Public Engagement Meeting #2
Communities & Neighbourhoods
October, 2020

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Introduction

A BIG OPPORTUNITY

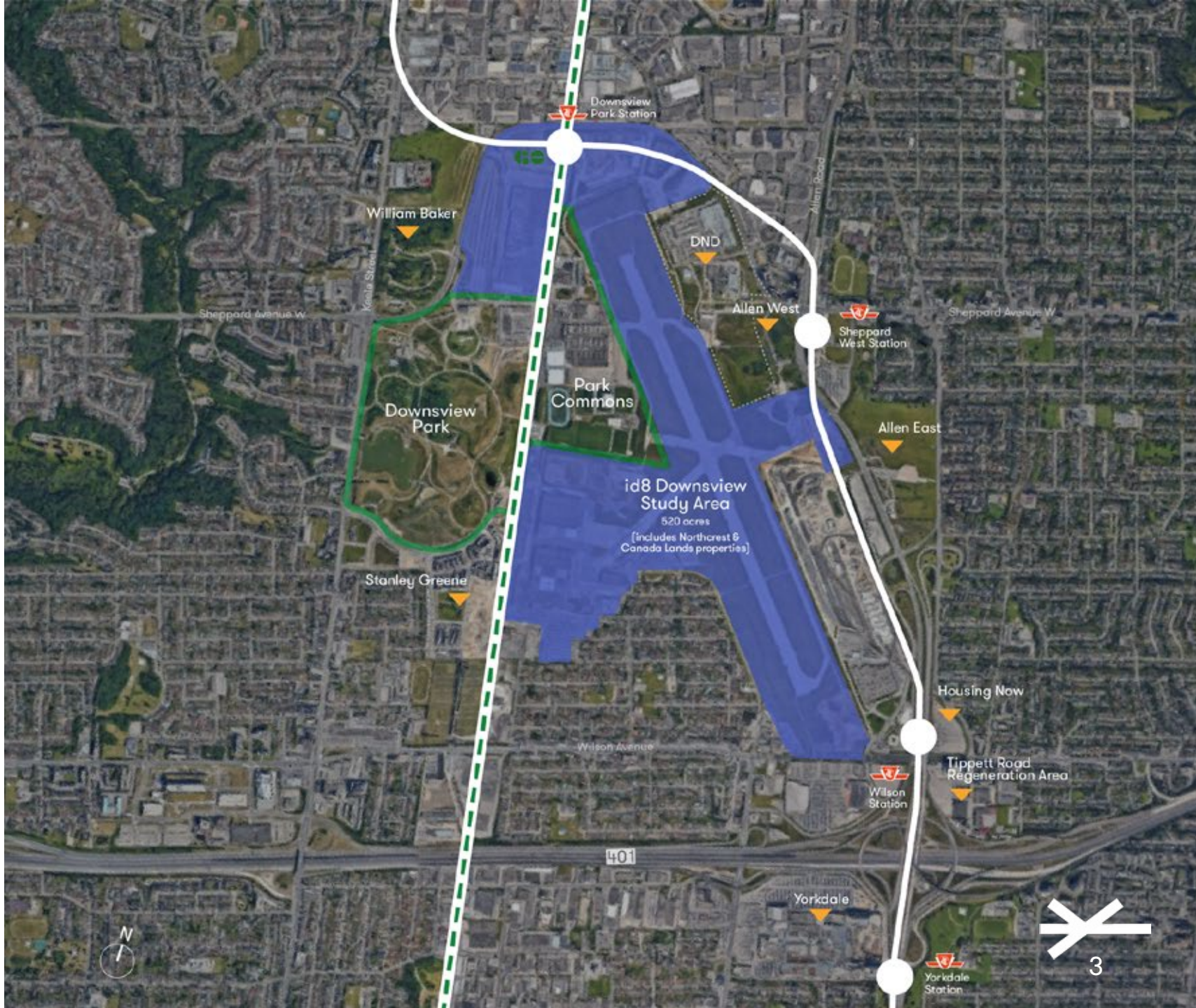
Process and Context

Total Study Area in Acres

520

CLC Downsview Park & Park Commons Area in Acres

291



LEGEND

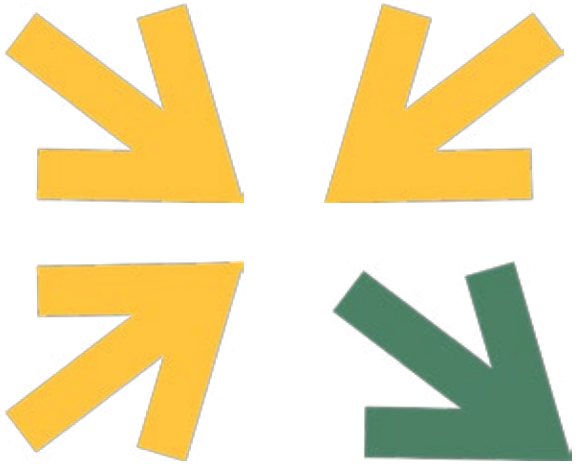
- id8 Downsview Study Area
- CLC Downsview Park & Park Commons Area
- Surrounding Context

