

Dominion Road

Balancing Place and Movement

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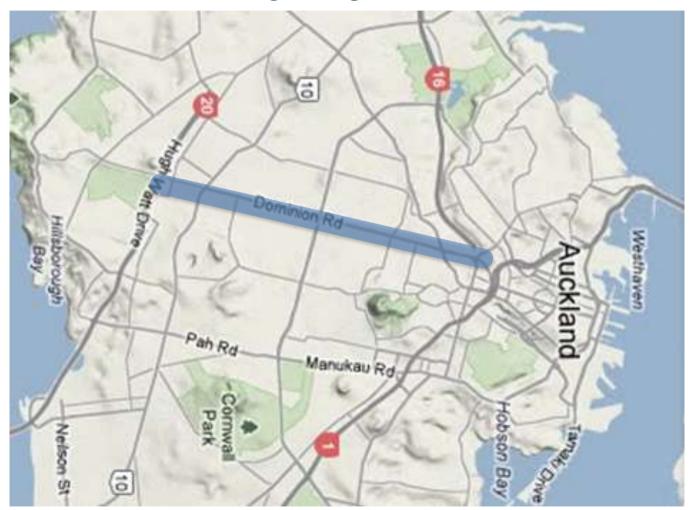
Presentation outline

- Location of the project
- Movement considerations
- Place considerations
- Attempts to balance movement and place
- The outcome





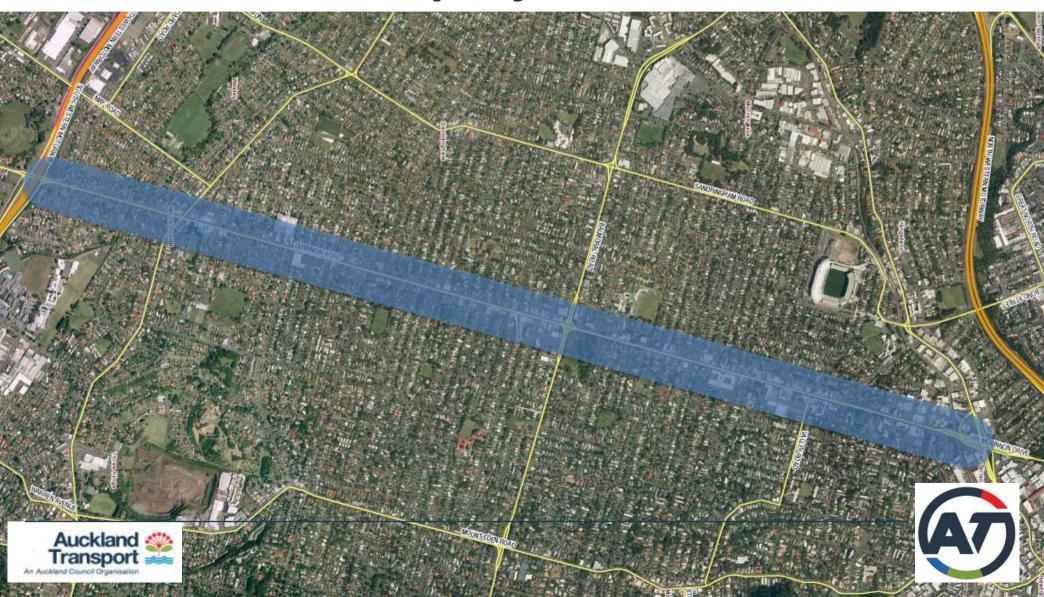
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Movement considerations

- 15,000 25,000 vehicles per day
- 30 buses in peak hour (bus every second minute)
- 286 cyclists per day (Balmoral Intersection)

