



Hybrid Working Quality Living

Transformation of densification for live-work mixed-use neighborhood in post-pandemic office districts:

Beukenhorst, Hoofddorp

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Have you ever...?





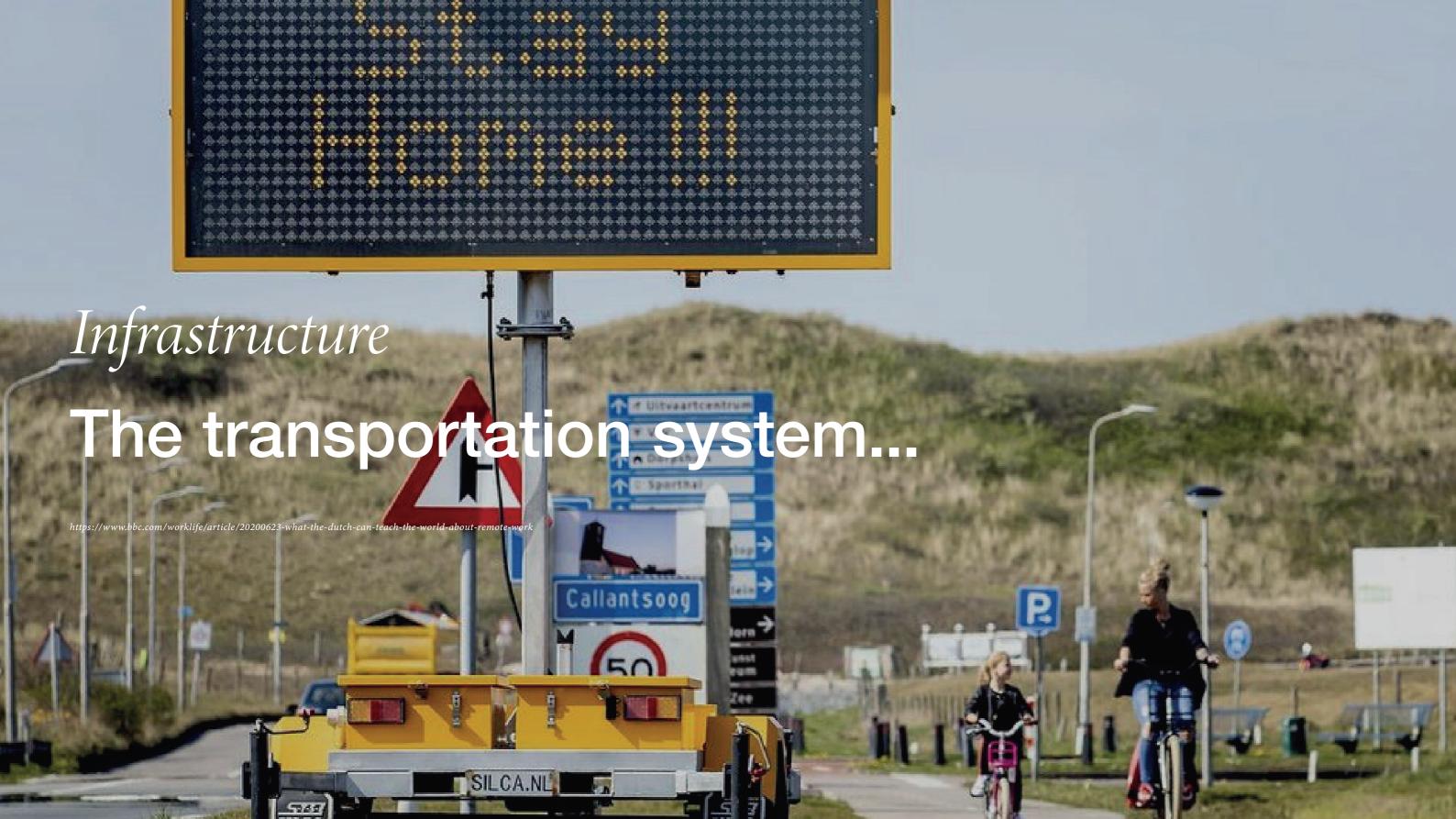
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And even the decarbonization goals

LESS GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS COULD BE REDUCED BY

54 MILLION TONNES YEARLY





SPENT \$299 BILLION

ON TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE.





LESS FOSSIL FUEL USAGE

389.68 MILLION GALLONS

OF GASOLINE ARE CONSUMED IN THE U.S. EVERY DAY.



LESS DEMAND FOR OFFICE SPACES AND CAR PARKS

= MORE SPACE FOR NATURAL 'LUNGS'
AND GREEN SPACES.

LESS ENERGY CONSUMPTION

COOLING THE COMMERCIAL SECTOR ACCOUNTS FOR 11% OF TOTAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION,

OR 154 BILLION KWH



REDUCED CONSUMPTION OF CONSUMER GOODS

ON AVERAGE REMOTE WORKERS SPEND

\$4500 A YEAR LESS

THAN THEIR OFFICE COUNTERPARTS.
YOUR WALLET WILL THANK YOU TOO!





THE AVERAGE OFFICE WORKER GENERATES

4.4 POUNDS OF WASTE EACH DAY.

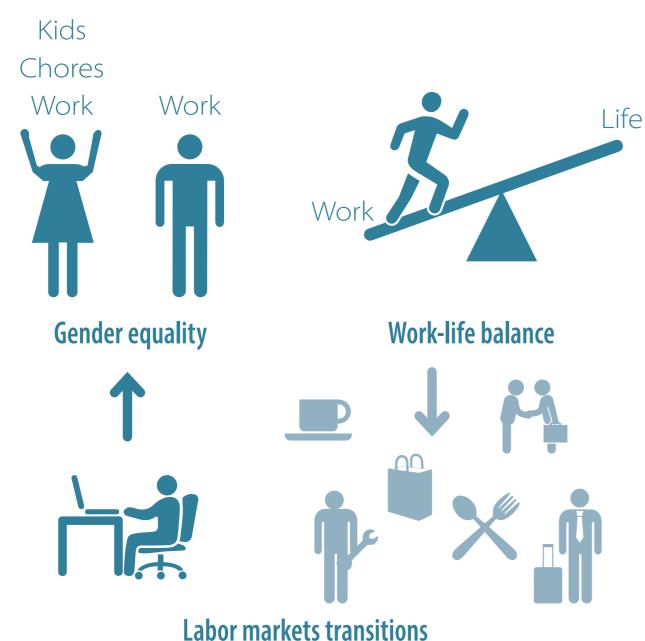


MORE TIME = MORE OPPORTUNITY TO PRACTISE ENVIRONMENTALLY CONSCIOUS BEHAVIOURS

Source: 3CX

https://www.3cx.com/blog/unified-communications/ world-environment-day-remote-working/

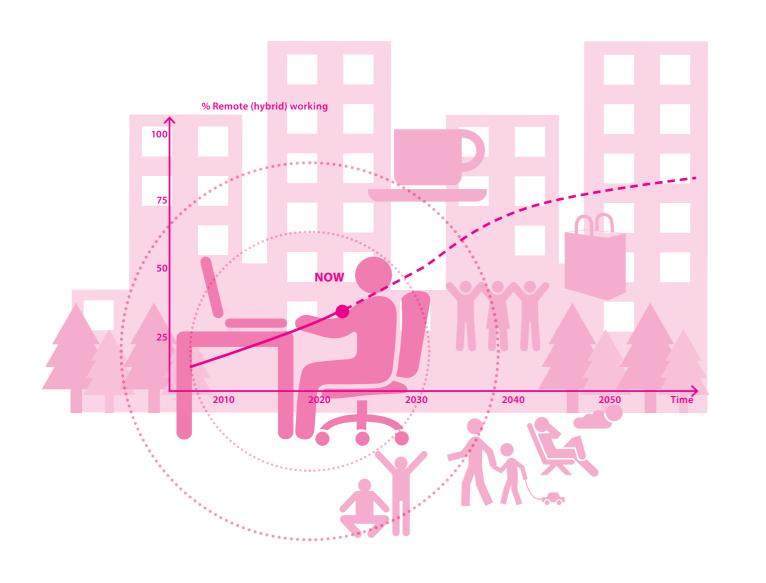
On the other hand, hybrid working has its limitation

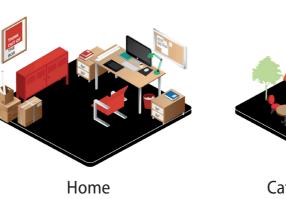


The impact of the pandemic on work, the workforce, and the workplace will persist ever after. The disruptions of work will be larger for the lower-paid, less-educated, and vulnerable workers.

-- The future of work after COVID-19. *McKinsey*. (Lund et al., 2021)

That is why this project sets out to make best use of the persisting hybrid working trend...









Cafe, library & other (semi) public space







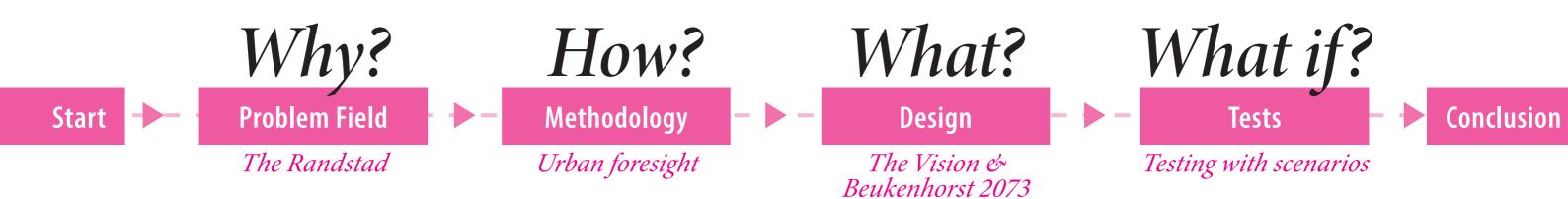
On-demand office (as service)

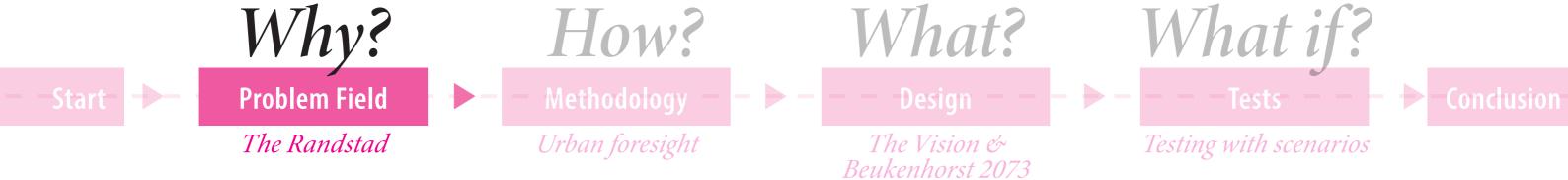
Types of remote working. By author.

...to imagine a more vibrant, equal, and connected society in 50 years

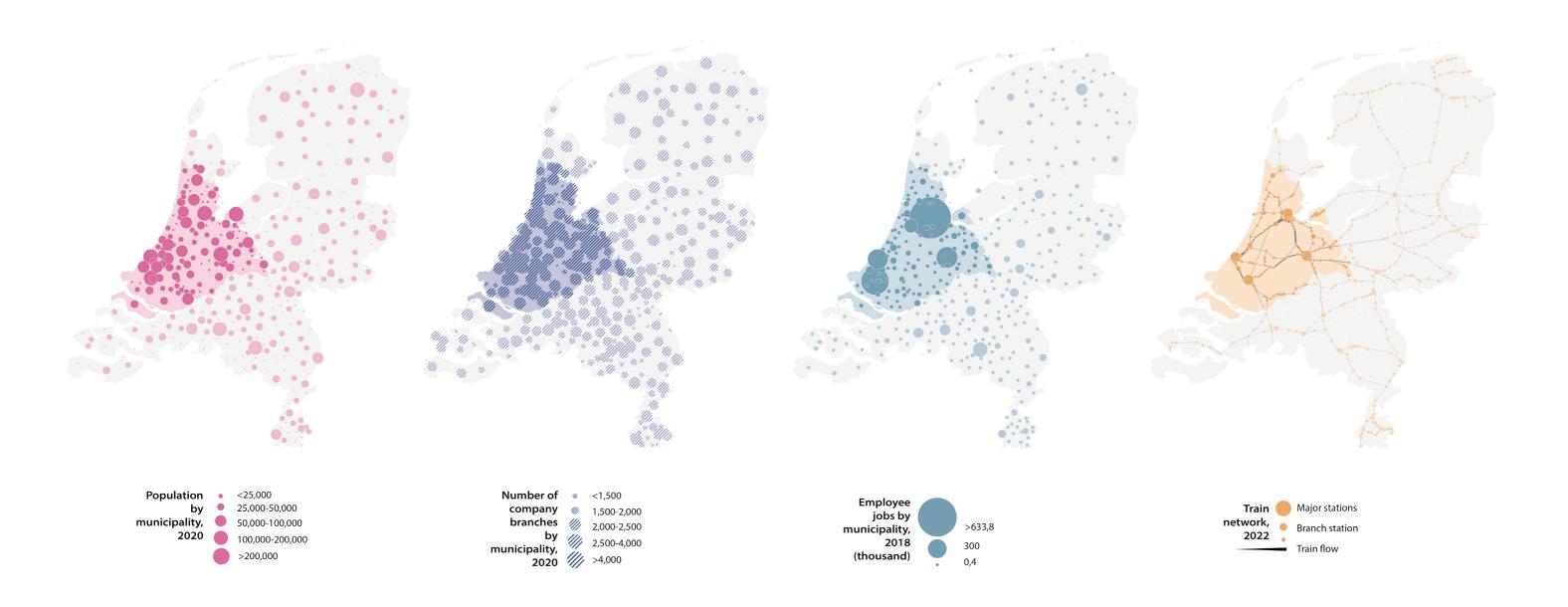


Roadmap





We need to make clear what challenges we are faced with

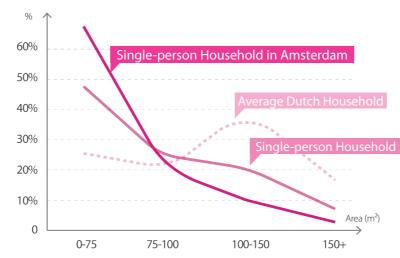


No.1-The housing crisis

Areas with highest prices in the major Randstad cities

• Housing shortage, especially for younger, single-person households



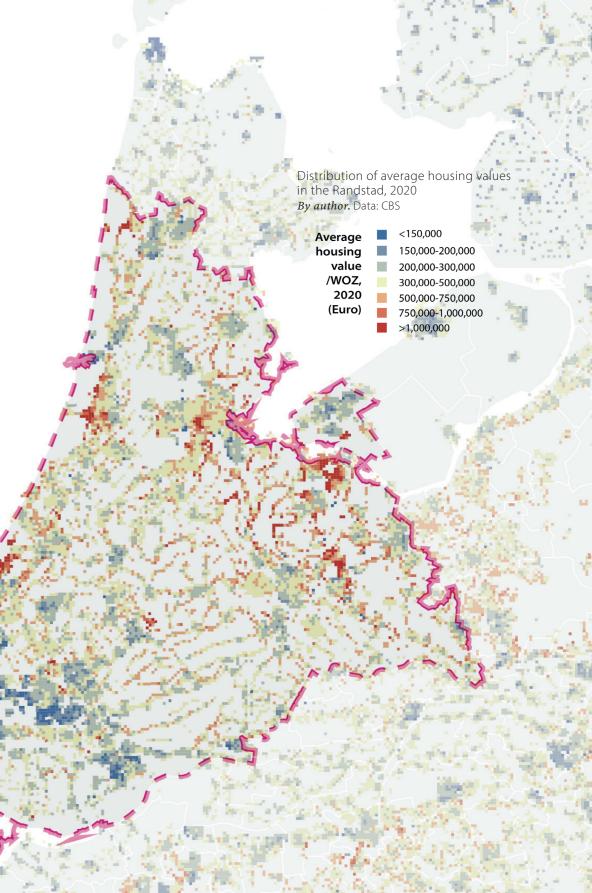


Distribution of residential area by household type, 2017. By author. Data: CBS

1,160,000

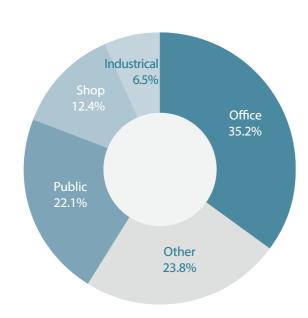
By author. Adapted from (ABF Research, 2021)

