



# INNER-CITY WELLINGTON

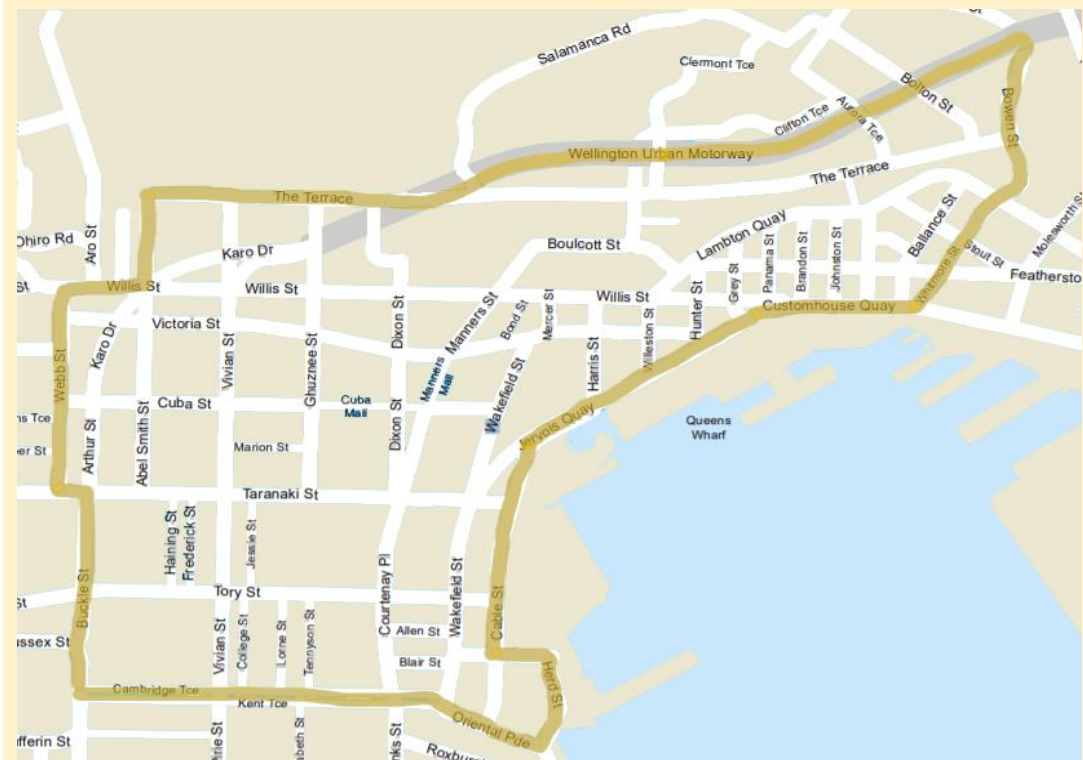
Te Reo Pokapū o Pōneke

VOICE OF TE ARO AND WELLINGTON CENTRAL

## Annual Report 2022-2023

### OUR MISSION

ICW wants to enhance the wellbeing of residents living in Te Aro/Wellington Central through active engagement with them, and by being an active and influential voice for them with appropriate public authorities.



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## Chairperson's Report

Kia ora and welcome to our report on our latest year of activities.

This year we adopted a simplified and focused Annual Plan (appendix 1) and we set three objectives for ourselves:

1. To engage actively with the residential inner-city community to support and promote their interests and foster local democracy.
2. To promote perspectives on Living Environments that advance the social, environmental and economic aspects of the inner-city in a sustainable way
3. To build organizational capability sufficient to achieve our objectives.

We believe we have made some progress on each of these objectives.



This past year has been a busy one ICW. Thank you to all whose effort on behalf our inner-city residents is acknowledged more fulsomely in this Annual Report.

For me, of the many highlights of the year, our Local Government Candidate forum co-hosted by VUWSA was exceptional. The innovative 'speed dating' format allowed candidates to interact with smaller groups of residents and provided far greater opportunities for people to ask questions than is generally possible in larger Hall style meetings. This is a format that we hope to repeat later in the year with our Wellington Central Candidates meeting.

The City Council election did focus attention on the infrastructure issues confronting our city, as well as the challenges presented by the intensification of housing. For ICW, our constituents already live in one of the most densely populated parts of New Zealand. This intensification is proceeding at pace. For example, since our last AGM, here in the St Peter's Garden Room, a number of large residential developments have been completed, within 5 minutes' walk of here. These include the Wellington Company development on the corner of Willis and Vivian Streets, the Education House redevelopment for Te Kāinga at 180 Willis Street, and the newly opened Victoria Lane Apartments. These are just some examples of the ongoing residential growth in the inner city and Te Aro; which makes the advocacy of ICW more important than ever.

Sadly it remains the case that the needs of inner-city residents are all too often not considered in decisions impacting the inner city and Te Aro.

In the document **A Social Wellbeing Framework for Wellington** (August 2021) adopted by Council in August 2021 Council, it offers this:

*“Our vision for social wellbeing is ‘An inclusive, liveable, and resilient city where people and communities can learn, are connected, well housed, safe and healthy. Wellington is a people-centred city.’”*

The deficit in public amenities necessary to support the aspiration is acknowledged but what is there being done to address it?