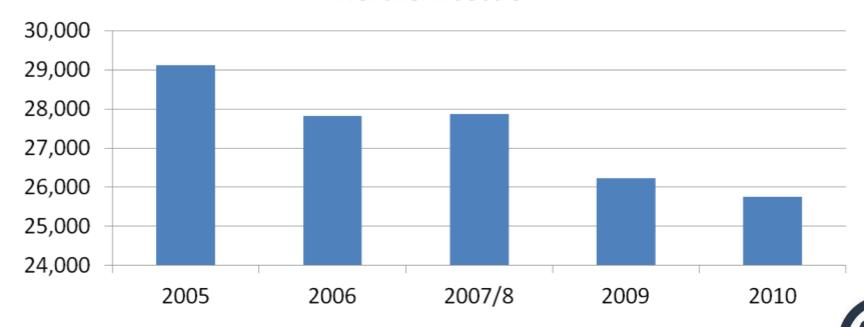




Movement considerations

'car' growth over last 5 years

Northern section

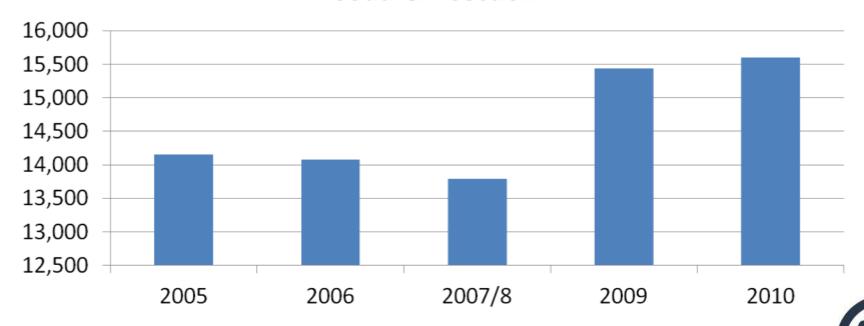




Movement considerations

'car' growth over last 5 years

Southern section





Movement considerations

Dominion Road carries just over 3% of the **entire region's** public transport trips – that being 2.2 million passenger trips in the period March 2010-March 2011.





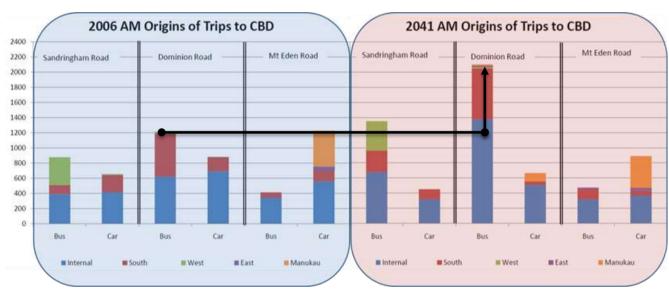
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In the morning peak hour, buses already carry more people than cars do. The buses transport up to 1,100 people (in 30 buses) whilst the car lane transport up to 900 people (in 800 cars) over the same period.

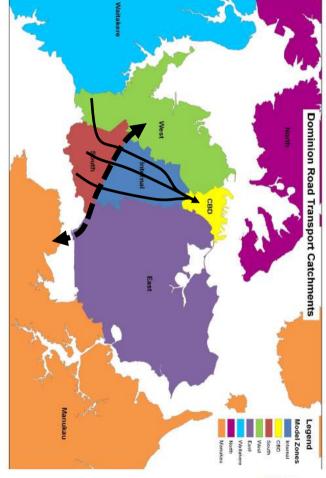




Movement considerations



 The strategic traffic model predicts a 30% increase in transport trips - largely driven from within the walk-up catchment.







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It's also part of the regional cycle network.



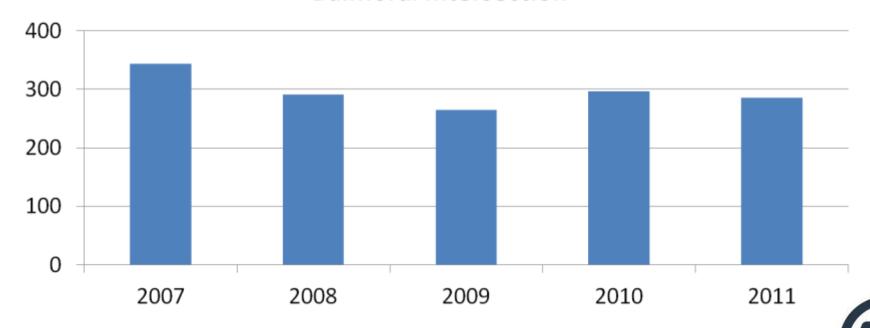


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Movement considerations

 Cycle movement stable on Dominion Rd but city wide it has increased by 30% from 2007 to 2010

