





# The Future of Fremantle Inner Harbour Precinct

### Port Beach

### North Quay

### Victoria Quay



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## Acknowledgement of Country

The Government of Western Australia acknowledges the traditional custodians throughout Western Australia and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to all members of the Aboriginal communities and their cultures; and to Elders both past and present.





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# About the Future of Fremantle Project

Future of Fremantle is a Western Australian Government project to plan for the long-term transformation of Fremantle's Inner Harbour precinct.





The Future of Fremantle project was born out of the State Government's decision recommending Kwinana as the preferred location for a new container port to meet Western Australia's long-term freight needs.

The Future of Fremantle Planning Committee has been established to develop a vision for the long-term redevelopment of Fremantle's Inner Harbour port precinct, in collaboration with the community and other stakeholders. The project is a rare chance to identify the economic, social and cultural opportunities that could be achieved through redevelopment of the Inner Harbour precinct.

In mid-2024, the Committee will present a recommendation to the State Government for:

- an Economic Development Strategy to promote future economic growth, investment and employment into Fremantle
- a Land Use Plan to transform the Inner Harbour in a way that builds on the unique identity of Fremantle.

Future of Fremantle is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to reimagine a new future for Fremantle's Inner Harbour. It is an aspirational exercise to explore a long-term outlook over a 50-year planning horizon.

For more than 120 years, Fremantle | Walyalup has been home to a working port – an economic driver for Fremantle and the state, and an important part of the local identity. Redevelopment of the Inner Harbour precinct has the potential to bring a significant number of new jobs to the city across a range of industry sectors, including those that are high value and export oriented.

The visioning process will consider economic growth and job opportunities, including new land uses that better connect the site to the sea and are aligned to best practice sustainability principles.

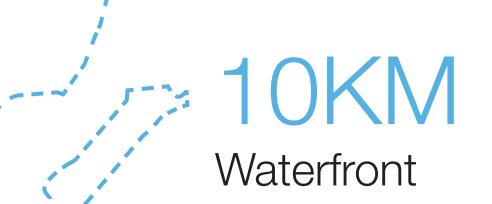


## Space and Capacity

The proposed move to relocate the container port is a globally significant opportunity. The site is comparable in size to some of the world's most transformative port redevelopment projects.

While these projects have different contexts to Fremantle, they demonstrate the potential of the redevelopment of the Inner Harbour to accommodate a significant number of new workers and residents that could have a transformative effect on Fremantle and surrounding areas.







Future of Fremantle Site

Perth CBD

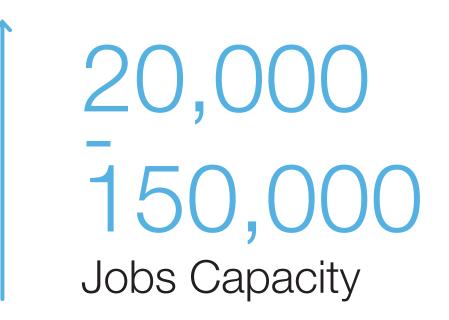


Darling Harbour, Sydney

Docklands, Melbourne









HafenCity, Hamburg



Canary Wharf, London





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# Respecting History

Incorporating and respecting Fremantle | Walyalup's rich Aboriginal culture and heritage, migrant history and maritime identity will form a crucial part of the planning for the Future of Fremantle project.

Fremantle | Walyalup is one of Western

Australia's most treasured places. Before European settlement it was an important meeting and trading place for Aboriginal people. Since then, Fremantle has been through significant periods of evolution and is today deeply connected to the people, place and growth of the state's economy.

Fremantle | Walyalup holds great cultural importance to Aboriginal people. The area has spiritual significance for its connection to the Dreaming and is associated with many important stories between people, land, the river and the sea.

We need to ensure Aboriginal heritage is protected and preserved and that significant cultural connections to the land and waterways can be maintained. Future of Fremantle creates an opportunity to do this - for exchanging stories, truth telling, reconciliation, and for sharing future prosperity.

