



CERTIFICATE OF MERIT (DESIGN)

TO-BE-BUILT REJUVENATION

Remaking Our Heartland at Toa Payoh N5 Neighbourhood Centre

Project Overview

N5 Neighbourhood Centre (NC) is situated next to a small park and consists of open plaza spaces between a hawker centre and residential blocks with shops at the ground floor. The proposed upgrading envisions the revitalised NC to be a hybrid "garden plaza" for the community to dine and shop in a garden-like setting.

The original sunken plaza level was raised to match that of surrounding buildings allowing seamless connectivity. A sinuous footpath, characteristic of the adjacent park, is extended into the plaza to carve out various activity spaces. Benches are introduced around existing mature Angsana trees to create a shaded central gathering space. A new raised event stage for community events and busking performances features a smooth mound and trellis shelter that mirror the organic curves of the footpath.

The meandering path continues into a linear alley between Block 212 and the hawker centre, where naturalistic planting clusters create a river-like setting, scattered with benches for shoppers to rest between purchases. At the car park and loading and unloading point, the footpath leads to a widened access ramp and a new bicycle parking and rest area screened with softscape, transforming the back-of-house into a welcoming alternative entrance to the NC.



New Toa Payoh Lorong 8 precinct marker



New tree and planting clusters create a "garden plaza" for users to enjoy and mingle in



Improved accessibility and cluster planting with bench seating create a shaded shopfront promenade



New rest area and bicycle parking area at the back of house