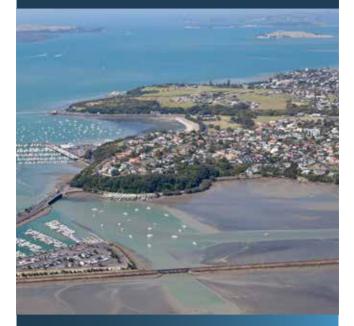


## Have your say...

#### Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path: SECTION 4

#### Ngapipi Bridge widening

Also, find out about the revised design of the Tamaki Drive Cycle Route.



Public feedback is open until Sunday 8 October 2017





#### About this booklet

This booklet provides information about:

- Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path section 4 preferred route
- Ngapipi Bridge widening concept plans
- Tamaki Drive Cycle Route revised design

On completion, these three projects will provide safe and seamless connections between planned walking and cycling paths in the area and extend existing routes.

#### What are we seeking feedback on?

We are seeking feedback on:

- 1. Section 4 of the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path
- 2. Our plans for widening Ngapipi Bridge

# Your feedback will help us improve our plans before we progress to detailed design and construction.



#### How do I provide feedback?

To provide feedback you can:

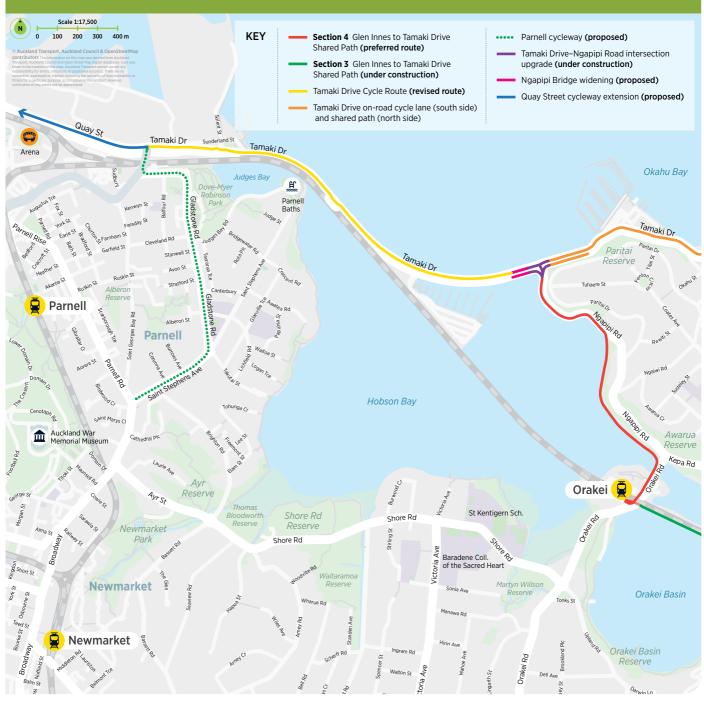
- Visit AT.govt.nz/haveyoursay and fill out our online survey
- Complete the freepost feedback form at the back of this brochure
- Talk to us on the phone (09) 355 3553
- Or, talk to us in person on:
  - Wednesday 20 September
    7am to 10am at Lilliputt Mini Golf car park
    3 Tamaki Drive, Parnell
  - Saturday 23 September
    8am to 11am at Orakei Bay Village
    228 Orakei Road, Remuera

#### What will we do with your feedback?

Your feedback will be taken into consideration to help refine our proposals.

A report on the feedback from each project, including any changes made following our consultation and where we have been unable to accommodate suggestions, will be available on the project web pages. If you include your contact details when you provide feedback, we will let you know when the report is available.

### **Creating connections**



## **Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path**

Te Ara Ki Uta Ki Tai (the path of land and sea)

We are creating a shared path for cyclists and pedestrians that will follow the eastern rail line from Merton Road near Glen Innes Station to Tamaki Drive – allowing you to walk, run or cycle from Auckland's eastern suburbs to the Waitematā Harbour.

#### **Connecting communities**

The Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path is an important part of Auckland's wider cycle network. It will connect with other paths, cycle routes and public transport, giving local communities more options to get around the city.

The path has been designed to provide links to local communities and connections to public transport in Glen Innes, St Johns, St Heliers, Meadowbank, Kohimarama, Remuera, Parnell and Orakei. When the whole path opens completely in 2018, it is estimated to draw 1,000 cycling trips per day.

