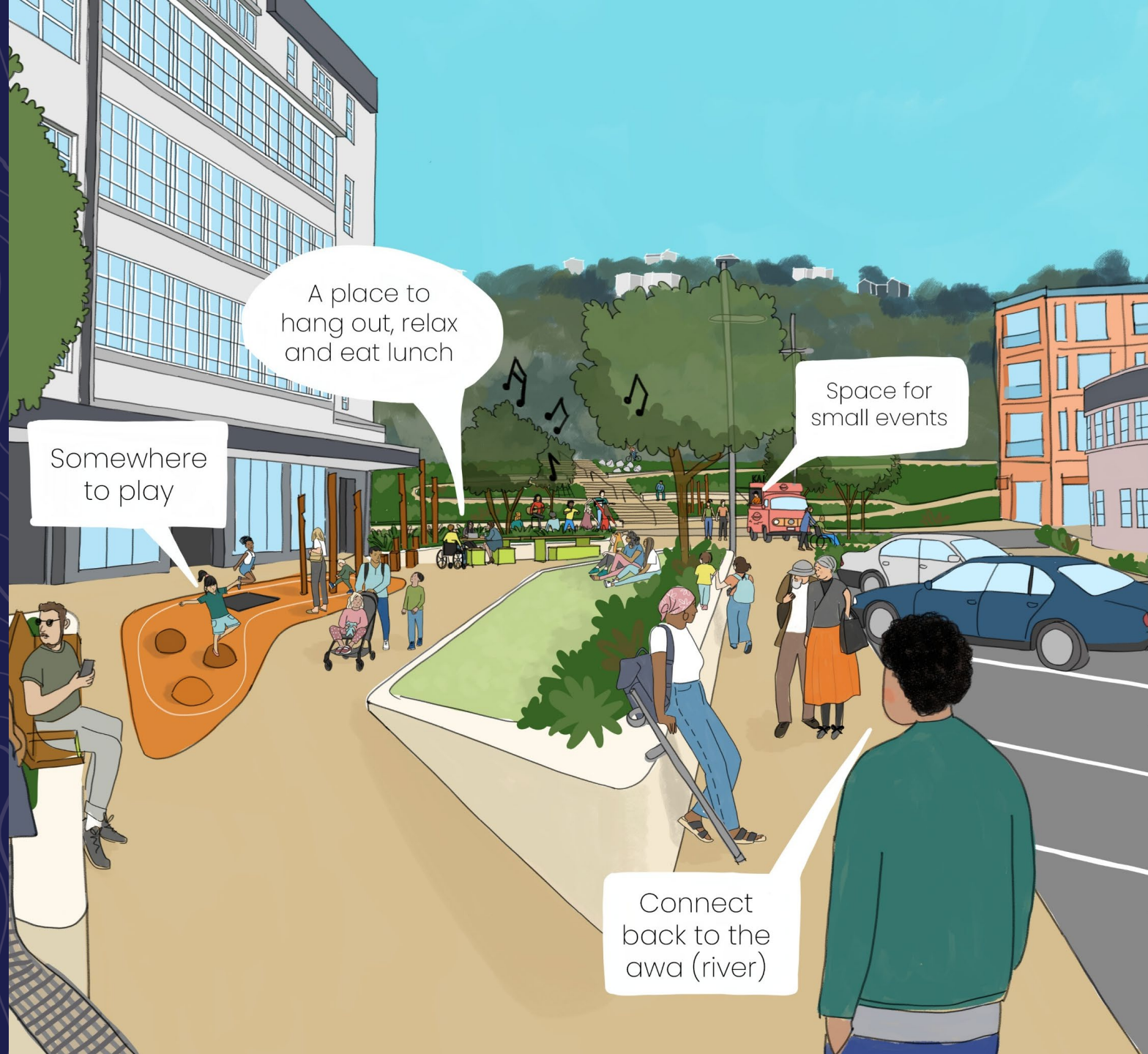


Street Upgrades



Purpose

- **To integrate the stopbank and City Link Bridge** with the city centre street network
- **To make the city centre more accessible, attractive and welcoming** to support investment by third parties leading to urban revitalisation.