dwellings to be added in the Netherlands by 2035



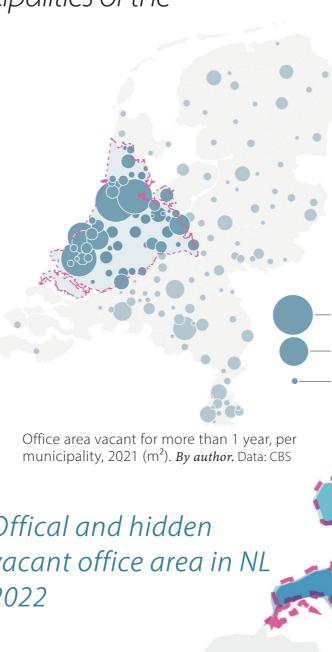
No.2-Vacant offices

• Especially in the surrounding municipalities of the major cities



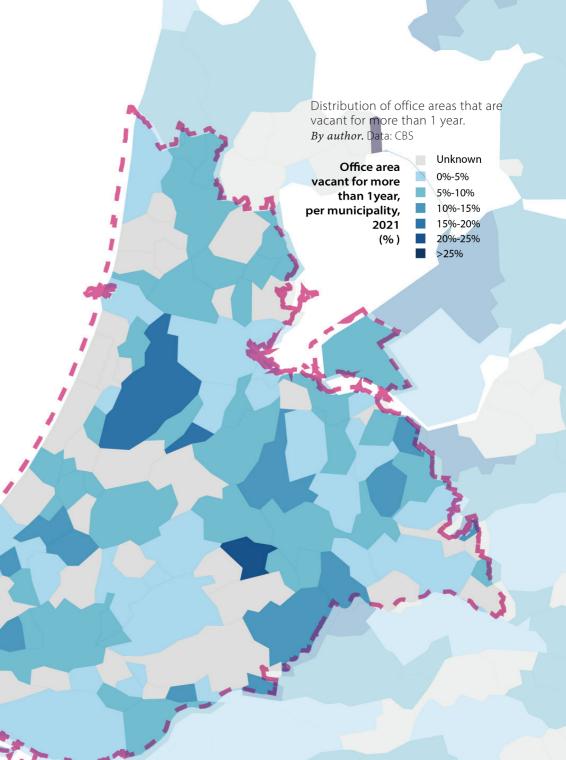
Previous functions of residential transformations, 2020 (%). By author. Data: CBS

7,600,000m² Offical and hidden vacant office area in NL



240,990

200

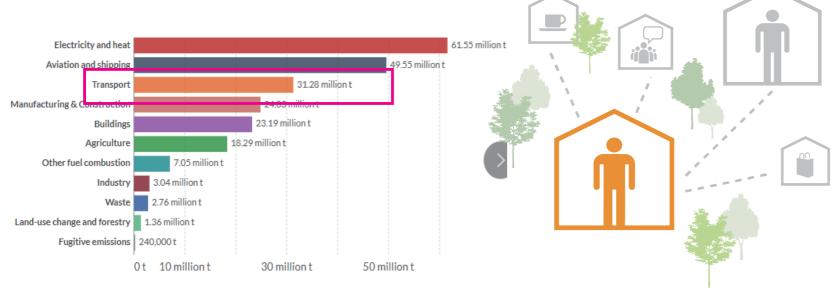


No.3-Massive commuting

• The Randstad cities are the centres of commuting flows

• Emissions ; air & noise pollutions

• Results in "the insolation of personal life"

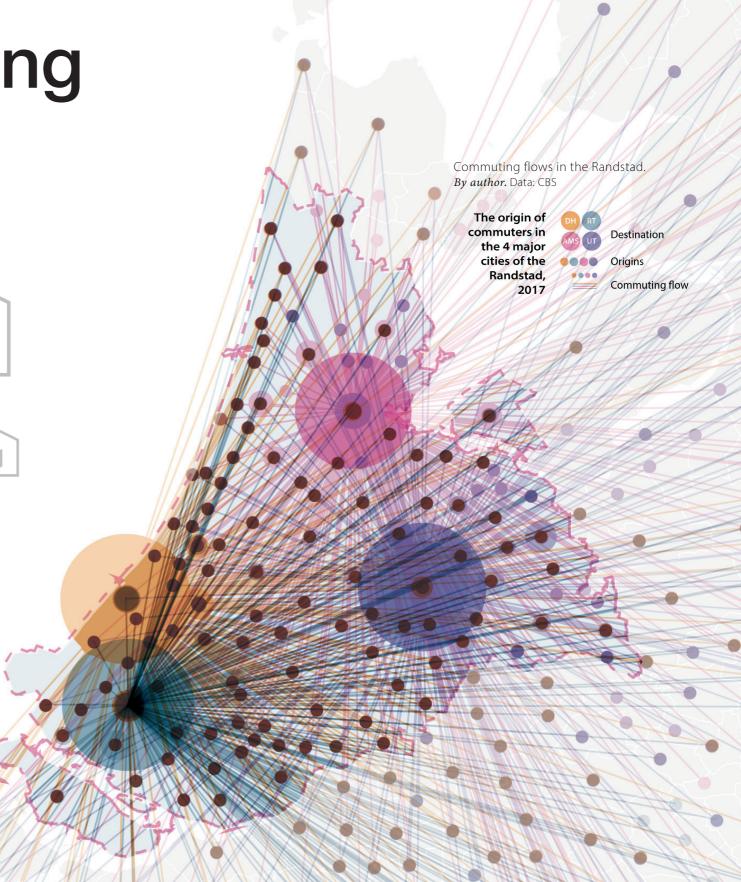


Transport section is the 3rd generator of greenhouse gas emissions in the Netherlands, 2019 (%) *Our World in Data.*

Weakened & detached neighborhood. *By author.*

1,348,213

Number of trips per day in the Netherlands, 2019

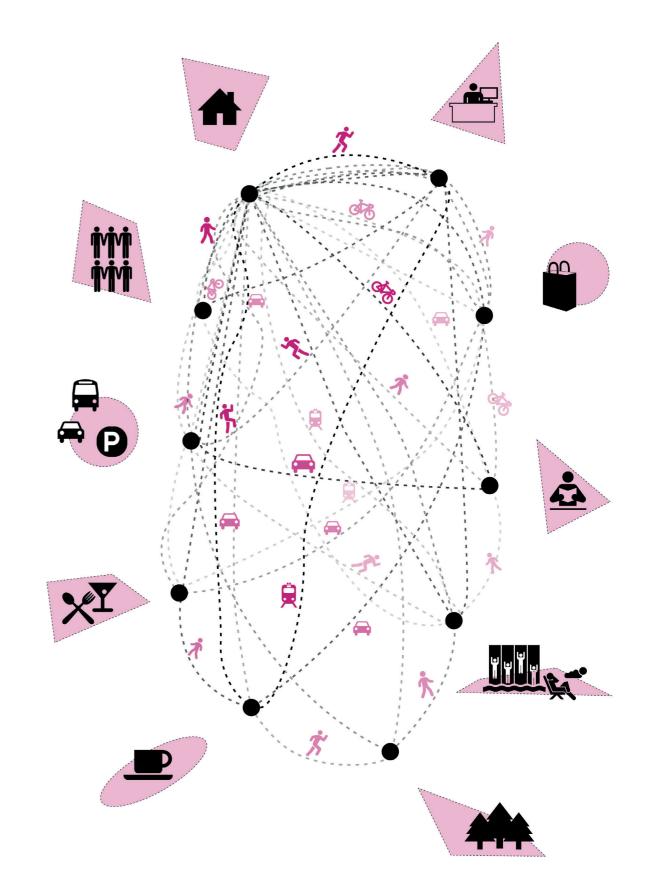


No.4-Urban Sprawl



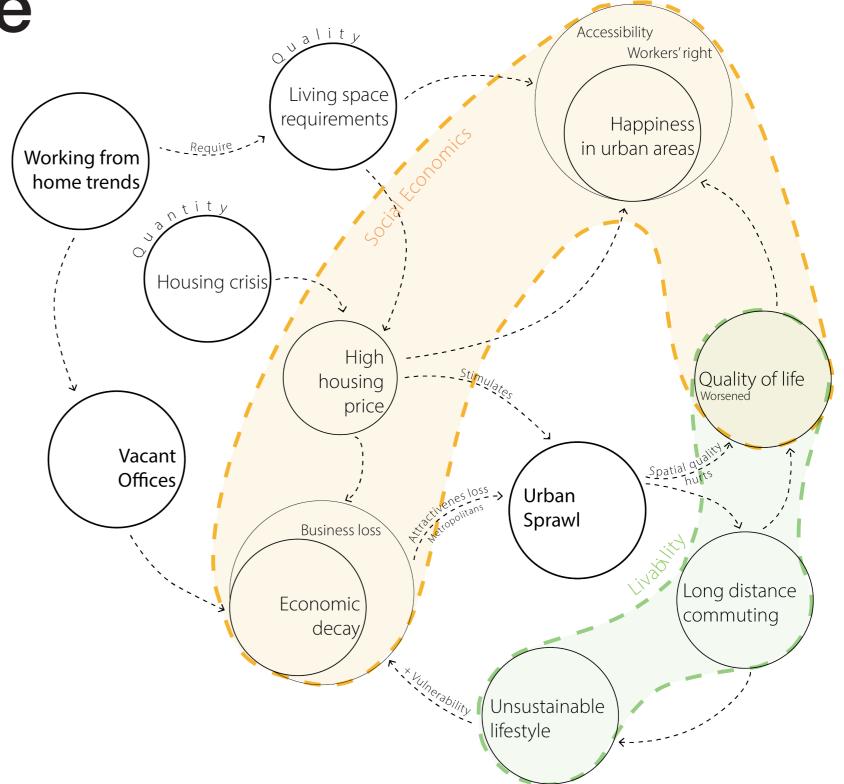
The quality & diversity of metropolitan life is increasingly questioned

• As people find themselves struggling among various destinations to find their places to stay



The challenges are interrelated

- Housing crisis,
- Vacant offices,
- Expansive development,
- Commuting patterns,
- Quality of life and happiness in urban areas,
- Unlivable and unsustainable lifestyle.



Research question

How can we take advantage of the new working patterns to transform monofunctional business districts into multifunctional and human-centred urban areas, therefore contributing to the alleviation of the problems of:

- 1. The ongoing housing crisis;
- 2. The lack of quality and diversity of urban life in metropolitan areas of the Randstad?

In this process, the transition will further provide solutions to the following problems:

- a. The excess of vacant office space;
- b. The tendency for urban sprawl;
- c. The unsustainable commuting patterns and lifestyles of workers.



Sub-question 1

What are the spatial, social-economic, and environmental impacts of the current work-life pattern that might change in the future with hybrid work?



Sub-question 2

What design options can help maximize the benefits of hybrid work to facilitate a human-centered, live-work neighborhood?



Sub-question 3

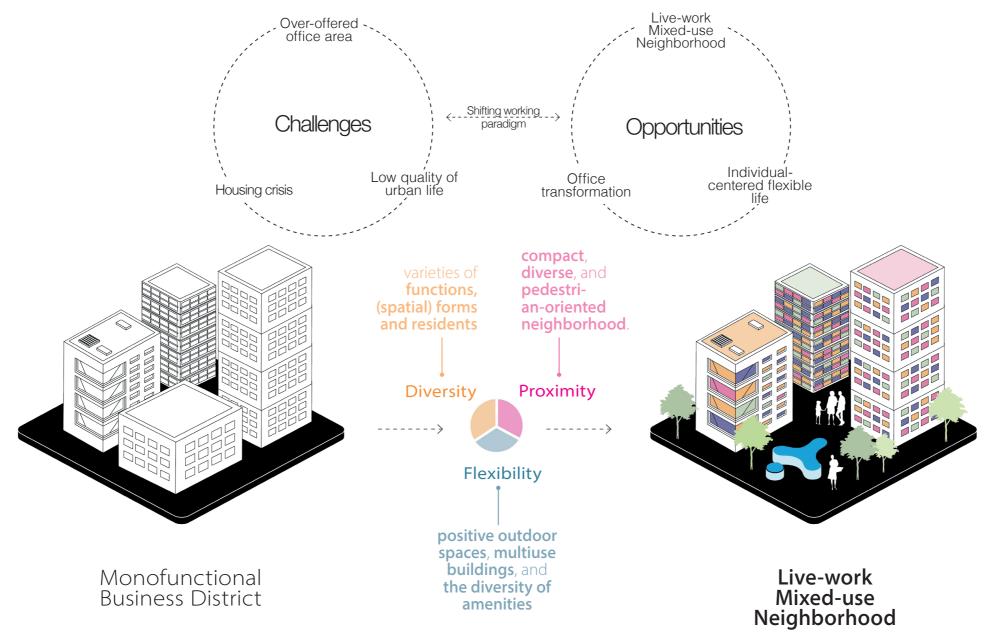
How to apply the options and transform a business district as an example in Hoofddorp?