# A Continuing Aboriginal Story

### Place of Trade

Trade took place here before the arrival of the first British settlers. For thousands of years, Walyalup was a place for social gathering and a highly significant place of trade and exchange. Families gathered for kinship and law making, cultural and ceremonial business. Its abundant resources supported hunting, camping and fishing.

### First Point of Contact

Walyalup was the first Noongar sighting of the British fleet's arrival to the area. It was one of the first places that Noongar people experienced the full impact of colonisation including massacres, forced removal, the loss of land and incarceration.

#### Dark History

Between 1838 and 1931, some 3,700 male Aboriginals from around the state were sent from Manjaree (Bathers Beach) to serve in prison on Wadjemup (Rottnest Island). Noongar women would light fires along the beach to send signals to the Aboriginal prisoners on the island. It is reported that 369 prisoners died and are buried at an Aboriginal cemetery within the island's Thomson Bay Settlement. The prison closed in 1904, although prisoners were used to build roads and other works up until 1931.



Early Port City 1829 - 1897



Expanding Port City 1900s



Modern Industrial Mid 20th Century



Waterfront Retreat 1960s - 1990s



Port City Renewal 2000s onwards





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# Imagining the Future of Fremantle's Inner Harbour

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### Nine Foundation Principles

Underpinning the Place Directions Framework are nine foundation principles. These principles will be used to frame a range of engagement activities involving the community and other stakeholders to seek their ideas and aspirations for the delivery of a shared vision.

Harbour precinct is about aligning global trends with national and state economic drivers and local understanding.

The Future of Fremantle project began with technical investigations and early conversations involving groups of people fundamental to Fremantle's future, including Aboriginal and young people.

This led to the development of a Place Directions Framework that will be used to help develop the conversation and guide the direction of the Future of Fremantle project. The Framework reflects early project outcomes and captures key considerations to

#### Equity

Welcomes, celebrates and provides genuine and meaningful opportunities for all people and cultures.

Protects and celebrates Aboriginal culture and promotes opportunities for the empowerment of Aboriginal people and businesses.

Enriches Fremantle's identity as a place of soul, creativity and entrepreneurship. 3

#### Prosperity

- Helps position Western Australia as a leading economy within the Indian Ocean Rim.
- Makes the most of the opportunity to leverage the unparalleled potential of land, infrastructure, amenity and connectivity.
- Builds on existing assets to incubate and facilitate opportunities for economic diversification and future jobs for Fremantle and the broader region.

