

# Reshaping Auckland City Centre



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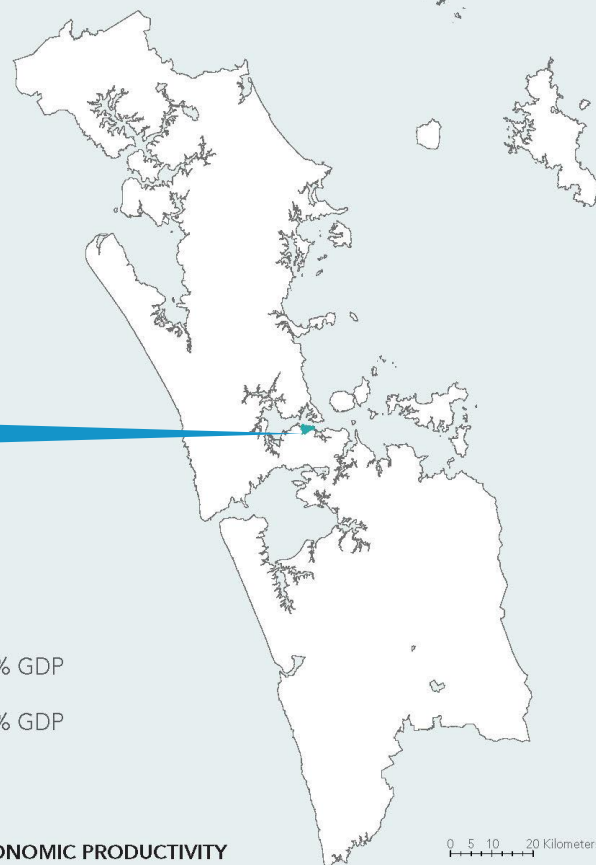
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# Auckland GDP

\$16bn

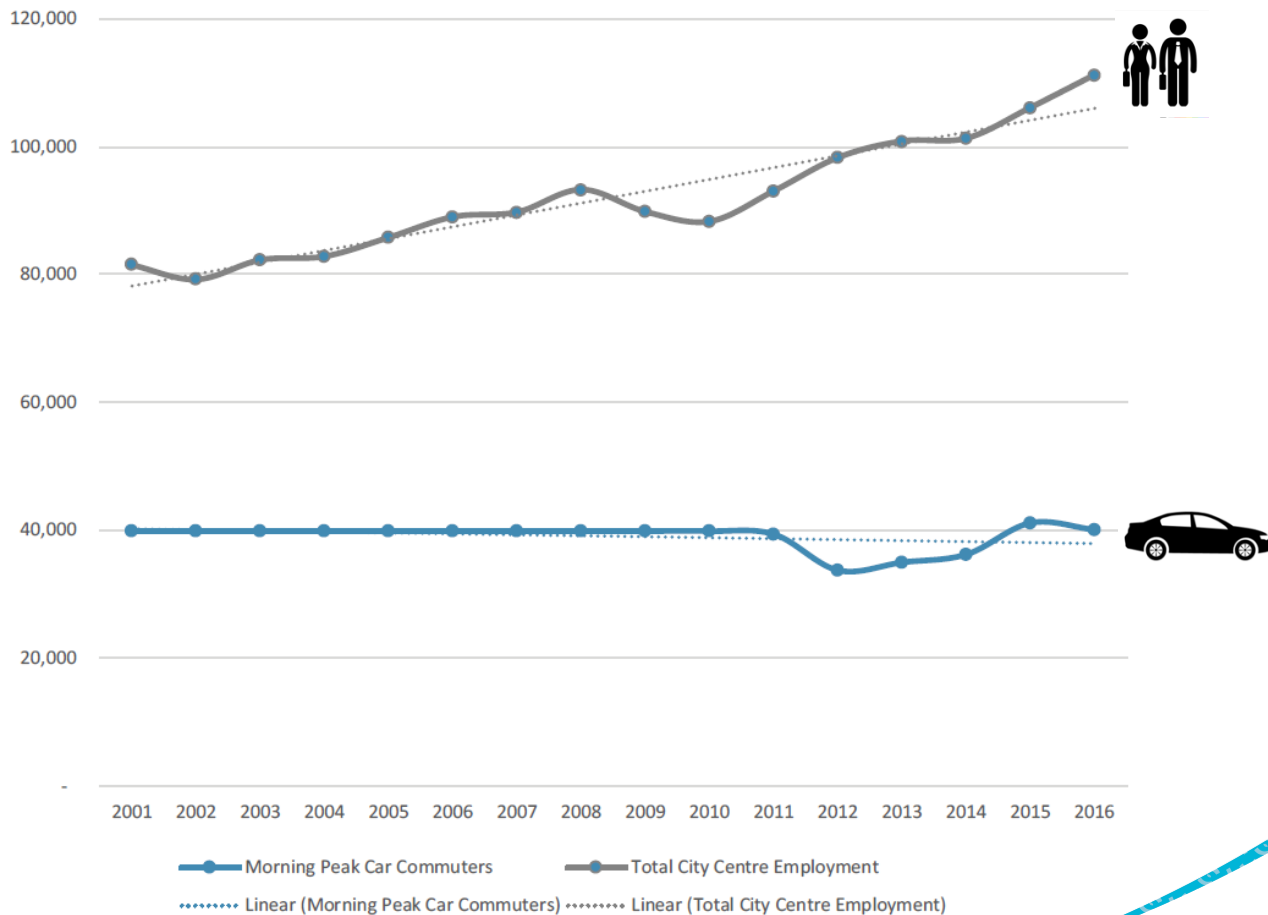
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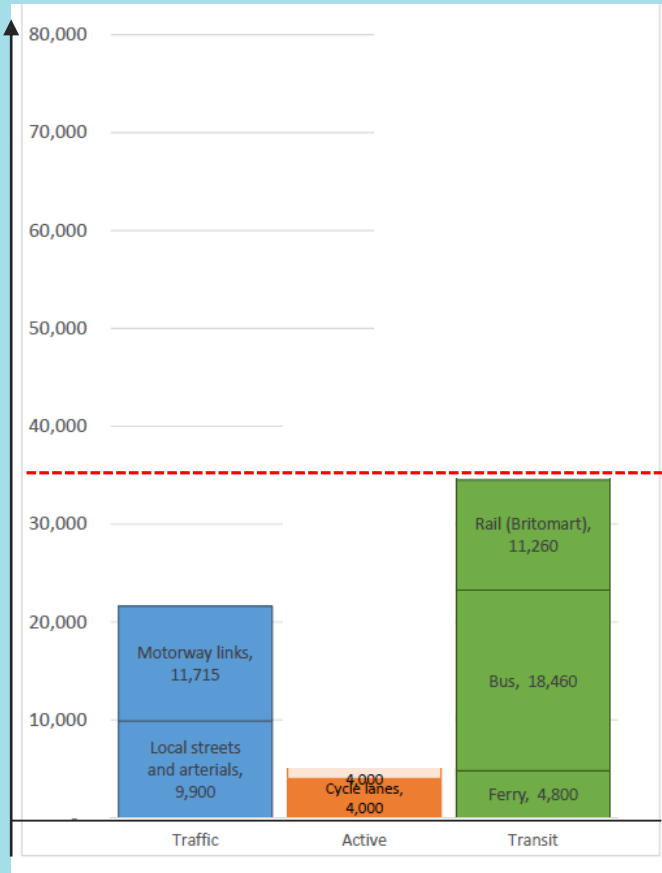


