

WELCOME TO ICW's 12TH FOUNDERS DAY CELEBRATION



Inner-City Wellington seeks to serve as a progressive and influential voice of and for the residential community in the suburbs of Te Aro and Wellington Central



OUR START

- ✦ The Founding Day of the “Inner-City Residents and Business Association organisation” was 3 Nov 2008.
- ✦ The Co-Founders of the organisation are acknowledged as Grant Robertson and Mark Blumsky
- ✦ At its 9th AGM held on 26 April 2017, the organisation was renamed “**Inner-City Wellington**”





How do we work?

UN Sustainable Development Goals

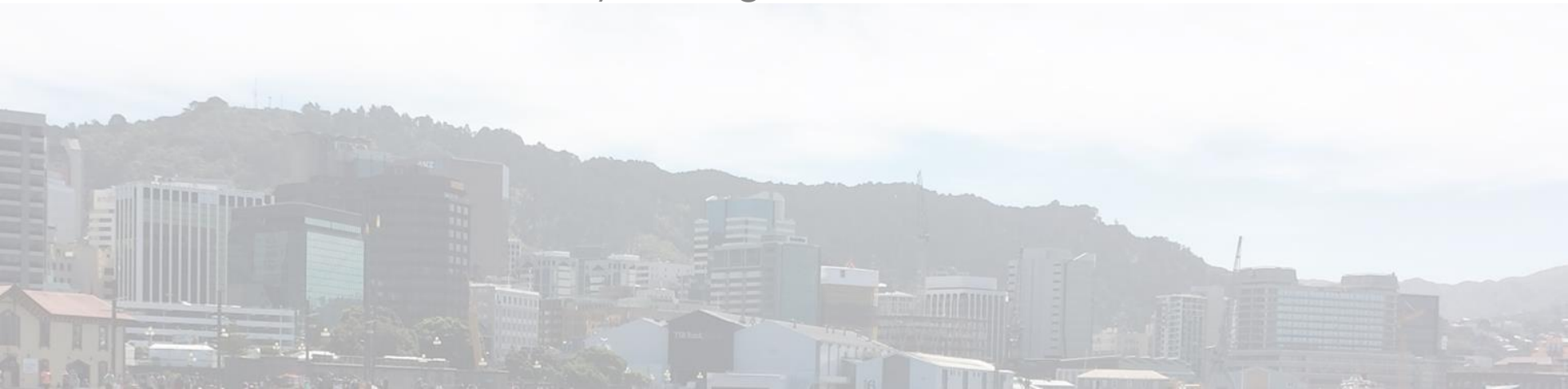
Adopted by all members of the United Nations on 25 September 2015, our Government is party to these, as is local Government.

We use the relevant goals to provide a framework for all of our thinking and work, and we try to hold local Government accountable to them.

Cooperation Agreements

Flagstaff Hill

Victoria University Wellington Students Association

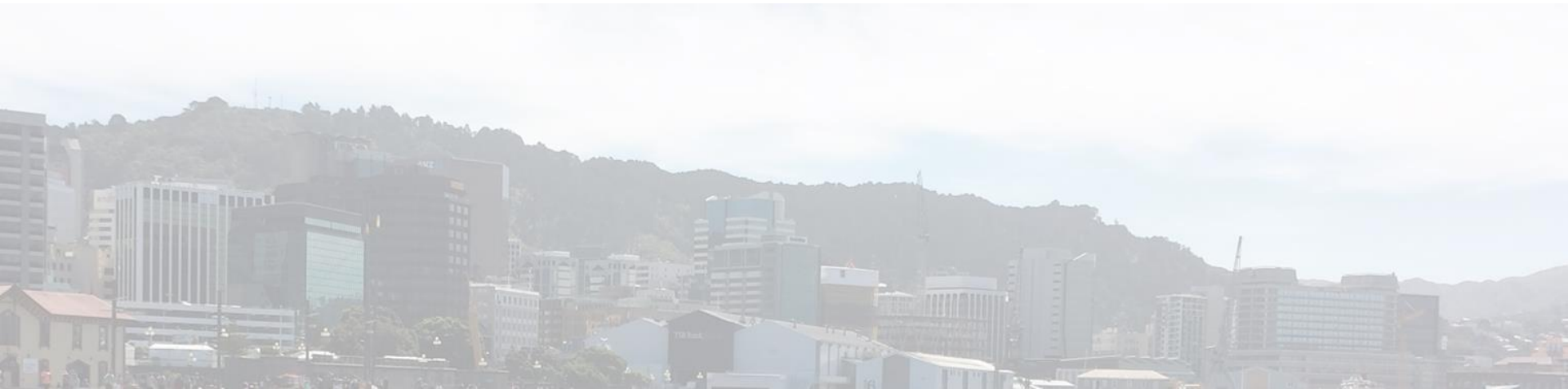




Strategic Plan

Our current 3 year plan has 3 goals:

