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Abstract Remit	<p>New Zealanders' love of the car has dominated our walking streetscapes and it has often been an uphill battle to get designers to put people first into their designs.</p> <p>But people are a diverse group with diverse needs and whilst the needs of some groups are taken into account, others are forgotten. This presentation illustrates how streetscape designs are often inaccessible, if not downright dangerous, for many users, which of course discourages people to walk.</p> <p>Buildings, too, can play an important role in making a city walk-able, in all weathers. Focus is on good and bad examples of what works and what doesn't and why. With an ageing population, it is imperative that we start now to understand and incorporate everyone's needs to ensure a truly accessible and inclusive walking environment for the future.</p>		
Author Profile	<p>Vivian Naylor graduated in Zoology from the University of London in 1968. She worked as an agricultural entomologist in Bolivia until a road accident, in which she broke her back, forced her return to England – to rehabilitate, live and work. She switched her interests to the 'concrete jungle' and in New Zealand her current work is to promote Universal Design – working with Councils, architects and companies in the building industry, educating and advising on how the built environment can be designed to create a safe and inclusive environment for everyone.</p>		