

# Taking people on the journey through storytelling









### They say a picure paints a thousand words

#### But sometimes there needs to be some explanation





### **People can struggle with change**

#### We need to take them on the journey







There won't be a route 839 any more, everything is changing. Where do you travel on the 839?



Auckland

+ NZWP







Okay, where do you go to and from on the 839?



Auckland









## Where do you get on and off the bus?



#### Okay!

You will be able to get the new route 83 It will be more direct, it will be quicker because it will use the busway and it will run every 15 minutes all day, 7 days a week







### Changing the way people think (well, trying to)

#### "I used to have a direct bus"



- It was considered direct because it was a one-seat ride with no transfer required
- The new route requires two buses but is actually direct
- I described as how you would drive if you were in a car



### **Changing the way people think (well, trying to)**

#### "Your network is all about feeder services to go to the city"







### **Number of routes versus frequency**

#### Things may not be as they appear





#### In print



From Sunday 8 July 2018 Auckland's central suburbs will have a new bus network. Most current services will change.

- New bus routes
- New route numbers
- New timetables
- Some bus stop changes
- School bus changes from Term 3.

### Need help?

- Go online AT.govt.nz/newnetworkcentral
- · Call us on (09) 366 6400
- Come to a New Network public information event, listed inside this brochure.



### Prepare for the bus changes

#### 🕰 Step 1:

Use the map inside to see how you are affected.

#### Step 2:

Use our online Journey Planner, the AT Mobile App or a paper timetable to check your new bus times.

#### G Step 3:

Look for an information poster at your bus stop or on our website to see if your stop is changing.

## Get ready for the first week

If your route is changing, we suggest you:

- Allow extra time for your journey and take an earlier bus than usual.
- Talk to AT ambassadors who will be helping you at busy bus stops.

These changes are part of a simpler, more integrated public transport network that's being implemented for the whole of Auckland.



#### In person



#### Through the media



Torbay's Michelle Smit says she will definitely be another car on the road if the new network does not work for her.

KENDALL HUTT/STUFF

### Bays lose direct services

#### **KENDALL HUTT**

Commuters from the East Coast changing from general to school-Bays say upcoming bus route bus only. changes will drive them back into their cars.

directly into the city.

"I'm not optimistic at all and will more than likely head back would mean some residents Peeperkoorn, a regular bus user, bus stop.

stop closures and 25 bus stops miles." Peeperkoorn said. Fellow Torbay resident

While there would be 28 new definitely be another car on the bus stops built in the area, with road, as the new network would

From September 30, six bus only two months to go, no one make things very difficult. services from the area will feed knew exactly where they would into stations on the Northern be, as Auckland Transport had further than usual, and there is Busway, rather than running still not finalised timetables or only one bus I can take from released new bus stop locations. In Torbay, route changes three."

to using a car," Torbay's Mark would have to hike to the nearest "If you live down a side street,

fer to another hus, the new net-

Residents also faced three bus tough, you'll have to walk for work would be simpler, more frequent and more reliable.

> "Some of the current routes Michelle Smit said she would that travel directly to the city centre are long and winding, which is an inefficient way to use the resources and doesn't "I would have to walk a lot give customers the best service possible."

Although, under the "hub and Albany and right now there are spoke" model, there were fewer individual routes but more Auckland Transport's James buses, more frequently, there Ireland said, although

had been "very little change" to commuters might have to trans- which roads buses used, Ireland added.