Community & Stakeholder Priorities

SELECT ROUND ONE FEEDBACK

Public Policy Priorities

COUNCIL ADOPTED
DRAFT PRINCIPLES



NORTHCREST & CANADA LANDS

Landowner Priorities

EMERGING ALIGNED PRIORITIES

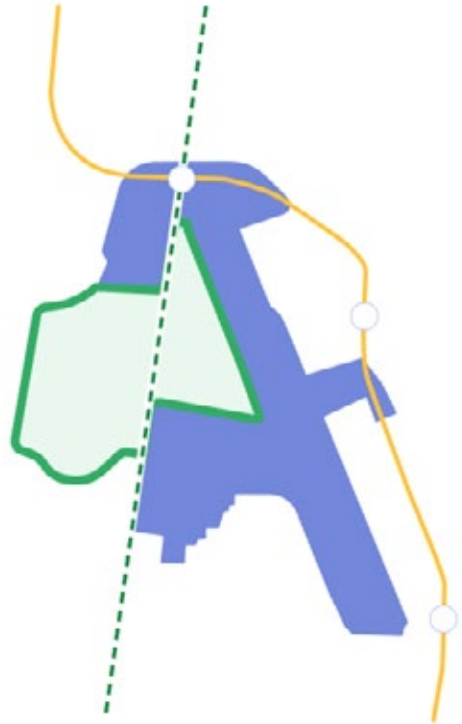
Parks & Nature
Getting Around & Across
Jobs & Employment
People & Neighbourhoods

DIFFERENT VOICES CONNECTED PRIORITIES

What we've heard so far

VIBRANT, RESILIENT & HEALTHY

Complete Communities



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Emerging Design Ideas

4 areas of focus emerge from the priorities

PARKS & NATURE

GETTING AROUND & ACROSS THE SITE

JOBS & EMPLOYMENT

PEOPLE & NEIGHBOURHOODS

People & Neighbourhoods

Emerging Design Idea 3

WHAT WE SAW

Field Notes Opportunities:

People gather around public areas at Earl Bales park

There is a need for accessibility for all community members

Walking is a part of the daily life experience

Markets and other activities attract people from all neighbourhoods

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Connecting People!

“A neighbourhood is not only an association of buildings but also a network of social relationships, an environment where the feelings and the sympathy can flourish.”
Jane Jacobs

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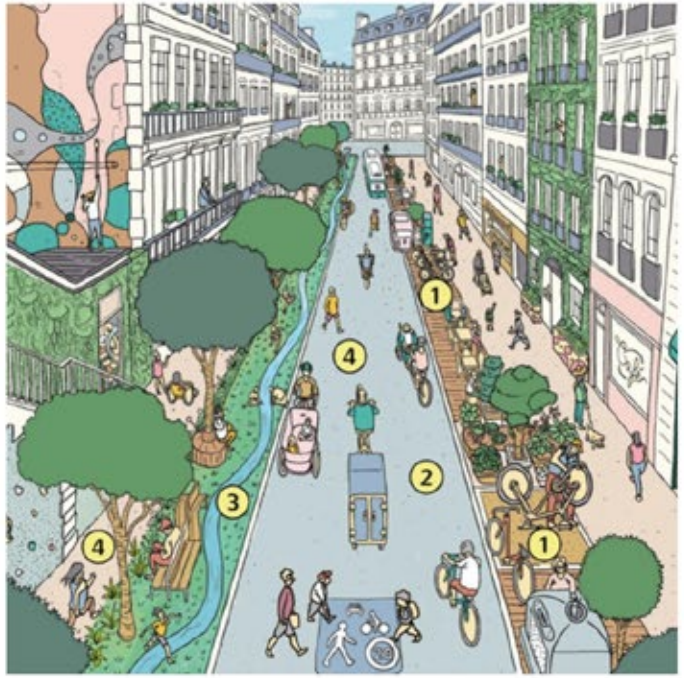
Towards a new Paradigm: Mixing functions of the city

