



## Whangarei 20/20 Momentum Feedback

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Parking to Park	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	I love it as it has been planned	5	W
	I had recently rented a 2 bedroom house and the hunt for this was really frustrating. Whangarei does need some residential apartments available for rentals looking at the pace this city is growing at.		W
	Fantastic. But keep car parking to a minimum and improve connectivity with the CBD. Include space for a little cafe or ice cream parlour	5	W
	Needs to connect town basin with cbd & needs to have a hefty budget to do it properly not cheaply.	5	W
	This is a very large area. It will need some active edges of buildings to make it function well. It will also only be as good as the (pedestrian) connections it has back to the CBD and the larger waterfront. Obviously this space is hugely effected by and intergral to the proposed Hundertwasser building. Lets hope it caters for a range of activities, uses and people.	4	W
		4	W
	Great idea. Make sure there is a playground. The existing one at the town basin get packed at the weekend and after school so it would be good to have somewhereelse to play	5	W
	I am very supportive of this. It is such a waste to waterfront land used for parking. Make sure there is flexibility it how the space be used.	5	W
	Very awesome	5	W
	Would love to see a water type park/ feature for kids something fun and showcase what we love about whangarei is the beaches and water activities	4	W
		4	W
	Much better than car parking. Make sure crossing over D	5	W
	Please please make sure there is still plenty of disability parking....the town basin and loop are fabulous for accessibility - it would be a real shame if there was not enough parking for this to continue		W
	I am concerned about the amount of parking I have a autistic son who also suffers from seizures he likes walking we often walk the loop and park by the canopy bridge if this parking is removed where would we be able to park he gets such enjoyment from the outdoors is any extra parking going to be available for people who want to enjoy the Hatea loop and surrounds .	2	W
	Bad idea. Leave or improve the parking there. We need to access the loop. As it gets more developed and popular, parking will be scarce.	1	W
	An outdoor theatre or performance space wouldbe great	3	W
			W
	It would be good to have a space for little kids that are too small for the other playground	4	W
	Great Idea. It would be good to incorporate an improve pedestrian crossing. Also some cycle storage and toilets.	5	W
	The WDC Youth Advisory Group agree with the proposal that the current mundane parking space should be transformed into a park welcoming youth and Whangarei residents of all ages. Right now one of the problems is in Whangarei city there are very few places for youth (and residents of all ages) to gather. Having a park in the very midst of the CBD will give youth a place to congregate and allows youth to feel the green image and advantage we have over other more 'grey' CBDs. Furthermore, it is the perfect place for a picnic, games or just a place to chill - something that is surprisingly lacking in Whangarei. In summary the WDC Youth Advisory Group agree with the proposal of "parking to park".	5	W
		1	W
Parking to Park	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Cool, question where is the best place to launch a kayak to go for a paddle around the town basin area		FB

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Looks fantastic, but I'm just wondering if there is going to be much extra parking? I had a look through and could only see one new parking building?	FB
So where is all the cars that currently use the car parks there at the moment. I see a lot of these plans involve disappearing car parks with no suggestions on where they are going to go.	FB
Pleeeeeease can we find a better name than 'Town Basin'?? Riverside Walk, Hatea Harbour, Whangarei Marina etc etc maybe make it a competition to find the best name?	NB
Café or juice bar	AP
Can't take away too much parking without providing it elsewhere as there is already a shortage	AP

<b>Cameron &amp; James Street Laneway</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	It's great. Please expand the laneways project to other streets in the CBD. Vine street with its bars and restaurants would be a good candidate.	4	W
	Don't put up the canopy. Dated concept. Will be cold & dark in winter & dirty. Keep it open & we'll use umbrellas when it rains.	4	W
	The intent is excellent. However I feel that this may be the slightly compromised version of what should be a strong pedestrian spine connecting the arts and culture precinct to the CPD to the waterfront precinct. Using Wellington as a case study, there is a vast difference in the public use of the pedestrian only Cuba St Mall and that of the pedestrian/car shared space of Lower Cuba St. Shared public spaces never really works well. The presence of cars (even if calmed) mean people can't fully relax in public space (let the kids run, people watch, wander aimlessly, sit...). The entire CBD does not need to be pedestrianised, but the key spine does. People will choose this type of space everytime.	3	W
	Cameron St and the CBD area is dying, it is good to try and make it more friendly, but is this the focus we want to be having, will it in fact reverse the trend of empty shops or should we just focus on perhaps the town basin area and move the traditional CBD to there?	2	W
	I like the idea of making it easier for people to walk around the CBD.	5	W
	Extend this project down to the town basin. Encourage and enable cafes and reasturants to use the shared space for seating	5	W
	This space is looking great. But we dont need a canopy just leave it open.	5	W
	It looks great. Get the cafes and bars to put seat out onto the paving. Make sure the canopy is colourful not white	5	W
	Great idea Council - I just hope drivers respect the shared space!	5	W
	Looks cool. Needs some cycle parking and more seats	4	W
	Looks very nice. There should be priority parking for the disabled and elderly	4	W
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	<p>I would like to see a pedestrian crossing on the corner of John and Cameron Sts. This has become dangerous with the laneway. People walking from the laneway to cross John St often step straight out without looking. Crossing John St to the laneway is treacherous. You have to look around 270 degrees to assess traffic, there is a loading zone with trucks making it hard to see down John St and the traffic flow is much increased. There have been several close calls. Two with me. I have also had to help an elderly person to cross there twice.</p>	5	W
	<p>This project is looking great. It is awesome to see the share space already being used by cafes and bars. Now that this in place it will be important for Council to use its alfresco dining policy. I am not so sure about the canopy. This could either be a great success or ruin the shared space. I think the money would be better place extending the shared space down James St. Also - well done to the business for putting up with the distrust ion - but what a great space have now got!</p>	5	W
	<p>Awesome</p>	5	W
	<p>This is a good project but I do think the car parking should be removed. Cars parked there look ugly.</p>	5	W
	<p>Looks good</p>	5	W
	<p>Great</p>	5	W
	<p>Great, but get rid of the cars</p>	5	W
	<p>The Youth Advisory Group would like to support the work to redevelop the CBD, especially as many factors are relevant to the youth sector living in our district. The new shared area provides an open space where residents and visitors across generations can spend time. However, we feel the space gives people a false sense of safety. The shared space (for vehicles and pedestrians) flows almost seamlessly into the pedestrian area further up the street. Whilst this provides an open shopping and dining experience, there are no clear markings where pedestrians are safe and where they aren't, as pedestrians may feel as if they are in a pedestrian friendly area - as is the case further up the street. We feel that there is more likely to be an accident, as drivers may not be sure where the pavement starts, and as pedestrians may not be sure where the road starts. For example, a child may walk into the 'road', without being seen by the driver, and families may not be paying full attention if they believe I is pedestrian only. If clearer markings and warning signs for pedestrians were implicated, we feel the area would be safer for all.</p>	5	W
	<p>Love the shared space / accessibility and outdoor dining.</p>	5	W
	<p>I'm disappointed that the new Laneway still allows on-street car parking. Now that the space has been reclaimed by pedestrians it's even more apparent that parked vehicles just do not belong in this area and do nothing to add atmosphere or ambience.</p>		W
	<p>Lengthen the parking time limits, then more people might park, shop and eat in the CBD instead of the outlying suburbs.</p>		FB
	<p>I don't understand the thought of the one way lane traffic through Laneway? It didn't look like a road.....</p>		FB
	<p>I love it, but its quite dangerous, the shared space sign is slightly not visible because of the palm tree and could later on be fully not visible, I would be very hesitant to sit outside the cafes and restaurants closest to the road as i could imagine...</p>		FB
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I want to be excited but then I go to the CBD to what I thought was going to be a car free space, and after months of construction, disruption, and terrible noise, there are still cars speeding through it making it so unpleasant to be there.. I am sure cars will be on anything built for walkers and cyclists too as NZ society can't seem to imagine a life without driving around aimlessly but at top speed.. And I am in no hurry if I ride a bike, happy to slow down for walkers. The point of walking or cycling is to enjoy our surroundings	NB
[In response to Mary Jones] Whangareis CBD has always been run down, we came here 30 years ago as tourists and drove in , saw how run down it was and didnt stop The only good area is the waterfront Ive since discovered Although the council have built an upmarket library and over the top council chambers that a low socio economic area cant support, when the harbour is polluted, footpaths and roads shocking. Rates are meant for the basics NOT to rob ratepayers of their money for ridiculous projects more suited to the larger more affluent cities	NB
Walking bridge across Dent Street to town basin. Link between CBD and Town Basin, could be a work of art. Previous reports have recommended it. It could include a viewing platform.	AP
Pedestrian overbridge link between CBD and Town Basin with viewing platform for Hundertwasser	AP
Good progrss. Improve the links between CBD and Town Basin	AP
Great use of space	AP
Ban cars from the Laneway	AP
get rid of the parking spaces	AP

Civic Centre Options	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	A Civic Centre is vitally important to a (small) city. I believe this civic centre needs to be in close proximity to the library, town hall (auditorium), ideally the city art gallery and the council buildings. Most importantly this centre needs to incorporate a good sized public space or 'square' with good connections to the CBD, waterfront etc. Therefore with the exception of the art gallery it makes sense for this civic centre to be at Rust Ave/Forum North. A portion of the existing car park could be given over to a good public space contained between the library , forum north, the rail tracks and /Rust Ave. Access to the car park could be from Water St only. This would reduce the flow of traffic at the Rust Ave/Bank St intersection. This would make a strong pedestrian connection to the CBD/mall more easily achieved. Positioning the civic centre/square in the heart of the arts, culture and education precinct also sends a good strong message about what the city is about. At the end of the day it is art and culture that primarily informs a unique sense of place for Whangarei.	5	W
	Put everyone in one contemporary environmentally sustainable building	5	W
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	Stay at Forum North, but rebuild to incorporate a better theatre and conference centre. The lower CBD will be prime real estate and should be developed for apartments or hotel.	2	W
	We desperately need a theatre & indoor concert space & conference centre to attract more entertainment & cultural events. It needs to be an architectural designed building with high end finishes.	5	W
	Yes a Civic Centre is vitally important. However its location is the most important thing. The Forum North location is the right one, being at the heart of the Arts Culture, Conference and I would Add 'Civic' Precinct. This building needs to be next to the City Library, Close to the 'Town Hall' (Forum North/ Conference Centre) and ideally next to the 'City Art Gallery'. So I would develop the Forum North site, but go further to add a large public space, the 'Civic Square' contained between the buildings mentioned previously and then linked to the CBD. The Old Library should be re-purposed as the main Art Gallery in Whangarei, (linked to the Quarry Arts Centre). Unfortunately we have too many watered down art galleries proposed already, mostly in the wrong locations. This may involve closing carpark access from Rust Ave, and only having it from Water St.	4	W
	It is fine at present, don't waste money that could be better spent elsewhere.	1	W
	Forum North could be renovated. It is a fantastic facility. Make it easier to walk between Forum North and the CBD by making Bank St between Rust Ave and Vine St a shared space (buses only).	5	W
	I think the council should stay at Forum North and the lower city centre should be for a hotel and conference centre	3	W
	Move to the lower CBD. That place is like a ghost town.	5	W
	Stay forum north but make the building more interesting with colour paint and gaint lcd screens projecting art	3	W
	It will cost too much money. That money could be better spent on the more vulnerable and disadvantaged in Society	3	W
	I would favour a venue between the CBD and the waterfront, to connect the two. Developing Forum North stretches the CBD in the wrong direction	4	W
	Council is one the cities biggest employers and having the 400 or so staff working in the heart of the CBD would bring more vibrancy. A move away from Forum north would be good - this will free up The Forum North site for a new theatre and conference centre. However I do not agree with the waterfront location. This should be used for a hotel or civic space. A new council office should be set back maybe a block behind Dent St	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	I agree with thinking that Council will operate much more efficiently under one roof. From your diagram it looks as if you are considering the John/Walton/Robert/Dent Streets block. I have thought for some time that this area needs to come into the CBD and link CBD with the Town basin. At the moment it is not a well used/occupied block and is ready for a makeover. Public long term parking needs to be part of this, especially when the area next to the canopy bridge loses parking space to the proposed new water park. The proposed new theatre/ expo development need not necessarily be part of this. Hundertwasser is going to need more parking than is currently available so this will help too.	4	W
	Move the civic offices to Vine St car park. Leave the lower CBD for a hotel or office development	3	W
	Move to the lower CBD to revitalise the CBD. Make sure the design is quality.	5	W
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	Yes move to the CBD. Think about design and connectivity to the Town Basin. It would be good to get NRC, MSD and IRD all together with one Customer service centre	5	W
	If you move to the CBD that would free up space to redevelop the Theatre at Forum North. The new building should be in the lower CBD or on the old Toyota site	4	W
	A formal civic space should sit next to the new council building. Why doesn't the council swap with Farmers		W

