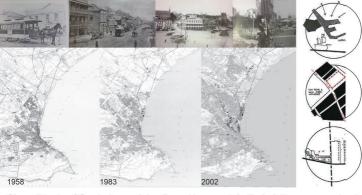




CENTRAL

Central is the historical centre of P.E. It originated around the harbour (date) and has always been the point of arrival of immigrants. This has encouraged its diverse population and it supports a diversity of shopping and other activities. Tourism is important and the area supports a rich mix of informal activity. The area has changed markedly in recent times from the dominant shopping and business centre to a metropolitan transportation hub.

C E N T R A L ' S D E V E L O P M E N T



Six residents of Central were interviewed to ascertain their daily movement patterns and modes of transport. They typically confirmed that there was no need to venture out of their area. At the same time the area is a destination for large numbers of people from the rest of the city. Pedestrian movement is dominant within the area.



Casey, lives and works in Central. She takes her daughter to school in Mount Croix by car but otherwise walks everywhere else.



Methi, lives in Motherwell. He travels to and from Central via taxi. He uses Gov. Mbeki road for shopping and to catch the taxi's.



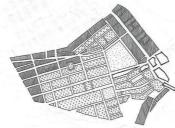
Rena and her husband, have resided in Cen tral their entire lives. They walk to the shops and parks occasionally using their car when necessary.



M M I G R A N T synthia, lives and works in Central. Sits I tudent and roseltly walks. She shops at C riscres and uses to bus when community utside of Central.



While residents hardly need to venture out of Central, at the same time the area acts as a transportation hub and destination for large numbers of people from the rest of the city. This influx defines the untypical and strongly urban nature of the area in relation to the rest of the city. Central has strong historical and informal economic and social characteristics, although it lacks a sense of community and its assets are underused.







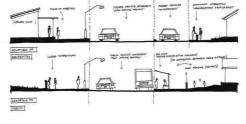
M A L A B A R

Malabar is a small residential community of predominantly Indian and Muslim people to the north-west of the city, and close to areas such as Gelvandale, Korsten and Newton Park.

It was founded after forced removals under the Group Areas Act between 1965 and 1975 on an area previously allocated as cemetery space. The area is quite isolated by the topography, as well as by the lack of activities and the monotony of the residential fabric.

A RESIDENTIAL BASED SECTOR









Four residents of Malabar were interviewed to ascertain their daily movement patterns and modes of transport. It was found most of Malabar's residents owned and used cars to get to work and shopping though distances travelled were relatively short. Aside from cars, people in Malabar use buses and taxis.



Nadia is a nurse, who works in Gelvandale, she uses a private vehicle along a straight line movement through Beetlestone Road back and forth from work everyday.



Taschen works in Summerstrand, he take S the main road through Malabar and meets s up with Stanford Road in Korsten. He eventually connects to Settler's Way. He takes the same route back home.

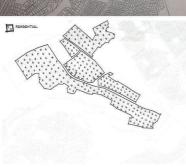


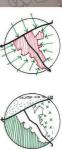
Sinazo has a 7 year old boy, in the morning she drops him off in Gelvandale through Beetlestone Road and drives along Stanford Road to her job in Korsten.



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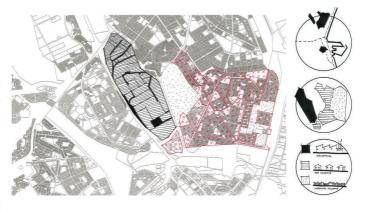
Everyday travel distances are in general short but few people walk. Malabar relies on Haworthia Drive that runs through it as well as a connector road to a neighbouring community, Gelvandale. It also relies heavily on Stanford Road and the N2 and is disconnected from the surrounding fabric except through these routes.





NEW BRIGHTON

Established in 1902, New Brighton is a historically Black/African Township to the north of Port Elizabeth. It is in an outlying location connected to the south of the city by Grahamstown Road and Commercial Road and to the northern suburbs/townships by Njoli Road. It is home to working class people who live in informal housing, shacks, or low to middle end formal housing.



Seventeen residents of New Brighton were interviewed to ascertain their daily movement patterns and modes of transport. An interesting and perhaps typical result was that most residents tended to walk to family and friends instead of taking public transport, despite the distances between houses.



DOMESTIC WORKER She owns a car Lives in New Brighton, walks to taxi and travels to Summerstand to work.



Lives in New Brighton. A student at Pearson High, takes bus to school and gets lift back home.