Pre-industrial cities

City expansion in the 20th Century



15 Minute Neighbourhoods

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Learning from other cities

Melbourne 20 minute neighbourhoods

¼ Hour Paris

Portland Plan

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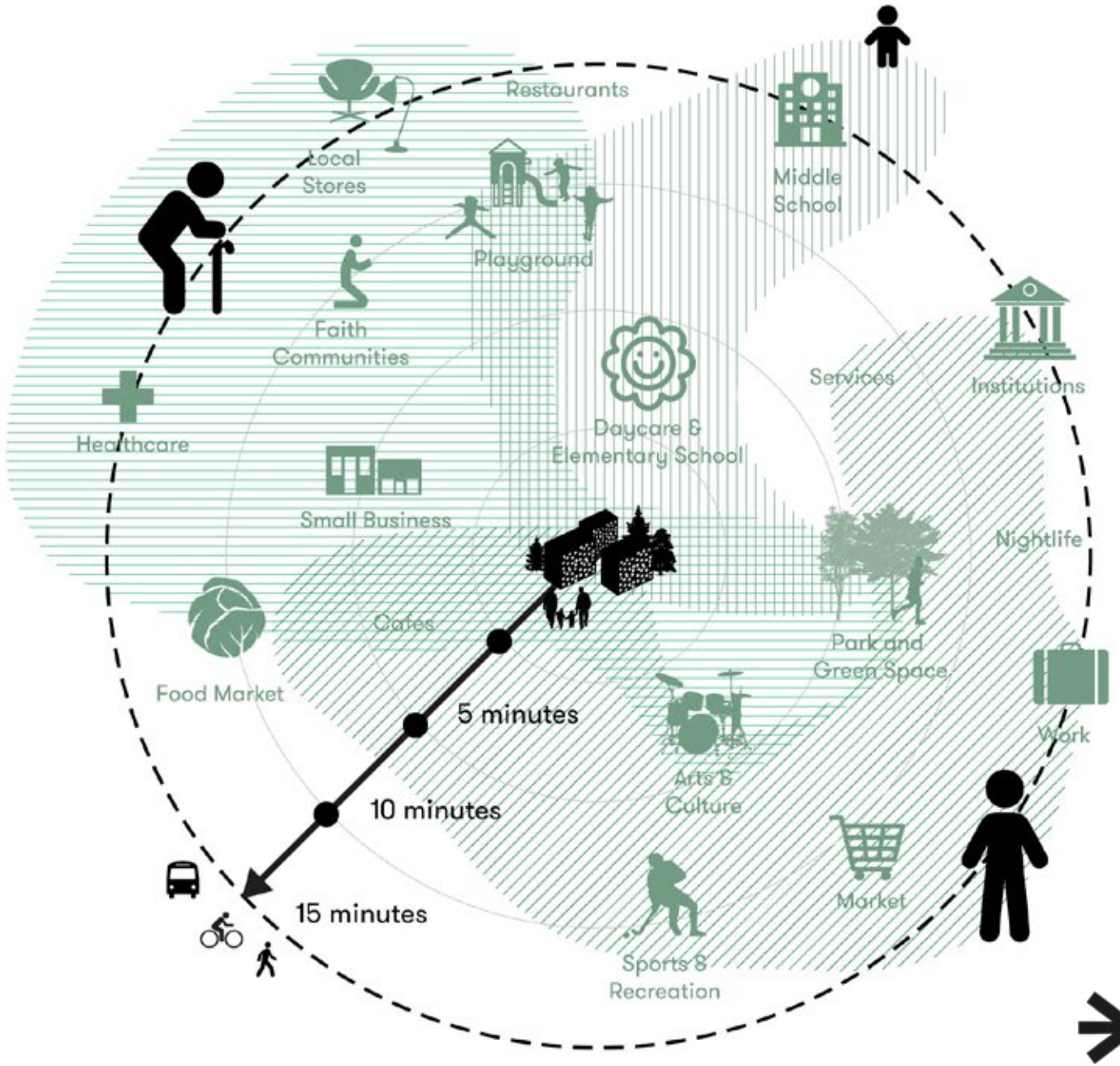
Multigenerational and Diverse

Daily life circle per age group

Older adults

Working life

Children and youth



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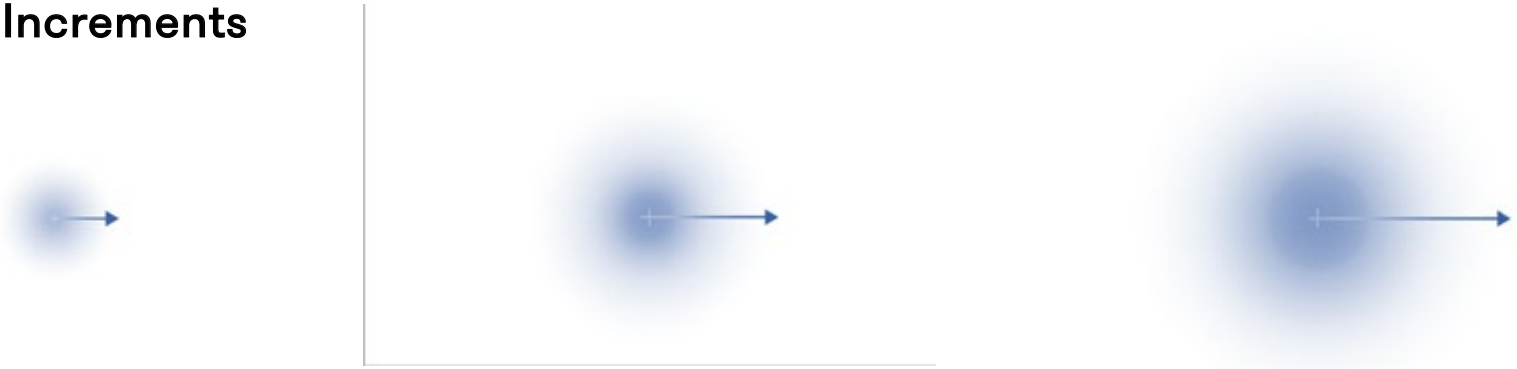
Urban Life in 5 Minute Increments



5 MIN

400 m walk or 1000 m bike

BUS STOPS
CORNER STORES
POCKET PARK
OUTDOOR SPORTS
FACILITIES

10 MIN

800 m walk or 2400 m bike

PUBLIC PARK
GROCERY STORES
PRIMARY SCHOOL
DAYCARE
COMMUNITY CENTRE
INDOOR SPORTS
FACILITIES

15 MIN

1200 m walk or 3600 m bike

SECONDARY SCHOOL
REGIONAL OPEN SPACE
COMMUNITY GARDENS
HEALTH FACILITIES
LOCAL EMPLOYMENT
CIVIC SPACES
SUBWAY/GO STATIONS

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New Hierarchy in City Planning

- Pedestrians
- Cyclists
- Transit Shuttles
- Buses
- Subway
- Vehicles

Conventional City Planning

VS.