#### Wellbeing

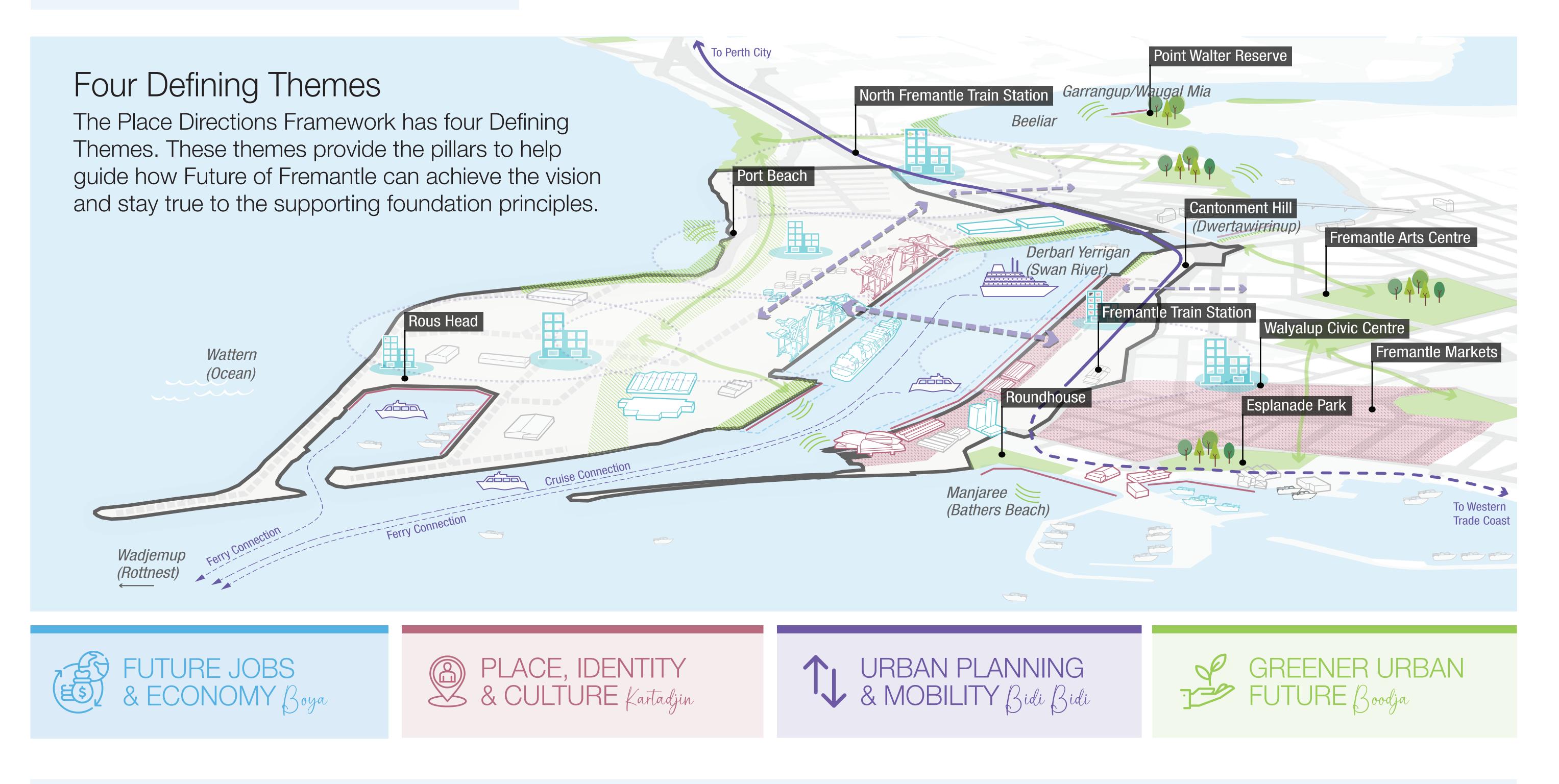
Creates a positive legacy by focusing on the health and wellbeing of people and place.

#### Resilience

Protects, enhances and restores the health of land, waterways and marine and terrestrial habitats.

transition Fremantle's Inner Harbour to a great waterfront destination and place to live and work.

Designed to be flexible and adaptable to respond to shocks such as climate change and global disruptions.





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# Future Directions



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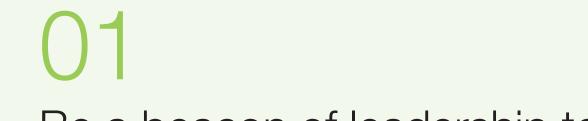
How can we improve Fremantle's economic performance while contributing to the competitiveness and positioning of Western Australia as a leading economy in the Indian Ocean Rim? How can we enhance the unique qualities and character of Fremantle that people know and love, and make the city a more equitable place for future generations?

How can we strengthen Fremantle's strategic role in the southern corridor and improve regional connections? How can we leverage Fremantle's unique natural setting, such as regenerating the environment, improving resilience and adaptation to climate change?

