



TAUPŌ CULTURAL PRECINCT TAUPŌ DISTRICT COUNCIL Document Revision Status December_2018 **Document Control** Prepared by Morné Hugo, Barrington Gohns, Les Matthews Approved by Principal Shannon Joe On behalf of Warren and Mahoney Architects Limited and Boffa Miskell Limited While Warren and Mahoney has endeavored to summarize the Concept Design process in this document and appendices, the report format cannot represent the broad range and depth of information captured during the Concept Design Process. Approval of the specific issues contained in this report does not discharge the obligation of the client team to review the drawings and specifications in their entirety. Warren and Mahoney Architects Ltd Ground Floor, Mason Bros., 139 Pakenham Street West, Wynyard Quarter Auckland 1142, New Zealand T +64 9 309 4894 **Boffa Miskell Ltd** Level 5, 35 Grey Street Tauranga 3110, New Zealand T +64 7 571 5511

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AN OVERVIEW

Essentially our creative process follows a 4D sequence: Discover, Define, Design, and Deliver.

It is important that a clear design process is implemented as it structures towards an end goal. Each phase is rigorously tested before informing the next phase.

DISCOVER

We enquire deeply - listening and learning to understant the project's context, identity and fundamental insights.

DEFINE

We draw, distil and refine, pullling the right talent and expertise from across our 'one studio' team and beyond.

DESIGN

We put a design vision into words, inviting discussion and inspiring a holistic exploration of the project's potential.

DELIVER

Our duty of care sees us through to the finish, staying true to design, the details and robust commerical outcomes.

PURPOSE

Record process of urban design and masterplanning:

Taupō District Council commissioned Warren and Mahoney Architects and Boffa Miskell to provide a cultural precinct masterplan for the Tongariro Domain in Taupō township. The masterplanning exercise looked at the integration of proposed landscaping and new facilities – including a museum, council administration building and community spaces- within the southern portion of the existing Domain. Following input from stakeholders, iwi and the wider community six fundamental pillars were established forming the structure of a reverse brief. Several concept layout options were investigated and assessed against key criteria before a recommended option was derived and explored in more detail.

Community engagement

A series of workshops and meetings were held with community stakeholders and the wider public, in order to canvas ideas and aspirations for Taupō generally and the cultural precinct specifically. Community stakeholders involved included the Taupō business community, Taupō Bowling Club, Rotary, Taupō Women's Club, Taupō Yacht Club. These engagement opportunities were co-ordinated through direct liaison with the stakeholders themselves, and through widespread advertisement and notification of the public at large; and feedback and outcomes were recorded to inform the masterplanning team.

Partnership model

Although the project touches on many and various stakeholders – from council staff through to clubs and societies and the wider public – the local iwi (Ngāti Tūwharetoa) is a partner and holds local ownership, vestitude and guardianship roles. In addition to the public meetings, a dedicated consultation process enabled appropriate and focused engagement with iwi.

What is a cultural precinct?

A cultural precinct is more than a single facility or activity. It is a collection of cultural and civic spaces (both internal and external) arranged to afford connections or accessibility between spaces. In Taupō's case, potential cultural elements include the museum, art gallery, theatre, public library, historic courthouse and redoubt, as well as standalone art and sculpture. Potential civic elements include the courthouse, police complex, council administration building with community meeting spaces, as well as the Great Lake Centre. External spaces offer the potential to be civic in nature, scale and use – as well as combining cultural references through their association with cultural activities or adjacencies, and through sensitive design of hard and soft landscape.

Masterplan to support business case

Following the 4th pillar mantra of creativity balanced with viability, the masterplan must ultimately be achievable. This means due regard for the economic drivers which underpin the business case study, including retention of existing Great Lake Centre and infrastructure where possible, co-location of facilities and people-attractants, and shared or multi-use spaces.

Urban design critical

Given the project context of a domain immediately adjoining Taupō town centre, the design must respond appropriately through the arrangement of built form, linkages, activities, functional requirements, external and open spaces. This complexity of design components and challenges requires a range of design specialists (including landscape, architecture, planning, traffic, etc) to produce a considered and co-ordinated design outcome that is urban design.

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The 6 Pillars
Site Insights
Community / Engagement
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fundamental insights.

GREAT LAKE TAUPŌ

In 2017, Taupō District Council needed to vacate its former building at 72 Lake Terrace due to health and safety issues. Following community consultation on the 2017/18 Annual Plan on a number of options to address the issues from refurbishment to a new build, a new building was chosen as the council's preferred option.

The development of the area by the Great Lake Centre near Story Place was then chosen as the preferred site. During the process the council recognised an opportunity to 'do it once and do it right' and approved the development of a masterplan for the area to see what efficiencies could be made, what opportunities could be capitalised on and to future proof any development going forward. This includes opportunities for new cultural, arts and heritage facilities to replace the existing Taupō Museum.

The Taupō District is an extraordinary place to live, work and raise a family. We are the custodians of this land and like generations before us who raised families and dedicated their lives to making this place what it is today, we take responsibility for steering the way forward for future generations.



THE 6 PILLARS

Six insights to help get people thinking about the project, and guide input from our community.

AUPE AUPE

"Taupō made" – We want to create a unique and timeless place for Taupō and that needs to start from within. The town's values, aspirations and character are grown locally and bring originality, vitality and attraction.

INSIDE

From Tauhara to Tongariro National Park, the magnificent lake and all the natural beauty that is Taupō shapes the local community and iwi. We must continue to celebrate this richness that defines our culture.

CONNECTING PEOPLE + NATURE IDENTITYMATTERS

Our identity brings meaning to who we are. It enables us to capture the story of Taupō.

CREATIVITY + VIABILITY

We envision a courageous yet sensible and functional design.
Delivering the right balance enables a successful outcome for Taupō.



Taupō can position its relevance in the centre stage in the North Island, in New Zealand and globally. A magnet for growth, lifestyle, culture and talent. A destination that brings residents and visitors together.

LOOKS FADE, PERSONALITY LASTS

A place that is timeless, personality driven, and intergenerational is to be treasured. It's about our future.

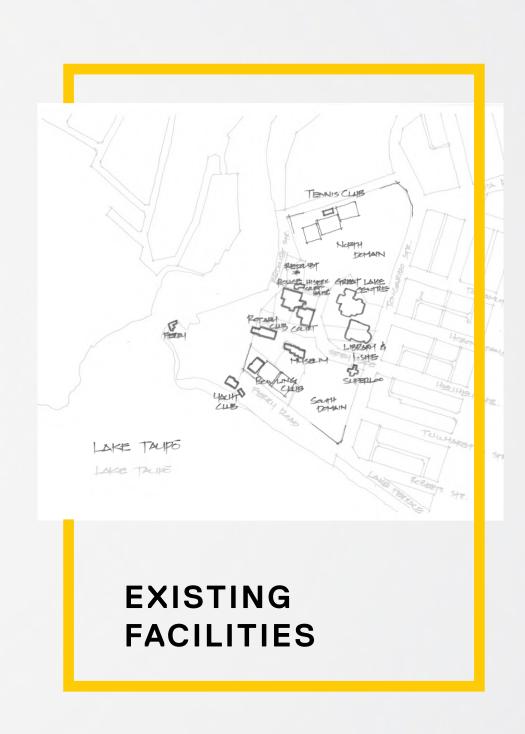
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SITE STUDY

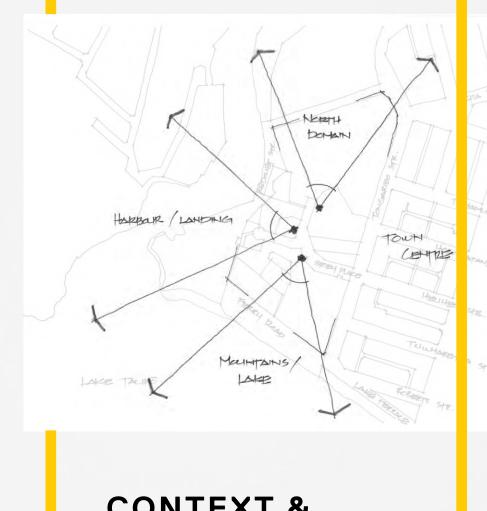
Four initial sketches exploring the site.

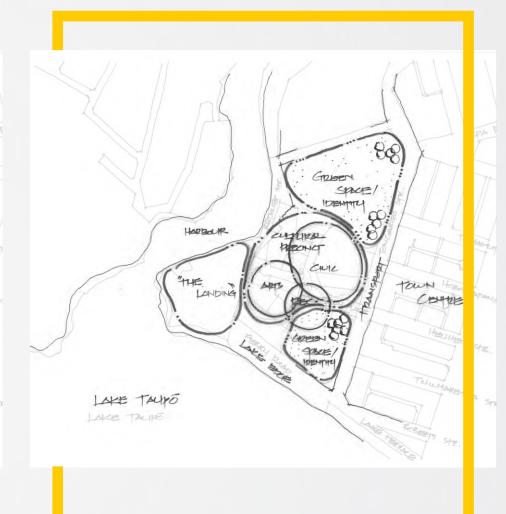
This set of sketches are the start of an investigation into the various key elements of the Tongariro Domain Site. Existing buildings and major connections are examined and defined through loose drawings.











LAKE & HARBOUR EDGE

CONTEXT & CONNECTION

DEFINING CLUSTERS

EXISTING SITE

The following drone images give an overview of the Tongariro Domain site.

Key existing fixtures on site include:

Tapuaeharuru Redoubt:

- The redoubt was built in 1870 by the Armed Constabulary to guard an important crossing of the Waikato River at its outflow from Lake Taupō.
- The altered landform of the redoubt represents an important remnant and reminder of the varied history of the site.

Old Taupō Court House:

- Built in 1881 by the Armed Constabulary and opening as a theatre, the building was converted to a courthouse in 1887.
- A significant event took place in the courthouse, when lands were awarded to the paramount chief of Ngāti Tūwharetoa 'for the purpose of conveying some to the Crown as a gift for a park'. This 'park' later became Tongariro National Park, the first national park in New Zealand.
- The building is nationally significant as the only remaining building in New Zealand associated with the Armed Constabulary.

Miniature Monorail Train:

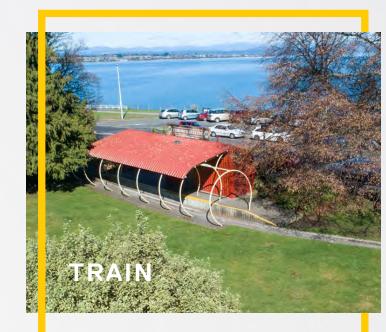
- The locally designed and built miniature monorail train, located on the south of the Domain is owned by the Pakeke Lions Club, operating since 1993 as a fundraising venture.
- The 'Lion Express' does frequent loops through the park, and operates during summer weekends, school holidays and public holidays, providing an attraction primarily for children.

Great Lakes Centre:

- Developed in 1992, replacing the early information centre and War Memorial Hall, the centre combines facilities including a theatre, main hall, public library and information centre within a 3,395 square metre building footprint.
- The centre serves as a key facility for the arts and provides valuable community and visitor facilities.



The former courthouse and its land is listed as Heritage Place Category 2.



The children's playground and Pakeke Lions Cobb & Co Express is popular with young families.



The local police station stands alongside the Taupō District Family Court.



This venue accommodates 400 people seated banquet style and offers space for Taupō events, meetings and presentations.





MUSEUM AND ROTARY HOUSE

These facilities are situted in front of the rose gardens and bowling greens. The Rotary Building houses numerous community groups and Women's Club.

ROSE GARDEN

The rose garden was a project initiated by the Rose Society in 1979. It was established on the site of the original Armed Constabulary dump. The garden is maintained by the district council.

