



**Date:** Thursday 16 April 2015  
**Time:** 6.00pm  
**Meeting Room:** Local Board Office  
**Venue:** 7-13 Pilkington Road  
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## **Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board OPEN MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS**

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## Vulnerable pedestrians – streetscape design issues in Onehunga

### Background

Demographics: Census 2013 –

- 24% of the population self identified as having an impairment
- Of those, 60% have more than one impairment
- Older people can have a mobility, hearing and vision impairment
- 2/3rds of population growth over the next 20 years will be in the 65+ age group
- 84% of local authorities will have all of their population growth in the 65+ age group

[http://www.waikato.ac.nz/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0006/189429/No.-3-NIDEA-Briefs-Demographic-Forces.pdf](http://www.waikato.ac.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/189429/No.-3-NIDEA-Briefs-Demographic-Forces.pdf).

Current statistics are great for vehicles and are easily accessible, but data on pedestrians is variable and not easily accessible.

### Streetscape design issues in Onehunga

- Pedestrians V Roundabouts
  - Very vehicle-centric
  - Few dedicated pedestrian crossings
  - Pedestrians have to be able to see and judge cars' speed, distance and whether they can cross when an opportunity may present itself. Usually they are expected to dash across the road
  - Children, too, are vulnerable in these situations as are people pushing prams
  - Motorists can be aggressive and toot pedestrians who get in the way. This is very threatening to vulnerable pedestrians

#### Try and find a pedestrian-friendly route from Campbell Road to the bus or train station

- Campbell Road has **one** pedestrian crossing between the Royal Oak roundabout and the intersection at Wheturangi Road. Only the latter has pedestrian-controlled facilities.
- The roundabouts installed on Campbell Road have greatly improved traffic flow at both Onehunga Mall and Rawhiti Road. Pedestrians have not been considered to the same degree.
- Sitting in a refuge, even assuming you can judge traffic and move quickly, is not a comfortable place to be. So often street signs at refuges are bent or knocked over by vehicles.
- Selwyn Street offers a safer route than Onehunga Mall. After crossing the light-controlled intersections at Mt Smart Road and Trafalgar Street, no pedestrian consideration is afforded at Grey, Arthur, Church or Princes Streets, although Arthur has pedestrian crossings in front of DressMart and the Primary School if pedestrians are in a position, and are prepared to make, the significant detour. May not be an option for people with mobility impairments who may also have stamina difficulties.
- Onehunga Mall has several safe east-west crossings, but not north-south.

Similarly, free left turns, with no pedestrian crossings, are also a major concern for people with vision and mobility impairments.

### Future developments

- We are aware that improvements are planned for Onehunga Mall between Grey and Arthur Streets. Again, east-west crossings will be better catered for, but not so north-south.
- When pedestrian modelling is done, it doesn't measure who is **not** using a route because it is not safe to do so. Neither does it differentiate what category of pedestrian is measured, i.e. those with impairments are not identified. When streetscapes are upgraded, a second modelling study would hopefully indicate more people with impairments were using the area.

Streetscape design needs to reflect the principles of an 'Age Friendly' city – i.e. any age – prioritising pedestrians, and particularly vulnerable ones, over vehicles.

**When vulnerable pedestrians are safe, everyone is safe.**

Presented to the Maungakiekie-Tamaki Local Board, Public Forum, 16 April 2015

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The business owners located from 252 to 310 Onehunga Mall (between Arthur and Grey Streets) have put this document together to highlight to Auckland Council and the Maungakiekie Tamaki Local Board their combined concerns of the advised Onehunga Mall Upgrade Concept Development.

This concept has not taken into account

- the impact on the businesses this area supports
- the impact of the loss of parking
- the impact of having a dislocated streetscape.

The original Mall upgrade was for the whole of Onehunga Mall business area between Grey Street and Neilson Street. This upgrade has only taken into account the area between Arthur and Grey Street and does not connect it to the main shopping and business area.

We have come together in a real concern regarding the proposed changes which we feel do not service the requirement of bringing a streetscape that is inclusive, bring value to the businesses nor does it recognise the majority of business are short term (takeaway) so require short term in front parking. Customers will not walk from the public carpark to get a takeaway meal or to drop into the diary and/or get a DVD.

A streetscape must be valueable and we would prefer as noted by the signatures below that you,

- provide an upgrade that adds value to the businesses it is serving
- put on hold the current 'concept development'
- provide us initially with the items marked
- when the Town Centre is upgraded we need to be included in that programme.



Attachment A Item 9.2

We support or do not support the following suggestions put to us via the Onehunga Mall Upgrade Concept Development consultation document									
Name	Business	Address	Contact	New footpaths	paedestrian crossings x2	Paedestrian crossing x3	Street furniture displayed	Street furniture in keeping with rest of main street	lighting and traffic calming as per main street area
SALIM MANGERA	STATE DAILY	296, THE MALL	021-634764 6341466	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
GAIL HUSTON	CROSSBY'S PIES	292 THE MALL	6220751	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Dale Fui	Bea here late	306 Onehunga Mall	021980199	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Fandi	Bea here	306 Onehunga Mall	02146055	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Jing Jing An	George Furniture	300 Onehunga Mall, Onehunga	021891998	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Zohab Ahmed	Executive Cuts BARBER SHOP	286 Onehunga Mall	0210731959	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Jinghe Huang	Prison Horse TA	284 Onehunga Mall	634526	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Kaito Lewis	Tamasa C Trust	300 Onehunga Mall	6220422	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Southern Ltd	Yakob Akbar	287 Onehunga Mall	6361444	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Cable World	Cable World	285 A onehunga Mall Rd.	6361131	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Julie	Mena	275 Onehunga Mall	636-9089	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Mingy Lee	CEO	258 Onehunga Mall	6345553	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Virginia D'Amico	Budal Outlet	260 " "	6368507	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO
Tafeko Kotejiri	Dog grooming	264 Onehunga Mall	6340745	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO



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