**The Gehl, 2021 Public Space Public Life Study** commissioned by Let’s Get Wellington Moving, the Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC), and the Wellington City Council, notes that

*“...the Green space amount per capita in the central city declines substantially - by half on average - when projected population growth to 2043 is considered.”*

Our submission to the **Proposed District Plan** ended with these words:

*“We cannot see how Council in good conscience can advocate unconstrained intensification in the inner city at the same time as claiming the reality of fiscal constraints in the provision of the necessary infrastructure required to support such intensification.*

*You cannot uncouple intensification of residential development from the provision of the appropriate level of community amenities required to support the people who will live there.*

*Whether or not in the future our inner-city will support, along with business, hospitality and entertainment, the socially, economically, and generationally diverse residential communities that are the hallmark of successful residential inner-city neighbourhoods across the world, depends on Council’s willingness to make some challenging decisions that will deliver development with necessary infrastructure and amenities to support the diversity necessary for those communities to thrive.”*

‘Our patch’ of Wellington faces a prolonged period of disruption due to inground infrastructure upgrades and the significant changes being considered by Let’s Get Wellington Moving - all of which will be occurring during a period of ongoing residential population growth. That residential community will need a voice - ICW strives to be a voice that reminds Council that there are ever increasing numbers of citizens who do not leave the city at the end of the day.

One of the most significant contributions to that end has been the exceptional work carried out by Jill Wilson in delivery both our newsletters and Facebook feed. Jill’s work is at the heart our connectivity to the ever-increasing numbers of people moving into our vertical streets.

ICW is struggling, like many volunteer organisations we are in a position of having to wonder how we can continue to do the work that we do with decreasing numbers of volunteers who have the time to support our efforts. It is becoming increasingly clear to us that the current way we operate is not sustainable. There is need for a review of our operation. We will begin some of that discussion tonight and hopefully have more things to consider at our Founders’ Day celebration at the end of the year.

Thank you again for your support.

Blessings



**Rev Stephen King**  
**Chair of ICW**

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## Our work this year

The following explores the annual objectives we set for the 2022-23 year and the related the work we have been doing this year to achieve them.



### Goal 1: Engagement

To engage actively with the residential inner-city community to support and promote their interests and foster local democracy.

### E1. Connecting Neighbours

Inner-city Wellington is home for a wonderfully diverse community of residents. We believe the key to creating a sense of community in ‘our patch’ is to facilitate community-building within the over 125 apartment buildings in the area.

To achieve this, we need to have contacts in them to support the sharing of local information and knowledge.

#### Fortress apartments

After determining no central list of apartment building contacts existed – for example no master list of Body Corporate contacts – two years ago we started creating our own master list of apartment buildings and we sought to find a contact or contacts in each.

This is a disappointingly slow process.

With their security controlled front doors, we tend to view these as ‘Fortress Apartment buildings’ preventing simple initiatives such as maildrop in their letterboxes to let residents know about us.

For this reason, we have continued to talk to Council teams about the essential need for community organisations such as ICW to be able to make maildrops in apartment buildings at a low or no cost. At the moment





such a maildrop would cost in the vicinity of \$12,000 which is well out of our ability to fund.

We have also asked the Council to consider adding information about ICW in any information it is placing in apartment letterboxes – for example, its quarterly publication which are delivered to each of them.

### **Thinking ultra-local**

We have been thinking about the way our inner city is growing.

One new apartment building can immediately introduce 100-200 new residents in its ‘vertical street’.



So, we believe that tailoring ultra-local information for residents is something to explore. This might be the key to encouraging targeted and effective consultation and creating a sense of community. For example, many large cities talk about their ‘neighbourhoods’ because they might have a particular style and demographic.

Perhaps Tory Street/Taranaki Street (bounded by Courtenay Place and Ghuznee Street) could be considered a ‘neighbourhood’ with the large Soho apartment building in that block - or Victoria Street/Willis Street (bounded by Ghuznee Street and Dixon Street). Both these areas have several large apartment buildings which could mean a population of 500-1,000 people resides in that ultra-local space.

### **Reflecting our part of town**

We have also considered other perhaps ways for the inner-city community to feel like a neighbourhood of connected people.

For example, perhaps we could find a way for ultra-local community news and



information to be presented on the many digital billboards in the inner-city amongst the advertising they carry.

This Engagement goal will continue to be a major focus for us to explore with Council teams, other like-minded community organisations and, of course, residents, in the coming year.

## **E2. Community-building events Wellington Resident Associations**

During the year we have looked for opportunities to collaborate with other associations.

For example, we have participated in regular Connecting City Neighbours meetings run by the Council’s Community Services team attended by Mt Cook Residents Association and organisations such as BGI (Boys’ and Girls Institute), Everybody Eats and the Sustainability Trust.

We were also part of sharing and planning conversations about this year’s Neighbours Day run by Neighbours Aotearoa each year in March.



## **E3. Network (WRAN) liaison**

ICW is a member of the Wellington Residents Association Network (WRAN) – a network through which over 20 residents’ associations meet by Zoom to share information.

These meetings have also hosted a range of expert speakers who have presented on topics such Let’s Get Wellington Moving (LGWM), the new Interislander Terminal, the City to Sea water project, WREMO and more.