EXISTING VEGETATION

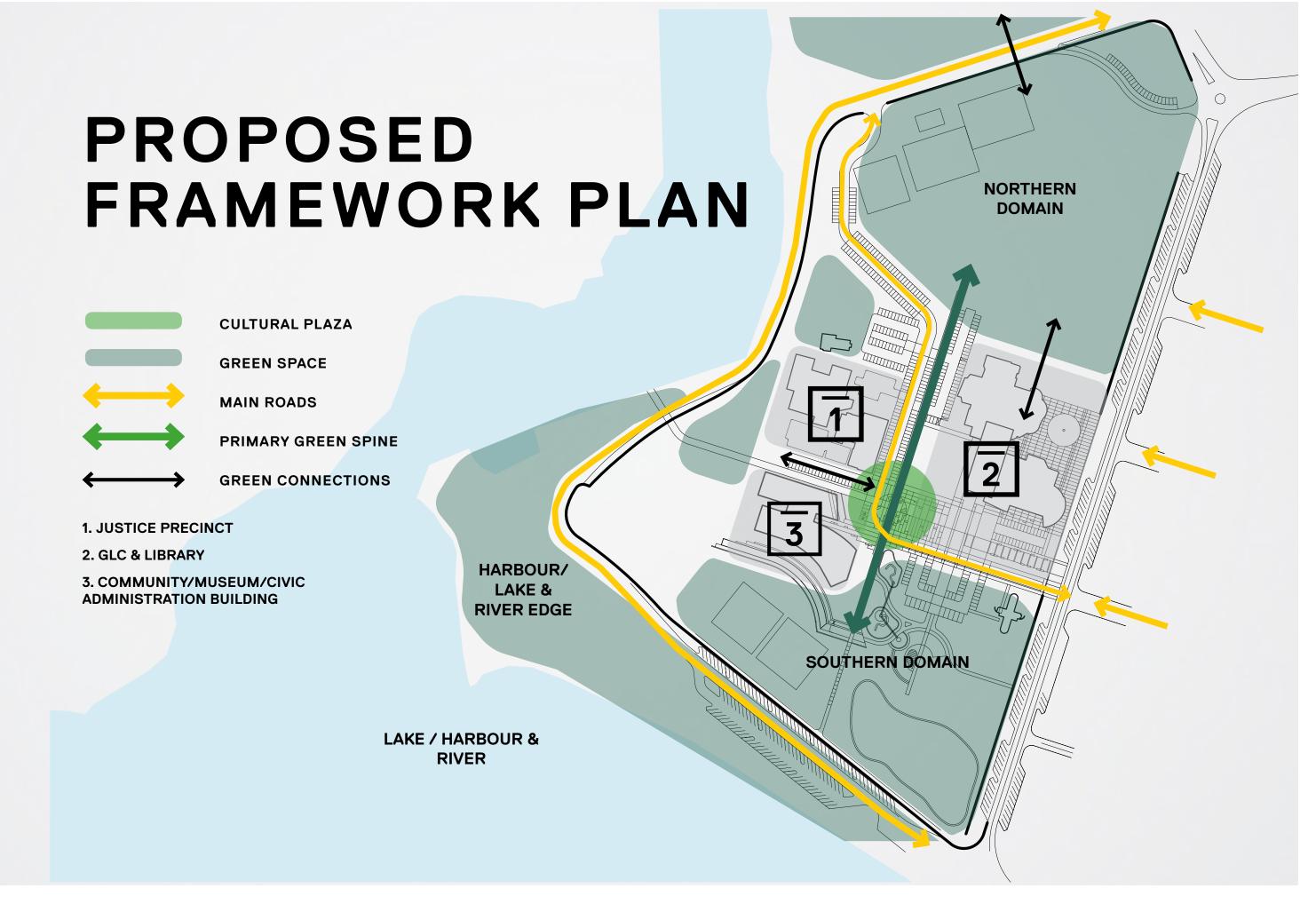
The proposed cultural precinct has well established gardens and mature trees, which are integral to the identity and cultural heritage of the site and strengthen its local identity.

- The gardens and trees are primarily native, with some exotic species, including the heritage Rose Gardens and annual beds.
- Mature trees and planting play an important role in natural biological systems including improved indeginous biodiversity, and stormwater management. They also reduce erosion and runoff.
- The wide variety of plants and trees, provide food and habitat for many native bird species.
- The gardens have a good mix and variety of colour, with exotic trees celebrating the changing of seasons, and providing light in winter.
- The canopy of the large tress provides shade to the domain, as well as reducing wind, and cooling the air in summer, creating a comforatble space for relaxing and play.
- Some gardens around builings are overgrown and create safety (CPTED) issues. Increased use of simple native palettes and low groundcover planting is encouraged.
- There are many significant and protected trees on site, which form landmarks and a framework for development. The specimen trees within the domain which are protected, further aid in conservation, education, and heritage protection. Vegetation with aesthetic, historic, or ecological value will be maintained so far as possible.







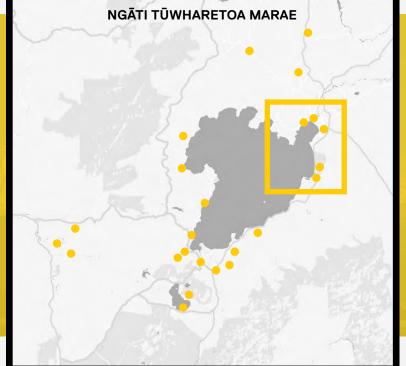


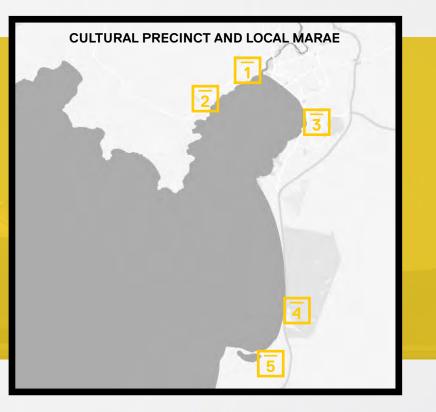
MARAE LOCATIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS

The design / masterplanning team engaged with representatives from local hapū and some marae representatives.

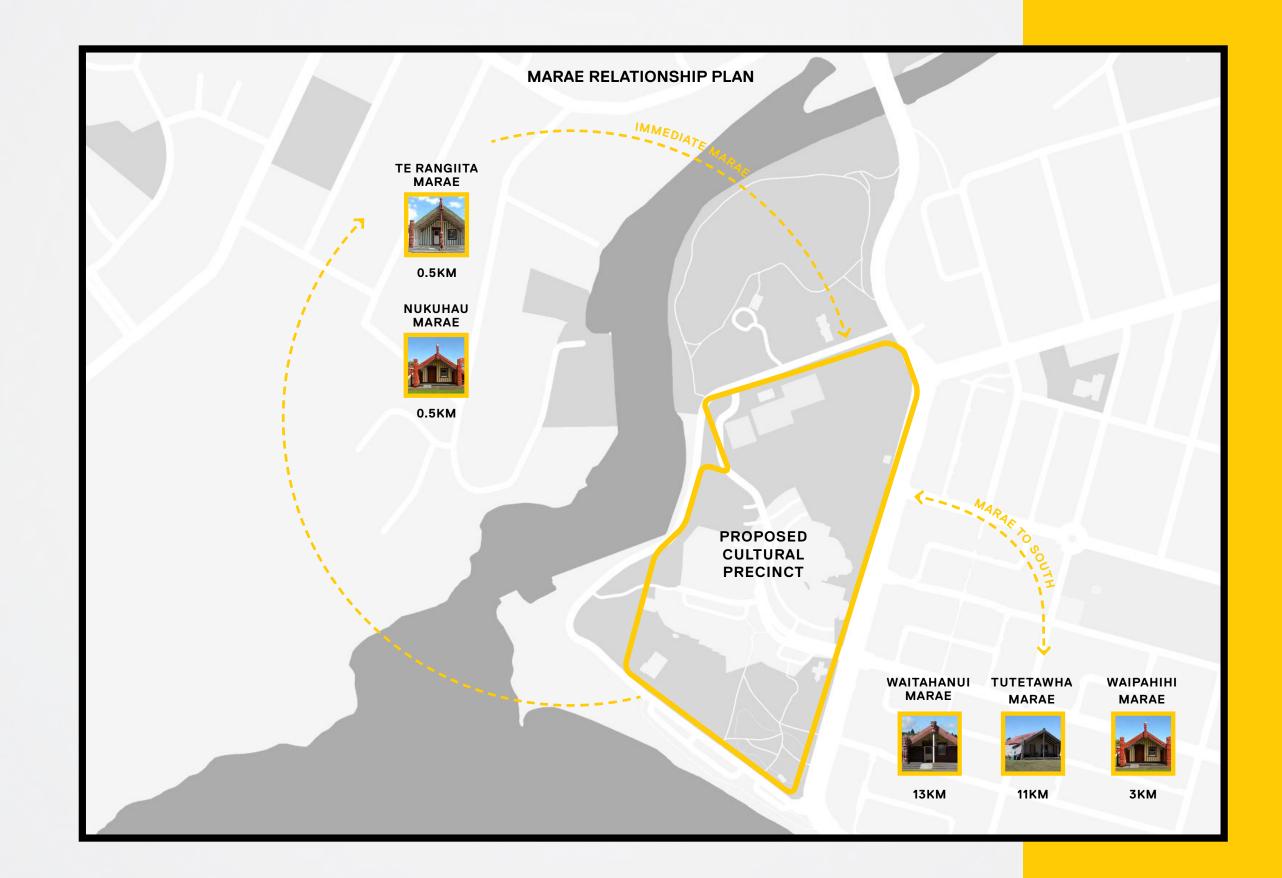
Conversations with these represenatives should continue into the future.







- 1. NUKUHAU Ngāti Rauhoto, Ngāti Te Urunga
- 2. TE RANGIITA Ngāti Ruingarangi
- 3. WAIPAHIHI Ngāti Hineure, Ngāti Hinerau
- 4. TUTETAWHA Ngāti Tutetawha
- 5. PAKIRA Ngāti Tutemohuta



IWI ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

Feedback from iwi, hapū and marae representatives confirmed the desire that engagement continue into the future.

A proposed process should capture the past, present and future aspirations of hapū and marae of Ngāti Tūwharetoa.



UNDERSTAND THE
VALUES, TRADITIONS,
HISTORY AND
TIKANGA OF THE
IWI OF NGĀTI
TŪWHARETOA AND
HAPŪ OF THE AREA

BUILD EXISTING
PARTNERSHIPS AND
RELATIONSHIPS

PROMOTE AND

ESTABLISH ESTABLISH RELATIONSHIPS PROTOCOLS

SPECIFIC WORKSHOPS WITH HAPŪ AND MARAE
REPRESENTATION FROM HAPŪ ON TŪWHARETOA
GALLERY GROUP

OPPORTUNITY TO SHOWCASE SIGNIFICANT
TŪWHARETOA TAONGA – PAST, PRESENT, FUTURE
– BY TŪWHARETOA, FOR TŪWHARETOA

NARRATIVE FROM NGĀTI TŪWHARETOA, HAPŪ AND MARAE

ESTABLISHMENT OF HAPŪ WORKING GROUP TO INFORM DESIGN

DEVELOP PROCESS + UNDERSTAND VALUES

UNDERSTAND THE
VALUES, TRADITIONS,
HISTORY AND
TIKANGA OF THE
MANA WHENUA/
TANGATA WHENUA
AND HAPŪ OF THE
AREA

INTEGRATION

MAINTAIN THE LIVING
PRESENCE OF MANA
WHENUA/TANGATA
WHENUA. SUSTAIN
ESTABLISHED
RELATIONSHIPS

AHI KA

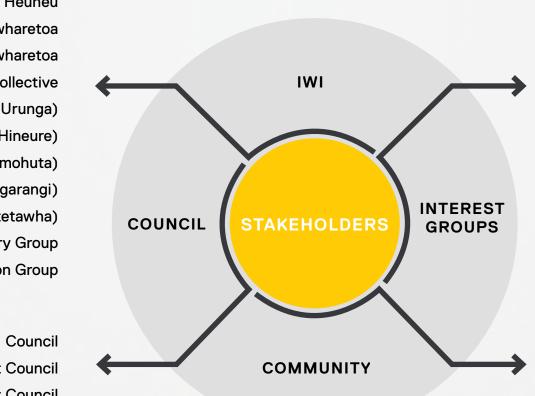
STAKEHOLDER ANALYSIS

Opportunities to include cultural design concepts should highlight and promote cultural narratives that acknowledge the local hapū and iwi.

