



Vickers to City Upgrade



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We're finally on the homeward stretch and are aiming to complete the project by the end of May. Here's a little bit of an overview on what you can expect to see in the coming months.

What's been happening?

We're pleased to have been able to open both lanes for city-bound traffic on the evening of Thursday 10 March. It was great to finally see both lanes of the new bridges being used. This is a significant milestone for the project and we've already noticed that it is making your journey into town quicker.

Watson and Constance Streets are open again and we're just doing some finishing touches to the islands.

You may have also noticed that we've finished concreting the median island at Hobson Street and are working on the median island along SH3 between Ngaio Street and Mangorei Road.

What's coming up?

Mangorei Road Intersection

You'll see us constructing the city-bound left-turn lane into Mangorei Road and finishing work on the water main there. While we do this work we have adjusted the lanes to give us enough room to work, so please take care when travelling in this area and follow the signs.

Please also remember that the city-bound right-turn lane from SH3 onto Mangorei Road is still closed – an alternate route is available via Eliot Street.

Devon Street East Intersection

We're continuing work at the Devon Street East intersection. We have closed the north-bound left-turn into Devon Street East temporarily. There will also be some changes to the layout as we work in this area so please take care when travelling through here

Intersection improvements

One of the main objectives of this project is to improve the safety at intersections along the route. To do this we've been widening a number of intersections and installing islands. This work is nearly complete at Constance Street and Watson Street (south) and you'll see us working on Waiwaka Terrace, Watson Street (north) and Ngaio Street over the coming month.

Te Henui Walkway

To install a new wastewater manhole and complete the fencing and concreting, we'll be closing the walkway on 29 March for approximately three weeks. A detour will be put in place through the cemetery and Mangorei Road to Devon Street East, where you can re-join the walkway.

You'll also see us finishing some road repairs near the old Te Henui and Waiwhakaiho bridges, continuing to install street light poles, concreting median islands and footpaths, removing the old line markings and re-painting the existing handrails on Te Henui Bridge.

Questions you have been asking us

When will the project be finished?

We are aiming to complete the project at the end of May this year.

Will there be a barrier in the middle of the road under Paynters Avenue?

No. There will however be an audio tactile line marking (called a rumble strip) on the yellow centre lines.

If you have any questions or would like more information on the Vickers to City project please call 0508 V2C INFO (0508 822 4636), send us an email or visit the website.