01 Incubate and promote state-led diversification opportunities







### 02

Develop, attract and retain leading international talent

### 03

Create opportunities that empower and grow Aboriginal commercial enterprise

04

Develop a distinctive destination economy with

Heritage, lifestyle and culture is embedded in the experience

Recognise Fremantle as a strategic centre

A place of creativity, cultural exchange, entrepreneurship and innovation

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Protect and celebrate Aboriginal culture as a leading narrative

04

Recreate a waterfront city

02

Align infrastructure decisions to place outcomes

03

Prioritise distinctive walkable neighbourhoods and sustainable transport

04

Use water as a driver of lifestyle, amenity and land use diversity

Be a beacon of leadership to create a positive impact for future generations

### 02

Embed restorative landscape values to heal the land and waters

03

Design for climate sensibility

04

Reshape lifestyle and identity through parks and open space

meaning, purpose and character

05 Grow a values-driven economy 05 Deliver genuine and meaningful diversity



Achieve best practice urban planning principles to create self-sufficient neighbourhoods



Enhance lifestyle, health and wellbeing









# Creating a Shared Vision

A vision that reflects community values and aspirations requires bigpicture thinking and the

# How to get involved

There are many ways you can get involved to help create a shared vision for the potential transformation of Fremantle's Inner Harbour precinct.

Use the QR code below to click through to the project website.

# sharing of ideas around questions like:



#### E-News

Sign up to the project e-news to receive regular updates, including upcoming engagement activities.

- What type of place do we want the Inner Harbour to be in the future?
- How can we retain and enhance the unique and loved qualities of Fremantle | Walyalup?
- What global trends might impact the site?
- How can repurposing the site enhance the state's long term economic outlook?



#### Future of Fremantle Consultation Hub

The online consultation hub features a range of interactive engagement opportunities including a survey and other online activities.



#### Place and Economic Directions Report

To submit your comments on the Place and Economic Directions Report, go to the survey available at the consultation hub on the project website.



## Community Open Days and Forums

Find out more and register your interest via the online Future of Fremantle



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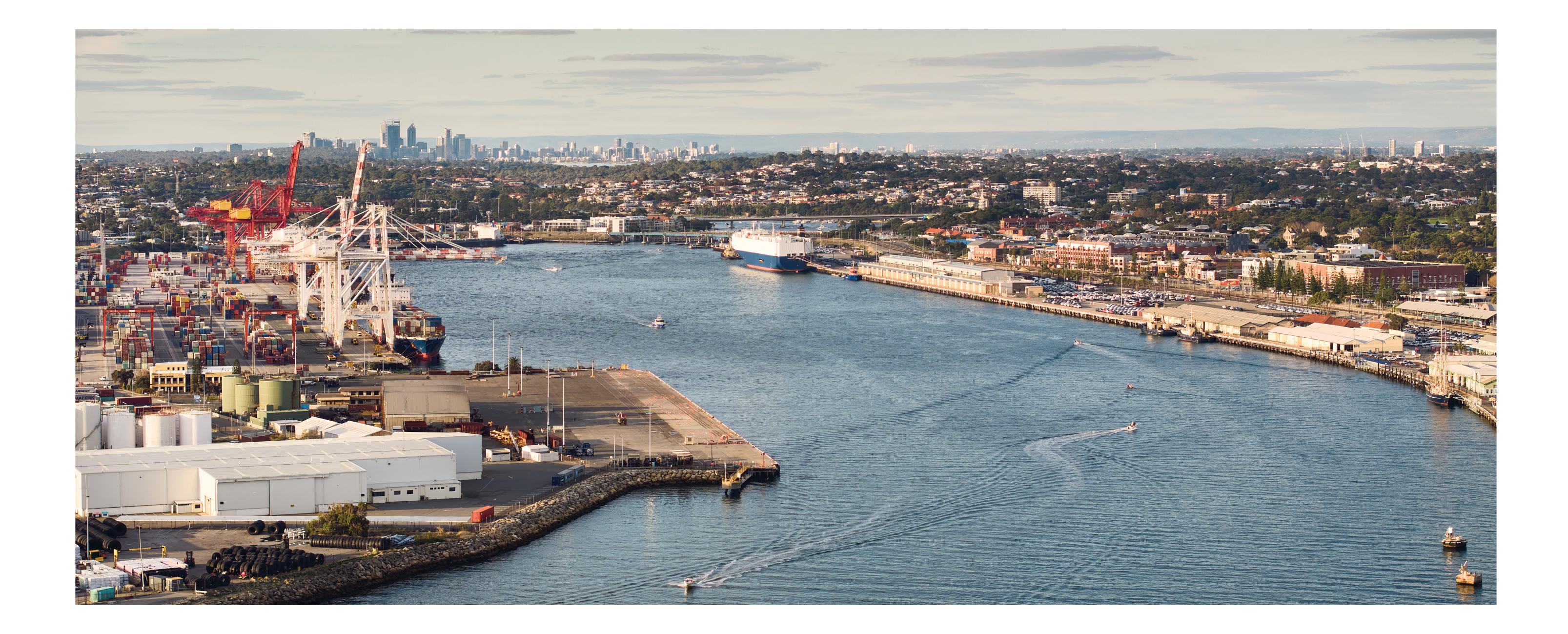
#### consultation hub.