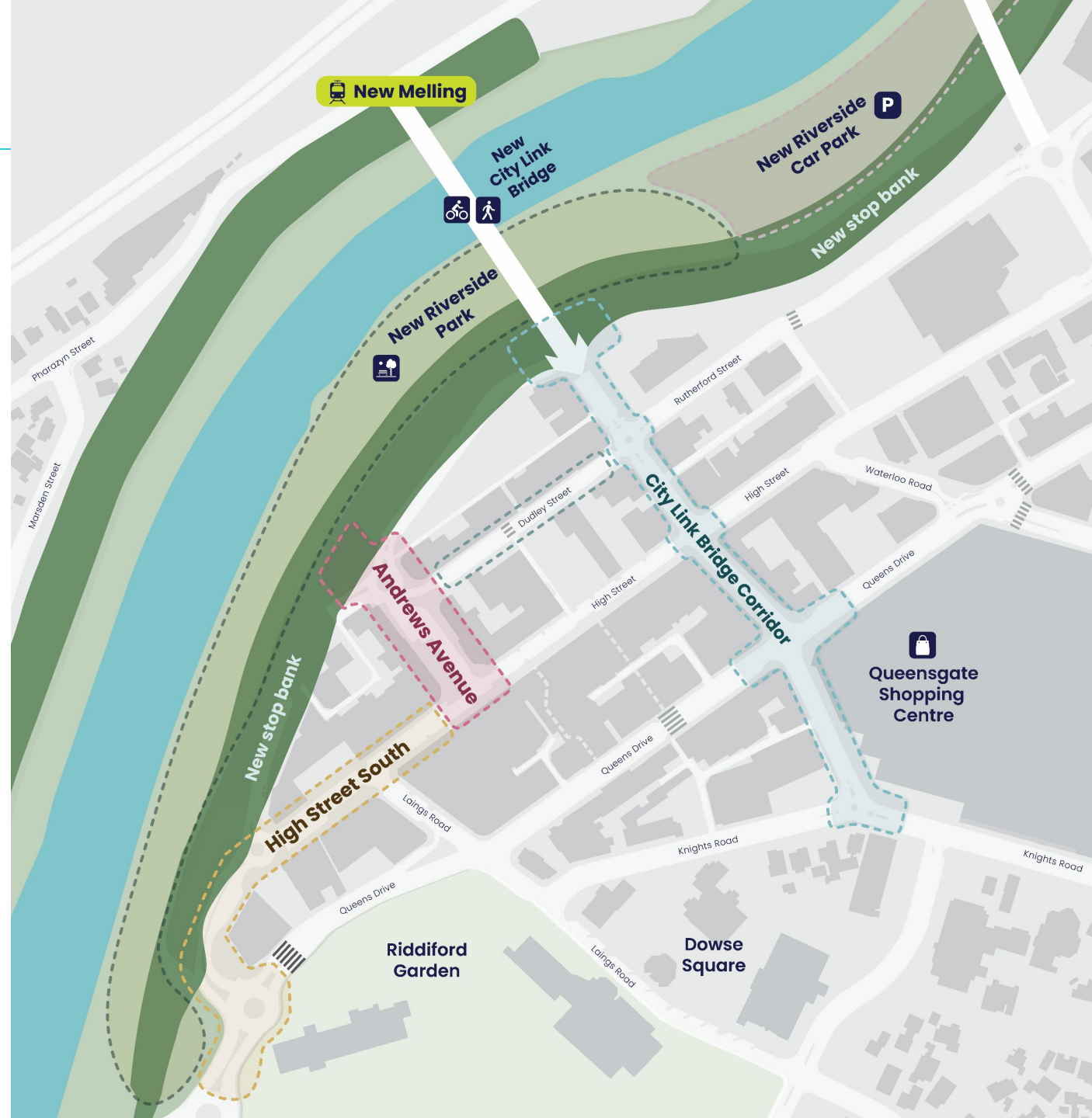


Priority areas

Approved on 5 March 2026

- City Link Bridge Corridor (Daly, Margaret and Bunny streets)
- Andrews Avenue
- High Street South

To make the street network flow seamlessly and to reduce the loss of car parking, low-cost changes are also proposed for Dudley Street.



Engagement Activities

Community engagement (8 April to 8 May)

- 14 workshops with approximately 335 attendees e.g. schools, migrant communities, Mana Whenua
- Engagement display and drop-ins at the War Memorial Library
- 13 specialist stakeholder meetings e.g. disability advocates
- 19 other events e.g. Early Childhood Education centres
- Park Run pop-up
- Leaflets in 5 languages

Business engagement (March to May 2026)

- door-to-door engagement with 120 businesses



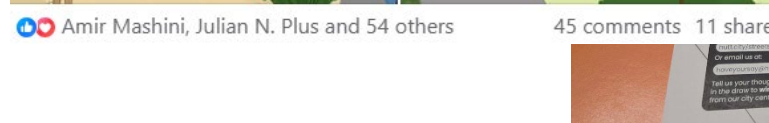
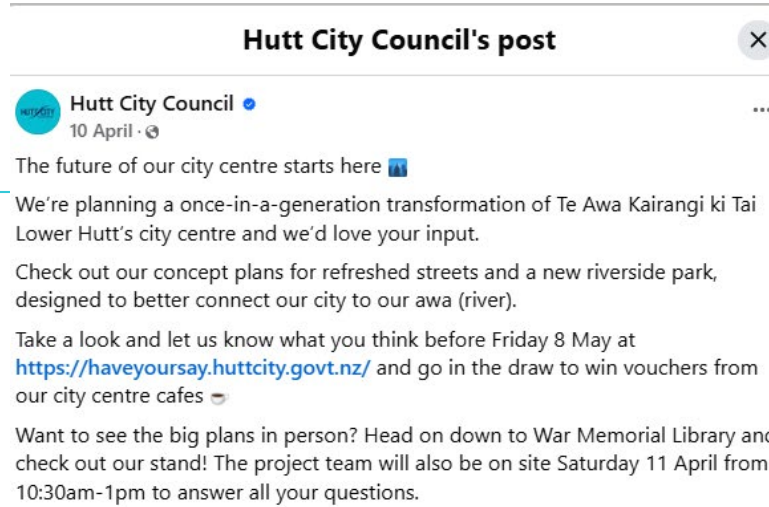
Engagement Reach

