PUBLIC REALM: Significance, Design and Experience
What is Public Realm?
Refers to all areas to which the public has access (such as roads, streets, lanes, parks, squares and bridges and open spaces). This includes the publicly available space between buildings, along with the spaces and the buildings or other structures that enclose them.
OPEN SPACES
PARKS
PUBLIC BUILDINGS & ORPHAN SPACES
PORT MORESBY’S EXISTING PUBLIC REALM

OPEN SPACES
PUBLIC BUILDINGS
ORPHAN SPACES
Broad Principles:

1. Considers local distinctiveness as key to creating successful places
2. Defined by social and environmental context rather than by transport function
3. Fully accessible, inclusive and caters for a wide range of activities that can take place there
4. Has a sense of safety and security
5. Is environmentally and economically sustainable
CASE STUDY: BARRIO MIO (MY NEIGHBORHOOD)
BARRIO MIO, PERU
CASE STUDY: POWERHOUSE MARKETS NEW FARM
QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA
CASE STUDY: “CITY IN A GARDEN”
SINGAPORE
THE PAPUA NEW GUINEA VISION 2050
“WE WILL BE A SMART, WISE, FAIR SOCIETY BY 2050”

“We will be ranked in the top 50 in the United Nations Human Development Index by 2050, creating opportunities for personal and national advancement through economic growth, smart innovative ideas, quality service and ensuring fair and equitable distribution of benefits in a safe and secure environment for all citizens”.
CONCLUSION

• Equal access to public green space (parks an open spaces) is a right and not a privilege;
• Successful public realm adds significant social, economical and environmental impacts to create a modern society;
• Proper planning and design needs to be considered in consultation with community, local government, various government agencies and the private business sector;
• Awareness and education on the potential of good public realm is important.
QUESTIONS!

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