Balmoral intersection





Movement considerations





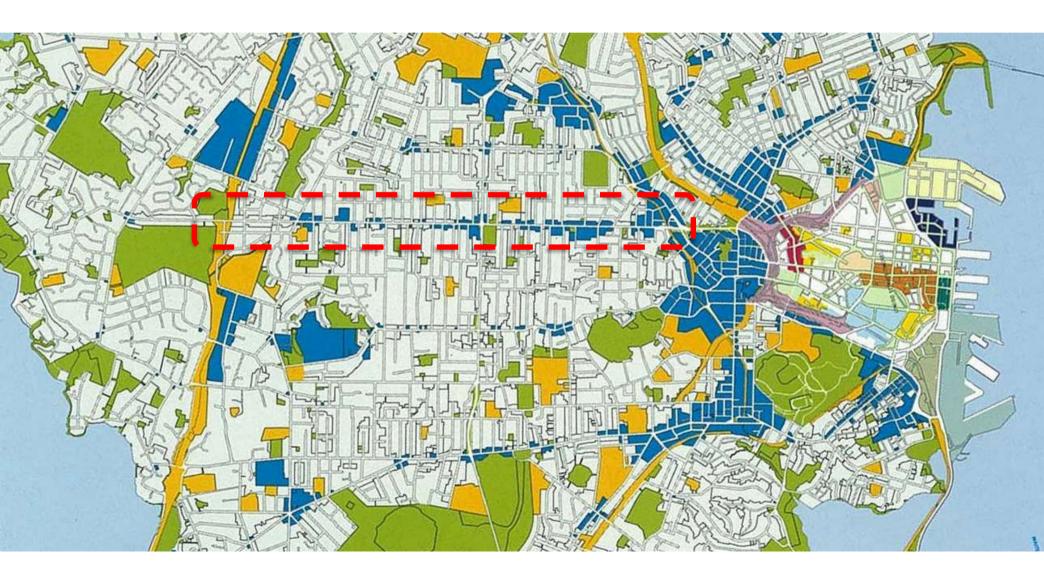




Place considerations



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Heritage status buildings





- Extremely difficult to balance the movement and place function
- Took three scheme assessments over almost 20 years to confirm an option to progress to detailed design





- Main issues:
 - Movement demands a wider corridor and place a narrower corridor





- Main issues:
 - Business demands access
 (parking) and movement requires
 clearways







Attempts to balance movement and place

Tried to please everyone, ended up with ...

















- Main issues:
 - Significant cost (excess of \$150M)
 - Significant community opposition (6,000 strong petition)





Attempts to balance movement and place

"Dominion Road is bending, under its own weight..."

Muttonbirds





Recast the vision of the project

- Dominion Road will reclaim its status as one of Auckland's great character streets. As a great street Dominion Road will unite and enliven the communities along it.
- Dominion Road will provide a high quality public transport choice balanced with the needs of other road users.



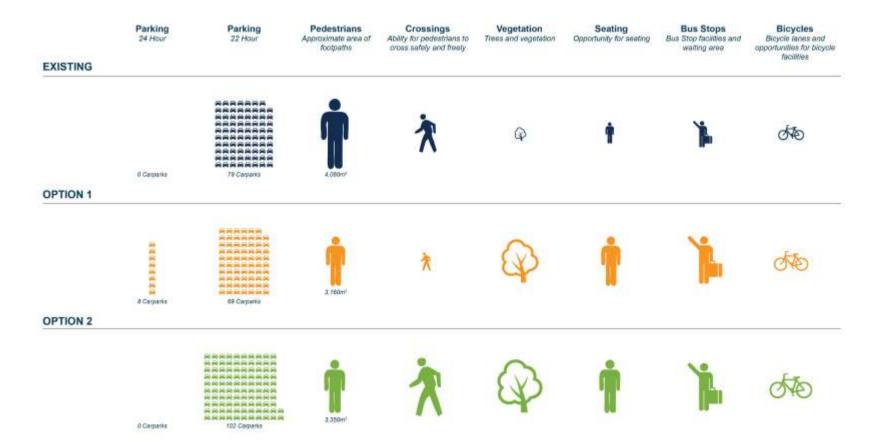


The objectives

- Retention of character and enhanced sense of place
- Balance movement (capacity) and place (character) functions of street
- Quality street and movement outcomes to support
 - Frequent, reliable PT
 - High amenity streetscapes and public realm
 - Safe and convenient cycle provision
 - Stronger emphasis on pedestrians and place making within centres











Outcomes	Options								
Outcomes	5	4C	4B	4A	3	2	1 C	1B	1A
Confirm the status of Dominion Road as a QTN route (now FTN) that works as part of a network with other QTN routes within the isthmus	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met
Improve the quality of the infrastructure that supports the FTN level of service along Dominion Road by improving the bus travel time reliability and reducing travel times for bus passengers along the corridor	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met	Met
Improve the safety for cycling by providing wider shared use bus/bike lanes along Dominion Road and provide parallel cycle routes on less trafficked streets	Met	Partially met	Partially met	Partially met	Partially met	Partially met	Not met	Not met	Not met
Improve walkability by improving the quality of the footpath surfacing, the frequency of street crossing facilities and maximising footpath width	Met	Met	Met	Met	Partially met	Not met	Not met	Not met	Not met
Improve customer satisfaction by providing quality amenity and passenger comfort along the corridor	Met	Met	Met	Met	Partially met	Not met	Not met	Not met	Not met
Funding profile	ННМ	ННМ	ННМ	HHH	ННН	НМН	НМН	НМН	НМН
Total Estimate (million)	\$100	\$70	\$53	\$47	\$40	\$32	\$30	\$30	\$30