	Yes needs upgrading	5	W
	If the lower CBD location is chosen, what's going to happen to Forum North? We don't want an old building sitting empty in the middle of town.		FB
	Enlarge the existing site. The Rodney District Council did this and it saved their rate payers a lot of money. :)		NB
	The council doesn't need to enlarge, it could take over that whole building. The theatre and function spaces are outdated. The council should be developing a purpose built theatre and events/function centre, not overpriced office space. Redevelop, reuse, upcycle ... whatever the latest catch cry is.		NB
	Makes a lot of sense. When I lived on the Hibiscus Coast I was on the executive committee of one of the local theatrical groups who decided to build a purpose built theatre for themselves. If this is what a small group of amateurs can fundraise for and build, just imagine what a city council could provide the community.		NB
	Definitely upgrade forum north		NB
	I agree - upgrading Forum North seems the logical option		NB
	Having been involved in retrofitting and re-purposing of buildings over the years I can assure you that it is often not the cheapest solution and irrespective of the quality of the design the end product is a compromise. Forum North hall may provide space to accommodate a two storey office however I would question how much of the building will be left once an additional floor is factored in, adequate natural lighting is provided and other performance standards met. We have already seen the impact of dead money for earthquake strengthening on the viability of the converting the old harbour board offices, there we have no option here a bulldozer gives us a clean slate. Truthfully if a new Council office is required it is now cheaper to rent and therefore to buy an office building than to build a new one. The theatre function is easy to separate and therefore accommodate on an existing site rather than go through the painful process of site amalgamation to get a plot big enough for a combined complex.		NB
	Someone told me, yesterday, that WDC staff are housed at different sites around town (not under the one roof). Do you think the Forum North site (if the theatre is separated) is big enough to build a purpose built building, Nigel?		NB
	I think you will find that many council functions are now provided from Walton Plaza, some like reception and council chambers are at Forum North and the building department I think is still at Bank Street. There may be other small offices still attached to functions such as water which used to be in First Ave which may now be in Walton Plaza.		NB
	I am guessing at an office requirement of 8-10,000 metres however even if this could be accommodated on the site it is likely to put parking under pressure		NB
	Maybe that's why WDC have hinted at a lower CBD site? I wonder what CDB though ... the current one or the new one being created on the outskirts of town? LOL		NB
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	I am getting old and that means that past experiences have made me sceptical. I recall all the efforts that went into NORTAF ... that was very exciting and hopeful. It was intended as an Arts Centre.... then the Council offered to help by having their offices moved there instead of in the Old Town Hall.... Do I need to say more ?		NB
	They could have used the old building where Hunderwesser is going but I guess they want to spend our money on a big flash new building.		NB
	The old harbour board offices are not built to meet current requirements, you can cram a lot more people into a large open plan floor than the cubby holes that that building currently provides, it is also easier to meet lighting and climate control standards.		NB
	I think they need to pull the belt a bit tighter. This is not necessary. Sell off some of your (or should I say our) properties and put the buildings all in the same place. I believe this will be their last term if what I am hearing from other people is correct. good riddance I say.		NB
	Same site. It should all be in the same building.		NB

Why not have both WDC and nrc in the same purpose built building near the town side of the industrial bit of Port Road. That's an area that's needs development	NB
There was a suggestion a while ago to provide one office however it was as part of a unitary authority with Kaipara and FNDC given the success of Auckland super city I just hope it is now forgotten.	NB
Anyone else recall working hard to raise money for NORTAF ? Such high hopes of a real Art Centre and Theatre complex ? It all sounded so good- but then the Council moved from the Old Town Hall to share the new building and .....	NB
Civic centre should move to CBD and free up Forum North for a new theatre space	AP
Great opportunity to provide a civic space next to Town Basin with overbridge	AP

Arts, Culture, Education and Conference/Expo Precinct	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	While this is badly needed in Whangarei, Sport Northland reminds WDC that once complete the ASB Stadium will lose almost all of its commercial income from large non-sporting events currently hosted at the stadium. While this will result in more time available for sporting users, this will also mean that without the extra income, Council will need to review the annual subsidy provided to keep the user fees for sporting groups to an acceptable level		W
	We do not need to get too far ahead of ourselves on this one. There is nothing worse for city vibrancy than big under-utilised buildings . I am not sure how well suited a conference centre is to an arts and culture precinct, likewise education facilities. Both of these facilities need to be located close to, and with good connections to the civic centre, but not forming apart of it. Enabling people to wander to the civic centre/arts culture precinct through a waterside park such as Cafler Park would enhance both the park and the surrounding areas. In reality a conference centre could more likely be located close to waterfront (in the CBD?) Obviously this would rely on us having a vibrant/interesting CBD with good quick connections to the arts and culture precinct and the Town Basin.	3	W
	New theatre is much needed. This should be a priority. Any conference facility needs to be built in conjunction with a new hotel. No point having a new conference facility if there are no quality hotels for people to stay in. Why not get Sky City to build it along with a high class casino.	3	W
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	A new tertiary education. Campus should be built on the vacant sites next to Pac and Save		W
	This would be great. Could attract thousands of people and their \$\$\$ to Whangarei - but we will need a hotel aswell, currently there are only a handful of good hotels in the town	5	W
	Need to focus on exhibition space as well - may a sculpture garden or exhibition space for local artists. Also provide space for outdoor performances and maybe outdoor cinema for the summer months.		W
	Technology Hub - education/resources (The MindLab)		W
	Agree we need a larger theatre, a conference centre and indoor space for music gigs, dance, symphonies, all entertainment. We miss out on too many art & cultural events up here	5	W
	Northtec needs to move into the city.		W
	Arts need better promotion and needs to better used for events		W
	Every tin pot town in New Zealand shows Metropolitan Opera films and have been doing so for years. People who are interested in these have to journey to Kerikeri or Matakana. What is the matter with Whangarei?	5	W
	Watch this space, would this also include increase parking for all the extra people that would be in the area. Maybe a multi story carpark at the growers market with the lower floor used for the growers market which would mean the market could take place in all kinds of weather.		NB
	Every tin pot town in New Zealand has Metropolitan Opera films except Whangarei. Anyone interested in these films has to drive to Kerikeri or Matakana. What is the matter with Whangarei?		NB

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I personally do not like opera but there was a place in England called Glyndebourne that was famous for having operas and was always busy. Could be included in the upgraded forum north. Maybe another form of tourist attraction, as well as benefitting those that like opera	NB
[In reponse to Paul Johnson} The only Opera I have been to, is Sol3 Mio, that was at the Zoo. It was fantastic. This time I'm going to see them at Kensington, I do wonder what it will be like, seating, sound etc. Outside in a garden setting, in Whangarei, would be wonderful.	NB
Great idea	AP
Conference facilities have been talked about for 40 years. We miss out without being able to offer facilities. Conference will generate a lot of revenue for the city	AP
Art for the city - re-use empty buildings for pop-up art galleries	AP
A quality theatre will help local artists	AP
New theatre is a must - we are missing out on performances that our current theatre cannot accommodate	AP
Yes to conference centre - why not get Skycity to build it in exchange for a casino - both would generate huge incomes and revenues for our city. Have a sinking lid policy for pokies to accommodate new casino	AP
A performance centre - not just a theatre	AP
We need an effective arts and theatre space for the 21st Century	AP
Large auditorium please - in 1976 (40 years ago) the Council voted to have one. It has been on the LTP's but still nothing. Please make it happen	AP
If council move Forum North site could be redeveloped with new large facilities and plenty of parking.	AP
We need a new theatre that can fit more people	AP

<b>CBD Regeneration</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	Yes. We need greater focus on the CBD. Public realm improvements are key.	5	W
	Inner city living. Northtec move into town. Shops open later so workers can actually shop with late night shopping. More colour and public art. Festival in cbd.	5	W
	Great idea lets do it! If we are really serious about the CBD it needs a spine or heart of pedestrian streets/public spaces which connect it to the arts/culture/civic precinct and the Waterfront precinct. The 'Golden Mile' which is the heart of the city. This continuous public space through the heart of the city would provide ample opportunities for al fresco dining and nightlife as well as a myriad of other commercial uses. The canopies are not a good idea (refer below)	5	W
	Connect the CBD to popular pedestrian spaces like the Town Basin and the new Hatea loop. There is scope to reduce the amount of traffic through the CBD now that the new bridge is open - it does not need to be funneled past the Town Basin any longer to get to Onerahi, etc.	5	W
	We need better lighting and more places for people to sit. Also provide spaces for food trucks	5	W
	We need better lighting and more colour	5	W
	Better lighting. Colour should be a theme for the city. City of colour would make us stand out from the other drab cities and towns in Auckland	4	W
	Better footpaths, better lighting, more colour, more art	4	W
	Better footpath design for the disabled and elderly. Improved lighting and cctv so we feel safe.	2	W

	Whangarei does not currently have a cohesive CBD. The rents in CBD have not reflected the downturn of available customers and has driven retailers out. Retailers need to be tempted back in. A late night would be a good idea.	5	W
	Great idea but a difficult and complex project. Council should focus on the public realm and continue footpath improvements. Council could also put in place a CBD caretaker - a one stop shop for CBD land owners and business who have questions or problems that they need Council to respond to.	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	Add lots more art and sculpture. wellington CDB is so vibrant and amazing - there are lots of artworks everywhere, in all the nooks and crannies. WHG also needs free wifi and lots of trees/parks/places to hang out in the CDB. Cities are for humans.	3	W
	It would be great to see some of the newly developed real estate be kept accessible to boutique retail offerings such as artists in residence, small galleries, specialty food stores or eateries. Maintaining an 'everybody' feel of things (within reason) and embracing the artistic and creative personality of the area.		W
	More colour and interesting street art. What about art along butter factory lane or along the vacant buildings in the lower CBD.		W
	only as good as the pedestrian connections within the city/CBD		W
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	<p>hi there, I am Catherine Draper. Currently I live in Waipu and my family have lived there since the 1950s so I cannot see that changing any day soon! So I have lived through our local people realising the change of the highway out of Waipu being an opportunity towards the better. Out of this a committee was born to address all that was needed much as you are doing now, and it has all been for the better! I believe you need to look at more space put aside to bring people out of cars and things that move through the CBD too quickly. I can see that motorised vehicles can stop using bank street. That main crossing has the size to make a landmark that can become world renowned. My vision is like the areas you see in Europe. A water feature to reflect how Whangarei's name comes from how our waters meet to flow into the harbour. A water feature reflecting our story and around this radiating out can be spaces for people to meet, or entreat through public speaking, music or performance. Vehicular traffic only need to use to the railway bridge near the library/ council area; along vine and maunu street; up the top just beyond the courts at the little roundabout under that splendid Pohutukawa tree then at the lights of Rathbone street. Everywhere in that area is for walking, biking, boarding or early morning service vehicles. I believe a feature like that will invigorate further and develop a theme to create an atmosphere that is truly us and become a basis for further amongst businesses that choose to be there. Whangarei attracts people not because of buildings but through our spectacular clean green environment. If people want to see buildings they holiday in Europe. Research and see where are people going...to our waters. Thankfully we are on the right track now and are looking to restore our harbour to its original glory. I look forward to speaking to your council around my ideas, please do not hesitate in contacting me.</p>	5	W

	Whangarei is not the only city with a "dying heart", and I've heard the excuse that it's due to greedy landlords. I don't necessarily agree with this and I think it's very much Council's job to deal with this issue. The current laneway project will brighten up the centre, but more is required. Not just in beautification but encouragement to bring retailers back to town. It's way too late to say that Okara shouldn't have been developed the way it was and so suck retailers away from town. With 2 large operators leaving Vine Street recently	5	W
	Use the empty buildings in the CBD for pop up galleries		W
	Council should remove development contributions and have no rates for 4 years for new projects that will bring people and jobs to the CBD	5	W
	Concentrate on quality public space	4	W
	Focus on accessibility	5	W
	There's often times that I've been busy all day and the evening is the only time I have to shop. I'd love to go to places in the CBD but am obliged to go to the Warehouse or Kmart as they're the only places open. A late night evening would be great!		FB
	Retail should be focused into the CBD, not places like Okara which you need to drive to. The retail world is changing - if you want by a new fridge you will have it delivered, so there is no need for this car dependant retail.		W
	encourages businesses to upgrade their buildings and look and integrative approach for all	5	W
	Yes please as a business owner in Quality St. We need this!		FB
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	<p>My current focus is the Inner City Revitalisation plan. I applaud the Council on the plan and the lovely walkways already developed. The next part is where the success of the plan will be realised. Can it attract investors to develop quality properties along the riverfront? With the large number of properties on those riverfronts, the total development cost is in the hundreds of millions if all were developed. The plan then is very reliant on attracting investors to develop the riverfronts. The success of the plan requires people risking their capital to build on not easy land to create the vibrancy and sense of community sought. Tightening the specificity of the zoning of all the river side identified in the plan is required and my particular interest is the section of Port Rd from Te Matau a Pohe bridge up toward the city, is part of a key encourager that Council controls.</p> <p>My suggestion would be to support the extension of the walkway up the Waiarohia stream on Port Rd and then to seek a more prescriptive definition of the mixed use for all the river front in the plan. My particular interest is Port Rd for the properties above the Te Matau a Pohe bridge area. The mixed use along with predominately residential could include niche retailing &amp; offices, and quasi-retail that would appeal to architects, lawyers, dentists, photographers, insurers, IT companies and those niche service outlets. I would restrict all light industrial and have them relocate across the road or to other suitable locations over a ten year time frame.</p> <p>In my view this would improve the residential appeal- taking full advantage of the river. Given the growth of Whangarei over the next 35 years, protecting the river front for public use and for residential and selective mixed use, would extend the vision of what could happen for Whangarei from Lower Dent St, around Herekino St to include the city part of the river facing on Port Rd down to Te Matau a Pohe bridge. This concentration adds to the value and attractiveness of the inner city revitalisation. People living on the river would be core to the vibrancy of inner city Whangarei. All cities around the world are now relocating light industry away from waterways and making them places for people to enjoy and live on.</p>		W
	And businesses pay staff to stay open.....??? For how long. ...		FB