SOURCE: RIMU (2017), THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIVITY AND ECONOMIC PRODUCTIVITY IN AUCKLAND'S CITY CENTRE (BASED ON 2015 DATA)

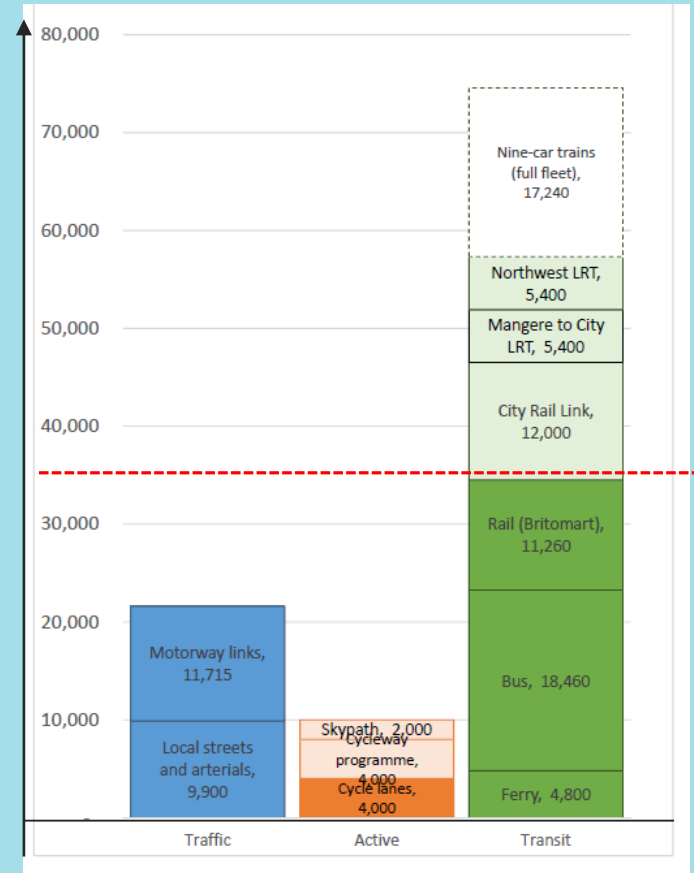
# Total employment vs. morning peak private vehicle commuters Auckland City Centre 2001 to 2016



# 2018



# 2026



Transport capacity  
to Auckland City  
Centre per hour





**90 CRANES**  
ACROSS AUCKLAND'S  
SKYLINE

Accounting for 64%  
of all cranes in NZ

MORE CRANES  
CURRENTLY IN  
AUCKLAND THAN  
ANY  
CITY IN THE USA

*Oct 2018*



# ► INCREASE IN WALKING

PEDESTRIANS ON QUEEN STREET  
HAVE **DOUBLED** SINCE 2012\*

**+34%** INCREASE IN PEDESTRIANS ACROSS  
THE CITY CENTRE\*\*

\*Heart of the City pedestrian counters

\*\*Public Life Survey 2010 vs 2015



WALKING TRIPS

300 -500 000 per day



# Elliott Street

Clients: Auckland Council / Auckland Transport  
Design Consultants: Boffa Miskell Ltd.





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▶ AFTER

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# THE FORT STREET AREA



439% ▲  
INCREASE IN HOSPITALITY  
SPENDING

140%  
INCREASE IN  
FOOT TRAFFIC

97 %  
WILL USE THE AREA AS OFTEN  
OR MORE THAN BEFORE

91 %  
USERS WERE COMPLIMENTARY  
ABOUT THE CHANGE



▶ BEFORE



▶ AFTER

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# Te Ara I Whiti: The Lightpath

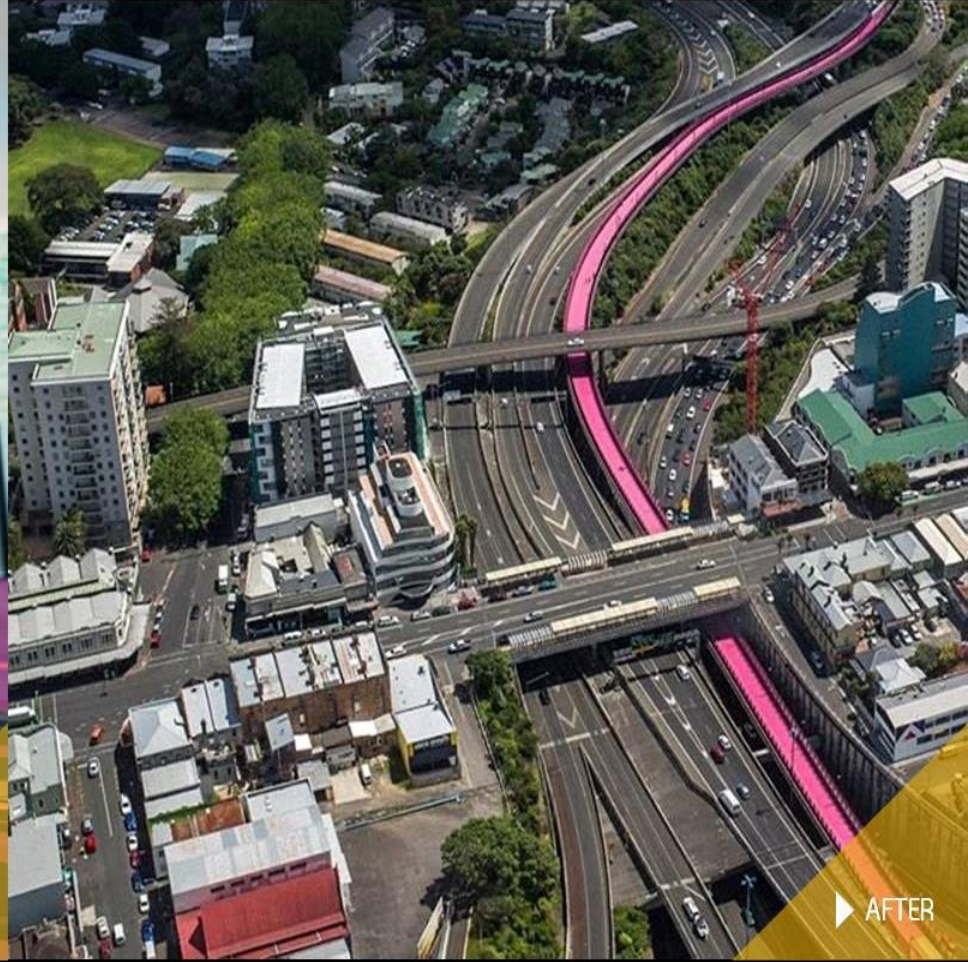
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Te Kauhoro o Tamaki Mākauitu