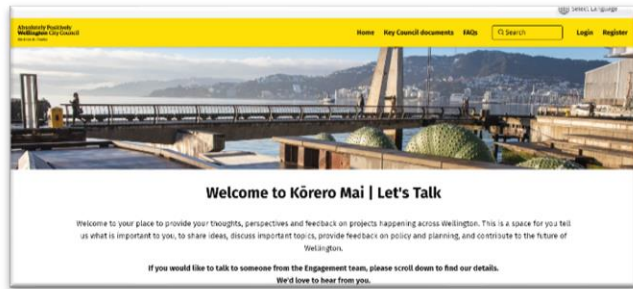


This schedule of Zooms has helped us and our fellow associations to be able to talk directly with the project leads of some of city’s major developments as well be informed on important issues such as climate change and the environment.



ICW also hosted and participated in a face-to-face brainstorming session in which WRAN common interests were explored.

In addition to the monthly Zoom sessions, ICW has recently become part of a small WRAN sub-group which is exploring, on behalf of residents' associations, ways to support engagement and participation between Council teams and residents.



This has led to regular meetings with the Council's recently appointed Engagement Manager and connects with the Council's focus on its engagement processes with residents.

These meetings are leading to new opportunities for Wellington's residents' associations – including ourselves - to be recognised as a key component of the democratic process and the need for involvement in earlier stages of consultation and engagement.

#### **E4. Ngā Korero public meetings**

We had hoped to run a series of public interest meetings this year but our limited resourcing reluctantly led us to focus on other areas of our annual programme.

#### **E5. Engagement with local government**

Through the range of initiatives discussed above, we have continued to engage with local government in a variety of ways. This includes meetings with our local Ward Councillors and participating in meetings with Council teams.

#### **E6. Submissions and advocacy**

This year has been an active one for local government. Consultation has been sought for initiatives such as

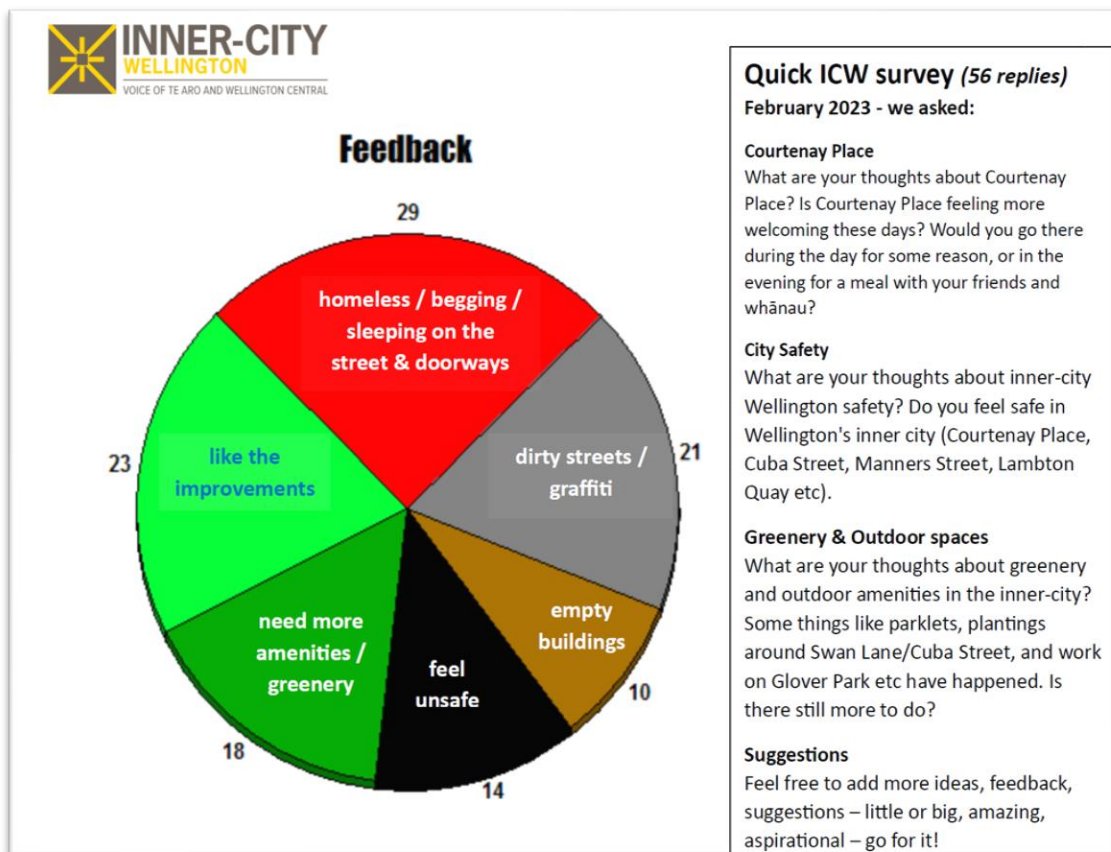
- The Proposed District Plan
- Let's Get Wellington Moving
- The Fale on Frank Kitt's Park

We have provided input by contributing to workshops or, in the case of the Proposed District Plan, writing a submission and committing to providing an oral presentation.

We recognise that within the over 17,000 residents in ‘our patch’ there will be competing views on some issues – for, against or unsure. For this reason, as an association we aim to observe that fine line between informing and advocacy – which we believe is our core role - and lobbying.

For example, we try to alert residents, through our website, Facebook page and eNewsletters, to consultation opportunities and closing dates so they can contribute directly to the discussion.