Online reach

- 44,307 online views
- 1,317 visits to our webpages
- 163 completed web surveys
- 7 Have Your Say email responses

Engagement material

- Distribution of 1,755 leaflets, of which 301 were translated or large-print versions
- 73 colouring-in pages
- 36 posters throughout the city centre
- 353 letters mailed

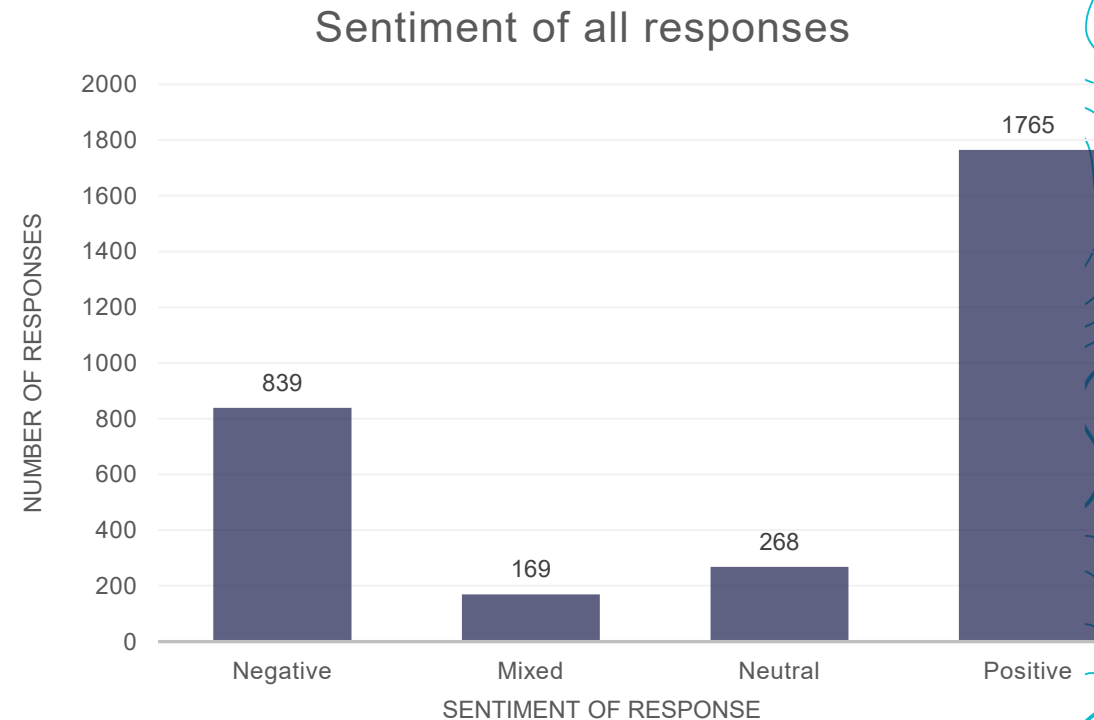


Amir Mashini, Julian N. Plus and 54 others 45 comments 11 shares

