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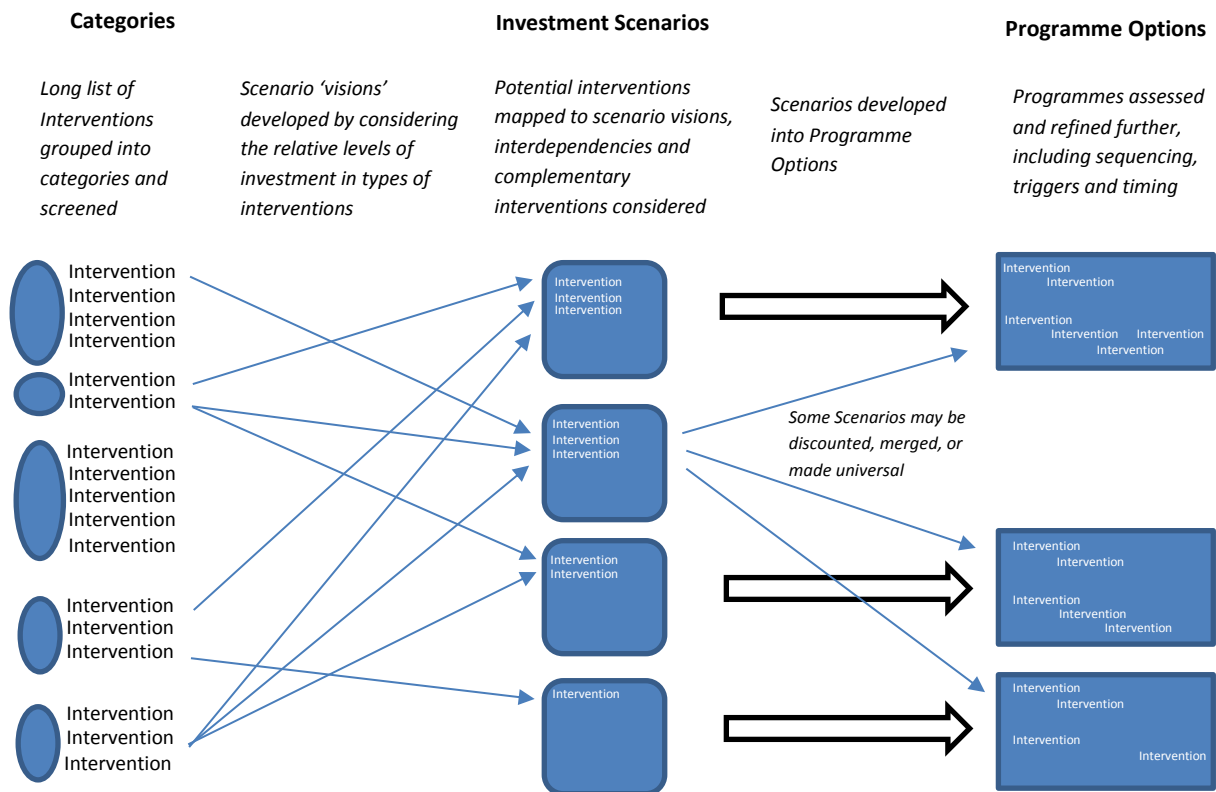
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This note explains how potential interventions that might be candidates for inclusion in the Let's Get Wellington Moving (LGWM) scenarios and programme options were initially generated, included in categories of similar interventions and screened.

In this context, “interventions” means possible ways to improve transport in the study area, ranging from detailed modifications to the network to strategic transport infrastructure and policy or land-use changes.

Workshop and Attendees

The source of an initial list of over 250 possible interventions was a workshop attended by some 25 officials/officers representing the three alliance partners, together with two members of the LGWM team and two consultants. The alliance participants were drawn from the organisations' professional disciplines covering transport strategy, transport traffic management, public transport planning, active mode specialists, urban planners, engineers and communication specialists.