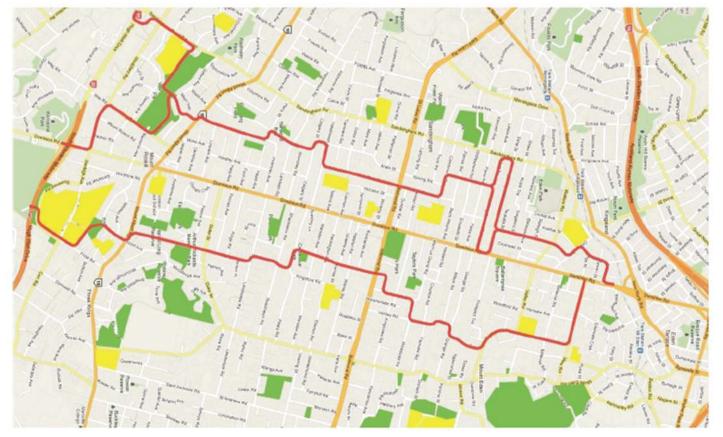


- In brief, the option provides:
- Continuous peak hour bus lanes along entire length of corridor
- Retained ability to park in the bus lanes outside of peak hours
- ITS to improve utilisation of car parks on side streets





 Introduces parallel cycle routes on less trafficked streets.





- It also provides:
- Widen footpaths in village centres
- Pedestrian refuge islands at 100m spacing
- Raised tables at all side roads
- Improved landscape and lighting