Nature-based City Planning

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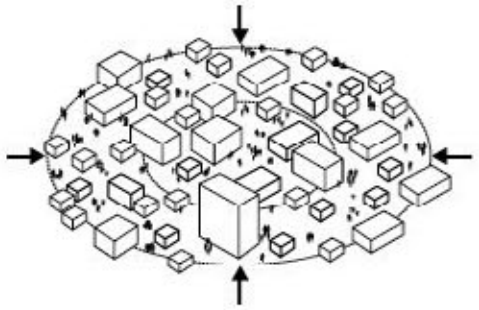
Hyper Proximity



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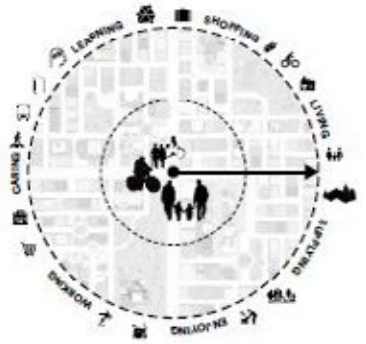
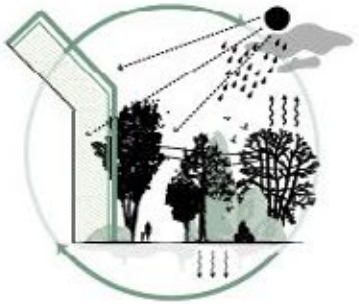
2. DIVERSITY OF LAND USE



3. WALKABLE DISTANCES



4. MICROCLIMATE IN MICROMOBILITY

5. NATURE INFRASTRUCTURE

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD IDENTITY AND SENSE OF BELONGING

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Connecting neighbourhoods through nature

A network of connected habitats increases the ability for species to spread, and is important for species to maintain livable populations

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Multigenerational and Diverse

Queen West

Kensington Market

West Don Lands

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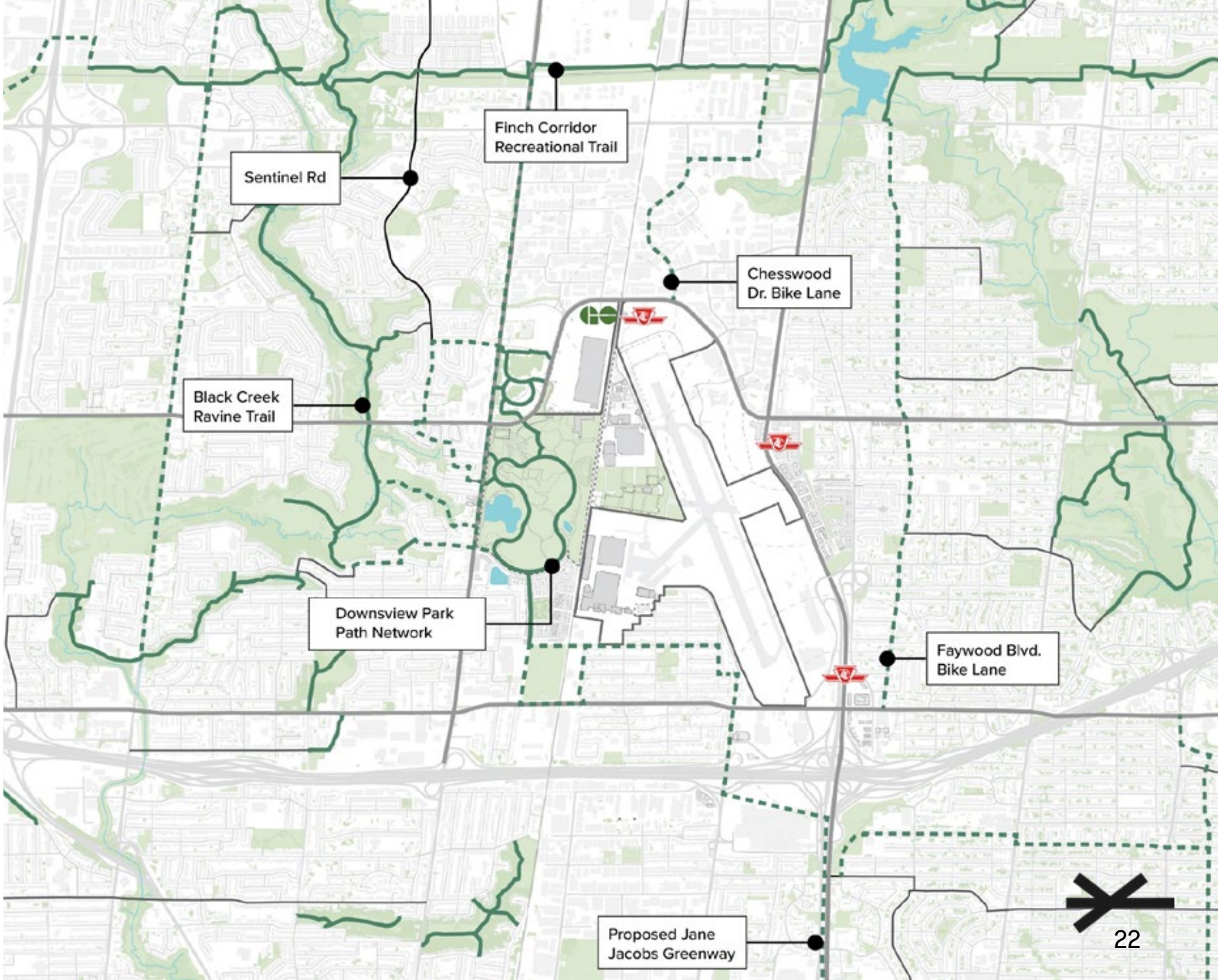
Active mobility and transit context