These would be woven into the layout of footpaths and entrances into the project site. Cultural design concepts could be integrated into the buildings both inside and out and native timber should be sourced from the region. This would be appropriate and a special touch in the vision that brings together the past, present and future.

Te Ariki Sir Tumu te Heuheu
Ngāti Tūwharetoa
Te Kotahitanga o Ngāti Tūwharetoa
Hapū – Tauhara Collective
Nukuhau Marae (Ngāti Rauhoto, Ngāti Te Urunga)
Waipahihi Marae (Ngāti Hinerau, Ngāti Hineure)
Pakira Marae (Ngāti Tutemohuta)
Te Rangiita Marae (Ngāti Ruingarangi)
Tutetawha Marae (Ngāti Tutetawha)
Tūwharetoa Gallery Group
Cultural Liaison Group

Councillors – Taupō District Council Project Advisory Team – Taupō District Council



Enterprise Great Lake Taupō

Destination Great Lake Taupō

Towncentre Taupō

Friends of the Museum

Bowling Club / Rotary House / Taupō Women's Club / Tennis Club/ Lions Cluba

Active Arts

Taupō Art Connection

Taupō RSA

Taupō Chamber of Commerce / Local business Commercial operators in boat harbour

Boat harbour concessionaries

NZTA

General Public

Traffic users and pedestrians and cyclists

Landowners

Local Schools

Authorities (fire, police)

Media (Papers, Radio)

Rangatahi / Youth Groups

Police - Justice

Event Promoters

COMMUNITY PROCESS

A Public Open Day was held on Tuesday 31st July 2018 at the Taupō District Council.

Phase		Workshop Description				
Discover	1	Meeting and Site Walk with Councillors				
	2	Visioning' Workshop - Community				
		Stakeholders				
	3	Briefing workshop with stakeholders and client advisors				
	4	Detailed tour of existing facilities				
Define	5a	Detailed briefing workshop with Public				
	5b	Hui with Ngāti Tūwharetoa				
	5c	Detailed briefing with the Project				
		Advisory Team				
Design	6	Design Workshop with Project Advisory				
		Team				
	7	Design workshop with Councillors				
	8	Design workshop with Business				
		Community				
	9	Design workshop with All Council Staff				
	10	Design workshop with Key Stakeholders				
	11	Design workshop with Public				
	14	Design Recommendation with Project				
		Advisory Team				
	15	Design Recommendation with Council				
	12	Design workshop with iwi - Ngāti				
		Tūwharetoa				
Deliver	13	Presentation and workshop of draft				
		concept design - week				
		commencing 5th Nov				

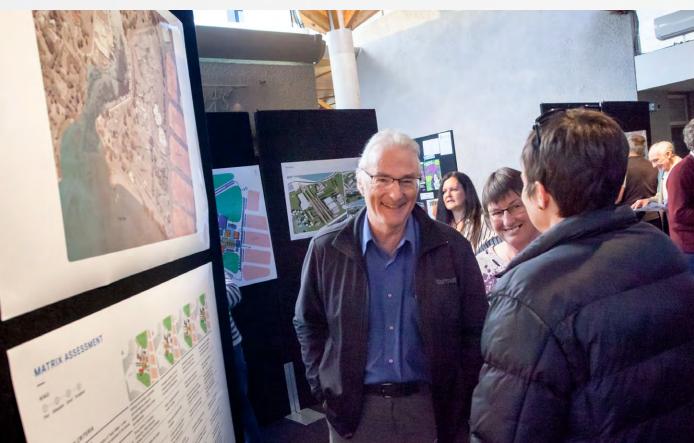


Taupô Cultural Precinct Masterplan	1 Accessible parking
Public Open Day, Tuesday 31st July	Child friendly
Summary of all responses after the Public Open Day 31 st July	Inclusive space
On behalf of Warren and Mahoney + Boffa Miskell	2 Life long learners adult ed. Affordable food
Taupō District Council	Anoroanie rood. Past present future of treaty partners eg Maori represented.
	Not just for tourist or ironman.
onse	3 Place to show taonga and artists.
Maintenance, repaint, upgrade of materials	Locally grown 4 Musically situated studio – venue
The area is guite uply at the moment as compared with the design of the marina.	4 musicany siruated studio – venue Hub – warm friendly welcoming
The rose gardens need to be less of an eyesore	5 Ngakau o Taupo
The <u>carpark</u> @ the precinct th@ looks over the marina is quite ugly as well.	6 Rich connecting experiences
The Rotary Club building is old and could do with an <u>upgrade</u> . The park area where the train and the small stage is would be more user friendly for visitors and the local community if that area were covered.	
Museum, Rotary Building, Rose Gardens possibly housed in 1 building with Rose Gardens contained in a Conservatory type area within.	Other Presentative to all Taupo citizens
Making the area more user friendly.	Where does partnership with Ngati Tuwharetoa Ngati Raukawa stand in regards to this venture
Facilities that are used 7 days a week (council buildings mon-fri only)	Something that embraces life learners eg adult education Multi-generational
Agree with comments	Muiti-generational Honours tangata whenua
More focus on future rather than past	Maximise other funding
Yes 24/7 café, bus, internet	Connecting peoples places and things
	Whakawhenaungatanga Manaakitanga
Combine with pedestrian friendly CBD	• Aroha
Yes	• Ako
	• Awhi
Domain is a valuable green space which could be enhanced Cost benefit analysis needed	• AWII
More ongoing progress communication required, including reasons for eliminating other sites.	1 Accessible to all – disabilities! Easy parking. Can people interact in this new place?
Option of doing nothing important	2 Consider tangata whenua. Where is the place of the iwi? It needs a heart and a spirit. We need to love it and own it.
I think 'the site' needs (really must) to include surrounding roads. Infrastructure is a key issue, and roading is #1	3 Keep an open green feeling as we have.
Text is good	4 Music – communal places, like the 2 mile bay jams – but bigger
Need to include environment, culture + heritage + environment.	5 I like the anchor idea as long as its more than an office block
Good.	6 DO NOT need flashy. It needs to blend in with the environment – people friendly.
Don't want to be a Queenstown!	Other • Affordability – ague with accessing outside money. What will impact be on the ratepayer.
+ promotion of the environment	thoughts • Incorporate space for families and children
Yes, I agree with the text	We need affordable activities/opportunities for ALL out whanau not just the healthy.
Please try to connect better the 'more' public building to the town. All are surrounded by either parks or roading – opening up the visuals from, say, town to the library makes for a facility that will be much more engaged with the community.	 Some tips! For public meetings. Please have audio systems. Most here were elderly and could not hear. Be <u>clear</u> about your agenda and let people know. Simple 5 page powerpoint. Give <u>us</u> your expectations. What do you want from us early – it took too long to get to this today.
Low-rise is the way to go, and I wouldn't want the council offices to block off (either by low rise or higher rise) major parts of the view.	1 Keep the iconic museum and bowling club
I think a major aim should be to integrate the space harbor-town.	2 Lake is biggest asset
We don't need a council office in the CBD. Rebuild on the cld situation to a parking attained.	5 Council doesn't need to be prime real estate. Most things can be done online.
Rebuild on the old site/plenty of parking etc Don't need a new museum. Plenty of wooden building in Taupo	
Where will the council workers park?	Other thoughts 10 pin bowling would be more attractive for families and children
All these people who are coming to this new building will need parking spaces. There are hardly any left now and WHO WILL PAY FOR THIS? WE WILL / the ratepayers and we don't want it.	Would there be an entry cost for ratepayers?
I here are nardly any left now and WHO WILL PAY FOR THIS? WE WILL? the ratepayers and we don't want it. I am open to the idea of an enhanced domain, with facilities that are appropriate to the role of the Domain – a place for recreation and	If an arts/cultural centre added onto Great Lake Centre + Library would be ok
ts "spiritual uplift" in its widest sense.	Council building out of town centre. Not necessary to be in prime real estate. Museum could be discretely added onto it to keep its iconic look but provide bigger complex
I do not think this includes Council Offices and I was astonished to hear the CEO open the meeting by suggesting this. It seemed like this was the main point – and this caused the strong negative response.	Keep green areas as vitally important.
 The site lines indicate a huge area of Domain yet nothing detailed on buildings has been offered for consideration. Why take so much area? 	Be aware of water tables, etc
4. More respect should be offered to the original donation, the setting aside of the Domain which showed great foresight by the original donors.	Lots of sporting events need the access



After reading the feedback, 16 key points were written to summarise the opinions and inform the Masterplan.









Māori Design Principles
Needs List
Urban Design Principles

We draw, distilland refine, to extract core design drivers for the project.

Partnership opportunities to realise iwi aspirations

Te Mana O Te Hapū:

Partnership opportunities to realise iwi aspirations CULTURAL **EXPERTISE**

Tauhara Collective of Hapū - Working

Group:

to form working

+ aspirations

group to progress

design discussions

Hapū representatives

MĀORI VALUES &

DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Cultural Precinct Project Cultural Liason Group

Tūwharetoa Gallery Group:

Nga Kaitiaki

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TANGATA WHENUA KNOWLEDGE.

THE RIGHT FOR TANGATA WHENUA TO EXERCISE INDEPENDENCE AND **AUTONOMY WITHIN** THEIR AREAS.

UNDERSTANDING HISTORIES, TRADITIONS, **CULTURAL NARRATIVES** AND CONNECTION TO OUR PLACE.

ACKNOWLEDGING AND UPHOLDING THE LIVING AND LASTING PRESENCE OF MANA WHENUA/ TANGATA WHENUA.

MANAGEMENT AND **PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT BASED** ON THE RESPECTFUL AND RECIPROCAL **RELATIONSHIP WITH** NATURAL SURROUNDS

MĀTAURANGA

RANGATIRATANGA

WHAKAPAPA

AHI KA

KAITIAKITANGA

HAPŪ ENGAGEMENT THEMES:

Direct engagement with Mana Whenua /Hapū

Cultural Narratives

Relationships with water

Relationships with land

Mahinga Kai/ Traditional food gathering areas and opportunities

CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT GROUP THEMES:

Past Present Future

Growing Learning Sharing

Whare Taonga Housing of Taonga of Ngāti Tūwharetoa

Whare Wanaga Place of learning, sharing and growing/ developing the identity of Ngāti Tūwharetoa and the Taupō region

Whare Whakairo

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NEEDS LIST

These 16 key needs summarise the major points of the Masterplan workshops from the Taupō community and stakeholders.

Please refer to appendix for full 52 page document.

Family and recreation a priority for the site.

Are the rotary, bowling & tennis clubs appropriate & harbour. for the site?

Legibility through space for

pedestrians, carparking roads, parks onsite, incl

use.

Address existing mindset of outside destinations & council

Public fear that council staff will take all the carparks.

Police

& out.

access in

New admin Ensuring building, not a primary focus for the site.

public to green space is a high priority.

connection

Sense of place connection needs to prevade the cultural precinct.

Strong

to the

natural

elements.

Value for money.

Multi-Functional.

A place we want to call our own.

Don't want to be a

It's not about

Future proofing Queenstown. glamour, for long but spaces term vision and a place for future growth & for people. development.

