



Māngere West Cycling Improvements Collaboration Forum - Session 2 Summary

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| Date & time | 10 March 2022, 6.00 - 8:00 pm |
| Venue | Online via Zoom |
| Attendees | 12 participants + project team (consultants and AT staff) |
| Distribution | All invitees, plus people who have requested project updates |

Collaboration Forum Session 2 goals

This was the second of four sessions of the Collaboration Forum for the Māngere West Cycling Improvements project. The session built on the kōrero and activities from Session 1 and had the following objectives:

1. Review the contributions and feedback from participants from session 1.
2. Provide feedback on a range of possible path segments in Māngere West.

Presentation

The second session of the Collaboration Forum kicked off with a brief welcome to all participants by the session's emcee, Ioane Afoa (AT Head of Community Engagement) and an opening karakia led by Walter Togiama (Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board). This was followed by a short presentation that included:

- **Housekeeping.** Matt Fordham (consultant Project Manager) referred to the Terms of Reference, which were shared with participants via email before this session, and went through the Zoom basics. He then introduced Sokko Seeto (Time To Thrive) as co-facilitator for this session and invited attendees to reach out to their networks for representatives from schools, churches and the property development sector who might want to bring their perspectives to this forum.
- **Project recap.** Kit McLean (consultant Project Director) revisited the project's area map and opportunity statement. He also explained how the Māngere West Cycling Improvements project links with other Auckland Transport projects nearby, such as the Māngere East Cycling Business Case.
- **Review of session 1 themes.** After the previous session of the forum, the project team categorised and summarised the themes coming out of the kōrero in each breakout room. Themes raised by participants were grouped into five areas, which were presented by Matt Fordham.

Activities

Participants were assigned to one of two breakout rooms to go through three planned activities for the evening:

1. Review of themes raised in session 1
2. Review of potential network path segments
3. Refine and prioritise network path segments

Each breakout room had two facilitators that guided the kōrero and took notes of what was discussed.

Activity 1 - Review of themes raised in session 1

For the first activity, groups were asked to review the themes that came out of the kōrero in session 1 with these two questions in mind:

- Did we hear you correctly?
- Did we miss any key feedback?

Generally, participants agreed that the themes summarised what was discussed in the first session of the Collaboration Forum. Some themes they thought were missing from the summary included:

- Cycling promotion is essential, not just in schools, but also in churches and other community groups, and should include not only tamariki but also their whānau.
- Safety needs to be a priority, especially along main/busy roads with heavy-vehicle traffic.

At the end of this activity, participants joined the main Zoom room where Matt Fordham presented proposed responses to each of the themes raised in session 1. For some of the themes raised, the project team will reach out to teams within Auckland Transport or community organisations for follow-up. Other themes raised in session 1 will be considered during the Collaboration Forum design process.

Matt also explained the strategic context for the Māngere West Cycling Improvements, including the importance of cycling in meeting the city's carbon targets for 2030 and 2050.

Activity 2 - Review of potential network path segments

During this first design activity of the Collaboration Forum, participants were shown a map (see appendix 1) with potential path segments throughout the Māngere West area and were asked to provide feedback on each of them using the PMI tool (plus, minus, interesting).

To ensure all segments were covered, each group started the exercise at opposite ends of the map, with the group guided by Sokko starting south and the one guided by Maddison starting north.

Participants were actively engaged in the conversation and had plenty of local knowledge regarding the path segments shown in the map and new segments that hadn't been identified by the project team.

Activity 3 - Refine and prioritise network path segments

For the last activity of the evening, participants were asked to review the path segments once more and to identify those with a clear/strong alignment with the project's Opportunity Statement: *"How might we increase safe, accessible, direct and desirable cycling connections within Māngere West to the wider network and to the airport?"*

Participants in both groups explored different alternatives and were able to identify several segments and connections that, according to their perspective, aligned closely with the Opportunity Statement.

Debrief and closing

After the third activity was finished, participants returned to the main Zoom room to briefly share their key findings and insights. A closing karakia was offered by Kathleen Wilson (Te Ākitai Waiohū).

The feedback provided by participants will be reviewed for feasibility and alignment with the project goals (as reflected by the Opportunity Statement) by the project team and AT. Based on this information, they will produce a draft network plan for participants to review in the next session.

For the third Collaboration Forum two time slots will be offered. Participants will be able to join the session either on Wednesday March 30th, at 12.00 pm or on Thursday March 31st, at 6.00 pm.

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If you have any questions or comments for the Project Team in the meantime, please get in touch via email at: mangerewestcyclingimprovements@at.govt.nz.

Thank you.

Appendix 1 - Map of potential connections through Mangere West