	Why do some shops do Thursday night and others Friday night .... Doesn't make sense. Choose one and go with it!		FB
	Street entertainment/stage setup, theme nights in local eateries or street food, Tuk Tuks... but plenty of lighting and security		FB
	I think you need to do something to make people feel a little safer down town at night		FB
	Free parking		FB
	cbd lost me yrs ago		FB
	I would NOT go into town, too many little sh.t's. Looking for trouble, & I am to old for that rubbish.		FB
	[in response to Evelyn Sutherland] They do that during the day too hence y we have city safe.. .It'll b no different to night time		FB
	I would go late night it'll b like the day just less busy plus u can leave the kids at hm...		FB
	Get rid of the little brats who hang out there swearing their heads off		FB
	[ In response to feedback from Sean Scanlen] Would be good to have the art on the bridge on Walton street to be something that reflects Whangarei.		FB
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	[In response to the feedback from Eddy] Love this idea		FB
	It is apparent to all that the rejuvenation of the Cities cbd is essential, as shoppers find themselves spread between locations and Okara Becoming the main shopping centre. The youth Advisory council wishes alongside everyone that the centre is to become bustling, and full of people with a culture of cafes and quality stores that fill the vacant buildings. However in the 2020 plan we struggle to see the support of council that aids in this with it being seen in the proposal as 'developer funded' , we suggest the council aids in fostering opportunities for small local businesses to open, this can be done through offering lower rates for a few months, or potentially lower rates if businesses meet certain criteria eg employing 5 youth employees ect.	5	W
	Night markets and late night shopping		AP
	Better footpaths into and around CBD		AP
	Move the Growers Market to the Town Centre		AP
	Incentivise green sustainable buildings for our CBD		AP
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	Artwork in the city		AP
	Revamp the Strand Mall		AP
	Regenerate as the City of Colour		AP
	More accessible footpaths		AP
	Turn empty buildings into galleries for local artists		AP
	Where is the heritage fund?		AP
	Need more cultural artistic murals to transform drab empty buildings in town centre		AP

	Better lighting to make spaces feel safe		AP
	Bean bags and pop-up parks		AP
	More carrots and less sticks to revitalise the CBD		AP
	Small shops cafes and bars with apartments and town houses		AP
	Dent St - 1 lane cars 1 lane bus and 1 lane bicycles		AP
	More activities for Children in CBD and better footpaths and road crossings		AP
	Sea level rise by at least 1 - 5 m by end of century - move the CBD up the hill		AP
	Incorporate a nice tertiary education campus in/around CBD		AP
	Regeneration needs to improve connective between CBD and Town Basin		AP
	Improve signage from CBD to loop walkway - use google maps		AP
	Smoke free zones - Cameron St, The Strand etc		AP
	We want more art in town		AP
	Better accessibility for the disabled		AP
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	Laneway/street party 1 x nmonth during summer (Nov - March)		AP
	Family space with entertainment and food. Make sure its undercover. Space for bands/music		AP
	More colour on the grey walls in CBD		AP
	More entertainment for 18 -23 age group in CBD - its not just about shops		AP

<b>Additional Cameron Street Canopies</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	Make the roof retractable ,it will make it cooler in summer	5	W
	Not sure if these are needed. The proposed on Cameron street looks ugly and will just get covered in bird poo. It doesn't rain enough up here to warrant them.	3	W
	No! Dated. Cheap looking. Dark and cold in winter. Dirty with moss & bird poo. Leave it open!!	1	W
	Not a good idea. Have you been to Porirua and the canopy covered spaces there? You end up with a pigeon infested space contained with hard surfaces to the floor and walls and no meaningful connection to the outdoors. The space is hard to maintain and is not rain washed. I wouldn't dine under this space, and if the weather was that bad would dine inside or under the canopy at the edge of the cafe/restaurant. Shade and shelter are very important, but lets provide it in a simpler and more attractive way.	1	W
	To improve Cameron St in poor weather, work can be done to make it less slippery in the rain.	5	W
	They will look dated and get dirty really quickly	1	W
	I worry that they will turn green and mouldy and get covered in bird shit.	3	W
	Why, when we have verandas?	1	W
	Waste of money	1	W

Keep Cameron street open. They have recently remove the canopies from Porirua because they didn't work and looked ugly.	3	W
It would be great to promote an Al Fresco Boulevard - a place to meet and mingle, more spread out than just one corner. A permanent 2nd stage for performers to stretch out that space would be good. I also think the laneway should start at the corner where Harveys curtains is.	5	W
I'm not sure this needed and I think the money could be better spent elsewhere. Alfresco dining is not dependant on gaint covers or canopies. We are lucky that our climate is relatively dry. Look at Paris - it has more days of rain than we do but has arguably the worlds best alfresco dining culture without the need of giant canopies.	2	W
Awesome	5	W
Love the idea of al fresco area, and improved attraction to the CBD	5	W
Just leave it open. It doesn't rain that mich	1	W
Leave Cameron St open	1	W
Not a priority	3	W
It doesn't rain enough to justify these canopies	1	W

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	The Youth Advisory group is in support of the proposed canopy covering the central shopping area in our CBD. We feel, whilst providing protection, the canopy would make more activities possible here. The canopy would encourage dining and shopping and would help in creating a more vibrant area in the evening, something which Whangarei is lacking. The canopy would also make more weather-dependent activities like 'bootcamp', and other fitness activities which occasionally take place in the pedestrian area of the CBD, possible.	5	W
	absolutely and will get good use given our warmer climate. Will enliven the area and connect better with the basin.	5	W
	More alfresco dining		W
	As long as it doesn't make it too hot in the summer?		FB
	Need canopy down to Town Basin (like Rotorua)		AP
	We like the canopy		AP
	Alfresco dining is good. Need to provide more space for this		AP

<b>Laurie Hall Park Green Space and War Memorial</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	Yes, but it won't happen if Farmers stay there as they will need the car parks.	5	W
	Provide space for an outdoor movie screening. They do these in Auckland during the summer and they are great! Very popular with kids. Maybe also use as a venue for music.	5	W
	Turn the car park back into green space. Will encourage more events & inner city living needs vibrant public spaces	4	W

	Its not well located for most civic events (read Civic Centre comments above). Likewise it is not well located for outdoor music/movie events (Waterfront Precinct). It functions well as a green 'break out' space currently. Its use as a memorial garden is good. Its sloped banks overlooking the CBD offer a desirable place to eat lunch/picnic etc. If I was organising a rally I would head for the civic square outside the civic centre (proposed above).	3	W
	Surely there is space at Laurie Hall park, considering the car park and all, for any number of civic events and celebrations already.	3	W
	How is this going to work with Farmers. The parking is always full with people shopping at Farmers. Maybe Farmers would be better somewhere else.	1	W
	The memorial is beautiful and needs better surroundings. Do we really need all this car parking	4	W
	Awesome, but what about Farmers - they will need parking.	5	W
	Have an outdoor movie theatre for the summer. Would that be awesome	3	W
	It's too out of the way. Priority should be the CBD and the town basin	1	W
	The memorial looks beautiful.	4	W
	Green spaces attract people and events and help create the buzz a cbd needs	5	W
	The new war memorial is stunning - it such a shame it is surrounded by an ugly car park on Council land that basically serves a single private business - Farmers. However Council needs to be careful not to push Farmers out of town to Okara Park - that would be a disaster.	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
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	Nice idea	4	W
	Not a priority	1	W
	Not a priority	3	W
	Nice idea. What about Farmers?	4	W
	Less car parking and more awesome community stuff!		W
	it would encourage more outdoor performances and keep green space for city.	5	W
	The parallel carparks on the curved section of road directly in front of the war memorial & kids playground should be removed immediately. Apart from the safety issues of children running out between cars, it also creates visual pollution in front of an open green space. Remove the wall of metal & give the space some dignity! While you're at it, continue the clearing of the vehicular clutter in front of Mint Floral & Craigs Investments then turn the carparks into a loading zone so the trucks don't park on the yellow lines and block up Butter Factory Lane.	4	W
<b>Transit Centre Gateway</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	Our current bus depot is shameful. Stay at vine street but provide for small shops to complement the bus station - dairy, florist, cafe. Make sure the new design is striking but safe	5	W

	The current bus station is shameful. You are treating public transport users as second class citizens. But buses don't have to stop in the same place. There could be number of bus stops around the CBD that different services could stop at. Avoid buses stoping at the town basin. There isn't enough room. When hundterwasser opens, the tourist coaches and tour buses will need a lot of room to park. The transit centre needs to be considered together will a bus network strategy that looks at local bus routes, tourist coaches and intercity buses. Don't look at each in isolation.	5	W
	Do we need a transit space or do we have buses moving around with pick ups at various places.	3	W
	It needs to be welcoming, attractive, well positioned and well connected. Its position is generally right. Its a primary 'Hub' and needs to well connected to the CBD and accommodation. The town basin is not the right place for this hub.	3	W
	This is an important part of making sure that people can get into the CBD without being reliant on cars. Include an obvious pedestrian walkway from the transit centre to Vine St, and include a pedestrian crossing across Vine St that goes to the entrance of Quality St. Also consider a pedestrian crossing going across Bank St, or a pedestrian overbridge, so that it is easy to access the shops and residential areas on that side of town.	5	W
	Need to move away from the transit hub model. Instead think about a dispersed approach whereby stops are located throughout the CBD.	1	W
	The bus station is terrible, really dirty and feels unsafe. We need a new station with a cool funky design, lighting and little shops - like a diary.	4	W
	I think that the bus station should be moved to vine street	4	W
	We should just the disperse the bus stops around the city rather than in one place. Something needs to be done as the bus station is a mess	2	W
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	This place sucks - we need something better	5	W
	Should the bus companies be leading this not the Council	2	W
	I think the Transit Centre should be moved off the roundabout. Its dangerous and difficult. Why not relocate to the train station and Chipmonks area	3	W
	A different model should be explored. Have bus stops along vine street and Walton Street rather than buses terminating all in one space.	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	make pedestrian access easier from Bank St across this area please. I am looking forward to this area being upgraded. It is important to make navigating around Whangarei easier. Please include graphic maps for tourists somehow, maybe on the side of a building as a mural?	3	W
	This is a poor place for a bus station. * Why the fancy name 'transit centre ' ? Too American, and too grand as the only 'transit' we have available, except perhaps transportation to heaven,	1	W
	hi there, I am Catherine Draper. Currently I live in Waipu and my family have lived there since the 1950s so I cannot see that changing any day soon! So I have lived through our local people realising the change of the highway out of Waipu being an opportunity towards the better. Out of this a committee was born to address all that was needed much as you are doing now, and it has all been for the better! I believe you need to look at more space put aside to bring people out of cars and things that move through the CBD too quickly. I can see that motorised vehicles can stop using bank street. That main crossing has the size to make a landmark that can become world renowned. My vision is like the areas you see in Europe. A water feature to reflect how Whangarei's name comes from how our waters meet to flow into the harbour. A water feature reflecting our story and around this radiating out can be spaces for people to meet, or entreat through public speaking, music or performance. Vehicular traffic only need to use to the railway bridge near the library/ council area; along vine and maunu street; up the top just beyond the courts at the little roundabout under that splendid Pohutukawa tree then at the lights of Rathbone street. Everywhere in that area is for walking, biking, boarding or early morning service vehicles. I believe a feature like that will invigorate further and develop a		W

