Presentation for NCC Plan 29

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Why we live in Nelson and why we are here today

Our topics

- Comments…..the past year or so/Population growth
- Waterfront
- Climate Change
- Inner city/High Rise
- Affordable accommodation
- Heritage & Character
- Economy of the Future

Waterfront - Haven Rd, Marina, The Port/Wakefield Quay – significant assets waiting for development!

Exits to the City along Haven Rd and Wakefield Quay are potential assets that are way under-utilised.

- The port is a major asset and key to multiple “Blue” Industries.
- Plans for the Marina development are excellent.
- A plan had previously been developed to increase the attractiveness/drawing potential for locals and tourists in these areas. ..but?

Nelson Waterfront is a wonderful asset

- Auckland Viaduct/Wellington Waterfront have been transformed. International cities excel in this aspect.
- Consider the Haven Rd area as an untapped asset for additional accommodation, including the potential for high-rise buildings. Could we repurpose existing Council-owned properties to further this transformation?

It's crucial to consider investing in this area, not only as a solution to some of the issues Plan 29 creates, but also as an area of great potential value to our City.

- This area could also be useful for additional housing, entertainment and tourist attractions (Haven Rd - more on Wakefield Quay)

Electric tram - inner city along to the Port? Don't miss the moment to capitalise on the wonderful Nelson Haven area.

Climate Change

Our story of 385 Wakefield Quay and the August 2022 storms.

This may be the most significant issue confronting our short-medium-term future, whether it be low-lying land at risk of flooding

- (The Wood, Maitai, Inner City).....Tahuna Hills/Atawhai

Risk reduction and proactive changes feel mission - critical for many in our community.

- Some small communities are partnering with Councils to act. Many people here have voiced concerns about what is being done proactively on this matter.

High Rise - Inner City vs other parts of Nelson/ Affordable Accommodation & economy of the future

We feel concerned for our inner city

- Do we have a clear vision of what the Inner City might look like In 15-20 years? What do we really want here?

How do we create an appropriate sense of liveliness, excitement and night life as well as affordable accommodation for our young people and professionals? Don't neglect the place for the "Economy of the Future" as part of our solution

- Can the Council play a financial role In starting some CBD accommodation projects -accommodation/high rise etc? Consider a staged approach to high rise rather than scatter everywhere?
- It Is difficult for many people (younger and older) to afford to live reasonably In Nelson.

The importance of the Nelson Hospital rebuild and it's potential to trigger additional medical research and more locally (NMIT expansion/Nurse Practitioners in addition to this….also potential Nelson Clinical School).

We support managed High Rise In the Inner City- ***see less need for high rise outside the Inner City*.**

Heritage and character

"Be a good ancestor" We are fortunate enough to live in a Heritage precinct (Wakefield Quay)

- The Heritage nature of many parts of Nelson is integral to what the city is.
- Yet, are we proposing to reduce the number of Heritage homes?
- Do these homes, with their unique character, not form a significant part of what Nelson truly is?

There is no proposed solution other than- let other's encourage Heritage to be retained (Wakefield Quay is an example of older homes and newer high-rises).

- Don't forget the Cathedral and its Heritage background

Our specific asks of Council

Review the special opportunity created by “Nelson Haven.”

- Do not waste the opportunity. Our waterfront is a wonderful asset, and we know well how the Auckland Viaduct/Wellington Waterfront have been transformed as well as the multiple international city waterfronts that excel and boost visitor numbers and recreation for locals.
- Consider Haven Rd/Wakefield Quay as an asset for additional accommodation, including High Rises. Good waterfronts attract visitors and locals.
- Repurpose Council owned properties

Climate Change is not a distant threat, it's here and now. We need to act urgently.

- The comments in the NRMP are modest at best.
- Key areas of our City are at risk and should be addressed….NOW.

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Reconsider Inner City's vision – be clear about what it is and what we expect for our CBD.

- How do we attract young people and make the tech economy/economy of the future a reality?

Seriously reconsider the approach to High Rise – prioritise the CBD and tackle it stepwise.

- Be thoughtful about how best to implement this. Many citizens support this approach.

Review again the importance of Heritage buildings to Nelson's" character"—preserve what we have, not reduce or eliminate them significantly as planned right now. Don't neglect the Cathedral.