# Wood Street Revitalisation 2020 Community Design Workshop

Venue: Mangawhai Club.

Date & Time: Saturday 18 July 2020. 10.00am – 12.00pm

Heading	Activity		
Welcome Setting the Scene	Richard Gunson welcomed everyone to the session, gave the background to the summer trial last year and introduced Gail as the facilitator of the session.  Gail introduced the ground rules for collaboration ( see below) in this community design process that will result in initially a five-year vision for the town centre, followed up with a functional plan to be implemented and tested from December 2020 through to a second summer. This is 90% funded through Waka Kotahi (NZTA) Innovating Streets Funding.		
What is your vision for the Wood Street town centre in five years time?	Everyone was asked to think of their answer to the two key questions and these were then shared with the full group and recorded.  From the Summer Trial Generating Ideas Workshop (Numbers in brackets show agreement by others in the room who think these are still relevant)		
time.	Value or theme	What would this look like?	
What are your ideas to make this a successful	Accessibility (5)  Remain a destination (3)	More off-street parking (8)  More food places (3)	
place?	Uniqueness (3)	More facilities e.g. public toilets (4)	
	Slow street (4)	Clear signage (3)	
	Cohesive (1)	Least hazardous traffic management plan (9)	
	"A theme" (1)	No flooding (3)	
	Warm and inviting (5)	Greenery (8)	
New Ideas	Value or theme	What would this look like?	
	Arts & Design aesthetic (5)	Pedestrian only between 2 sides of shops (5)	
	Activation at night (3)	Playgrounds, children-friendly areas (3)	
	Space you want to hang out in	2-way Wood St (based on parking issues on residential streets)	
	Soul	One-way (10)	
	Lighting (2)	Encourage parking at edge of commercial area (1)	
	People-friendly (8)	Surface at rear car park	
	Shift away from "commercial" feel	Parking at Pharmacy	
	Vibrant place (2)	Fagan one-way	
	Tidy up Ellen Street	Time limit on parking (2)	

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	De-emphasise alcohol	Retain some parking close to shops
	Public space for re-cycling	Traffic not distributed to residential streets
	Dynamic space/flexibility (1)	Formalise safe routes for pedestrians
	One-way supports structured parking	4Square parking
	Maintain convenience	Public toilet at fire station site
	Attractive space	Pedestrian mall
	Viable	Business car parking
		Motorbike parking to replace bollards area (corner of Wood/Ellen)
		Parking at Molesworth Drive and speed control
		Upgrade to surrounding streets
		Block of Ellen (50/50)
		Speed control on Margaret Street
		E.V charging station
Mapping the vision	<ul> <li>Participants worked in small groups around tables— each with the same aerial view map of the town centre area.</li> <li>After discussion the group drew what some of the key elements could look like on the ground.</li> </ul>	
	Every table took a turn to sh	are their maps with the others in the large group
Maps shared	<ul> <li>The final task - having heard the other group's ideas – each group could amend or add in more details to their original map. (red pens)</li> </ul>	
Next Steps in Design Process	<ul> <li>Long-term vision map presented for feedback</li> <li>Interim treatments mapped</li> <li>Technical team prepare design</li> <li>Design feedback – Open House</li> </ul>	
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	Final Design shared	

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	<ul> <li>Fabrication and construction plan</li> <li>Community Participation opportunities</li> </ul>	
Final Words	Date of next sessions:	
	Thursday 30 July 6.30-8.30pm at Fagan Place Senior Citizens Hall	
	Vision map shared and interim treatment maps designed.	
	13 (or 15) August - Design Open House -feedback on interim maps.	
	29 August- Final Design shared before implementation phase.	

#### **Ground Rules for Collaboration**

### **Civility**

- ✓ Share airtime
- ✓ Try to understand others' assumptions
- ✓ Do not blame
- ✓ Represent those not present

## **Inquiry**

- ✓ Seek the community's highest good
- ✓ Commit to common solutions
- ✓ Find multiple victories

#### **Creativity**

- ✓ Balance knowledge and intuition
- ✓ Propose something better
- ✓ Change your mind in view of new information
- ✓ Explore unconventional approaches