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	To my way of thinking this development should have been done in the first place. Force all out-of-town bus operators to use the basin. There should have been 2 lanes for buses and forget the green belt.	5	W
	The current station is terrible	5	W
	Needs addressing with safety and accessibility as key themes	5	W
	Just replace with bus stops around town	3	W
	The existing bus station is a mess and needs sorting out	5	W
	The youth advisory group would like to see changes to the current rose street bus terminal, as we feel this area is an unsafe and unattractive area of our city, and is not a welcome sight for visitors who may arrive on a bus at this terminal. We propose that we redesign the area to be more modern and have adequate lighting in the evening.	4	W
	we need better and clearer signs from main road into city. this will help potential visitors from becoming confused about how to get to the central city. we, also need		W
	[In response to feedback from Sean Scanlen] Can and will people walk??		FB
	[In response to feedback from Karla] It feels like an unsafe part of town I wouldnt want to be waiting around there at night		FB
	[In response to feedback from Karla] Yes I agree, it's very dirty and needing funky designs and colors. There have to have security there though to make it safer . Dairy may not be a good idea, rubbish around will be a factor.		FB
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	This area certainly needs to be upgraded, will look forward to seeing the end result.		NB
	I agree it needs and upgrade or replacing. Why not use the one at the basin? Why do we need two transit centres? and the one in town is next to the "I" site		NB
	[In response to Dennis Young} I've had to use the bus a couple of times in recent months and I would say that the one near the Town Basin wouldn't be able to cope with the number of buses that call in at the Rose Street Transit Centre. I think the 'I-Site' stop is more geared up to tourist buses like Intercity, Mana Bus etc. Besides, Rose Street is closer to the city centre I think, so would be handier for commuters		NB
	[In response to Dennis Young] Hi Dennis, I am no expert but I would say that the bus terminal at the basin possibly isn't big enough to have too many buses there at one time. I think that the local buses should run from Rose Street and all the inter city buses should run out of the basin, along with any tourist companies. Only my opinion though.		NB
	I think the upgrade will be marvelous. Some days when it is very busy you cannot get a parking space. The café needs a revamp and more space, far too small and this venture will create more jobs for the unemployed in the Whangarei district.		NB
	I used to use both the local buses and the long-distance buses regularly, but ended up moving closer to town because the local buses were just too hard. I still use the long-distance buses several times a week. As an observation, they're mainly used by commuters rather than tourists.		
	The disadvantage of having the local bus stop and the long-distance bus stop (ie. Manabus, Nakedbus and Intercity) on opposite sides of town is that people who arrive in town and need to catch a local bus (or vice versa) have to lug their gear across town. People with cars tend not to need to catch buses.		NB
	Expanding the town basin bus stop to deal with the town buses would also be an advantage for people trying to do their supermarket shopping (who also currently have to haul their groceries across town).		
	I'd be more impressed with the WDC if the buses actually run further afield. No buses run through the industrial area of Whangarei or Port Road or where all the mega stores are setting up. Unless one drives, those out of work can't apply for jobs in these areas because they can't get there. It's not like they can walk there from Rose Street in five minutes! Nick Unkovich, perhaps that's a topic you could look into?		NB

Will be great to have a decent sheltered transit centre at Rose Street like the ones in Auckland but still be open and visible. It is one place I do not feel entirely safe as people have been attacked there during the day.	NB
It would be great if there was a loop bus - a small one that ran around the various shopping areas - would make it so much better, and take away the need to use a car to get places.	NB
To improve bus station - open up a little diary, better lighting and more visible CCTV	AP

Park Hill Hotel	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	A new - high quality hotel is needed in this town. But I dont think that location is best - what about around the town basin. We need a high end boutique hotel with reasturant and a more budget hotel so that we are catering for all tourists.	3	W
	We need a high end hotel	4	W
	Yes good location. I would love to stay there.	5	W
	An hotel is much needed. Hotel accomodation is really poor and not any around the waterfront or CBD.	5	W
	Whangarei really needs some good hotel accomodation. I've stayed in a few and they are dated and not well kept. How are we going to attract visitors if they won't have a decent place to stay.	5	W
	Yes we need a cool funky hotel for people to stay.	5	W
	Cool but it needs to be on a waterfront location	3	W
	Sounds cool, but we also need affordable hotels	3	W
	Our friends often complain about the quality of hotels.	2	W
	About time!!! We need accommodation that Aucklanders will stay in. Otherwise they will keep driving past our city.	5	W
	New hotels are needed. A boutique hotel on Dent or Bank St would work well. I also think and more affordable and bigger hotel either down by the waterfront or on Rust Ave would serve a different sector of the market and compliment a new conference facility.	3	W
	Awesome	5	W
	Let a developer build this	1	W
	We need a quality boutique hotel	5	W
	Yes	3	W
	Yep we need more hotels	2	W
	we need clearer signs into Whangarei city off the main road and a more welcoming interesting look coming into Whagarei. we also need some beautifying of the roads leading into the central area. the route into the city is very confusing fir my visitors. we also need to encourage business back into the centre. the huge warehouse look extending outwards is ugly and disconnected. big shopping malls and huge buildings may have had their day and boutiques may return hopefully.		W
	So will the land remain in Council's hands?		FB
	Sounds like a nobrainer. We don't need to talk about this for 20 years do we?		FB
	We so need this, especially if there will be a conference/function centre, nice rooms, a quality restaurant & attractive packages available for weddings etc.		FB
	Be a perfect venue for those who wish to visit the new Hundertwasser building. Just do it!		FB

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	Why? Is there currently a room shortage?		FB
	Great idea. Anything that makes our city even more attractive, is good for everyone.		NB
	Yes, it's not the nicest of places in town.		NB
	I used to work for council and hated walking from Walton St plaza to Forum North. And always thought how horrible if I had to walk a client past the dirty footpaths by the bus station..embarrassing.		NB
	I was attending a course that was housed in the building that is now the Quest Hotel in Bank Street. When it rained, water poured into that building. The carpets used to squelch because they were waterlogged. I couldn't believe it was still being used while in that 'condemned' condition.		NB
	I was pleased when I saw the building being torn down, but pleasantly surprised when they started re-building. Whangarei needs quality accommodation for International travelers.		
	All for a big hotel, town needs it and people have been banging on asking for it for years		NB
	I agree Joyce. Think it is a great idea. Also more jobs.		NB
	Need top class accomodation with honeymoon suites		NB
	We need better hotels		AP

<b>Central City Carpark</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	Yes a good idea, but let a private company build it, not council. Incorporate green walls and sleeve the building with apartments.	3	W
	Great location & price. Please commission local artist to paint the low concrete wall on the street front.	3	W
	Car parks will always be necessary but I would like to see greater attention paid to providing frequent public transport services and improved walking and cycling infrastructure.	3	W
	Council should sell this building. Why is council operating a car park. Let the private sector do this.	1	W
	Why is the Council running a carparking building? Let a private company do it!	1	W
	It's too small and difficult to drive around. Knock it down and turn it in to a park	1	W
	Demolish - why is council running a car park? Do our rates subsidise this?	1	W
	Demolish or cover with a green wall	1	W
	We need a "pay as you leave" machine and better signage and cameras on the top floor. We also need parking for workers for when the waterfront parking area gets developed. Its currently the carpark with the best address in the country!	3	W
	This is an ugly building, taking up prime CBD land. It needs to be demolished.	1	W
	Not Awesome	1	W
	The whole city needs more car parks, and mother/baby friendly parks. I find Laurie hall parks a so narrow I'll park come back to my car and the cars are parked so close I can not get my baby onto the car. I avoid town for car park reasons and the very unpleasant crowds that hang around in the mall smoking and making u feel unsafe. Please make cbd smoke free as last thing I like dragging my prem baby with lung issues through second hand smoke	1	W

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	It's too small and poorly lit.	1	W
	It looks ugly and is too small	1	W
	It's too small	1	W
	Too small	2	W
	it's good but the stairwells are ugly and a bit creepy.	4	W
	I havent been into the whangarei town centre since a year ago ive driven thru but never stopped and walked thru , reason being parkings ridiculous, and id rather go to okara free parking.		FB
	Be different and provide free parking for 3 hours. That way people will support local businesses and feel more positive towards the town. You are already doing a great job and I love what you are doing.		FB
	Yes better public transport, definitely need bus service going to Okara shopping centre loosing a lot of customers because it is to far to walk from Rose Street bus stop. The shopping centre was not built just for people who drive cars		FB
	It'll be good to extend the bus services to Okara shops.		FB
	The city needs more inner city parking		FB
	Paint the wall bright colours or use green walls		AP

Reyburn House Lane	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Perfect location to start bringing people into the CBD. Quality of design is crucial. It needs to well design and constructed. The design should be distinctive not like the rubbish that gets built in Auckland. Don't settle for the ordinary	5	W
	A great location for apartments. Allow for cafes and reasturants on the ground floor. Ensure that design is top quality and not the same boring stuff you see in Auckland	5	W
	This is the best project in the plan. It council needs to ensure quality design. Why not get a quality developer from Auckland like Ockham to build and heavily discount the cost of land to incentivise them.	5	W
	Yes obvious place to start with apartment/higher density and mixed use. It will be critical that development is guided by the NZ urban design protocol and that urban design panels and technical advisory groups are put in place to guide the quality of this developement. We all know what the outcome could be if left to developers to drive this aspect. Any developement must fit into the larger urban design fabric in terms of connectivity and public space. We have one chance to get it right here. If we don't and the development is not of the highest quality it will all but ruin the city going forward. Again this developement will rely on the larger city and CBD functioning well and being well connected for pedestrians. whoever buys these apartments will want all the amenity the city can offer. Off to a great start with the Hatea Loop.	5	W
	Totally awesome	5	W
	Connectivity is key. Make sure Reyburn House Lane is not a solid wall of buildings - establish laneways and walkways through to the road behind.		W
	We would like to see 2 bedroom apartments built along the Basin and harbour (Port Road) area, it is about time that the Council put the leasehold land in this area over to mixed residential and commercial to liven up an area with great water views. This would keep people in the town area who want to down-size once they retire.		W

Reyburn House Lane	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Very good plan!		FB
	I certainly would be interested. Close to town for all needs supplies( eg groceries)...		FB
	Nope		FB
	Really like..		FB
	Id love this.		FB
	Hi lea does not look to over crowded love RAY		FB
	Yes.		FB
	Perfect!		FB
			FB
	We waiting for this...want one.....		FB
	Great idea		FB
	I have always thought that this area would make an awesome high density residential area, spotted with more cafes, bars and some boutique shops. Great to attract young professionals and even couples downsizing.		FB
	Brilliant, would love to live there.		FB
	Love the idea		FB
	Have already had people asking to buy there		FB
	Long long overdue		FB
	Awesome idea, that area is well suited to it.		FB
	Sounds great if it gets off the ground, would a been even better if they had put in a lock to maintain the high tide level too		FB
	Very nice! As long as the residents don't mind to get flooded		FB
	would the land with the apartments on be part of a lease from council or will this land be sold to the seagull's to develop.		FB
	I love it!! The perfect spot for apartments too.		FB
	Like it		FB
	Great idea, get cracking straight away☺		FB
	I love this idea! Would be such a beautiful place to live		FB
	Brilliant idea!!!		FB
	What a great idea. Will be great to see people living and using this great city space		AP
	Fantastic idea for waterfront apartments		AP

Mixed Use Residential	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	For this to work the CBD needs to be an attractive and safe place to live.	5	W
	Absolutely essential if Whangarei is going to transition from large service town to vibrant 21st century city. Does seem like a good place to start given the immediacy and amenity value of the Hatea Loop and Town Basin. Once other pedestrian connections are made it will open up other areas as highly desirable for high density living (Arts and Culture Precinct....)	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	We would like to see 2 bedroom apartments along the edge of the base of the Basin and harbour. it is about time that the Council free'd up the leasehold land in this area for such development here.	5	W
	I had recently rented a 2 bedroom house and the hunt for this was really frustrating. Whangarei does need some residential apartments available for rentals looking at the pace this city is growing at.	5	W
	The future planning of the mixed use residential areas means this is a proposal that will be available to us when we are looking to possibly purchase our own property. Mixed use residential areas bring sense of community, security, vibrancy and businesses drawn into the centre of the city. When you have the mixture of domestic life brought into the centre, it opens opportunities for everyone, and attracts many to the area. The youth advisory group fully supports this proposal, where developments have been set up and successful for years its time for Whangarei to join them.	5	W
	I believe we need apartment living in central whangarei close to the town basin, I know several people, elderly especially that would jump at the chance to move into an apartment. There is a severe lack of affordable apartment style living in whangarei. I would invest should the opportunity arise, however, the cost of the land (old mitsubishi site & toyota site) & rates cuts out small investors. I myself would enjoy living in such a place, I feel it would add vibrancy to the central city in a way where most apartment dwellers would regularly venture out for dinner or a drink. One of the main reasons I won't drink in town is the drink driving issue since it was dropped from 4 beers approx to one at most 2 and stressing about it.		W
	Whangarei isn't a boutique city. The council needs to concentrate on what we have currently and do that well first. e.g. our roads are disgracefully contracted out to cheap and nasty. Only when our foundations are good should we look to build upon them.		FB
	[In response to Ngaio McGee] council need to get their head out of the clouds and spend on things that are falling apart instead of trying to look 'posh'		FB
	Great to see some innovating ideas from the council! Well designed and well built buildings would be an asset and surely liven up the CBD. re footpaths and buildings needing to be dealt with on going maintenance will always be there and always needing to be attended to.		FB
	If council actively worked on ending leasehold title in tbe cbd then there would be more incentive for property owners to actually invest. Another improvement would be a culture change with the wdc employees. They need to have the attitude of how they help people and businesses o what they want rather than the current enforcement and taxation attitude.		FB
	something has to be done with the CBD and surrounds it is surly dying a slow and painful death as it stands now... What on earth has happened to this lovely town????????????????		FB
Mixed Use Residential	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Good idea, if we're trying to create a vibrant city centre perhaps we should stop sending all our retail out to the suburbs too?		FB
	If done right yes but if done in this market by certain developers then hell no as they end up turning into slums.		FB