LANDSCAPE SUSTAINABILITY + PUBLIC REALM LANDSCAPE PRINCIPLES

The Taupō cultural precinct has been designed through a process of community and cultural engagement. The site will connect people with nature and positively reinforce Taupō's relationship with the lake and surrounding mountains. The vegetation, building and hard landscaping will build on the identity and heritage of the region. The new spaces will be carefully designed to efficiently use materials and perform well into the future. This development will anchor Taupō as a destination, with clear and important identity within its wider context. Most importantly the design will improve the lives of the people of Taupō, by providing places to relax and play, and connect with their natural environment and their heritage.

The values of Matauranga, Rangatiratanga, Whakapapa, Ahi Ka and Kaitiakitanga, are considered integral in the process, and will be engaged with at every scale.

The design carefully balances private and public spaces. There is a clear framework, to provide legibility to cars and pedestrians through landmarks and wayfinding elements.

Careful consideration has been given to the movement of traffic, and prioritising pedestrians, for safety and enjoyment of the public areas. Culturally and historically significant trees, structures and places have been recognised and enhanced.

The character of the site is considered through all scales to ensure it is consistent

and recognisable. Spaces are adaptable to different uses, and encourage diverse activities and user groups.

Low impact stormwater treatments are key to ensuring the majority of stormwater is treated and absorbed by natural systems.

Where possible sustainable materials will be used, following the appropriate certification practices.

The public realm reflects a high level of quality, through locally sourced and appropriate materials, planting, and design. The experience of people is prioritised above all else, to ensure spaces are safe and attractive and encourage social behaviour.

ENVIRONMENT PLACE PEOPLE **GATEWAYS** CULTURE STORIES DIVERSITY LANDMARKS **IDENTITY** COMMUNITY VISTAS HISTORY **STEWARDSHIP** WATER MANAGEMENT CHARACTER **HUMAN SCALE** QUALITY ART FAMILY SUSTAINABLE **EXPERIENCE** RESILIENT MATERIALS **TIMELESSNESS** SAFETY

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Exploration of Connections

Architectural and Public Realm

Streetscape

We put a design vision into words, inviting discussion and inspiring a holistic exploration of the project's potential.

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OPTION A

Existing Buildings

Museum / Cultural (single level)

Future Development (by others)

←→ Connection: Indoor/Outdoor <-> Connection: Pedestrian/Cycle

CAB (1st Floor)

Atrium / Reception

Cultural Plaza

Parking Zones Tree Framework

←→ Connection: Visual

This option seeks to provide an integrated approach and be the catalyst to upgrade the existing library and GLC.

The new Civic Administration Building is located on the upper floor above the existing library with visual site lines back to the harbour and township. An atrium space is the main entrance into integrated building which connects the GLC, library, Civic Administration Building and public meeting spaces together. A new standalone museum overlooks the south domain and is the feature building seen from the lake skyline. A central plaza space has been designed as an external space binding all buildings together.

North Domain The Harbour Courthouse The Landing Reserve Town Centre South Domain

Buildings are centrally consolidated and minimised as a series of elements creating a sense of place and destination.



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OPTION B

There is currently no encouragement or connection with the township, the harbour and landing reserve.

Visually the water cannot be seen from the township, so this proposal looks to creating a signature building to entice and draw pedestrian connectivity as an integrated museum, Civic Administration Building and community / public amenity building. The building is in a prominent location and visually seen from the lake and all surrounding locations. An atrium space brings together the museum and Civic Adminstration Building and enables sharing of spaces to improve operation.

Existing Buildings

Museum / Cultural (single level)

Future Development (by others)

←→ Connection: Indoor/Outdoor <-> Connection: Pedestrian/Cycle

CAB (1st Floor)

Atrium / Reception

Cultural Plaza

Parking Zones Tree Framework

←→ Connection: Visual

North Domain The Harbour Courthouse The Landing Reserve Town Centre South Domain

Consolidation focussed to the north creating stronger connection with the harbour and landing reserve.



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OPTION C

The existing library is renovated to house the new Civic Adminstration Building.

A new library building is proposed to create a strong gateway entry from Tongariro St into the site with a new museum adjacent creating a sense of enclosure to the central plaza space. Both buildings front the plaza, the south domain and to the lake beyond. This masterplan creates a village environment and draws strong dialogue between building and open space – buildings within a park.

Existing Buildings

Museum / Cultural (single level)

Future Development (by others)

←→ Connection: Indoor/Outdoor <-> Connection: Pedestrian/Cycle

CAB (1st Floor)

Atrium / Reception

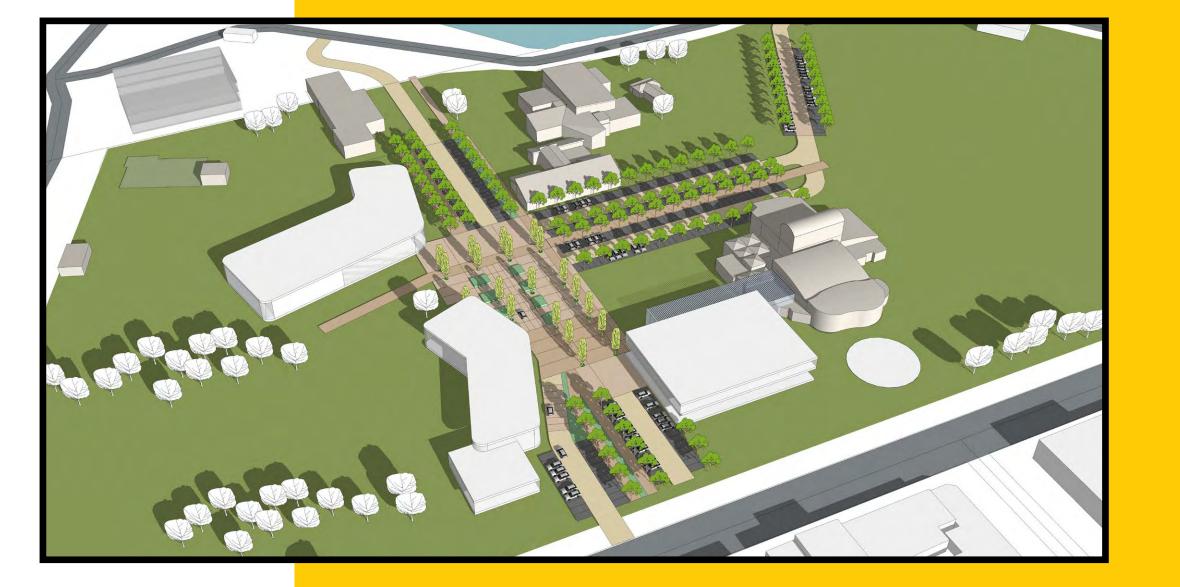
Cultural Plaza

Parking Zones Tree Framework

←→ Connection: Visual

North Domain The Harbour Courthouse The Landing Town Centre

Consolidation central and along Tongariro St creating a strong relationship with the township.



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Reserve

OPTION D

A consolidated scheme where the new museum located on the ground floor with shared amenity spaces and council services for the community.

The entrance to the GLC is improved and the existing library is revitalised. The new Civic Adminstration Building is located on the upper floor and on top of the library. An atrium unifies all facilities together creating a vibrant interconnected cultural building. A new plaza space creates a strong boulevard arrival and directly connects with the south domain, harbour and township.

Existing Buildings

Museum / Cultural (single level)

Future Development (by others)

←→ Connection: Indoor/Outdoor <-> Connection: Pedestrian/Cycle

CAB (1st Floor)

Atrium / Reception

Cultural Plaza

Parking Zones Tree Framework

←→ Connection: Visual

North Domain The Harbour Courthouse The Landing Reserve Town Centre South Domain

New and existing bulk consolidated in one area rather than a series of individual buildings and spaces.



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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community engagement and consultation is a core component of the design process. Stakeholders and the wider community provided valuable feedback in the Discover, Define and Design stages of the project. There was great passion and admiration for their home and how they imagined the future Taupo should be.

Aspirations views, strong likes and dislikes were articulated through survey responses following four Masterplan options presented by the design team. After reviewing all feedback, 30 points were established to best encapsulate all the issues raised from the feedback. These points refer to positions that the community encouraged as well as ideas the community had concerns on. Key principles and points are what guided toward the preferred option.



Community is supportive of:

A centralised downtown admin/cultural location seen as a great asset to Taupō community

Better connection from town to the lake and river

Be bold, be visionary

Enthusiasm for a bigger museum

Atrium unifying buildings, connecting existing and new

GLC and library getting an upgrade

A strong sense of place & proud of Taupō

A place to tell our stories (iwi + heritage)

Enough car parking

Pedestrian friendly walkways

Try to integrate green spaces and trees throughout

Creating an enclosed plaza and village feeling

Plaza could be more bold, stronger connection to

South domain becoming an inviting / open space

Removal of bowling and tennis clubs

Leaving the tennis club on north domain

The Rotary and Women's clubs in shared community spaces

Think about the next generation

Community has concerns on:

Mixing of tourists and courthouse supporters

Efficiency of the police to get out in an emergency

New road at landing reserve

Not enough car parking

Location of buses an issue

Traffic and pedestrians sharing space

Quantity of vehicular movement around & within the site

Connecting the town and precinct across Tongariro St

Isolating GLC and library with parking and roads

How do additional buildings add value to green space?

Alternative locations for civic admin building sought

Budgets, costs and rising rates

COST **EFFECTIVENESS**

CARPARKING +

VEHICULE ROUTES

TO REDUCE IMPACT ONSITE.

EVEN DISPERSEMENT OF CAR PARKING

ONSITE AND SEEMLESSLY INTEGRATED

Car parking dispersed with zones

on Tongariro St, Ferry Rd and

minimal within cultural precinct.

MATRIX ASSESSMENT

THE DESIGN TO REFLECT THE CHARACTER AND IDENTITY OF 'TAUPŌ MADE' - A NEW DESTINATION. A SENSE OF LOCAL, FINER GRAIN SPACES AND OPENNESS TO THE

NATURAL SURROUNDINGS.

Buildings are centrally

consolidated and minimised as

a series of elements creating a

sense of place and destination.

LOCAL CHARACTER

MAXIMISE PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLING

Domains.

PERMEABILITY

OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN THE SITE AND 'JOINING UP' THE HARBOUR, LANDING RESERVE, DOMAIN, LAKE AND TOWNSHIP.

Strong harbour to township

connection. Visual disruption

between North and South

GREEN OPEN SPACES

Green space enlarged and highly

accessible.

PUBLIC ACCESS TO NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN DOMAIN STRENGTHENED AND INTEGRATED WITH PROPOSED DESIGN.

CULTURAL PLAZA/ THE HEART

INVITING, LEGIBLE, COMFORTABLE AND ACCESSIBLE TO ALL BUILDINGS ONSITE

ARCHITECTURAL FUNCTION + **EXPRESSION**

MAXIMISING OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPRESS VIBRANCY, ACTIVITY AND OPPORTUNITY TO REVITALISE EXISTING BUILDINGS.

An integrated approach with existing GLC and library with museum as the 'feature' standalone.

A unified and shared Civic Admin

Building and museum building separate from the GLC and library.

North of Southern Domain exposed with no shelter to prevailing wind.

SPATIAL

ENVIRONMENT +

QUALITY

CREATE PROTECTED AND ATTRACTIVE

Solar into buildings and external

Solar into buildings and external

areas well considered. South west

prevailing wind concern.

prevailing wind concern.

Solar into all buildings and

Plaza well sheltered.

external areas well considered.

areas well considered. South west

INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL

ENVIRONMENTS.

Fully integrated with shared amenities and operations.

OPERATIONAL

EFFECTIVENESS

MINIMISE OPERATIONAL, STAFFING AND

Existing GLC and library sharing

amenities and operations with

new Civic Admin Building.

Civic Admin Building and

museum operations integrated.

Opportunity to connect GLC and

Civic Admin Building and museum

operations separate. Exisiting GLC

Museum separate.

library together.

and library together.

MANAGEMENT COSTS.

Adaptable and flexible spaces designed. Restricted future expansion. Staging possible but challenging with disruption to operations.

