Meeting No.70

Wynyard Quarter Transport Management Association

Board Meeting

Date and time:	Wednesday 7th August 2024 at 1030am
Attendees:	 Meredith Bates (MB), Mott MacDonald – Chair Peter Busfield (PB), NZ Marine - VC Fiona Knox (FK), Eke Panuku Brett Sweetman (BS), Park Hyatt Auckland Genevieve Sage (GS), Waitematā Local Board (joined online) Ronald Tay (RT), WSP Sharon Byrne (SB), Auckland Theatre Company Bernard Trevor (BT), ASB Peter Young (PY), Sanford Greg Moyle (GM), Waitematā Local Board (joined online)
Apologies:	 Brigid Rogers (BR), WQ TMA Coordinator Olivia Murdoch (OM), Precinct Properties Tom Locke (TL), Warren and Mahoney Michael Hawes (MH), Warren and Mahoney Pete Bowden (PB0), VHHL/Tramco
Guests:	 Tim Christensen (TC), Resolve Group (joined online) Marian Webb (MW), Eke Panuku (joined online) Miceala Daniel (MD), Heart of the City Steven Ward (SW), Auckland Police Peter Gibson (PG), Auckland Police Courtney Hamilton (CH), Auckland Police Khush Kullar (KK), Auckland Police
	Meredith Bates Mott MacDonald offices

Item	Discussion and Action	By who
1	Karakia and introductions	
	MB welcomed everyone and asked all attendees to introduce themselves.	
2	Apologies and notes from last meeting / matters arising	
	Apologies were noted as above.	
	The notes of last meeting were not agreed as we ran out of time.	
3	Police	
	Police reps were Inspector Peter Gibson, Constable Steven Ward, Constable Courtney Hamilton, and	
	Senior Sergeant Krush Kullar	
	MD from Heart of the City outlined the coordination piece between HOTC and Police (and other	
	agencies) Operation Safer Streets. Safety meetings take place on a 6-weekly basis at precinct level. The	
	City Watch programme is funded with support from Auckland Council. Compliance wardens can deal with	
	noise complaints and anti-social behaviour (as opposed to security guards, who have no powers). "Coffee	
	with a cop" is an initiative whereby police invite businesses along to a local café and there is an informal	
	opportunity to ask questions or seek advice from the local team.	
	BS offered The Pantry as a location for any future meetings. This is likely to be either 26 August or 2 Sept date and time tbc.	
	PB thanked the team for their support particularly during events. PB mentioned Sail GP taking place on	
	18 January and the Police noted that there would be a separate team established for larger events, such	
	as that. SW provided his contact details <u>stevenward@police.govt.nz</u> 021 1918802 and would welcome	
	any questions/comms. MB thanked the team for their time and the work they do.	
4	Te Ara Tukutuku – FK Eke Panuku and Scott, Natalie, Matthew and Ethan from Toi Waihanga Design	
	consortium. Toi Waihanga (comprised of LandLAB, Warren and Mahoney, Mott MacDonald (supported	
	by DONE), Stellar Projects, BECA, Fresh Concept, and New York-based landscape architecture firm SCAPE)	
	was awarded the contract to design the public realm component of Wynyard Point. Toi Waihanga will	
	work closely with Eke Panuku and mana whenua, to bring the project to fruition.	

FK explained that the process had moved forward since the last update in October 2023. Wynyard Point is an area which is set to become one of the most important regeneration projects in the city over the next 10 to 20 years. A 5 hectare public open space - the first new urban Tāmaki Makaurau park in 100 years. A quality and sustainable mixed used development that complements the major public space. Partnered and co-designed with Mana Whenua. Guided by Mauri Tukutuku (a bespoke cultural health framework). Te Ara Tukutuku is the restoration of land and water, connecting people and the interaction and flow between these, to uplift mauri

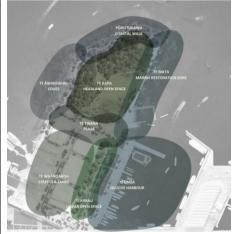
Many documents had been drawn upon to get this point of Concept Design Development. These include: Auckland Waterfront Vision (2005), WQ Urban Framework (2007) WQ Plan Change (2008) WQ Masterplan (2009) The Waterfront Plan (2012) CC Masterplan (2020) and the NPSUD (2023-24). The project is seeking feedback on the concept designs. There will be pop up events as well as social media website articles etc. Four key questions:

- What aspects are you most excited about?
- How do the concept designs reflect the vision for a thriving foreshore and reconnecting land and sea?
- What are you interested in learning more about?
- How might you get involved to help lift the mauri of this area?

May to September 2024 is the Concept Design Engagement stage.

The vision for Te Ara Tukutuku is to create a living green open space nestled upon Te Waitematā, a space to reconnect and rebind the relationship between Tangaroa (the ocean) and Papatūānuku (Mother Earth), connecting people back to the water.

Scott commented on the restorative process to heal, form, cultivate. 10-15 year horizon. The Concept Designs create 8 open space zones, these are shown below:



Daldy Street will be the entrance / gateway to the headland. The idea is that no one wants vehicles around the edges. A key part of feedback from public consultation so far was they didn't want to see lots of hard space, they wanted to see green spaces right up to the water's edge.

There is open space at the Headland with four development sites (shown as white buildings on the map above). There is a proposed new marine site next to the existing SeaLink building.



It is hoped to establish a Marine restoration zone in the northern section of the park area. New lookouts, platforms and stairs enable close interaction with the regenerating marine environment. There will be a

new coastal walkway around the headland giving views out to the Harbour, the Hauraki Gulf and North Shore. The whole area will provide opportunities for exploration, discovery and engagement with the coastal environment.

