

On track to start early 2016

The NZ Transport Agency is to build an off-road shared walking and cycling path along the eastern side of Ohaupo Road and the southern side of Normandy Avenue as far as Bader Street. The project will also see improvements for on-road cyclists too. The 5-6 month construction job is on track to start early next year.



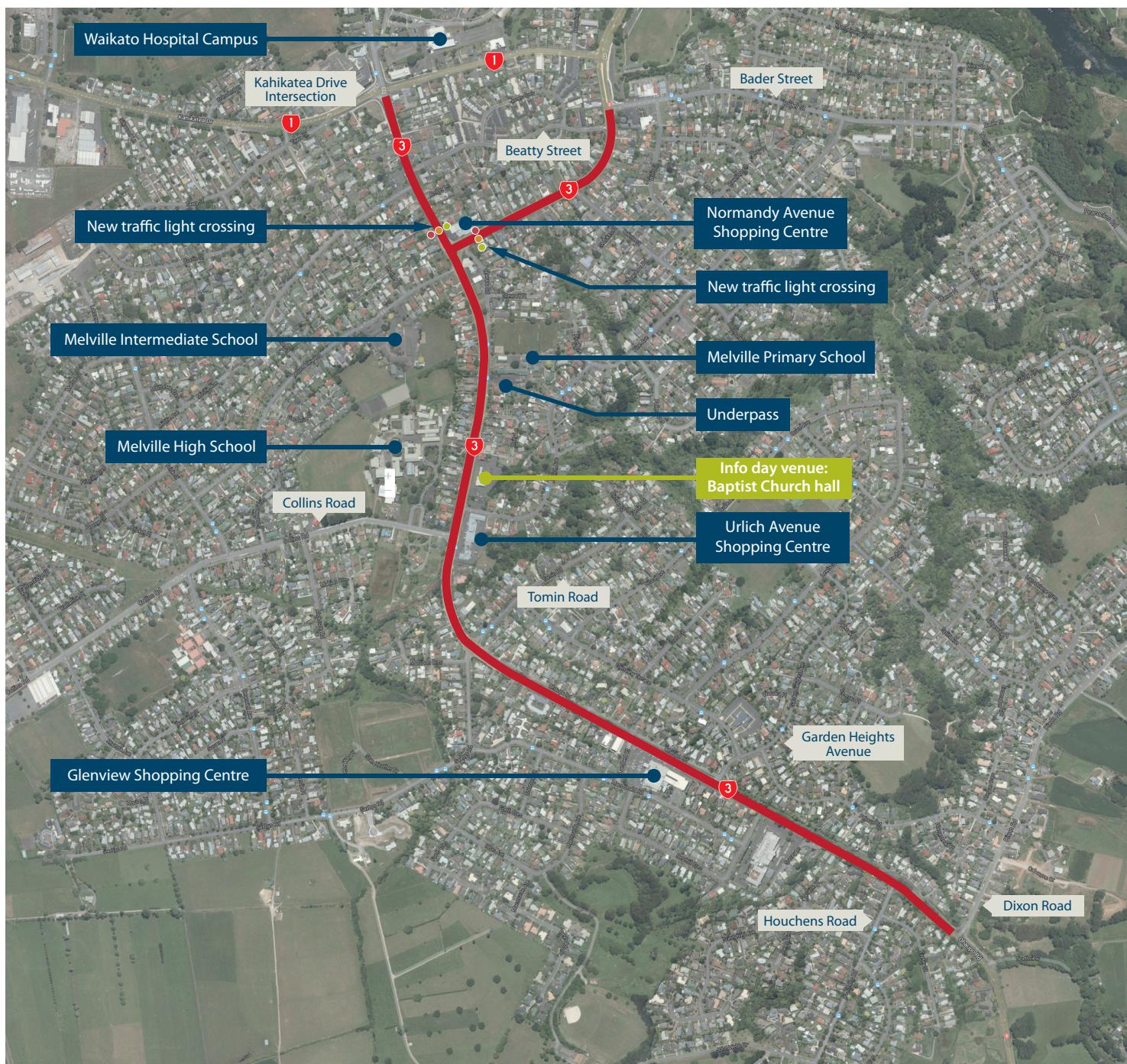
Information day

Find out more about the project at an information day coming up.

When: Wednesday 7 October 2015

Where: Hamilton South Baptist Church hall, 131 Ohaupo Road, parking at rear.

Time: Any time between 2pm-7pm



What are we building and why

The NZ Transport Agency doesn't just build and maintain highways. We also provide paths and cycleways so local journeys – to school or the shops – don't have to involve a motor vehicle.

So we are planning to build a 3-metre wide off-road shared walking and cycling path along the eastern side of Ohaupo Road and the southern side of Normandy Avenue as far as Bader Street.

Similarly, it is proposed that a combination of on-road cycle lanes and sealed shoulders will be created for commuting cyclists, managed with parking restrictions during traffic peak periods.



Looking south towards Normandy Avenue roundabout. Traffic lights are planned to replace the zebra crossing here and around the corner on Normandy Avenue.

Moving ahead

We have been talking to and involving stakeholders – like the schools in the area, Hamilton City Council, Cycle Action Waikato, Living Streets and CCS Disability Action – and finalising design.

Next steps:



What we want to achieve

- Reduce deaths and serious injuries by providing vulnerable road users with safe facilities
- Reduce traffic congestion by providing safe walking and cycling routes for locals
- Improve access to schools, shops etc by overcoming barriers to everyday walking and cycling

Project key features

- Existing zebra crossings upgraded to traffic lights
- Improvements to underpass
- Widened path over gully between Urlich Avenue and Tomin Road
- New path between Garden Heights Avenue and Dixon Road
- New crossing point at Houchens Road
- Removal of "pinch points" for on-road cyclists
- Use of "quiet lanes" – service roads shared by residents, pedestrians and cyclists



Any questions?

Come along to the open day on 7 October

or talk to the Transport Agency project manager Adrian Khan:



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