THE REASON



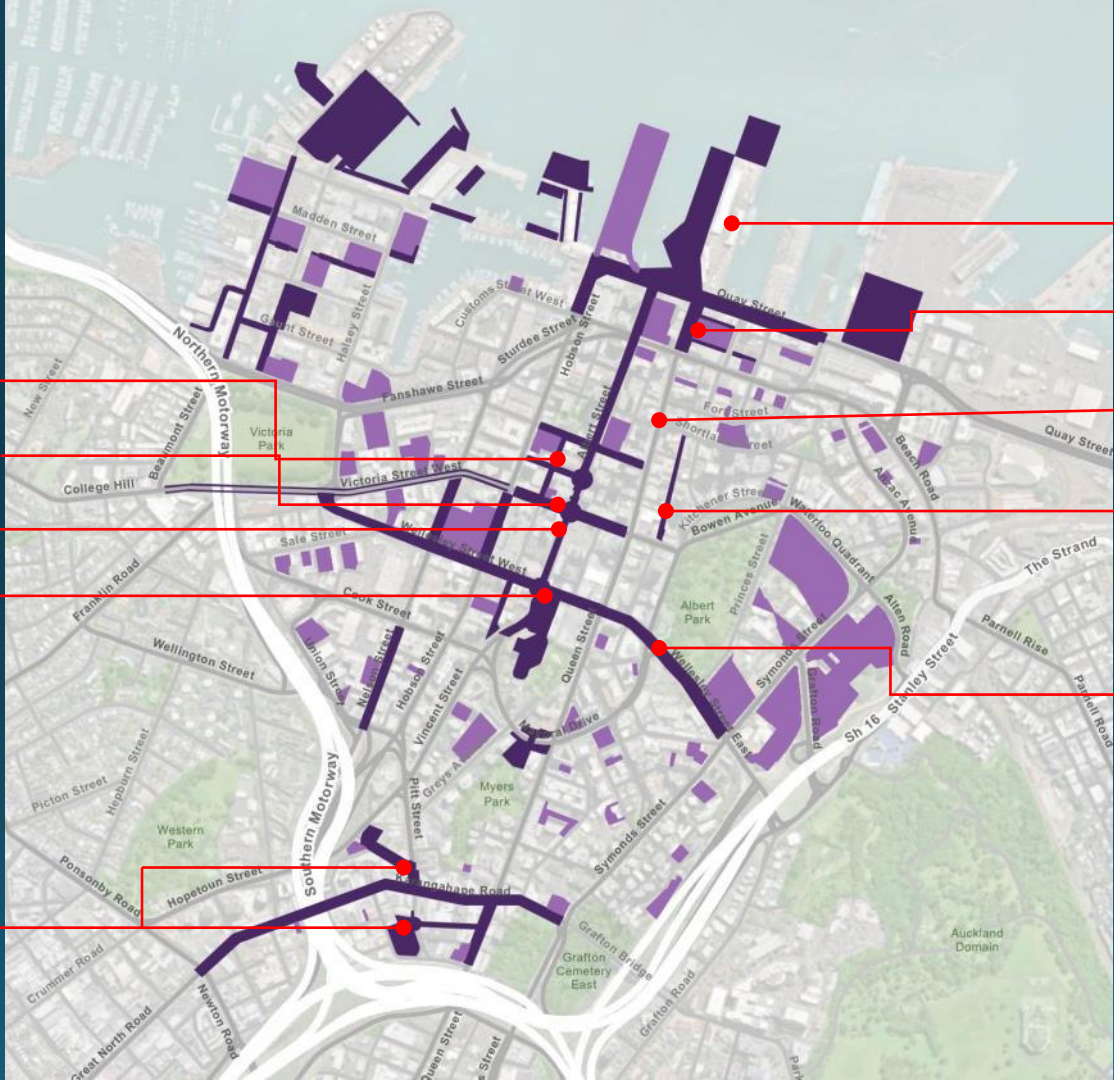
SO WHAT'S  
NEXT?