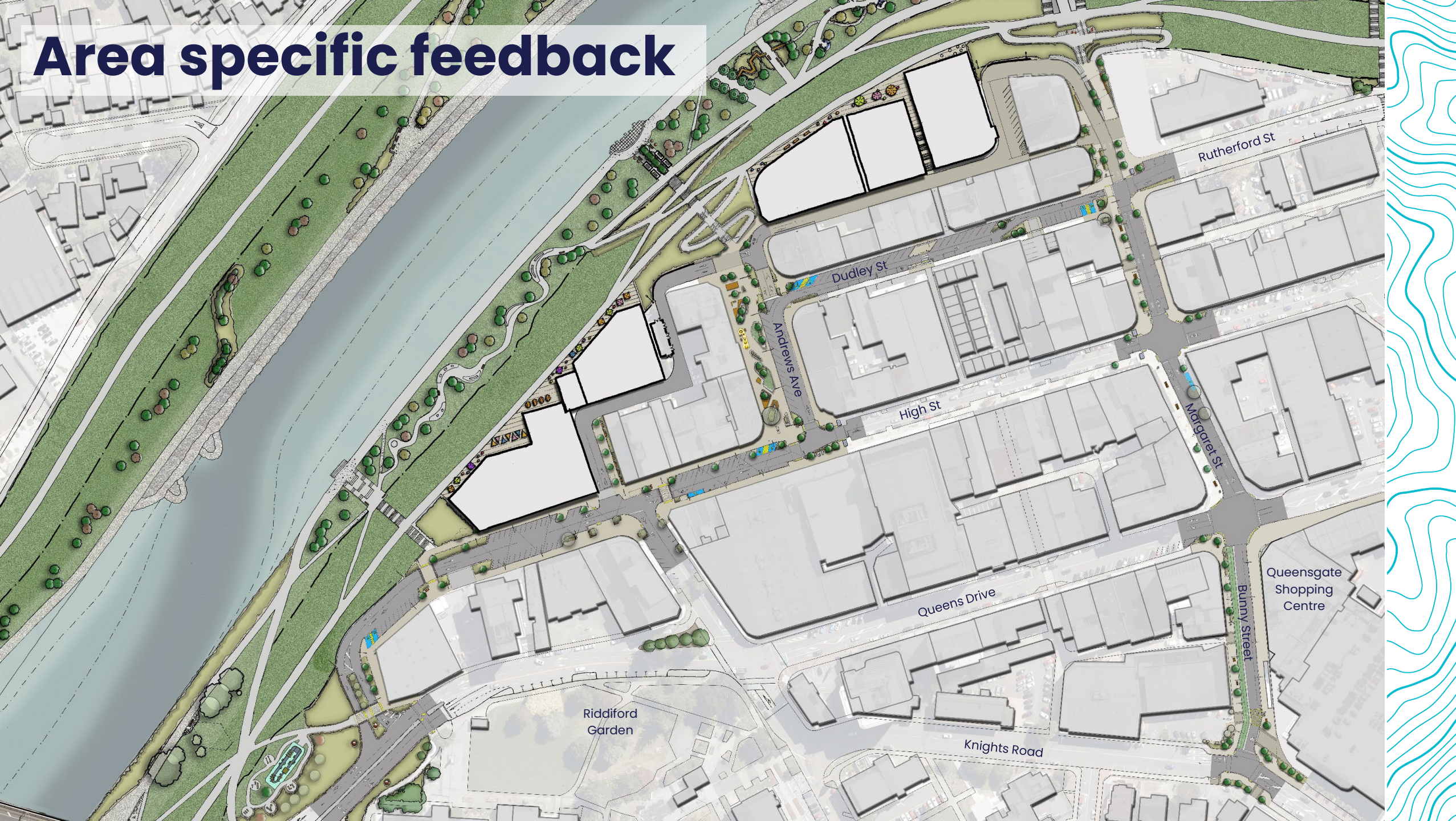
General sentiment

People are broadly excited by the vision of the two projects but support is conditional on practical access, safety, toilets, parking flexibility, construction disruption and business impacts being handled well.

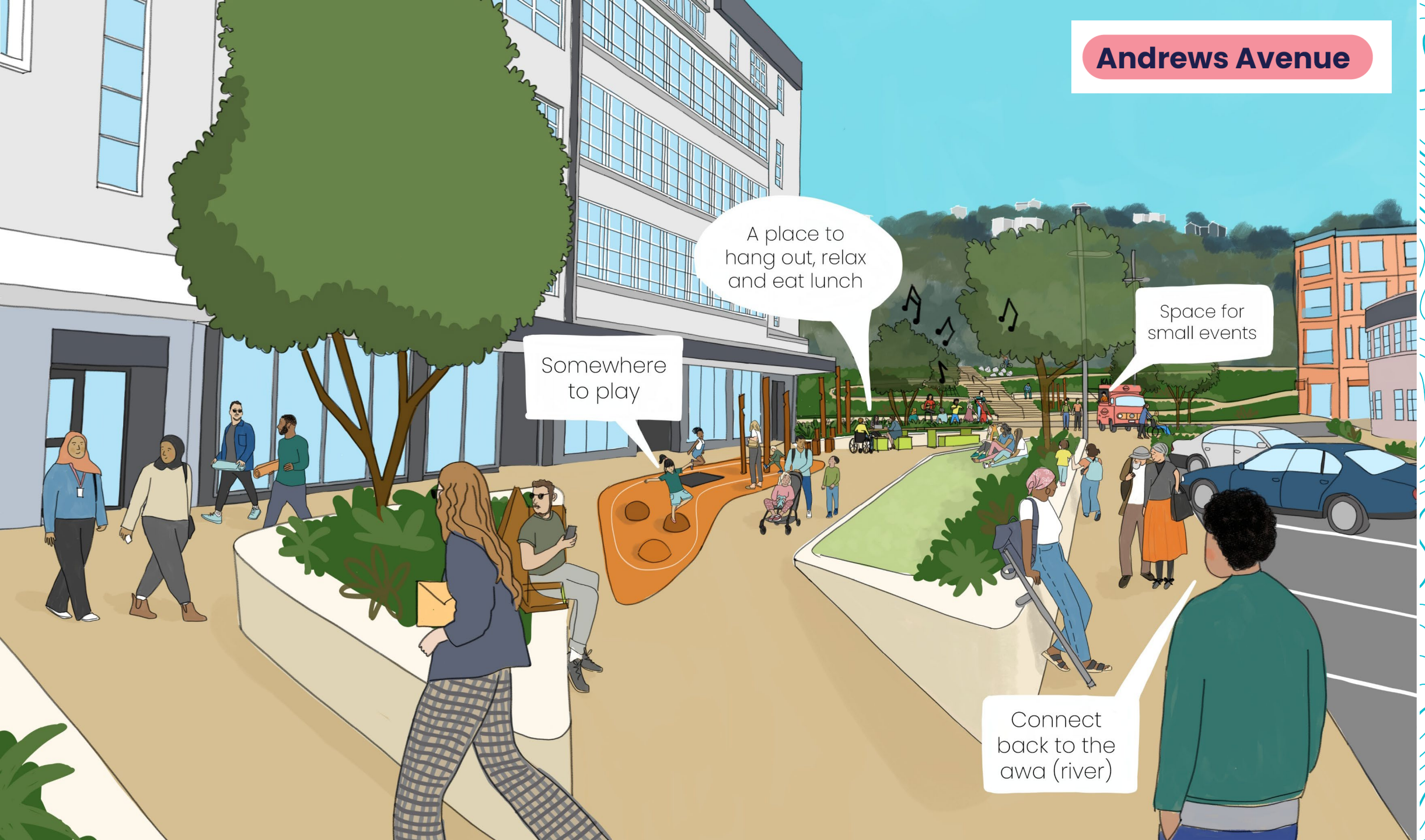
The general sentiment was **positive** for **1,765** comments and **negative** for **839** comments, with the balance mixed or neutral.