The brief of the participants was to generate as wide a set of potential interventions as possible (“blue sky”) to address the problems established through the project Investment Logic Map (refer to Appendix 1). The interventions were not assessed at the workshop, as the aim was to maximise possible ideas for later consideration.

Problems

The problems which the interventions needed to respond to were identified by the project ILM¹. These were:

- Severe congestion leads to unreliable and increased journey times suppressing economic productivity
- Too many vehicles and competing demands undermine central city liveability and competitiveness
- Conflict between users in limited corridor spaces erodes safety and service levels
- Lack of system resilience result in disproportionate vulnerability to disruption and change

To ensure that all participants had a common understanding of the problems, the early part of the workshop was used to examine their components and to review the evidence behind the problems at a high level. Specialists within the group contributed their knowledge to amplify the evidence where required.

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The set of categories adopted was:

- Land-use Intensification
- Land-use Dispersal
- Manage Demand: Financial
- Manage Demand: Non-financial

¹ It is noted that the problem statements and their interpretation are yet to be confirmed in the LGWM interim report.

- Enhance Supply: High investment in road capacity
- Enhance Supply: High investment in public transport
- Incremental Improvements: Road network
- Incremental Improvements: Public Transport network
- Enhance Interventions to motor vehicle use
- Resilience-specific

Evaluation of Interventions

The collected list of possible interventions was subsequently assessed by a transport planning and evaluation group to determine which interventions should be candidates to be included in possible scenarios and programme options and which, for a range of reasons, should not be considered further within this context. The large majority were classified as 'keep' i.e. candidates for inclusion in the scenarios and long-list programme options.

The possible reasons not to consider an idea further were:

- **Fatal Flaw** – An idea would not be considered further as there was some characteristic of the idea that meant that, in the professional judgment of the evaluators, it could not contribute to a possible option. Such reasons included expected cost being disproportionate to possible benefits, impracticality, or the concept having been tried previously without worthwhile results.
- **Exclude** – Outside the project scope or not an intervention that could be influenced by the project.
- **Given** – An intervention that had already been committed.

The scope document summary is shown in Appendix 2. Some of the givens and out of scope matters were:

Givens:

- Recognition of the Wellington CBD as the regional growth engine
- Implementation of Wellington public transport network in 2018
- Provision of high capacity buses on the Golden Mile
- Provision of integrated public transport ticketing
- Better public transport in the short to medium term will rely on BRT
- Urban cycleways programme
- One Network Road Classification hierarchy

Out of scope:

- Laneways projects
- PT fleet motive power and fare review

Additional Interventions

Following the classification of the workshop ideas, a further set of potential interventions was considered and any different ideas were assessed and added to the workshop list, with the appropriate classification. The additional set came from the LGWM web feedback, the LGWM phone survey, the GWRC/WCC research panel survey, and the NZTA record of stakeholder comments (Darzin), and had been collated by GWRC staff.

The current draft list of possible interventions, by category, is shown in Appendix 3. Additional interventions are anticipated to become available for crosscheck and inclusion as the LGWM engagement workstream progresses.

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Investment Logic Map

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Draft List of Possible Interventions