Sub-question 4

How does the transition respond to the changing external conditions and what are the factors to consider?

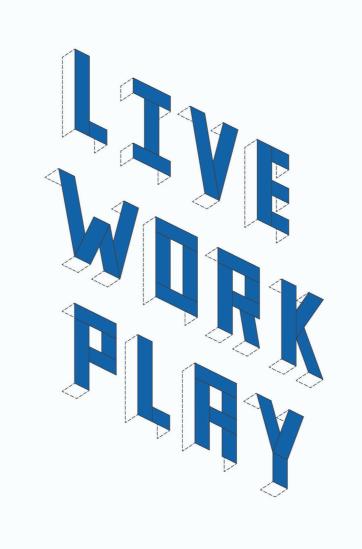
My answer: office transformation



Why is a live-work neighborhood different?



- Focuses on the access to functions
- In highly urbanized areas (centers)
- Short-time interventions
- Focuses not on the efficiency of mobility but the experience and overall quality of life
- In "unprepared" areas for transformation
- Richness & configuration of facilities



The live-work-play concept. Archdaily.

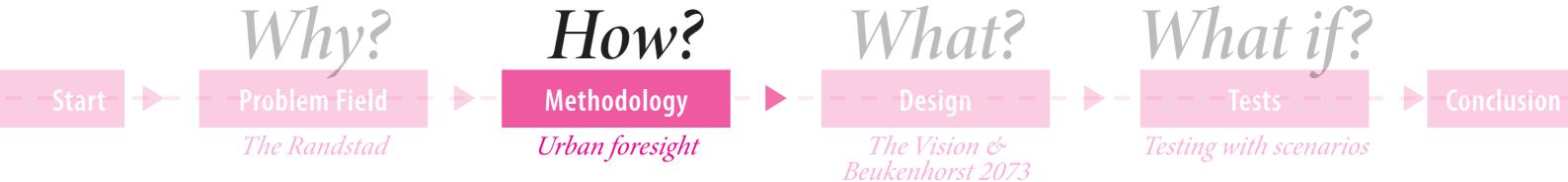
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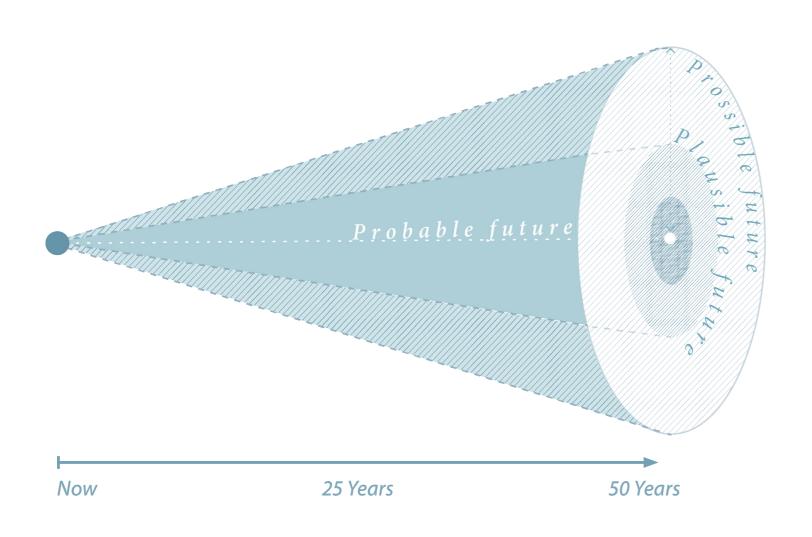
- Focuses on the mixed use of buildings
- Applied on residential complexes and towers, in downtown/central areas

- Aims at the scale of neighborhood
- Designs for transformation towards diverse neighborhoods

15-minute city. MoveBuddha.
https://www.movebuddha.com/blog/15-minute-cities/



Urban foresight: 50 years as the timeframe



- The shift of lifestyle, the establishment of supportive policies and organizations, the transformation in the built environment, all take time to happen
- Urban foresight: the methodology for exploring long-term future, which sees the future as a range of possibilities

The techniques...

- Reference: The **UK** Government Office for Science
- Future of Cities: Foresight for Cities, A resource for policy-makers

Research based

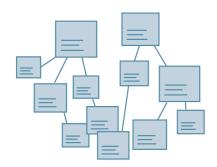
Design based

Not applied in this project





Creative Visioning



Aspiration Mapping

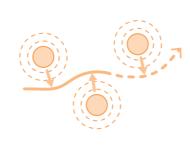


Scenarios





Trends & Projections

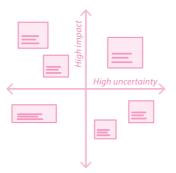


Drivers of Change



Delphi Panel

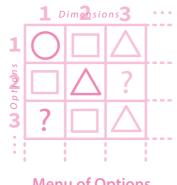




Uncertainty Analysis

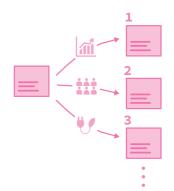


Group Discussion



Menu of Options

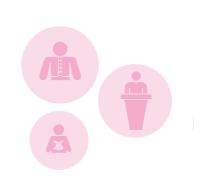




Alternative Paths

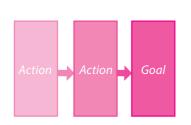


Quantitative Assessment

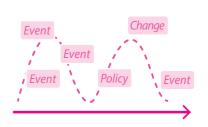


User persona





Backcasting



Roadmapping



Case study

Foresight techniques. By author. Interpreted from (Government Office for Science, 2016)

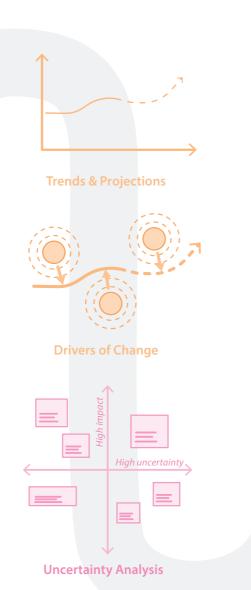
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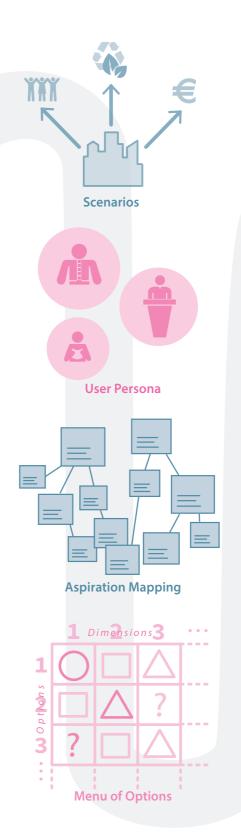


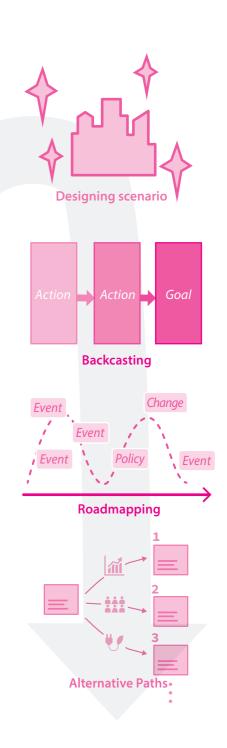
Creative Visioning

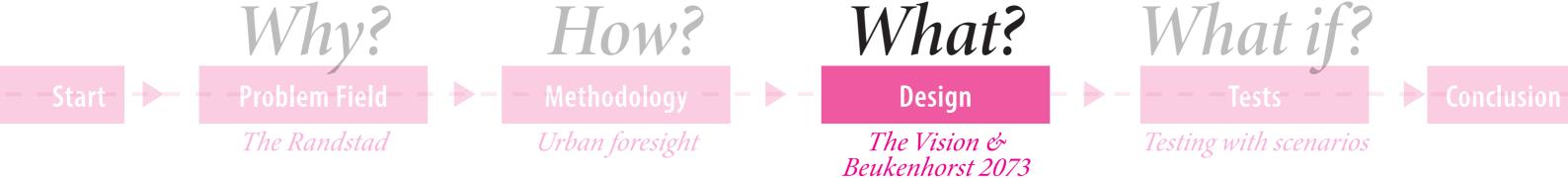


Figure 3.8 Foresight techniques applied in the project. *By author.*









The Vision









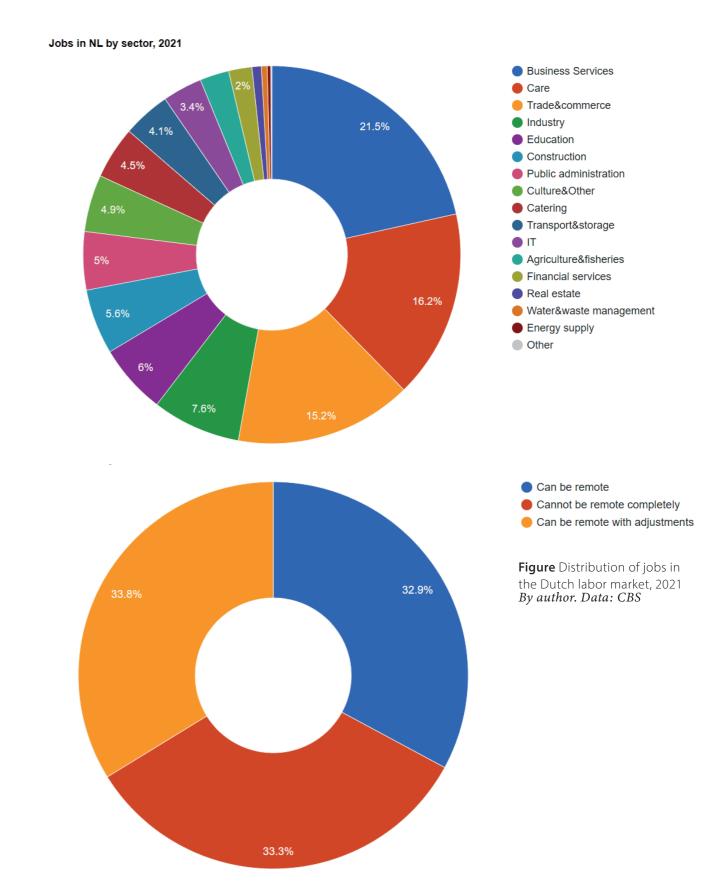
What elements of change are needed for such a future?

Such a desirable future is made possible through the transformation of office districts with the three prerequisites:

- 80% remote hybrid working
- New concepts of working space: combination of office, home and third places
- Building of hybrid-working supportive live-work neighborhoods, with the emphasis on proximity, flexibility and diversity.

It is possible: 80% remote hybrid working and new working space

- At the end of 2020, **48%** of workers work from home in NL
- •66% can be achieved with adjustments in working environments
- 66%+ is possible considering the decreasing industries.



It is possible: 80% remote hybrid working and new working space

"The future of hybrid working is that no one will be working only in one fixed location."

Technology and innovation in the hybrid age (JLL Global Research, 2022).

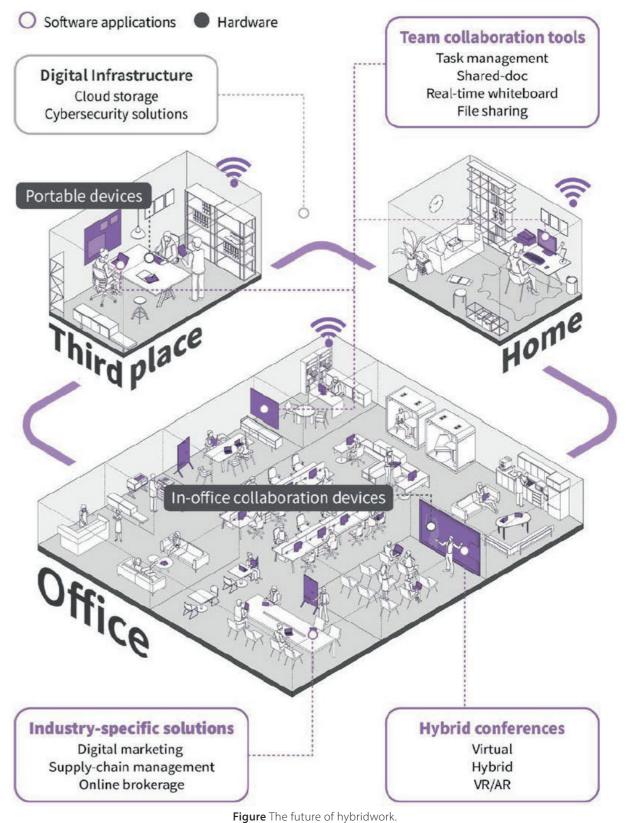


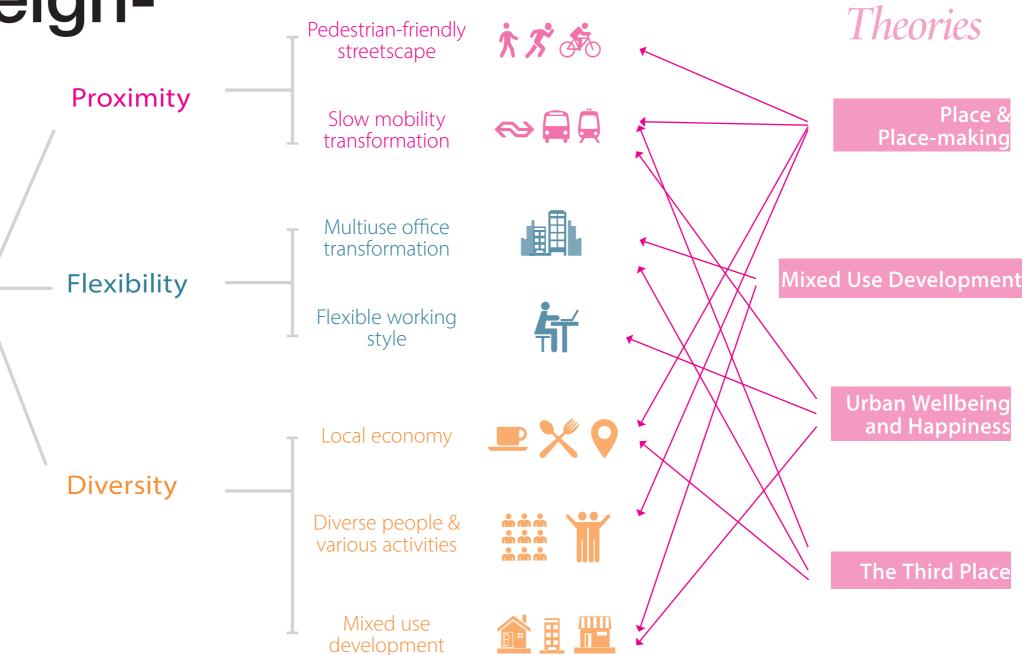
Figure The future of hybridwork. *JLL (JLL Global Research, 2022).*

