ANNUAL REVIEW 2020



Message from the Chair of WQ TMA Board Anita Potgieter – Head of Facilities Management, ASB

2019 saw accelerated growth in Wynyard Quarter and real change as preparations are being made for hosting AC36. New infrastructure has been constructed and new road layouts initiated. The tanks, which have been a long-standing landmark of the area are being gradually dismantled. Wynyard Quarter Transport Management Association (WQ TMA) has been working alongside numerous agencies to ensure that the voice of businesses in the quarter are heard, in respect of transport and traffic management.

WQ TMA is a membership organisation and we work with and for our members. We are focussed on finding workable solutions to traffic and transport issues in Wynyard Quarter. Our members include landowners, developers, property owners, business owners, occupants and tenants of the area, all of whom are keen to work together to ensure safe and sustainable transport solutions.

2020 has been a challenging year with Covid 19 changing the way we work. Working from home has become a normality for some and that has brought both opportunities and challenges. Most companies and people are now working through what the 'new normal' will be, slowly returning to offices whilst ensuring we keep the learnings from virtual working. With the lockdown came a new found freedom, people walking and cycling in relative safety on near empty roads. For many people this was a pivotal point and gave momentum for those calling for vehicles to no longer have priority on every street.

Later this year and through into 2021 Wynyard Quarter will be host to the America's Cup. One of the challenges for businesses in the area is to be race ready. That will mean knowing the racing schedule and advising staff of times when there is likely to be increased numbers of people in and around the area. The aim is to enjoy the event while working together to ensure the area remains open for "business as usual". We acknowledge that access to information and timely communication will be key to a successful event.

The WQ TMA Board will continue to advocate on behalf of our members ensuring that the needs of the area are taking into consideration and we will continue to strive to find ways to manage congestion, improve access, keep pedestrians safe and support sustainable transport initiatives.

Join us and help to keep the Wynyard Quarter moving!

WQ TMA BOARD ELECTIONS

Each year WQ TMA hold elections to select representatives for the Board of Directors. The Board of WQ TMA manage and control the affairs of the Incorporated Society and set the direction of the organisation.

In order to be considered for the Board, you have to first be a member of WQ TMA.

Details of TMA membership and annual fees can be **found here**. Please then complete the **application form** and return it to transportwq@outlook.com

If you are interested in becoming a Board member and have further questions, check out the **FAQs** or contact us via transportwq@outlook.com or call 022 025 2720. The closing date for Board nominations is Tuesday 17th November 2020 at 5pm.

This year, the Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday 26th November 2020. The agenda will include a review of activities and accounts for 2019/2020, a look ahead to 2021 and networking opportunities. All members are invited to attend. Full details can be found on the TMA website.

CLICK HERE FOR MEMBERSHIP DETAILS



OUR VISION

Our vision is of an efficient, networked and highly connected transport system supporting a diverse and vibrant Wynyard Quarter community.

Our mission is to be the voice of Wynyard Quarter:

creating a thriving safe environment for business and community and fostering economic vitality by building partnerships and delivering targeted transport initiatives.

OUR MISSION

OUR BOARD

Board members include representatives from:

151 Property, Auckland Theatre Company, ASB, Auckland Transport*, Fonterra, Goodman, Mott MacDonald, NZ Marine, Panuku*, Precinct Property, Sanford, Viaduct Harbour Holdings, Waitemata Local Board* and WSP. *denotes non-voting members.

Notes of the Board meetings can be found on our website.

2019 / 2020 HIGHLIGHTS



Advocating for public transport improvements

WQ TMA are in ongoing discussions with Auckland Transport (AT) to ensure good connectivity for Wynyard Quarter. WQ TMA helped to distribute detail to changes in the bus routes in the area. WQ TMA successfully lobbied Auckland Transport to relocate the bus layover away from Beaumont Street, which has been welcomed by businesses in the area.



Annexure 18

WQ TMA have been keen to understand the process around the cessation of the Annexure 18 reporting methodology and are in ongoing discussions with Auckland Transport around this.



America's Cup 2021

WQ TMA continues to work very closely with all organisations involved in AC36 to ensure that consideration is given to those living and working in the area. This dialogue has included Wynyard Edge Alliance, the America's Cup events team, AT America's Cup team, Panuku and ATEED. The key focus is on transport and accessibility during construction and event activation.



