

Attachment A – Auckland Domain Accessibility Improvement Programme

2018/19 improvements (stage 1)

The following improvements (estimated cost \$430,000) are recommended in year one:

- i. Consultation, as described in the body of the report.
- ii. Consent for carpark and access associated with Natural Play
- iii. Removal 78 carparks on the inside of Football Road and Grandstand Road South, the outside of The Crescent and part of Grafton Mews.
- iv. Investigate changing Football Road, The Crescent and part of Grafton Mews to a one way system (dependent on findings of traffic movement scenario modelling).

These proposed changes are intended to provide a safer pedestrian and cycling circuit on the Sri Chinmoy Mile and provide pedestrian legibility along The Crescent where pedestrians at present need to either walk on the road or on the grass.

The removal of 78 carparks is broken down as follows; on the field side of Football Rd (13 spaces), on the field side of Grandstand Rd South (12 spaces) and the south side of the Crescent (47 spaces). In the case of Grafton Mews reducing the parking (6 spaces) would provide for a dedicated shared path.

2019/20 improvements (stage 2)

The following improvements (estimated cost at \$1.515M) could be delivered in the second year:

- v. parking charges to be introduced. This will increase parking capacity (as long stay users will choose other options) and is expected to offset the 78 spaces lost in the changes above (the timing of these projects will be closely aligned).
- vi. parking area redesigned to support new play space at the Kiosk Rd / Domain Drive intersection and develop path connections to the playground
- vii. develop new turning circle for buses outside the Wintergardens.
- viii. improve connections to Kari St Commons
- ix. commence consent process for new paths and intersection improvements, including:
 - new paths developed from Titoki Street carpark to Football Rd.
 - new paths along Domain Drive and Lower Domain Drive installed to create loop around Watsons Bequest connecting to either end of Lovers Lane.
 - connection from Bledisloe Walk to Museum across Domain Drive.
 - new connection from Parnell train station through the chip yard to Lovers Lane.
 - new footpath along Parnell Rd end of Domain Drive improving access from public transport from Parnell side of the Domain.
- x. commence consent process for Titoki Street carpark redevelopment
- xi. undertake planning for improved wayfinding and lighting.

2020/21 improvements (stage 3)

In the third year the following improvements (estimated cost at \$3.975M) could be delivered:

- xii. open up more parking capacity in the Titoki Street carpark (increase parking capacity by approximately 200 extra spaces – completed in FY22).
- xiii. deliver the new paths and intersection improvements as outlined in stage 2.
- xiv. open up most of Kiosk Rd for pedestrian and cycle access.
- xv. open up part of Grafton Mews as pedestrian and cycle access only.
- xvi. open up most of Football Rd as pedestrian and cycle access only.
- xvii. improve connections from Grafton train station and Greenlink by improving paths and wayfinding from Park Ave to Grandstand Rd North.
- xviii. new and improved wayfinding delivered.
- xix. installation of improved lighting and power to support accessibility and events.

2022 and beyond (stage 4)

In years four to ten of the Accessibility Improvement Programme the following improvements (estimated cost at \$11.5+M) could be delivered depending on the level of funding being achieved from the parking charges and partnership opportunities:

- xx. opening up a bus turn around on the eastern side of the museum alongside closure of Cenotaph Road and creation of safe pedestrian connections from Titoki Street carpark to Cenotaph Road.
- xxi. Further intersection improvements:
 - the connection between Football Road, The Crescent and Kiosk Road which is, at the end of stage 3, designed for cars with shared markings only. It is proposed to realign curbs and ensure appropriate gradients and surfaces to support this busy shared path network.
 - the intersection of Centennial Path and Lovers Lane and the connection across to the duck ponds which is a busy connecting point for tracks. A plaza style area is proposed to join these with an improved crossing to the duck ponds.
 - the intersection of Lovers Lane and access to Parnell Rail Station is not aligned and users need to navigate the very busy Lower Domain Drive. This intersection upgrade will include aligning entrance/exit points, developing appropriate gradients and support safe pedestrian and cycle movements across Lower Domain Drive.
- xxii. upgrade of repurposed roads into higher amenity path networks
- xxiii. improvements to Stanley St entrance (in line with NZTA and AT upgrade of cycle and pedestrian networks around the city centre) and other entrances including Carlton Gore entrance where safety issues have been highlighted by AT.
- xxiv. cycleway adjacent to Centennial Walkway developed.
- xxv. continued roll-out/improvement of wayfinding.
- xxvi. continued improvements to lighting

A series of maps showing the staging of these works was previously presented to the committee at the 30 May workshop.