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Skill Statement

I have a mechanical engineering background, and I also hold a PhD in town planning with a focus on economic issues. I have worked in government and in personal consultancy in urban transport.

In recent years, I have developmentally edited sixteen books and a blog (a-maverick.com). Three of the books I have edited have received awards or come in as finalists in an award category.

I also have several publications in scholarly journals, and many others in other places.

Formal Qualifications

- PhD in Planning, Auckland University 2002
- Master of Science in Resource Management with Honours, Centre for Resource Management (Canterbury and Lincoln Universities) 1989
- Bachelor of Engineering with Honours (mech.), Canterbury University 1982

Major Award

- Endeavour Executive Award, Commonwealth of Australia, 2007.

Some Recent Expert Achievements and Publications

- Interview with Finlay McDonald in *Paperboy*, 1 June 2017, 'An urbanist looks at what went wrong in Auckland and how we might fix it'.
- 'A divided Auckland' in *Inequality: A New Zealand Crisis*, Wellington, Bridget Williams Books, 2013, pp. 102-104, references p. 257.
- Peer reviewer of Marsden Fund application on transport path-dependency, July 2012

- Prepared submission as consultant for Greenpeace New Zealand on the Auckland Plan, 2011
- Associate peer review as consultant for NZTA's Northern Busway Review, 2011
- 'Ticky Tacky Death of a Dream', *Metro*, June 2011. (Exposé of planning blunders in the Albany Centre north of Auckland).
- Peer reviewer of Cheyne, C., & Imran, M. (2010), *Attitudes and Behaviour in relation to Public Transport in New Zealand's non-Metropolitan Regions*, New Zealand Transport Agency research report # 419. Wellington: New Zealand Transport Agency.
- *Quality Bus Stops for Quality Streets*, compendium of practice knowledge for Auckland 'super city' amalgamation, 2010.
- Co-Champion (Urban Design), Institution of Professional Engineers New Zealand (IPENZ) Transportation Group, 2006-2010.
- 'Outside the Metal Box' (2010). Chapter on the urban design impacts of transport policy, published in P. Howden-Chapman et al, eds, *Sizing Up the City: Transport and Urban Form in New Zealand* (Wellington: Steele Roberts)
- Member, Technical Working Group on Bus Service Procurement (Land Transport New Zealand / New Zealand Transport Agency) 2006-2008
- 'Governing spaces: urban transit, land development and the local state', *Civil Engineering and Environmental Systems* 25 (4) (2008), pp. 281-289.
- 'Buses' Last Stand?' (2007) Eight-page practice note published in *Urban Policy and Research* (March), describing the preparation of a submission on New Zealand's Public Transport Management Bill.
- Member, Working Group on 'Test Beds for Sustainable Transport', (Ministry of Economic Development) 2007-2008
- 'Streets Apart? Transport Policy and Urban Design in New Zealand', *Cities on the Edge*, 8th International Cities, Town Centres and Communities Society Conference, North Shore City, 26-28 June 2007.
- 'Sprucing up the Shop Window: The Bus Stop as an Overlooked Trip Chain Enabler', *Talking and Walking Sustainability*, 2nd International Conference on Sustainability Engineering and Science, Auckland, 20-23 February 2007.
- 'Seven Strategies for Transit Recovery in the Dispersed City', *Transportation in the Pursuit of Excellence*, 8th annual Transit New Zealand/New Zealand Institute of Highway Technology Conference, Auckland, 15 October 2006.
- 'Slow train coming: the New Zealand state changes its mind about Auckland transit, 1949-56', *Urban Policy and Research* 23 (1) (2005), pp. 37-55.