As well, this year we have run two surveys to canvas general views about how inner-city residents are feeling on matters such as city safety and the possible Fale build on Frank Kitts Park. We provided the resulting comments and data – anonymised - to the Pōneke Promise and City Safety teams so they could read first-hand comments from people who have made their home in Te Aro.



## E7. Media point of contact

We maintain a list of national and local media and our Chair is our point of contact for any media communications.

## E8. ICW website and social media

### Website

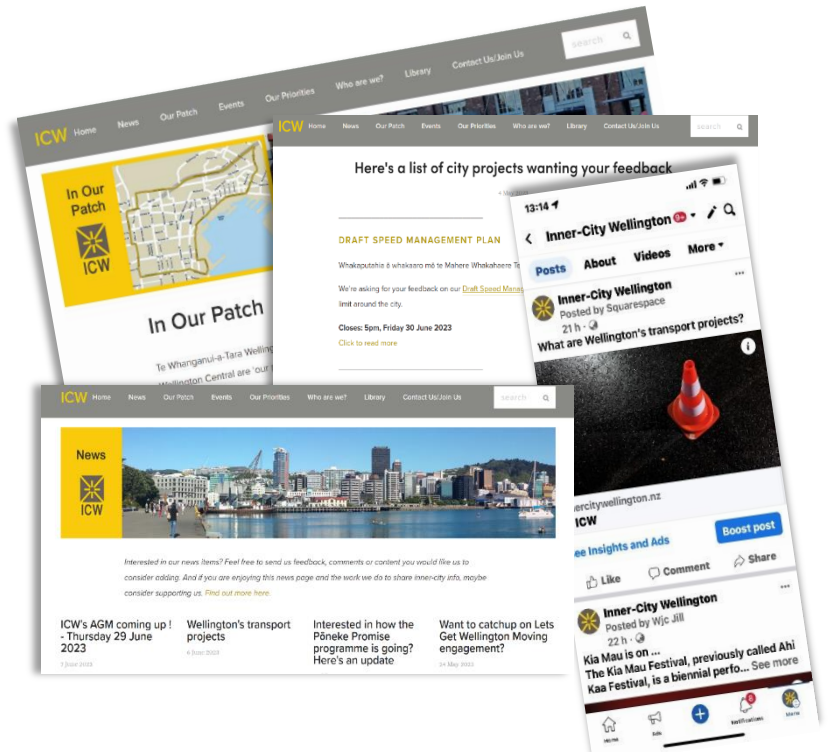
Our website –

[www.innercitywellington.nz](http://www.innercitywellington.nz)

continues to be a free and open source of information for inner-city residents.

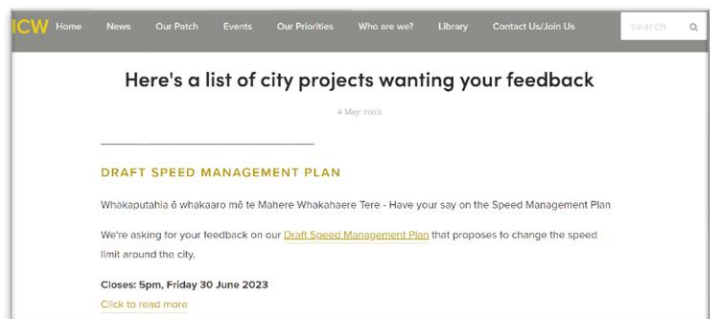
In 2022 we updated it to include a greater emphasis on presenting regular news items that could be published on the site and directly to our Facebook page.

We also include information about local organisations providing community services as well as adding some stories about Te Aro’s rich and varied past.



Another recent addition is a page which lists the projects open for consultation.

Each includes the deadline and a direct link to the related landing page.

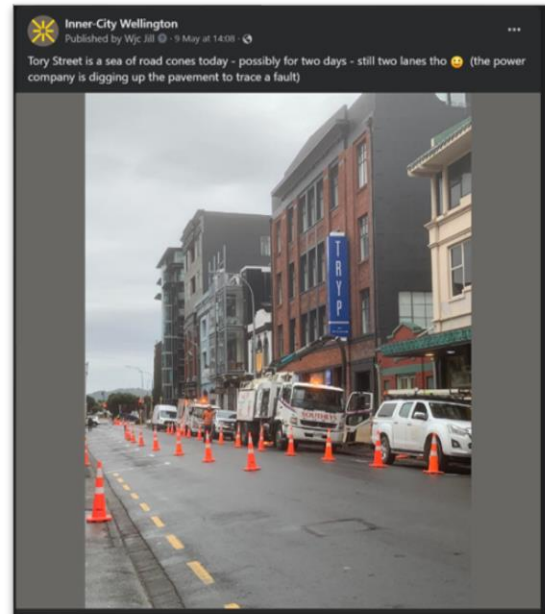


### Facebook

Over the year we have been increasing our posts to our Facebook page.

This is giving us some valuable insights into the topics of most interest to our visitors – for example the ‘behind the scenes’ posts about new shops and eateries in the neighbourhood, or fun things we have noticed.

Particular favourites are any posts that explain why road cones have suddenly appeared somewhere in the city.



## eNewsletters

We produce two eNewsletters – one which provides an update on important issues such as earthquake-prone buildings (ICW Updates), and one which shares a quirkier view of what’s happening across our part of the city (Inner City Sightings).