What about building a live-work neigh-

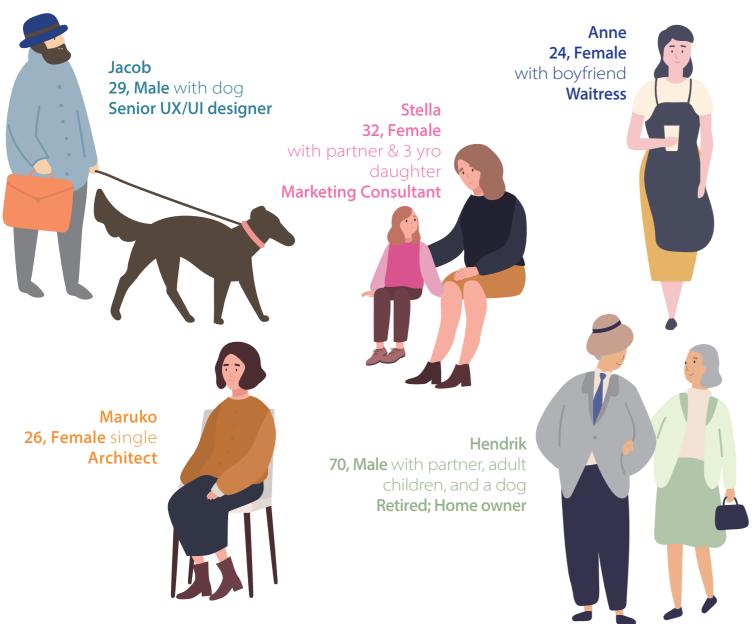
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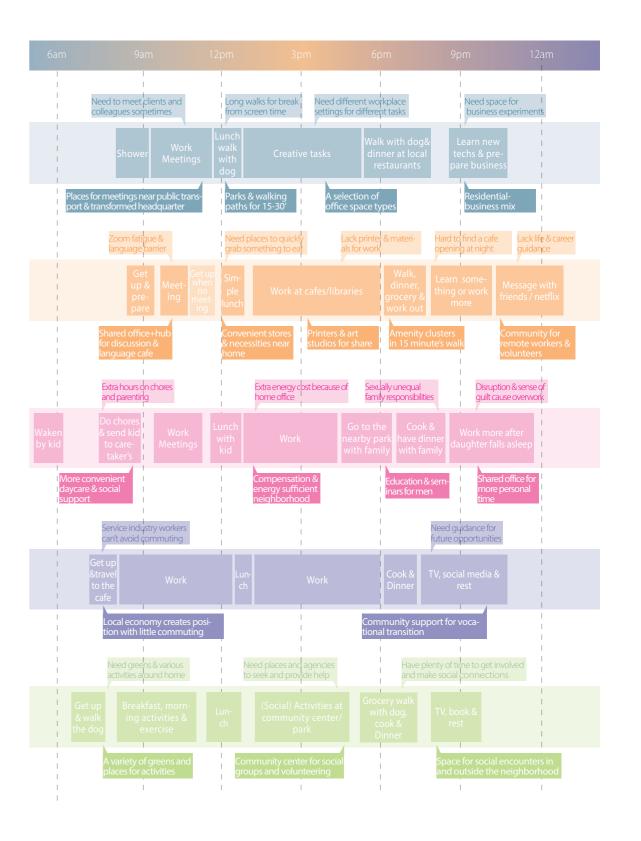


Figure 4.4 Live-work mixed-use neighborhood *By author.*



Let's look at it from the residents' perspective



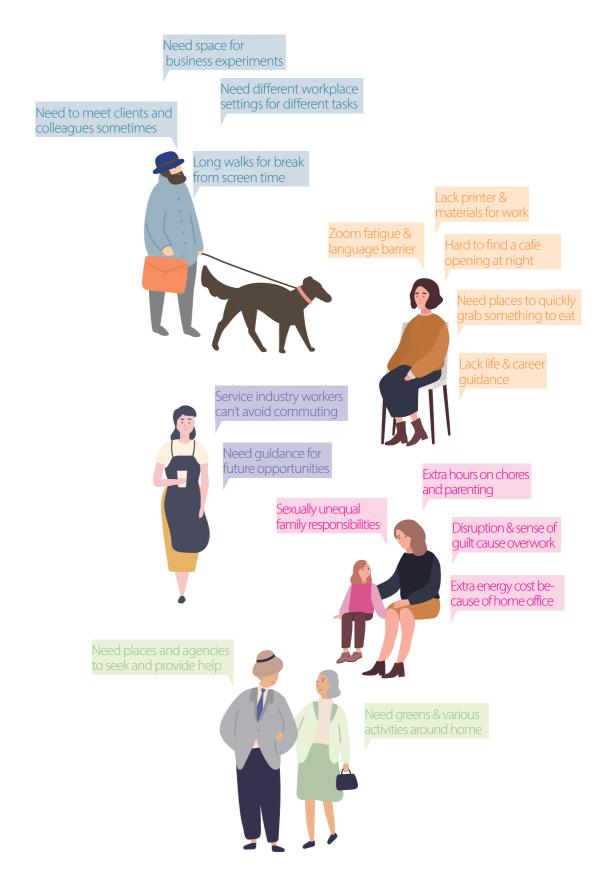


We can conclude from their experiences the challenges of the hybrid working future...







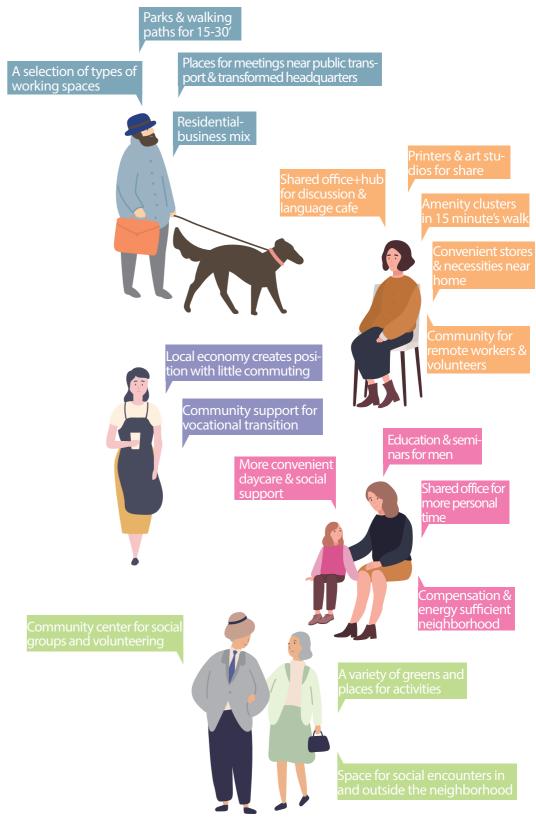


...and the qualities needed for a live-work neighborhood

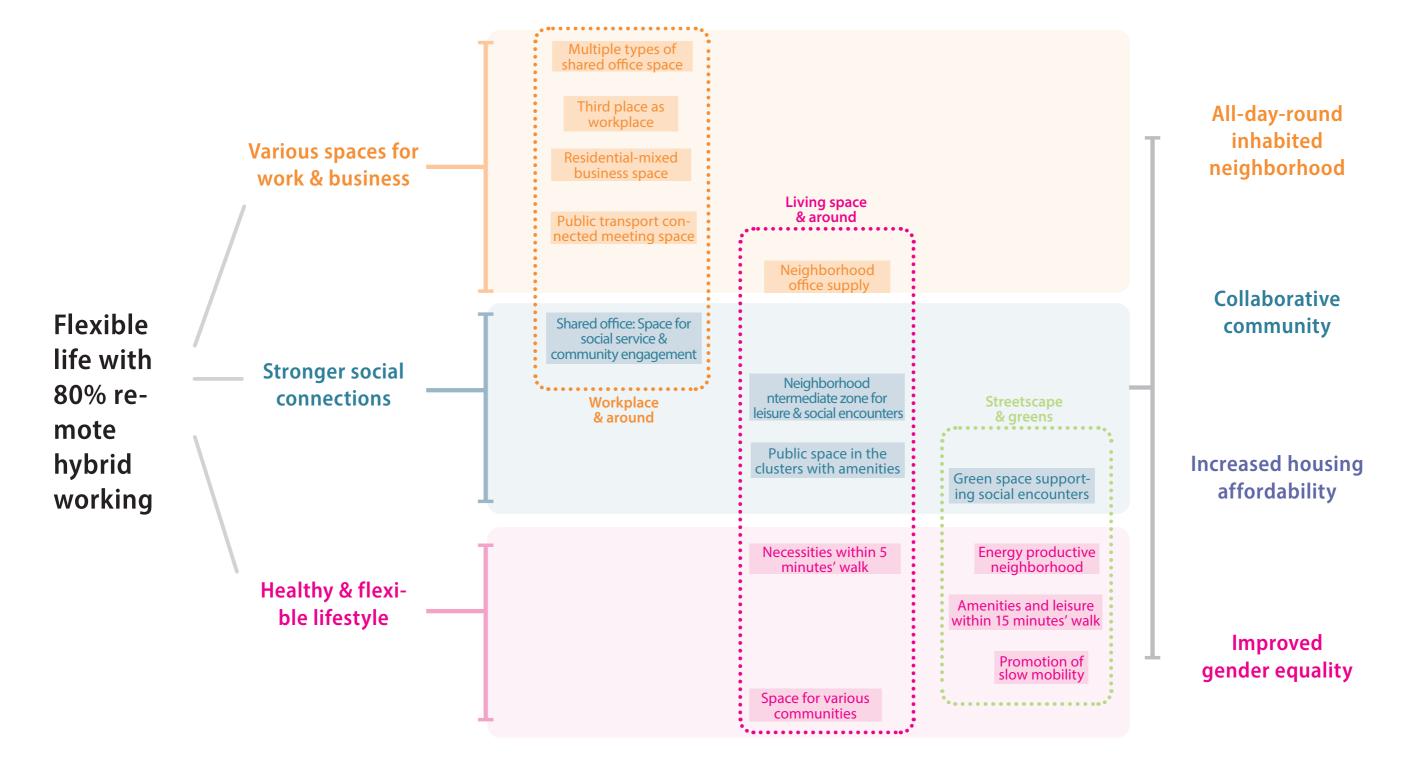








The map of aspirations



Options of Menu

Space for work

Variety

shared

Various types of office space with

different spatial

characteristics are

different needs of

people in various

industries.

office space



Office buildings

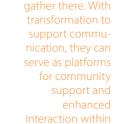


Social hub



"Shared office +"









Special buidings

Headquarters

As the demand

for office space

companies will be

lease or sell their

headquarters (or

at least parts of

expenses. These

the potential to become public

headquarters have

spaces, which can

also be a part of

the companies'

brand marketing

cut back on



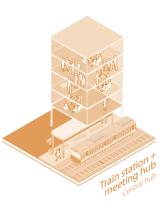


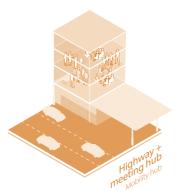


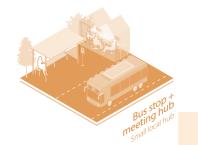


Mobility meeting hub









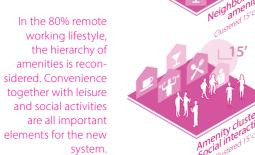
Options Menu

Space for living

Livework space



Amenities



Neighborhood office supply



have specific requirements for office space and materials. There are also people who just have a hard time getting focused. Or maybe your co-worker is your neighbor and you need to meet and discuss. These little boxes offer more possibilities for



social and public





Third place as workplace

Cafes are a popular alternative to offices.





Living

space

busi-

ness

Living

extension

The flexible use of











Social encounters near home

The motor lane right in front your home will never return. The space around the house has a more important leisure, function, providing space for people who want to relax from their work.



Options Menu

Streetscape



Streets for slow mobility



Street for encounters

The street space is an important sublic space. Hybrid worker's habits of walking and exercising place a demand on the social function of the streets, and the spaces released from the motor lanes present many possibilities for transformation.

Access to nature

Variety of greens





Greens for encounters





Green for more



Energy sufficiency

Setting up energy-generating facilities in the neighborhood is beneficial for both of the environment and the residents' budgets.

