

Papakura Covered Walkway Newsletter

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Partnering to provide a modern, covered walkway from Papakura Train Station to the town centre.

Joint Papakura Local Board and Auckland Transport project

The Papakura Local Board and Auckland Transport are partnering to construct a modern covered 250-metre walkway connecting the train station to the town centre.

Final design of the walkway is now available and the covered walkway will run from from Papakura Station, along Railway Street West to the mid-block pedestrian crossing on Averill Street.

Listening to feedback from the community that wanted a better pedestrian connection from the train station to the town centre, the Papakura Local Board decided to utilise its transport capital fund to improve the safety and comfort of pedestrians and commuters. It will be designed to provide a continuous shelter as people walk to the Papakura Library & Museum, the Papakura Art Gallery and Papakura Train Station. It is another step towards developing Papakura as a metropolitan centre in south Auckland.

Design

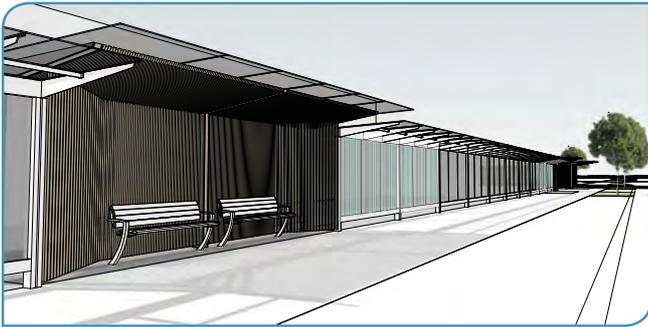
The \$840,000 project will see a new, taller and wider timber-finished covered walkway, which will extend the existing bus stop/shelters. The walkway has been designed to accommodate custom built panels into the structure that could include images, electronic displays and carved art-work.

Initially, the Papakura and District Historical Society have provided a timeline of images covering the town's history and some introductory words, which will feature on the walkway panels.

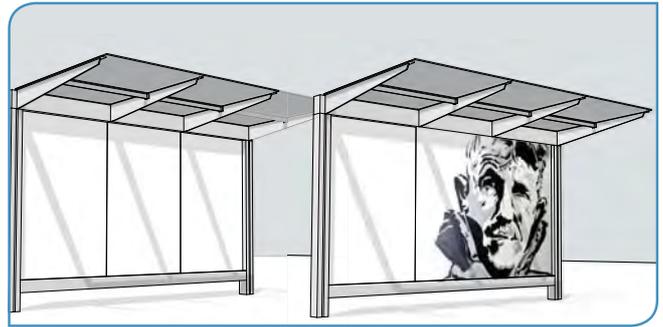
Future themes for display could include:

- Railway, military and equestrian connections
- Mana whenua
- Bee keeping and Sir Edmund Hillary connections
- Collaboration with Papakura Art Gallery exhibitions





Railway Street West Seating Bay



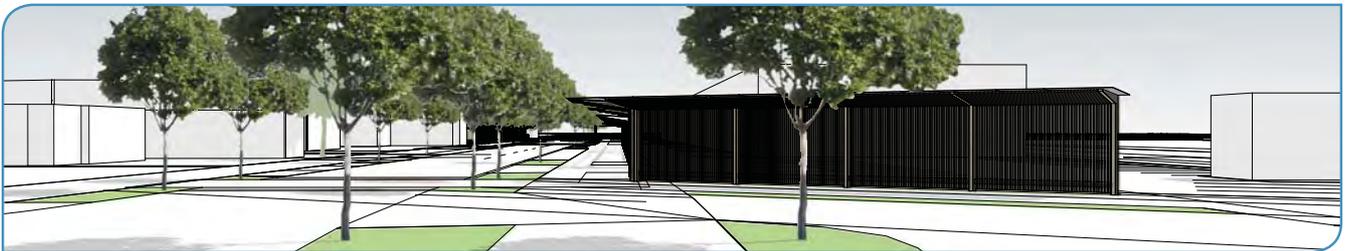
Proposed infill panels options



Mid - block pedestrian crossing on Averill Street



Corner of Averill Street and Railway Street West



View along Railway Street West & Station entry panel