- ✦ Sustainable Development
- ✦ Local Democracy
- ✦ Building Capacity





2020 Achievements

Earthquake Strengthening Project

- ✦ Survey on strengthening costs and impacts to building representatives and a separate survey for individual apartment owners to respond to (Mar - Aug)
- ✦ Oral submission on the two petitions related to a review of EQ Prone legislation for multi-owner residential buildings presented to Parliament last Sept (June)
- ✦ Residential EQ prone buildings financial assistance scheme - feedback to Kainga Ora to clarify criteria and help develop FAQs (April - Sept)
- ✦ Wellington Central Candidates Meeting - impacts of seismic strengthening, insurance affordability and constraints of Unit Titles Act 2010 (Aug)
- ✦ Media coverage - along with multiple apartment owners who helped with their stories





2020 Achievements

Democratic Resilience Project

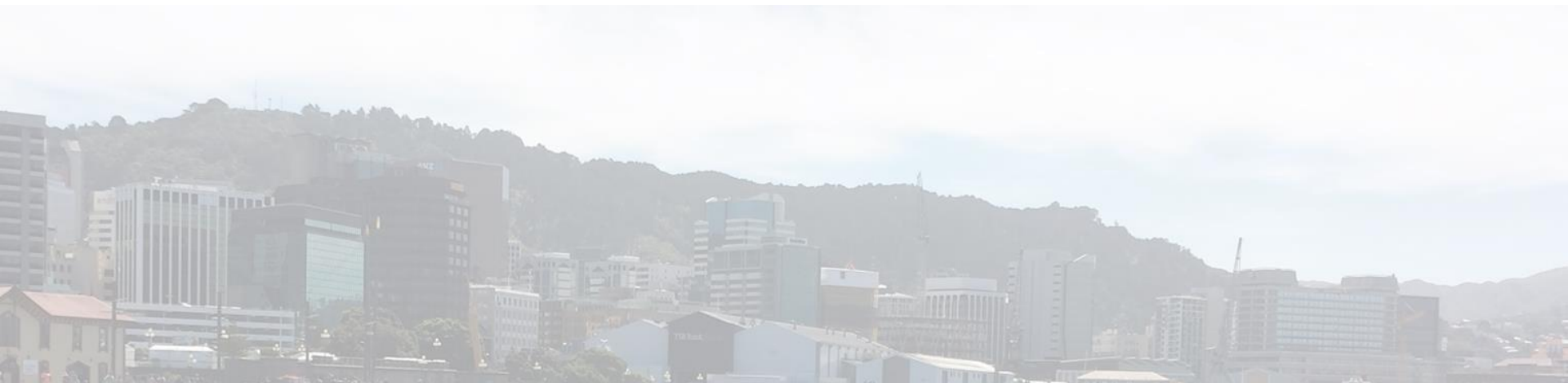
- ✦ Last year we developed a Case Study which we shared with WCC in an effort to obtain better consultation. However, while providing us with useful resources, this strategy only achieved a limited response from WCC
- ✦ This year we have spent a considerable amount of work working with others to gain collaboration on this project which has been very successful.
- ✦ We are now preparing to organising a Seminar early next year “Consultation- towards co-design”.





We have also submitted on the following consultation

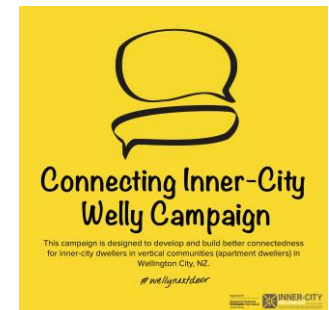
- ✦ WCC - Street Changes for distancing WCC
- ✦ WCC - Zero Carbon
- ✦ WCC - Annual plan 2020-2021
- ✦ LGWM - Golden Mile
- ✦ WCC - Wellington Central Library
- ✦ WCC - Spatial Plan





Collaboration - *Continuously building and growing better community engagement in the Inner City*