10 years



Federal Street

Victoria Linear Park

Albert Street  
Enhancement

CRL Aotea Station

CRL Karangahape  
Station

Queen's Wharf  
Redevelopment

CRL Britomart Station

*Queen Street LRT*

High Street

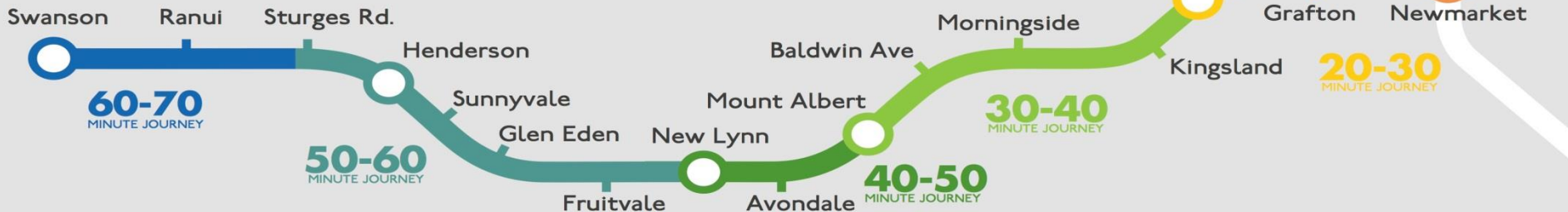
Wellesley Street Bus Corridor

Public sector

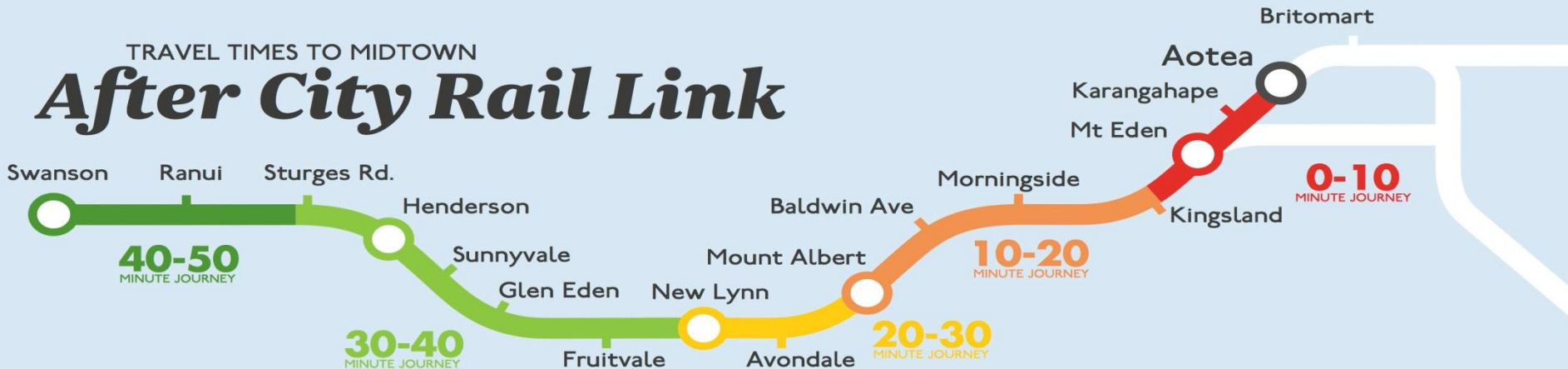
Private sector  
(Building Consents)



# TRAVEL TIMES TO MIDTOWN *Currently*



# TRAVEL TIMES TO MIDTOWN *After City Rail Link*





# CITY RAIL LINK



Auckland Design Office

Auckland Council  
Te Kaunohanga o Tairāwhiti-ā-Māui





# COMMERCIAL BAY







# AUCKLAND'S NEW SKYLINE







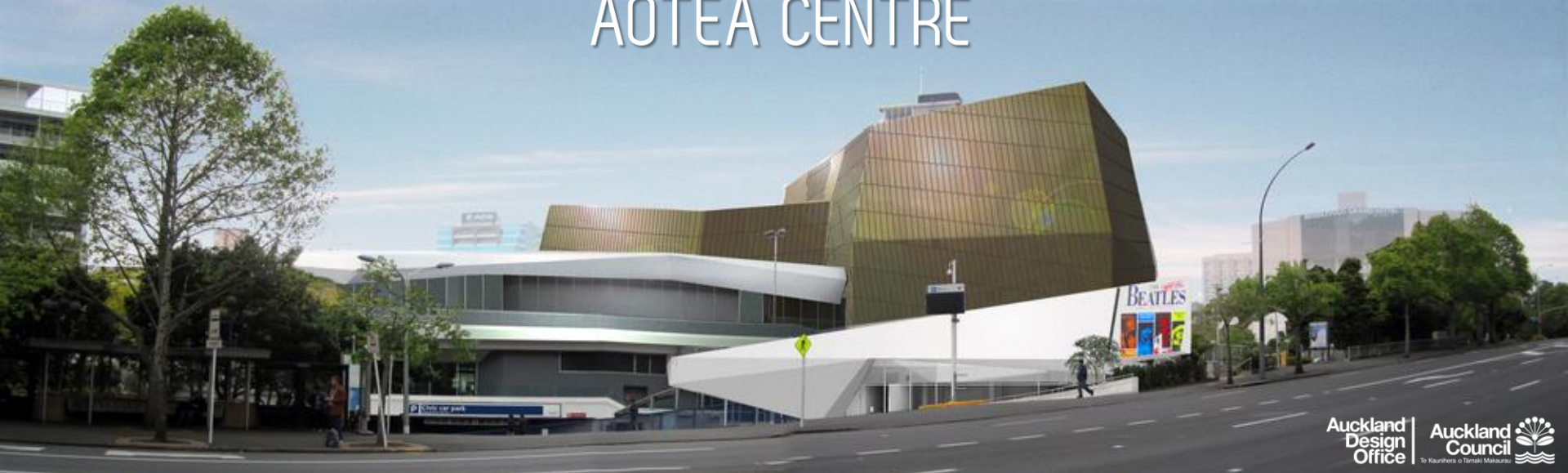
# NEW ZEALAND INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE







# AOTEA CENTRE



# Light Rail



ATAP 2018 - 2028

Proposed Rapid Transit Improvements









# Skypath



▶ POTENTIAL



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Te Kaunihara o Tamaki Makaurau