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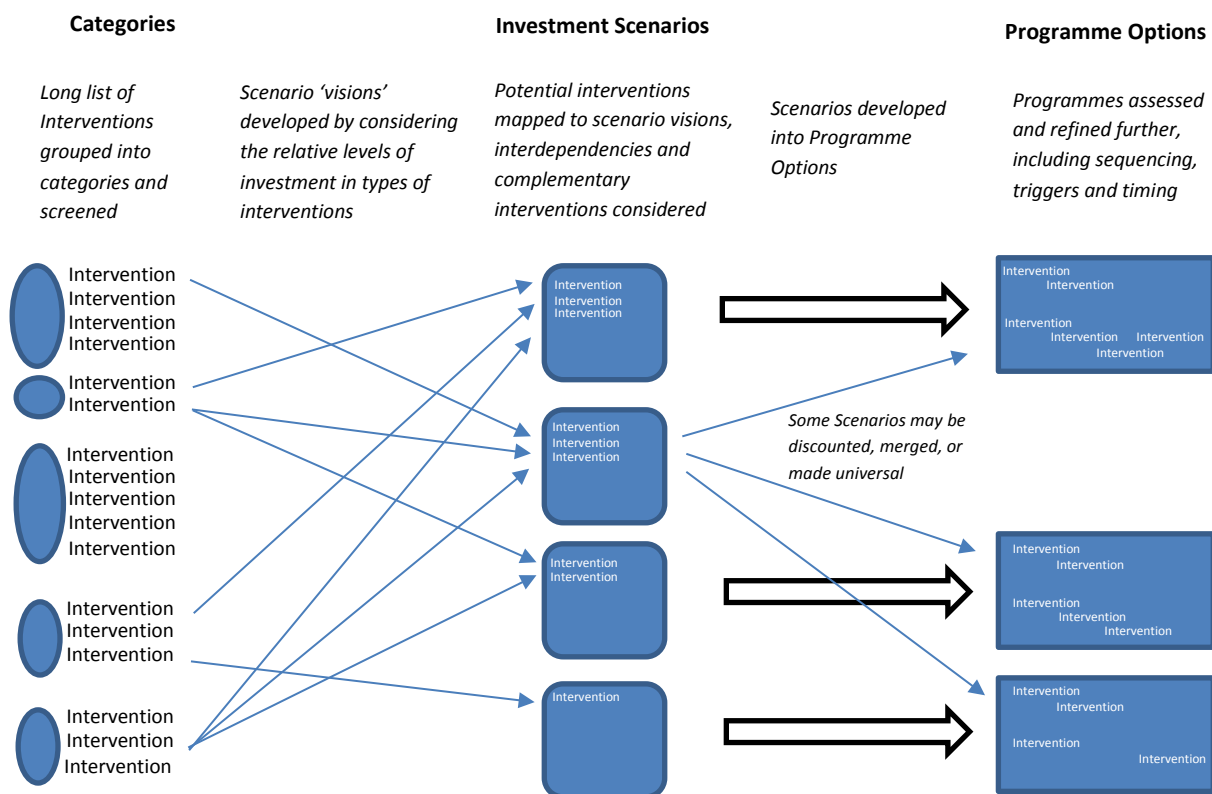
Blended Scenario Placeholder

