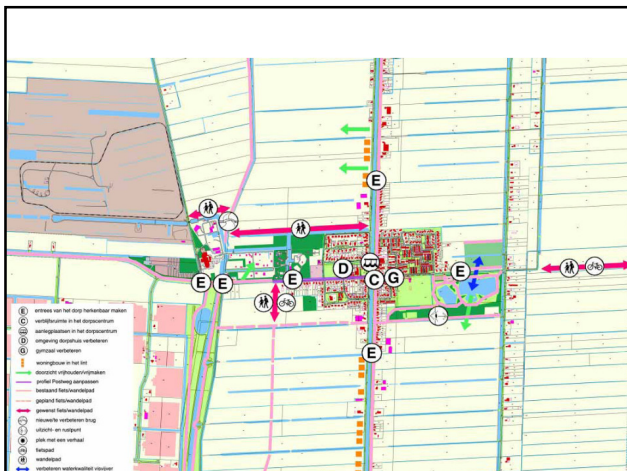
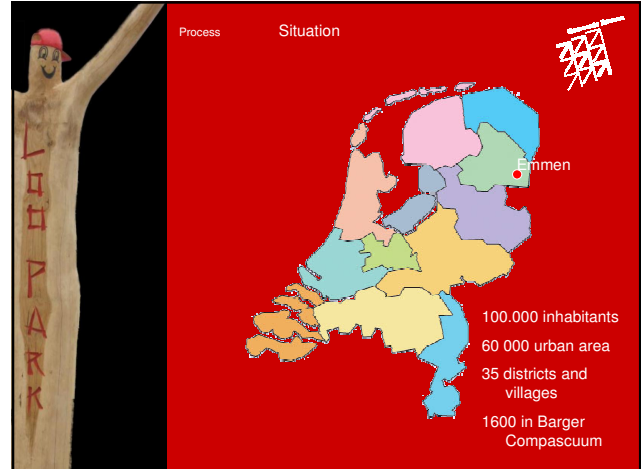


MP4 - Emmen

Revitalising the
village centre of
Barger-Compascuum

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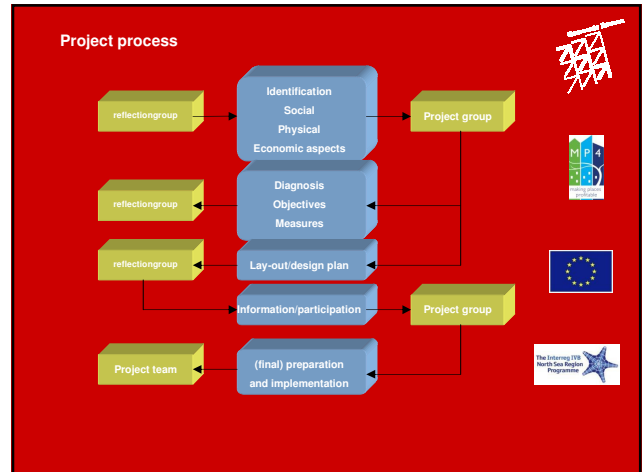
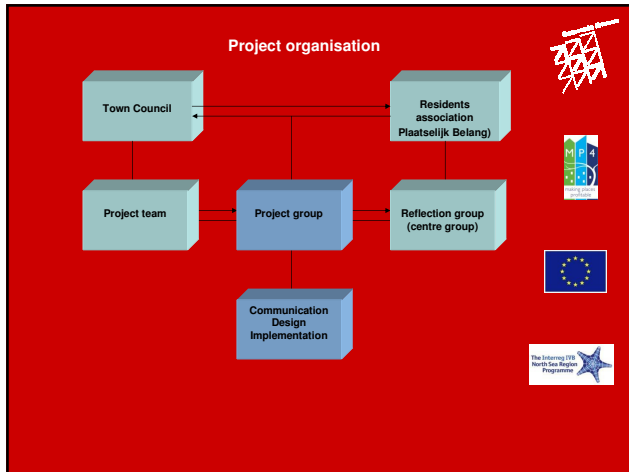
Emmen Revised: brief description of the process

1. Project organisation

Five groups:

- Municipal Council/Board
- Residents association
"Plaatselijk Belang" (local council)
- Project group
- Reflection group of
local residents (informal)
- Project team





Assignment

- Improve the lay-out of the public space in the village centre:
 - public realm according to Shared Space principles (social measures)
 - traffic situation (physical measures) - safety
 - future use: recreational facilities, activities for youth, elderly etc.
- Develop an integrated management/maintenance plan; participation of local residence in maintenance issues
- Apply a project-oriented approach

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Achievements so far:

Aim: Finalising the planning/participation process between local residents and professionals;

Building started in 2009, finalised in June 2011;

A cross-roads with traffic lights has been transformed into a (village) square according to the principles of Shared Space.

Communication with builder and accessibility of village during building activities are so far seen positively by the local residents (and shop owners);



Achievements so far (continued):

Municipality and restaurant/ bar owners pay jointly for energy/lighting points on the square

Members of village council have a sense of co-ownership because of the project;

Local council/board has now contributed 10,000 € from its own budget for making the village centre / square attractive (benches, flower pots...).

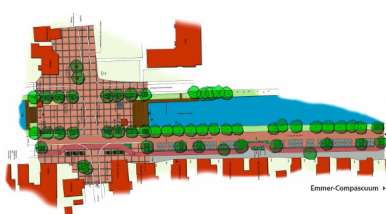
After election in March 2010 new municipal board was installed, but policy (on cooperation with residents) remained unchanged;

Evaluation by mayor and aldermen, together with residents: on-going evaluation contributes to this positive feedback and communication.



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Centrum



Kenmerken:

- Aanleg van een verhoogd plein (geruit gedeelte)
- Plein van klinkers (gebakken) en natuursteen
- Plein voor verkeer en ontmoeting (Shared Space-gedachte)
- Verbeterde beleving van het kanaal

Village
centre

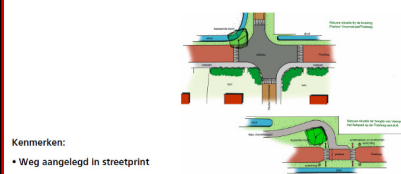


Herinrichting Centrum Barger-Compascuum

Postweg



• Nieuwe Doordrecht



Kenmerken:

- Weg aangelegd in streetprint
- Rij beplanting en bomen tussen weg en voetpad

Entrance to
village centre



Lessons learnt

Realisation (most) building activities, negotiations/appointments on use and maintenance of the village centre are planned.

A longer period of building trust and working together on place making, is essential for follow-up contribution in place keeping!

Discussion about smaller design elements (lighting, Kiosk etc.), use and role of residents in maintenance ("Place-Keeping!") has been an important element to gain this trust.

Evaluation on (planning, building; place-keeping) process has been introduced from the very beginning;



Lessons learned (continued)

A longer period of building trust and working together on place making, is essential for follow-up contribution in place keeping!

Joint group to discuss maintenance of public realm/green areas (place making) has been installed in 2011. This should have been earlier, but has now been combined with other meetings/groups;

The project with Barger Compasuum led to a new Emmen Revisited approach on villages, especially maintenance, which will now be implemented throughout the municipality.



Project organisation