Area specific feedback

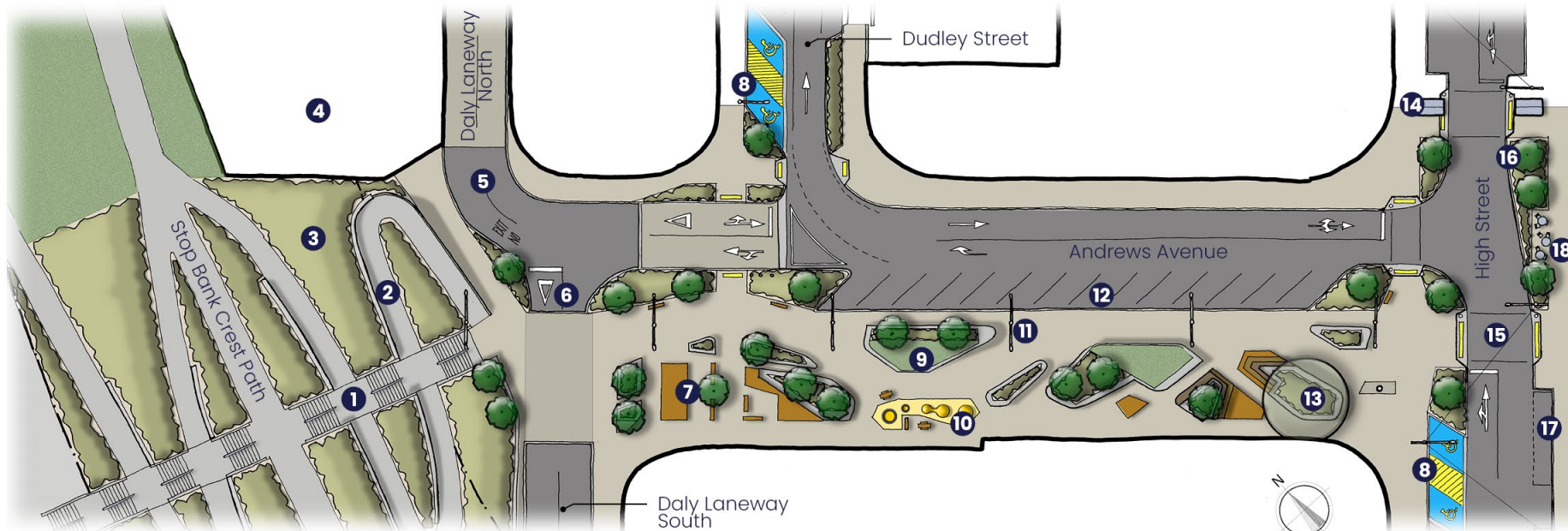


Andrews Avenue



Feedback:

- Yes: Small-scale events, food trucks, music, art, seating, casual gathering and play.
- Yes: Improved and accessible connection to the Riverside Park.
- Mana Whenua: highlighted opportunities to embed site-specific cultural narratives
- Suggestions: consider shelter, maintenance, safety and functional design.