#### ROUTE FOR SECTION 4 (Orakei Basin to Tamaki Drive)

To identify the best route, we evaluated eight possible routes against a range of criteria, including safety, ease of commute, impacts on private property, and cultural and environmental effects. Learn more about the routes and the evaluation process at **AT.govt.nz/easternpath**.

The route we've selected starts at Orakei Basin near Orakei Bay Village and follows the eastern edge of Hobson Bay, joining Ngapipi Road just south of the boat sheds. It safely connects to Tamaki Drive cycling and walking routes at the Ngapipi Road intersection, which will soon become



signalised with traffic lights. Construction of this upgrade started at the end of August 2017.

The 7km-long Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path



#### **Benefits of route**

- Provides an opportunity to experience Hobson Bay
- Offers shelter from wind and is distanced from rail traffic and noise
- Low gradients make the path user-friendly
- Provides opportunities to build future connections and is easier to access by surrounding communities
- Safely connects to the Tamaki Drive Cycle Route (via Ngapipi Road intersection) and existing cycling facilities on Tamaki Drive east of Ngapipi Road intersection
- Scenic view of the coastline reserve and the bay
- Convenient connection to Tamaki Drive for recreational users and commuters (this route is about 745m longer than routes along the train line for city-bound users but provides a much better

connection for those wanting to travel east from the Ngapipi/Tamaki intersection)

 Attraction for tourists and visitors from other parts of Auckland

The alignment of the route along the coastline is indicative at this stage. Further investigation and public feedback will help us determine the best possible positioning.

#### PREFERRED ROUTE – SECTION 4 Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path

#### Visit AT.govt.nz/easternpath or nzta.govt.nz/GI2T

to see a more detailed route map.





#### Local connections

This section of the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path will improve access to Orakei Train Station, Orakei Bay Village, Tamaki Drive and the city centre by connecting to:

- Section 3 of the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path
- Tamaki Drive existing cycle facilities east of Ngapipi Road intersection
- The Tamaki Drive Cycle Route

It will also provide a traffic-free route from Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive for cyclists, providing another travel option from the eastern suburbs into Auckland city and the waterfront.

Work under way at the Tamaki Drive–Ngapipi Road intersection will allow cyclists and pedestrians to safely cross over Tamaki Drive and connect to other routes in the area. Find out more about this project at **AT.govt.nz/tamaki-ngapipi** 

#### **Proposed features**

- Approximately 4 metres wide
- For shared use by people on foot and bike
- Easy gradient for accessibility
- Fully separated from traffic
- Good lighting will extend hours of access, particularly during winter months

Community input will help shape these aspects of the path.

#### Trees

For the safety of pedestrians and cyclists, and during construction, we will need to prune some trees with lowhanging branches along the coastline from Orakei Road Bridge. No trees are expected to be removed.

## UPDATE ON OTHER SECTIONS ON THE GLEN INNES TO TAMAKI DRIVE SHARED PATH

#### Section 1: Merton Road to St Johns Road

Since opening in December 2016, this section is drawing a weekly average of 1,120 trips by pedestrians and cyclists.

#### Section 2: St Johns Road to Orakei Basin

- The path will be about 4 metres wide and mostly made of concrete.
- From St Johns Road, the path descends into Purewa Valley, crossing streams and wetlands. The bush and cityscape backdrop are among the most scenic sections of the route. A bridge will take the path over the eastern rail line at Tahapa Reserve and connect with Meadowbank Train Station.
- Future links into the path are under consideration to allow more people to access it.
- Orakei Local Board plans to create a number of shared paths through Tahapa and Tahapa East Reserves, which connect to the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path. Consultation will open on 18 September. Visit shapeauckland.co.nz after 18 September to find out more.

#### Section 3: Orakei Basin Boardwalk

- Widening of the existing boardwalk around Orakei Basin to 4 metres has begun.
- The path will remain open while this work takes place, but at a reduced width, so please take care while walking and cycling near the construction area. A slip-resistant surface will be applied to the wooden boardwalk for walking and cycling in wet weather.
- LED lighting inside the wooden handrail along the boardwalk will provide both a visual and practical function and extend the hours of use. The contractors will ensure all material from the worksite in Orakei Basin is safely disposed of and run-off treated to reduce any environmental impact from construction activity.

## Ngapipi Bridge widening



Better walking and cycling amenities on Ngapipi Bridge are a key part of the wider programme of improvements in the area. We propose installing 2.5m-wide 'clip ons' on both sides of Ngapipi Bridge to provide new footpaths and converting the existing footpaths into cycleways. The existing footpath on the northern (seaward) side of the bridge will become a separated two-way cycleway, while the shared path on the southern side will be converted into a one-way, on-road cycling route.



