

1 DESIGN OBJECTIVES

-  Make site accessible
-  Design for the youth
-  Design for bikes
-  Bridge biodiversity
-  Tell a story



2 KEY AREAS

3 ROAD CHANGES AND ACCESSIBILITY



TE PIRITI O WAITOHI

Bridging manuhiri, whanau and whenua

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The empty grounds of Nelson Square challenged us to create a space that would liven, bring together the community, visitors and the land in a single space. To connect Nelson Square with the land itself we conceptualized the idea of bringing the story of Kupe and Te Wheke-a-Muturangi into the design such as the pavement, planting and play elements. Our goal was to demonstrate the mystery and adventure of discovering a great, new land like how Kupe discovered Aotearoa, the land of the long white cloud.

Our design shares four different ecologies, each transitioning and blending into one another to represent the connection of manuhiri, whanau and whenua—tourists and visitors, the local community and the surrounding land with its wildlife.

A native garden will create a sense of origin with its shades of red alongside recognizable forms, shapes and other colours of Picton and New Zealand. A passage containing wispy, spiky and overarching forms will invoke a sense of looming mystery which will lead you to a garden of wispy, small and fine plants to represent the discovery the Land of the Long White cloud. We took advantage of the lower parts of Nelson Square to add bioretention swales with hardy, wet-tolerant plants that will absorb and filter run-off on rainy periods. Finally, a coastal forest will fill the remaining space referencing the iconic location of Picton's coast.



PLEASE, PROVIDE FEEDBACK FOR THE PROJECT AND DESIGNS

KEY GARDENS 4



NATIVE GARDEN

SHROUDED IN NZ'S ICONIC PLANTS
To incorporate both native plants and demonstrate Maori culture, a theme of red and recognisable plants were used to create a unique passage to the middle of the site.



BIORETENTION ZONE

ABSORBING AND REDUCING RUN OFF
Picton's heavy rain will be able to be absorbed into this bioretention zone, located at the lower parts of Nelson Square, containing hardy, wet tolerant planting.



'PICK YOUR OWN' GARDEN

TAKE SOMETHING HOME
Community and interaction was a must to bring people onto the site, therefore we dedicated a garden containing plants that anyone can smell, pick and even use in their kitchen.



THE WISPY GARDEN

RECREATING THE LAND OF THE LONG WHITE CLOUD

The key driver to create a wispy garden was to retell the narrative of Kupe and Te Wheke-a-Muturangi where Te Wheke indirectly leads Kupe to Aotearoa which is translated into 'The Land of the Long White Cloud.'

