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Kia Ora,

## **Update on Streets for People - What has happened so far?**

Since first contacting you in December 2022 we have been busy listening to the views and ideas of as many residents and stakeholders as possible. We'd like to thank everyone who has given their time to this project so far.

We have knocked on the door of every house on the route, had several meetings with the Hospital team, held a public event that was well attended, and had two meetings with key stakeholders. We've also had a good level of feedback via our online form on the Shape Nelson website. <a href="https://shape.nelson.govt.nz/streets-people">https://shape.nelson.govt.nz/streets-people</a>

The feedback we have received has helped our team of transport experts develop a plan that meets the project's goals to improve active transport connections, while making the roads safer for all users. The feedback has also helped the team include additional design features that will address some of the other concerns residents had such as rogue speeding by a small number of vehicles.

## What is happening now?

The plans for the project are now being "safety audited" to make sure what is proposed meets the stringent national safety standards. Once that audit is complete then we will share these plans with you so you will know what to expect. This should be in the next couple of weeks.

It's also important to remember that it is a bit of a juggling act. Not everyone will be 100% happy with what is proposed, but we are really working hard to try and make improvements for your street to make it safer for all users.

## What is the next stage of this project?

Once we've had a chance to share the plans with you, we will be looking to start construction in September 2023.

While the changes we make might look permanent they are specifically designed to be temporary and adaptable. That means that we will be asking you to let us know what is working, and what isn't. Elements that aren't working will be altered. This is a vital part of this project, and your feedback is really important.

All changes will be temporary for at least 12 months. Once the design has proven to be working, we'll look to make more permanent changes.

We will be coming directly to you for feedback and holding on-site sessions with stakeholders such as the schools, hospital staff and residents. We'll also be keeping the Shape Nelson online feedback form open for the duration of the project so you can let us know what you think.

If you have any questions, ideas or concerns please email <a href="mailto:engage@ncc.govt.nz">engage@ncc.govt.nz</a> or go to <a href="https://shape.nelson.govt.nz/streets-people">https://shape.nelson.govt.nz/streets-people</a>.

We look forward to talking again with you soon,

Ngā mihi,

Paul Shattock Manager Community Engagement

## **About the Project:**

The **Streets For People** Project – Railway Reserve and Waimea Road is a Waka Kotahi funded project is being delivered by Nelson City Council. The project focuses on improving active travel links so that the streets are safer for all users.

It covers Tipahi Street (starting at crossing Motueka Street and running past the hospital and the Broads playing fields), up Franklyn Street towards Waimea Road, then up Kawai Street and down Hampden Street West.