

# Work starting on Papakōwhai Rd shared path

We're connecting schools, parks and public transport with a new shared path along Papakōwhai Rd to make it easier for people to get around the city.

## Work starts the week of 20 November 2023 through to winter 2024

All going well, construction is planned to start next week and be completed in winter 2024. Work will be done in sections between Aotea Lagoon and the southern pedestrian railway overbridge, mostly on the eastern side of the road where the existing footpath is being widened. See the map overleaf.

We know Aotea Lagoon is a family favourite and are working hard to minimise disruption.

### Work will generally take place Monday to Friday between 7am and 6pm.

- Before 9am and after 3pm work will be confined to the shoulder and shouldn't impact road users.
- Between 9am and 3pm traffic management like stop/go will impact traffic and roadside parking.

Roadside parking will be reinstated, where possible, after 3pm. Both the north and south lagoon carparks will remain open at all times.

It is possible that detours may be in place during some of the work and that there may be occasional weekend work if needed. Road users can expect delays so should consider using alternative routes where possible. Pedestrian and cycle access will remain open.

### Features of the work

Work includes a new 3.5m-wide shared path (where possible), raised tables and safer crossing points to reduce speed, better lighting, and the installation of a pump track at Aotea Lagoon.

Parking on Papakōwhai Rd by the southern pedestrian rail overbridge will be moved back approx. 80 metres allowing for road narrowing and widening the shared path.

### Why are we doing it?

The shared pathway will improve the connection between key locations including Aotea College, Aotea Lagoon, Paremata School and Paremata Railway Station. It will also form part of the Te Araroa Trail and tie in with an upgrade at Whitford Brown Avenue intersection planned for 2024.

### **Funding**

This pathway is 100% funded by the Government's Transport Choices Programme, for projects encouraging people to bike, walk, and use public transport. The programme is led by Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency. Under the Government's emissions reduction plan, funding of the Transport Choices package was made available from the Climate Emergency Response Fund (CERF).

### Whitford Brown Ave / Papakōwhai Rd intersection upgrade

An additional upgrade at the Whitford Brown Ave intersection with Papakōwhai Rd is in the design phase, with more work to be done on how to manage underground services during construction.

It is likely to start in the new year and will include signalised pedestrian crossings, traffic signals, an additional left turning lane out of Papakōwhai Rd, better lighting and a new raised pedestrian crossing at the southern entrance to Aotea Lagoon.

### Got any questions?

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