#### Place Design Forums

Beginning in August 2023, these forums will involve explorative discussions with technical experts, government agency representatives and community leaders to actively shape the vision and scenario options for the site.

Places are limited.

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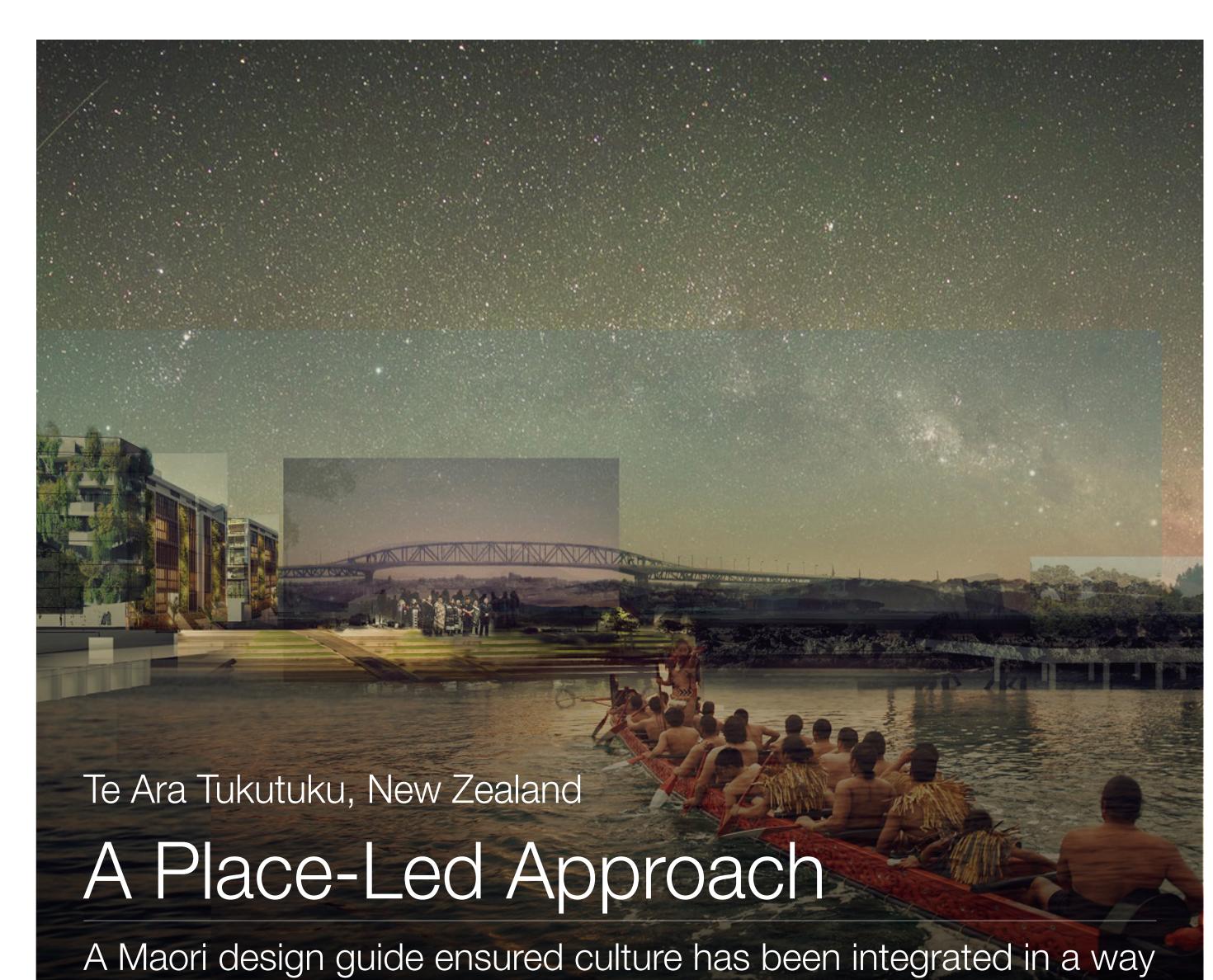