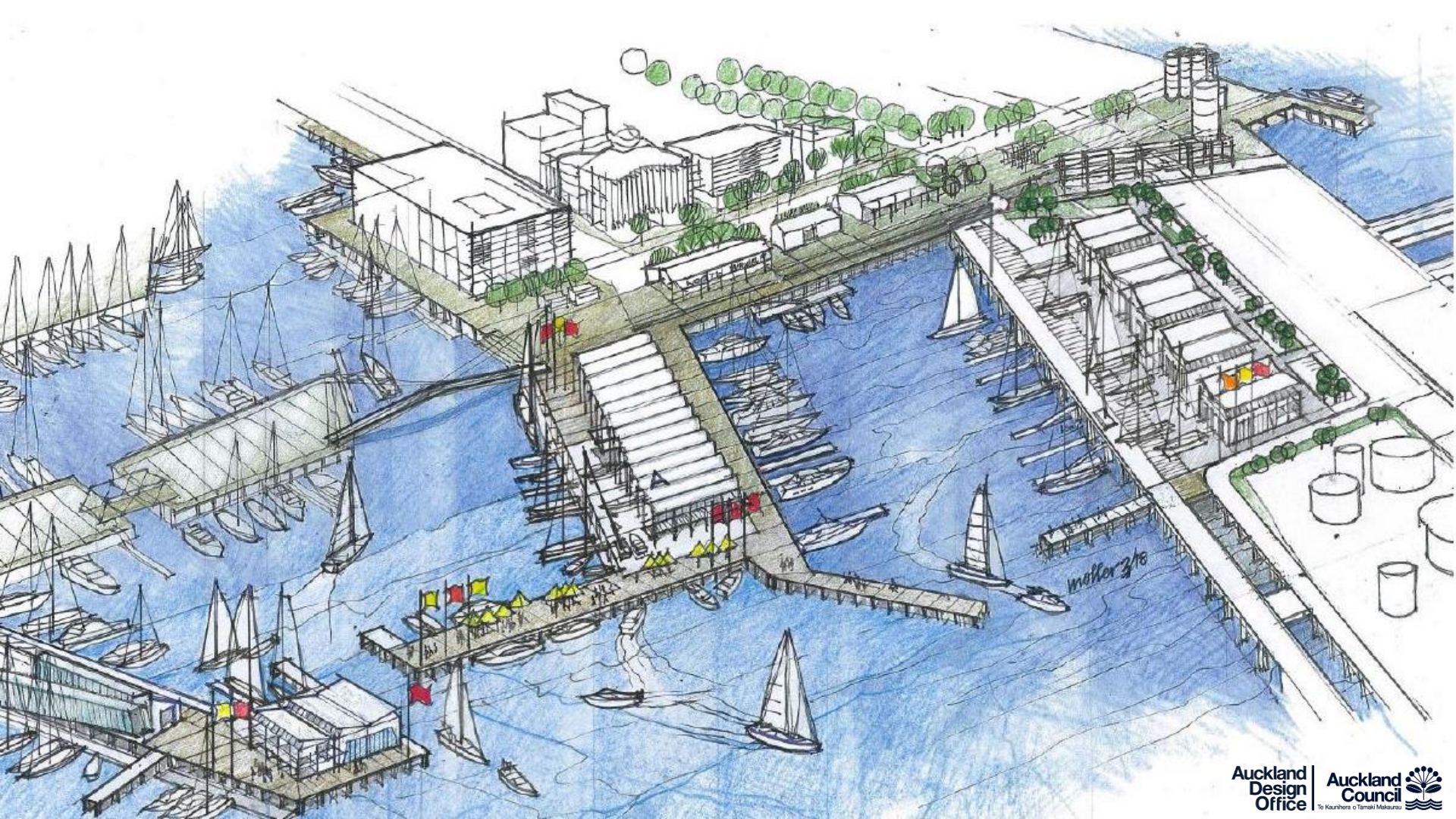
AUCKLAND 2021



36<sup>TH</sup> AMERICA'S CUP

PRESENTED BY  
**PRADA**









Future public spaces



Wynyard Quarter



Wynyard Point  
2026+





Albert Park

Victoria Street  
linear park

Wynyard Quarter

Wynyard Point  
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**AUCKLAND 2021**

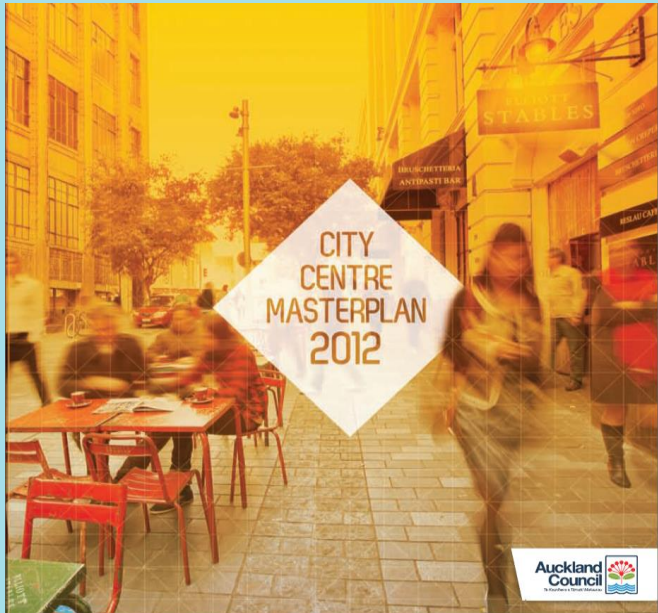


# Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation

**Auckland Council and Auckland  
Transport working together to  
refresh City Centre Masterplan**

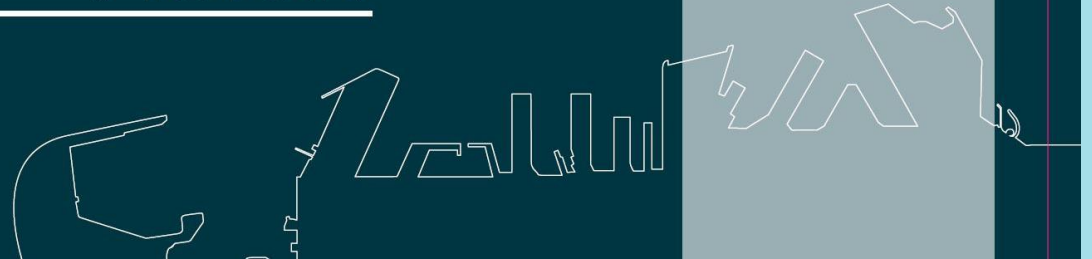
# Digital Plan

Combined, updated and digitised online version of City Centre Masterplan and Waterfront Plan.



## THE WATERFRONT VISION

A world-class destination that excites the senses and celebrates our sea-loving Pacific culture and maritime history. It supports commercially successful and innovative businesses and is a place for all people, an area rich in character and activities that link people to the city and the sea.

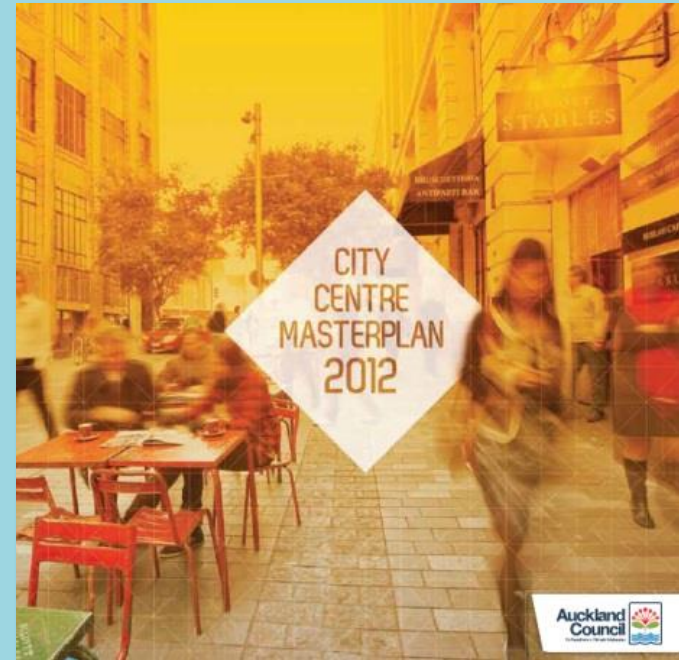
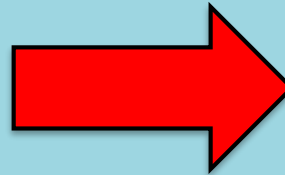




