

Designing Auckland: A Mayoral Conversation with

Jan Gehl – GEHL architects, Copenhagen

A series of conversations on urban design, brought to you by the Urban Design Group at Auckland City Council

The purpose of this series is to promote a wider understanding of urban design issues facing the city and aims to establish Auckland as a world-class, design-led city that is attractive and sustainable in form and function.

Auckland - Rebuilding towards a great City for People

In 2008, Jan Gehl, the world's leading expert in urban design, was commissioned by the Urban Design group at Auckland City Council to undertake the first ever Public Life Survey to assess the condition of public life in the Auckland City centre.

This research involved cross council and interagency sponsorship and was completed by a team of passionate cross regional volunteers.

The Public Life Survey for Auckland is a tool for gaining a detailed overview concerning the conditions offered for pedestrians and public life, as well as for developing strategies for improving the quality of the city.

Jan will present the findings of the Public Life Survey held in May of this year.

Date: Monday 5 July
Time: 5pm - 5.30pm Drinks and nibbles
5.30pm - 6.30pm Presentation
Venue: Aotea Centre, Lower NZI Room
RSVP: Wednesday 30 June 2010



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“Creating a quality environment for people is paramount and must be considered before anything else in order to achieve a lively and sustainable public realm! “

Jan Gehl is Professor (Ret.) of Urban Design at the School of Architecture in Copenhagen. Jan has been awarded the Sir Patrick Abercrombie prize for exemplary contributions to town planning by the International Union of Architects as well as an honorary doctorate from Heriot-Watt University in Edinburgh. Jan is honorary fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects, the American Institute of Architecture, the Canadian Institute of Architecture, and the Planning Institute of Australia. Jan has recently published his fifth book, Cities for People (2010).
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