# **Global Trends and Inspiration**

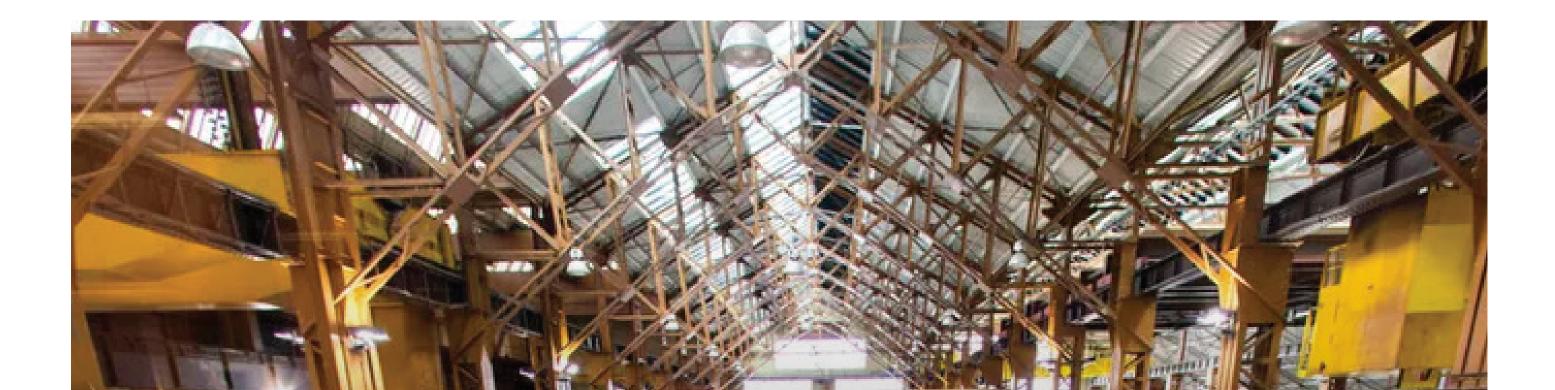
Port redevelopment projects around the world are providing inspiration, lessons learned and benchmarks for how we might think about the Future of Fremantle.