# Māori Outcomes

## Mana Whenua Kaitiaki Forum:

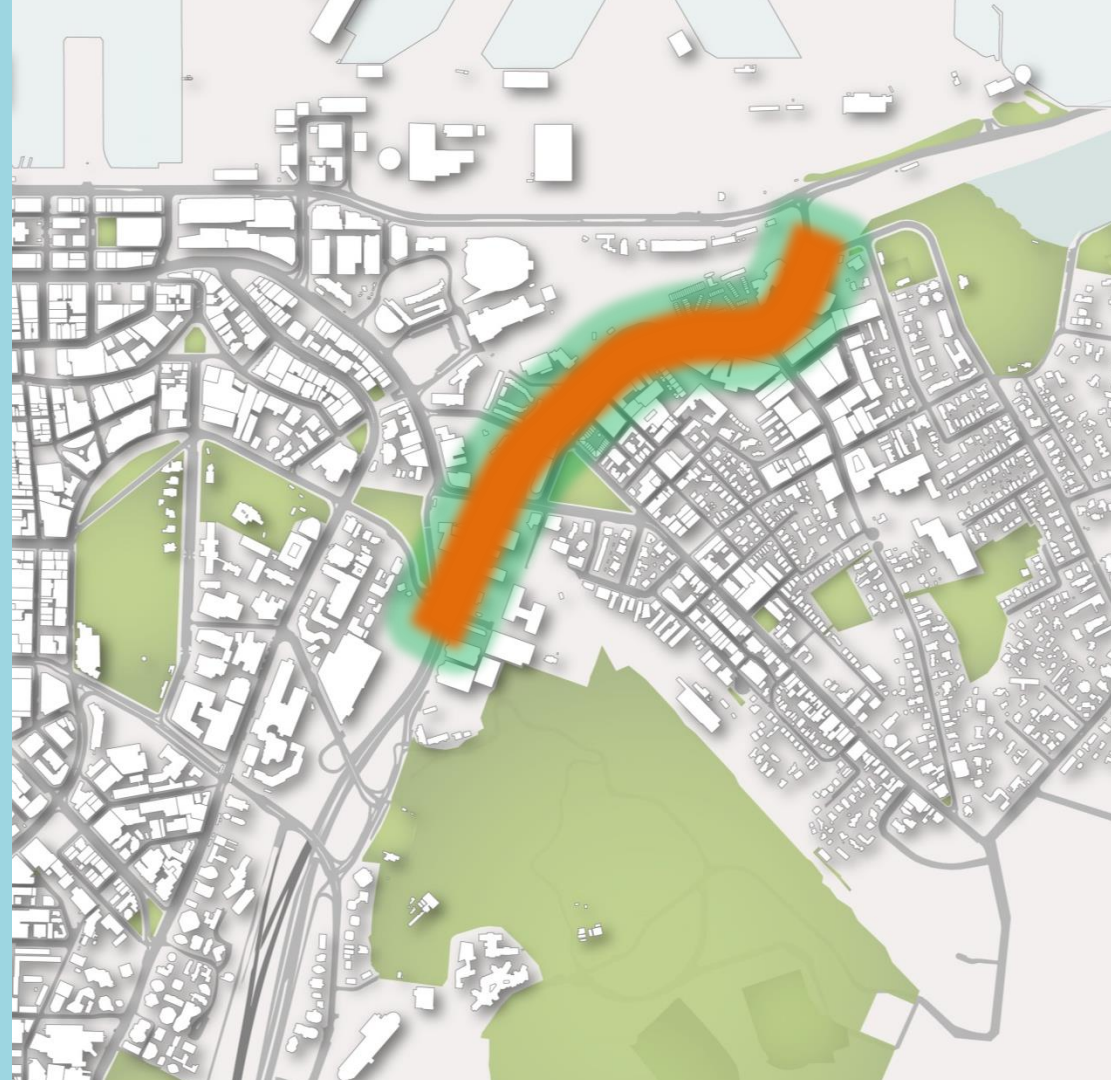
- 1) Developing a  
**Mana Whenua Outcomes Plan**  
for the City Centre
- 2) Integrating it into the City  
Centre Masterplan





# Grafton Gully

- Better Port-Motorway links
- Improve connections to eastern suburbs
- Improve walking & cycling environment
- Unlock landholdings
- Enable regional rail
- Respond to Ports Master Plan



