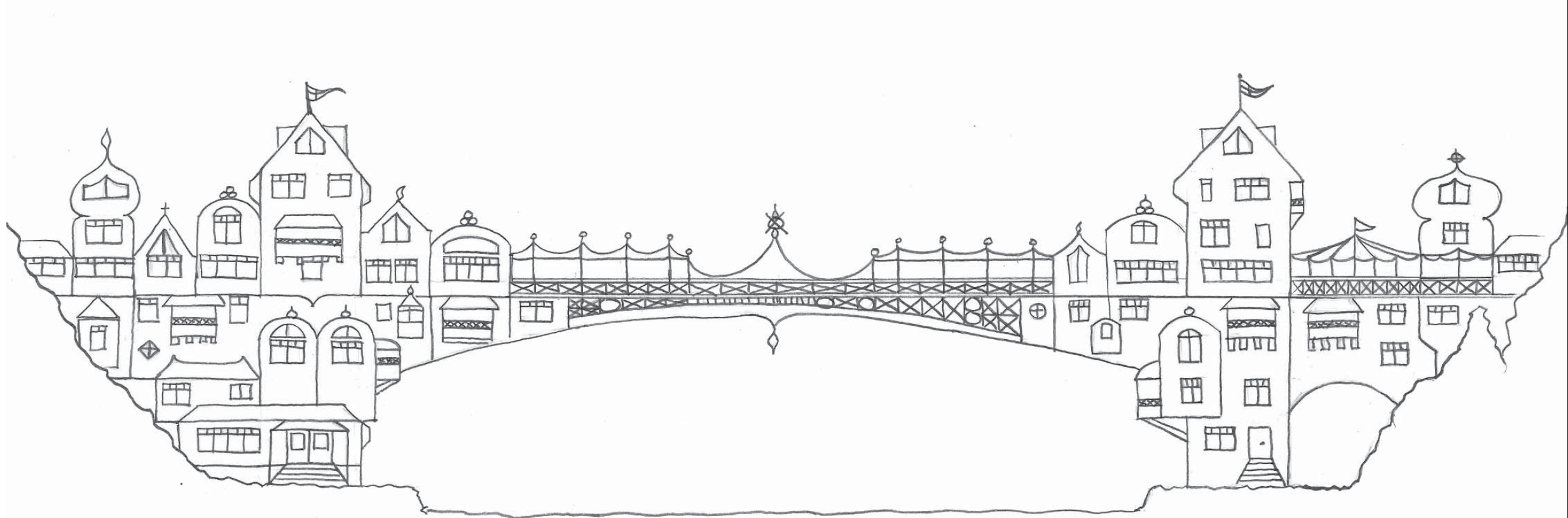


The Tronpier & Tronway




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The Tronpier

The Tronpier is a pedestrian way and cycle way bridge over the Waikato River in the vicinity of Sapper Moore-Jones Place and Parana Park. It connects central Hamilton with Hamilton East. It is also a key element in the Tronway which connects other key elements in Hamilton.