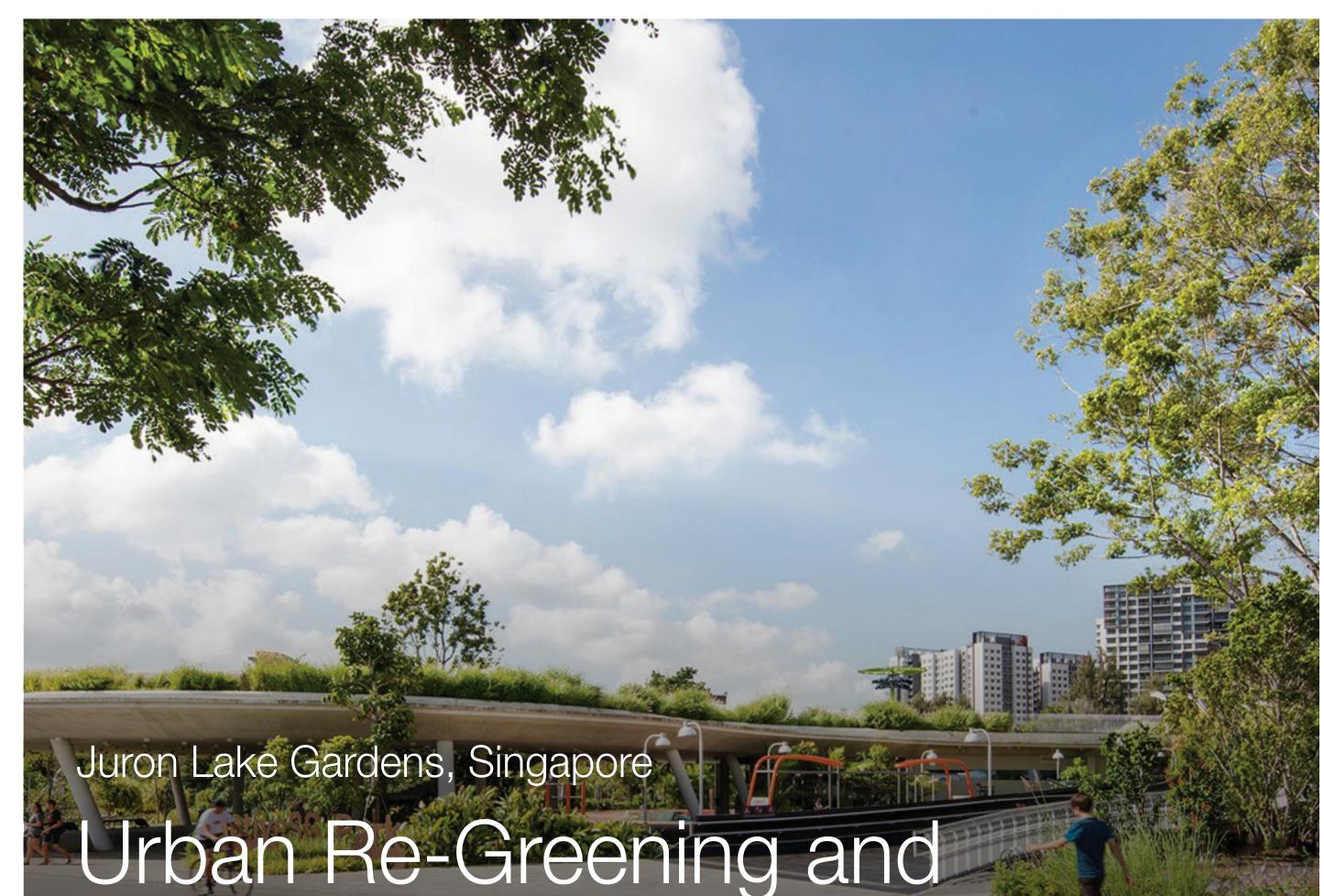


#### Hammarby Sjostad, Stockholm People First Mobility

Hammarby Sjöstad has actively sought to minimise the use of private vehicles, including investment in a light rail system, highquality walking and cycling infrastructure, a car-pooling system and tight controls around the supply and cost of parking.



that is respectful and appropriate. It moves beyond gestures such as place names to governance, impact statements and statutory approvals embedded within the development.



#### RDM Rotterdam, Netherlands Innovation Districts

The RDM precinct features a campus for education and research specialising in engineering, maritime technology and sustainability, as well as manufacturing and fabrication facilities, a testing and demonstration centre for sustainable and innovative technologies, and a floating pavilion for hosting events and exhibitions.

These case studies will help us better understand what works and how

# Regeneration

Jurong Lake Gardens has seen an original swamp forest native to the area, successfully restored as a park. It has created biodiversity and habitat to support a range of plants and animal species in various wetland, grassland and forested areas.

best to meet the impact of future challenges such as those related to climate change, employment, sustainability and quality of life.



