The impact of city planning on people's sustainable quality of life

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A city can only be sustainable

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Old paradigm



--- if the people are

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New Paradigm





How to enable the people to be sustainable

Design for people, think about the accessibility they need

Think about the desirable level of mobility for everyone

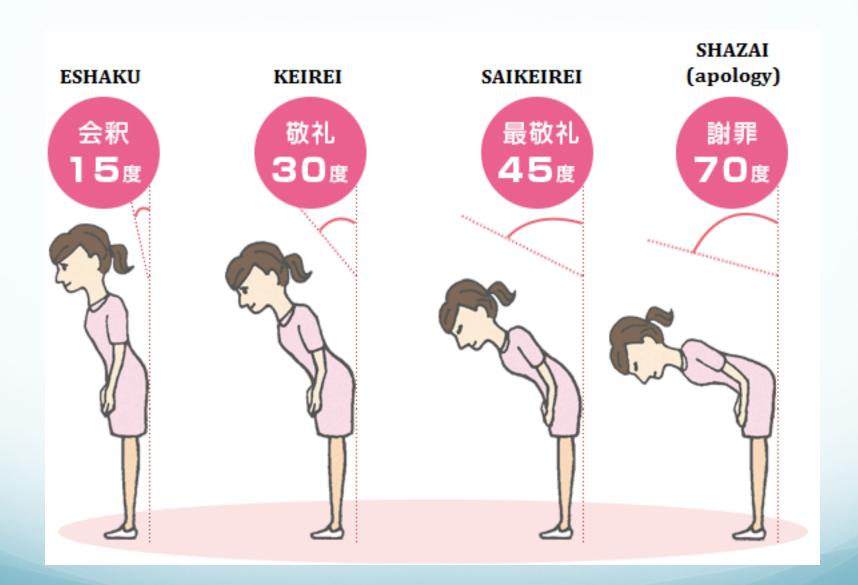
The pedestrian is not a criminal – they are the heart of the city

Design with a belief in the people and the people will respond

Making sure that city planning and design works for the people







So, what did we do?



Why do we destroy culture by design?

Change the paradigm

New approaches to emphasise what is important for people

Not only costs ... Multi-Criteria Analysis and concepts of Value might be better than cost-benefit analysis

The person becomes the measuring instrument of space and time, so must be at the centre of the process



