

# Living Streets Aotearoa



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## Submission from Wellington Living Streets on TR 103 and 104 20 to Wellington City Council

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### General

We support these proposals:

- Widening footpaths along Featherston St and a cycle lane
- Widening footpaths along Victoria St with an improved bus and separate cycle lane

We recommend clear signage and physical structures such as planter boxes to delineate the walk space from moving vehicles and to prevent parking.

### Future projects

We look forward to more detail and work commencing on:

- temporary changes to make the intersection of Abel Smith and Cuba streets safer and easier for pedestrians
- central city pop-up park and public spaces
- central city temporary parking spaces for e-scooters
- a trial bike route via Wilson Street in Newtown.

We have separately proposed more projects to improve liveability and make some much needed improvements for walking to meet the needs of our Covid19 world. These include:

- 1 Improvements to make it easier to get around the central city
- 2 Improvements to make it easier to get around in the suburbs
- 3 Improvements to traffic lights to make crossing the road easier
- 4 Greenways to encourage people to walk further using short cuts and paths through parks.

### **Featherston Street**

It is unclear how the pedestrian space south of Balance Street will work as it is combined with the cycle path. This will be unsafe for passengers alighting from the morning bus service during peak times.

Pedestrian crossing facilities are required across Featherston St at Balance St.

We look forward to the permanent fix for this road to include pedestrian crossing facilities on both sides at Grey St.

### **Victoria Street**

We note the footpath on the west on Victoria Street near Willeston Street is already very narrow and requires widening for normal purposes. We look forward to this being included in a permanent fix for this area.

### **About Living Streets**

Living Streets Aotearoa is New Zealand's national walking and pedestrian organisation, providing a positive voice for people on foot and working to promote walking friendly planning and development around the country. Our vision is "More people choosing to walk more often and enjoying public places".

The objectives of Living Streets Aotearoa are:

- to promote walking as a healthy, environmentally-friendly and universal means of transport and recreation
- to promote the social and economic benefits of pedestrian-friendly communities
- to work for improved access and conditions for walkers, pedestrians and runners including walking surfaces, traffic flows, speed and safety
- to advocate for greater representation of pedestrian concerns in national, regional and urban land use and transport planning.

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