

Submission from Wellington Living Streets on Traffic Resolution TR119-20 Garrett St; Cuba St; Swan Lane

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Traffic resolution Swan Lane and Garrett Street

Congratulations, Living Streets Aotearoa support this traffic resolution which is one of the most pedestrian-friendly we have ever seen. This is a good step towards making all of Cuba Street a pedestrian only space, as a continuation of Cuba Mall.

We particularly support the

- Raised platform along Cuba St to prioritise pedestrian movement on this busy walking street, and note this provides needed wider space than the narrow footpath
- Kerb build-outs to aid crossing Cuba Street on the desire line from Garrett Street to Swan Lane
- The provision of more green plantings and water sensitive design
- Careful placement of street furniture to allow people to linger while not disrupting walking movement
- Provision of a loading zone for Swan Lane from Marion St rather than Cuba St
- The provision of on-road cycle parking, which is where all vehicles should be parked.

We would also support returning children's play equipment to Glover Park to support families living in the central city, in this precious central green space.

We would like to be heard in support of our submission.

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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