We understand from the feedback we receive that Inner City Sightings in particular is enjoyed by the over 300 people on our mailing list.

We hope to grow our readers of these in the coming year – a goal which would be much assisted if we can crack the challenge of accessing our many ‘fortress apartment buildings’ that we have discussed above.



## E9. Research

We are looking forward to the results of this year’s Census to provide us with in-depth information about how ‘our patch’ is changing in terms of population and diversity.

Also, we have asked each Council team with whom we meet, that they share useful and relevant data with us so that we can unpack and share relevant information with residents.

For example, the recent Pōneke Promise Review

presentation provided to Councillors was of particular interest to us because it included some statistical analysis from research and surveys the Council has conducted relating to its four workstreams.

Of particular interest to us is the supporting information from the Police about city safety data because we know this is of keen interest to inner-city residents.

<b>HARM REDUCTION</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sexual Violence Prevention Action Plan</li> <li>Local street community</li> <li>Working with DCM</li> <li>Optimising CCTV cameras</li> <li>Know Your City Limit</li> <li>Take 10 funding</li> <li>Paramedic patrols</li> <li>Enforcement of alcohol ban</li> </ul>	<b>IMPROVING PUBLIC SPACES:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Crime Prevention through urban design</li> <li>Dixon Street urban design improvements</li> <li>Removal of Te Aro Park toilets</li> <li>Te Aro Park design upgrades</li> <li>Ongoing urban design audit</li> </ul>
<b>INCREASING COMMUNITY SPACES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Te Wāhi Āwhina – a base providing access to a range of community services and support.</li> <li>Te Pokapū Hapori – a central city community centre managed by The Y.</li> <li>Development of Te Tai Ohinga - Youth Hub</li> </ul>	<b>BUSINESS CONFIDENCE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hāpai Ake</li> <li>Eyes On</li> <li>Capability building with city retailers</li> <li>CPTED to support secure environments.</li> </ul>



## Goal 2: Living Environments

To promote perspectives on Living Environments that advance the social, environmental and economic aspects of the inner city in a sustainable way.

### LE1. WCC District Plan

As mentioned earlier, ICW submitted to the Proposed District Plan and indicated that we would like to provide an oral report.

At the time of writing, the oral presentation – which falls into Stream 4 of the hearings - has been delayed by the Council until July.



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## Te Mahere ā-Rohe i Tūtohua

### Proposed District Plan

We're reviewing and updating our District Plan. Explore the Proposed District Plan online and look at the timeline so far.



Our submission focused on the need for the Plan to consider the essentials that must be put in place as the inner-city population grows. We emphasised that residents living in the city are not the same as daytime workers who just need a place to enjoy their lunch.

We believe it's essential that people who have chosen to make their homes in 'our patch' should not discover that they are now living in a concrete canyon starved of sunlight – instead they should rightfully expect the city planners to have incorporated sufficient green spaces and public amenities so that the inner-city is an open and pleasant environment that enables residents of all ages to enjoy where they live, 24/7.

## **LE2. Pōneke Promise**

This is the second year of the Council's multi-partner Pōneke Promise initiative:

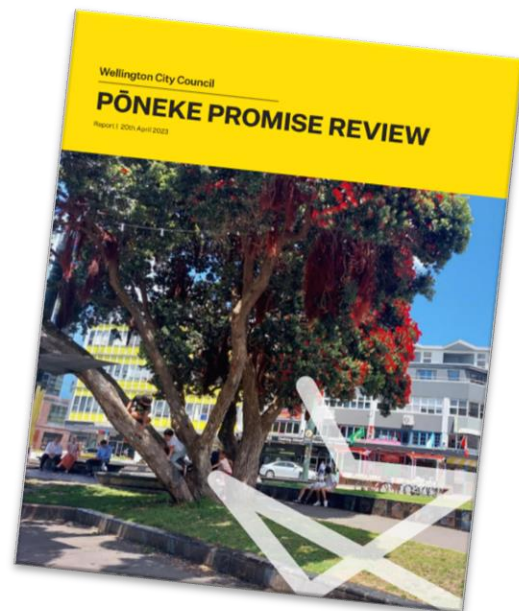
*'The Pōneke Promise is a community-driven partnership working to make central Wellington safe, vibrant, and welcoming.'*

At a recent Pōneke Promise presentation to Councillors of its two-year report, Inner City Wellington was mentioned as an important stakeholder.

Since it began, we have aimed to have two-monthly catchups with its project manager so that we can hear about any new developments and for us to be able to ask questions or provide feedback.

These meetings have recently been combined into a wider meeting incorporating city safety and community services team members. A recent Council re-structure has changed the Council team members mix – for example, with the newly appointed Central City Manager also briefly attending - but the focus remains the same.

ICW maintaining close and open communication with the Pōneke Promise and City Safety teams is a priority for us, and we will continue to capture residents' feedback to bring to the meetings.





### **LE3. Emergency management**

Another important focus for us is understanding and sharing with residents what planning is in place should an emergency hit the inner city.

The recent floods in Auckland and the North Island's East Coast have sharpened this focus. In each of these events, the community came forward to help. That willingness to want to play a part highlights the need to be ready to harness this 'people power' by implementing conversations and prior planning.