#### Through the media





Kia ora - Auckland Transport planner and one-time bus driver Dave Hilson visited our office to explain the new bus routes. We have covered some of the issues for people in the East Coast Bays, but Dave encourages people to give it a go when the new routes start on September 30. The new routes draw on data and take into account public feedback, cost and practicalities, such as available kerbside space in the city. Auckland-wide, the changes will see a 15 per cent increase in the number of buses, travelling a third more kilometres for a cost increase of 7 per cent. Positive changes include frequent northern express buses and more frequent, simplified routes for the majority. There will be buses meeting every ferry in Devonport. In Beach Haven, a bus runs directly to Glenfield. bus stops will be on a consistent side of the road or station platform. There will be a steady stream of buses to the hospital. There's even one windy route around Milford that takes into account 44 per cent of patrons in those streets are Super Gold Card users. AT will look out for major issues and review services, if needed. So, let us know, if you have major issues. - Jodi Yeats



#### Through the media



Albany resident Arnold Sing

Yesterday we were sur-

uses the station doily and was by

Tuesday impressed with how

quickly things had turned

#### RENEE CLAYTON

Jus services that were in chaos it the start of the week are returning to normal after excess zesos were taken away from a Sorth Shore station.

On Monday, has passengers separted gridlock at Mairangi Jay's Constellation Station lastng up to 15 minutes, after Auckand Transport (AT) made network changes on Sunday.

In response, AT on Tuesday escended 39 bases and by every me concession had eased and a dream of bases were moving hrough the station.

Monday's backlog was caused sy 180 busies travelling from conrsl Auckland to the North Shumisetween 4µm and 7µm, AT such. Atackland Transport's James

reland and the station couldn't tope with the numbers, as it was it capacity during the atternion



Buses were backed up at the Constellation Drive station on the first weekday of the new North Share bus network. THE STORES MODULE REPORT.

peak, and had about three buses arriving every minute. "We slways have more than

we need just in case it gets busy. In this instance we had too around following the chaos of many, so we removed some to Monday make it run more smoothly."

counded by buses, it was mailness. Tuday has been so muchbetter, it is nood to see that something was done about it quickly."

Auckland Transport group manager metro service delivery Stacey Ven Der Patten said the buses that had been suspended. will be available as back up inthe comment week and temporary traffic management would be there to direct bus drivers to the Fight stop.

"We are committed to making this work and we apologise to our costomers Scrany disruption during this major charge."

A new north-bound platform will be constructed on the other side of the busway at Constellation over the next few years to. ingrove espacity as part of the Northern: improvements project.

AT has touted the new network as simpler.

There were fewer routes, but bases were more frequent, particularly between 7am to 7pm. seven days a week.

Throughout the North Shorethere were 78 routes running 2545 trips each worlday.

With the change in network there are 55 modes running M5X trips each weekday.

The new network, which came into operation on Sunday, includes a second Northern Express, the NS2, from Northern, Busway stations to Welleaky St. and the city centre universities. every five minutes at peak times. and every 10 to 15 minutes at other times.

Devenport residents have a direct route to the Northern Howway with a new hus stopping. Corridor at Akorange Station, Beach Haven residents can get to Glenfield using a single bus, via Kaiplitiki Rd.



#### Through social media



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FAQs with Dave 🚍

Ever wondered why bigger buses are more efficient on the network? Hear Dave's answer below!



Just discussed this at our agency today; one of the most frequentlyasked questions from the public we serve!

Well done. This needs to be well understood. A bigger vehicle moves more people than a smaller vehicle and this in turn will enable higher densities and footfall.





### How do we tell the story?

NX1

NX2

866

Auckland @

Hospital and Newmarket

#### Tell people what they want to hear rather than what we think they need to hear



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Auckland @

### Look for the story in the background

#### Sometimes the impacts of what we do go beyond the obvious





### The WWW of taking our customers on the journey

- What are we doing/changing?
- Who will be affected?
- Why are we doing what we are doing?



### How well did we explain the why?

Question 8 How do you feel about each of the following statements?	(Please tick)	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	
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The New Network will improve public transport for my neighbourhood					2-999-
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### How well did we explain the why?



The New Network will improve public transport for my neighbourhood 36% 21% 43% 0% 20% 40% 60% 80% 100% • Agree = Neutral • Disagree Total respondents = 2230







# Thank you