Love it! Got keep moving forward not get stuck in the past	FB
Bring it on... We're keen for such a lifestyle ò	FB
Not a good idea. It'll make the centre look tacky. By the way, it'll be nice if the city building gets a coat of modern paint and the foot path really need a waterblast.	FB
Better get the infrastructure sorted beforehand	FB
Bring it on...we are waiting for these apartments !!	FB
Awesome idea as long as it's maintained	FB
Great concept. This will bring vibrancy and interest back to the CBD!	FB
yes please!	FB
Great idea!	FB
Can't wait but may need to win lotto to buy one	FB
Good idea, got to look forward, and it's the way to go	FB
Wouldn't mind living there myself!	FB
I like it. It might liven up the central part of the city again.	FB
Has to happen sometime we can't all live in the suburbs	FB
Fantastic idea.	FB

<b>Bascule Park</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	So many people are using the walkway, it's so great to see! Let's get a really good cafe or juice bar at Bascule park. Make sure this complemented with seating and shade (shade sails or tree planting)	5	W
		5	W
	Would be good to put something here, it seems such a waste at the moment. Also maybe some facilities for camper vans?	5	W
	Maybe develop into a camper van stop-over	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	Make sure there is space for camper vans	3	W
	Move the camper vans out or make the freeloaders pay.	5	W
	Make room for the camper vans and car parking	3	W
	Keep parking for the camper vans	4	W
	Great idea. A cafe and some seating would be excellent and the new toilets look good.	5	W
<b>Bascule Park</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
		3	W
	Maybe some outdoor seating with some weather cover to promote gathering and extend seating for the cafe.	3	W
	Not sure where this is but could be developed .	3	W
		5	W

Whangare 20/20 Momentum: Feedback

This would be great	FB
Kool	FB
Great idea Always see people down there hoping to see the bridge lift up	FB
Sounds like a good plan. Good place for a cafe too	FB
Toilet would be great there	FB
A cafe that is open in the evenings over daylight summer would be great. Don't have it shutting by 5.	FB
Toilet and Cafe, wonderful idea. I like Paul's idea of evening opening as well. Somewhere to meet after work or a walk.	FB
Absolutely great idea!	FB
Brilliant idea	FB
Please not just carprks. Keep a few spaces for the motor caravan assn members.... remember whangarei is a NZMCA friendly city. They spend lots of money	FB
Free car parking though right?!!!	FB
totally needs a cafe down there.And one that stays open for the evening too.Perfect spot.	FB
Brilliant idea let's start the work on it. I agree very few cafe's are happy for you to walk in anytime after 3.30pm. It would be so nice to go down to the basin after work during summer.	FB
What about a wee walkway past /thru an alleyway alongside some of those industrial buildings from the bridge side to the Okara shopping area to another link area people can walk to and from.	FB
Cool idea and would be good to set up a bike hire too	FB
Very good idea I think!	FB
On a different note, so many groups of people do not heed what the sign says about walking on their left, or as a group they don't consider those coming towards them and straddle the whole path,which means you have to continually step off the path to give way	FB

Hatea Drive Parking Facility	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	It would seem to make sense to get carparking off the hugely valuable public space of the town basin. But there are some big issues to get around in terms of traffic management and pedestrian connection to the town basin. Good Luck.		W
	Better to have all the parking in one place rather than spread over the city. Good idea	5	W
Hatea Drive Parking Facility	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Not awesome, we have heaps of parking	1	W
	Yes we probably need more parking	3	W
	Yes more parking is needed	4	W
	Parking buildings are ugly - it should be in a less prominent location - what about vine street	1	W
	Bad idea. We have heaps of parking. That money should be put into	1	W

	5	W
Better parking for the disabled and elderly		W
More parking needed on the city side, eg near the playground.		W
Use technology to assist in the management of on street car parks. See the model used in San Francisco.		W
Is this the site currently occupied by the Honda dealership		NB
[in response Rachael Seymour] hahahahaha or are you serious? I would of thought they would just use the existing carpark across the road.		NB
People moan about walking from that car park already, I think any new parking should be close to the CBD		NB
Better to have multilevel car parking instead of spread out parking		AP
Parking is too expensive - new building should not be a Wilsons		AP
Great to have a multi level parking building - better use of space		AP
Make sure its user pays (pay as you leave)		AP

50m Swimming Pool	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Include a competition standard diving pool	3	W
	Yes, also lets bring back an outdoor pool.	5	W
	Only if it can be privately funded or funded through grants rather than rate payer money	3	W
	Awesome	5	W
	Thank you for including this project in the list of future facilities at the Town Basin, as it is hugely important that it is kept on the radar going forward - a 50m pool that could accomodate deep-water activities such as diving and water polo would be a fantastic addition to the aquatic centre	5	W
	Northland, and particularly Whangarei, is seeing some top competitive swimmers emerging from youth squads, but we are severely hampered by the lack of a 50m facility for training and competition. There is a great potential to attract squads from outside the area for training camps and to hold regional and national competitions - the accommodation proposed for the Basin area would provide an ideal opportunity to exploit this in the same way that the international standard hockey facilities do.	5	W
	Not a priority - we have lots of sporting facilities	2	W
	Would be great	2	W

50m Swimming Pool	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	It would be great to have a pool of this size	5	W
	Not a priority	1	W
		5	W
	metre... we use cambridge spelling in NZ! but I'd love to see a pool with one of those moveable walls so you can have a twenty five metre pool and change it to fifty when required. if we're going to have an olympic sized pool it would be nice to have timing pads on the walls too. for competitions and better time keeping.	4	W

		5	W
	Looking at what originally existed (large outdoor swimming pool) it would be great to have them reinstated with grandstand seating etc.	5	W
	The Whangarei Youth Advisory Group agrees with the planned introduction of the 50m pool and feel it is a long overdue development for our aquatic center, perhaps with a look into a repurpose of funding to initiate this construction sooner than 2026. Whangarei has many fantastic swimmers with many national representatives. The new facility would mean that they are able to train locally to a higher level increasing even further their competitiveness on a world stage, alongside an improvement for all swim clubs, and public swimming ability. A new 50m pool would also allow for the hosting of a competitive carnival drawing swimmers from around the country, the youth advisory also suggests when planning the facilities to include room for spectators, swim clubs, car parking and future expansion with special attention to bus accessibility and bike trails.	5	W
	Brilliant idea !		FB
	Didn't we have a 50m pool that catered for international events??		FB
	that shld of been in the previous plan with the Aquatic centre, if we want international sports and venues, we have 2 make them and promote them and use them.... ntlnd cld be doing way better on nz stage if the ppl in power helped us, then they cld take it 2 the world stage.... some of us want 2 wrk with others 2 better the district, although they feel threatened..... why????		FB
	I think any pools/aquatic facility should be free for all children. Water safety and learning to swim should be a priority. In 2013 pools were made free for all children 16 years in under in Auckland region. Why not here?...		FB
	We like the swimming pool, but needs easier access from CBD		AP

Basin View Accomodation	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	2-3 bedroom apartments available at affordable rent	5	W
	I like the vision and at this stage have no criticism other than constructive. This is for the future and although other needs are present in Whangarei forward planning is necessary. Bear in mind that this is for for	5	W
	Quality design is crucial. Incorporate urban design and sustainable design in to the building	5	W
	Need private development if it's designed well	5	W
	Can't wait to own a riverside apartment		W
	Is this a hotel or an apartment? I think a hotel would be great	3	W

Basin View Accomodation	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
			W
	The waterfront and harbour is a great area to develop with accommodation and restaurants. People need somewhere to go and the setting is lovely.	5	W
	This would be a really good idea, it would be good to get the walkway to follow the shore line rather than on the road.	5	W
	What is an accomodation facility? Is it a hotel or an apartment building.	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	Apartment-style accommodation, possibly with marina berth options, would inject a lot more life into the area.	4	W
	What's an accomodation facility?	4	W

Is this a hotel - if so, great location	4	W
Quality design and architecture is a must.	3	W
Yep - make sure the design is top quality	2	W
	5	W
As soon as more people become city residents the whole culture will change for the better.	5	W
Why not....if it brings decent accommodation to the city		FB
what is a "privately funded riverside accommodation facility"?		FB
[in repsonse to Ngaio McGeeA hotel! Lol at the "officialese"		FB

Whangarei Aquatic Centre	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	My kids use this all the time. An outdoor pool would be good for the summer.	5	W
	A great community facility that is very well used	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	This is a great facility that seems to have been largely ignored in the Town Basin planning. Its exterior looks tired, signposting for visitors is minimal and its location at the entrance to the Hatea River track and Parihaka Walks is underutilised. I would like to see it incorporated more into track network as a mini 'i-site', providing information to visitors on trails, points of interest and other local attractions. The facility already has a very good cafe and shower or soak options for visitors returning from run/walks.	5	W
	Nice facility, we use this alot	4	W
	Use it all the time - it has a good pool and gym	4	W
	A great asset for the city	4	W
	Good facility	2	W
	this is a great facility but it needs a facelift - the outside looks tired, as do the changing facilities.	5	W
		5	W

Te Matau a Pohe	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
		5	W
	This is a landmark. It's not just a bridge it's an iconic structure which connects our city.	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	One the best bridges in the world	5	W
	Iconic bridge	5	W
	Amazing bridge, just need to sort out the lights	5	W
	Excellent project	5	W
		5	W
		5	W
	Whangarei doesn't have many gardens. The area around the bridge would be a great site for a themed garden with design contributions from different ethnic groups in the community. It could also include a meditative garden with a Labyrinth based on the one in Chartres (France)	3	W

Hatea Loop	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Best thing to happen to Whangarei in years	5	W
	More lighting by the old bmx track, distance markers either on the path or on posts. Perhaps kinetic path tiles that generate electricity for lighting	5	W
	Would love to have large trees planted along the walkway were ever possible. The more the better. Especially on the island part thats open and bare.	5	W
		5	W
	Absolutely brilliant. A prime example of what WDC should be doing in terms of public space and urban design infrastructure. Providing this level of connectivity and amenity all but ensures further future (commercial) investment in this area, which frees WDC of this burden. It is no white elephant or folly because it is so usable and its amenity value so high. Please for Gods sake apply this same approach to other areas of the city starting with connection of the arts/culture precinct to CBD to waterfront.	5	W
		5	W
	Widening of the pavement on Riverside Drive side is very necessary to make it safe for strollers and children - at times there are so many people using the loop that some of the footpaths near the road are extremely dangerous.	5	W
		5	W
	I use it all the time - some more places to sit and shade sails would be good	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
Hatea Loop	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	The Hatea Loop has been a success in getting people out and about and enjoying the fresh air. The fact that it is flat makes it much more appealing for cycling, running, walking etc. Addition would be more planting of trees with the future in mind on the Pohe Island side so that in the summer heat there would be shade for both the exercising and picnicking.	4	W
		4	W
		5	W
	Use it all the time. More seats would be nice	5	W
	Use this several times a week.	5	W
	One of the best council projects of the last 10 years	5	W
	I walk this everyday. Such a great project.	4	W
	Great project	5	W