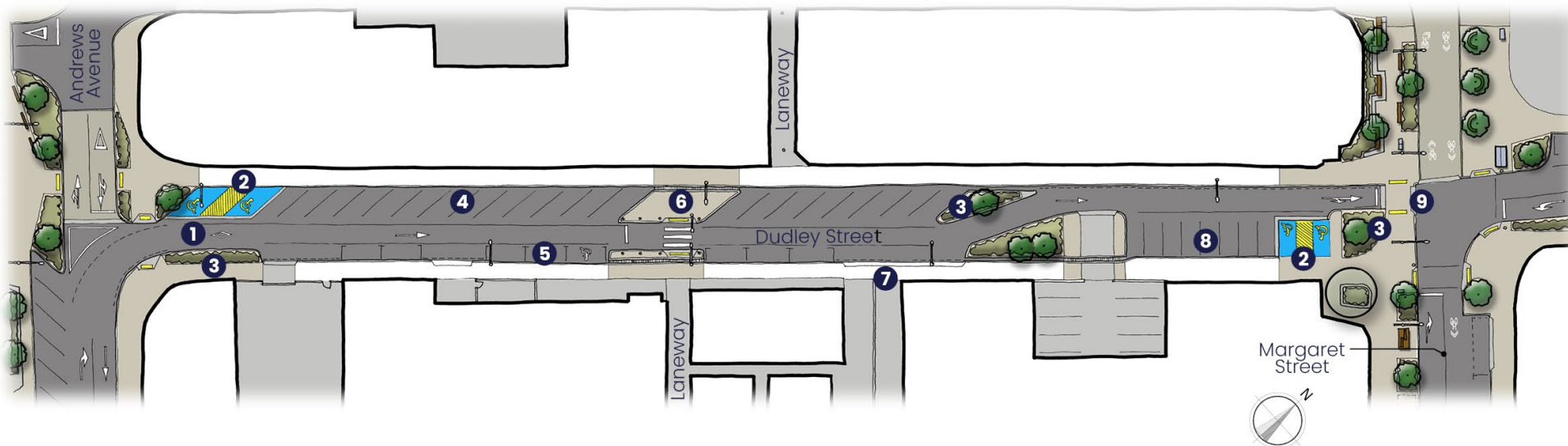
Way forward

Based on the feedback, we will:

- Explore opportunities for shelter from wind, especially around seating, while maintaining good visibility and safety.
- Integrate opportunities for art and cultural narratives within functional elements e.g. seating, play.
- Provide opportunities for short-stay parking.
- Review the location and design of mobility parking spaces.
- Develop the design to specify locations of cycle and motorbike parking.

Feedback:

- Yes: change of direction (from one-way southbound to one-way northbound).
- Yes: additional car parking.
- Suggestions: location and design of the proposed accessible parking bays.



Way forward

Based on the feedback, we will:

- Review the location and design of mobility parking spaces.

High Street South



Activity in the street

Smooth wide paths

Refreshed and tidy

Safe crossings

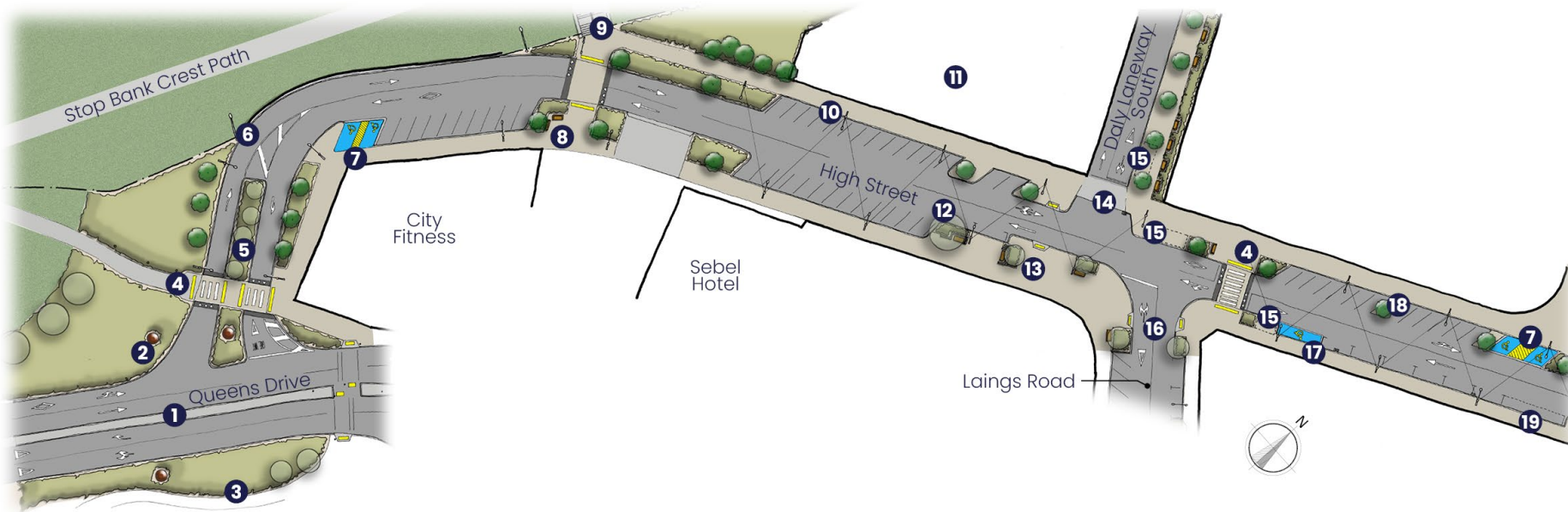
Trees and plants

Variety of parking

Fairy lights!

Feedback:

- Yes: additional crossings both for pedestrian safety and to slow vehicle speeds.
- Yes: greener, safer, well-lit, more attractive street with space for seats and tables.
- Mixed: provision of angled parking – safety issue for cyclists but useful to minimise loss of car parking
- Disability groups: support different types of accessible parking spaces



Way forward

Based on the feedback, we will:

- Review the location and design of mobility parking spaces.
- Develop the design to specify locations of cycle and motorbike parking.

