

ASSEY UNIVERSITY **KUNENGA KI PŪREHUROA** INIVERSITY OF NEW ZEALAND

CAMPUS REVITALISATION

Reimagining our Spaces So bright minds can collide

Report on the online survey 2 Sept - 5 Oct 2024

> **Final report 5 November 2024**



Summary

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This report summarises the data collected from the online survey, which was available to all staff and students who spend time at any of Massey's three campuses.

The survey had five sections: *About Yourself, Using the campus, Living arrangements, Travelling to and around the campus & Reimagining the Future.* It consisted of open-ended, single- and multi-answer questions. The number of respondents currently living in Massey accommodation was too small to report on.

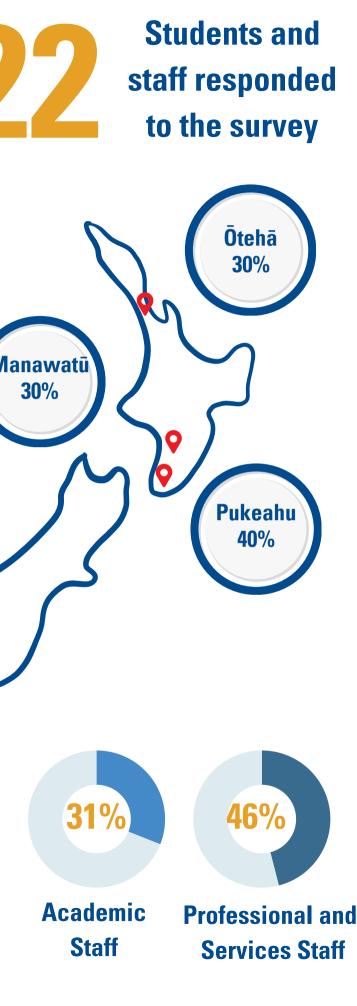
The types of features and facilities to transform the spaces and make people want to be on-site more and stay longer aligns with the findings from the three campus drop-in sessions. There was a sense of confusion around the university's strategic direction to emphasise the on-line delivery of courses and with a concurrent desire for vibrant campuses simultaneously. There were several examples of polar opposite views, such as "I love Tussock" versus "I hate Tussock".

Subsequent staff and student engagement around campus revitalisation can also be informed by further analysis of the survey data.

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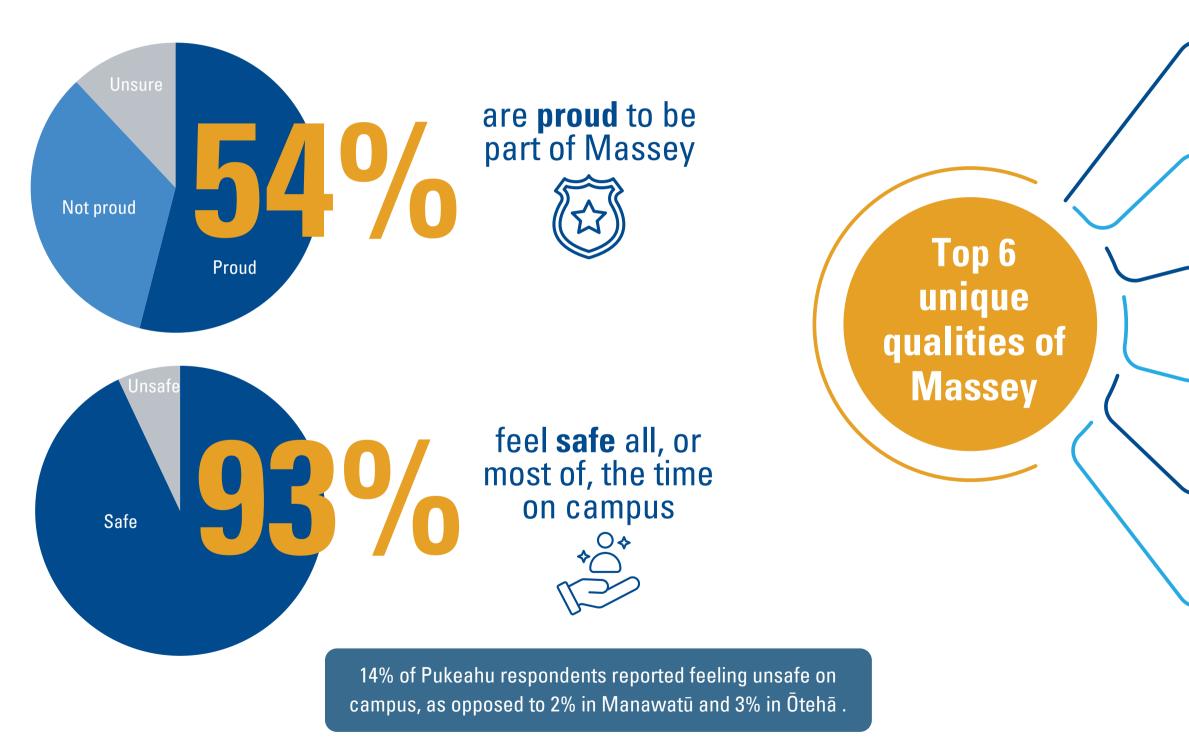