	There are some pinch points on the loop that are less than 2.5m and they need to be widened. Particularly the wooden boardwalk just behind the kids playground. This is the most used part of the track & is also the narrowest. I use the loop for training runs (10 laps = a marathon) but Pohe Island section is a bit of a trip hazard at night due to lack of lighting. This shortfall reduces it's amenity value during the winter.	5	W
	The WDC Youth Advisory Group love the current Hatea loop. It provides youth with a more efficient way to travel around the town basin/Pohe island, and is a good place to chill. Furthermore, with the new multigenerational exercise equipment, it is an awesome place for those looking to work out in the holiday season when they don't have gym membership or equipment at home. However, it does need a bit more development to be more inviting to youth. Don't get us wrong, what has been done so far is refreshing, but we wouldn't mind more benches, tables and other enmities around the Hatea loop. One idea that was brought up was a drinking fountain. Nevertheless, the Hatea loop is approved the WDC Youth Advisory Group.	5	W
		5	W
	I like walking my dog around the loop but would love to see showers there so I could go for a run on my lunchbreak and shower before going back to work.	4	W
		5	W
	This is unbelievably popular and risks becoming crowded. I use it once a week.	5	W
	I am walking the Loop everyday. Visitors mentiond the other day that it would be great to have a mini golf course there. I think thats a great idea considering there is non in Whangarei (not outdoors)	5	W
	I usually walk the loop a couple of times a week. I think it's a fantastic beginning to the revitalisation of the city centre. It's the perfect platform to showcase the local identity of the area and a great reason for visitors to stop and enjoy Whangarei.	5	W
	I like this idea and would like to see more trees.	5	W
	I've heard complaints that it's too narrow, and I agree. But instead of widening it, why not add a second bit to that length near Reyburn House - a curvy path for cyclists that winds around existing trees etc. Leaving the straighter route for pedestrians and pushchairs and wheelchairs. I also think adding child-centred short activities (e.g. a little sandpit or an interesting activity) next to each of the exercise machines would mean mothers could exercise while their children had something to keep them busy.	5	W
Hatea Loop	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	I use the loop about 3 times a week. It is a great walk. It would be nice to have more gardens around the bridge area. Different ethnic groups in the community could contribute ideas for themes	2	W
	Shade! The loop is a great idea but it is sadly lacking in shade around the sculpture trail part especially. it would be fantastic to have more. also, a playground better equipped for under 5s would be amazing.	4	W
	One or two of these grazing on parkland around the look would brighten things up:)		NB
			NB
	[in response to Terrie Aldred] People would see this and think they were hallucinating		NB
	[in response to Terrie Aldred] Certainly would brighten things up, Terrie		NB
	Yes security guard so we can activity safely		NB

	We really need some comfortable seats, like the old time park benches that have a profile that fits the body. While fancy modern seats that look like seagulls or benches with no back to them may look nice and be great for kids to play on, they can not be called comfortable. We are all getting older and if lucky enough will reach the age where we need to sit, take in the view of children and other people enjoying the park (I have). We can only do that when we are comfortable.	NB
	Agree. Some park benches would be great!	NB
	Fix the pollution, footpaths and roads before enhancement as nice as it is, you should know fix the basics first, enhancement doesnt fix a lifetime of pain with the useless fractured bones caused by dangerous footpaths	NB
	I have been walking to tiki from my place recently Carol. The way the footpath is set up with two lots of plants - trees in between the golf course and foot path and shrubs between the road and the footpath. Cars whizz by there all hours of the day. I dont smell exhaust fumes or anything. Whatever plants they are, theyre super effective. And maybe a type of rubber matting to cushion falls? A way to recycle used car tyres would be awesome	NB
	I've seen a lot of people making use of the fitness centres along the Loop Walkway. All age groups too. They seem to be a hit with the public. \o/	NB
	More gardens would be nice. I envisage an area for reflection with a Labyrinth like the one in Chartres. Different ethnic groups could suggest themes for the garden (cf Hamilton) And definitely more art works	NB
	[In response to Bev Smith] Gardens would certainly brighten the area up, until the vandals go out to play. Saying that the rose gardens and laurie haldo not appearcto have many problem Ms with vandals.	NB
	Id love to have a mini golf at the loop	NB
	[In response to Lyn Rhodin] Me too	NB

<b>Hatea Loop</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	A clear viewing platform over the top of the water so you can see the fish underneath?		NB
	Wouldn't a small business of glass bottom boats be a great idea for the area too. Love the one at Leigh. :)		NB
	What about a hedge maze? The old one at Otaika Park was cool when I was a kid		NB
	Would be great to plant out in fruit trees - Mentioned this to a Councillor some time ago and she also thought it was a good idea and was going to bring it up in Council - Not sure whether she did or not? Would provide shade in the summer and with a lot of fruit trees being deciduous would open it up in the winter. Yes people would help themselves to the fruit but isn't that a good thing - kids/adults eating something healthy whilst they exercise? Would just have to keep the vandals out!!!		NB
	love the loop walkway - make it longer		AP
	Everybody loves the loop walkway		AP
	has provded health benefits to citizen		AP
	widen loop walway to at least national standard		AP
	lights for the loop!		AP

<b>Kotuitui Whitinga</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
		5	W
	Great design	5	W
	Awesome	5	W

Looks great a night	4	W
A stunning bridge	5	W
Great project	5	W
The WDC Youth Advisory Group likes the Kotuitui Whitinga Bridge . It looks great, is wide enough for both pedestrians and cyclists and for youth it saves time cutting from the town basin to say toll stadium while also having a scenic route. What we would change is after exiting the bridge on the okara side is have a path that goes straight to the Okara shopping centre, not having a long unnecessary detour around it.	4	W
	5	W

Canopy Bridge	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Have bean bags & deck chairs that someone puts out & watches so it's not stolen. Like at Wynyard Quarter in Aucks	3	W
		5	W
	The White Plate dinner and the artesian market are just great	4	W

Canopy Bridge	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Awesome	5	W
		4	W
	Another nice bridge	4	W
	Great project	5	W
		5	W

Hundertwasser Wairau Maori Art Centre	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Make the Hundterwasser is complemented by high quality landscaping. Ease of access by foot and bike should be the priority not cars.	5	W
	A sculpture park next to Hundterwasser and an outdoor performing arts facility.		W
	This will be the best thing to happen for a positive future in Whangarei. Can't wait!	5	W
	This is a 'game changer'. It will attract visitors and in turn new businesses grow and the city will be transformed	5	W
	This is such a great project. Such a shame Councillors didn't support it and now a charity has to organise and fundraise	5	W
	Yes to Hundertwasser	5	W
	This will be a game changer and put Whangarei on the map. Let's support it.	4	W
	We need this project. Councillors should stop the bickering and in fighting and get behind a project which will change the city for the better. Shame on the councillors who are trying to road block this for there own political gain and ego.	5	W
	Think this is a must for Whangarei		AP

Hihiaua Cultural Centre	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Would like to see it as soon as possible its been a longtime coming and looks fantastic.	5	W
	From a youth perspective, I believe the Hihiaua Cultural Centre can become a hub of cultural enlightenment for all youth. It is important that the next generation understands the cultural history of Whangarei and use cultural traditions in a way that may better our future. I believe this project can have a huge positive impact on our community as opposed to purely being a tourist attraction. This cultural hub could be a great hang out spot for youth if it possibly provides entertainment, food and educational cultural experiences. With it's prime position on Hihiaua Peninsula at the side of a popular stretch of the Hatea Loop, it is in an efficient place for the youth to embrace diversity.	5	W
	Will compliment Hundertwasser and is long overdue	5	W
	This could be an amazing asset for the city. Make sure the design is striking. How bout a tall building or structure.	5	W
	Another great project that Council should be supporting	5	W
	Seems like it would complement Hundertwasser well	4	W
	This is more important than Hundertwasser as it speaks more to our culture and heritage.	5	W
	This is another game changer that Council should be doing much more to support.	5	W
Whangarei Art Museum	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	You would easily miss it if you didn't know it was tucked behind the I-site. It should have a dedicated building on the waterfront.	3	W
	Great exhibitions but so hard to find behind the isite! How can an amazing space not have a proper entrance? Badly designed and needs a separate entrance	4	W
	Great gallery but needs a better location that's more prominent	5	W
	A great space that should be better promoted	5	W
	Great gallery but needs better promotion	4	W
	Great space, but more should be done to promote it.	5	W
Riverbank Theatre	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	I really enjoy going to the theatre here, but it could do with a coat of paint.	4	W
	Nice theatre but could do with being promoted better	4	W
	Nice venue but needs updating	3	W
	Needs a refresh and better advertising	2	W
	Great little venue	3	W
Claphams Clock Museum	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)

	Needs better advertising and more prominent branding.	3	W
	It's ok, but it's a shame it has such a prominent position	3	W
	Only good for those who like clocks	2	W
	I don't like clocks enough to visit a museum about them.	1	W
	Shame it is in such a prominent position - this would be a much better as an art gallery	2	W
	My Grandmother had clocks there donkeys years ago. Must be still there		FB
	I last went their in 97, for my 7th Form tourism class		FB
	I really enjoy the clock museum. It's a great place to take visitors. Art museums often have exhibitions of items borrowed from other museums. Perhaps something like this can be considered?		NB

Reyburn House	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Beautiful building and in such good condition. Bravo to those who maintain it.	5	W
	Great gallery but needs a better location that's more prominent	5	W
	Beautiful building	3	W

Reyburn House	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Wonderful space	4	W
	Looks good	2	W

Heritage Art Walk	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	It would be good to expand the walk around the city	3	W
	A nice walk but needs better promotion	3	W
	Lovely walk	4	W
	There should be space for temporary exhibitions of sculpture and art, so it is constantly changing to interest regular visitors	5	W
	The walk should be extended and better promoted	4	W

Expanded Growers Market	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Open the Forum North toilets when the Grower's Market is on. Paint a whopping great mural involving vegetables on the railway overbridge on the Walton Street side so that people at the bus station have a hint that it's there just around the corner and so that it's a welcome banner for people coming in to town on that side. Sort the cleaning of the bus station toilets out - there's no soap. There's toilet paper stuck to the ceiling that has been stuck to the ceiling for at least a year. There's a whiteboard for writing when it was last cleaned that is never written on.	5	W

I would like to see the market open later, until lunchtime, as people who are not very well cannot often get there early. I love Farmers Markets and Dunedin's one was open until lunchtime. It was great and crowded with people	5	W
Looks great. I really like the shipping container. Maybe some more places to sit would be good	5	W
I see that the former Shell service station has gone but the market hasn't yet expanded. Just more car parking that the Saturday Morning Parking Nazi's ensure is always kept empty. When are the containers coming?	5	W
The expansion of the Growers market through removal of the service station allows more variation in the products sold to be introduced, and increased competitiveness which bring positive outcomes for everyone. By expanding the Market further up Water Street it provides better connection to the Botanical Gardens which is a lovely space that is under utilised and subsequently the youth Space can be more incorporated into the of the event.	5	W
Start the growers market at 9am instead of 6am		AP
Provide a cover for markets which gives a permanent base, will still enable parking and other uses. Like they do in Europe		AP
Later finish for the growers market		AP

<b>Emerald Necklace</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	Increase emphasis on cycling is just great. Look at what is happening in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch - cycle ways and cycle lanes are popping up everywhere. You need to ensure the cycle way is wide enough to accomodate cyclists and pedestrians going in both directions - maybe use painted lines to seperate left and right lanes. Good lighting so it feels safe and secure. This will be a great success.	5	W
	This is a wonderful idea. I love the idea of a green town belt and although this is slightly different, it's still great. We should have as much green maintained as possible and in a continuous line. Overhanging trees are great as looking up through them to the sky is beneficial to people's inner well-being.	5	W
	Fantastic idea. Make sure it feels safe or no one will use it	5	W
	Can't come soon enough. Whangarei is in a unique position with it's criss-cross network of streams to use them as off-road connectors for pedestrians & people on bikes. Unfortunately I feel that 'paralysis by analysis' will continue to maintain it's grip and nothing will actually happen except more talk.	5	W
	The youth Advisory Group would like to support the plan for the 'Emeralds Necklace' walkways to be connected around the less urbanised areas of our city. Encouraging physical recreation across the youth sector is an important focus if we want to make sure the future populations are healthy. This is now more convenient and cheaper option for those not able to pay gym membership. Having accessible walkways that provide a pleasurable experience and a free recreation facility will encourage all demographics, including youth, to exercise.	4	W
	The Loop needs branches to other Cycle/Walkways so it can act as a hub for several suburban spokes. I know that the Onerahi Beach section along Riverside is underway but what about the planned Kamo route following the rail line? It absolutely must connect to Hatea Loop. What about using Vinery Lane & Laurie Hall park as a conduit? We also need to get to the Growers market from Hatea Loop. The Northern side of Raumanga Stream is the obvious solution. Lets move it up the priority list and just make it happen! The emerald necklace & Green/Blue projects have been waffle-filled talkfest's for decades. We all know esplanade reserve cycle/walkways are iconic people pleasers so let's get on with it! Less 'studies' more action!		W
	Just get these ones begun and new ideas can flow from there		W

	Brilliant idea !		FB
	Looks very pretty.. great initiatives!		FB
	I think it is great. good to see more cycle/walkways around the city away from traffic fumes.		FB
	I think it looks awesome,keep up the good work.		FB
	Awesome Whangarei : Love it Here make us NZ most livable city. Catch you latter Auckland		FB
	Great idea, but the riverside area needs to be more maintenance free and flood protected than illustrated. What about more trees and less ground cover for sun shading and stone/concrete for erosion protection. Would be nice to see sculptural pieces along the way too!		FB
	What happens it winter when it floods?		FB
	Like it		FB
<b>Emerald Necklace</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	Yeah great, except..... that stream is nothing like what is illustrated, and it floods horrendously at times. Not sure what vegetation would be "appropriate" but stream banks are notorious for growing weeds whose seeds have washed down from further upstream.		FB
	This is really great news. I'm excited that Whangarei is finally growing up & becoming a much more sophisticated city.		FB
	Yep I like too!		FB
	Love it		FB
	I like it		FB
	Great idea.		FB
	Wonderful idea and starting to look great, stay with it!		FB
	Have to do it. Looks gr8		FB
	Great initiative.		FB
	Please get on with this, it will be a great improvement		FB
	Awesome!		FB
	Just Do it!!		FB
	Will look awesome and create an area people will go to enjoy as apposed to avoid		FB
	Like it		FB
	Looks great about time Whangarei did something in that area		FB
	[In response to Jennifer Buckley] Yeah I agree!		FB
	Thanks for creating a beautiful town.		FB
	Great idea! Do it!		FB
	Beautiful		FB
	Fantastic.		FB
	Great initiative and one we strongly support		NB
	[In response to Tony Climie] Yes, it sounds good, doesn't it.		NB