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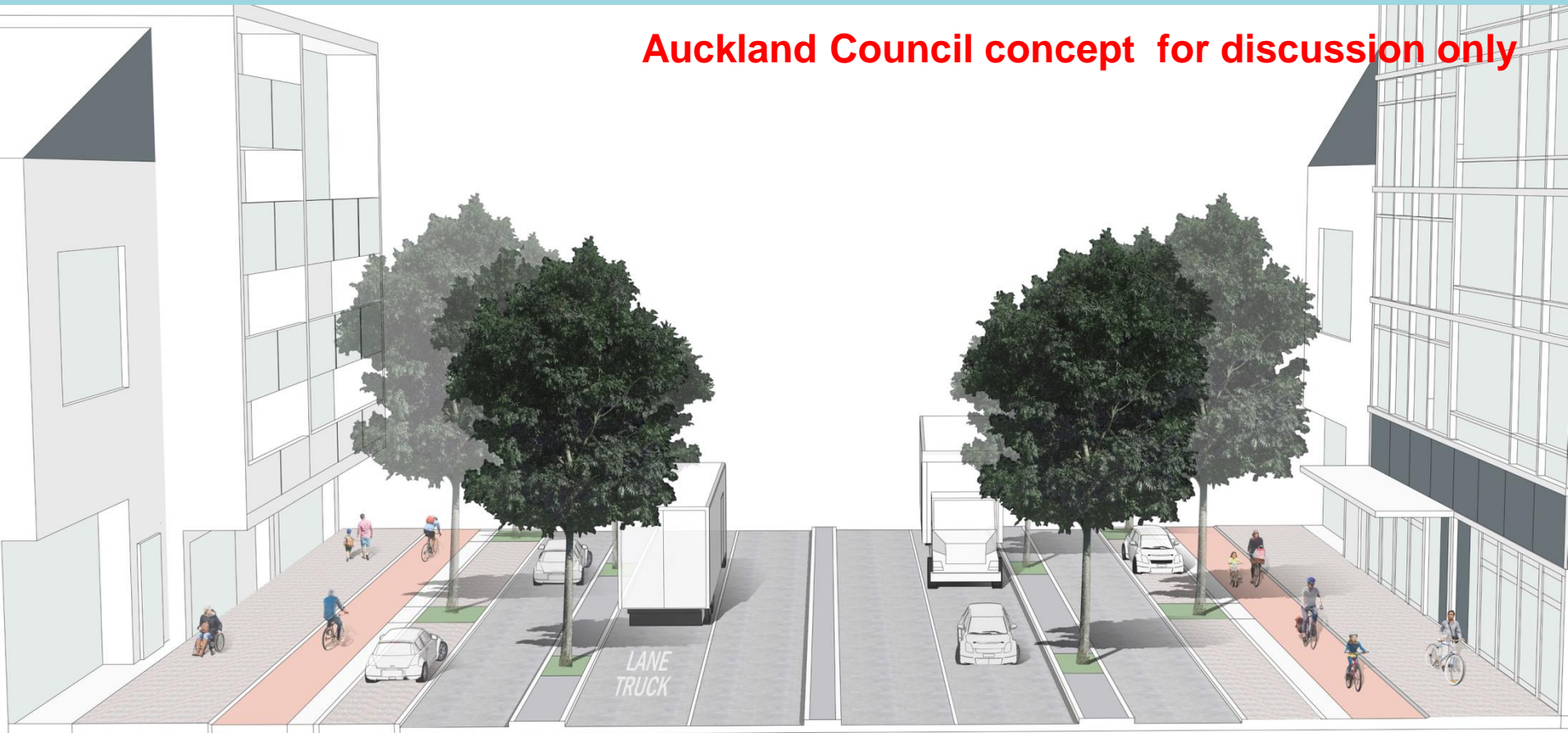
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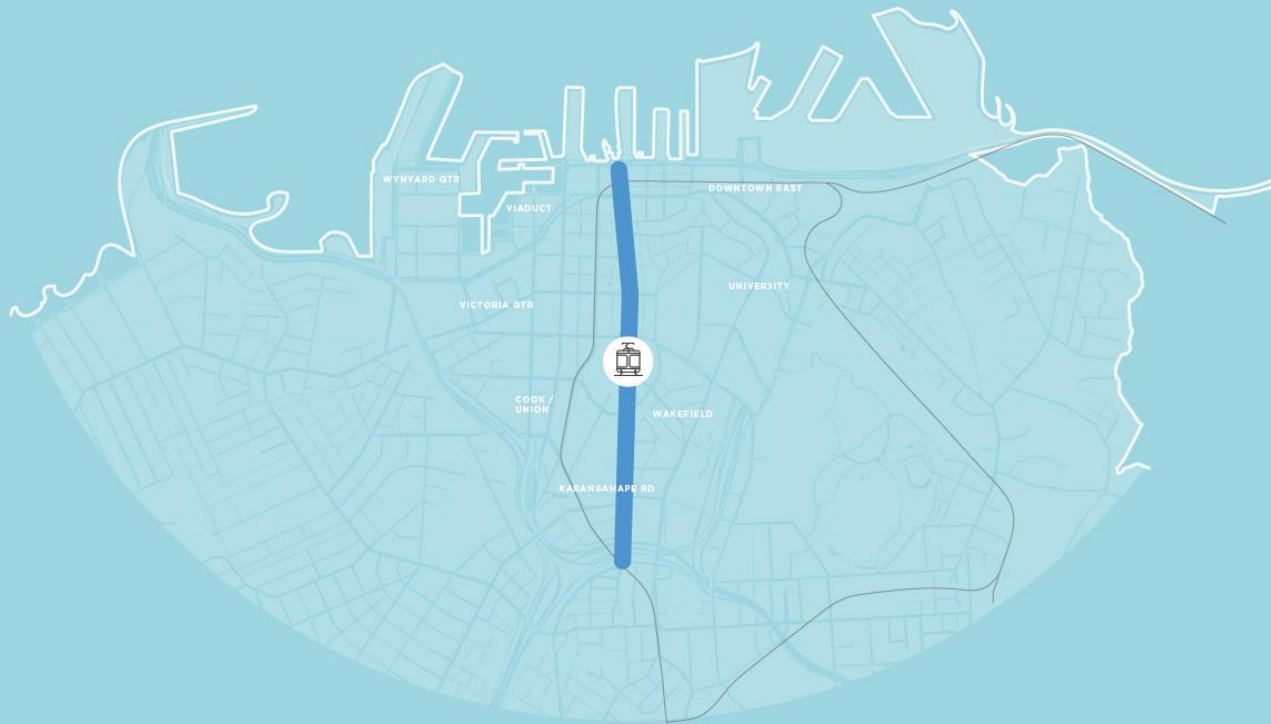


SPEED  
LIMIT  
30





# LIGHT RAIL IS COMING





BILLABONG

BILLABONG

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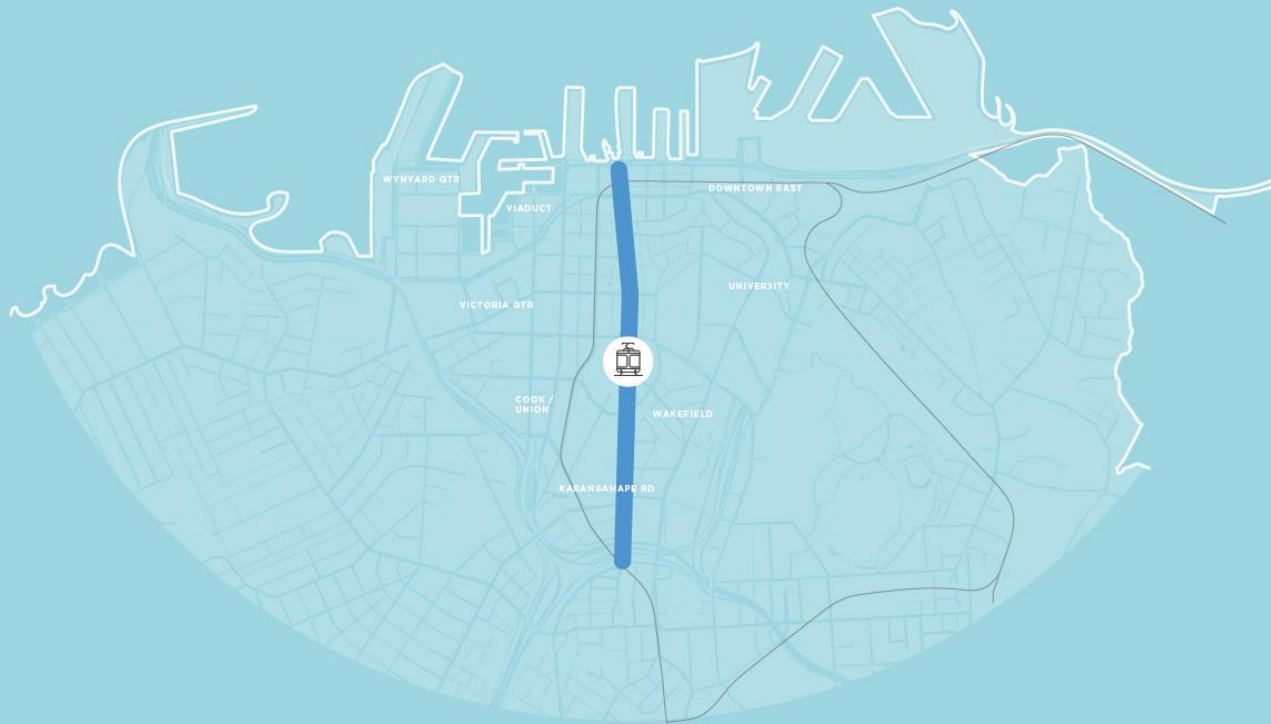
PARTRIDGE  
JEWELLERS