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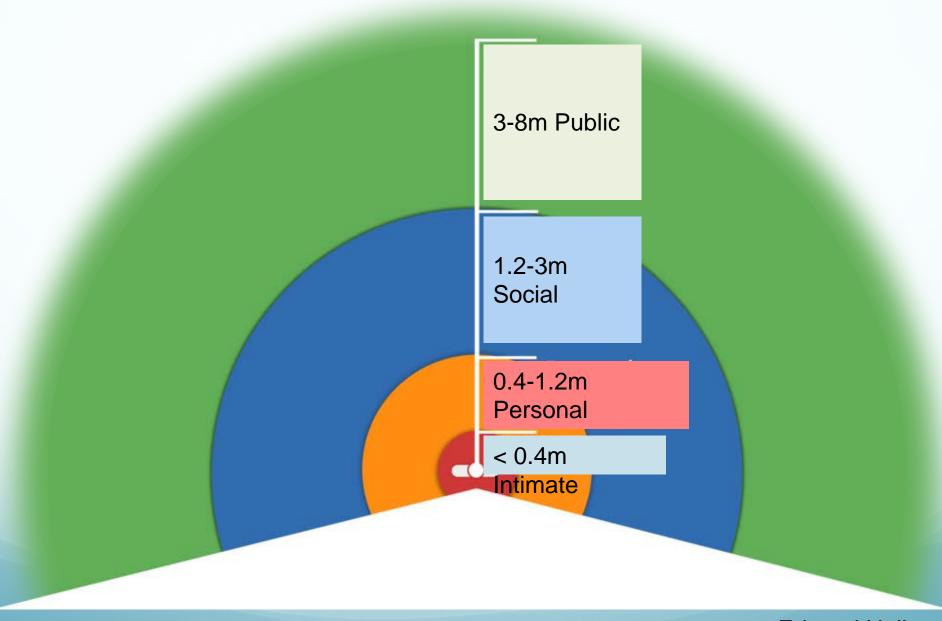
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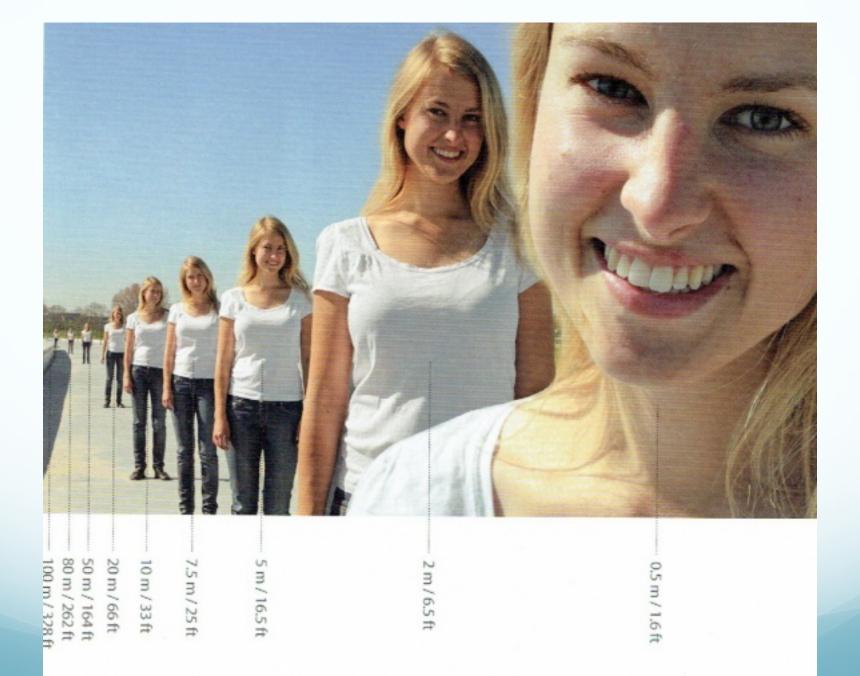
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Person

people

City-scale o Person-scale approach: Proposed





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Social and Personal space

0m/33

164 ft

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Design from the person towards the city more than from the city towards the person An example

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- Design to improve courtesy

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- Encourage nonmotorised transport

The evolving city

- What will be the needs in the future?
- Adaptive and flexible design

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The healthy city

- Positive impact on health
- Minimise the need to use motorised vehicles
- Clean technologies

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- Green spaces
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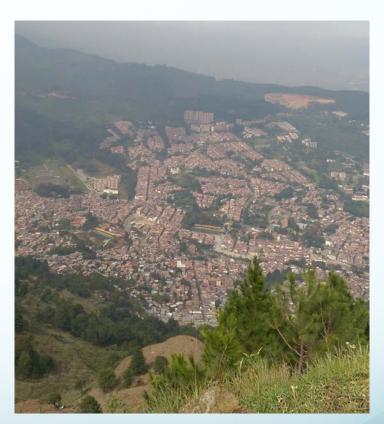
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- Planning based on people's desires
- Design for personal space
- Emphasis on personal interactions
- View of the city outwards from the person
- Objectives: 'Linger', 'Be'

A 21st century question

Autonomous vehicle

- How does this improve the quality of life in the city?
- What problem is an AV trying to solve?
- Are there other ways of solving this problem?
- Which solution is the best for a sustainable society?

Societal outcome

- Bringing society closer to the people
- Improve the quality of life for all
- Equitable access to activities
- Living well is a precondition for any solution

