

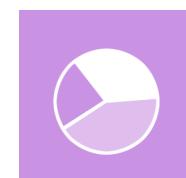
Pai Tau Square is a peaceful area in Sha Tin with many activities occurring around it. It is an important place for local residents and the general community as it is located next to the MTR, large commercial centers, and a local village. It has great potential to provide a meaningful public space by creating a more welcoming, comfortable, suitable environment for everyone. In addition to beautifying the place with more plants and lighting for the evening, there should be more seating as it can serve as a rest place and a space for social interaction. We would like to implement a wooden deck that creates a linkage between the Pai Tau square to the bus terminus, which crosses through the present lower walkway. This alters the path of the lower walkway and encourages movement through the square. In addition, this platform would be at the same level as the upper walkway/sidewalk creating a stronger relationship between the street and the lower area of the square. The trees between the walkways become less of a division. People would be able to have lunch or wait for the bus comfortably on this platform, while these surrounding trees provide shade. Additionally, the people who usually use the square as a pathway or a shortcut would be better served in terms of comfort with a more attractive walkway/area. The purpose of this alteration is to enhance the linkage of Pai Tau Square to the street level and bus terminus. Furthermore, this encourages greater activity and interaction amongst nearby residents and the general community by creating a more welcoming feeling at Pai Tau Square for the public.



The sociability at Pai Tau Square is currently restricted as it is not an area that attracts the general public to interact in. Surrounded by poles, Pai Tau Square is an area with trees and plants that have been left untaken care of. There is a lack of adequate seating for the local residents and general public, and passers-by spend little time in the area. People use the square as a walkway path to get to their destinations. There are strict government signs that give the area an unwelcoming feeling. However, residents of the area, specifically the elderly, frequently use the space as a place for socialization.



Pai Tau Square is accessible and linked to many important areas in Sha Tin. It is located right across a bus terminus and next to an MTR station. Additionally, there are many buildings, local businesses, large commercial centers, and a tourist site nearby. Pai Tau Square is easily accessible and linked to many important places.