Animated bus map

This map was updated in line with the bus route changes made by Auckland Transport in early 2020. It shows people how and where to catch the bus to access Wynyard Quarter and it can be viewed here.



Board presentations

In the past year presentations to the Board have included, Wynyard Edge Alliance, AC36, ATEED, Lime, Mevo, Yogoo/Zilch, Panuku, Inugo and Auckland Transport.

Covid 19

WQ TMA acted as a conduit for businesses seeking information in relation to the Covid 19 pandemic.



2019 / 2020 HIGHLIGHTS



Cycling

WQ TMA provided detail to support an application to the NZTA Innovating Streets fund identifying safe cycling routes through the area and ensuring connections for commuters using active modes. WQ TMA have been lobbying for additional secure bike parking for the Wynyard Quarter area. An application was made for funding from the Community Bike fund in mid-2019.



Electric vehicles

WQ TMA entered into an MOU with an electric vehicle (EV) provider and supported their successful application to ECCA. WQ TMA remain committed to enabling a shared EV model for the area which would enable sustainable journeys in and around the city and also to the airport.



In conjunction with Panuku, WQ TMA will be undertaking staff travel surveys in the run up to America's Cup. The surveys will have standardized questions for all participating businesses. With expertise from Mott MacDonald the data will be collated and opportunities for enhancements made ahead of AC36.



Promotional videos

The first of these, a video promoting bus use has been finalised. This has been produced by Auckland Theatre Company. The concept is to showcase local champions of sustainable transport and encourage mode shift to sustainable modes.





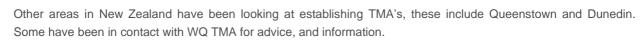
Four independent strategic reports have been produced by WQ TMA. These are a Strategic Plan 2018 - 2021, Parking Plan, Construction Workers and Contractors Access Plan, and a Business Plan. These reports guide the work of the TMA. Copies of all these documents can be found on our website. The current Strategic Plan will need to be reviewed in 2021.

Submissions



WQ TMA have submitted on behalf of its members on the following: Te Wero Crossing, The Northern Pathway, City Centre Master Plan refresh, Wynyard Quarter Precinct Plan, Wynyard Quarter Precinct Transportation Strategy update and the Climate Action Framework. The focus for the TMA has been on traffic and transport and the impact on businesses and commuters in Wynyard Quarter.

TMA's in NZ





Travel planning

WQ TMA continues to work with employers to review current parking arrangements and commuter mode split. Staff are encouraged to travel by more sustainable modes. This work is being undertaken in conjunction with Auckland Transport. Businesses are responding well to independent advice and guidance.

VISIT WQ TMA WEBSITE



2020 / 2021 WQ TMA PRIORITY PROJECTS



America's Cup 2021

- Continue to act as a conduit for all traffic and transport issues related to the America's Cup
- Ensure the views of Wynyard Quarter businesses and residents are represented, heard and respected
- Review relevant reports and documentation and provide timely feedback
- Ensure ongoing safe access and connections in and around Wynyard Quarter
- Consult and communicate throughout the planned events
- Regularly update WQ TMA website with relevant information



Optimise car parking

- Through collaboration, seek to ensure that car parking in Wynyard Quarter is optimised
- Seek to open up private car parking capacity for public use for example, for events
- Use new technologies to improve customer experiences and awareness

Promote sustainable transport



- Work with employers and employees to increase awareness and uptake of sustainable transport options
- · Through collaboration, seek to help implement an electric car share scheme in Wynyard Quarter
- Lobby Auckland Transport to ensure well connected public transport for the area
- Promote transport related safety throughout Wynyard Quarter
- · Seek to increase secure public bike parking in the area

Stay connected



- Regularly update WQ TMA's online presence
- Communicate directly with TMA members via email bulletins
- Connect with CCO's active in Wynyard Quarter to ensure strong dialogue
- Continue to be the voice of Wynyard Quarter businesses and advocate on their behalf
- Distribute relevant updates

Monitor and review

- Refresh the WQ TMA 2018 2021 Strategic Plan
- Advocate for a fit for purpose data collection method/tool to replace the Annexure 18 survey and ensure collected data is shared
- · Encourage sharing of all travel related data within Wynyard Quarter
- Seek to identify barriers to change
- Through joint initiatives seek to monitor changes in commuter behaviour
- Share and celebrate transport related successes

Want to be a part of the journey and become a member of WQ TMA?

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