ADAPTABILITY/

FLEXBILITY/

STAGING

CREATE BUILDINGS AND SPACES THAT

ARE FUTURE PROOFED AND AN ABILITY

TO BE A STAGED DEVELOPMENT.

Adaptable and flexible spaces

designed. Limited expansion

opportunities for Civic Admin

Adaptable and flexible spaces

designed. Opportunity for future

expansion and staging possible.

Adaptable and flexible spaces

designed. Opportunity for future

expansion and staging possible.

decanting required.

Building, GLC and library. Library

on Tongariro St, Ferry Rd and minimal within cultural precinct.

minimise envelope, facade and maintenance. Staging more complex. Managed decanting

Consolidation focussed to the north creating stronger connection with the harbour and landing reserve.

Highly connected physically and visually to all areas.

Green space enlarged and highly accessible.

Located towards landing reserve and disconnected with GLC & Library. Appropriate size.

Plaza is centralisedand connected

to all buildings but is very large

with no enclosure to the south.

Central and connected with strong gateway entry from the

township.

All standalone buildings with ability to express each individually.

New and existing bulk consolidated in one area rather than a series of individual buildings and spaces.

Consolidation central and along

Tongariro St creating a strong

relationship with the township.

Highly connected physically and visually to all areas.

Strong physical connections but

challenged with visual site lines.

Green space enlarged but South Domain lacks integration with building but strong with plaza.

Green space enlarged and

frontage.

highly accessible. South domain

diversified & tailored to building

Rectangular in size which is less efficient. No building enclosure to the south.

Stacked approach - fully integrated with existing GLC and librarv.

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PREFERRED OPTION

LOCAL CHARACTER

DESTINATION. A SENSE OF LOCAL, FINER 'JOINING UP' THE HARBOUR, LANDING INTEGRATED WITH PROPOSED DESIGN.

PERMEABILITY

GREEN OPEN SPACES

AND IDENTITY OF 'TAUPŌ MADE' - A NEW OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN THE SITE AND SOUTHERN DOMAIN STRENGTHENED AND ACCESSIBLE TO ALL BUILDINGS ONSITE EXPRESS VIBRANCY, ACTIVITY AND

CULTURAL PLAZA/ THE HEART

ARCHITECTURAL FUNCTION + **EXPRESSION**

Buildings are centrally a series of elements creating a between North and South sense of place and destination. Domains.

Strong harbour to township

to all buildings but is very large existing GLC and library with with no enclosure to the south. museum as the 'feature'

Green space enlarged and highly Plaza is centralised and connected An integrated approach with



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Located towards landing reserve A unified and shared Civic Admin Building and museum building separate from the GLC and library.



Consolidation central and along Strong physical connections but Green space enlarged and Tongariro St creating a strong

challenged with visual site lines. highly accessible. South domain strong gateway entry from the diversified & tailored to building township. frontage.

with ability to express each



New and existing bulk consolidated in one area rather visually to all areas. than a series of individual buildings and spaces.

Highly connected physically and Green space enlarged but South Rectangular in size which is less Stacked approach - fully

building but strong with plaza.

the south.

efficient. No building enclosure to integrated with existing GLC and

SPATIAL **ENVIRONMENT +** QUALITY

OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS

ADAPTABILITY/ FLEXBILITY/ STAGING

TO BE A STAGED DEVELOPMENT.

decanting required.

CARPARKING + **VEHICULE ROUTES**

ARE FUTURE PROOFED AND AN ABILITY ONSITE AND SEEMLESSLY INTEGRATED CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE

COST **EFFECTIVENESS**



Solar into buildings and external Existing GLC and library sharing areas well considered. South west amenities and operations with new Civic Admin Building. Museum separate.

Adaptable and flexible spaces opportunities for Civic Admin Building, GLC and library. Library

Car parking dispersed with zones Integrated development to on Tongariro St, Ferry Rd and minimise envelope, facade and minimal within cultural precinct.

complex. Managed decanting processes essential for success.



Solar into buildings and external areas well considered. South west prevailing wind concern.

Civic Admin Building and museum operations integrated. Opportunity to connect GLC and library together.

Adaptable and flexible spaces designed. Opportunity for future expansion and staging possible.

Car parking dispersed with zones on Tongariro St, Ferry Rd and within cultural precinct concentrated at the front entrance.

Integrated development to minimise envelope, facade and maintenance.



external areas well considered.

and library together.

Civic Admin Building and museum Adaptable and flexible spaces Car parking dispersed with zones Staging of project simplier. operations separate. Exisiting GLC designed. Opportunity for future on Tongariro St, Ferry Rd and Separate buildings means expansion and staging possible. minimal within cultural precinct. no sharing of structure and



North of Southern Domain exposed with no shelter to Fully integrated with shared

Adaptable and flexible spaces designed. Restricted future expansion. Staging possible but minimal within cultural precinct. maintenance. Staging more challenging with disruption to

Car parking dispersed with zones Integrated development to on Tongariro St, Ferry Rd and minimise envelope, facade and

complex. Managed decanting



Architectural and Public Realm Intent
Staging Recommendations
The design team have developed the preferred design concept, staying true to design, the

details and robust

commerical outcomes.

EXISTING PLAN



STORY PLACE ENTRANCE



VIEW FROM FERRY ROAD



NORTH-SOUTH BOARDWALK



CENTRAL PLAZA



PROPOSED MASTERPLAN



STORY PLACE ENTRANCE



VIEW FROM FERRY ROAD



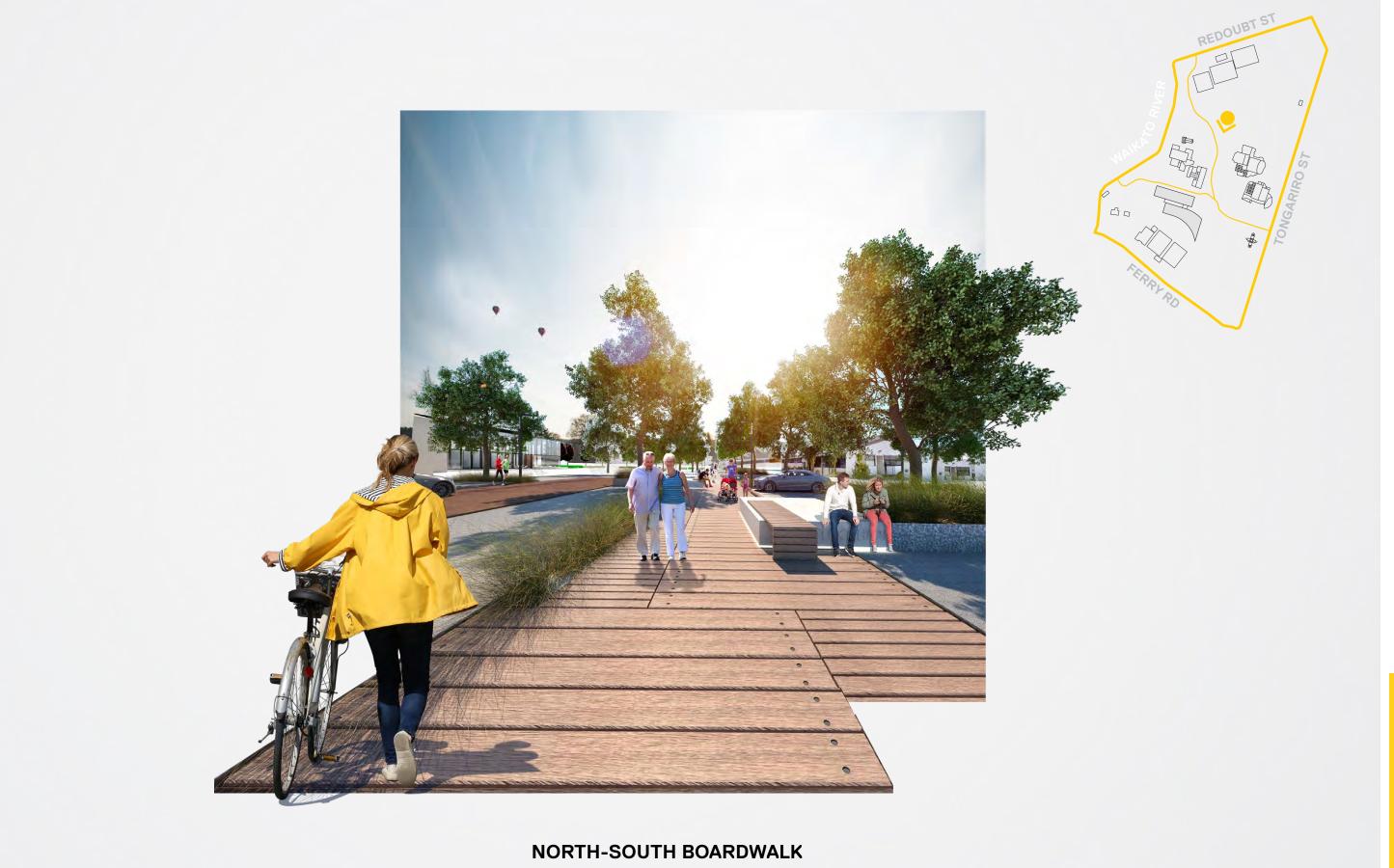
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CENTRAL PLAZA







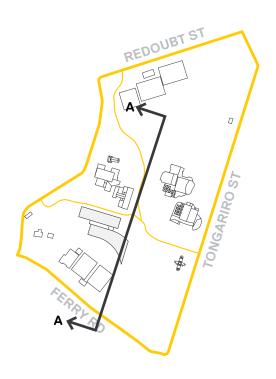
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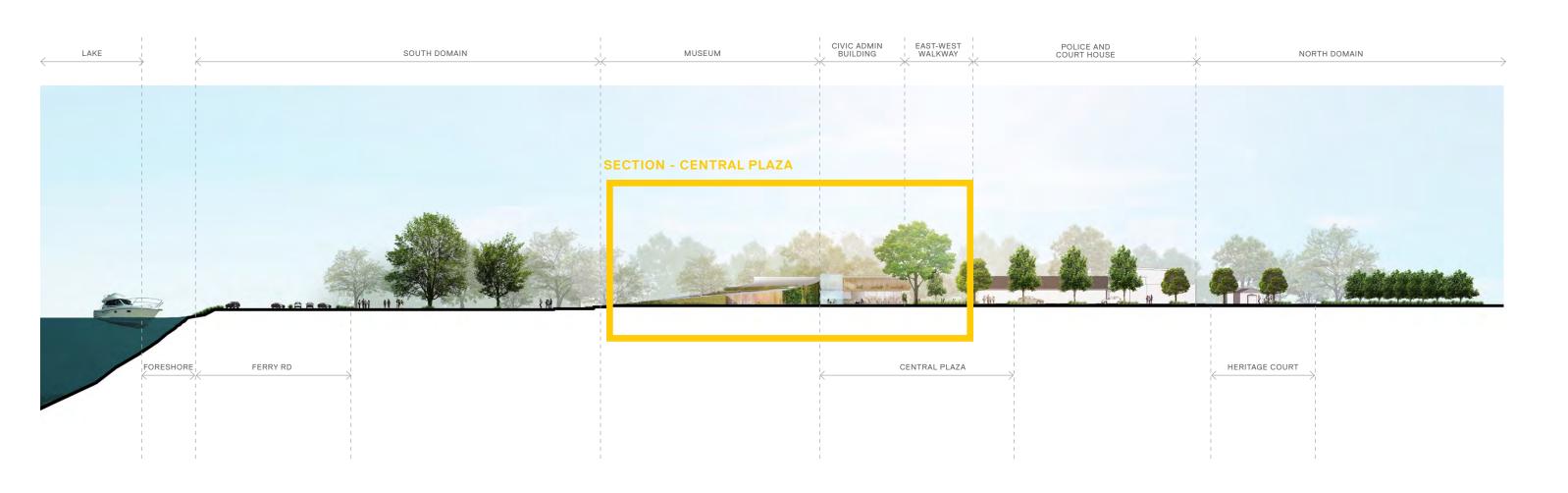
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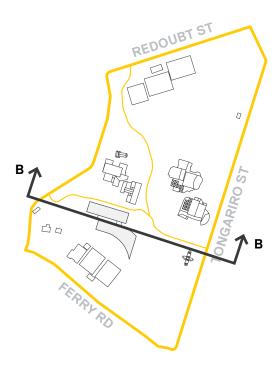