Noise abatement

Planting specific types of trees to form a forest is ar effective means of reducing noise

Third place as workplace

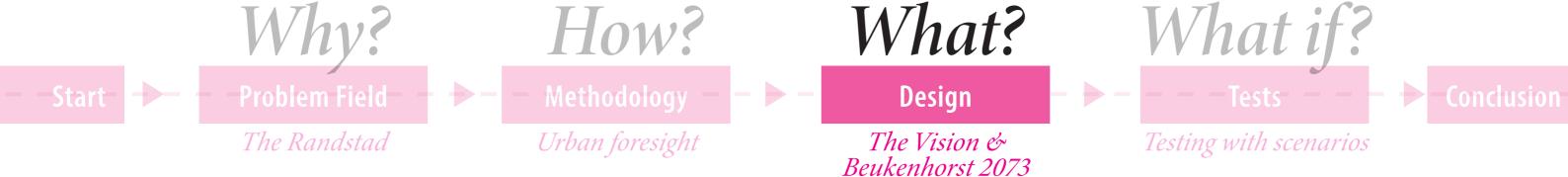
Streets and natural spaces can also be third places. By conveniently setting up installations such as tables, chairs and free WiFi, these places can become great places for work





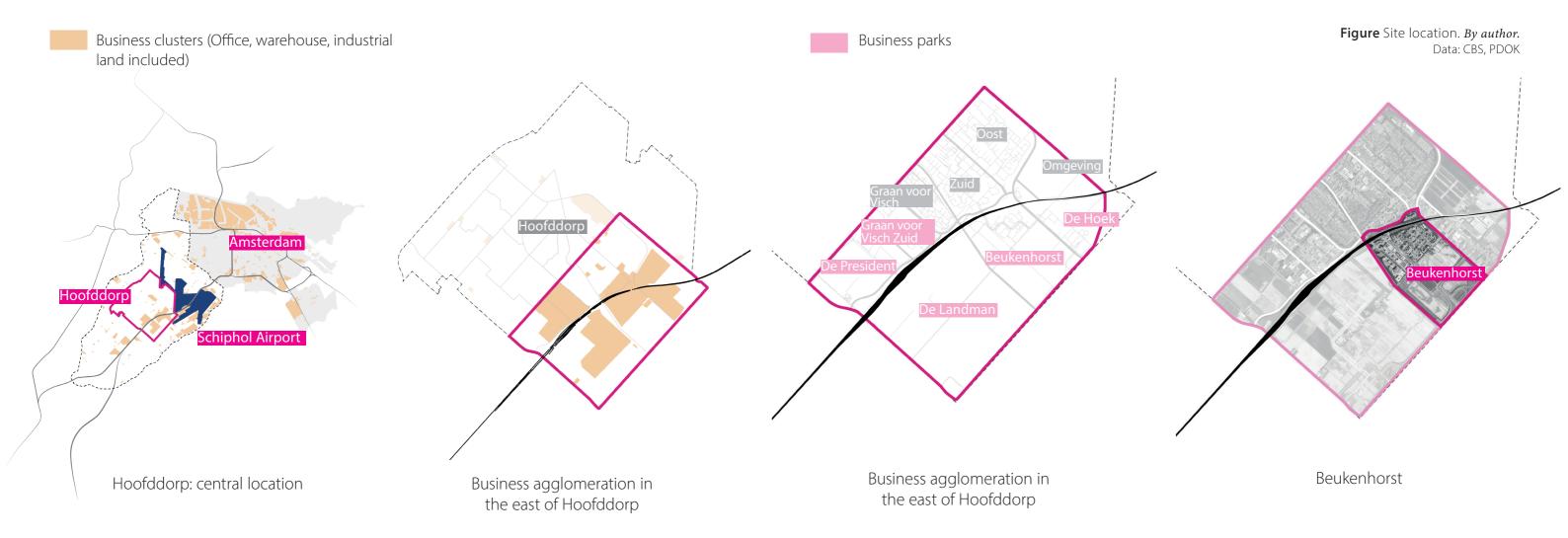
Park As Workplace





Beukenhorst 2073

Beukenhorst is an office district in Hoofddorp, just next to the Schiphol Airport



It's an ideal testing site for the transformation

- It is the **most concentrated office district** in the municipality of Haar-lemmermeer (where Hoofddorp belongs to)
- It is famous for being the location of the majority of the vacant offices in the municipality and beyond
- There have been office transformation projects happening









Figure Photos of Beukenhorst, Hoofddorp *By author*

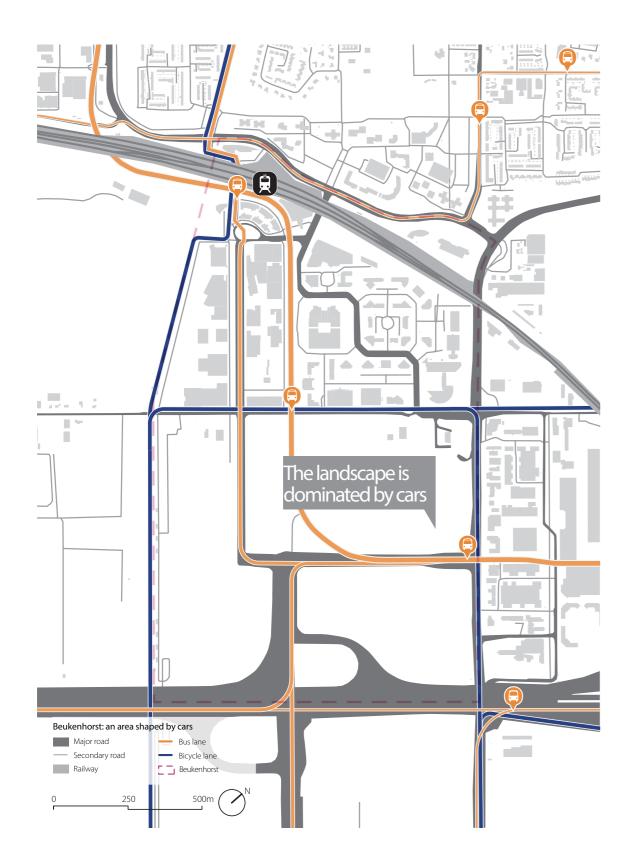




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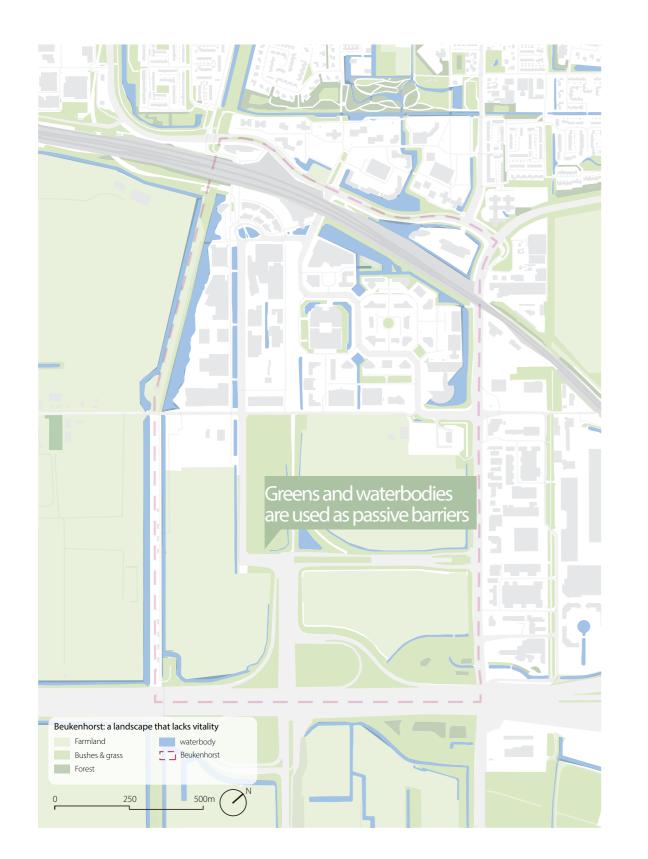




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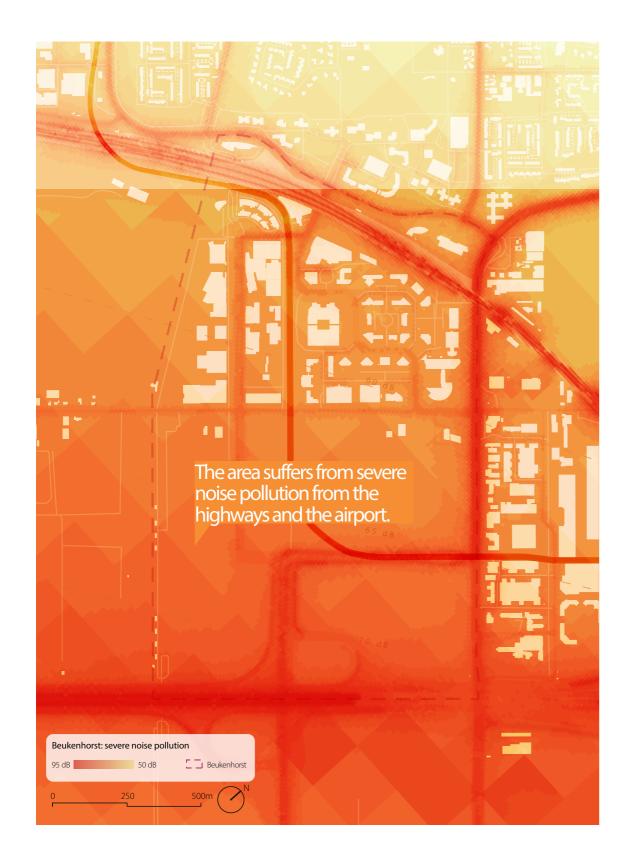


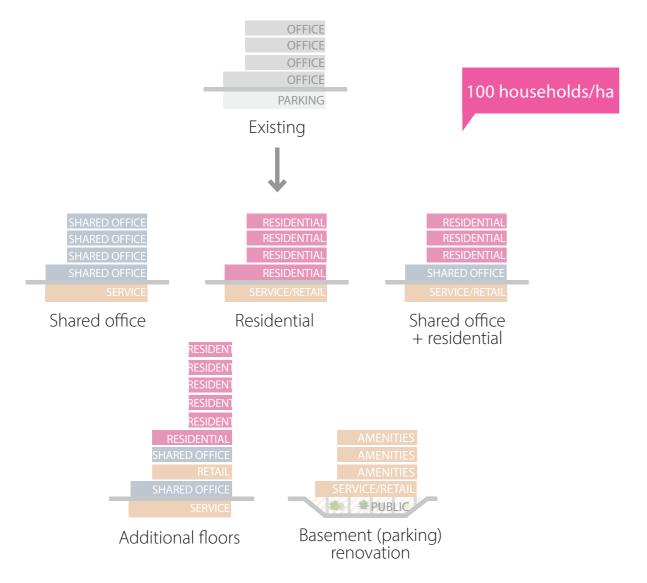


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Transforming exsiting buildings: based on current conditions / functions



Densification: adding floors & renovating parking spaces





The blocks are occupied by huge separate buildings and divided by parking lots





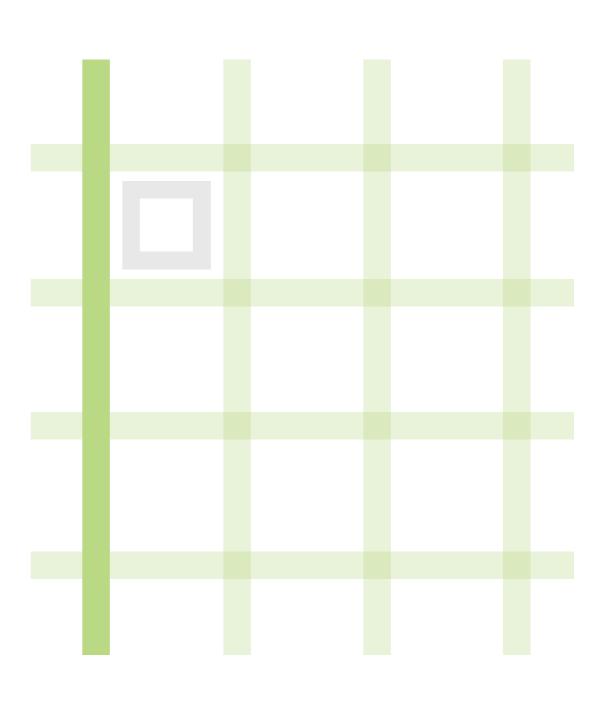
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There need to be a new structure for accessible, vibrant green spaces...







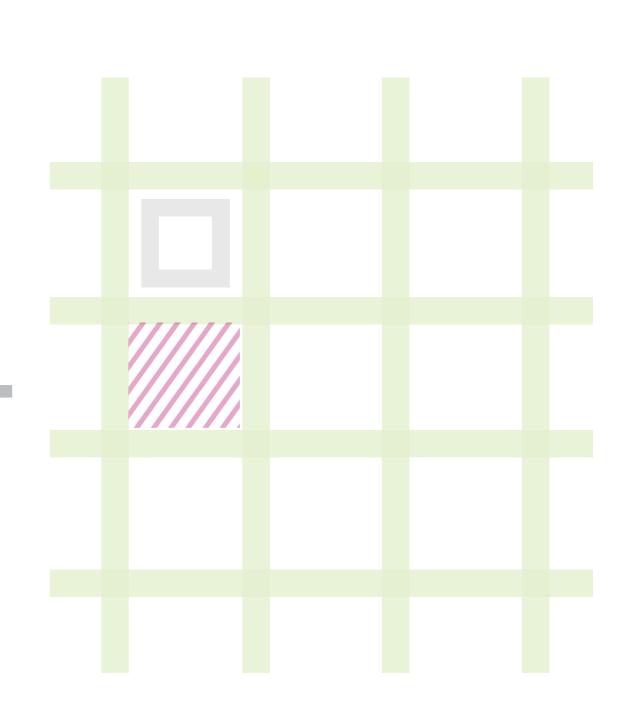


...and flexible public spaces for communities

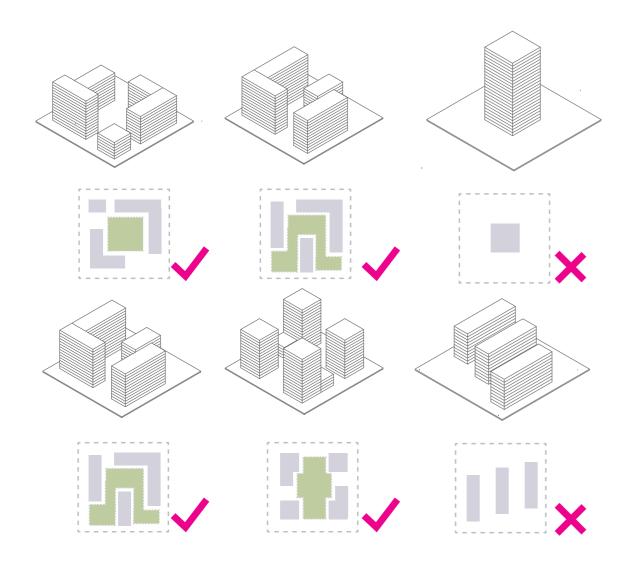


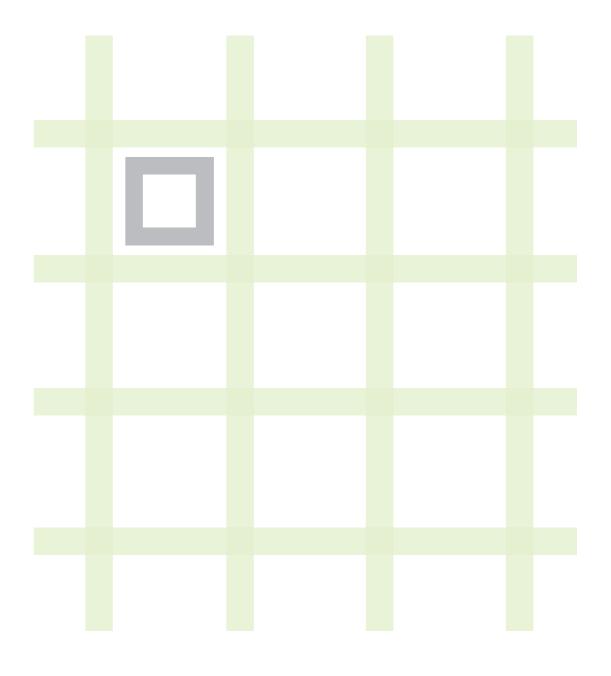
Figure Living in Community. *ArchDaily. https://www.archdaily.com/946464/living-in-community-13-projects-that-promote-shared-spaces*



