



PALMERSTON NORTH CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES ATTACHMENTS COUNCIL

9:00 AM, WEDNESDAY 1 MAY 2024

COUNCIL CHAMBER, FIRST FLOOR CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 32 THE SQUARE, PALMERSTON NORTH



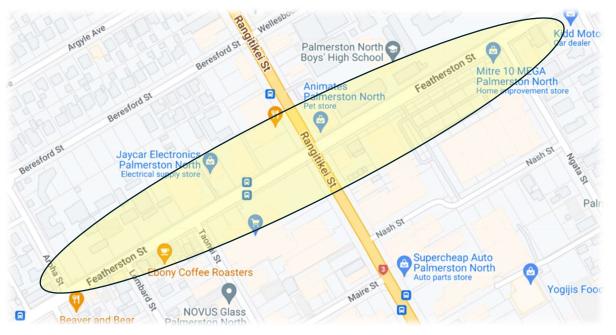
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Main Arterial Route, Commercial Precinct



People in cars come first

Businesses have a legitimate right to 'undisturbed trade'





Council's decision = Ebony's loss



Council's decision to disrupt trade in a commercial precinct is hurting local SME businesses.

How will the Council mitigate their loss?









Commercial Precinct Rules...

- √ Cars to the kerb
- ✓ Buses to the side of the road
- ✓ Unimpeded traffic movement on arterial roads

It's **not too late** for our Council to reverse poor road planning

There is precedent...



Council officer advice



Ratepayer concern



Council decision reversed





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1. BACKGROUND



- This memorandum responds to the Notice of Motion.
- 22.1% of the Palmerston North population is aged between 10yrs and 24yrs.
- Palmerston North has established youth networks and services.
- Sector wide information is not easily accessible.
- Service gaps and sector challenges were identified.
- Council provides a range of support and funding.



2. YOUTH WELL-BEING FORUM





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FORUM PARTICIPANTS



- The Youth Well-being Forum was for kaimahi and organisations that work with the needs and aspirations of young people and their communities.
- 95 attendees from 46 organisations.
- Youth Voice Snapshots: 200 young people identified what helps them to be successful and what their stressors are.



FORUM INSIGHTS



Insight 1: Collaboration and networking.

Insight 2: Workforce challenges.

Insight 3: Funding criteria and funding strategies.

Insight 4: Various accessibility barriers.

Insight 5: Youth Voice and youth participation.



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3. SECTOR WIDE INSIGHTS



- 1. There is no specific central repository for information.
- 2. The services for young people are broad and varied.
- 3. There is an age range variance for programmes and initiatives.
- 4. Everyone knows their sector but not everyone knows what other sectors are doing or offering.



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4. SERVICE GAPS



Five key gaps were identified

- **1. Programming:** There is a need for more programming catering to young people not in employment education or training. And in particular for young people aged 8 14 years and 18 24 years.
- **2. Access challenges:** Locations and long waitlists for services, limited options for non-maintream education and training.
- 3. Locations: Limited number of safe spaces for different age groups.
- **4. Workforce:** There is a need for more frontline youth workers and mentors.
- **5. Funding:** Increased flexibility and more inclusive criteria to meet needs.



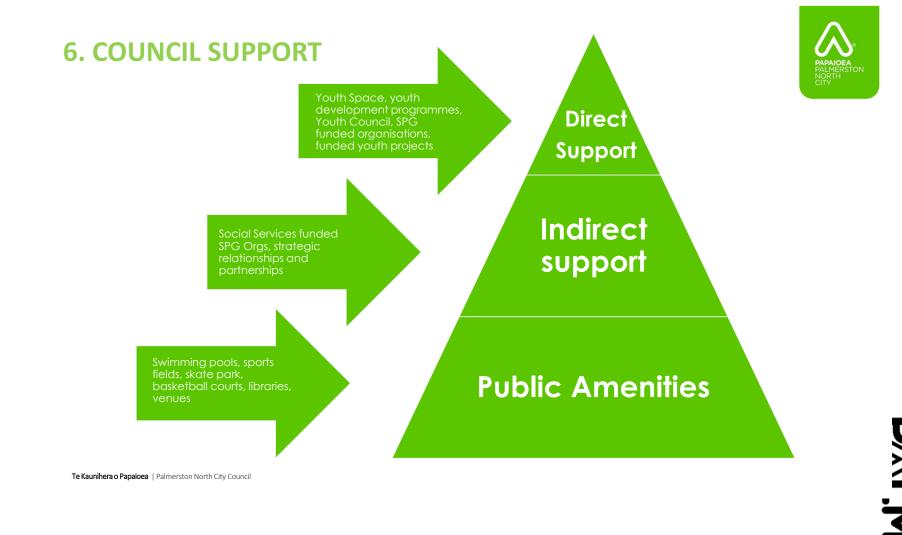
5. PROGRAMME & INITIATIVES





- There are a range of programmes, initiatives and services (in different areas as above).
- No central repository for easy access to information.
- Over 100 programmes/services identified at the Youth Forum.
- Programmes and initiatives can be short-term, one-off or for specific age groups.