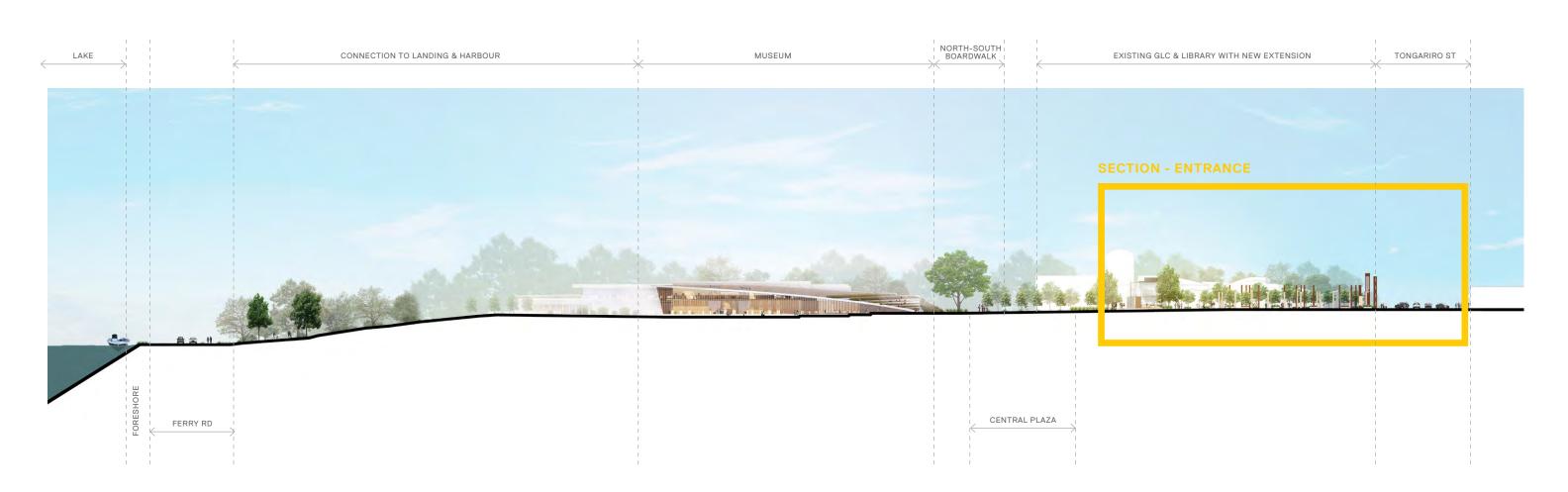
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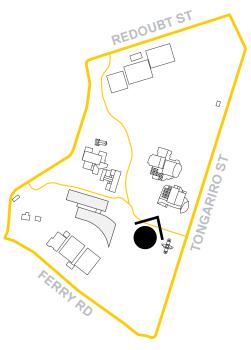


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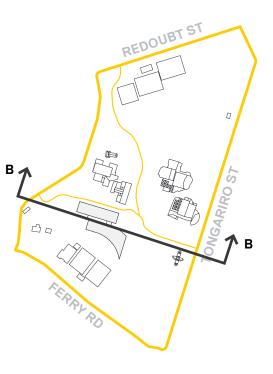


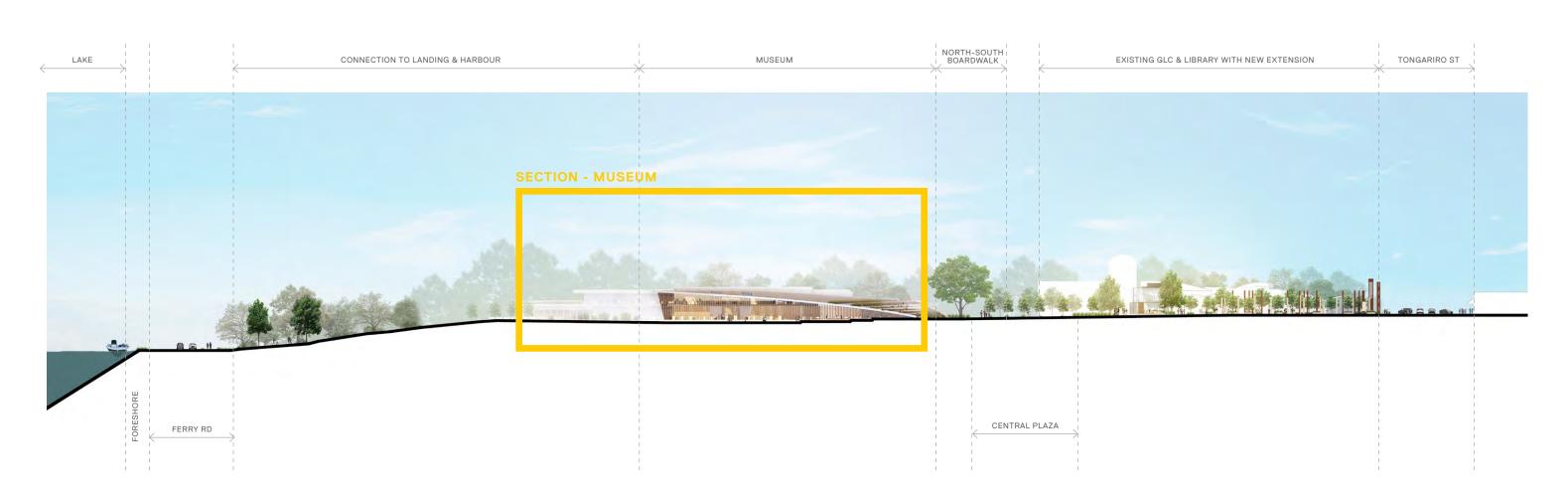
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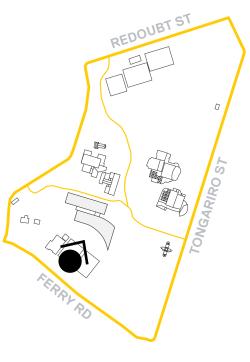


CROSS SECTION B-B





SECTION: MUSEUM





CIVIC ADMIN BUILDING BEHIND

CULTURAL PLAZA

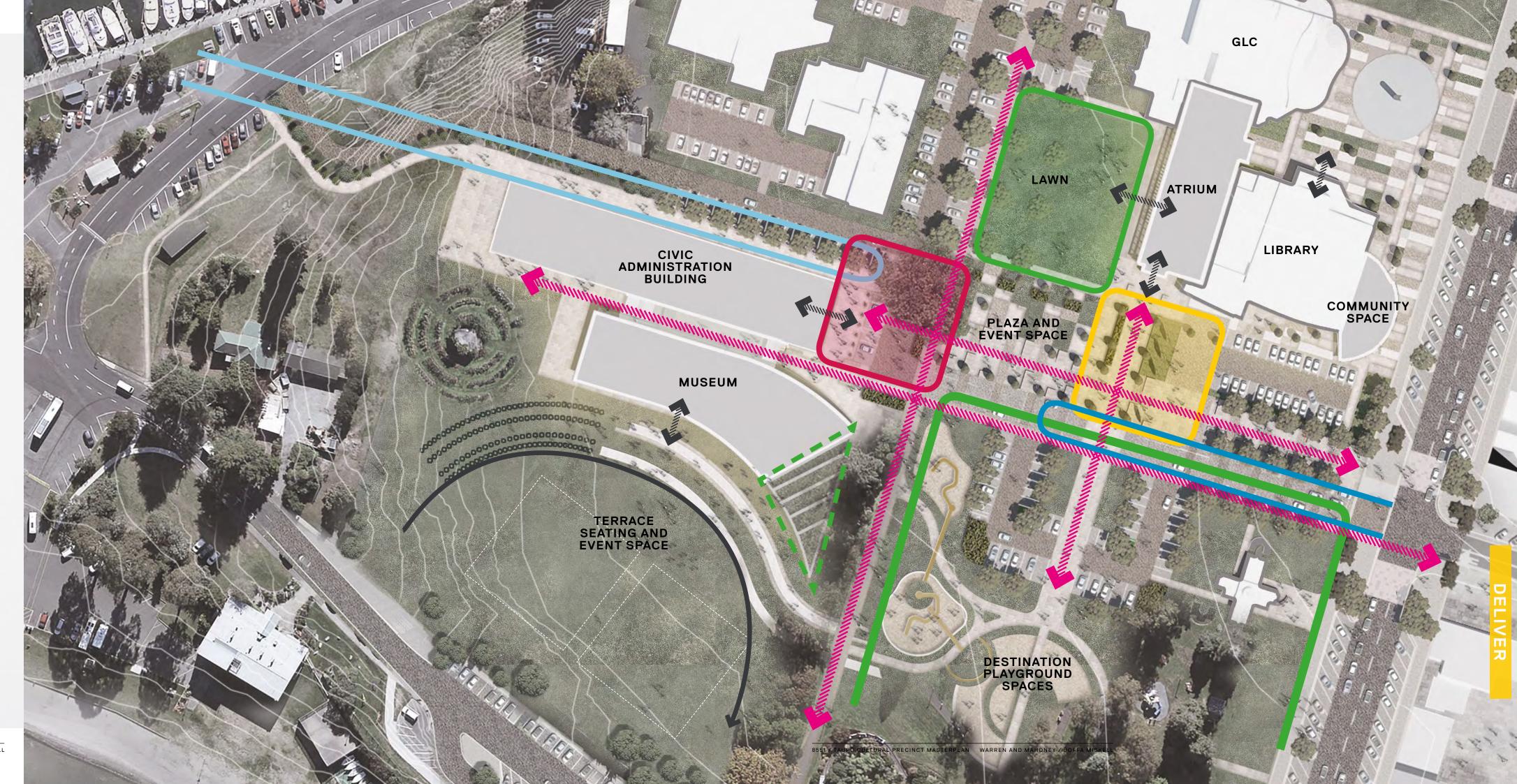
- 1. Open Lawn Area adjacent to new GLC and library atrium. Can be used for informal recreation activities, small events and marquees
- 2. Semi-formalised plaza space seating, gathering space and transition zone between lawn area and hard-surfaced plaza zone. This space can also include nature play elements for young children to extend the play experience into the cultural plaza zone.
- **3.** Main cultural plaza zone multi-functional hard surface for markets, events and general use for gatherings and relaxation. Includes native planting and low impact storm-water treatment devices.
- **4.** Shared space road zone pedestrian, cycle and vehicles with high pedestrian priority and slow vehicle speeds. This zone can be closed of completely or partially during certain activities i.e. Sunday farmers markets. Includes low planting pockets to reduce vehicle speeds through side friction.
- 5. Pedestrian axis linking directly between southern domain and new GLC and library atrium.
- 6. Parking zone for southern domain and redeveloped destination playspace
- 7. Upgraded plaza area surrounding upgraded library and GLC and shared space parking zone.
- 8. Main North South green connector spine (cycle and pedestrian) on flush timber boardwalk
- **9.** Primary east west cycle and pedestrian spine, connection to redeveloped and pedestrianised Tongariro Street corridor
- 10. New GLC and library atrium
- 11. Museum and civic administration building entry plaza zone
- 12. New destination playspace
- 13. Outdoor terraced seating looking towards lake and mountains
- 14. Redeveloped Tongaririo Street corridor
- 15. Pedestrian and cycle path linking to harbour and river
- 16. Internal link road to Redoubt Street and Ferry Road
- 17. Updated rose garden
- **18.** Existing playground



CULTURAL PLAZA

Diverse settings to enable day and night events all seasons during the year.