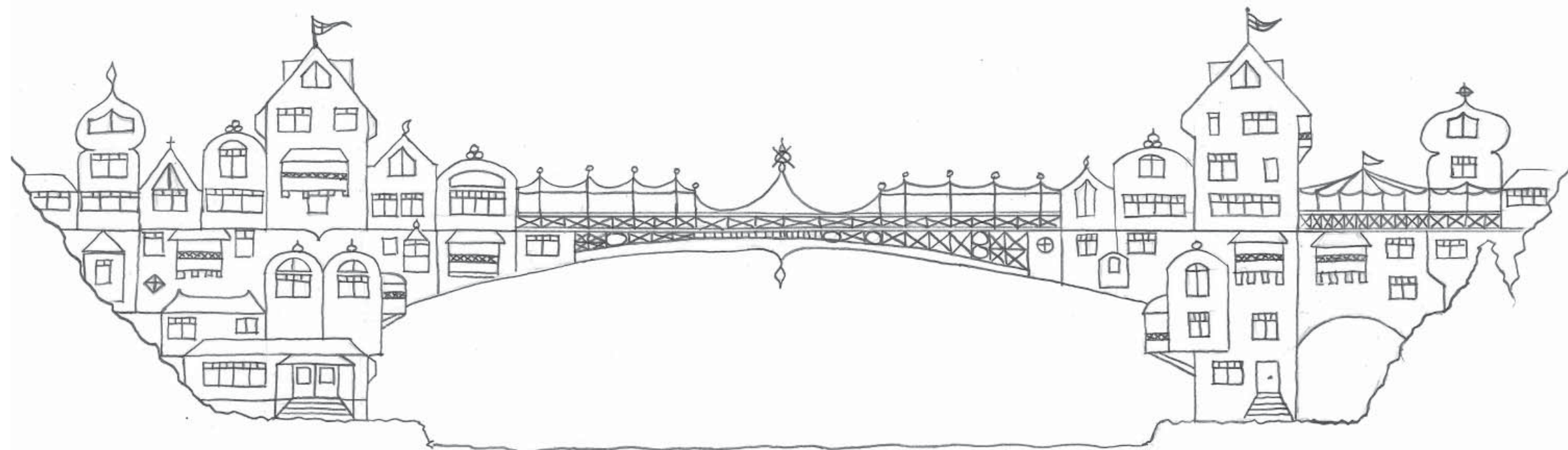
It is not only a walk/cycleway, but also a hub in itself made up of a conglomeration of shops, offices, hotel accommodation, residential units and communal open spaces (including an open air theatre adjacent to the Waikato Museum and ArtsPost).

Features:

- the structural capital costs of the bridge can be shared between the owners of the bridge part, the Hamilton City Council, and the unit owners of the shops, office and residences - a public/private partnership
- units can create an close relationship with the Waikato River, especially for cafes, restaurants and hotel accommodation
- the bridge creates a pedestrian friendly connection with Hamilton Central and Hamilton East
- most of the individual units will have unique views over the Waikato River, enhancing the commercial viability of the project
- access to and connections with the Ferrybank and Parana Park areas are enhanced
- providing a leadership role in creating Hamilton as a 'city of bridges' and becoming a significant tourist attraction
- the drawing is a vision only - final design would depend on exact location and property availability