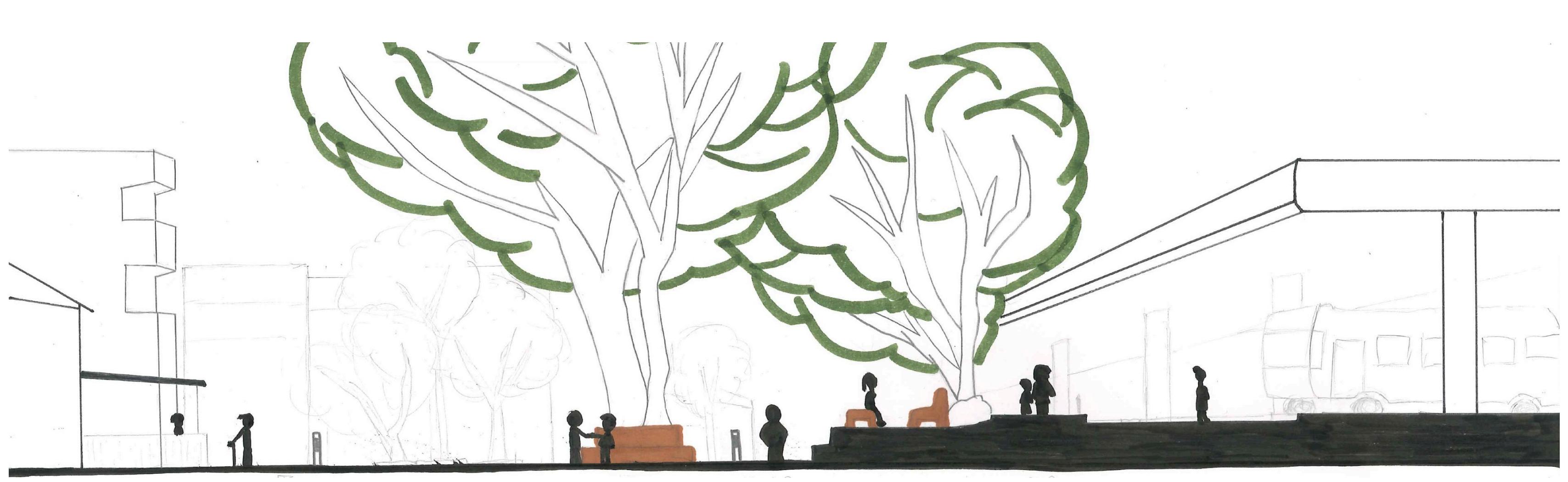
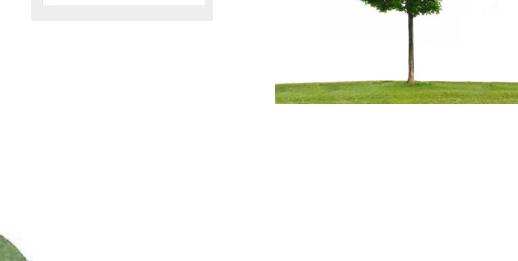
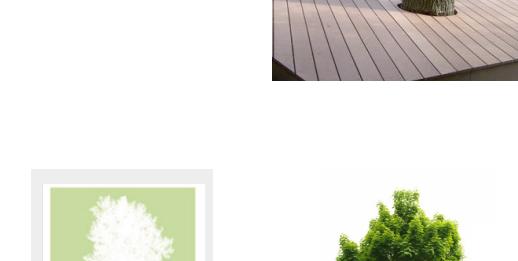
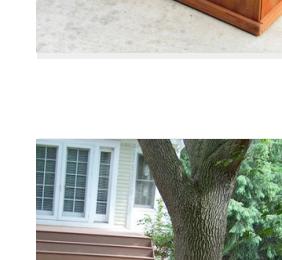
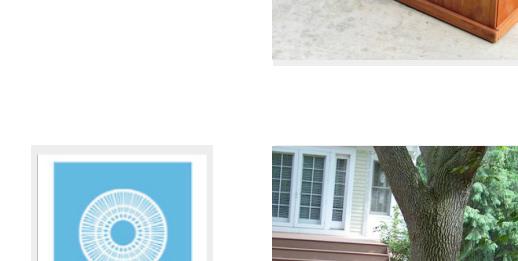
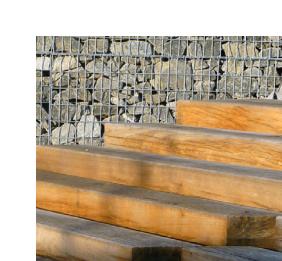
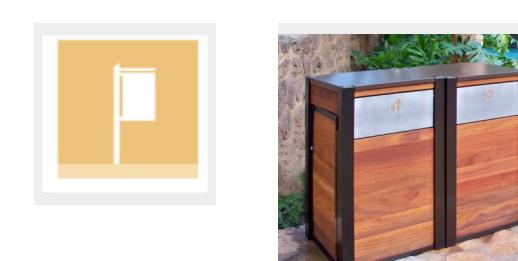
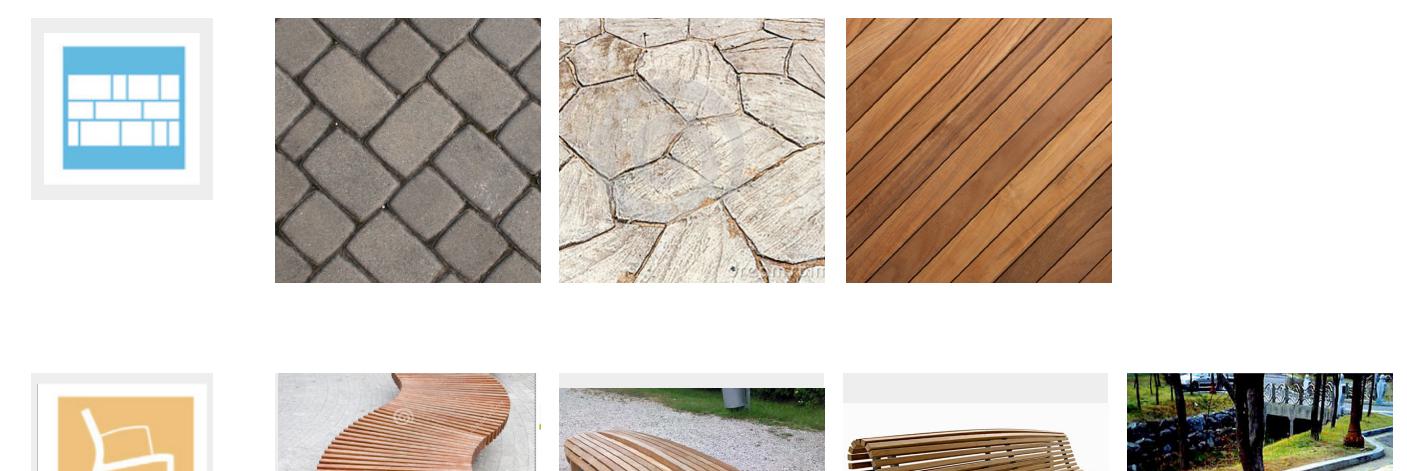
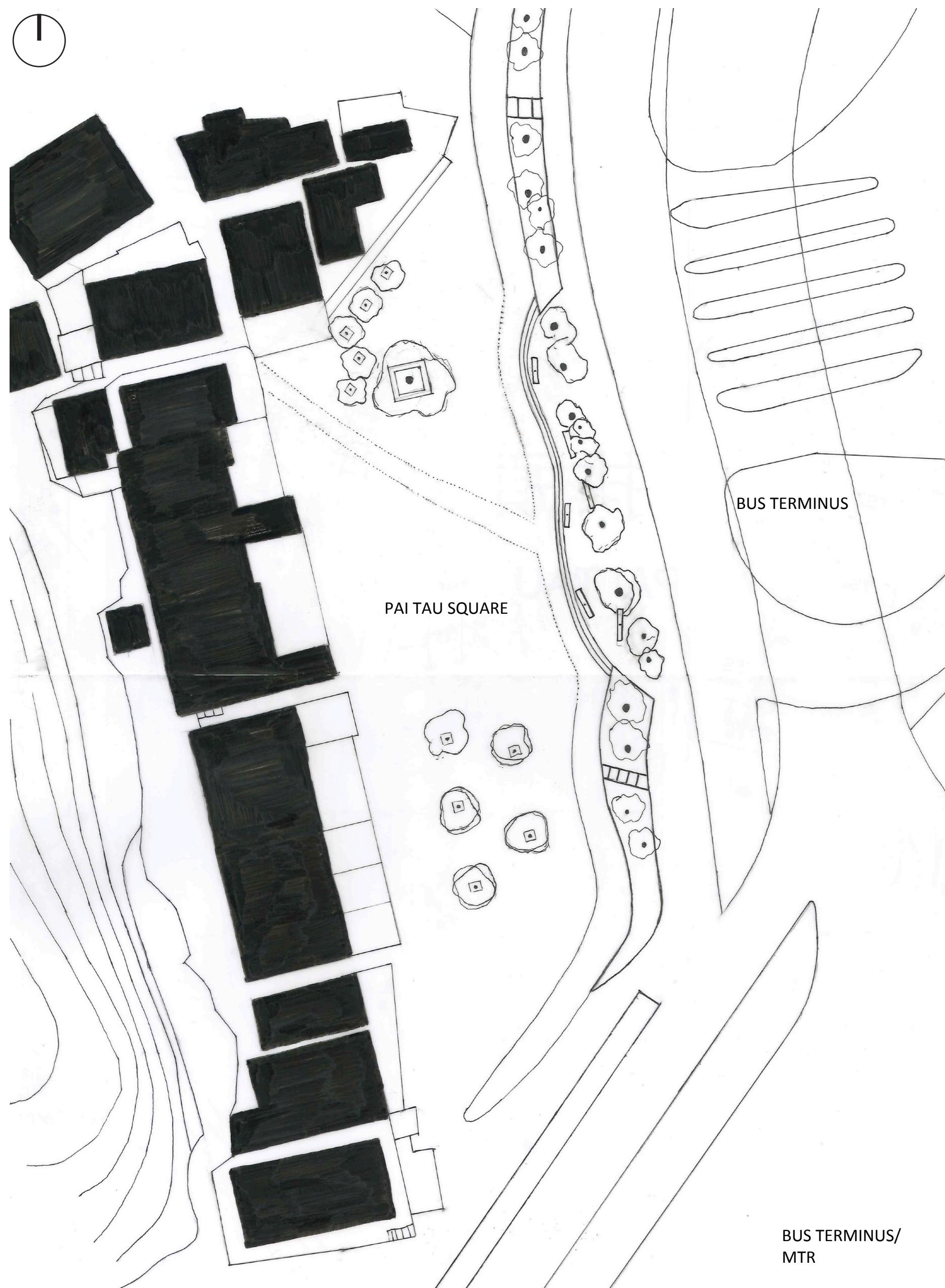
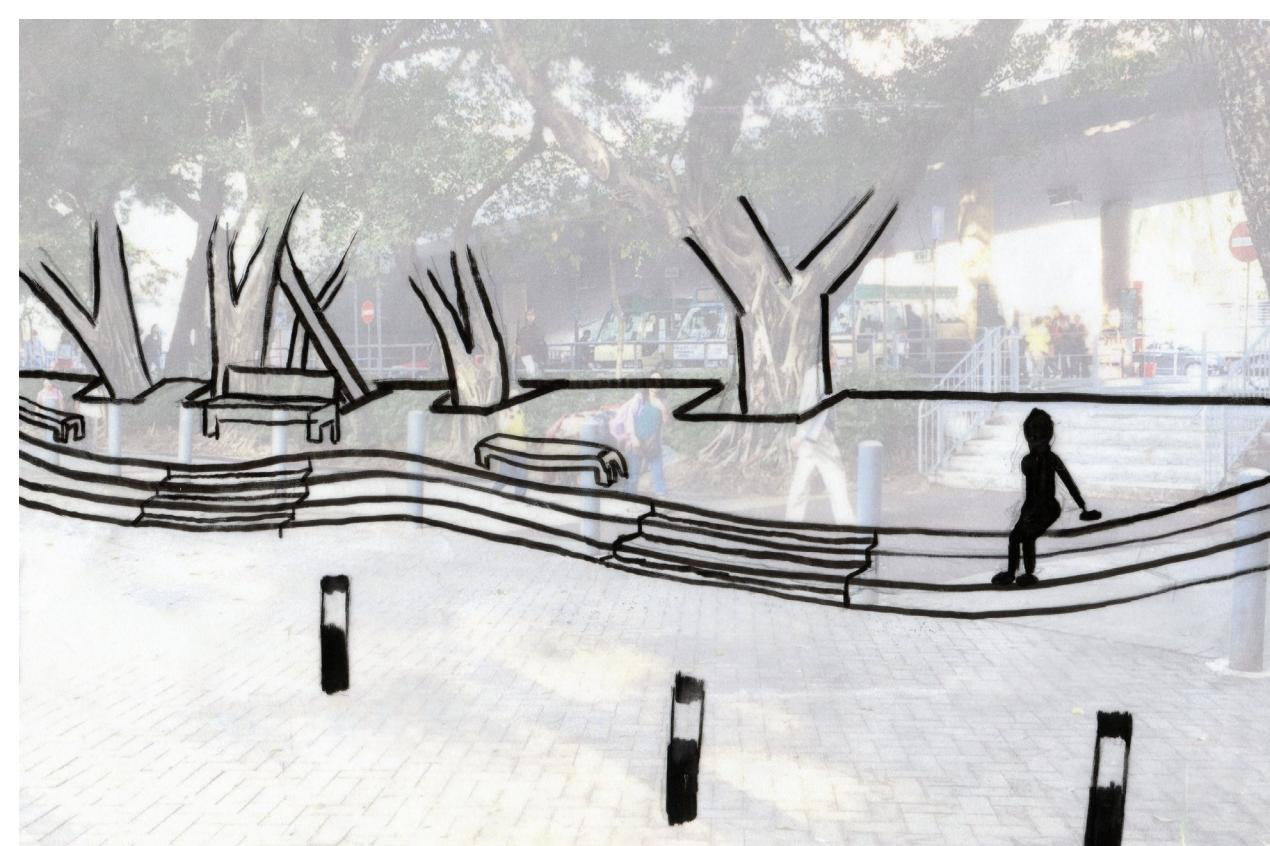