I really enjoy walking along the pathway in Raumanga, more walkways like this will encourage people to walk instead of using cars. It is also a good way to meet people in your neighbourhood.	NB
I noticed that they have put in some new plants along the river edge near bed bath and beyond, will be very interesting when they upgrade the area near the growers market	NB
Ensure better wayfinding and maps	AP
Improve water quality and remove graffiti and rubbish	AP

Old Boys Large Format Retail	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Out of town big box retail will completely undermine your objectives for CBD regeneration. This draw all the big retail stores from the CBD leaving dollar stores. Why are repeating the mistakes of the past - Okara is a terrible development. Rezone Old boys for a business or commercial use to accomodate industry which will be displaced at Hihiaua.	1	W
	Bad idea. Why do you want shops to move out of the city centre? There are so many empty shops, this will just make things worse. I bet you Farmers will go there and that will be the death of the CBD	1	W
	Nothing.	1	W
	Terrible idea.	1	W
	This always was a dumb idea. Thank god the Environment court saved us from this epic stuff-up of council planning.	1	W
	I like the idea for the refreshment of the Dent St. and nearby to include accommodation. Absolutely forget about the retail developing of the Old Boys site, that will serve only to take further business away from the CBD, and create another area that will need to be driven to. With three of our largest motor dealers moved/moving to Porowini Ave we have major space available for redevelopment, right adjacent to the CBD.		W
	Don't use parks for private development. It should be for the whole community		AP

Parihaka Interpretive Centre	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Not sure what this is - more information please	1	W
	Toilets at the top of Parihaka with water fountain		AP

Glassworks Promenade	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	A safe place for families to spend the day and are able to swim and were they can do so for free or possibly very cheap so it is an option for all families.	5	W
	Nice idea - but there are so many beautiful beaches in the district why would anyone want to visit a fake one!	2	W
	Yes		FB
	With better water quality. Good draw card.		FB
	Would be great. Especially for wheelchair access.		FB
	Wow love it		FB

	Mean		FB
	Love the idea well done WDC		FB
	Heck yes with a good little ramp for easy launching of kayaks etc		FB
	Great idea...		FB
<b>Glassworks Promenade</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	Awesome idea		FB
	Love the idea!!		FB
	Would be great, ideally a lock and weir system for boats would have made it even better maintaining the water level		FB
	Very good idea!		FB
	I'd love to see the park area around the bridge turned into a botanical garden too. Something like the Hamilton gardens ..a work in progress.		FB

<b>Northland Events Centre</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	Fritter fest is great. More outdoor music gigs please	4	W
	We were SOLD this project that it was to be a "Multi Events Centre" back in the days of approvals going through. During an invited tour at 2.00pm on Monday 15th February 2010, by the then NRC Chairman, Mark Farnsworth and the then CEO Ken Patterson and 10-12 invited guests (as they called us 'Stirrers' to explain the functions of the centre to) and were told it was for a range of events....Opera, Indoor Bowls, Gymnastics, Soccer, Rugby League, Rugby, Field Hockey, Concerts, Shows, Musicals plus other events and even the Saturday Morning Markets could be held out of the weather under the stands. Well guess what????? We were told BS just to get it happening. A number of those present are not unfortunately around now but an ex WDC councillor was also present who I am sure would verify my comments with others who made that visit.		FB
	All I see in this plan is building bigger, more and flashier when what we already have isn't even used. It's just making a town look better with nothing underneath. I can't get my head around it, how stupid are the people putting this in place? Any why is there no talk about the water quality of our harbor and river. Our markets are one of our biggest assets to our town I think, that and our environment, we could make a huge deal of it like Matakana. We could be a a real eco conscious town and be looked up to for inspiration for other cities, we have the potential to do that right now, better yet 10 years ago but what have we done? Built bridges, planted some shrubs to make the area look pretty and built stadiums that don't get used, have buildings that don't get used to their potential and want to build more to be used for the same reason?		FB
	I see nothing in the 20/20 Momentum plans for a healthy bank account.		FB

<b>Pohe Island Enhanced Sports Fields and Facilities</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)</b>	<b>Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&amp;P Show)</b>
	Having the facilities close to town would be great. Make sure the design is interesting and unique to add interest to Pohe which at the moment looks rather bleak. I do think that this should not just be about rugby. Can we have other sports provided for.	4	W

Pohe Island Enhanced Sports Fields and Facilities	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Awesome	5	W
	this whole area could be an amazing park, not just a pathway, what measures have you put in place for mitigating noise issues, and light pollution issue, 8 fields of young people playing rugby is going to be very loud, people do live in Parihaka, noise travels up!		W
	The attention to the William Fraser Park shown by council is fantastic as it is level land in prime area, coupled with the proposed increase in paved trails this site is fantastic for future development. The Introduction of enhanced sports facilities - the field and cycling track ensure that developments are being made to attract users and improve the area catering to all groups within society, Drawing people in for Saturday sports and a walk around the loop finishing with a purchase from local businesses. Because of its location in Future it may make reasonable land for Hotel/Lodge Facilities with its easy connections to the city, walkways and water.	5	W
	Flying fox		AP

Pohe Island - Whangarei Activity Centre	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	I think the grass area around Pohe Island & around the dog park should be developed into a mountain bike track that can be used by all age groups from young children to adults. The track could wind around the open space including around the trees etc, and could include jumps/hills and challenges with options for both beginner and more experienced riders. This would be a great way to use that space and and easily accessible. A great way to promote cycling as there are not many places to bike that are centrally located and safe areas for kids away from traffic.	5	W
	A cycle way just for kids - like the one in North Shore Auckland would be great	4	W
	Include an area for kids who have just learnt to ride or are in the process of learning.	4	W
	Totally awesome - include a facility for young kids learning to ride.	5	W
	Yes!		FB
	Definitely a cycle way.		FB
	I wonder if the BMX track can be upgraded -possible assistance from the council ?, to meet national / international standards. Similar track upgrade was done in Havelock North Hawkes Bay, awesome venue now, getting a lot of use. Just a thought.		NB
	Would this be a good place to build a 5 star hotel?		NB
	Yes, I had heard that Butchers were selling Kingsgate and they had a possible buyer. One proposed site for a new hotel is on the opposite side of road and about 400m town ward from where Stumpies is. There is a slipway and hardstand for boat repairs and a ship chandler onsite. I suppose all that would be demolished to make way for the new hotel. I've always wondered if it was a freehold site or leased. And there is another site closer to town opposite Punga Grove Drive, where Busck Cement use to be, that is earmarked for redevelopment.		NB
	Expand the BMX trail		AP

Pohe Island - Expanded Path/Trail	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Make sure they are safe and well lit. Will there be CCTV cameras.	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	Need more seating and picnic tables		W
	Public horse riding trails		AP

Pohe Island - Expanded Planting	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Make sure it is all native planting and provide for habitats for native bird life. Include information signs about the various plant species .	5	W
	Make sure it is native plants and thought is given to fauna habitats	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	Continuing on from the comment on the Hatea Loop in general, the WDC Youth Advisory Group strongly supports the current proposal to beef up the amenities and facilities around Pohe island and the Hatea loop. While the transformational infrastructure (ie. the foot paths) are great, around Pohe island it's lacking the amenities and facilities that would spice up it up and bring the life that council and residence wish to see. In particular, the parkour/free-running activity zone is strongly recommended by the youth advisory group. On top of being an excellent way to have fun and workout, the parkour activity zone will show Whangarei Youth that the council are listening and do care about its youth about it wants in regards to recreation. It is this reason why the WDC Youth Advisory Group strongly recommend that council prioritises this project, and also allocates sufficient funding such that complementary and essential amenities like drinking fountains and toilets can accompany this great project. We the WDC Youth Advisory Group believe that this is a great way to get Youth of Whangarei of the couch, into the city and be active.	5	W
	Sounds great, definitely needs more native plants. What plans are in place for improving the water quality of the harbour and river? Wouldn't it be wonderful to proudly be one of the few places in NZ to have a pollution free river. Should definitely come before bigger flashier buildings.		FB
	Yup intensive planting on full perimeter...a must to stop leaching from the old dump. Perhaps trees that are deep rooting....Is coming along real nice!!		FB
	yeah any 2 help native species bird life		FB
	The gardens could also include space for a small cafe or food outlet		W
	The gardens could include a small cafe and also an area for reflection like a Labyrinth based on the one in Chartres (France)		W
	Make sure its native planting with habitat for native birds		AP
	Pohe Island going well. Needs open spaces with stategic low level planting		AP

Pohe Island - Hatea Loop Corridor	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	I would like to see something along the lines of the Hamilton gardens where there are some lovely gardens and seating areas for contemplation. Different 'themes' tying in with the gardens allowing for a place to 'chill out'	4	W
	Include some art installations for visual interest. What about a sensory garden for the blind and visually impaired.	5	W
	Awesome	5	W
	Extending walkways along the harbour		W
	Have move art and sculpture around the walkway. It would be nice to see more lighting and litter bins.		W
	I would love to see public showers on the Hatea Loop		W
	Imagine if the river was clean enough to swim in! Will that ever be a reality for Whangarei? My kids would go crazy over a parkour area, they just mentioned that the other day!		NB
	My kids will love the parkour area. Maybe have some first aid kits at the ready though!		NB
	Would love to see showers so I could have one after a lunchtime run...		NB
	Easy access to water for launching kayaks please		NB
	Floating markets		NB
	Safer walkways		AP
	maori educational history panels		AP
	coffee cart and seats		AP
	More seats please		AP

Pohe Island Pop-up Retail and Activity Space	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	I would love to see something similar to the 'Friday night Food Trucks that they have in Christchurch - From 4pm - 9pm every Friday over summer the Square is humming with entertainment and delicious food choices from local food trucks. . <a href="http://www.futurechristchurch.co.nz/ever-evolving/foodtrucks">http://www.futurechristchurch.co.nz/ever-evolving/foodtrucks</a> . Similar too to the Auckland Night markets run in shopping centre carparks across Auckland - and developing somewhat of a cult status: <a href="http://www.aucklandnightmarket.co.nz/anmhome/">http://www.aucklandnightmarket.co.nz/anmhome/</a>	5	W
	More youth activities like extend skate park, parkour, flying fox etc. Not too many buildings or private development eg. mini golf. Keep green open space	5	W
	Cycling skills development on pohe island	5	W
	Coffee and a juice stand please!!!	3	W
	Retail in terms of cafes and food rather than goods for sale.	5	W
	Awesome	5	W

Pohe Island Pop-up Retail and Activity Space	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
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The Hatea Loop and Pohe Island Reserve is a fantastic asset for Whangarei. In 2014 I competed on Lagoa de Rodriguez in Rio and was impressed with the loop walk they had around the lake, where exercise stations and small, complementary business were dotted all around the track. The track was in constant use and we were really impressed with the sense of community engendered. It is great to see the same idea take shape here. The complementary businesses on this loop should be marketed as a cluster, rather than each one having to 'go it alone'. While there needs to be a main attraction to pull visitors to the area, these will be vital for the ambience. It would be good to include a water-based cluster that would extend the existing harbour cruises and pedaloos.	5	W
It would be nice if there was a cafe with fair trade organic coffee and tea	3	W
Great idea!	5	W
Make sure it's small scale	3	W
It's nice at the moment with no retail or commercial activities why not keep it that way	3	W
Retail should be kept to a minimum.	2	W
	3	W
id love to see botanical gardens similar to tge hamilton gardens... a work in progress with ideas from the public like a maori themed garden, sub tropic garden, contemporary, hundertwasser etc. reflecting whangareis uniqueness.		W
I think there is a danger of putting too much 'stuff' along the Hatea loop. Leave the area east of Te mate a pohe bridge fairly wild, as it is. There are larks and other creatures around which adds to the pleasure. I would rather not have the feeling of a city next to the river while I walk. Also I feel there is a danger of too much activity on the loop. It is so popular already that when you add bikes etc, it may become too crowded. Already we have to step aside when cyclists ring their bells.		W
	5	W
I would love to see a mini golf course on the loop		W
It would be great to see an area designated for informal events like night food markets, daytime local food 'long lunches' and music or cultural events.	5	W
Plant shade trees and shrubs, but not palms please.	5	W
There is only excitement at the prospect of increased movement in an already bustling jewel. Small pop-up shops give a creative boutique vibe giving opportunity to all who take part. Retailers should be selected as fair, attractive stores that are about the contribution to community and the walkway as well as profit. The stores will offer options to users of the walkway, tourists and general public, we as the youth Advisory group can only see positive potential in this expected proposal.	5	W
More seating and sheltered places to relax.		W
Picnic areas and a cafe or two on the islans section		W
Less mangroves, more timber decks over the water with picnic tables especially close to where the cafes will be		W
Food stalls with night markets		AP