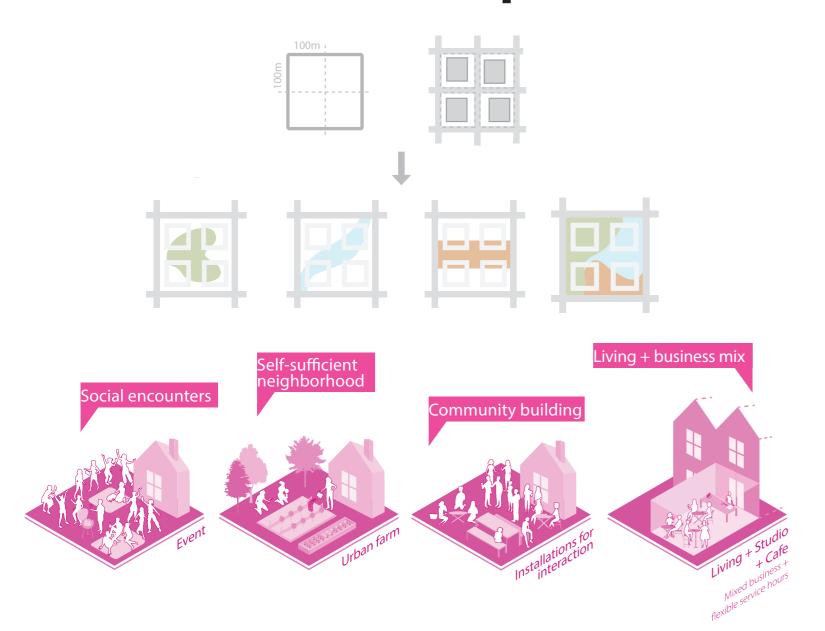


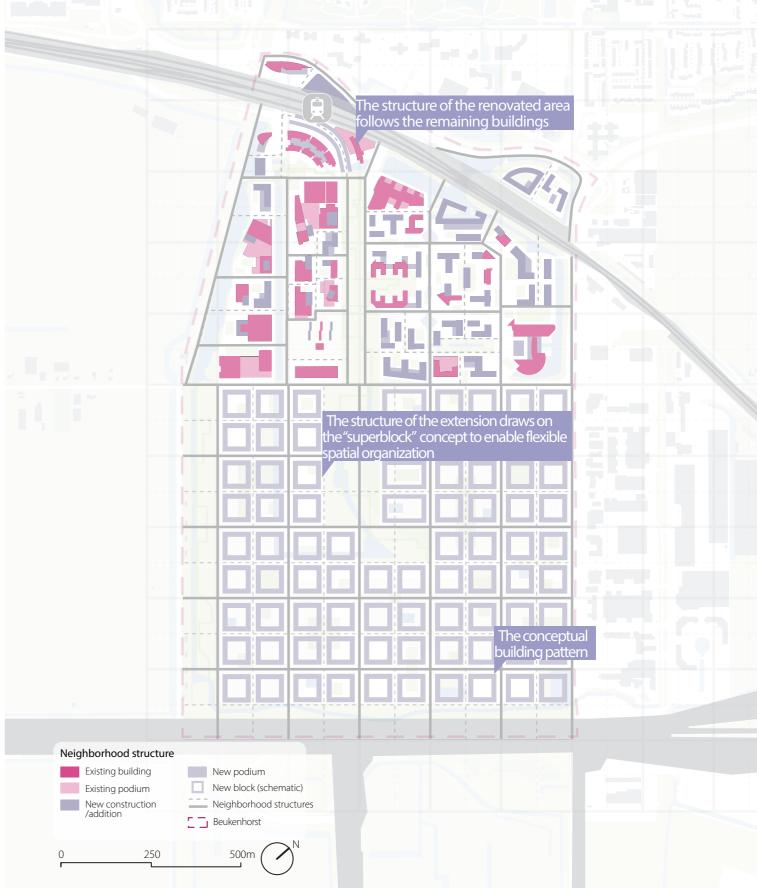
The groups of buildings should form an extent of enclosure





The new structrue: "Superblock" for in-between spaces





For such a structure, it is a necessity to promote the slow mobility...





...to create vibrant streets



Figure The current Polarisavenue. By author.

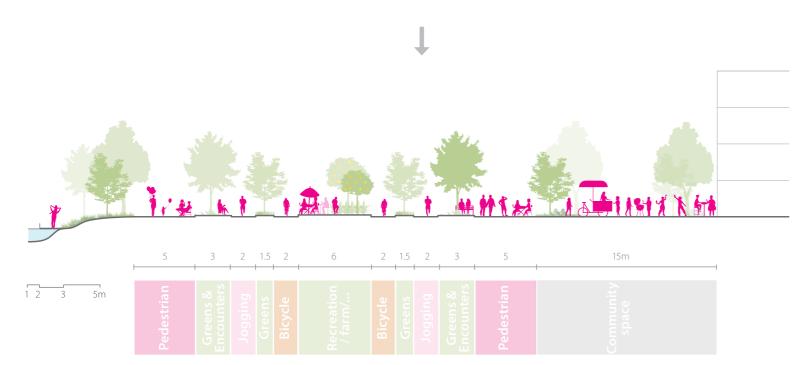


Figure The Polarisavenue 2073. By author.

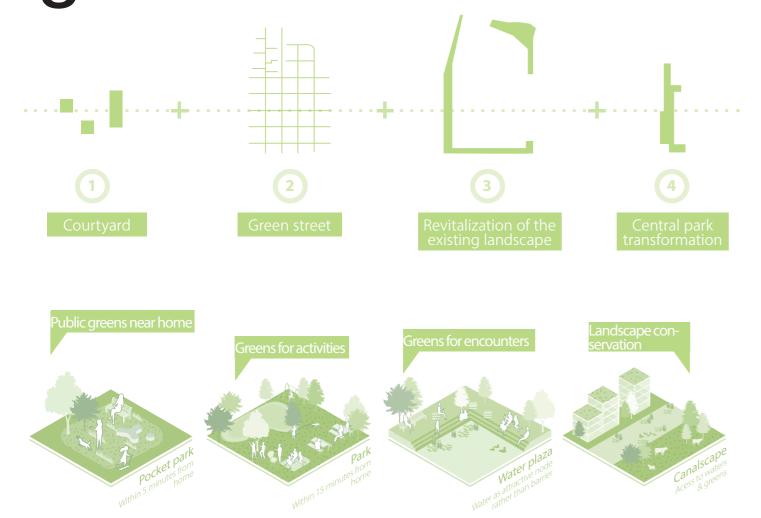


Figure Mobility hub and slow-mobility-oriented streets. *PosadMaxwan.* https://posadmaxwan.nl/en/news/30/community-hubs-for-an-accessible-and-liveable-strandeiland



Figure The street as a vibrant public space. *Mobycon.* https://mobycon.com/updates/how-to-make-streets-into-great-public-spaces/

The transitions will enable Beukenhorst to develop a system of greens...





...with the new central park

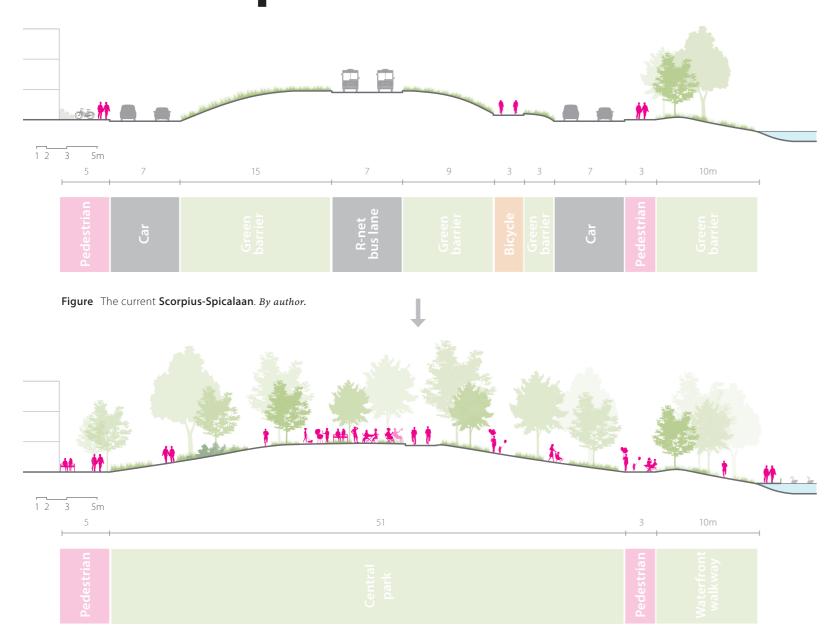


Figure The Scorpius-Spicalaan 2073. By author.



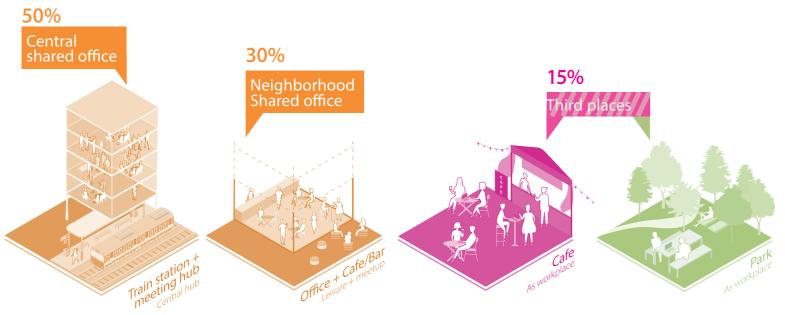
Figure A park on a slope: Family Park. *Boza Arquitectos / Archdaily*. https://www.archdaily.com/794810/padre-renato-poblete-river-park-boza-arquitectos?ad-medium=gallery



Figure Waterfront public space. Avon River Park Terraces + City Promenade. LandLAB / Landezine.

https://landezine-award.com/avon-river-park-terraces-city-promenade/

And of course, scattered and concentrated shared working spaces are provided...





...together with home -office supplements

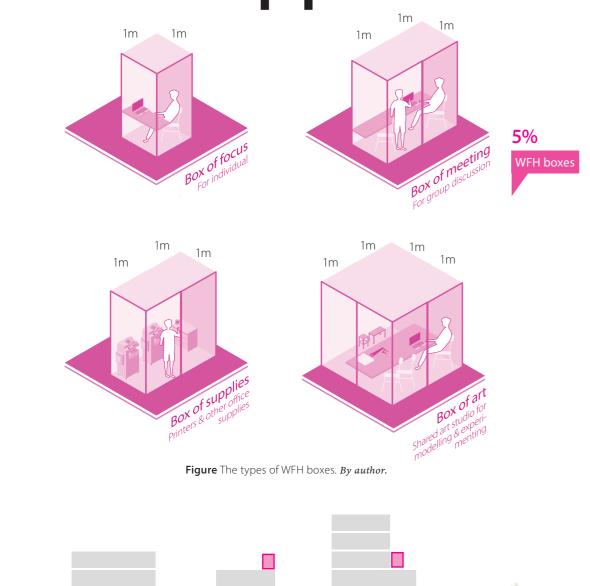


Figure The possible locations for application. By author.



Figure Shared office space. *ThisWork.Space*. https://thiswork.space/post/why-are-shared-office-spaces-so-popular

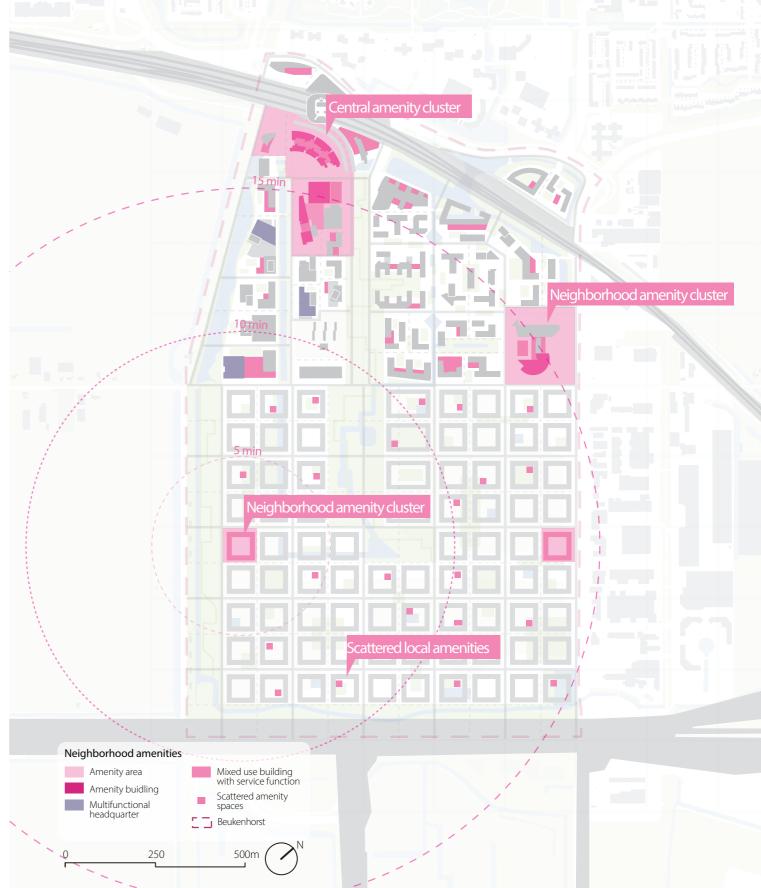


Figure Acoustic Office & Meeting Pods. *Urban Office*.

https://www.urban-office.com/office-pods.html

With the 5-minute scattered local necessities and 15-minute clusters...





Walks to amenities become buffers between work and life



Figure Amenities as part of leisure life. By author.