There are quite a lot of enabling works which need to be done and they are hoping to start on site in early 2025. At this point there will be a road stoppage. The engagement is an important stage - consolidating access issues, how people engage, how it connects to rest of city, so that the next stage of detailed design, reflects what is needed. Designs are now live and there are events and static displays planned. The Concept design engagement will end October /November 2024.

The team want to encourage feedback from the TMA Board, individual businesses, individuals and Aucklanders.

RT asked if there were to be events areas planned to encourage people to the area. Self-activation and programmed weekend events etc. as well as major events (e.g. Americas Cup). Natelie noted that BAU would continue with events and that major events would come via other agencies such as Auckland Unlimited. The team area very aware that this will become a major destination. Access important for events. Need to think about this in terms of Hamer Street as that will still need to accommodate business (especially oversized marine activity) and access to park.

PB congratulated the team on a looking good plan which he felt would be great for area. PB was keen to see additional spaces for events set ups. Feedback was that big open spaces can be very expensive to maintain and there has been an extensive optioneering process of the balance of open space versus development potential space. The design team need to consider how the space might be used most of the time – not just for one off big events. After much consideration, half park and half development site has been agreed, there will be a green area along eastern side.

Matt talked about the key points of the transport strategy - see below:

Transport Strategy

Building on established Wynyard Quarter concepts, the strategy supports walking, cycling and public transport as priority modes to access the Quarter and the spaces within Te Ara Tukutuku.

Te Ara Tukutuku Transport Concepts

- Establishing a low vehicle, low emission precinct that supports TATT sustainability objectives.
- Primary access connects to existing public transport nodes.
- Vehicle access is prioritised for mobility, loading, servicing, and marine industry functions.
- Private vehicle access is disincentivised via limited public parking within the Quarter.
- Vehicle movement functions are contained within Hamer Street, water's edges are for people and active modes.
- Establishes behavioural change and expectations early and supports wider Wynyard Quarter modal split.
- Minimising impact of vehicles on the activities defined for Te Ara Tukutuku.

The look and feel for the physical elements of the transport strategy (streets and lanes) is intended to be consistent with the language of Wynyard Quarter streets, while integrating mobility and marine industry requirements with specific conceptual and performance outcomes for Te Ara Tukutuku.

Matt explained that this builds on establish Wynyard Quarter concepts. The strategy relies on people walking and cycling and catching PT into the area. Don't have a lot of space nor do we want to provide for non-essential vehicles. There will be one way in, one way out of the area. They are keen to design a space that can be accessed by people that need it. Restricted in sense that the general public won't be able to park on weekends. It will be low volume, low speed, low emission, builds on CCMP framework. It is estimated that there will be 60,000 PT seats within a 10 min walk of the site. Events will need good traffic management plans as well as demarked drop off points.

BS asked if there had been any consideration given to additional ferry access. Fiona mentioned that this has been considered over the years, but the key thing was for AT to figure out what the catchment might look like. It was noted that there could be a light touch access via water – such as the use of red boats.

	AT do have potential passenger ferry node (on west) and SeaLink are investigating the walk on walk off	
	catchment. BT noted that a new ferry drop off could be useful for west connection. BT also commented	
	on the current challenges of bus layovers in the area.	
	Funding up to 2032 has been set aside (\$100M). The remaining funding needs to come from further LTP	
	process. Feedback welcomed.	
5	Wynyard Bridge	
	Marian Webb (MW) from Eke Panuku and Tim Christensen (TC), Resolve Group and joined the meeting	
	online. MW reported that the work on the main bridge was tracking well to programme and budget.	
	There has been quite a bit of activity over last 2 weeks. It is planned that the Bridge is re-opened for use	
	in December. Head contractor HEB have started work and set up a temporary headquarters on North	
	Wharf. One span of the Bridge has already removed, the second one will be relocated to wharf later this week. Weather may impact activities.	
	BS asked for confirmation of when in December the Bridge would be open. MW confirmed at this stage	
	early December 2024.	
	MW then moved on to discuss the temporary pontoon structure. Having investigated fully the Eke	
	Panuku Board have determined that cost exceeded benefits. MW reiterated that a significant amount of	
	work had gone into investigating this option, including detailed design as well as costings with an	
	estimated cost \$1.5M. Eke Panuku felt that a better option was to expand the current ferry services	
	moving people from Viaduct to Wynyard Quarter. Eke Panuku undertook a trial looking at expanding the	
	service and the recommendation is to have ferry running to 7 days 7am - 9pm/10pm. MW noted a huge	
	amount of positive feedback from users. MW also acknowledged that improvements to signage/	
	wayfinding and advertising were now needed, to let people know the ferry is now operational 7 days a	
	week and that commuters can use it. Changing of the signage underway and social media campaign is	
	planned.	
	BS asked what plans there were for enabling cruise passengers to use the ferry service. We need to be	
	attracting them to WQ, previously they had ben bussed in.	
	PS mentioned he had heard feedback that the communications with cruise passengers directing them to	
	the bus weren't very user friendly. PS suggested relaying that to whoever was looking after the	
	connections with cruise passengers.	
	PY commented that the temporary pontoon could be used for any future bridge repairs, so the	
	investigation work had been worthwhile.	
6	Updates – no updates as the meeting over ran	
7	Items of interest / AOB	
	No other business	
	Date of next meeting Wednesday 4 th September at 1030am venue tbc	