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Shared Sentiments



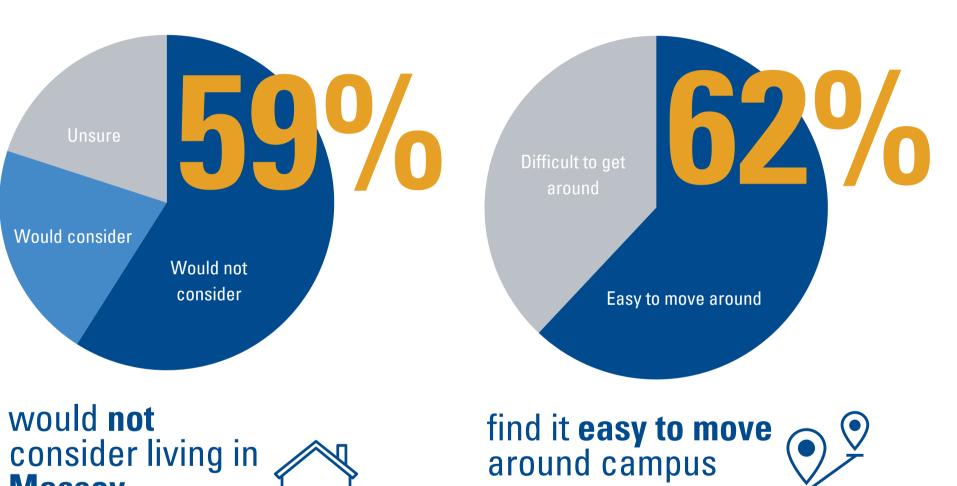
Multi-campus/ locations The people Specialised programmes e.g. Vet/Agric, CoCA Distance Flexible Commitment to be Te Tiriti-led

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would not consider living in Massey accommodation on campus.

All campuses reported needing:

- Improved signage
- Improved footpath routes

Pukeahu and Manawatū also requested improved footpath quality, and Ōtehā favoured improved car parking.

Most popular commuting modes





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Shared sentiments

Te Tiriti: Culture changes

Respondents suggested the following culture changes to support Massey's aspirations of being a Te Tiriti-led organisation:

- A sense of safety (e.g. to practice te reo Māori, discuss Te Tiriti)
- Start all thinking and processes with kaupapa and tikanga Māori approaches instead of Western European frameworks and approaches
- Embedding into all courses- "All courses should at least mention Te Tiriti and the founding document."
- "Respect."



Bilingual signage, including building and road names

Māori artwork in high traffic areas

Consultation with mana whenua

Communal spaces for all to discuss Te Tiriti and practise te reo Māori

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Te Tiriti: Campus changes

Info boards on campus detailing the history of the whenua

Celebrate all significant events

Spaces for Māori and Pasifika students to feel safe having conversation



Shared Sentiments

Environmental Sustainability Initiatives

- **<u>Plant</u>** more trees on campuses
- **<u>Grow</u>** and use food on site
- **Collaborate** with local councils to increase public transport services
- **Purchase** more recycling bins for high traffic places
- Enable opportunities to learn and share information and tips, e.g. horticulture lessons

- **<u>Allocate more time</u>** to sustainability initiatives
- Install EV chargers (not just for Massey Fleet)
- Reduce energy wastage by installing motion activated sensors
- Install more water fountains