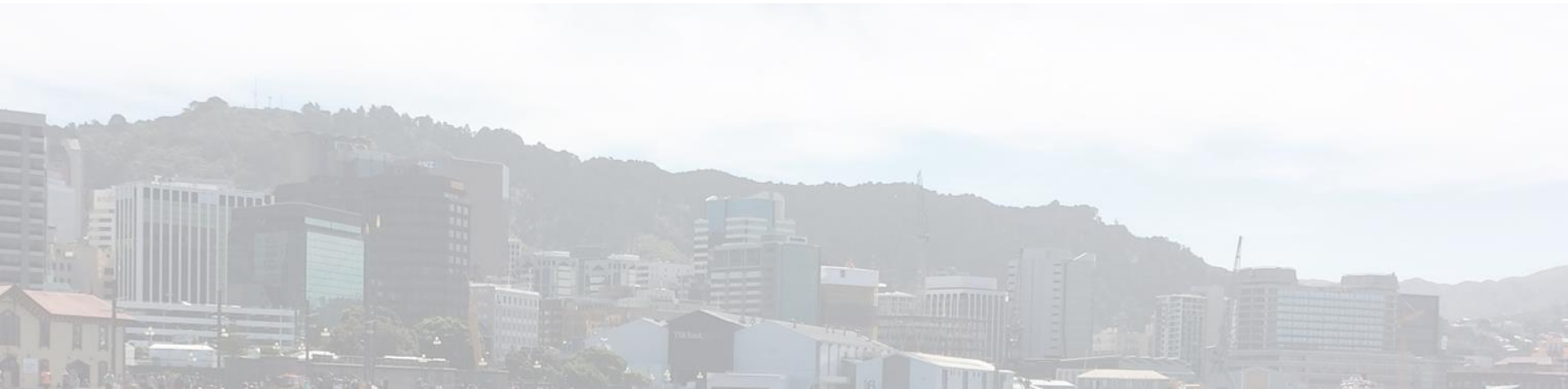
- ✘ Active member of WRAN (Wellington Resident Associations Network) which was formed this year where Resident Associations come together on a monthly to share news, concerns, documents, and support.
- ✘ Instigating the Connecting Inner City Welly Campaign - Poster, Social Media, and Media Campaign (right)
- ✘ ICW has also become involved with many community groups and initiatives across the inner city
 - ✓ *Seeds to Feeds Te Aro - A local Food festival.*
 - ✓ *Long Table Brunch at Cuba Dupa for locals*
 - ✓ *Neighbours Day/Pop Up Parklets - Random Acts of Kindness - Coming this month*
 - ✓ *Progressing 'Connecting City Neighbours'*
 - ✓ *Supporting projects eg. Cycle Wellington, Freestore, The Urban Farming Project. Everybody Eats, Crafty Volunteers, and Rubbish Trip.*





Finally a very quick overview of specific concerns we want to share with you today

- ✦ Dual purpose space
- ✦ Population growth and density
- ✦ Green space





We live in a dual purpose space

We are now the largest residential suburb in Wellington in terms of population

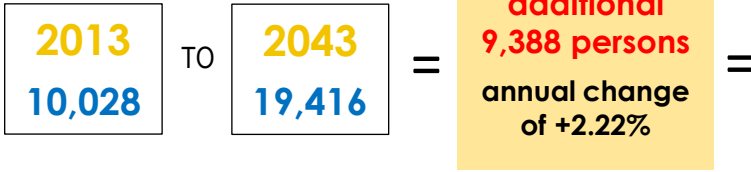
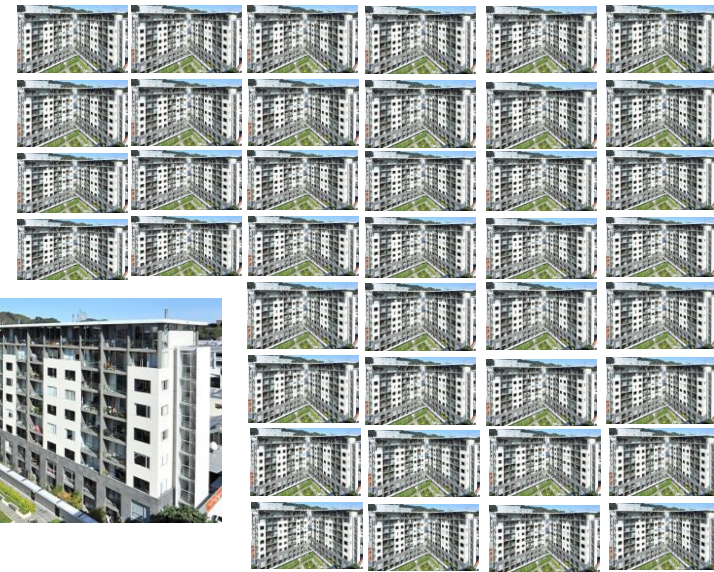


- ✦ Our 'space' is also the 'space' used by business, the hospitality industry, workers and visitors.
- ✦ Currently residents feel that their perspectives about their living space are overridden by the perspectives of business and visitors to the area. We know many of them spend much of their day or evening in our patch, but they have a different suburb to go home to. We do not.



Population Growth

The following growth is predicted for **Te Aro**



= 40+ more buildings the size of Sanctum's two towers.

