

Public Transport Design Guidance: Getting To and From Public Transport

Public transport plays an imperative role in supporting taha whānau - our social well-being - in our urban areas. It supports inclusive transport access and the space-efficient movement of people. Public transport in New Zealand has unique transport planning and design requirements that need to be considered as we plan and design our streets and infrastructure.

Waka Kotahi has been leading a project to develop a 'one-stop-shop' of best-practice Public Transport Design Guidance (PTDG) for New Zealand. The guidance supports regional and local councils to deliver high-quality, user-centric public transport, specifically suited to New Zealand's regulatory and operating environment.

In this presentation we'll briefly note the different topics covered in the Public Transport Design Guidance and then have a closer look at the Getting to and From Public Transport topic which provides advice on planning and design for the 'first and last mile' connections to public transport.

We will discuss the following issues related to getting to and from public transport:

- key issues relating to the quality and ease of access
- roles and responsibilities
- understanding people and their journey choices
- planning for getting to and from the stop
- walking access
- people on bikes and micromobility
- feeder public transport services
- car connections
- a quick checklist for getting to and from public transport which can be used to undertake brief public transport access audits.