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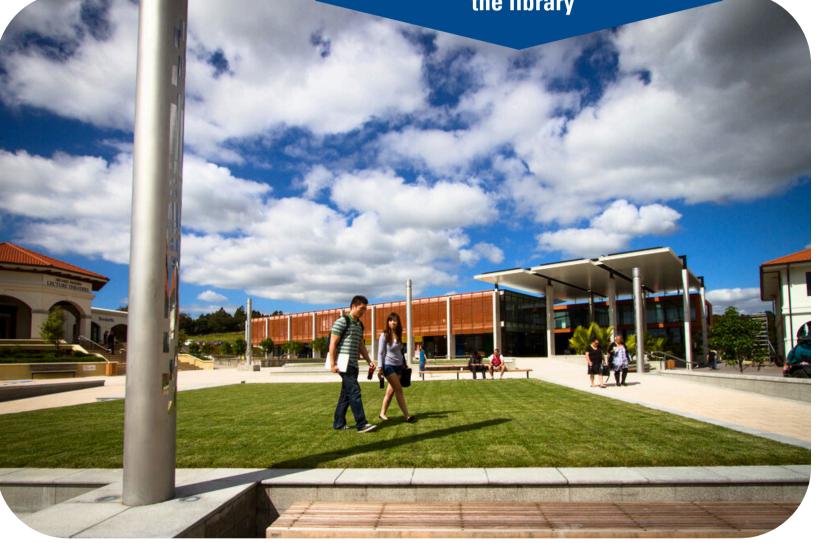
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Ōtehā

30%

think the campus has **no heart** "since removing bar, food outlets and pharmacy" **16**% think the heart is, or could be, **the library**





Green spaces and native bush Diverse community Free parking Attractive and spacious location Central hub (SNW, lawn, Student Plaza, Atrium) Library In-person meetings & discussions Quiet Food outlets People Accommodation Spanish architecture Rainbow room Beaches



Open plan working "Grubbiness" Low morale No reception on arrival Lack of comms re future plans Signage hidden at main entrance Lack of events Lack of events Lack of people Lack of flowers Lack of flowers Lack of Māori name for IC building Lack of cuisine options/bar Lack of on-campus culture Lack of covered walkways Lack of retail Lack of heart

Favourite places

een Spaces	"My Office"	Student Plaza
holar's Café	Nowhere –	IC Building
		Rec Centre

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Ōtehā features and facilities

68%

want a family and environmentally friendly Community hub, with covered outdoor seating, evening and weekend activities and events, and retail outlets



*Note that the percentage is proportional to comments made rather than respondent number.

Events and activities

Respondents expressed a desire for more events on campus, such as breakfast talks, sporting events and casual outdoor recreation, markets, an open air cinema, festivals, cultural events, and life skills classes.

Retail

Ideas for retail on campus included a supermarket, a pharmacy, pop-up stores to support student innovation, restaurants, food and coffee trucks, a bar/ nightclub, and a book shop.

Collaborative and community spaces

Respondents suggested a student study hub, more spaces to showcase Massey work, holding public lectures, infusing learning spaces with local art, culture and history, creating a public library, and hosting commercial activity related to knowledge e.g. bookshop, not for profit organisations.

Other common themes

Other common themes included avoiding open plan offices, restoring the native bush and developing campus tracks and gardens, returning to in-person teaching, building a campus marae, and displaying more Māori artwork.

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Manawatū

86%

think this is, or should be, the campus heart, including comments like it is currently "ugly and dreary" and "doesn't beat very loudly"

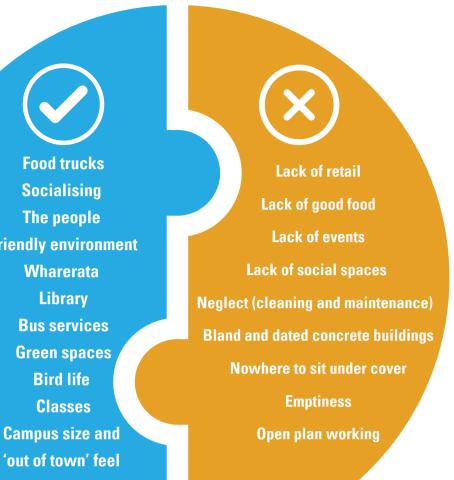


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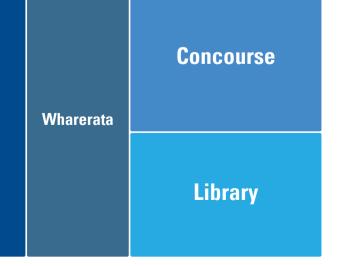
Food trucks Socialising The people **Friendly environment Wharerata** Library **Bus services Green spaces Bird life** Classes **Campus size and**



Green Spaces



Favourite places



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Manawatū features and facilities

62%

want the concourse developed with more colour, plants, art, eateries, bar, retail outlets



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Respondents expressed a desire for markets, more music on campus and more family oriented events and activities, including lamb and calf days and a playground.