Placeholder for assessment against Principles/Problems

Placeholder for mapping Scenarios using NOF operating gaps

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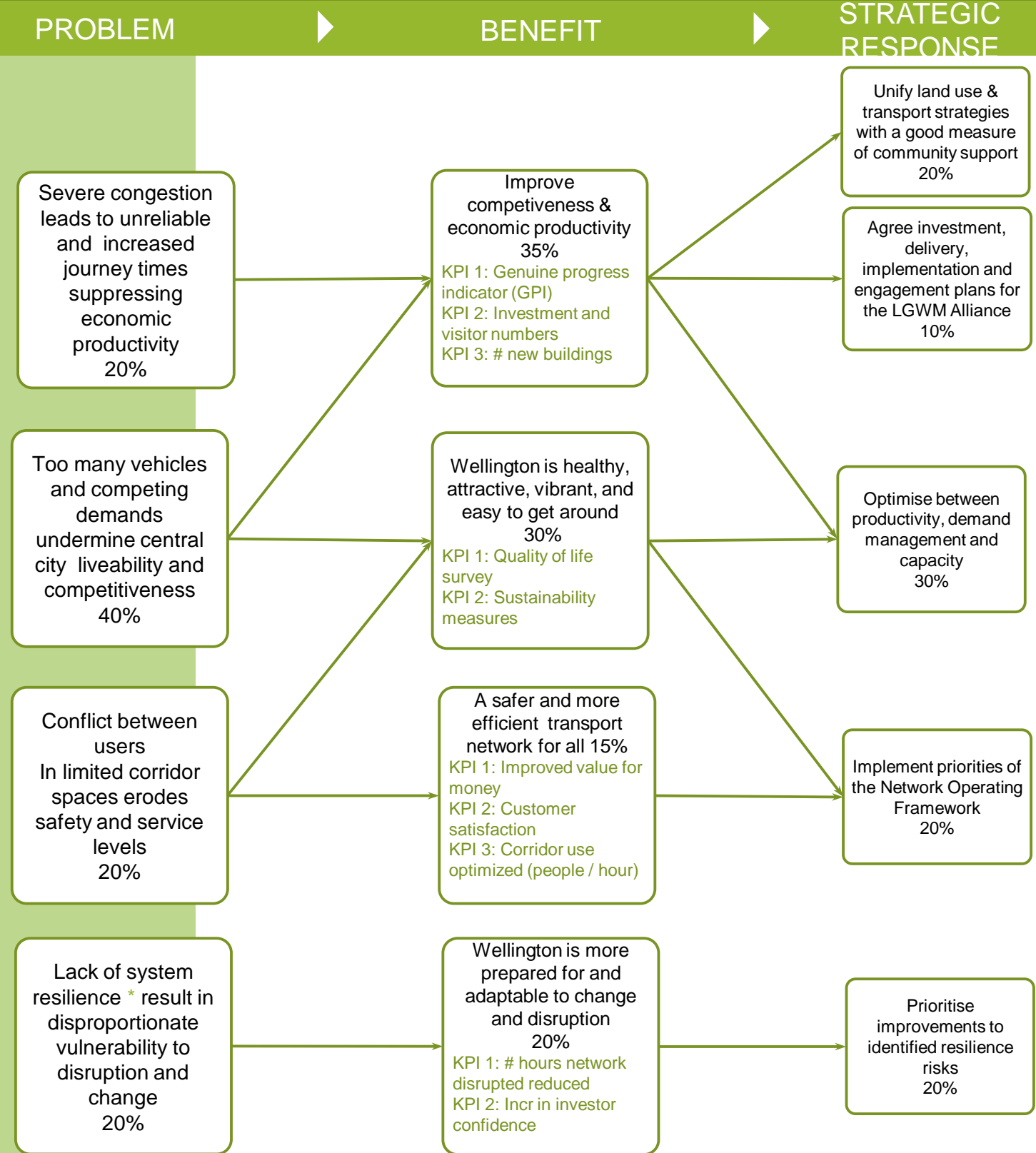
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INVESTMENT LOGIC MAP Program