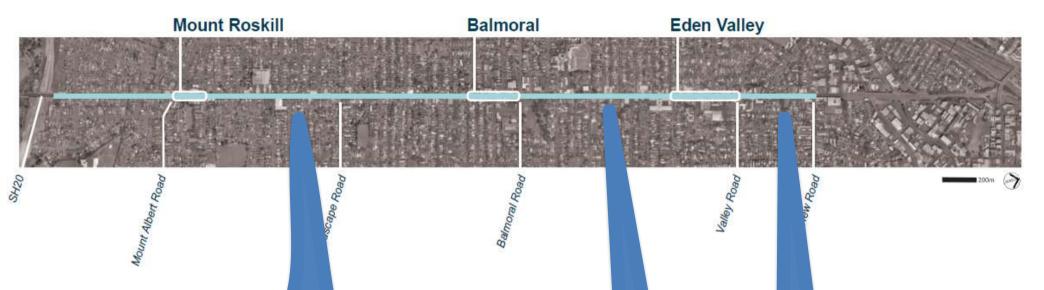




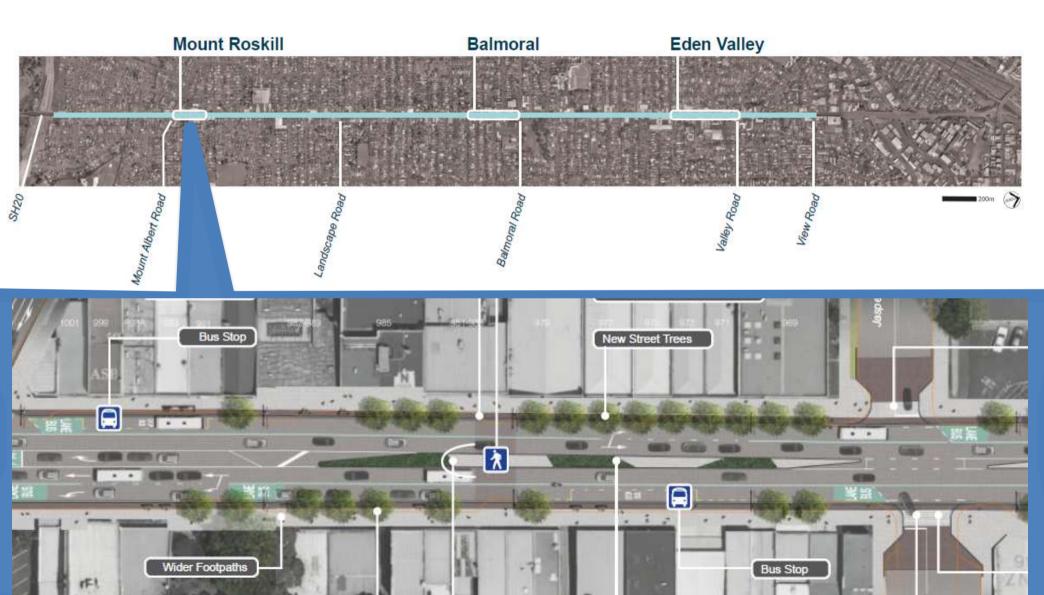












Existing condition





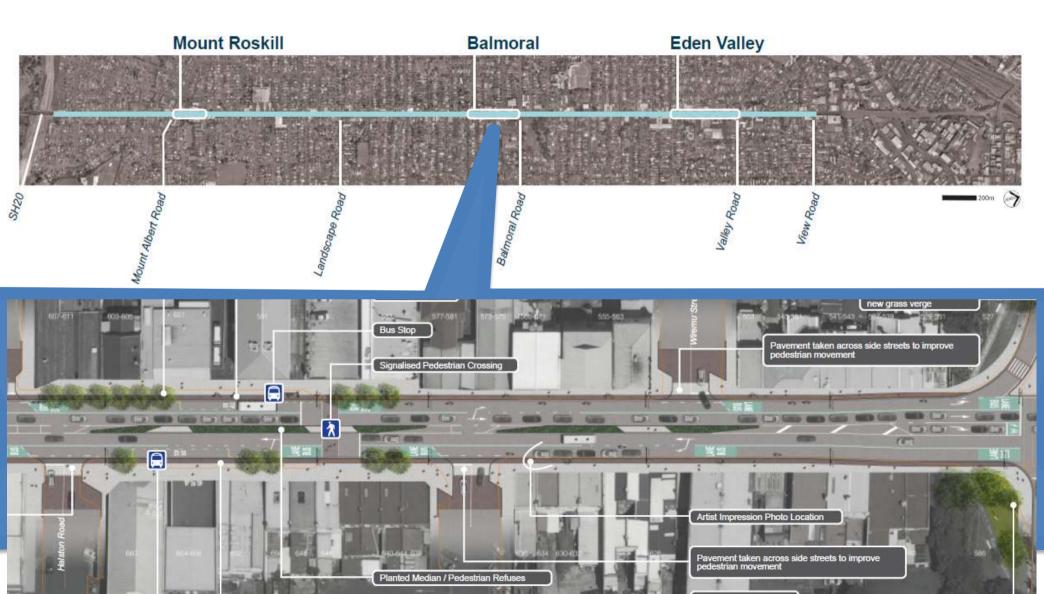


Concept based on approved plan









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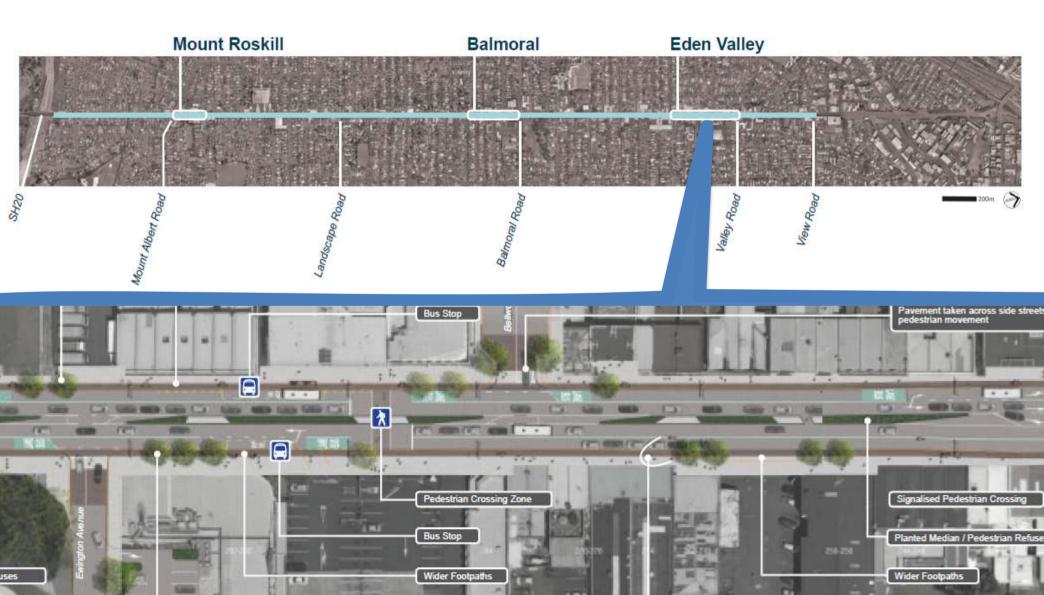


Concept based on approved plan, showing indicative pavement patterns









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Thank you.