We believe assisting inner-city residents to be ready and able to help each other is vital. We also want them to be ready themselves to be able to 'get through'.

We therefore have two related initiatives that we are pursuing:

- Lifeboat Buildings
- Inner-city resilience.

#### **Lifeboat Buildings**

This is our name for an initiative through which we bring representatives from an apartment building together with Neighbourhood Support and Wellington Regional Emergency Office (WREMO).

Our goal is to help apartment building residents to be prepared in areas such as having sufficient storage, supplies, tools, and up-to-date knowledge about its residents to help it be as self-sufficient as possible.

This could then help them better manage the seven to ten days during which, WREMO suggests, they may be cut off from basics such as water and power - the building is therefore like a lifeboat for its residents.

Neighbourhood Support can provide a proven infrastructure that can be used by residents; and WREMO can provide tailored advice to residents – an essential combination.

Progress is being made.



- We have met with a local apartment building who are willing to be part of a trial. A kickoff meeting with Neighbourhood Support and WREMO has occurred.
- WREMO has drafted a written guide specifically tailored for residents in apartment buildings to which we and the trial residents are contributing
- and Neighbourhood Support – which has a focus on resilience building for communities – is happy to adapt its suburban model to fit apartment living.

### **Inner-city resilience**

This is our second initiative. It is about ensuring that residents can feel confident that emergency planning for the inner-city is a priority for Council teams and associated emergency management agencies.

For example, residents in apartment buildings want to know what to do if the city's exits are closed for weeks or months, and to know more about how the city's teams are planning for water and food supplies to help them to reach inner-city residents.



We also want to ensure that emergency management needs are incorporated into the designs and consents underpinning all current and future inner-city building and city developments.

The city's planners are promoting and enacting intensification in 'our patch' at a rapid rate with our local population forecast to double or more. Enabling inner-city residents to survive - and be sustained through - a major emergency in the region is therefore an accompanying and very serious responsibility the planners must accept.

An example of the thinking we are doing includes our submission to the Let's Get Wellington Moving consultation. We suggested that the work includes incorporating such things as:

- building solar and/or battery power sources into its planned street furniture – seating, digital billboards etc – that could be used to charge phones and power lighting
- adding storage for emergency supplies - for example, small containers in side streets, adding space inside bollards and inside public seating
- ensuring open spaces are planned for and preserved so that many people can gather for the distribution food and water
- embedding wayfinding lighting in its streetscaping, paving and roading so that essential pathways remain lit and can guide residents to exit pathways.

We have also become interested in what could navigate streets should an emergency make them no longer drivable.

We attended this eCargo bicycle demonstration which provided some ideas.



The recent floods also demonstrated that when power supplies are cut in an emergency, communities are faced with the inability to be able to contact their whānau and friends.

This prompted us to consider alternative emergency power sources should the inner-city lose power in a major emergency.

We realised that there is a growing number of electric vehicles in the city and this led us to having a conversation with New Zealand car-sharing company Mevo.

We have asked them to consider how its fleet of electric cars, and its network of EV chargers, could be used in an emergency. These are, in essence, large batteries that are located across all parts of the inner-city. We believe that exploring how they could be used to charge phones and vital equipment in an emergency is certainly worth pursuing.



## **LE4. Earthquake-Strengthening Buildings (now known as Earthquake-Prone Buildings)**

### **Report from Geraldine Murphy for ICW**

ICW, with support from a number of affected owners, has continued to monitor developments, highlight issues and engage with the Wellington City Council (WCC) and the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) on matters related to the earthquake-prone legislation.

In November 2022, a further change was made to the Residential Earthquake-prone Buildings Financial Assistance Scheme that enabled eligible owners who were receiving the Accommodation Supplement could continue to receive that supplement and obtain a loan under the Scheme. This was a barrier identified by a number of otherwise eligible owners. In late 2022, there had been 56 expressions of interest submitted. Since the changes arising from the review of the Scheme came into force in May 2022, three applications have received conditional approval (as part of the new 2-step approval process) and another five were anticipated to be submitted in 2023.

In October 2022 the results of the **review of the National Seismic Hazard Model** (NSHM) was released. This included that the building design standards for new buildings would be revised, taking into account the NSHM outcomes. ICW has registered its interest in seeing the outcomes of this review process so we can submit on it. To date, we have not received any updates on the outcomes of this process.

In early 2023, ICW met with WCC officers to get an update on **WCC's work to quantify the financial, economic and social impact of remediating EQ-prone buildings on Wellington City, the Council and owners**. This was the next steps following WCC's 2021 survey of owners in earthquake-prone buildings. WCC officers outlined work to develop a 'dashboard' that would provide an interactive tool to more readily provide data on the timeframes, costs, building uses of EQ-prone buildings, and which would reflect changing barriers, eg constraints on resources. This tool and the data would be valuable in quantifying the impacts to WCC, MBIE and Government. To date, there has been no further update on progress with the dashboard.

Also in early 2023, the Government announced a pilot of **Earthquake-prone Buildings Support Service pilot**. The pilot will work with 10 multi-unit/owner buildings in Wellington and will run from mid-2023 to late 2024, when the

outcomes will be reviewed to determine the future of the service. An advisory group is being established and includes ICW (Geraldine Murphy) and Michael Cummins (a previous owner in an EQ-prone apartment building).