	TRAVEL DEMAND	ACTIVE MODES	MASS TRANSIT	OPTIMISE NETWORK	INTEGRATION AND SEQUENCING	LIVEABILITY AND COMPETITIVENESS	STRATEGIC ROAD NETWORK
GIVENS	Study area: bottom of Ngauranga Gorge to Constable Street, and Town Belt west of SH1 to the Airport. Recognition and intensification of CBD as regional growth engine	Sustainable Transport Hierarchy in the Wellington Urban Growth Plan. The need to integrate the urban cycling programme with the wider transport network. Wellington City Council (WCC) is currently reviewing speed limits in the CBD.	New bus network 2018 High capacity buses on the Golden Mile Integrated bus ticketing 2018 (possibly including ferries and cable car). Followed by extension to trains and then all modes. Better Public Transport (Better PT) in the short and medium term will rely on Bus Rapid Transport (BRT). Procurement of new bus operational contracts by 2018	Wellington Traffic Operations Centre (WTOC) and WCC Traffic Operations Centre (TOC) continue to work closely together. When the traffic model is complete, previously identified quick wins will be assessed and progressed according to modelling outputs.	This is a multi-modal transport network project involving both demand (and where necessary) supply interventions. Existing funding mechanisms remain.	Wellington 2040 and the Wellington Urban Growth Plan. The Basin Reserve as an international cricket venue, its development plans and the need to integrate these with any transport initiatives. Plans for boulevards in Victoria Street (implemented), Taranaki Street and a boulevard/linear park for Kent and Cambridge Terraces. Increasing residential population density in the central area.	The current road hierarchy as determined by ONRC. We will achieve optimal utilisation of the existing network. We will establish a road use hierarchy using the NOF.
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Identify conflict areas on pedestrian corridors. Using the NOF, identify current and future operational gaps in levels of service. Identify options to improve pedestrian journey safety and experience (e.g. sequenced pedestrian crossing green-waves). Develop options to address conflicts and operational gaps. Using the NOF, assess intervention options for network fit. How best to accommodate cyclists in the central city and the associated network implications?	Review identified constraints and pinch-points along the identified spine and recommend solutions, including confirming the spine corridor. What does Better PT look like, in the short, medium and long term? How bold can we be with BRT within existing constraints? What constraints need to be addressed to deliver bolder BRT? What level of improvement is necessary at the Basin Reserve and/or of the Mt Victoria Tunnel, to be able to achieve bold BRT, and what are the interdependencies? Are any other corridor improvements required or desirable to deliver bold BRT? What are the impacts of BRT to urban amenity, other modes and the wider network? Should provision be made for future-proofing the spine corridor for later conversion to Light Rail Transport (LRT)? What are the implications of doing so or would an alternative route be preferable? If an alternative route is preferred how should it be protected? Identify other mode investments necessary to improve journey experience to drive up usage (e.g. park-and-ride, pedestrian weather protection). Identify other infrastructure improvements necessary to provide a high quality passenger experience (e.g. off-bus ticketing, improved accessibility, bus stops/interchanges and improved information). How will BRT integrate with other transport interventions? What, where and when are the interdependencies? The extent and timing for rolling out BRT? Develop a detailed business case for BRT Early work packages BRT design elements investigation – due early October	Using the NOF, identify operational gaps that can be addressed through network optimisation and other potential quick wins. Use the NOF to assess both mode and corridor priorities and time-of-day operational restrictions/interventions. How do we achieve a single operating model for Wellington transport operations? What are operational resource and capability requirements are needed to bring about the desired level of optimisation? What allocation of space in key roading corridors is desired, including to parking. Early work packages Highway capacity constraints - timing tbc	What monitoring programme do we need to ensure flexibility and adaptability to social, economic, behavioural and technological change? What are the interdependencies between interventions? What are the sequencing dependencies between interventions? What packages of work should be delivered by each agency? What funding sources are applicable to the various programme elements? What further investigations are required? Early work packages Assessment methodology - timing tbc	Can the current impacts of transport on urban form and amenity be managed long term? What is the impact of the state highway network on the local road network (e.g. impact of on/off-ramp on intersections and corridors) and can these be managed better? Where are the opportunities to unlock economic potential? On the Quays, how can the potential conflict between a transport corridor and CBD connection to the harbour be addressed? What opportunities to improve the urban amenity of Vivian Street exist? How can the legibility of the CBD be improved and what are the wider network implications of rationalising the number of one-way streets? Should a higher priority be granted to pedestrian movements over other road users along selected parts of the network (including temporal options) and if so what are the wider network implications?	CBD traffic split between traversing and access? What are the current traversing traffic routes and volumes and what is desired to achieve our urban amenity objectives? What is the most efficient way for traffic to access the CBD without compromising urban amenity and economic objectives? What is the desired split of traffic between SH1, the Quays and alternative routes (Thorndon Quay, Featherston St etc)? How do we ensure efficient access for freight to the port and inter-island ferries? Where are the conflicts and operational gaps in the network? Where and when do/will capacity constraints exist/arise on the network? What practicable options exist to address known and forecast constraints? When should we plan to address these constraints? What package of options is possible/optimal? How do we balance the benefits of a progressive, responsive and incremental delivery strategy with the need to give investment confidence to unlock economic opportunity? How do we protect land/routes for options that will be progressively delivered? Where are the opportunities to integrate transport and urban regeneration?
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