

Streets for People

CHALLENGE

Learning from the best practices
DANDORA, NAIROBI



Dandora in Nairobi transformed its streets from this...



Before

into this- a **SAFE, HEALTHY** and **HAPPY** place for all!

After

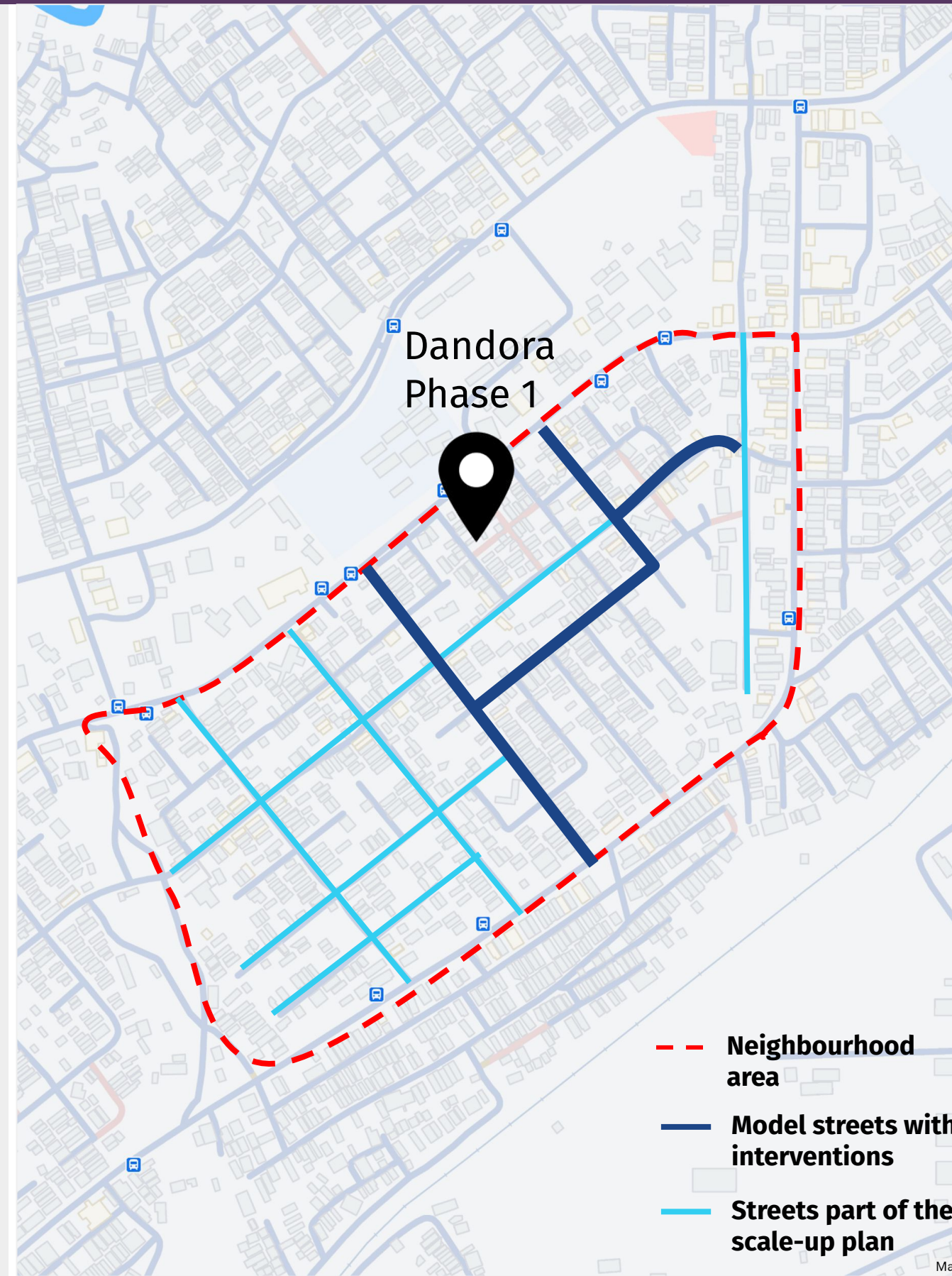


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Let's understand the scale of Dandora

Dandora is an unplanned slum settlement in Nairobi
With an **area of 0.53 sq.km**

The objective of the initiative was to enable safe, healthy and accessible environment for people in the neighbourhood.



3-pronged approach to the transformation

TEST



Source: UN-Habitat

Testing designs through
pilot interventions

LEARN



Source: UN-Habitat

Learning from pilots
with citizens

SCALE



Source: UN-Habitat

Scaling up solutions
across the city

TESTING designs through pilot interventions

- Dandora identified a **pilot street** to revitalise the neighbourhood
- Community participation in the cleanup and pilot interventions lead to an increase sense of belonging in its people.
- **More eyes on the street** led to a feeling of **security**.
- The community **visualised** their streets **using minecraft game**.