SCHOLAR Lives in New Brighton. Attends school in New Brighton, walks 25 minutes to get to there.



Lives in New Brighton, Works in Matherwell, takes law there. Gets lift some with co-worker.



New Brighton is located far from the south of Port Elizabeth forcing many to travel in excess of 15km to work. Most work or study in the south of the city and public transport (in the form of taxis, trains, buses and the jikeleza motor cars) and walking are the main forms of getting around. Very few households have private cars. Those working within the township walk. There are small convenience shops in the township while weekly shopping is done in the City Centre or at Newton Park.



The streets of New Brighton are a social place. Locals use walking as a main method of mobility and therefore small informal businesses are scattered around the residentail areas. Embizweni squre is a public space used by locals for social gatherings. A unique feature of New Brighton public transport is the Jikeleza which is a small taxi that only travels within the suburb.





LORRAINE

Lorraine is a middle class residential area found in South Western area of Port Elizabeth and situated between Circular Drive and Kragga Kamma Road. Its radial demographic consists mainly of white people ranging from young to elderly. Although young families and retirees reside there it has become popular for young couples and young single adults as well.

With its property value between R600 000 and R1.5 million, Lorraine has become a popular suburb due to its high increase in development especially those of townhouses. This may be due to its feeling of safety and its closes accessibility to shops and other necessities such as churches, schools, local businesses and small shopping centre.



Seven people were interviewed four of which were Lorraine residents to establish their daily mobility pattern and preferred modes of transport. The main result was that movement to work was longer and wider ranged in comparison to movements to shops.



Lives in Mothenwell and works at the Lorraine Virgin Active. He travels to work by taxi each day.



Lives in Sherwood and works in Loraaine. He is the manager of the Pick and Pay and travels with his personal vehicle.

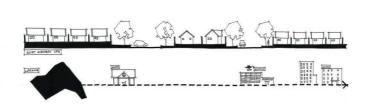


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The conclusion was that residents of the area travelled via private vehicles, where people travelling into the area for work arrived via bus, taxi or private vehicle.



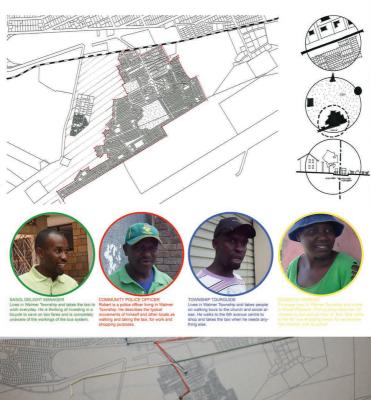


WALMER TOWNSHIP

THE HISTORIC DEVELOPMENT



During the Apartheid regime, townships were moved to the outskirts of cities. Walmer Township is however situated in a historically white area. White households insisted on having their workers live in close proximity to their homes in order to minimise travelling distances and supported their employees against the regime which was forcing them to relocate. Today the majority of the township consists of low income black South Africans as well as foreign nationals.



Our sample group consisted of low income individuals, working as domestic workers, gardeners, taxi drivers, shop assistants as well as a few who were unemployed. Of the sixteen people from our sample group, fifteen used taxis to move out of the township and one was a proud owner of his own car.

Taxis were the chosen means of transportation, as unlike buses, which were actually cheaper; their availability is far more frequent.

The township has many small businesses, three schools, several churches and a clinic. Therefore to a certain level, the township functions as a city within a city, as the needs of the residents can be satisfied within walking distance from their homes. In the mornings there is a large outflux of residents to their respective work places, and in the evening a large influx back home, resulting in the township being dormitory in nature. Young people with disabilities were accommodated by Cheshire Homes in the form of a shuttle, transporting them between homes and school.





RICHMOND HILL

Richmond Hill is a historical suburb built towards the end of the nineteenth century adjacent to Central. More recently, with the change of Stanley Street into a social hub, it has been revitalized as a place with an urban feel and new opportunities for various businesses. The area now has a vibrant street life and contains restaurants, bars, coffee shops and a market place.

S T A N L E Y S T R E E T THE EXPANSION OF THE URBAN HUB



We interviewed four residents of Richmond Hill about their daily movements and preferred modes of transport. The typical movement patterns extend from Richmond Hill outward to various parts of Port Elizabeth. Journeys to work were wide spread but relatively short, and journeys to shops were close and similar.