Figure A neighborhood center. *Jones The Planner.* http://www.jonestheplanner.co.uk/2017/12/is-leeds-really-up-for-jan-gehl.html



Figure Leeds Future Demographics. 12 King Street. https://www.12kingstreet.co.uk/leeds-future-demographics/

All of these construct the Beukenhorst 2073

Flexible working locations



Rich amenities & social interactions



Supportive of sustainable, healthy lifestyle



All-day-round inhabited neighborhood

Collaborative community



Increased housing affordability

Improved gender equality



With the office transformation and mobility transition, it serves as an example for an all-day-round inhabited neighborhood



The promotion of the local economy and public platforms like "time banks" help to form closer ties among residents

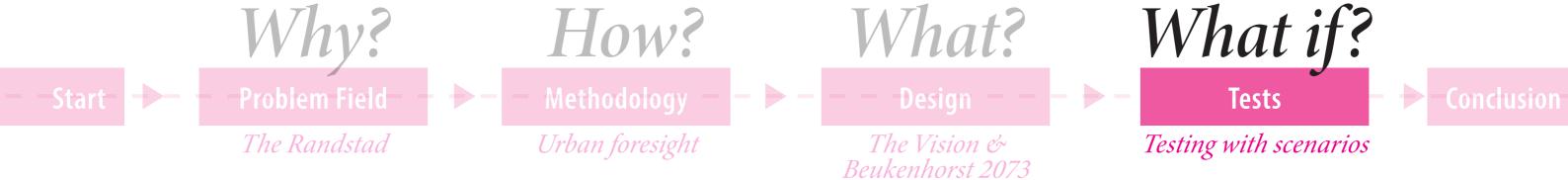


The office transformation can quickly provide affordable housing options to the market.

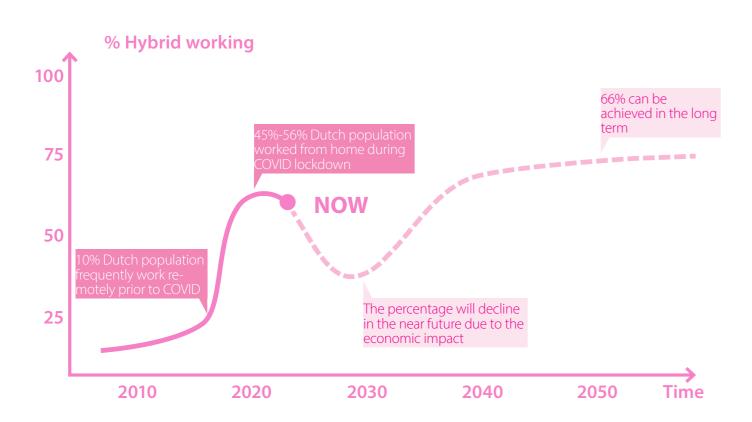


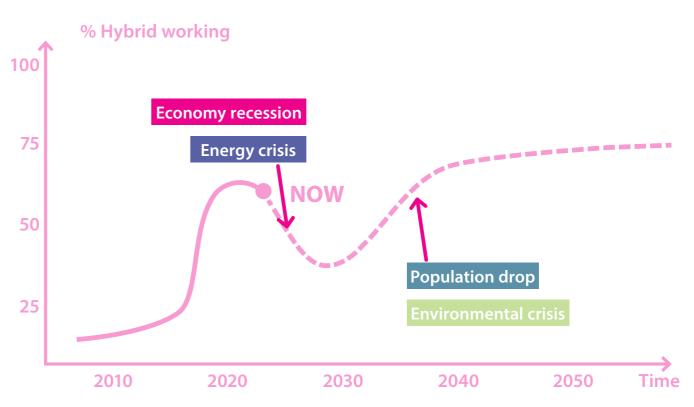
Hybrid working allows more women to work on their own schedules--and Beukenhorst 2073 can do more than that.





The current trend of hybrid working is influenced by multiple drivers

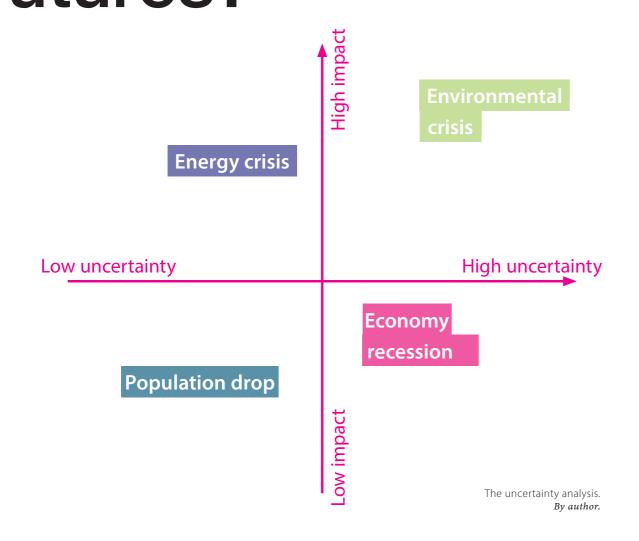


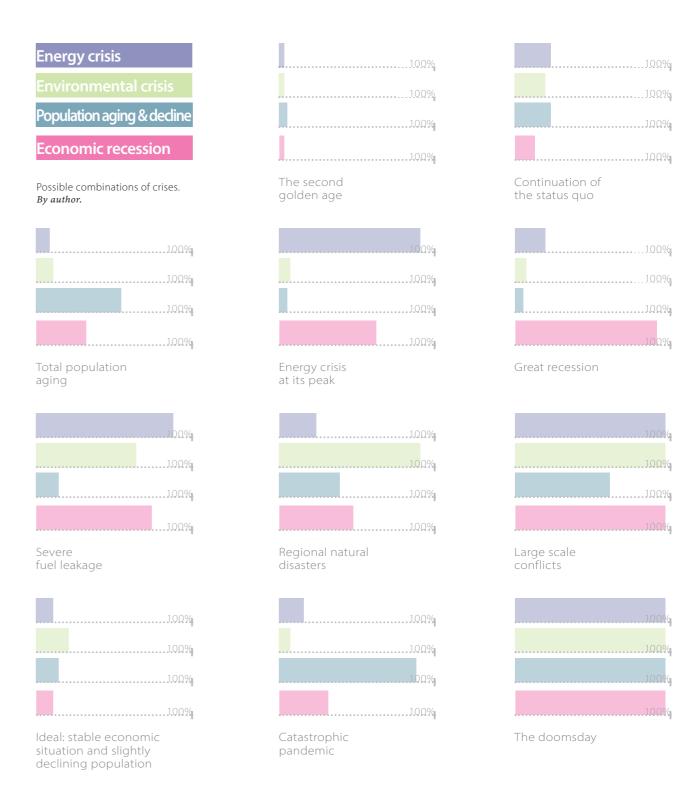


The current and future trend of hybrid work. *By author.* Interpreted from (Ton et al., 2022).

The drivers of change and how they shape the trend. By author.

How do we respond to the uncertain futures?





That is why I developed the scenarios

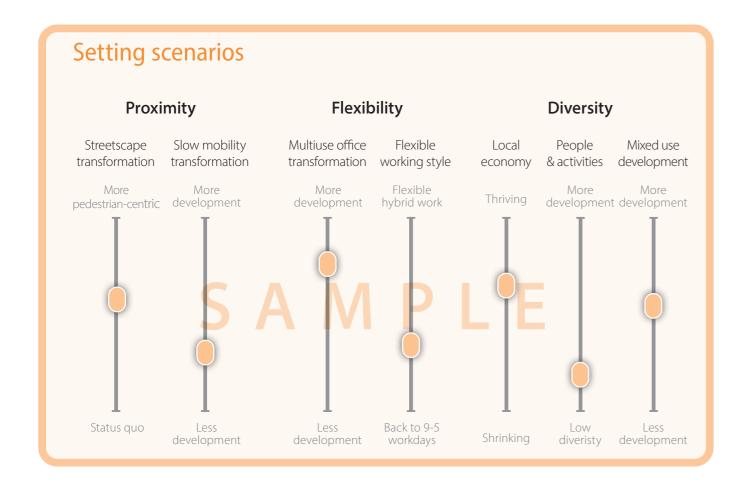










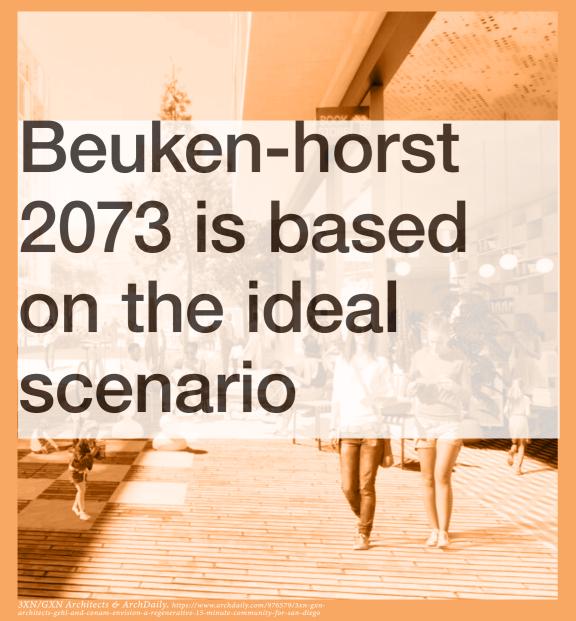


Figure Reference for this project's scenario layout: PBL's report. (PBL, 2019)

Livework City



Ideal scenario Stable economy & no major crisis



n Live-work City...

The economy remains stable, so that although there is an aging trend, immigrants are filling the population gap. Recognizing the urgency of the environmental crisis, people are actively promoting the development of sustainable cities and slow mobility, but in general, no major crisis has occurred. Hybrid work has become the norm, and monofunctional office areas have become green, diverse, and vibrant urban areas.



Frugal City



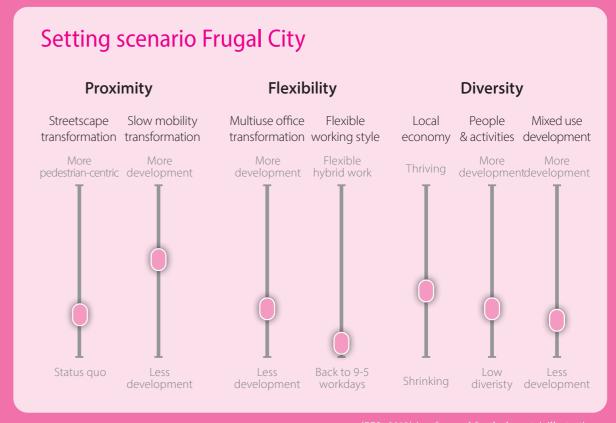
Scenario Economic recessior

What if there is a prolonged economic recession?

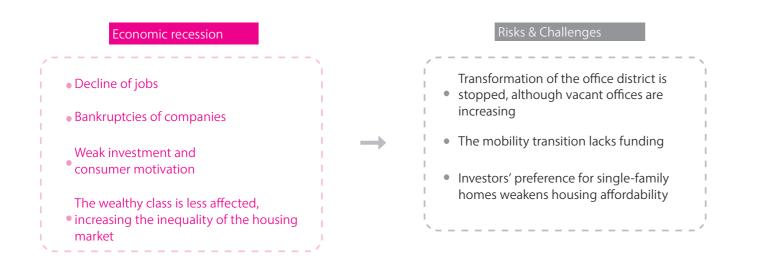


In Frugal City...

The economy enters a downward spiral, employment opportunities and personal wealth for most people are declining, with lifestyle reforms stagnating. The employees lose more and more of their voice in the job market. The freedom of work style brought about by the pandemic gradually disappears and life returns to the old 9 to 5 routine.



- Amenities for employees can be the first step for the mixed-use transformation.
- The development of public transport infrastructure can be part of the economic stimulus measures, kickstarting the mobility transition.
- The **housing market** needs to be **regulated** to maintain the diversity of residents.

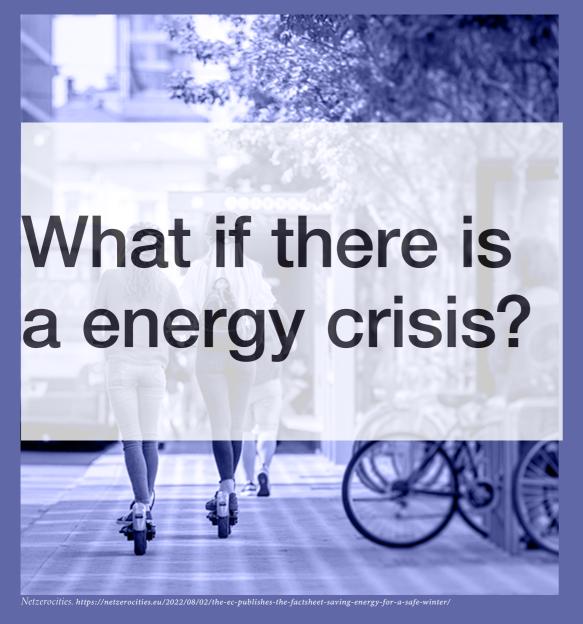




Evergysaving City



Scenario Energy crisis

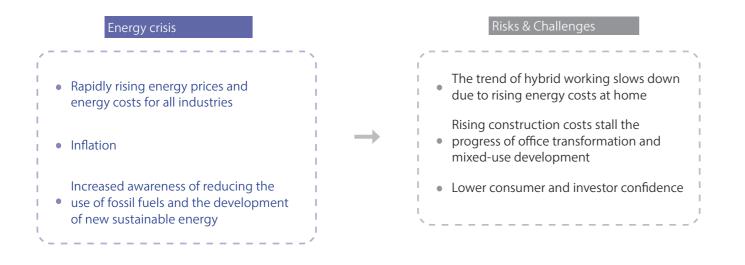


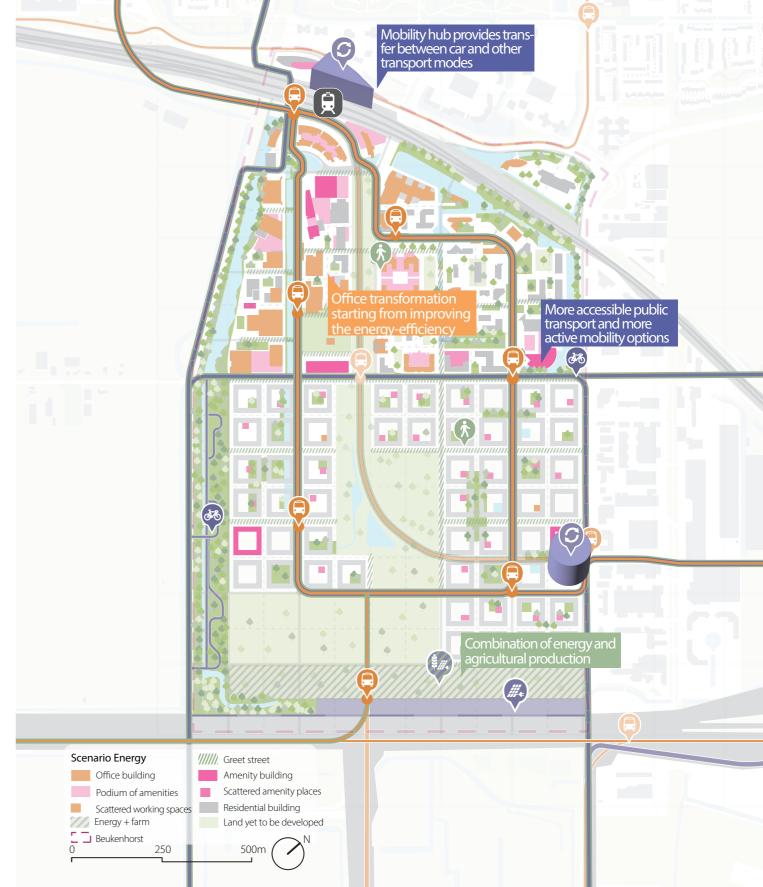
In Energy-saving City...