Improving sanitation and ensuring **'eyes on the street'**

Before



After



Reclaiming dead spaces using vibrant colours, planters, and seating

Before



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LEARNING from pilots with citizens

- Dandora created a **mechanism** to ensure that the **street was managed and maintained by the community**.
- It sought **proposals and entrepreneurial ideas** from youth to generate revenue for sustainability.
- **Dandora** strengthened its residents, local champions, civil societies and private sector to form **multi sector partnerships**



Source: Twitter



Source: UN-Habitat

Community participation is key for long-term transformation

Before



Source: Dandora-Library

After



Source: GSD Harvard

Community participation is key for long-term transformation

Before



Source: UN-Habitat

During



Source: UN-Habitat

After



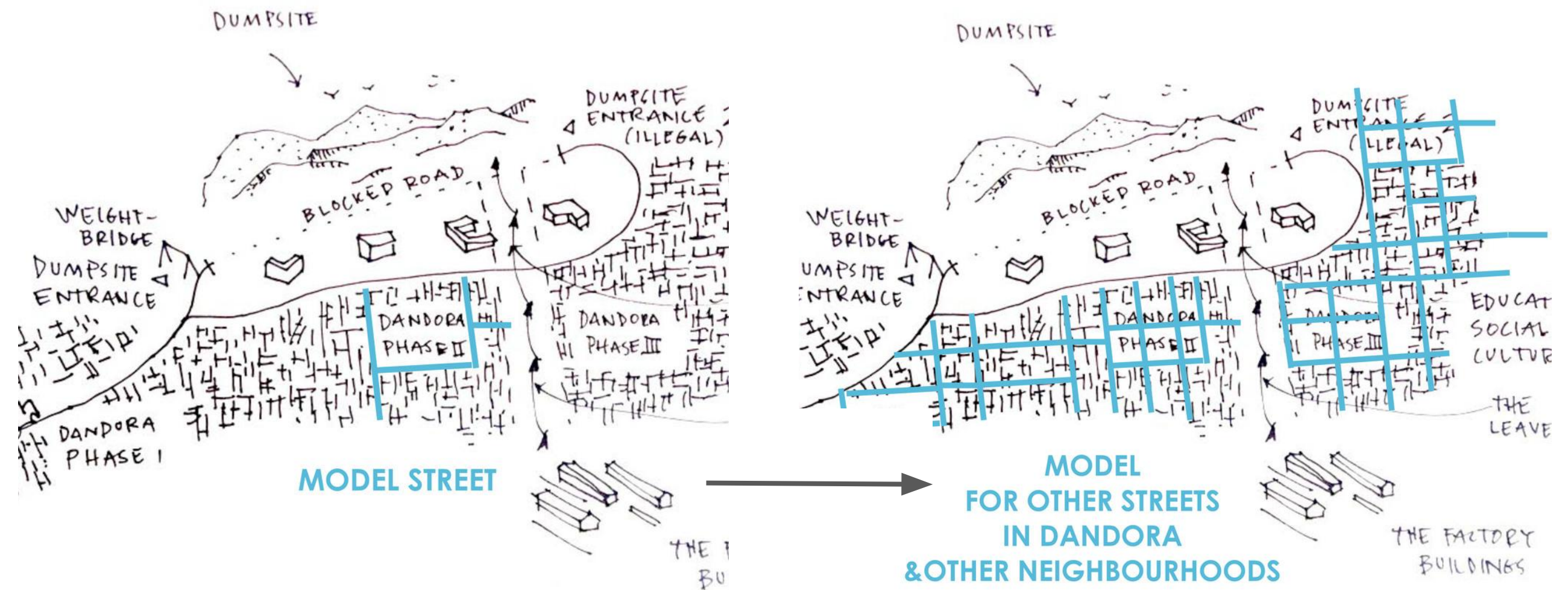
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SCALING up solutions to other neighbourhoods

- Dandora charted out a scale-up plan, enabling stakeholders to **envision impacts beyond their home space, and extended the transformation beyond their streets and neighbourhood.**



Scaling up impact across multiple levels



STREET-LEVEL

Source: UN-Habitat



NEIGHBOURHOOD-LEVEL

Source: UN-Habitat



CITY-LEVEL

Source: UN-Habitat

Creating **SAFE** and **VIBRANT** neighbourhoods

- The improvement in Dandora's streets has impacted **2,00,000 people**
- Now, **4 other neighborhoods** in Nairobi have initiated a similar approach to revitalise their neighbourhoods

The immense potential that a pilot intervention has!



Participate in the
Streets for People Challenge's
City-led Design Competition

1. Select your city
2. Sign up for the competition
3. Submit your proposal

Winning solutions will be implemented

Read more about Nairobi's initiative!



Source: UN-Habitat

[Building a model for participatory urban planning in Nairobi](#)



Source: DTL

[Transforming the streets of Korogocho](#)



Source: UN-Habitat

[Livable streets: Must seed model street](#)



Source: UN-Habitat

[Dandora's neighborhood shines with UN-Habitat's waste management led public space planning](#)

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