Pohe Island - New Project Ideas	Comment	Website Rating (1 Bad - 5 Good)	Format (W = Website, FB = Facebook, NB = Neighbourly, AP = A&P Show)
	Generally good - need to provide heaps of seating and picnic tables that are in the shade. Why are the toilets in such a stupid location!		W
	Put more exercise stations around the walking track. and near the kids playground at town basin so parents can exercise while watching the kids play.		W

	<p>Please refer to previous feedback on ideas for commercial activities on Pohe Island. There is a real opportunity to showcase this area in terms of bioremediation of the previous landfill site. This would work well with the passive recreation aspects and also put the area on the map environmentally.</p>	W
	<p>A large distinctive piece of art on the waterfront of Pohe Island</p>	W
	<p>This could be a great park for all of Whangarei residents to use, as it is the pathway is being used extensively, why not expand on the theme planting trees and gardens, making it a family friendly place, not just scrub land, we do not need more rugby fields.</p>	W
	<p>Better signage, more seats, better lighting, restriction of alcohol</p>	W
	<p>It's obvious The Loop has been a wonderful success which is great to see. This can be seen by the number of people making use of it during the week and on weekends. What is even better to see is that its people of all ages. Families make up a good part of those using it which is fantastic, however apart from a playground at the town basin, I often wonder what other things there are for families to do when walking or running the Loop. One thing that comes to mind when running past the large open and massively underutilised grass space as you come off the Kotuitui Whitinga bridge. The area has huge potential to offer a range of different family areas from BBQ facilities, Large water fountain, like Mission Bay Auckland. What would really be unique would be to have a 18/36 hole mini golf course. These always prove popular with families and in a location as such with large foot traffic and a great view I'm sure would prove a hit. The area could also be used for growers market as they get bigger and look to expand. An outdoor stage, like Napier could also be an idea as the theatre company could make good use of in the summer months and do shows as people are using the Loop.</p>	W
	<p>A Cafe would be great, maybe a Garden-Cafe could be included in the mini golf place.</p>	W
	<p>The area next to where the house boats were for many years. Between the dog park and around the back of the dog park I would suggest that it is planted in suitable native plants and possibly some from our off shore islands. I would like to see it as a symbolic link between the precious flora and fauna of the Hen and Chicks linking with the work being done at the Whangarei Heads and up the coast by landcare groups, the restoration of Matakoho/Limestone Island and then up the harbour linking through to Pukenui the Western Hills project. Colourful interpretation could explain the projects and the national significance of the Hen and Chicks and the work being done with kiwi, lizards, grey faced petrels, threatened plants etc by numerous community groups. There may be a more suitable location but I suspect the capping may be an issue with planting. Plantings could include suitable species of kowhai and other trees for visiting birds as well as enhancing the landscape. I would like to see a Maori waka suitable for passengers taking visitors from the Town Basin to Matakoho/Limestone Island as a commercial venture. It would be a point of difference for Whangarei and an opportunity to explain the Maori stories of the surrounding area.</p>	W

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<b>New Marina/Yaught facilities</b>			
	<p>More seating is needed with shade. Incorporate better lighting around the basin to encourage people to go there at night Maybe expand the marina to south of the bridge. Provide facilities for yaughties like showers, accommodation etc</p>		W
	<p>Jetty! Where are the jetties so we can get onto the river &amp; interact with river bases activities. Remove mangroves from reybourn house to artpark</p>		W
	<p>Another marina</p>		W

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<b>Art and City of Colour</b>			
	The should be more interactive art and more temporary sculpture/out door art		W
	Better promotion and advertising. Create a longer walk that links to quarry art centre.		W
	More art and public place and less parking.		W
	Expand the marina to other side of the bridge. Improve water quality.		W
	More public art and colour in the city		W
	Butter factory lane could be so cool. Jazz if up with colourful lighting - artwork on the walls and paint the Tarmac. It's got so much potential for a small amount of dollars		W
	More street art and the ability for the community to have more ownership over the CBD		W
<b>Nighttime Economy</b>			
	Night markets/food trucks on night a week - to reclaim the space and area (especially in the summer evenings, nights). Something similar to Darwin's iconic Mindil beach markets perhaps - where people come to claim their evening space, g buy dinner from one of the stalls then come back to sit, eat and watch the sunset - with entertainment, market stalls, etc - <a href="http://www.mindil.com.au/">http://www.mindil.com.au/</a>		W
	Every time I walk round the loop I think about how the boatsheds at the canopy bridge end of Riverside Drive could be developed into restaurants/cafes like the upgraded boatshed precinct in Napier. The whole Town Basin area needs more restaurants to develop a better night time economy.		W
	Bring the markets to the CBD. Have night markets in the lower CBD.		W
<b>Toursim</b>			
	I would like to see an extension to the cultural tourism currently available only on request, including waka tours of the Hatea River to Matakohe during the summer season, taking in the historical points of interest, while giving practical instruction on paddling and waka construction.		W
	Hotel accomodation on the waterfront		W
	What about a second tourist information centre in the CBD to help connectivity with the Town Basin		W
	Focus on encourage more interesting small scale stuff in the CBD like cafes and museums and galleries - council could use some of its own buildings. What about a new hotel and civic square down by Dent st		W
	Every school and community should have a swimming pool		AP
	Good to see further development of the Parkard Museum		AP
	Better promotion and advertising. Create a longer walk that links to quarry art centre.		W
<b>Retirement Village</b>			
	What about an retirement village in the city centre so we have people of all ages enjoying urban living		W
	A retirement village would be great. There is huge demand - my mother is on a long waiting list for place. Imagine a retirement village next to the basin, how fantastic.		W
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<b>University</b>			
	Get a Northtec campus on the old Toyota site		W
<b>Urban Design</b>			
	Design quality is paramount		W
	Solar panels and green walls, more electric charge points. Let's be New Zealand first sustainable city!		W
<b>Walking/Cycle Connectivity</b>			
	The biggest issue is connectivity with the Town Basin. The only meaningful way to address this is to reduce the traffic flow on Dent St and drop to 2 lanes of traffic. Then put in place welcoming and safe crossings with extended crossing times.		W
<b>Connectivity</b>			

	Close Dent St. It's the biggest problem for connecting the CBD to the Basin. An air bridge will cost a fortune and look crap. Give the people who walk the priority here not cars. Why on earth do you need 5 lanes of road, when most of the time it is completely empty!		W
	More way find maps to help be find there way around. So many tourists get lost and end up walking through run down parts of the city. More cycle lanes and bicycle storage.		W
	The intersection of Bank St and Rust Ave/Cameron St is a key pedestrian node (connection). I would love to see this developed as such. Lower Bank St in general is under utilised.		W
	1) Make Bank St a shared space between Rust and Vine St (except for buses). This would make it easier for pedestrians to get between the CBD and Forum North and the library, and would encourage people to use the Civic Arcade more, helping the shops there. There exist alternative automotive routes for people traveling across town.  2) Make the most of the new Hatea Loop footpath. This is fantastic and very popular, but the old footpath along Riverside Drive is narrow, bumpy, and tatty. Now that the new bridge is open, make the vehicle lane closest the river along the four-lane section of this road into a wider footpath and cycleway.		W
	It seems like there is nothing to attract people to that area. It is not attractive, too many no-hopers use it as a place to hang out and the town basin is more attractive and pleasant. Maybe the walkway loop needed to include part of that area, or a pleasant corridor could link the CBD and the town basin.		W
	Need much better connectivity with the town basin. How about treating pedestrians with respect and putting in better footpaths, crossing and removing a few lanes of traffic from lower dent street		W
	Look at people being able to get around easily by foot or bus. The less reliance on cars the better. Link van/bus between Okara & town would be good. Please remember to include lots of plantings and trees, just make everything more beautiful & provide green islands for wild life. One of the things I like about Whangarei are the random murals, I think they are fabulous.		W
	The core needs to be connected to the water. End of story. It needs to flow. Park 'n' rides, cycle and walkways, shops and services in one cohesive pathway. Inner city living needs to be encouraged. We also need more things for young people to do - all in one place. E.g the old Mitsubishi site and the car yard across from that which are empty. Develop a site with multiple operators for teenager entertainment. e.g. Skating rink, Laser tag, bowling, fast food outlets, A soda bar with Kareoke, internet cafe, Alcohol free nightclub for events local bands etc.		W
	Better public spaces that connect the CBD with the town basin		W
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<b>Connectivity</b>			
	A walk ability strategy for the CBD		W
	Cycle lanes and improvement pavements are necessary to increase connectivity.		W
	Simple things like phasing the traffic lines to favour pedestrians and having better crossing.		
	Footpaths need improving. Better way finding between the CBD and the Town Basin. Paint the buildings bright colours - a quick fix that will put us on the map		W
	Keep extending cycleways and active recreation		AP
	Kids bike track and more playgrounds		AP
	More cycling facilities and cycle paths		AP
	Bike tracks		AP
<b>Economic Growth</b>			

Paint all the tired old buildings by giving grants to building owners. Use council land for short terms leases over summer for attractive small retail businesses like florists, art galleries and toy shops.	W
Move the markets to the Cameron Street Mall and the Artisans Market to James St. What a great attraction that would be on Saturday!	W
Put a CBD target rate in place to spent on CBD improvements. Put in place a CBD champion who drive development and improvements forward but also enable innovative ideas. It's not just about development but about activities and events - move the artist markets to the lower CBD, have performance art, night time events like night markets or outdoor cinemas in the summer.	W
free wifi	W
Town Basin like 'Eat Street' in Rotorua	AP
<b>Transport</b>	
There's what looks like a spring coming up under State Highway One just before Maungakaramea Road turnoff. Save costs by getting it repaired before it buggers the road - or get NZ Transport to get it sorted. Sort the lanes out by the Gull Service Station - people coming from Rewa Rewa Road have to scoot across the other busy lane to get into Tauroa Street within a very short distance while traffic in the other lane is travelling at 80km - it's an accident spot. Get a bus to stop at the Otaika shops - none do.	W
Bring rail commuter trains	AP
Cycle bridge for Lower Port Road	AP
Improve our roads	AP
Underpasses for local roads crossing Statehighway 1	AP
<b>Micellaneous Projects</b>	
Racing car circuit in the city	AP
More Council pensioner housing	AP
Volunteer walks to collect loose rubbish along our streams	AP
Dinosaurs	AP

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	More overnight walks and tramps		AP
	Summer calender of sporting events for the beaches ie social volleyball or beach soccer		AP
	More things for kids in Tikipunga		AP
	Skate board park for Tikupunga		AP
	Dog park in Kamo		AP
	Western Hills track upgrades		AP
	BBQ areas in Parua Bay and Onerahi		AP
	Skate park in Kamo		AP

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Whangare 20/20 Momentum: Feedback

	Keep as much green as possible and do not overcrowd or make dark places.			W
	Proposed development is exciting...just what Whangarei needs			W
	Keep adding to what is a wonderful initiative :)			W
	The main problem I have with the waterfront project is that all these schemes are threatened by sea level rise. At least 1.5 metres of sea level rise is expected world wide by the end of the century. That will put the high tide up into Cameron St Mall twice a day. It would be mot everything inland and uphill so we could use them longer...			W
	Majority seems to be based around our River/habour with no mention of improving water pollution or water quality. Who addresses this? Why build more, better and bigger if we don't have anything in place for our biggest asset, our environment. This may not be your area of expertise but if there are plans for doing so I'd be advertising that and making a song and dance about it.			FB
	Got some interesting projects there, thats great. Would be good to have some activities and something unique to Whangarei which will attract tourism.			FB
	You have the climate to grow beautiful gardens around the city!			FB
	Hopefully our roads will be better, there will be less gorse at the entranceways to our city and perhaps we might get flags back up on the flagpoles again....oh and dont forget Christmas in the CBD this year eh...			FB
	[In response to Andy Mayhew] you do know how councils and governments work with budgets like all other businesses.			FB
	[In response to William Morunga] Yep, badly			FB
	Whangarei has heaps to offer people. Need to make the most of beaches, tracks, parks and gardens			AP
	Whangarei Head beaches are amazing!			AP
	More job opportunities			AP
	Lower commercial rates			AP
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	Lower commercial rates!!!!			AP
	Rubbish collections are too early			AP
	Great improvement over the last 20 years			AP
	Don't forget it is a District			AP