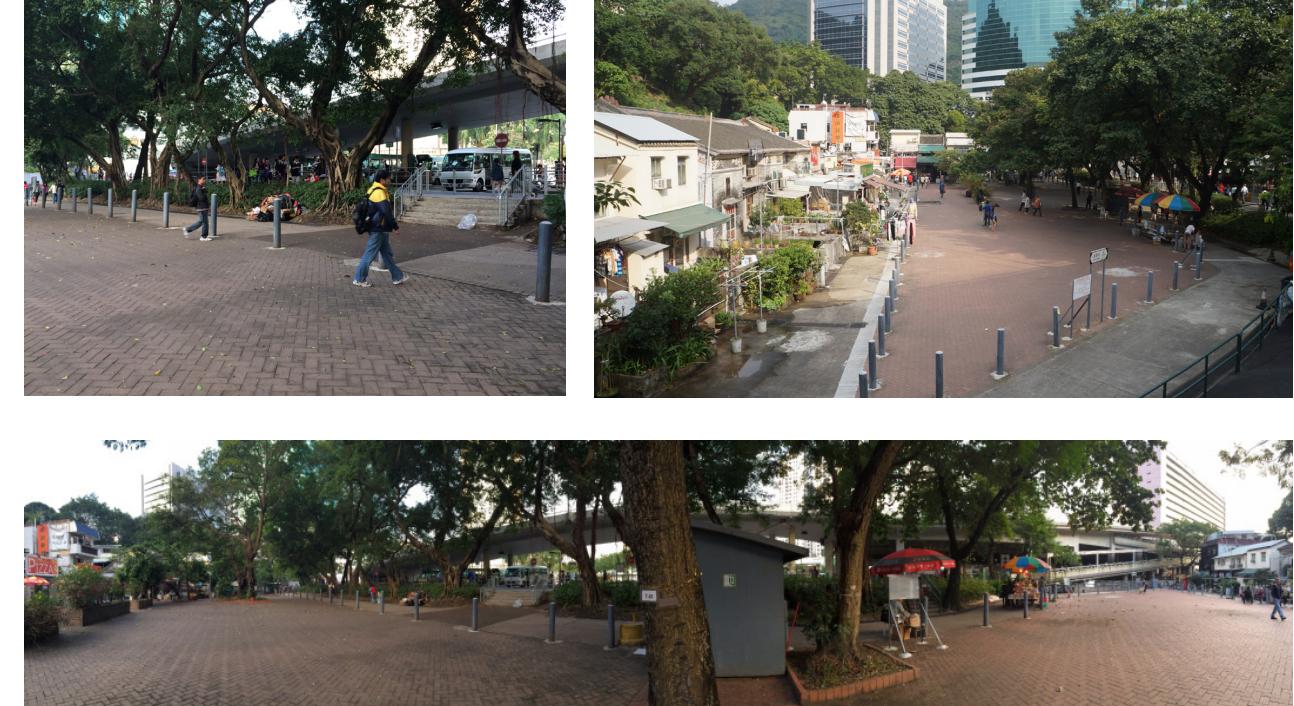


There is currently little activity going on at Pai Tau Square other than it being used as a passageway or a shortcut for people to get to their destinations. Occasionally, there are a few people who sit on the ledge of where the trees and plants are planted. There are a few local restaurants, a snack vendor, and a few residential houses located right outside of the poles. Many local elderly people make use of the area by hanging their clothes to dry on the trees. However, much of these activities are concentrated on one side of the square, leaving a large area inactive.



Pai Tau Square has great potential to be a very comfortable area and a space for social interaction. Although there is shade provided by trees, the presentation of the trees and plants are not specifically attractive. Additionally, there is limited lighting in the evening, giving it a lack of security at night. There should also be more garbage disposal bins to promote a clean and comfortable environment. There is also limited seating for people to rest, have lunch, or wait for the bus.

#### CURRENT PAI TAU



RESIDENTIAL BUILDING/  
LOCAL BUSINESS

PAI TAU SQUARE

LOWER (NEW)  
WALKWAY

NEW WOODEN  
PLATFORM

UPPER  
WALKWAY

ROAD

BUS TERMINUS