City Link Bridge Corridor

Daly Street & Margaret Street

Wide
footpaths on
the sunny side
of the street

Accessible
route to the
station and river

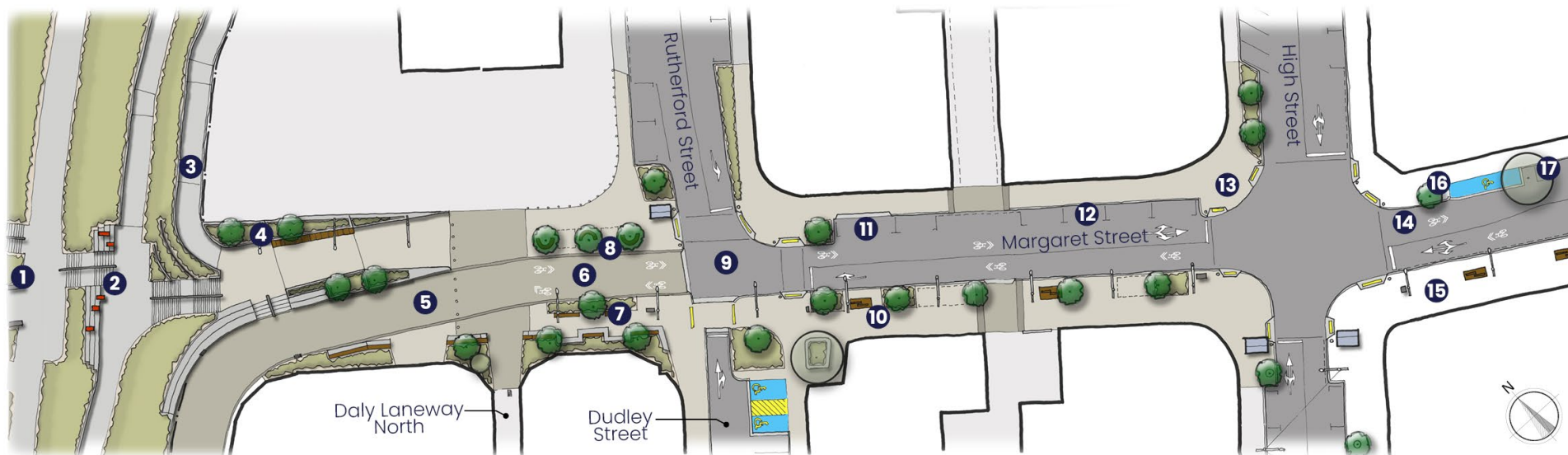
Easy and
safe to cross

Safe and
smooth for
little wheels



Feedback:

- Yes: Connecting the new Melling Station to the city centre and through to the Civic Precinct for pedestrians and active modes.
- Yes: proposed signalised crossings on Margaret Street.
- Yes: wider footpath on Margaret Street
- Suggestion: The sole existing loading bay in the corridor is congested.



Way forward

Based on the feedback, we will:

- Show how the cycling route integrates with the surrounding road network, including advanced stop boxes.
- Develop the design to specify locations of cycle and motorbike parking.

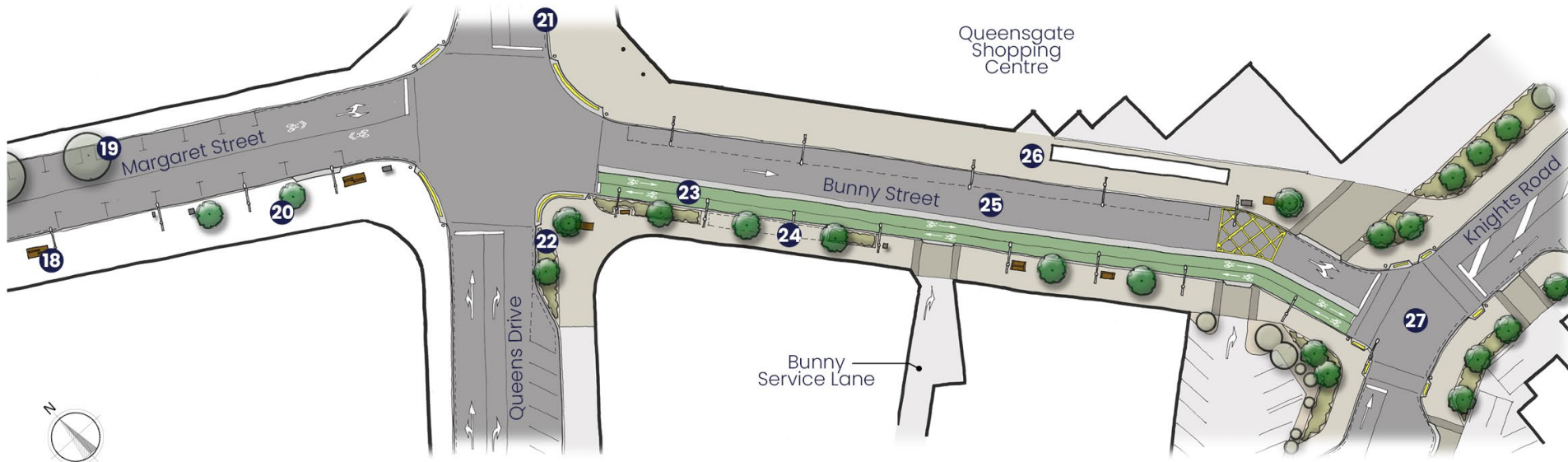
City Link Bridge Corridor

Bunny Street & Knights Road



Feedback:

- Yes: wider footpath at the bus stop.
- Yes: Knights Road signalised crossing (link to bus hub and future market at Dowse)
- Businesses: not against cycle facilities but loss of parking a concern.
- Businesses: pedestrians / scooters conflicts on footpaths.
- Suggestion: retain police parking space in the area.