ICW has been calling for effective implementation support for apartment owners since WCC started deeming buildings as earthquake-prone under its own policy, throughout the process to amend the legislation and ongoing. The need for this support was also raised by owners in MBIE's 2021 survey on the wider barriers to compliance faced by owners. A service of this nature was part of the Labour Party Manifesto for the 2020 election.

Work progresses on a **complaint to the Ombudsman** about the impacts of this legislation on apartment owners. It has been challenging. We hope to circulate a final draft via our mailing lists in the near future, seeking your support to the complaint.

On a non-EQ-prone matter, in May 2023, MBIE announced proposed **'Building for Climate Change' amendments**, which include that it will be mandatory for new and existing larger public, commercial, industrial and large-scale residential buildings (such as multi-storey apartment buildings) to hold energy performance ratings. These proposals arose following consultation on *'Te hau marohi ki anamata - Transitioning to a low-emissions and climate resilient future'* in October and November 2021. A Bill is expected to be introduced in 2023 and changes are expected to be phased in from 2025.

No definition of 'large' is available at this point. There are no details of the requirements that will eventually be set out in regulations. This letter provides some background information. ICW will be monitoring these developments and we expect to make a submission.

ICW will continue to engage with our current MP, and future MP following the election, MBIE officials and WCC to highlight the impacts of the earthquake-prone legislation and progress the necessary review and changes.

## **LE5. Inner-city development**

Above, we have described our focus on inner-city development. For example:

- inner-city safety
- amenities planning
- green space planning



- emergency planning for the city
- resilience planning for residents
- major inner-city developments planning

We will continue to pay attention to all these areas during 2023-24.



### **Goal 3: Building organisational capability**

To build organisational capability sufficient to achieve objectives

#### **BC1. Membership Drive**

Ironically our ability to plan and implement a membership drive is hampered by being a small core team. We know from feedback that residents are very interested in the work we do but, as many voluntary community organisations have discovered, finding time for volunteering is tough for many people in their busy lives.

This year, we will continue to promote ICW and to find a way to increase awareness of us because we believe that in our 17,000 residents there will be some who might like to come onboard.

#### **BC2. Funding Lines**

We are a small organisation that aims to engage with the largest residential suburb in Wellington. There is always something happening in the city that could be of interest or importance to the growing population of people living here.

To help us 'cover the territory' we will actively look for donations, grants and funding lines that could help us to resource, or at least speed up, our work on behalf of inner-city residents.

We have had a busy year so finding funding lines has not been achieved this year. We will try again in the coming year.



### **BC3. Incorporated Societies Act**

The Incorporated Society's Act has recently been updated and requires processes such as having an updated constitution, increased committee responsibilities and stricter reporting processes. We have always maintained these. For example, all financial transactions are tracked by our treasurers using quality financial software, and reports are made available.

In our agenda for this year's AGM, we have included an item where we will ask our financial members to determine if we remain an Incorporated Society given the additional burdens that the Act's changes impose on us as a small voluntary organisation.

We will ask the members to consider if losing Incorporated Society status could put us at risk of losing the financial support of \$1,000 we receive from the City Council each year, or if we can become an association under the umbrella of a larger structure.

We look forward to the discussions, but whatever the outcome we cannot thank enough the financial members who have helped us to continue our work this year.

Your contribution and support are invaluable and we sincerely thank you for your help this year.

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## Financial Report for 2022-2023 year

<b>Wellington Inner-City Residents and Business Association</b>		
<b>Incorporated Society:2203774 NZBN:9429043184255</b>		
1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023		
	Current 2023	Last year 2022
<b>Opening Balance</b>	\$2,537.52	\$2,681.44
<b>Income</b>		
Subscriptions	\$1,092.00	\$780.00
Donations (Koha) +Raffle	-	-
WCC Grant	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$2,092.00</b>	<b>\$1,780.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Admin, Room Hire, Gifts & Bank Fee <b>Note 1</b>	\$1,108.40	\$163.20
Website hosting and domain name <b>Note 2</b>	\$486.77	\$892.40
Founders Day <b>Note 3</b>	\$1,001.43	\$740.32
Fees for external events <b>Note 4</b>	\$0.00	\$65.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,596.60</b>	<b>\$1,860.92</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
Kiwibank Account	\$1,834.92	\$2,600.52
<b>Liabilities</b>		
	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$2,092.00</b>	<b>\$1,780.00</b>
<b>Less Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,596.60</b>	<b>\$1,860.92</b>
<b>Income/Deficit</b>	<b>-\$504.60</b>	<b>-\$80.92</b>
<b>Notes</b>		
1.	Includes the \$100 per month Koha to St Peters Church for Secretarial duties.	
2.	Spend down due to prepayment of 2022-23 website hosting in last FY.	
3.	Budget amount did not reflect cost of living increases.	
4.	Nil attendance to any external events.	

## Appendix 1: The 2022-2023 Annual Plan

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*This is the plan we submitted at our previous AGM*

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### ICW ANNUAL PLAN 2022-23

#### Introduction

Now is one of those times when we need to make a step change! We want ICW to continue to be the vital player it has developed into over the past decade so, recognising the reality of limited resources and volunteer input, we have created a simpler Mission, Objectives and an Annual Plan.

Each Objective has specific actions which we believe are all important but they cannot all be achieved with current resources. Your participation in any specific task would help us immensely. Committee membership is not a requirement to take on leadership or involvement in a particular task. However, it is important that the Committee is informed of actions and outcomes.