For **Wellington Central**, the 2013 figure is **3,277** growing to **8,037** in 2043 = an **additional 4,760 persons**, average annual change of +3.03%

This is particularly worrying given the already unacceptable density levels in this area

Combined with





Population Density

Taking specific mesh blocks within our area, of particular concern are as follows:

Area	Population	Land area hectares	Pop density per hectare
Courtenay	1755	37	47.60
Dixon	4182	30	138.14
Vivian East	2403	29	83.91
Vivian West	3489	37	94.29
Wellington Central	2991	56	53.40
TOTAL	14820	189	78.41

As a comparison . . .

Islington, London	206,125	1486	138.7
Tower Hamlets	254096	1977	128.5

The growth projections cited will seriously exacerbate densification

Already further apartment buildings have been opened or are currently being built in these areas without any apparent thought to the lack of communal/green space, and appropriate amenities etc





Do we want this?



Pre-fabricated, modular building system mass produced and flat packed to keep construction costs low

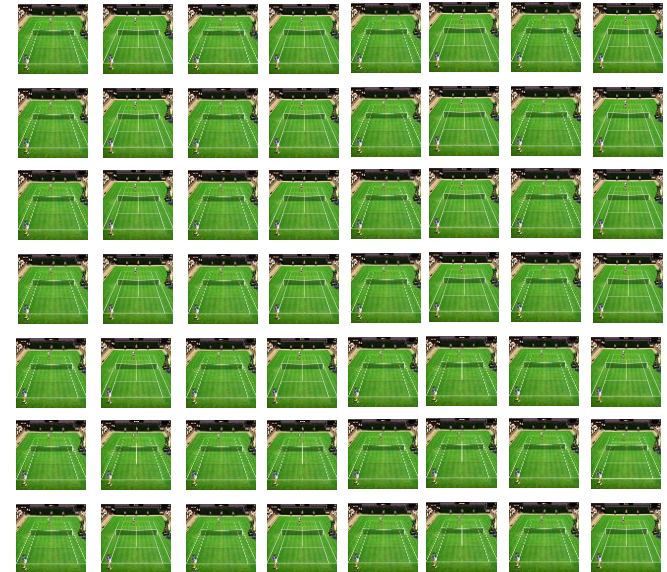
Or do we want more of this?





Extra green space required now & in the future

- ❖ WHO guidelines state “As a rule of thumb, urban residents should be able to access public green spaces of at least 0.5-1 hectare within 300 metres linear distance (around 5 minutes walk) of their homes”.
- ❖ There is already an existing deficit of green space for the current residents of the central city which urgently needs to be addressed.
- ❖ And, green space the equivalent to another 10 Te Aro parks (or 56 Tennis courts) would be required to meet the space needs of the proposed additional central city population.





Looking across Australasia and using population-weighted density data, Wellington City is the densest, then follows Sydney and Melbourne.

(Green Space in Wellington's Central City: Current provision, and design for future wellbeing)

So do we want more of this?



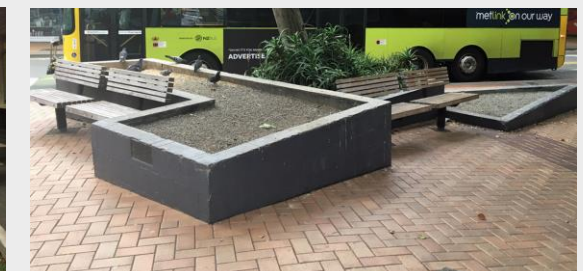
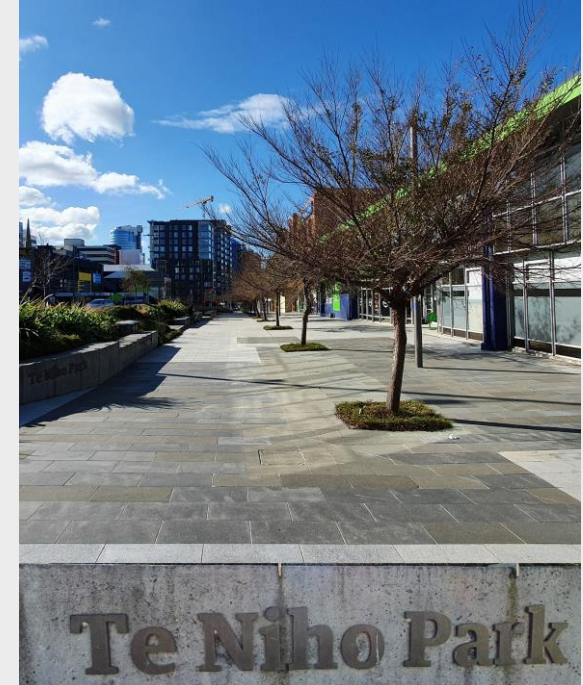
Midland Park. Source: Architecture Now.



Jack Iltott Green in Civic Square. The only large area of green space in the CBD that can be used for activities and which is in danger of being built on.



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Thank you for listening and if anyone is interested in finding out more please contact a member of the committee at the end of the meeting

Now onto the formal part of the evening