Many residents travel by foot and public transport (taxis and busses) but the majority travel using private vehicles. In general journeys to work are within the south of the city and shopping and recreation within the suburb.

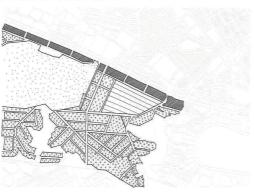






MILL PARK

Mill park is an affluent neighbourhood whose origins go back to the 1820 settlers and the development of the harbour. It was was subdivided into residential plots in the early 20th century and its character has been determined by its expansion over the last century. Mill Park is bound by Cape Road to the north and Baakens River Valley to the south. Its central location has made it attractive for people who work in the surrounding commercial zones of Newton Park, Central and Richmond Hill.





Four residents of Mill Park were interviewed to ascertain their daily movement patterns and modes of transport. An interesting and perhaps typical result was that of a working woman and mother whose movement pattern manifested as a triangle of movement – all typical journeys fell within this relatively small triangle.



refers to it as Millside. She works in millpark at The Arkenstone Guest house and describes the area as a ten minute town getting around to her general points of interest.



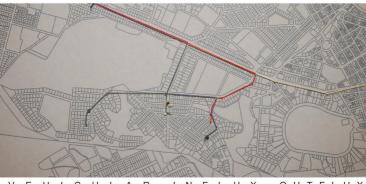
She is a resident of Sherwood and works as a Realtor. She makes use of Mill Park because of the schools that reside in this suburb.



She lives in Central Park Drive and is a stay at home mother. She walks around the park everyday with her child.



venday, Andre travels from Mill Park e South Campus of NMMU and bai s well as driving to work in Greenac Irgin Active



V E H I C U L A R I N F L U X O U T F L U









People in Mill Park have a good neighbourhood network. They socialise by appointment, which suggests a trend of sophistication. The neighbourhood is safe for children to play.





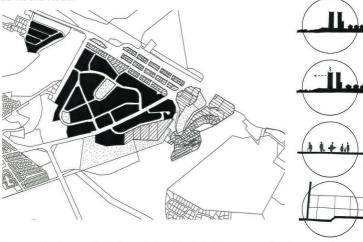


Our conclusions from the interviews and qualified by observation were that the residents travel almost exclusively in private vehicles, leaving Mill Park in the morning and returning in the evening. They travel within a small radius of a few kilometres and virtually never travel beyond North End.





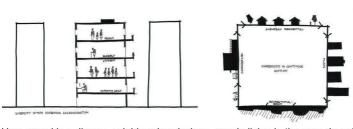
Humewood is one of the oldest areas in Port Elizabeth dating back to (date). It is on the beachfront and its character was initially determined by the harbour and more recently by its transitory population of students, pensioners and tourists. The area is fronted by high-rise hotels and apartments along Beach Road, and is connected to the rest of the south of the city by Beach Road and La Roche Road.



Four residents were interviewed about their daily movement patterns and modes of transport. Typical journeys of younger inhabitants were by foot to the beach, fast food outlets and stores and by taxi to NMMU in Summerstrand. For older residents movement happens typically by car to work and shopping in the south of the city.







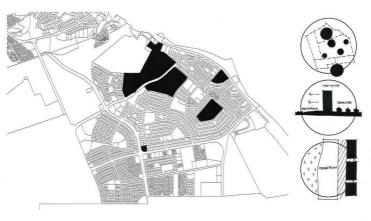
Humewood is a diverse neighbourhood where people living in the area do not share much in common. The neighbourhood mobility profile is as diverse, as residents utilize private vehicles, busses, taxis and walking. The proximity of recreation and shopping facilities means there is more pedestrian traffic than in most neighbourhoods. Work, education and weekly shopping destinations are relatively close in the south of the city.





SUMMERSTRAND

Summerstrand was established as a white residential area next to the beach and south-west of Port Elizabeth in 1821 and remained that way until the construction of the university. Today, contrasting lifestyles bring racial and other diversity to Summerstrand in its mix of elderly white residents, tourist and beach facilities and students of the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University.



Residents of Summerstrand were interviewed to ascertain their daily movement patterns and modes of transport. Different types of movement were identified.



She lives in Summerstrand. She owns a car and drives her daughter to varsity. She is mostly in Summerstrand and Humewood area and only sometimes drives out to Walmer to shop.



He lives in Summerstrand. He skates to varsity and everywhere else. He is mostly within Summerstrand and Humewood area and only uses the taxi when it rains.