Reducing fossil fuel consumption becomes a priority, with slow mobility and public transport being strongly promoted. People are spending more of their free time in their neighborhood, bicycle or pedestrian-friendly living areas. In order to reduce personal and household energy costs, people are more likely to return to the offices.



- The development of **mobility transition** helps to reduce fossil fuel dependence.
- Energy-efficient renovation and the inclusion of amenities in office buildings is the first step of office transformation following the mixed-use principle.
- Experiments combining green energy and agricultural production can take place on the surrounding agricultural land.





Eco City



Scenario Environmental crisis



What if there is an environ-mental crisis?



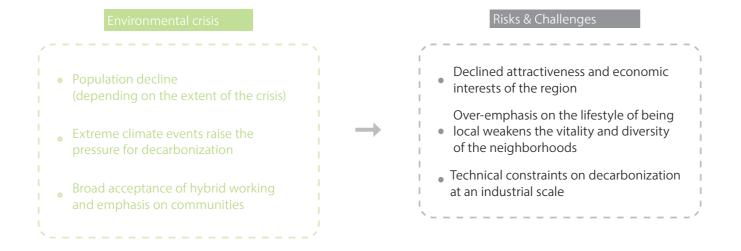
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In Eco City..

Environmental crisis results in **population decline** and increases the desire to develop flexible and environmentally friendly lifestyles. Hybrid work is largely accepted, and the government is actively promoting the **repurposing of office buildings** and the establishment of **sustainable transportation systems**. However, **economy** is inevitably **impacted**, so as the aspect of diversity.

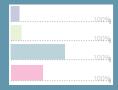


- Environmental crisis provides strong motivation for building self-sufficient communities
- The emphasis on the natural environment promotes the preservation and enhancement of the blue-green infrastructures.
- The concepts of collaborative community and local economy gain the importance as part of regional resilience.





Care City

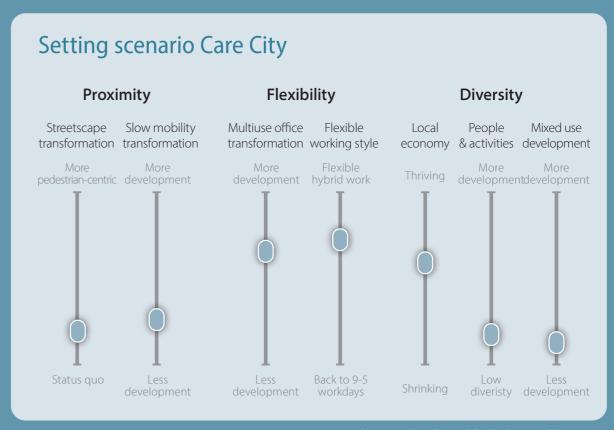


Scenario Population decline and aging

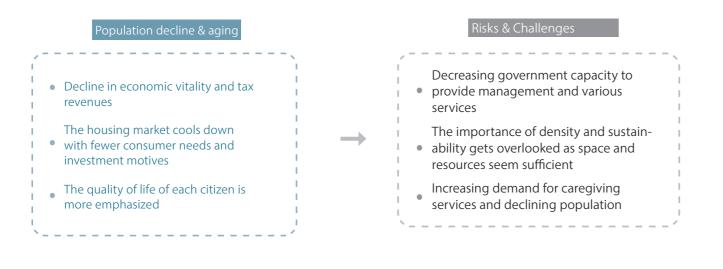


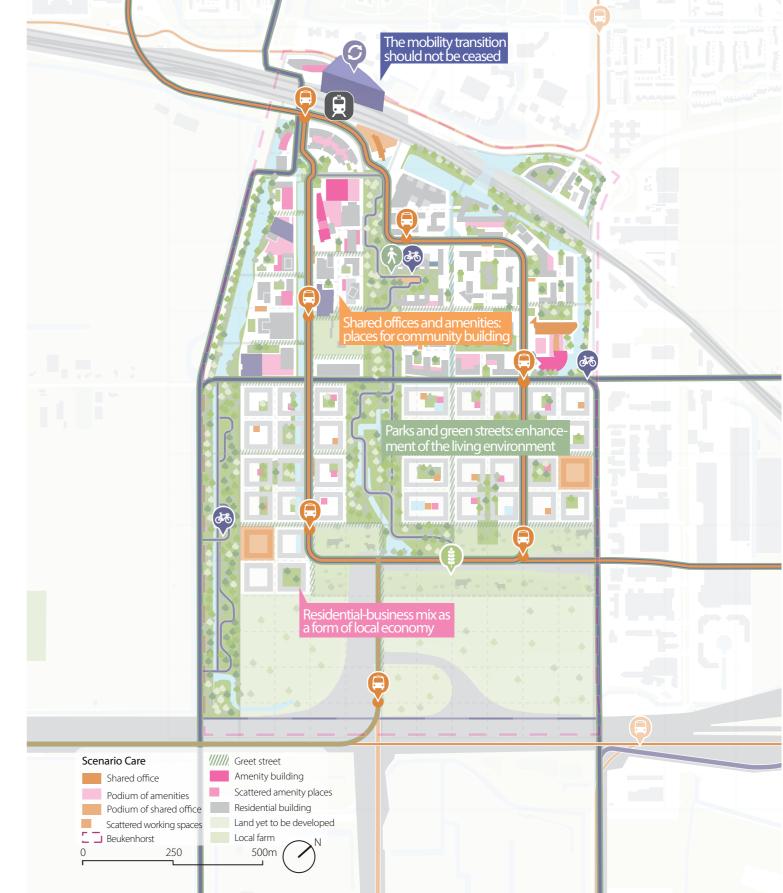
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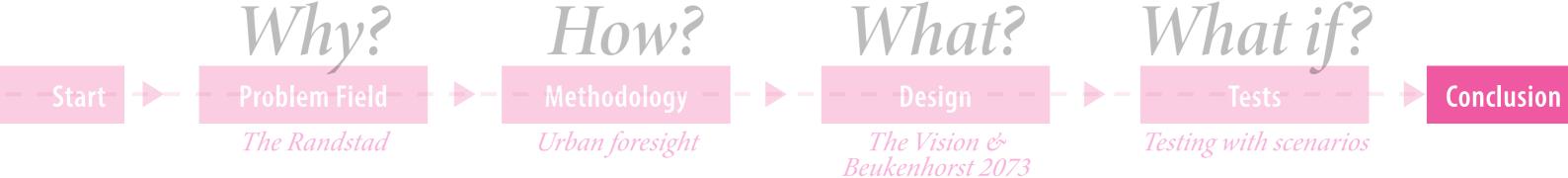
The aging population has a negative impact on both economic dynamics and urban development. With the declining residents and tax revenues, various types of transformations are being slowed or stopped. However, the difficulty in recruiting gives more voice to the working population and has led to the spread of hybrid work. In order to care for each other, people have become closer together in the community and the local economy flourishes thus.



- The quality of life of the residents can be improved through the enhancement of the natural and built environment.
- Close community relations need to be formed through platforms like "time bank", encouraging residents to help each other, and to achieve bottom-up management.
- The government needs to **review** the construction projects to make sure that the mixed-use **transforma-tion** and sustainability improvements are taking place.

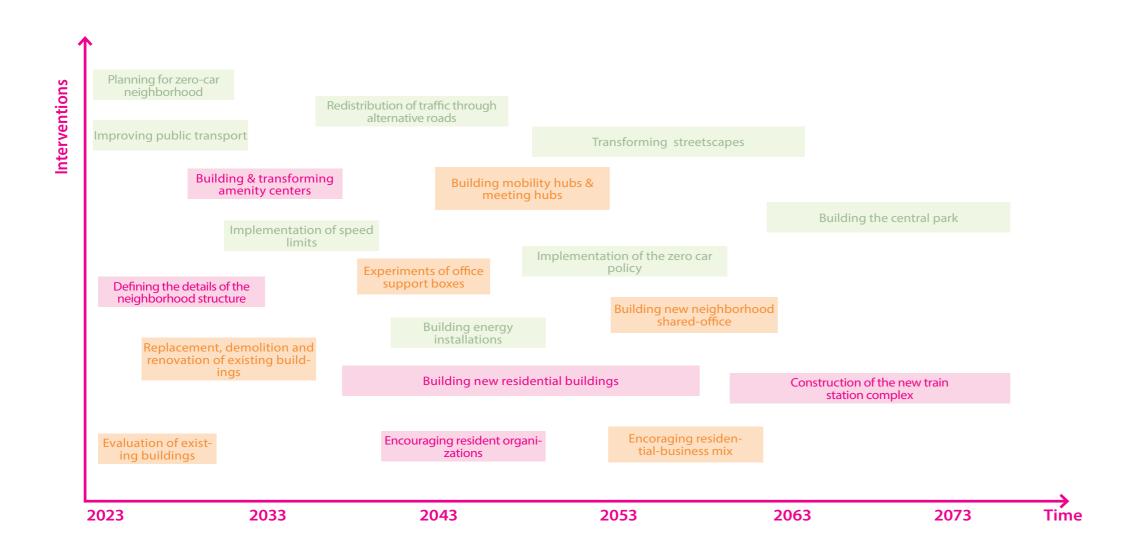






Conclusion

The plans and design should always be monitored and adjusted following the external conditions



But we can take actions from now on to make Beukenhorst 2073 happen

Immediate actions



Consultation

with the public and experts about visions and transitions such as mobility/energy transition and street transformation



Proposal

of plans such as blue-green preservation, public transport enhancement and new neighborhood structures



Renovation

such as enhancement of green spaces and energy-sufficient buildings

Medium-to long-term actions



Legislation

regarding changes such as allowing other functions on residential land



Community building

engage residents and use events to stimulate communications



Implementation

of transformation plans such as street transformation

Vision 2073



Completion

of transition and transformation plans



Monitoring

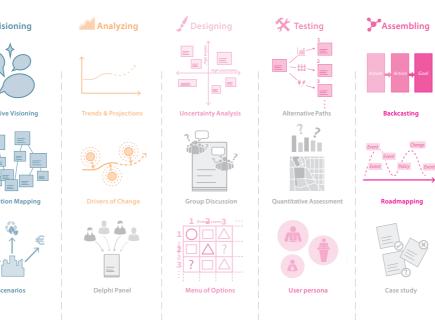
of external conditions, status of completed projects and longer-term plans

The results of this project can be transferred to other future practices

1.Menu of Options

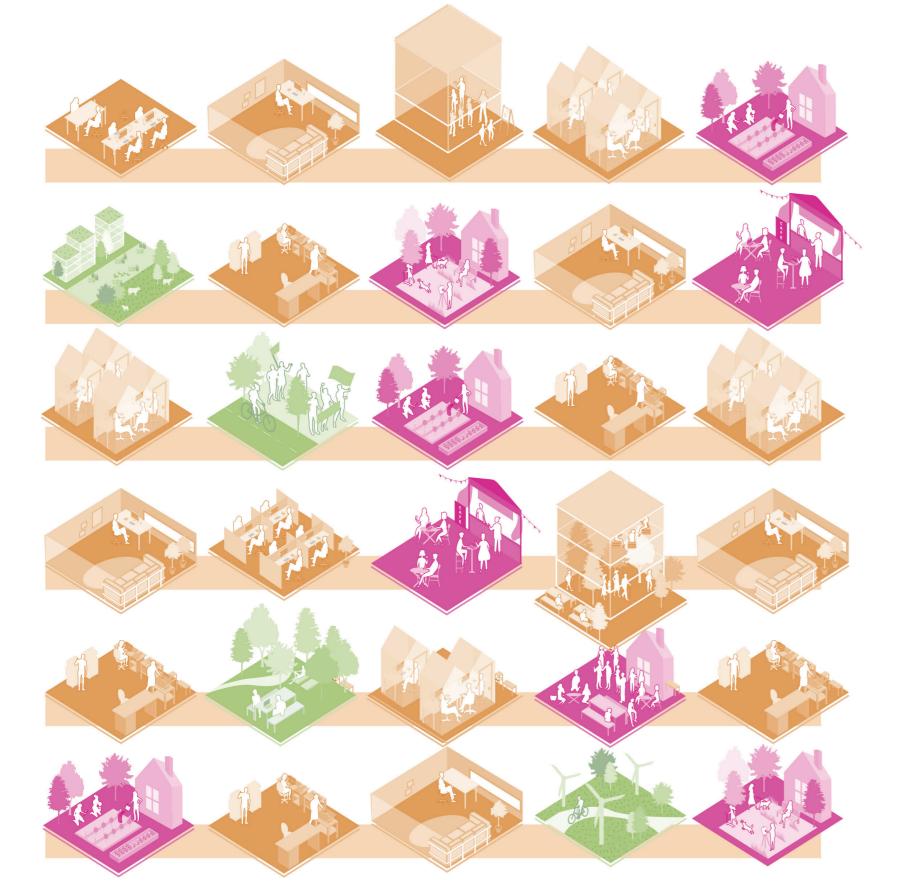


2.Application of foresight techniques



3. Scenarios and points of focus





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