FORMAL LANDSCAPED PATHWAY **CONNECTION TO LANDING RESERVE** MARKETS/FESTIVE EVENTS. POTENTIAL TO EXPAND INTO PLAZA SPACE. POTENTIAL AREA TO EASE PRESSURE OFF NORTHERN DOMAIN GRASSED **EVENT. POTENTIAL TO OPEN ATRIUM** SPACE AND UTILISE LAWN AREA FOR **EVENTS CONNECTED TO GLC AND** LIBRARY **CAFE AND BEVERAGE SPILL OUT** FORECOURT ARRIVAL ZONE. POTENTIAL FOR LIBRARY RELATED EVENTS SUCH AS A BOOK FAIR FORMAL LANDSCAPED ENTRANCE INTO **CULTURAL PRECINCT** SOUTHERN DOMAIN INCLUDING CHILDREN'S TRAIN, EXISTING PLAYGROUND, DESTINATION PLAYSPACE AND PARK **ELEVATED OUTDOOR SEATING VIEWING PLATFORM** ARTS CENTRE AND MUSEUM RELATED **ACTIVITIES AND THEATRICAL EVENTS** COULD SPILL OUT INTO TERRACED AREA. OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND MUSEUM ACTIVITY BEYOND BUILDING. LAKE VIEWING PLATFORM. PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLE CONNECTIONS MEY CONNECTIONS

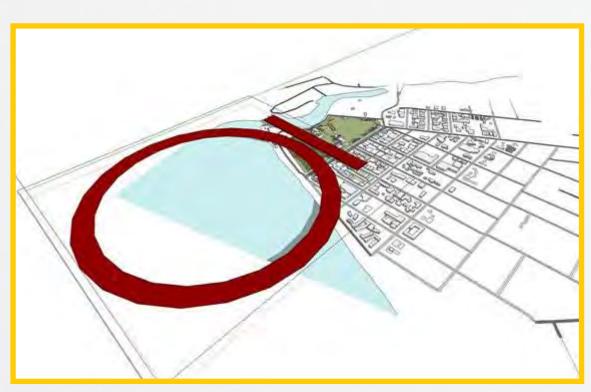


CONCEPTUAL FORM

The wide curve and straight form has been inspired by symbolic Māori design.

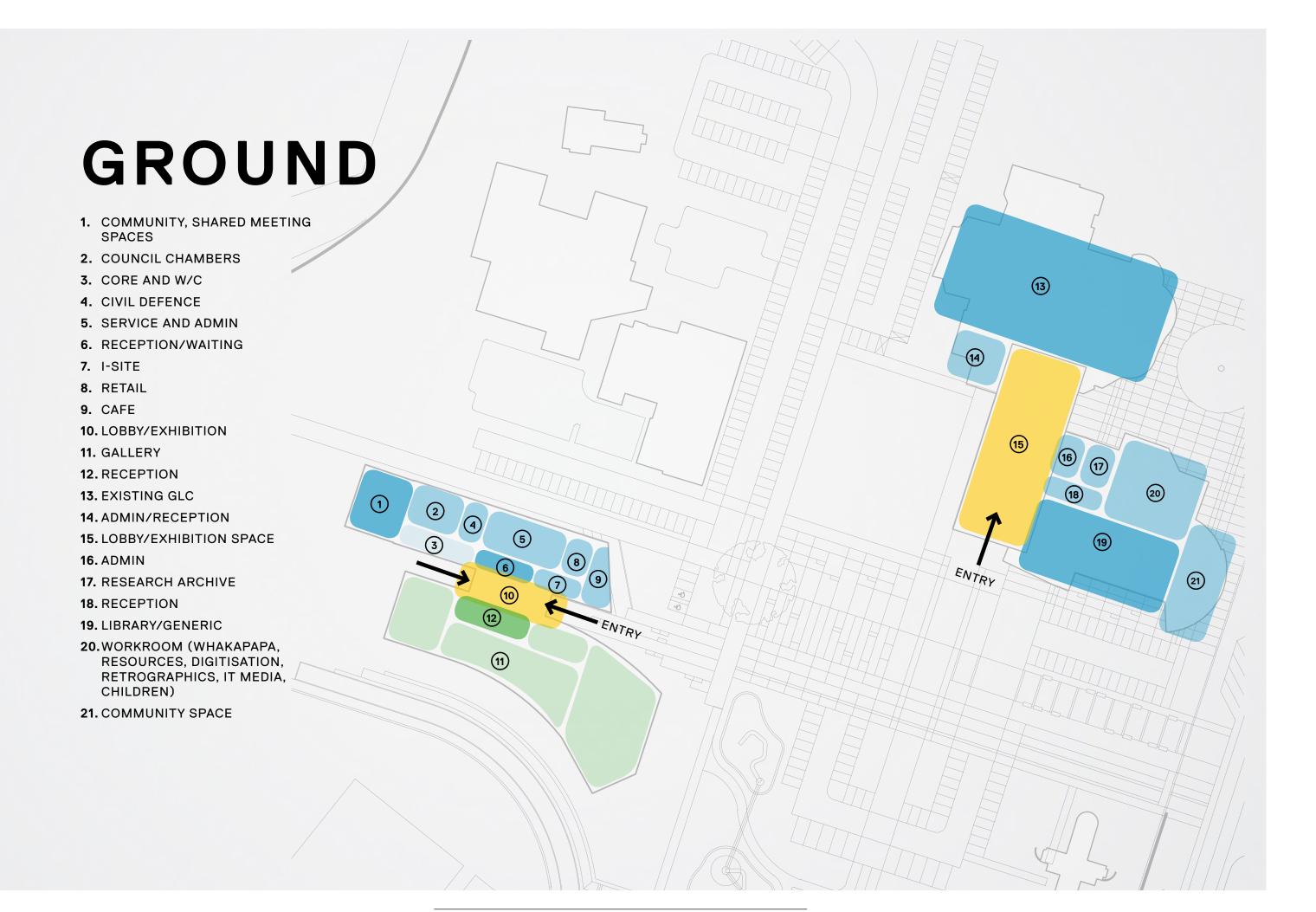
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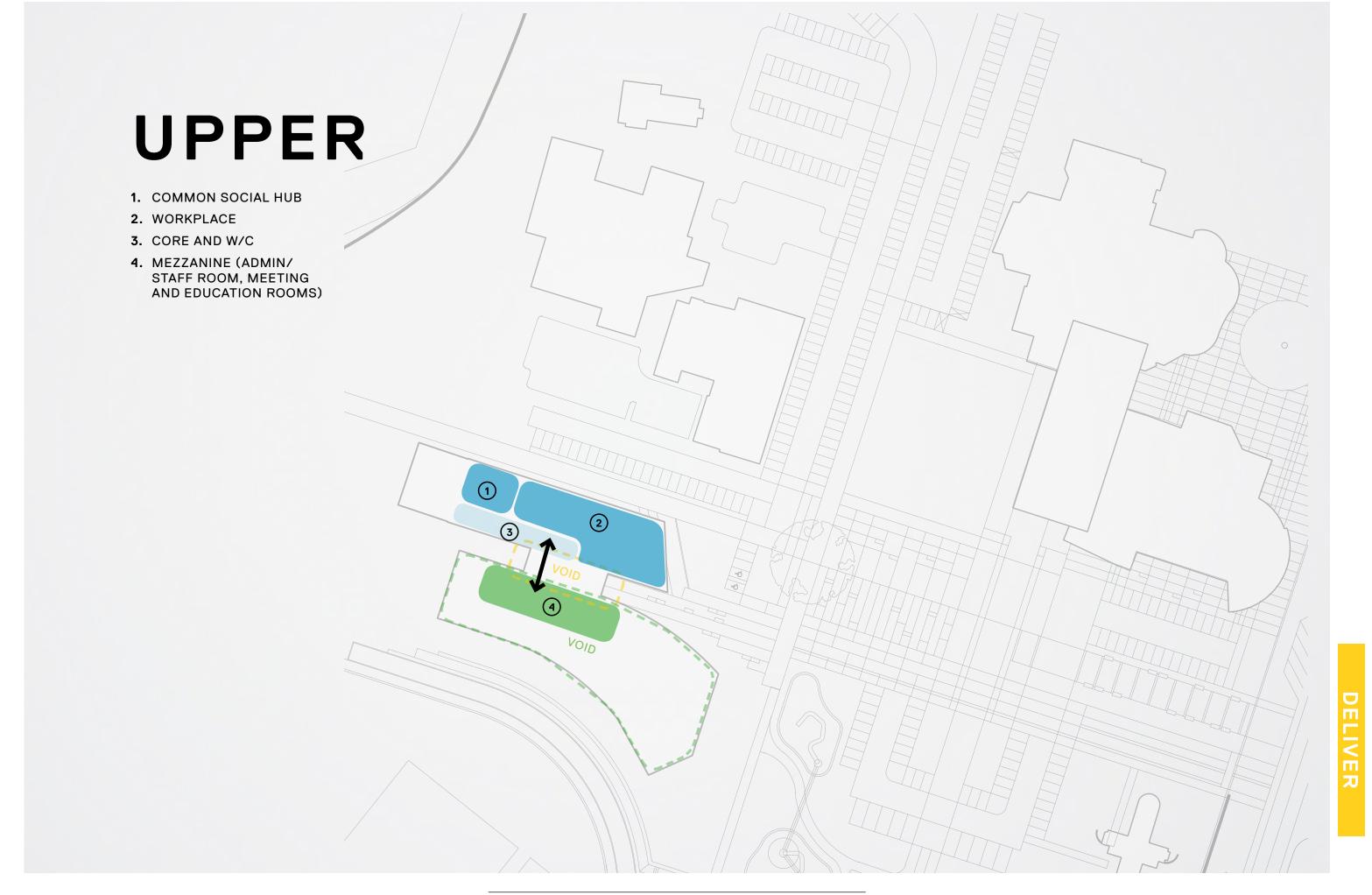
The curve opens up towards the harbour and is anchored into the landscape by the linear edge.



EARLY DIGITAL OVERLAY







LANDSCAPE

Entry Planting:

- The formal arrangement of large-stature trees contributes a defined entry.
- The scale of planting gives visual priority to the entry, instilling a sense of arrival.
- Ordered and structured planting denotes the quality of the broader precinct.

Plaza Planting:

- A diversity of planting bed size and arrangement informs the structure of the plaza.
- Planting with seasonal interest contributes a dynamic and vibrant space, year-round.
- · Considered tree placement provides opportunities for both shade and sun throughout the day.

Lawn Area:

- A flexible lawn area with the ability to accommodate a range of uses and events.
- Deciduous trees that provide shade in the summer and sun in the winter.
- · Open and inviting interface with adjoining buildings.