7. THEMES

A Council-led Youth Well-being Action Plan (As proposed in draft LTP – Community Support plan)

- **1. Connection** Improve ways for the Youth Sector to be more connected, share information, resources and knowledge.
- 2. Collation Collate existing youth data at a local level to provide insights into youth well-being trends and inform decision making.
- **3. Communication** Improve accessibility to services and initiatives through communication and promotion.



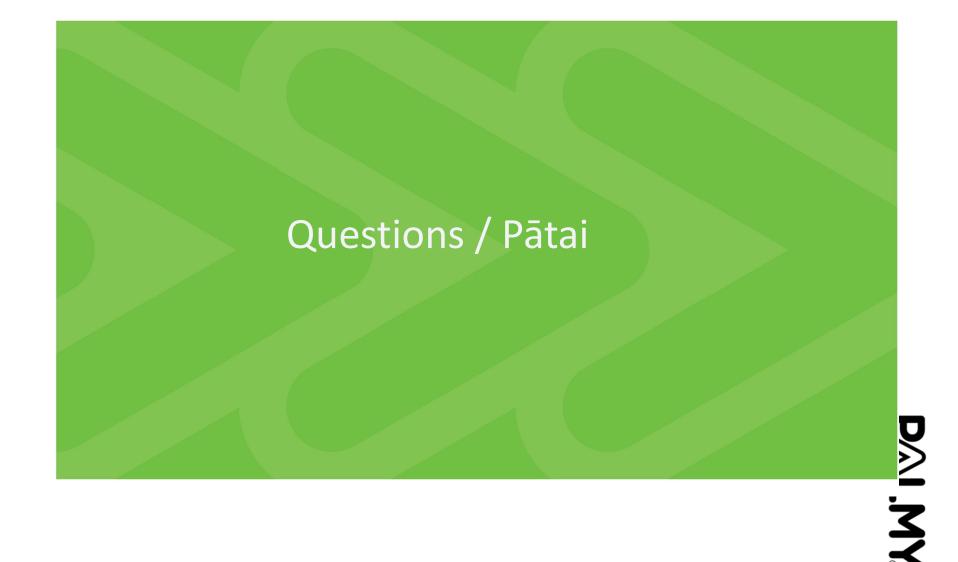
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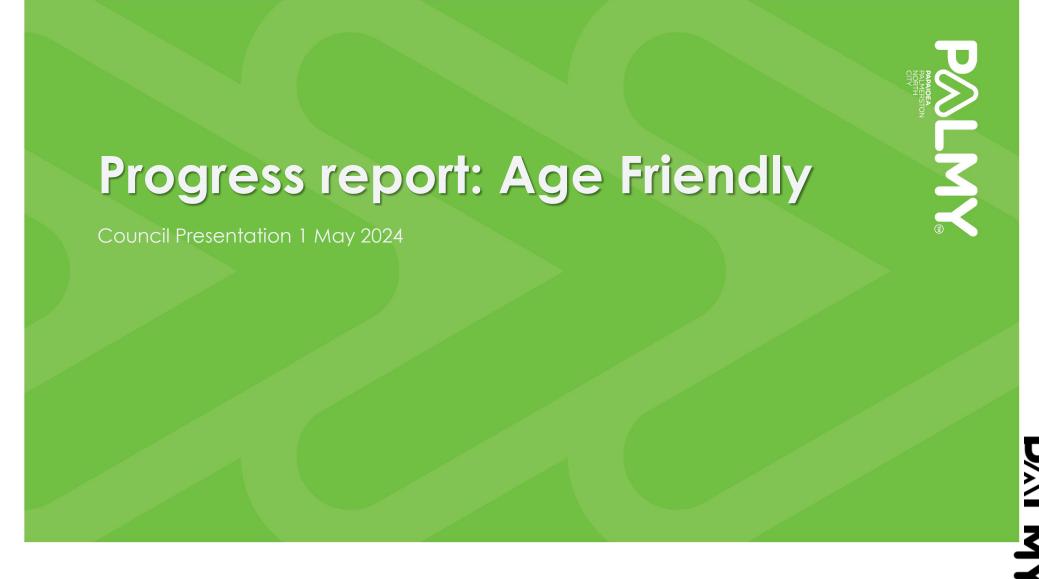
8. NEXT STEPS In addition, officers will actively communicate funding opportunities:



- Bi-annual Youth Forum (Community-Led initiatives fund)
- Collaborative Youth Week events (Creative Communities Fund, Arts Event fund)
- Programming for rainbow and takatāpui young people (Community-Led Initiatives Fund)
- PN Sector wide Youth Services directory (Existing budgets)
- Strategic Priority Grants Round 2025- 2028. (Note: The Youth Sector is large enough to warrant a potential youth focussed sector lead organisation.)