- Existing bike lanes
- Existing multi-use trail
- Planned bike lanes
- Existing TTC stations
- GO Downsview Station

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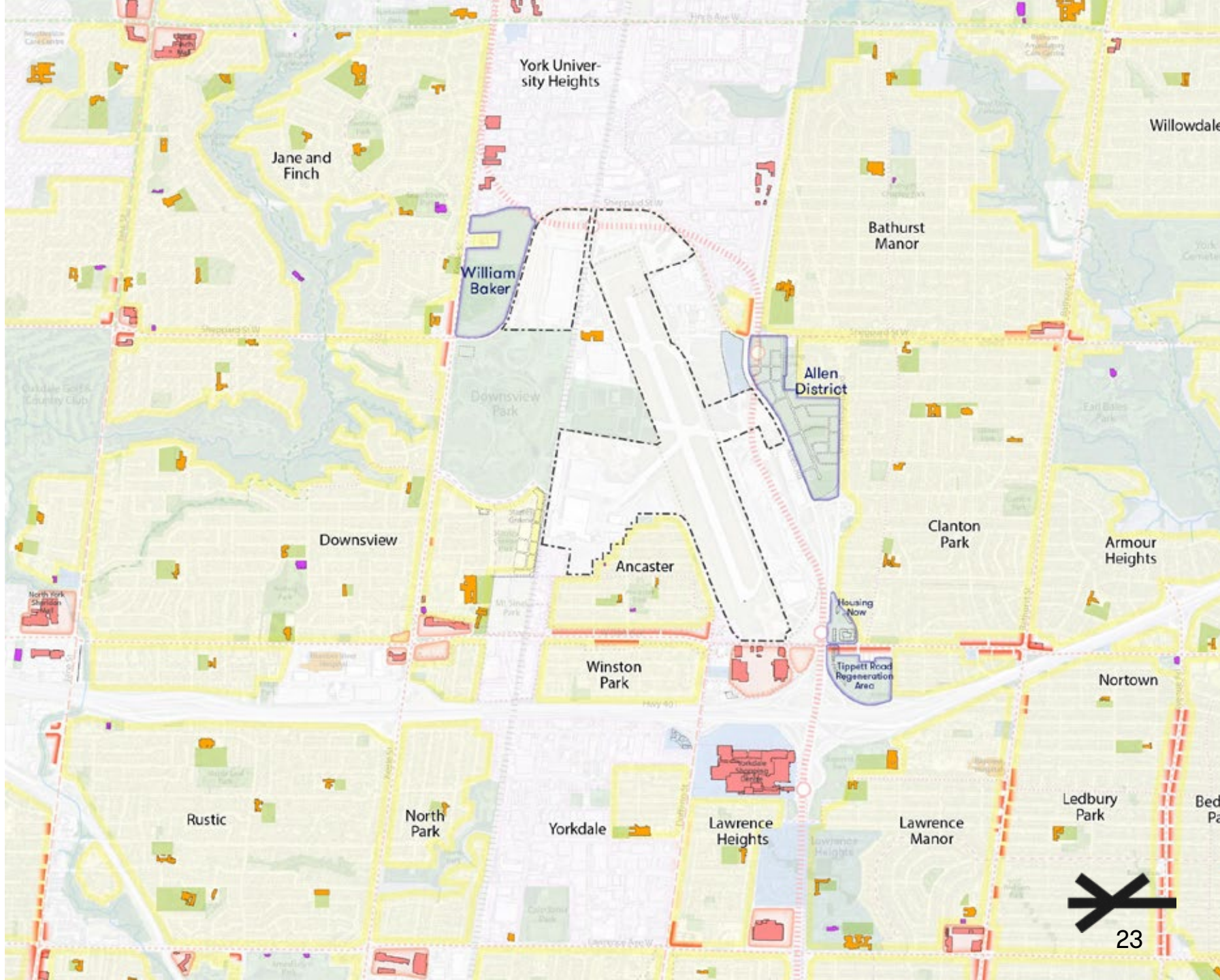
Education facilities



