

# SHORE JUNCTION

WHERE IDEAS COLLIDE AND FUTURE PATHS FORGE

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## WHAT IS SHORE JUNCTION

Shore Junction is a youth innovation hub in Takapuna designed to provide a safe space for young people to connect, belong, collaborate, learn and innovate.

It will provide opportunities for young people to connect socially outside of school, and to access a range of facilities, programmes and events that are designed to support their wellbeing and accelerate their potential.

Shore Junction will support young people to prepare for their future pathways by supporting them to develop key skills and by connecting them to business and enterprise.

The Shore Junction building offers “two floors of amazing” - flexible, shared spaces for young people to convene and collaborate. The use of space can be continuously refined in response to the needs and ideas of young people.

# YOUTH UPDATE AND CALL TO ACTION

We have set ourselves a target to engage with 1000 youth by Youth Week 2018. These 1000 youth will be part of our community of young people, which already includes our steering group and youth advisors. We will endeavour to learn and co-design throughout our build project to ensure we continuously strive to meet the needs of the young people of the North Shore.

## **CALL TO ACTION: Help us make our target!**

If every young person who has been involved in Shore Junction, and every AIMEs award winner reaches out to 2 young friends to inform them of the Shore Junction initiative we will begin to generate a pipeline of involved youth. To find out more on how you can start a Shore Junction conversation within your network, have a chat with Mel, 0212421197.

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HELP YOUNG PEOPLE.  
YOUNG PEOPLE WILL HAVE  
THE SEEDS YOU BURY IN  
THEIR MINDS, AND WHEN  
THEY GROW UP, THEY WILL  
CHANGE THE WORLD.  
~ JACK MA



## ROADSHOWS

New Zealand schools are officially back having now started term one of 2018, and to kick start the school year we will be creating a suite of roadshows to take to schools on the North Shore.

These roadshows will allow Shore Junction to create face-to-face relationships with the youth that will be directly utilising the innovation centre facilities. The roadshows will allow us to have conversations directly with our youth in an environment where everyone has something in common.

Alongside our roadshows we will be facilitating focus groups with the Heads of School and the influencer's of the schools, because of the smaller audience size, the presentations will be more interactive and questions can be addressed as they come up. These focus groups will help us to co-create a portfolio of programmes and activities once Shore Junction is operational.

There is myriad holiday programmes for younger children across Auckland, and many are introducing STEAM focused programmes. At Shore Junction we want to collaborate with these other providers to create a hub of programme offerings throughout the entire year. Encompassing an older age group who can begin to implement their learnings to future career goals.

## **CALL TO ACTION: Help us connect with the schools of the North Shore**

Do you or anyone you know have contacts at the North Shore high schools that we can connect with to discuss our road show and focus group concepts, we would appreciate a connection!

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# VISITING SHORE JUNCTION

Our first visitor to Shore Junction in 2018 was social entrepreneur and founder of GirlBoss New Zealand, **Alexia Hilbertidou**.

Alexia created GirlBoss at 16, a not-for-profit organisation which aims to empower women in leadership, entrepreneurship, science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

GirlBoss has attracted nearly 8,000 members, and has become New Zealand's second largest women's network

Alexia is the epitome of the Shore Junction youth market, youth envisioning change and taking the leap to make their ideas a reality.

"I LOVE the Shore Junction mission and am so excited to see it come to life. Through GirlBoss New Zealand, I interact with thousands of innovative, passionate changemakers who are desperate to solve the social issues in their communities. They have the energy, they have the enthusiasm, and now just desperately need a community, a space, and advice from those who have walked the path before them."

Shore Junction is thrilled to share matching goals and business ethos with Alexia on gender equity, Gen Z Mindset, STEAM, and the future of work in New Zealand.

"It was great to have a tour of the building and meet Mel. The designs are gorgeous, modern and incredibly youth friendly. I wish Shore Junction existed when I attended Westlake Girls High School, I would have visited every morning!"

We look forward to collaborating with Alexia on exciting programmes that hone the skills of North Shore youth.



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SHORE JUNCTION IS THE SOLUTION AND IS THE CREATIVE LAUNCHPAD NEEDED TO ENSURE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE THE LEADERS OF TOMORROW, AND TODAY.

# RESOURCE AND BUILDING CONSENT

We are excited to officially be in the resource and building consent stage!

Our resource consent was lodged in late 2017, given the time of year and festivities around December and January we are hoping for approval any day now. Building consent has also been submitted and we will hear more from that once resource consent is signed off.

Matthew Godward has been coordinating these stages with us, and we thank him for the effort he has invested to help ensure that we are able to submit to council for this approval in a timely manner.

Watch this space!



# SHORE JUNCTION PILLARS

Shore Junction is an innovative youth initiative designed to provide a safe space for young people to connect, belong, collaborate, learn, innovate and realise their potential. To achieve this, a range of programmes, events, services and activities ('content') will be offered through Shore Junction. This content has been designed around five 'pillars' or subject areas:

1. Community
2. Technology
3. Enterprise
4. Science, Maths & Engineering
5. Arts & Culture

The scope and content of these pillars has been co-designed with young people. They are targeted to the key opportunities that young people feel will best accelerate them towards their futures, by providing support for their self-expression, personal development, entrepreneurship, leadership, learning and employment skills.

The pillar model is based on four skills or subject areas that are connected together by a fifth pillar – Community. Putting Community at the centre of our model recognises the importance of creating a safe space where young people can convene, connect and build social connections outside of school. Building this community creates the context for the other pillars to achieve greater impact – supporting collaborative ways of working and learning. The four subject-based pillars are also interconnected. For example, there is potential for youth enterprise opportunities to be developed through exploration of technology and tech-based skills development. Collectively, the pillars ensure that young people will have access to the type of learning and development opportunities that they value, that support their aspirations and connect them to exciting future pathways.



## SPOTLIGHT ON: TECHNOLOGY PILLAR

### What is the technology pillar?

Shore Junction helps to accelerate the potential of young people and prepare them for their future pathways. To do this successfully, we need to support young people to develop the skills they need to be future-ready.

Technology is a core part of what we offer through Shore Junction. We provide access to technology and technology-based learning. We also support young people to engage with businesses and develop their ideas for technology innovation.

The ultimate goal is to support young people to follow their interests, develop new skills and gain critical experiences that support their future pathways.

The Technology Pillar is where we:

- Expose young people to new ideas, technologies and possibilities - to help them become more future-ready.
- Add value to the content offered through our other pillars by providing technology-based opportunities for e.g. creative expression or enterprise
- Work closely with our partners to cultivate youth talent and innovation
- Connect young people to developing industries and support pathways to business, study and enterprise
- Work in partnership with regional initiatives aimed at positioning the North Shore as Auckland's Innovation District

### Why do we need it?

Young people are growing up in a world that is rapidly evolving, with technological advancement at the heart of this change. As industry becomes more reliant on technology and automation existing patterns of employment will change and young people will need to meet higher skills requirements in order to succeed.

The young people engaged in co-design of this pillar saw technology as a vehicle for them to become future-ready. They are seeking opportunities to engage in creative expression, to work collaboratively on solving social problems and to develop tech-based enterprises.

The Technology Pillar will achieve positive long-term outcomes, including:

- Young people becoming confident digital natives
- Young people utilising their ideas for innovation and problem-solving
- Young people successfully transitioning to employment, study and enterprise
- A wider North Shore community that is more connected and is delivering for its young people