
Can't accommodate growth



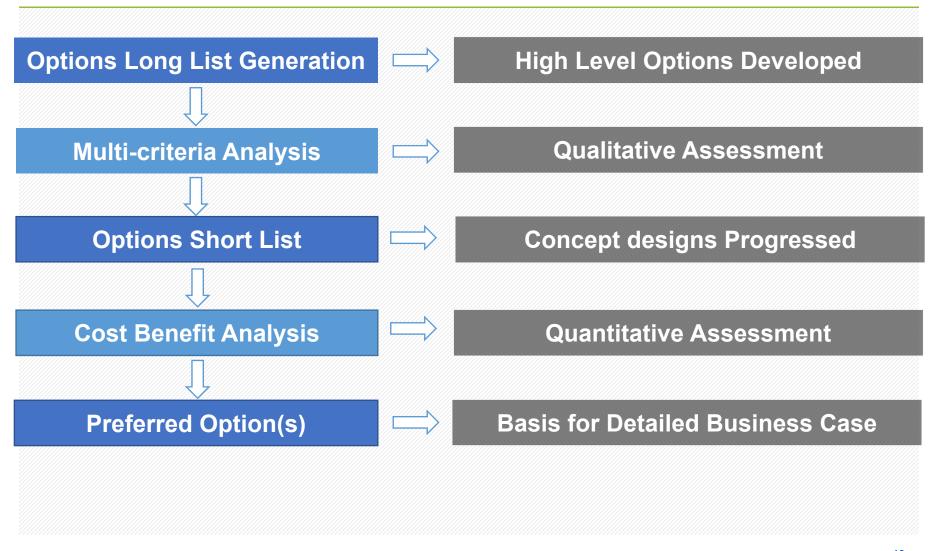




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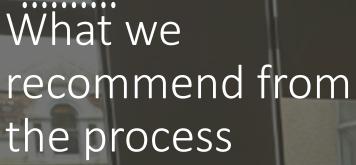
Indicative Business Case Assessment Process





What we have see so far

- Quicker internal decision making through the Project Steering group
- Positive feedback on the process from Community of Practice
- A business case that supports the need for holistic change (transport, placemaking, environment)
- Building a stronger relationship with mana whenua
- A programme that is running on schedule and to budget



- Early partnership with mana whenua don't limit engagement to design
- Establish community of experts to support project, offer advice and act as a conduit between the project and other teams, department and stakeholders
- Multidisciplinary project team
- Establish clear reasons for investment and agree benefits with stakeholders
- Robust qualitative and quantitative assessment framework





Next Steps

- Complete remainder of Indicative Business Case based on Preferred Way Forward – April 2020
- Detailed Business Case Stage 1 end 2020
- Construction Stage 1 timing coordinated with CRL Aotea Station and surrounds