Way forward

Based on the feedback, we will:

- Show how the cycling route integrates with the surrounding road network.
- Provide a dedicated police parking space.
- Explore converting parallel parking to angled parking on Knights Road to offset the loss of parking on Bunny Street.
- Explore converting parking spaces to P15 close to Queens Dr / Bunny St intersection.
- Continue working with Metlink on bus stop(s) relocation to Queens Drive.
- Develop the design to specify locations of cycle and motorbike parking.

Patai / Questions?



Riverside Park



Riverside Park

Exercise
& fitness

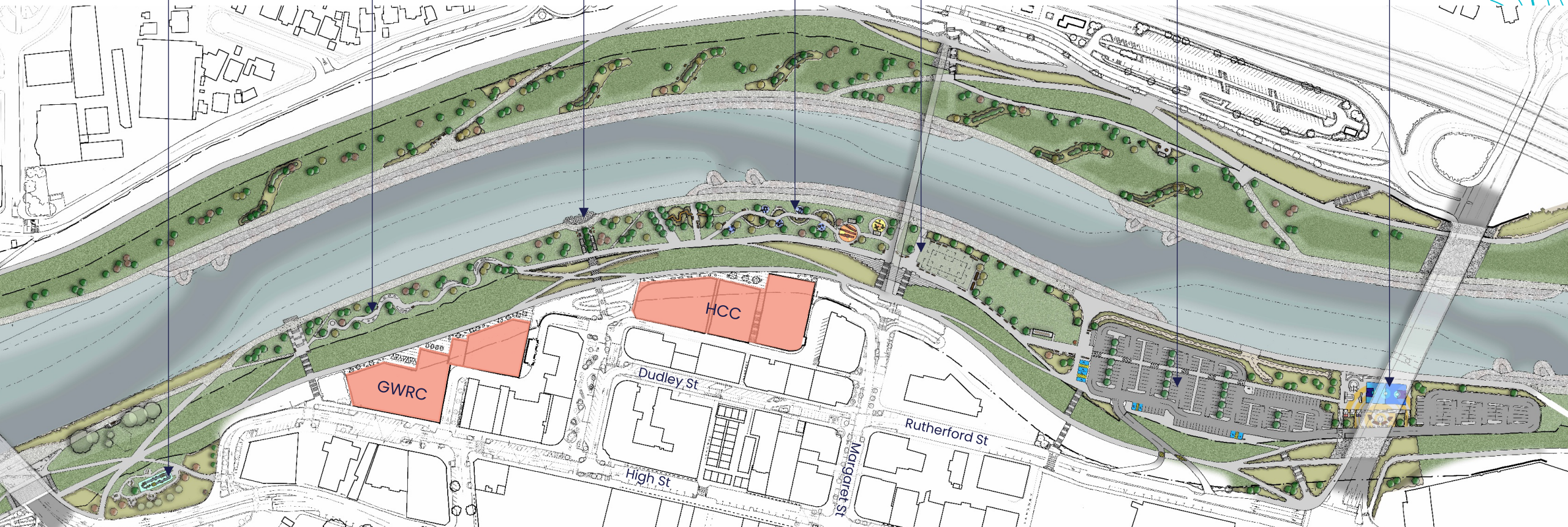
Playful
paths

Ūranga &
Educational
Areas

Nature &
traditional
play

Events &
gathering spaces
with terraced
seating

Court & hang
out space
Car park







Feedback (1):

- Strong support community-wide for the park
- Suggestions: Toilets, inclusive play area (swings preferred over other play features).
- Mana Whenua: supported the intent for Māra Ako (a learning garden) and inclusion of Māra hūpara (cultural learning through play).
- Mana Whenua: liked the idea of the ūrunga but suggested further access was needed along the river + extend access to allow for contemporary waka docking.
- Mana Whenua: requested access to the deepest parts of the river for kai cultivation.
- Refugee and migrant communities: enthusiastic about event spaces, music and gatherings. Suggested food preparation areas and power be provided. Concerns about parking.

Feedback (2):

- Young people: strongly supported the activities proposed e.g. basketball, swings, skating and hang-out space.
- Families with young children: enthusiastic about riverside being more usable. Suggested more facilities e.g. shade, fencing and toilets.
- Disabled communities: welcome accessible pathways. Suggested toilets, drinking fountains and accessible play equipment.
- Most businesses: positive about the park. Some concerns around long-stay parking for their staff and safety at night.



Way forward

Based on the feedback, we will:

- Explore options for contemporary waka docking and kai cultivation with GWRC.
- Consider natural barriers to the water edge for young children around nature play without adversely affecting flood management.
- Develop the play elements e.g. swings.
- Investigate options for toilets nearby (not within the park as it is a flood management corridor).



Patai / Questions?



Next Steps

September 2026	Seek I&R committee approval of concept design
October 2026	Detailed design starts
November 2026	Seek I&R approval of Traffic Resolution
From 2028	Street Upgrades construction starts
From 2030	Riverside Park construction starts
2031	All works completed



Thank you