Retail

Retail suggestions included an ice cream parlour, a bakery, a dairy, a bookshop, and ATM, and increased food choices. Longer hours and more convenient parking were suggested for existing retail.

Other common themes included more opportunities to showcase Massey work to the public, taking better care of currently facilities, keeping spaces open for longer, improving walkways and signage, and more outside covered seating.

Events and activities

Other common themes

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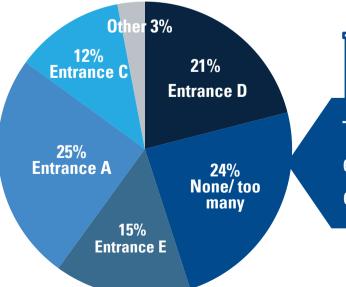
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Pukeahu

42% think of the space outside **Te Rau Karamu**

Marae & Tussock café as the campus heart



Main Entrance

The data identified no clear main entrance for the the Pukeahu campus.



Familiar faces "Like a big family" Heaps of facilities Workspaces & equipment Vibe "great in pockets" **Dedicated social spaces** Location Library **Green spaces** Exhibitions Bird life Te Rau Karamu **Relaxed atmosphere**



Tussock and lawn

Libra



	Gym	Block 10
ary	C y	Block 12
	Te Rau Karamu	"My Office/ Studio"

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want a revamped Tussock café

and space outside, e.g. funky,

bohemian style with no single

use plastics/takeaway cups,

appealing

Pukeahu features and facilities

15%

want a Recreation Centre incl. sports fields, outdoor gym equipment, indoor courts



Events and activities

Respondents expressed a desire for more events on campus, such as BBQs, Whānau Days, quiz nights, live music, more events to showcase Massey work, markets, and education sessions with expert speakers.

Retail

Ideas for retail on campus included more food options, bringing back coffee and food in the Pyramid and Block 10, a mechanic, an optician, a post office, and retail related to study such as an art supply store, bookshop and pharmacy.

Collaborative and community spaces

Respondents suggested a multi-disciplinary 'creative campus' space for collaboration and innovation, community gardens, a collaborative mural space for student artwork, more inter-disciplinary internships, more flexible modern spaces for teaching and collaboration with industry partners, and a library accessible to public.

Other common themes

Other common themes included a clear campus entrance point with reception, improved wayfinding, improved disability access, improved security and lighting at night, covered walkways and connections, and a revitalised Pyramid.

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Design choices

What design choices would you make on campus to enable students and staff to thrive?

<u>Manawatū</u>

Campus Design

- Co-locate offices, social spaces and teaching spaces
- Develop covered welcoming pathway from Orchard road to rest of campus

Organisational Design

- All first-year courses in-person
- Put all initiatives e.g. Digital Plus, online exams, open plan offices in context of 'campus'

Ōtehā

Campus Design

- Adaptive classrooms
- Sculpture on Gate A entrance roundabout
- Childcare facilities

Organisational Design

- Bring back Campus Registrar
- Life skills classes for students e.g. car maintenance, repairing clothes, cooking
- Require staff to work on campus more often
- Make departments accessible to students all day every day



Pukeahu

Campus Design
Open a café in Block 10
Introduce swipe card access into gym
Modular furniture design
Temporary exhibition spaces
Nature integrated design such as water features or indoor gardens, designed by Massey staff/students
Innovative building along Wallace Street as main entrance

Organisational Design
Make CoCA stand-alone entity with separate branding
Co-governance with students

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A place to feel nurtured and valued



"Would love to see our campuses thriving again- and am excited for our future."

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The online survey yielded a vast array of ideas about how to revitalise the campuses to create a vibrant, diverse, and inspiring environment, building on the feedback from our Campus Reimagining sessions. In addition to this, we gained some valuable data around pride in our organisation, current usage of campus facilities, safety, and commuting habits.

Recent times have been challenging and yet the feedback gathered was largely positive, future-focused and constructive. It's clear that our people want to see Te Kunenga ki Pūrehuroa Massey University flourish.

Work is now underway to consider which revitalisation ideas to progress and when. While this work is being developed, more consideration can be given to longer-term campus planning.

 $Ng\bar{a}\xspace$ mihi nui to all of you who shared your thoughts and feelings.

You have been heard.

NĂU TB ROUROU, NĂKU TB ROUROU, KA ORA AI TB IMI

With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive

Next steps

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