How Tauranga's streetscapes are changing face



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Our presentation

- Design tool to influence development in Tauranga
- Why change
- Stakeholder journey
- Design Guide and toolbox approach to Design Standards
- Conclusions and relevancy









Tauranga Today

A growing city

Tauranga is no longer a small coastal town......





High dependency on private vehicles

Journey to Work 2013



91% Tauranga 87% Hamilton 85% Auckland 84% Christchurch 82% Dunedin 54% Wellington



Large, irregular block structure, poor permeability, longer journeys





49% of New Zealanders do not achieve the recommended 30 minutes of physical activity everyday

Street Design Guidance is one-dimensional







Streets for Everyone

Project Objectives

- A more balanced approach to street design that includes a greater focus on place, and active / public transport.
- Smoother, quicker and easier approvals process.
- Allows flexibility for design innovation, within agreed parameters.

Stakeholders







Design Guide & toolbox



A Principle Based Approach

- Mana Rangatiratanga/Ahikāroa authority
- Whakapapa names and naming
- Taiao natural environment
- Mauri Tū environmental health
- Tohu wider cultural landscape
- Mahi Toi creative expression
- Ahi Kā living presence

A Balance of Link and Place











Street Design Toolbox

Some inputs



Sheet Guidance:

Select the appropriate threshold for both place and link from the relevant drop-down list. If one or more thresholds are present for each indicator, select the largest one. E.g. If both a Secondary School and Early Childhood Education are present, select Secondary School. The thresholds are in ascending order.

The Tauranga City Council GIS viewer (https://mapi.tauranga.govt.nz/Html5/index.html?viewer=Mapi) is a good source for most of the information required to complete this sheet.

Once all the threshold have been entered, the final Place and Link Status will be shown in the Orange boxes. The corresponding Street Type will become coloured in the matrix to the right. Clicking on the coloured street type will take you to the relevant toolbox for that street two to identify the aboropriate elements for the street.

Place Status Worksheet		
Indicator	Threshold (Select from drop down)	
Residential		
Retail		
Commercial		
Industrial		
Education		
Recreation		
From how far might people come to spend time in this street		
Civic, Community or Medical		
Overlays		
Located within the Commercial Business Sub-Zone		
Located within the City Centre Waterfront Sub-Zone		
Located within 500m of Coastline		
Location within 200m of a River/Estuary/Wetland/Lake		
Located within 500m of a Marae		
Located within 500m of a School		
Located within 500m of an Outstanding Natural Features and Landscapes Plan area		
Located within a Significant Maori Area		
Located within a Significant Archeological Area		
Located in an Important Amenity Landscapes Area		
Located adjacent to a Commercial Plan Area		
Located Adjacent to a High Rise Plan Area		
Location adjacent to a Medium Rise Plan Area		
Located within a Special Ecological Area		
PLACE STATUS	#N/A	

Link Status Worksheet		
Indicator	Threshold (Select from drop down)	
Road Classification		
Traffic Volumes (per day)		
Requirement for Property Access		
Buses per hour		
Part de		

LINK CORRIDORS	ACTIVITY STREETS
LOCAL STREETS	PLACES FOR PEOPLE

Street Design Toolbox

Scoring system and ability to graphically show output





Kennedy Road, The Lakes, Tauranga

Google









Design Standards







Design Guidance

Oue to its central location, the street has the potential to transform the surrounding neighborhoods. Redesign this street to serve needs of all street users and increase its overall capacity. Remove two travel lanes in each direction and provide accessible and wider sidewalks to support safe pedestrian movement and commercial activity.

Provide refuge islands, mark pedestrian crossings, and improve markings to make crossings safer and

shorter. Introduce a dedicated transit lane in each

direction to increase transit capacity and afficiency. Offset boarding islands provide for safe and efficient boarding and alighting for transit riders while reducing vehicle

speeds at the bus stops.

 Add a mid-block crossing to facilitate
the access to the boarding islands on each side of the center-running transitonly corridor and shorten the crossing distance by providing safe refuge islands for pedestrians.

Offset the travel lane in correspondence to the boarding island to reduce speeds and improve motorists' yielding behavior. and planted buffers to provide safe facilities for cyclists.

Add trees and green infrastructure on the sidewalks and the medians to provide shade, reduce noise, improve air quality, and support stormwater management. See 7.2: Green Infrastructure.

Making the street more sesthetically appealing and comfortable for pedestrian use can attract businesses and help to regenerate the district.







What Next?