#### Mission:

ICW wants to enhance the wellbeing of residents living in Te Aro/Wellington Central through active engagement with them, and by being an active and influential voice for them with appropriate public authorities.

#### Objectives:

4. To engage actively with the residential inner-city community to support and promote their interests and foster local democracy
5. To promote perspectives on Living Environments that advance the social, environmental and economic aspects of the inner-city in a sustainable way
6. To build organizational capability sufficient to achieve our objectives

## Objective 1: Engagement

***To engage actively with the residential inner-city community to support and promote their interests and to foster Local Democracy***

This is a critical issue for the validity of ICW. We need to connect more with the residents we represent and encourage more engagement from them to support our objective “to foster local democracy”.

<b>What ICW wants to do</b>	
E1	<p><b>Connecting Neighbours</b></p> <p>Create a list of contacts of people within multi-dwelling buildings (apartment buildings) who are interested in fostering communication networks within their building. This could also support the development of local community networks to assist in areas such as local representation, community support and emergency management planning.</p>
E2	<p><b>Community-building events Wellington Resident Associations</b></p> <p>Lead and/or participate in community engagement events such as Neighbours Day, Seeds to Feed, Picnics in Parks, Parking Day and Connecting City Neighbours initiatives etc.</p>
E3	<p><b>Network (WRAN) liaison</b></p> <p>Liaise with, and participate in, monthly zoom meetings and any specific events organized by residents’ associations in Wellington to share knowledge and strategies</p>
E4	<p><b>Ngā Korero public meetings</b></p> <p>Run meetings with appropriate speakers as required to address specific issues including a “meet the Candidates” public meeting with Wellington City Council (WCC) candidates and WCC Mayoral candidates.</p>
E5	<p><b>Engagement with local government</b></p> <p>Meet and liaise with WCC Councillors representing inner-city Wellington, and Wellington City Council officials as appropriate to discuss and share residents’ ideas and issues, and to hear briefings about WCC actions, planning and priorities.</p>

	Local Body Elections 2022– Facilitate an open meeting to ‘Meet the Candidates’
E6	<p><b>Submissions and advocacy</b></p> <p>Continue to monitor key developments relating to inner-city Wellington and write submissions and make presentations representing the views, needs and interests of our residents.</p>
E7	<p><b>Media point of contact</b></p> <p>Create a list of national and local news and media channels interested in inner-city Wellington developments and provide a point of contact for them.</p>
E8	<p><b>ICW website and social media</b></p> <p>Maintain and regularly update our Inner-City Wellington <u>website</u> and <u>Facebook</u> page including local news, events and stories.</p>
E9	<p><b>Research</b></p> <p>Obtain funding for a survey of Inner-city residents to follow up from the Nielsen study of 2015.</p> <p>Identify other options for funded research to provide an evidence base for our activities.</p>

## Objective 2: Living Environments

***To promote perspectives on Living Environments that advance the social, environmental and economic aspects of the inner city in a sustainable way***

Our focus here is on Density done well, fostering Mixed housing models, advocating for more public/Green Space that is usable by residents, and for Appropriate Amenities for our growing and diverse population – like community spaces. We also work continually to improve Safety and resilience for residents, as differentiated from those who come in and out of the Inner City.

<b>What we want to do</b>	
LE1	<p><b>WCC District Plan</b></p> <p>Develop submissions and make oral presentations relating to the statutory consultation on WCC District Plan and any other consultations relating to Inner-City living.</p>
LE2	<p><b>Pōneke Promise</b></p> <p>Continue our regular engagement with the Pōneke Promise to ensure residents' issues are addressed.</p>
LE3	<p><b>Emergency management</b></p> <p>Work with the Wellington Regional Emergency Management Office (WREMO) to address the lack of disaster recovery planning for the Inner City, in particularly evacuation planning which includes the need to consider space to accommodate out-of-town workers/visitors.</p>
LE4	<p><b>Earthquake-Strengthening buildings</b></p> <p>Continue to advocate for residents impacted by earthquake strengthening requirements.</p>
LE5	<p><b>Inner-city development</b></p> <p>Take action as necessary after monitoring current and future plans, policies and actions relating to the inner-city to ensure that amenities for residents (for example, communal space within multi-dwelling buildings and its radius, the development of appropriate public/green spaces, transport needs, accessibility to local community services etc) are being properly considered/enacted.</p>



## Objective 3: Building organisational capability/administration

### *To build organisational capability sufficient to achieve objectives*

ICW is a voluntary organisation representing over 15,000 people residing in the inner-city of Wellington. To do our work, we need enough contributing people and funding to be sustainable.

What we want to do	
BC1	<p><b>Membership drive</b></p> <p>Create a communication and engagement plan, with targeted advertising, to increase membership that is reflective of the diversity of residents in the Inner-City and participation in our Residents' Association (ICW)</p>
BC2	<p><b>Funding lines</b></p> <p>Develop a list of potential funding lines that could support ICW activities, including grants and sponsorship opportunities, and financial membership targets.</p>
BC3	<p><b>Incorporated Societies Act</b></p> <p>Determine if ICW remains an Incorporated Society and, if so, that we understand what has changed under the revised Incorporated Societies Act and amend our Constitution and processes accordingly.</p>