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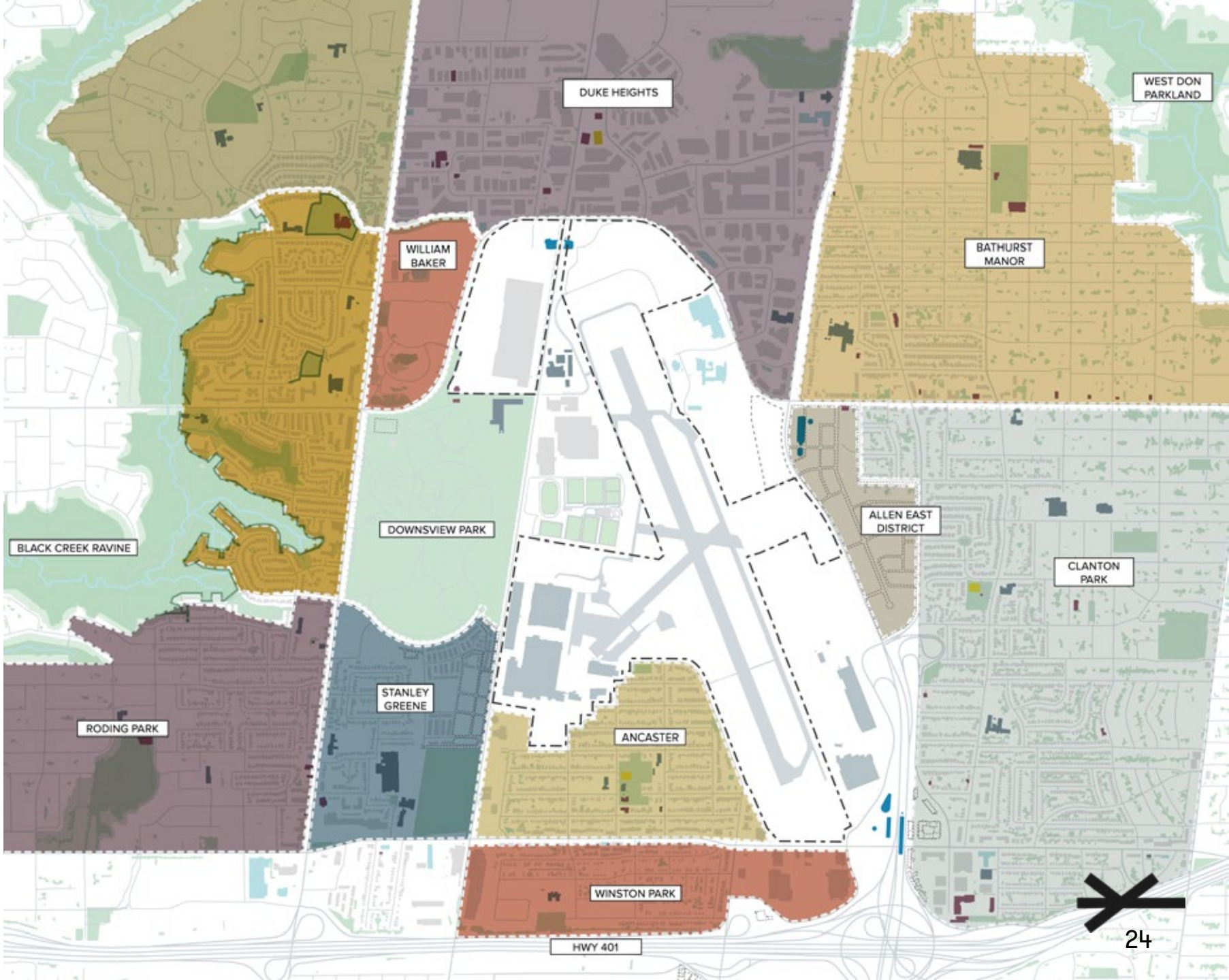
Existing Neighbourhoods