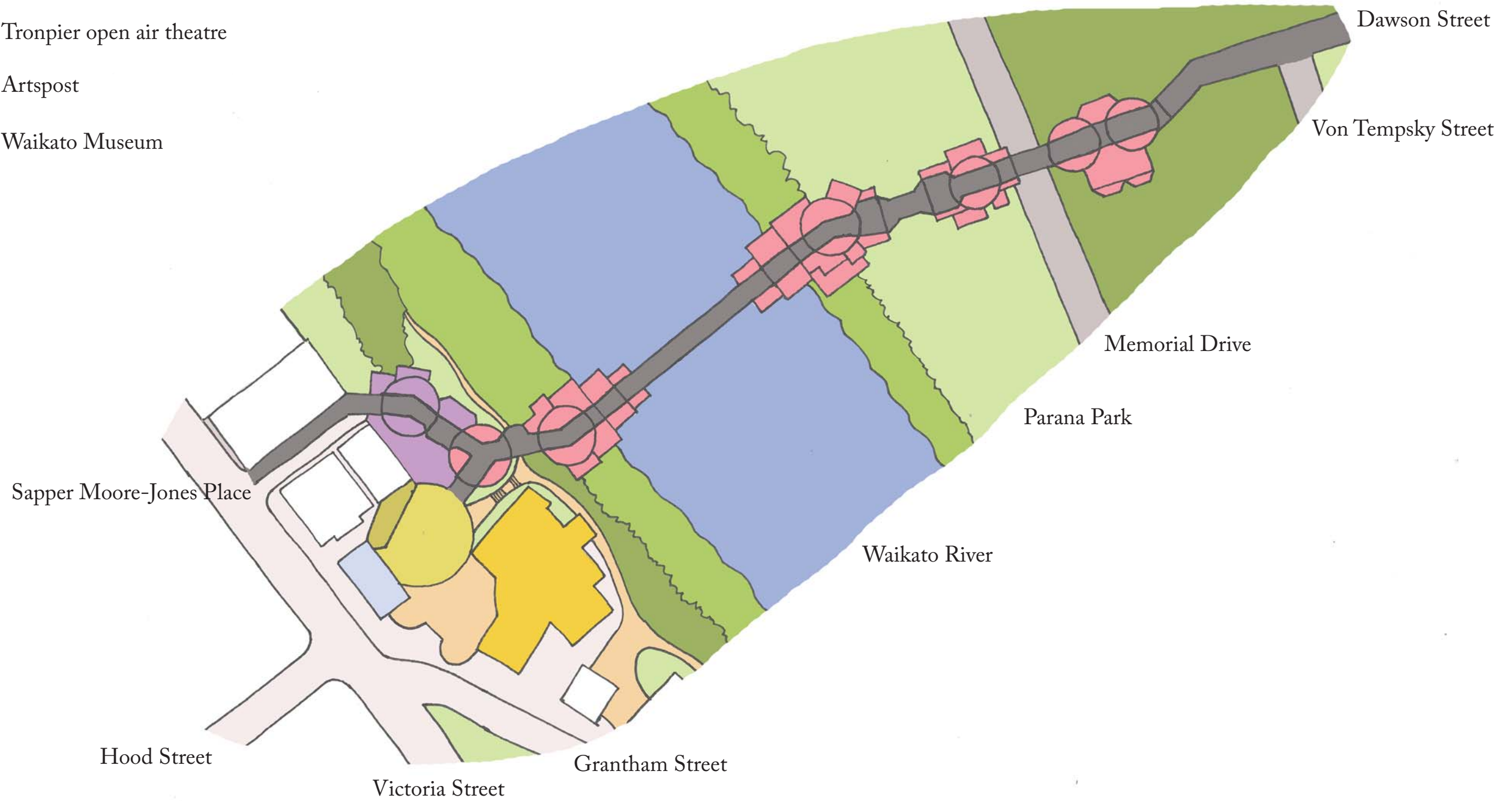
Tronpier at Parana Park - from the south end of Memorial Drive, looking north



Tronpier - standing in the middle of Victoria Bridge, looking north

The Tronpier

-  Tronpier cafes, apartments, shops & offices
-  The Tronway
-  Tronpier hotel
-  Tronpier open air theatre
-  Artspost
-  Waikato Museum



The Tronway



The Tronway is a walkway and cycleway linking some major Hamilton sites in a people friendly way – Waikato Stadium, Seddon Park, Wintec, the Hamilton Transport Centre, Garden Place, central Hamilton shopping precinct, southern Victoria Street cafes and restaurants, Waikato Art Museum, Arts Post, Hamilton East, Lugton Park sports complex, Waikato University and a number of schools. A key element is the Tronpier, which enables these sites to be connected. The concept is similar to Wellington’s walkway connection between the ‘Cake Tin’ (Westpac Stadium) and the Wellington Railway Station, except the Tronway connects many more sites.

Features:

- similar construction to Hamilton’s walk/cycle ways and the Cambridge to Karapiro Te Awa walk/cycleway
- the way is virtually level for the whole distance to make it user friendly
- habitat creation adjacent to the way can create habitat corridor links to gully networks, thus enhancing biodiversity
- there are few road crossings, for which the road can be lowered so that the way is level for ease of use - cars do the extra work, not people
- Most of the way can be constructed from widening existing footpaths - it appears that very little private property would need to be acquired