

## **Gisborne District Council**

### **Streets for People Programme - Proposal Meeting, 27 July 2022**

#### **Notes for internal SfP team**

Introductions between Gisborne District Council (GDC) and Waka Kotahi (WK) team

Acknowledgements and karakia

Introductions

#### **Background**

Honouring Te Tiriti - Hei Huarahi Oranga SfP project is co-led with mana whenua

Regional challenges: Floods, poverty, constrain budgets, mostly rural, 80% Māori

Strategies and plans aligns with SfP project: 2021 RLTP, Spatial plan, walking cycling and play strategies, climate change response,

**Project prioritisation:** trials backed by permanent solutions with budgets in 2024

1. Grey Street Zone: transform a section of this street into a destination. SfP project builds on previous transformations (skate park). Ties with public transport.
  - Presentation of video telling the story of how SfP fit into the town's plans
2. Uawa Cycle trail: install safe crossing and a shared path. SfP would focus on elements of an ongoing community driven project which secured funding. The wider project aims to link the river and the sea, connect people to place and improve safety. SfP project would contribute to supporting other existing initiatives such as safe trips to schools.
  - Presentation of video telling the story of how SfP fit into the town's plans

**Key stakeholders:** Schools, caregivers, activator groups, residents, businesses, truck and bus drivers, people with disabilities.

**M&E:** considering ideas based on learnings from SfP workshops

**Path to permanence:** through RLTP and LTP, plus WK and Council.

**Leadership buy-in:** support from top GDC senior management (i.e., Mayor champions safer journeys for region).

**Key milestones:** cost estimate and delivery plan, internal comms, community meetings, meetings with experts, long term planning, wellbeing plan.

**Adaptive processes:** approach embraced by team, for example, keeping up to date with WK guidance.

**Discussion:**

Pathway to permanence and low cost/low risk: GDC is going to decide where the projects will go along with the community.

Senior leadership and EM engagement: there is much interest among the community. Need to think about skill set to know who is most appropriate to bring on board. EM are already championing these kinds of initiatives, reflecting the views of their constituents. Council is responsive, demonstrated in Grey Street project. The Trust works alongside council, and they have strong connections with community – although the Trust is accountable to Council.

Procurement: the team has the capability to work with councils and contractors as they have done this work before.

Adaptive processes around C&E: SfP will draw with already established relationships. Team members have strong connections and skills. The team has been working on improving their score from the self-assessment tool since they first completed it. Suggestion that WK shares guidance, in advance, on what has and hasn't worked.

SfP projects contributes to the wider projects going on in the area but also stand independently.

Project 1: ONF classified this street as arterial, GDC has introduced some measures already to change behaviours.

Project 2: 2024 township plan will focus on 'place' on this corridor. Need to be ready to integrate conflicting needs.

Wellbeing: Council will take the lead when it comes to responding to bad press or issues with parking, etc. – senior managers are on board.

Costs: WK suggests working together with team on unpacking the costs.

Prioritisation: Tolaga project would be prioritised because it is the one with least resources.