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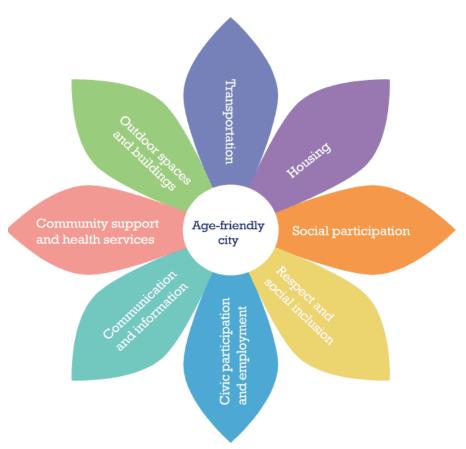
1. BACKGROUND



- This memorandum is a progress update on Council's resolution on 31 May 2023
- Council joined Age Friendly Aotearoa in September 2023
- Population projections signal an aging population in Palmerston North
- We are currently at Step 2 of the Office for Seniors 5 step process.
- Emerging themes have been identified

2. WHAT IS AN AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY





Helps older people to:

- Stay connected with each other
- Stay active and healthy
- Live with dignity and enjoyment
- Feel that they are treated with respect

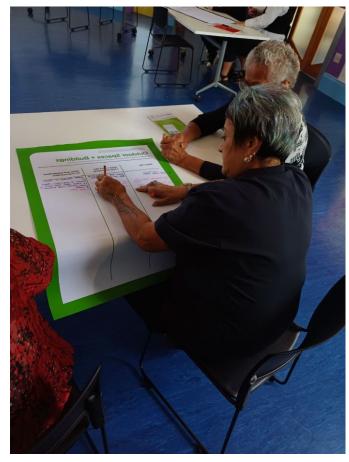
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3. AGE FRIENDLY WORKSHOP DISCUSSIONS



Key Questions Across the 8 Age Friendly Domains:

- What do people like about [each domain]?
- What are the challenges?
- Ideas on how we could address the challenges?



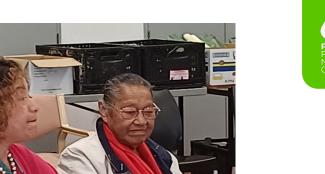


4. ENGAGEMENT

Six workshops held across community with:

Kaumatua Best Care Whakapai Hauora Grey Power group Matua Ola group at the Pasifika Centre Hokowhitu Village Centre Community Awapuni Community Papaioea Place tenants

150 participants attended 6 community workshops, 600 surveys were distributed widely across the city, 312 completed surveys were received.







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5. EMERGING THEMES

- Key themes included concerns with transport, housing accessibility, social isolation, health and a need for connected and inclusive communities
- Identified areas directly related to;
 - the work of Council,
 - areas Council may have influence to advocate,
 - areas that are outside of the work of Council
- Alignment with the Accessibility Audit, Accessibility Charter, Enabling Good Lives and the Urban Design Protocol





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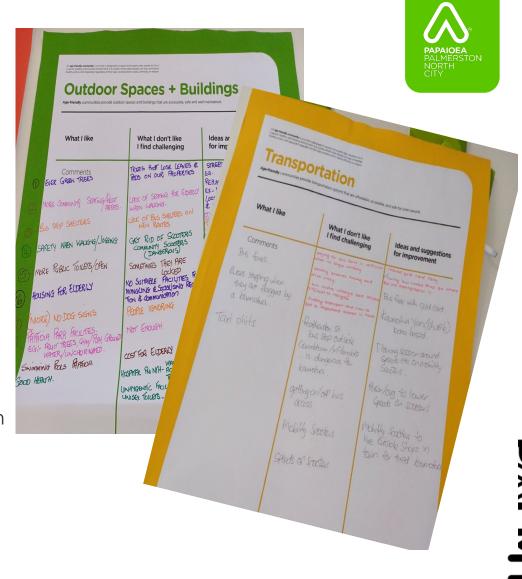
6. SUMMARY: WHAT'S VALUED



- Opportunities for cultural and social wellbeing for seniors
- Involvement with whānau and whānau support
- Sense of belonging
- Taking a holistic view of health
- Keeping active & mobile
- Healthy safe environment



- Feelings of isolation & loneliness
- Cost & accessibility of transport
- Footpath integrity
- Technologies isolating seniors
- High cost of health services
- Feeling that culture and language are not valued
- Difficulty experienced in accessing information



8. NEXT STEPS

- Full analysis of community feedback data
- Staff working group to be established
- Step 3 'Develop a Plan' will then be undertaken, with a Palmerston North Age-Friendly Action Plan designed
- An Options Report will be presented for consideration in October 2024



