

CREATING A WALKABLE CITY AND ENHANCING THE IMAGE OF KUANTAN CITY  
CENTRE

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## ABSTRACT

The characteristics of an accessible city is the ability to provide an interesting experience through walking along the street within the city and also an efficient connectivity or network between one place to another for the users to actively walk through the street safely. A walking spot enables guests to enjoy walking in town. A pedestrian's feeling of comfort is determined by the environmental characteristics which make walking possible. This article focuses on urban walking in downtown Kuantan. This research is aimed at determining the satisfaction of the pedestrians with convenience on the basis of their experience in walking. The results indicate that most participants, especially in relation to the pedestrian amenities, are relatively happy with the level of convenience. Field surveys, in comparison, showed that the town center was poorly maintained because of the inappropriate conditions of walking and road furniture.

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## CHAPTER 1 | INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Introduction

Walkability is Important in towns prior to the car age until now. The uses of walkway or can also be called as five footpaths at public area so that it can express community value or describe a cultural related point and the placed that connected the spaces between one area to another as a linkage. The role of walkability is to promote a sense of direction and contributes to a substantial public realm. One of the characteristics that can attract tourists to tour inside of the city is by Provide the pedestrians an exciting walking experience and effective networking. The purpose of this research is to study the functional of connectivity of pedestrian networks that are affecting the image of Kuantan city while walking in the historic district and significance of old building at the city centre of Kuantan. Based on Miles (1997) He indicated, a picture of a town that was established by private associations that the picture might convoke, and that a specific location could suggest, in portion, the view from which the town is seen as the components of a construction or an insight into a familiar landmark. The literature on urban design points to many perceptions that may influence the walking environment. (Handy, 1992; Ewing, 1996).