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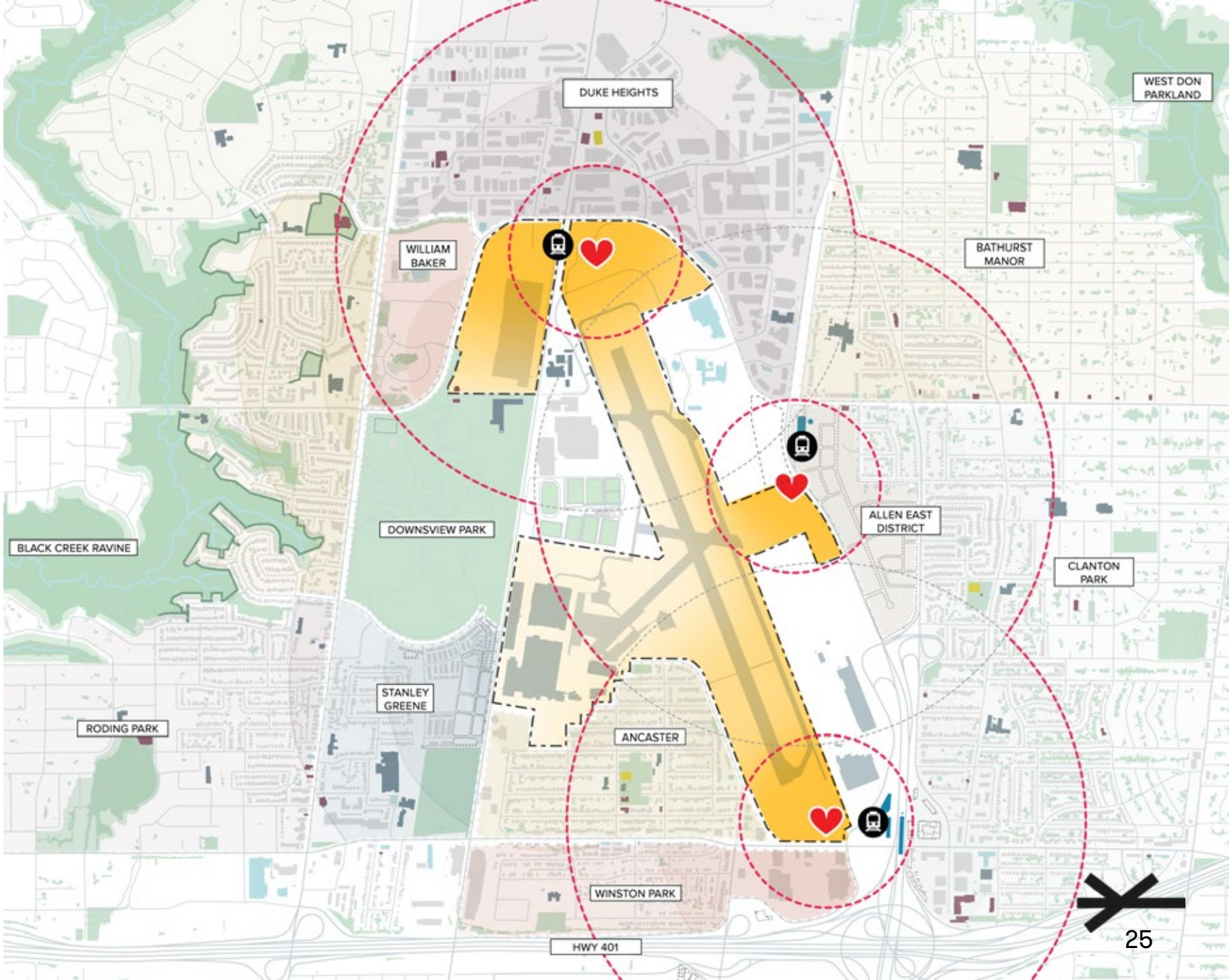
Density around Transit



Existing TTC stations

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Connecting Neighbourhoods with New Ones

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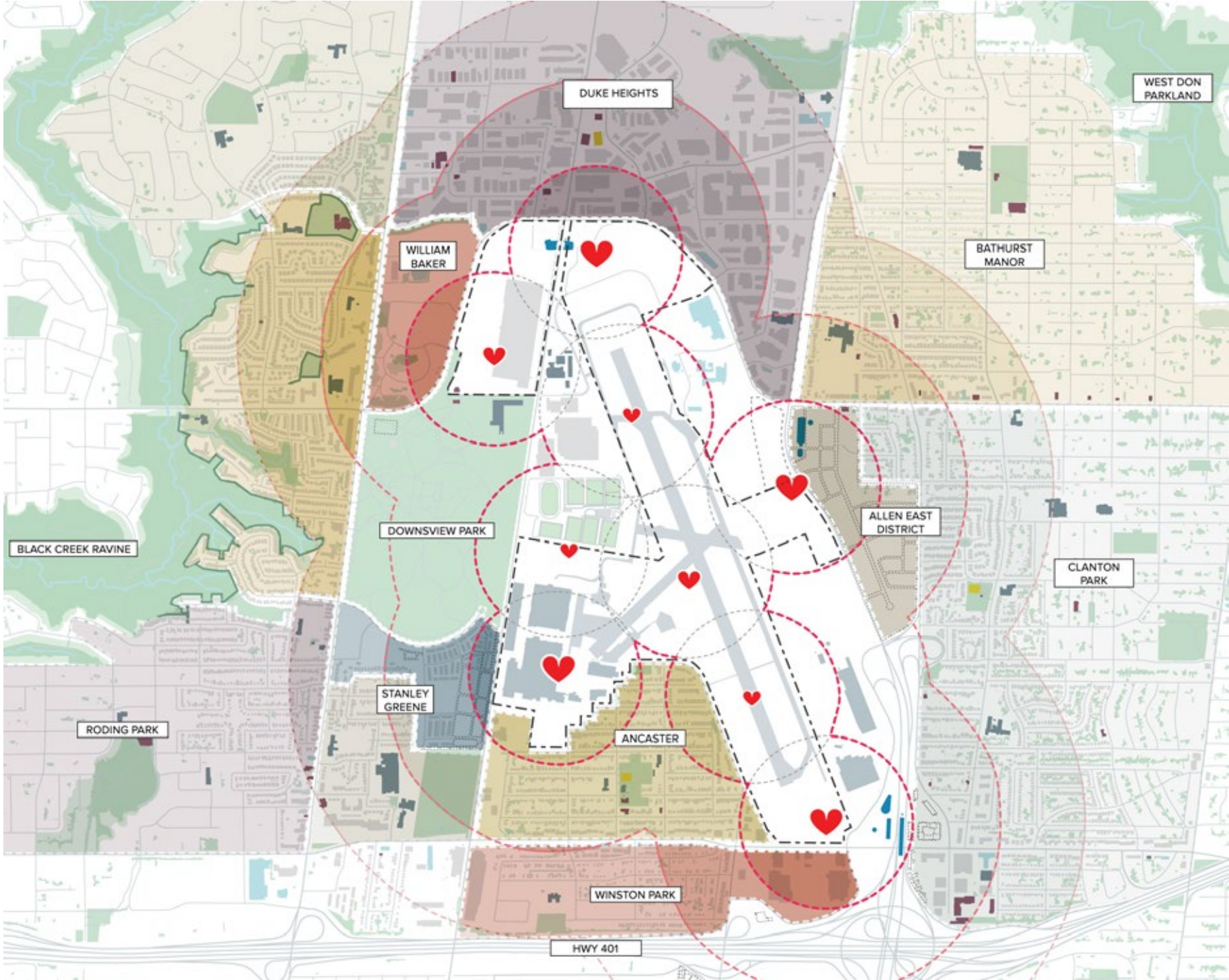
Walkable access to community facilities