PENSIONER and Old age village in Summerstrand. She owns a car and often visits family within the area. Otherwise her usual routine is to drive to Pickn Pay and back. She never really leaves Summerstrand area.



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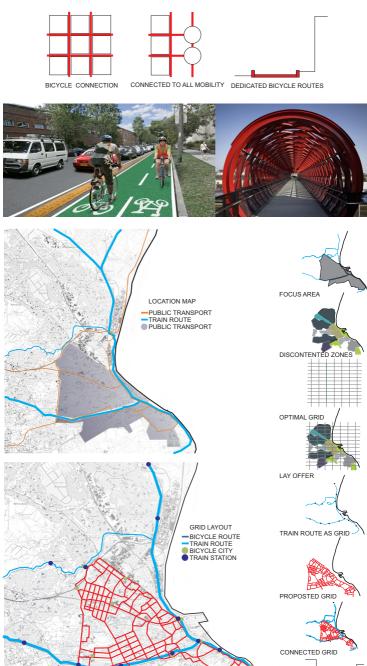


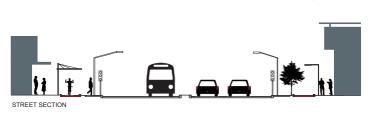
Movement patterns vary with older inhabitants generally commuting by car while students travel by taxi, shuttle, bicycle or skate board. Most journeys are relatively short. Strandfontein Road and Marine Drive mainly service public transportation and vehicular access between the NMMU, Summerstrand and the rest of the south of the city but fail to support pedestrian movement.



10 MINUTE CYCLE CITY

The aim of the project is to provide a low-speed safe and comfortable urban transport infrastructure to reinforce the urban character of the south of Port Elizabeth. A dedicated bicycle 'grid' will make use of and adapt existing infrastructure and link important activity centres including new projects and rail stations. This new system will be managed and promoted as a 'culture' of getting around and using the city in the south. It will allow residents of Port Elizabeth to reduce their reliance on private transport. It will relieve traffic congestion, pollution and reduce the use of non-renewable resources

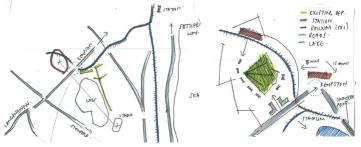






NORTH END PLATFORM

A 'PUBLIC SPACE' FOR THE COMMUNITY OF PORT ELIZABETH

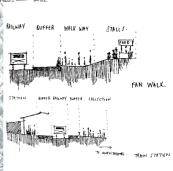


INTRODUCTION

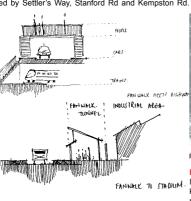
The aim is to create a 'public space' for the community of Port Elizabeth by building a municipal amphitheatre next to the North End Stadium. The amphitheatre is intended to be managed by the municipality as a space for the whole metropolitan community. It is intended to be used for community, political and free entertainment events. The complex of facilities is situated in the north but serves people from the whole metropolitan area. It is closely linked to the rail line which connects the northern to the western suburbs through the centre. A rail shuttle and 'fan walk' take people from the station to the amphitheatre and stadium.







Facility project inevitably lead to the rejuvenation of the railway system that runs right past the site was a means for people North of the site (Motherwell, Kwazakele and New Brighton) to reach the development. Other surrounding areas are velopment. Other surrounding areas are connected by Settler's Way, Stanford Rd and Kempston Rd.

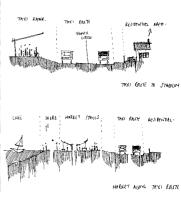




AMPHICHEATRE

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PROPOSAL

A station is to be placed on the proposed site and form both a collection point for people entering the amphitheatre and the beginning of a 'fan walk' that takes people down to the stadium. The fan walk, as well as a subsequent taxi route, forms the movement framework between the amphitheatre and the stadium.

CULTURE FUSION FESTIVAL

The project is to connect different suburbs and cultures in Port Elizabeth through a festival focusing on music, food, arts etc. This festival will happen simultaneously in different suburbs. Each venue will be strongly connected to the train and bus routes, and the aim will be to bring people together through technology. The suburbs (New Brighton, North End, Malabar and Summerstrand) have been chosen to connect the north and the south of the city. The content at each venue will bring the unique character and culture of each venue to attention. Screens will be used to show acts from other venues and to encourage people to use public transport to travel to the different venues.

