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Transitional Housing at Wainuiomata



January 2020 update

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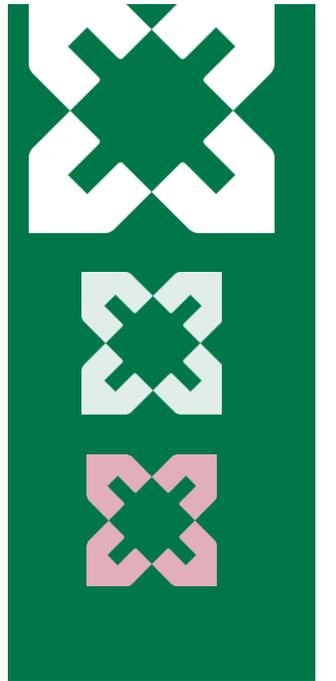
- Revised development plans based on community feedback (*Kāinga Ora*)
- Provider update (*Ministry of Housing and Urban Development*)
- Role of Ministry of Social Development and demand for housing

Development plans

Community feedback is helping shape the development

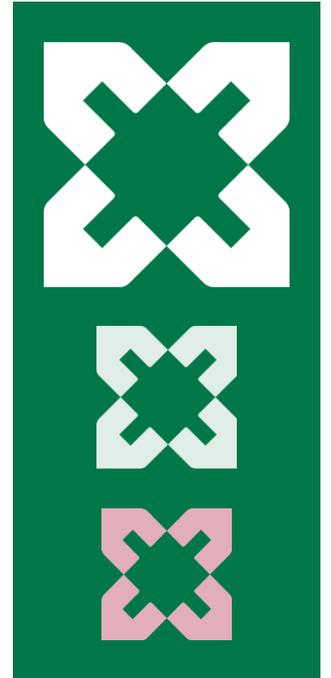
Your ideas have seen Kāinga Ora make these changes:

1. Homes reduced from 44 to 35
2. Fewer smaller homes, more family-sized homes
3. More greenspace added



Development plans (continued)

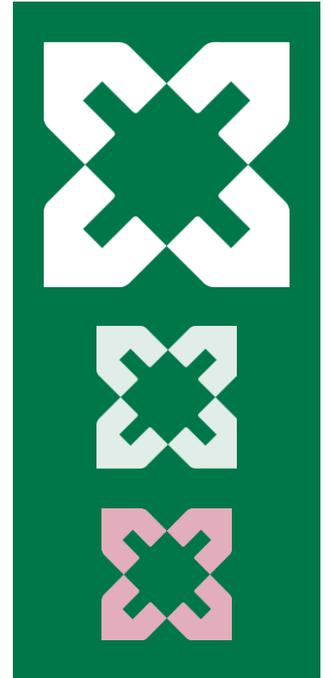
4. More fruit trees included
5. Amend layout for multi-use community room
6. Include a community garden space
7. Use neutral colours to blend in better
8. Minimise build impact on the playcentre
9. Make the site open and inviting



Development plans (continued)

Other key points

- ❖ Play areas
- ❖ Family focus
- ❖ Safety and security
- ❖ Long term housing
- ❖ Resource consent
- ❖ Other public housing developments in the Hutt Valley



How will the development look?

While these architectural drawings are indicative only, they are very close to what the final look and feel of the site will be.



Community garden at Wood Street



Community area at Wood Street



Wood Street side of the development



Overall view of site layout



Provider selection

A provider of social services for Wood St will:

- be selected through a formal evaluation process
- be formally accredited
- preferably be a local organisation

Service delivery - supporting Wood St and the community

The provider of social services will:

- have an office onsite at the Wood St development
- have someone on the site 24/7
- provide wraparound services for tenants, connecting to services such as health, financial, transport, employment, tenancy, social etc
- maintain the property and facilities – gardening, repairs etc.



Service delivery - supporting Wood St and the community

Ahead of Wood Street opening, we will start work with the selected provider on:

- management of an 0800 number staffed 24/7
- opportunities to connect with the community
 - BBQ/event etc
- appropriate security systems
- transport options for tenants
- support for other wraparound services.

Ministry of Social Development's role

We support people in urgent need of housing by:

- talking with them to understand their situation and needs
- offering other financial support, including help with rent, bond and moving costs.
- assessing people's needs to go on the register for public housing
- referring people to transitional housing providers with a suitable place available
- helping pay for emergency housing (like motels)

MSD and transitional housing providers

- MSD has close relationships with transitional housing providers, contracted by HUD
- We keep track of what transitional housing is available, when and where
- We refer people to transitional housing that meets their needs – it's then up to providers to select the tenant

Transitional housing managed by experienced housing providers gives people:

– a safe, suitable place to stay for a while

– expert support to help them find and transition into a longer-term home.

Next steps

- Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts. Community feedback has been very helpful for shaping the development.
- We will keep you updated as plans progress, and work with you on how we can make sure the development works well for the residents living in the proposed new homes at Wood Street, and the wider community.
- We are aiming to lodge Resource Consent in February. This will include the changes that we're making based on your feedback.



Question Time