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Living in sustainable environments

Nordhavnen (Copenhagen, Denmark)

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Active Urban Transit Nodes
Kings Cross (London, UK)

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Mixed use and social infrastructure

Frederiksbjerg School (Denmark)

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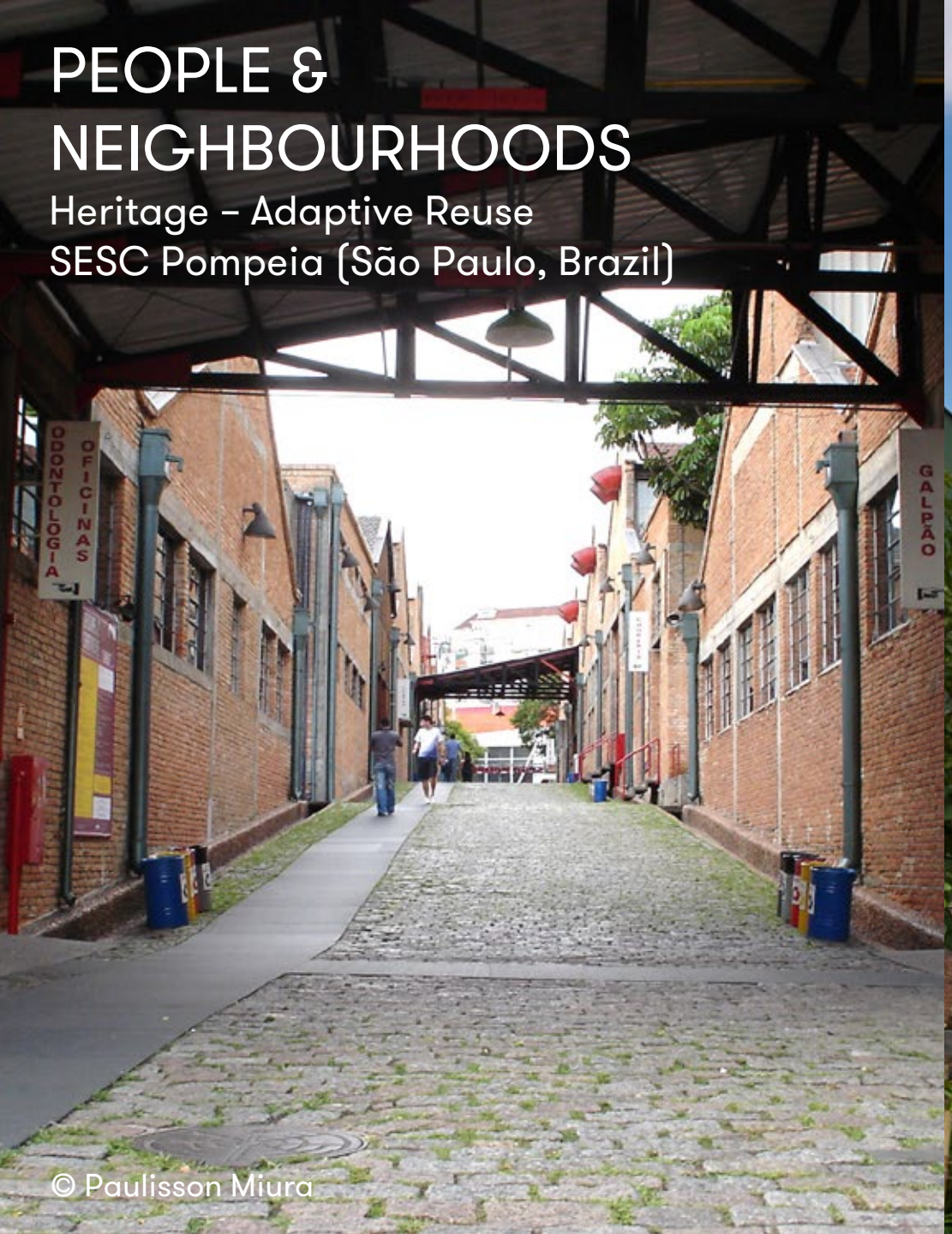
Heritage – Adaptive Reuse
SESC Pompeia (São Paulo, Brazil)



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Placemaking:
Tempelhofer Park (Berlin, Germany)

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Thank you!