

Aro Valley Community Centre : Timeline for Upgrade

March 2018

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koutou,

The Aro Valley Community Centre is soon to be undergoing an upgrade. To make sure the heart of Aro Valley grows in the best way possible, the design process for the Community Centre includes the community as a partner in the design process. The process is being managed by a Steering group including Aro Valley Community Council and WCC. They are supported by a range of consultants, including architects, technical advisors, and through engagement with the community.



Steps of engagement with the community:

1. Gathering over 300 ideas via interviews, schools workshops and a weekend long Festival of Place.
2. Honing those ideas into community priorities.
3. Translating those priorities into spatial ideas.
4. Feedback on the Concept Plans.
5. We are now giving you a chance to explore the Preliminary Designs ahead of an Aro Valley General Meeting. The preliminary designs also take account of technical advice on the site, and other constraints e.g. budget, regulations.

Aro Valley Site Development Progress

Timeline

Site Residency

October 2016

Getting to know Aro Valley and the community's needs for their space through interviews on site and with community members and a schools workshop

Festival of Place

November 2016

Festival highlighting what's special about Aro Valley, and exploring ideas from other communities

Our Place, Our Plan

April 2017

Workshops for setting priorities together

Design Charrettes

June 2017

Translating community priorities into spatial ideas

Technical Input

Introducing site constraints

Development of Concept Designs

Interpreting community ideas and priorities with regard to technical inputs and the constraints of the site

Concept Design Testing

September - October 2017

Testing with the community the different ways that community priorities and site constraints can be brought together in a design

Further Technical Input

Including engineering, fire and services reports, and cost estimates.

Development of Preliminary Design

December 2017 - March 2018

Developing a proposal for the main ways to develop the space that reflect both community and technical input

Preliminary Design Testing

March - April 2018

Introducing the preliminary design proposal to the community at the Aro Valley Fair and welcoming feedback at a dedicated event

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Upcoming Phases

Developed Design

July 2018

Further developing the preferred option

Detailed Design

October 2018

Developing working drawings for contractors and specialty consultants (e.g. fire report), community planning for closure period, no changes to scheme

Building Consents & Tender

November - December 2018

Reviewing plans against building codes, and preparing for construction

Construction Begins

February 2019



Next Steps

The next step is for you to review the Preliminary Designs. We ask you consider how these will change Aro Valley and if you feel that is in the general interest of the people who live, work, learn and play here. Shortly we will announce a General Meeting to enable you to be part of the decision to move forward with detailing these designs.

Read about the Preliminary Design and peruse the Preliminary Design drawings in the Aro Valley Site Development section of www.arovalley.org.nz.

The date for that meeting will be announced by the Aro Valley Community Council. If you'd like to be kept up to date with the project, sign up for the Aro Valley Community Council monthly e-newsletter at the bottom of the homepage at www.arovalley.org.nz.

If you'd like more information about the project, have a look at the Aro Valley Site Development section of www.arovalley.org.nz. where you'll find 'Introducing the Aro Valley Community Centre Preliminary Design', our 'Frequently Asked Questions', and 'Aro Valley Community Centre: Site Considerations and Project Constraints' documents.