OVERLAND

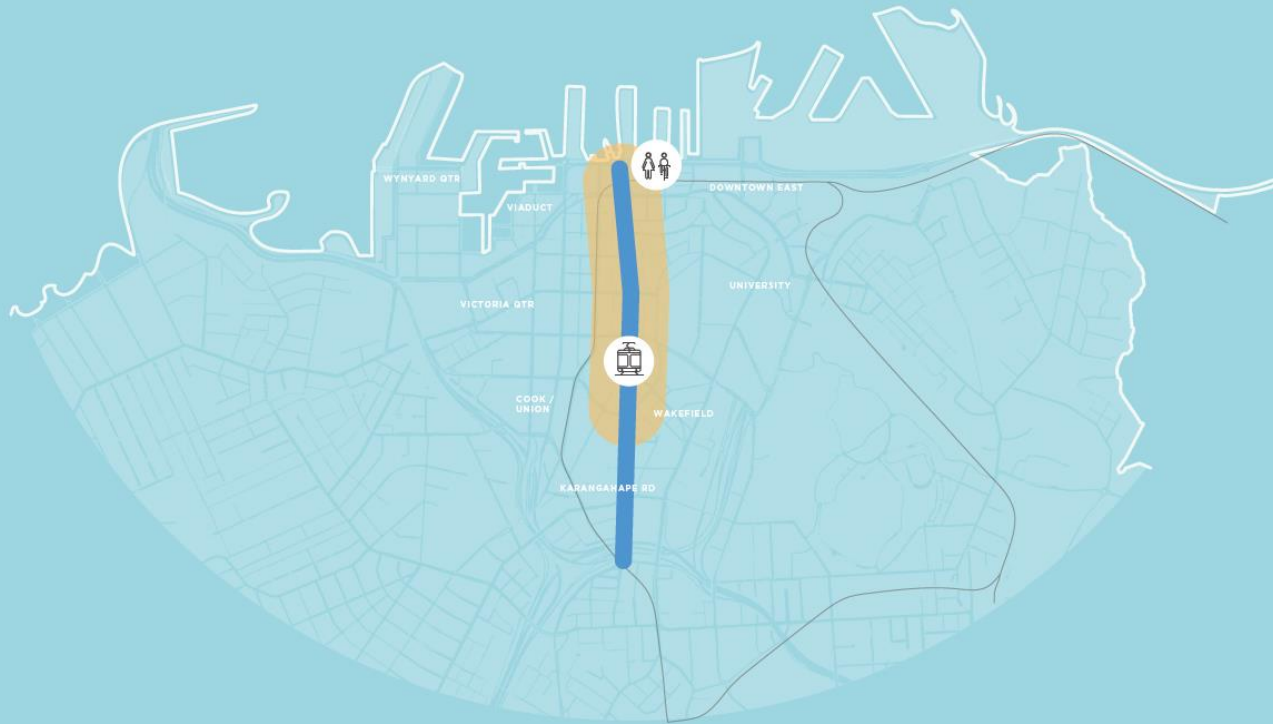
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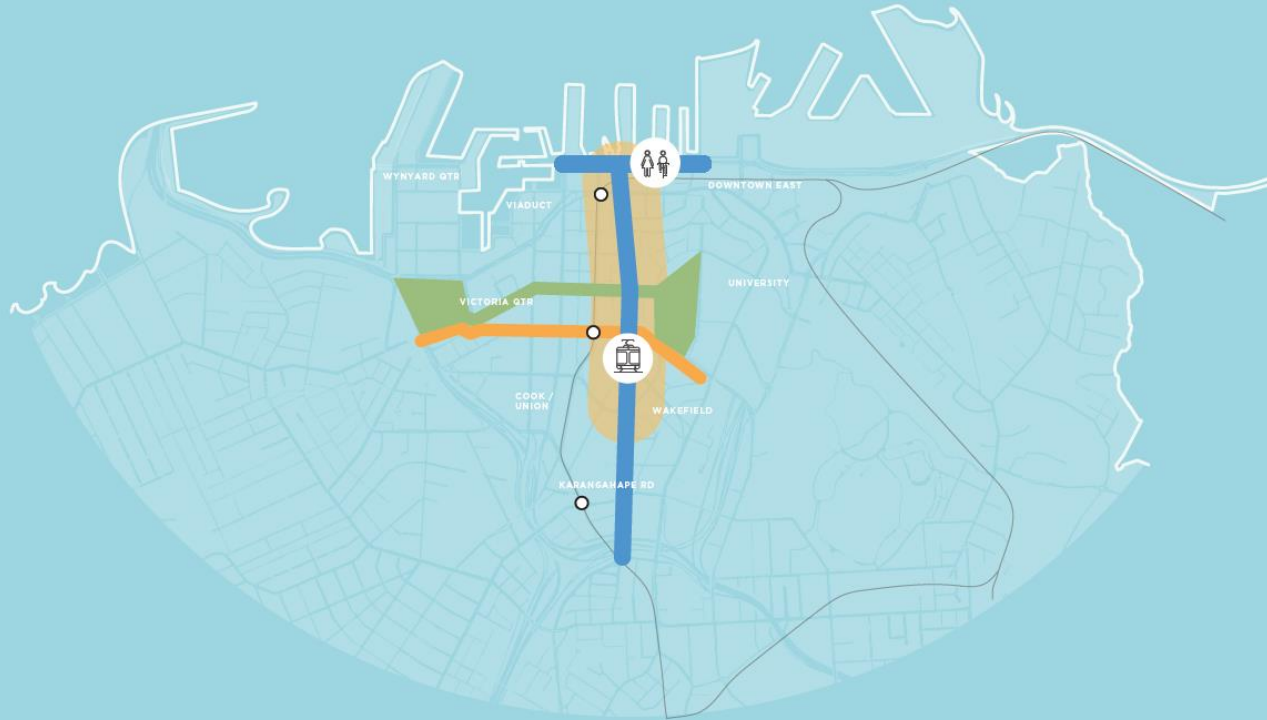


# THIS MEANS CHANGE FOR QUEEN STREET





# THAT'S GOING TO NEED TO FIT IN WITH OUR OTHER PLANS



# WHILE MEETING OTHER CITY CENTRE TRANSPORT NEEDS





*Access* FOR  
*Everyone*



-  LRT
-  Traffic zone
-  Motorway (Ring Road)
-  Queen Street Valley

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# **Learnings:**

**Massive change going on**

**Collaboration is critical**

**Can't wait to see how this turns out**

# Thank you.