Green Spine:

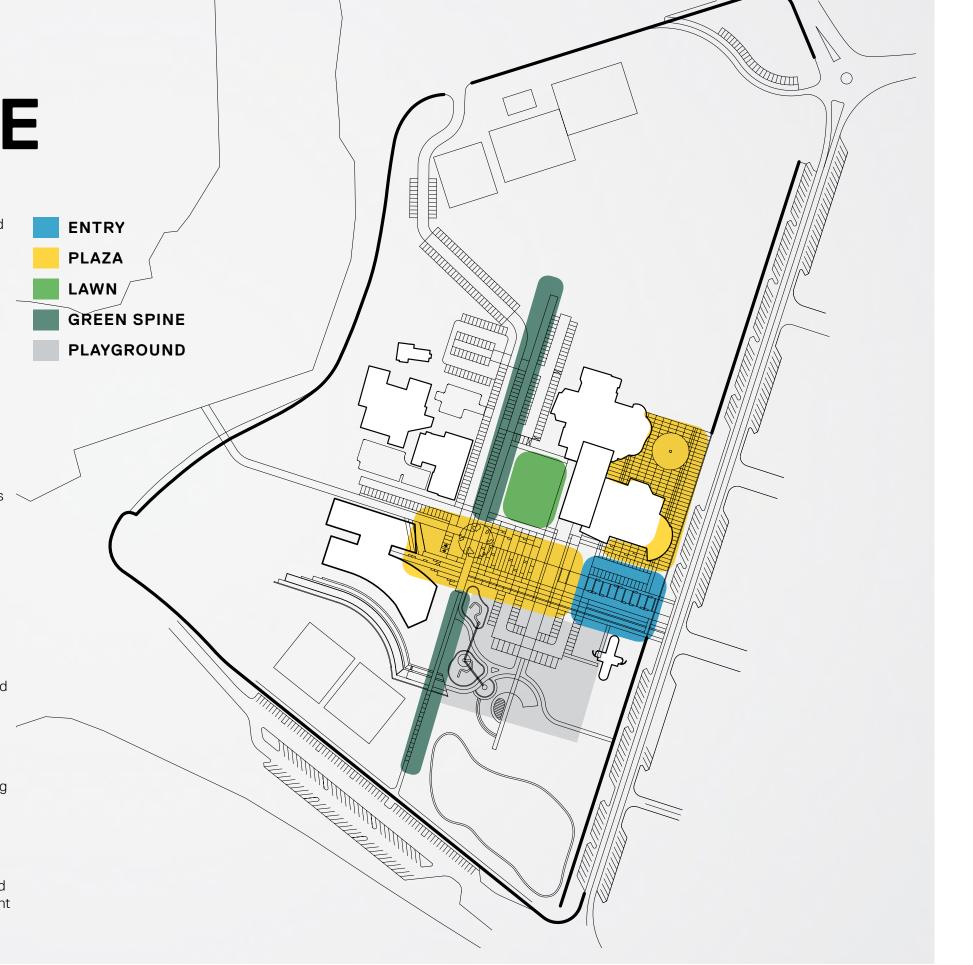
- A linear park, connecting the areas of open space to the north and south of the precinct.
- Structured tree planting frames views along the axis, with resulting vistas of Lake Taupō.
- A variety of planting areas provides a range of spaces for respite and relaxation.

Playground:

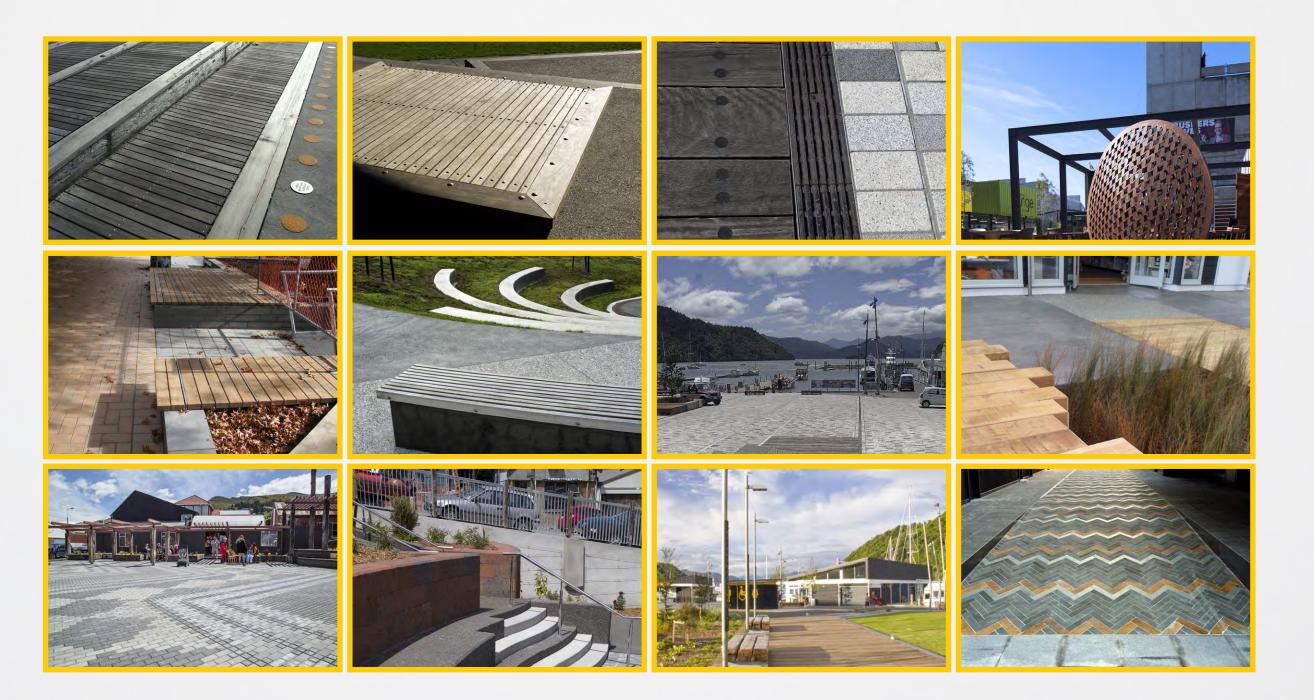
- Planting that aligns with CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) principles, for a safe environment.
- Opportunities for nature play, with soft, resilient and textural planting included in play spaces.
- Trees located in proximity to play and gathering spaces, providing appropriate shade.

Bowling and Tennis:

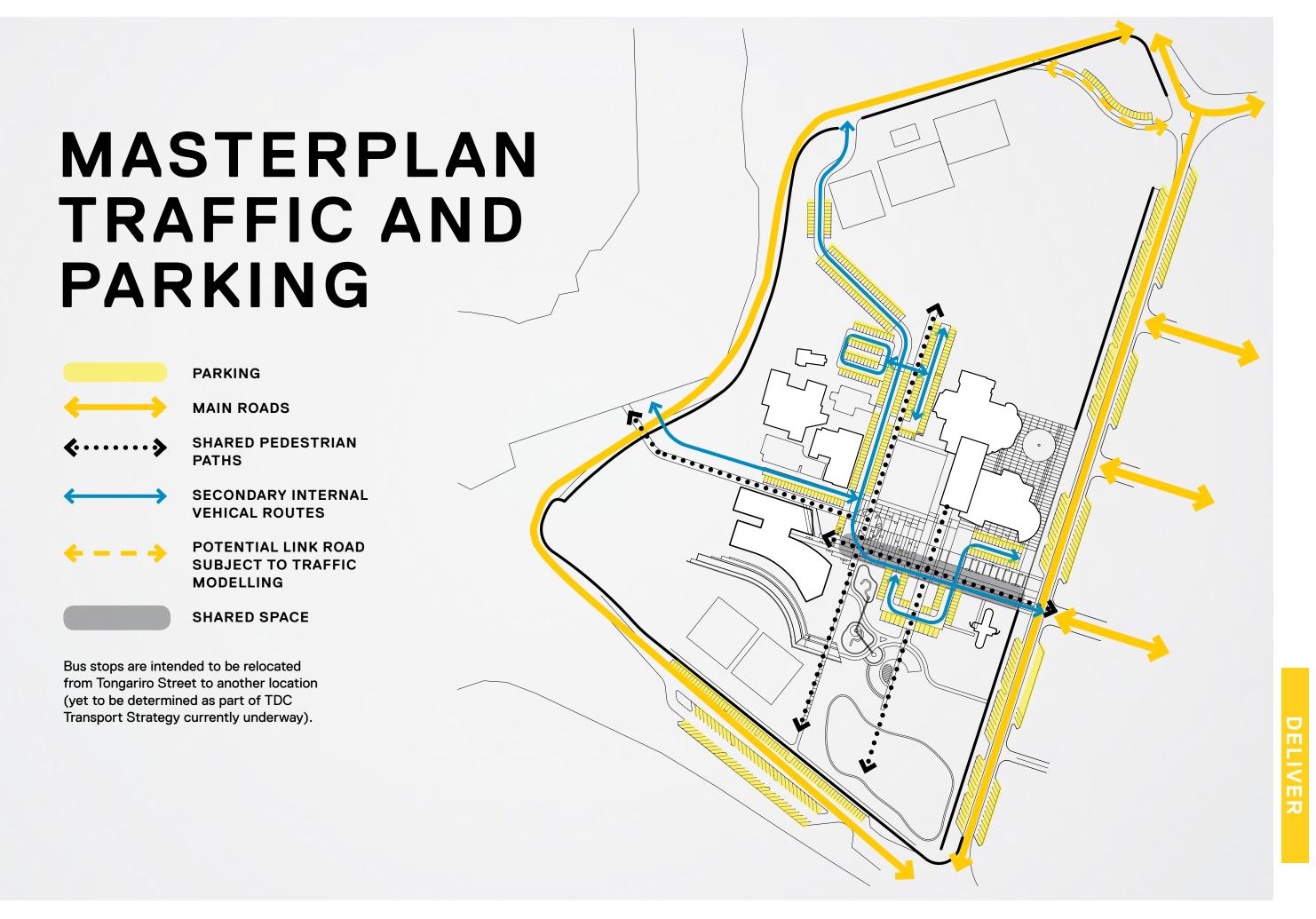
 Relocation of these facilities will be in alignment with TDC Sport and Recreation Strategy and the Tongariro Domain Reserve Management Plan which are underway and due for review respectively.



LANDSCAPE PRECEDENT IMAGERY







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MASTERPLAN BULK + MASSING



METRICS

MUSEUM	EXISTING	PROPOSED
Foyer (if standalone)		80
Airlock		10
Administration		16
Staff work space		25
Manager/Meeting Room		25
Gallery – main museum		250
Gallery – main wharenui (Reid 160m² + Spa 180m² x2) + Hinana pataka 60m²		400
Gallery - taonga		180
Gallery - art		100
Gallery – temporary		200
Education Room		72
Education Resources Room		14
Collections store (onsite)		120
Collections store and work area (Tūwharetoa)		180
Exhibition store (plinths etc)		45
Workshop		30
Loading bay		60
Clean work area		30
Work and Preparatory areas		85
Lift		15
Plant		50
Sprinkler Room		10
Cleaners Cupboard		6
	947 m ²	2,608 m ²

I-SITE & COMMUNITY	EXISTING	PROPOSED
Retail (incl Museum retail)		60
Retail Storage		30
Café + Kitchen		130
Bag Storage		20
Security		10
Administration		20
Meeting Room		35
Community Meeting Space	1.7	657
	214 m ²	962 m ²
LIBRARY / RESEARCH CENTRE	EXISTING	PROPOSED
Library / Generic	1,722	1,500

	1929 m²	2,245 m ²
Children's (inside/outside)		70
Engaged research area (teen)		85
IT & Media		85
Reprographics		20
Digitisation		20
Whakapapa/Genealogy Resources		25
Research Room Archive + Council Archives	(offsite)	200
Research Room		100
Community Engagement		
Subtotal	1929	1,640
Workroom mezzanine	145	0
Workroom	62	90
Returns	incl above	50
Library / Generic	1,722	1,500
LIBRARY / RESEARCH CENTRE	EXISTING	PROPOSED

Civic Administration Building	EXISTING PROPOSED
140 (125+15) workpoints	1,400
Reception / Waiting	80
Servicing / Administraton	220
Meeting + Shared Community Rooms	150
Council chambers	300
Common Social Hub	150
Civil Defence	120
Core / WC Amenities	100
	2,520 m ²

GLC	EXISTING	PROPOSED
	2,164m²	2,524m ²

PARKING	E	XISTIN	IG	PF	ROPOS	ED	+ OR -
GLC	244	2	246	327	4	331	+85
Museum	36	1	37	27	2	29	-8
Court	14	2	16	12	2	14	-2
Police	21	1	22	21	1	22	0
Northern Domain	0		0	19		19	+19
Tongariro St (West Side)	52		52	93		93	+41
	367	6	373	499	9	508	+135

STANDARD ACCESSIBLE

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