This work builds on the pedestrian and cycling improvements being delivered as part of the Tamaki Drive–Ngapipi Road intersection upgrade and extends the Tamaki Drive Cycle Route and the Tamaki Drive on-road westbound cycle lane.

This proposal follows detailed surveys to assess the integrity of the bridge, which found no requirement to replace it. The existing lane widths sufficiently accommodate safe vehicle movement.

The bridge widening is expected to get under way after the Tamaki Drive-Ngapipi Road intersection upgrade.

## **Tamaki Drive Cycle Route**

Tamaki Drive is Auckland's busiest route for cycling, averaging over 1,500 cycle trips every day. We expect these numbers to increase with the connections this project makes to:

- Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path
- Tamaki Drive on-road cycle route and shared path east of Ngapipi intersection
- Quay Street Cycleway
- Proposed Parnell Cycleway

In June, we consulted on a proposal to upgrade sections of the existing shared paths on both sides of Tamaki Drive, between The Strand and Ngapipi Bridge, to create a 2.4km off-road walking and cycling route.

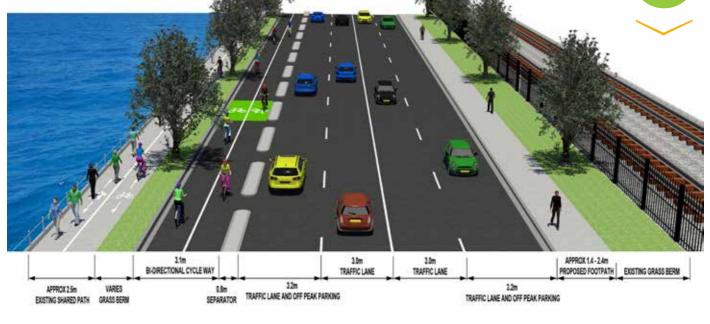
The proposed route connected with the Quay Street Cycleway extension on the northern (sea side) of Tamaki Drive, crossing to the south side at the Solent Street intersection and continued to Ngapipi Road.

#### Changes to the design

Feedback showed people preferred a route on the northern side and separation between pedestrians and cyclists. We have taken the feedback on board and revised the design. We also no longer need to position the route on the south side to connect with the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path, because this now connects to Ngapipi Road.

The entire route now runs along the northern (sea) side of Tamaki Drive. Between Solent Street and Ngapipi Road we are building an on-road, separated, bi-directional cycleway, including across Ngapipi Bridge, which we plan to widen (as detailed in this brochure).

On the southern (rail) side of Tamaki Drive, the existing shared path will be converted to a footpath and reduced to between 1.4m and 2.4m wide to make room for the cycleway and four traffic lanes.





From The Strand to Solent Street, our plans remain unchanged. The path width will be similar to the current width and, within this section, pedestrians and people on bikes will share the path.

We continue to investigate options to upgrade The Strand and Solent Street intersections and install a crossing on the slip lane leading into Solent Street.

#### **Parking on Tamaki Drive**

Most of the existing off-peak parking will remain on this section of Tamaki Drive.

Existing yellow lines on the southern side between the Outboard Boating Club and Ngapipi Road will remain and new yellow lines will be added to the northern side due to the width of the road.

Off-peak parking along the outside edge of the cycleway will have buffers and be wide enough to reduce the risk of car doors opening onto the cycleway.

#### Keeping people moving

Where off-peak (9am-4pm and 7pm-7am Monday to Friday) parking is retained, traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction around parked cars.

At peak times, traffic will have two lanes in each direction.

We are considering extending the evening No Parking restriction from 4pm–6pm to 4pm–7pm to better account for the evening peak.

#### **Crossing Tamaki Drive**

The Tamaki Drive-Ngapipi Road intersection is being signalised and upgraded to improve safety for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists. It will provide a pivotal connection point, linking the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path, the Tamaki Drive Cycle Route and existing facilities on Tamaki Drive.

#### **Trees**

On the northern side of Tamaki Drive, we may need to prune some trees with low-hanging branches for the safety of cyclists. All tree work will be carried out by qualified arborists.

On the southern (rail) side of Tamaki Drive, to make room for the cycleway, the shared path will be converted to a footpath with a maximum width of 2.4m. We will repair the footpath where tree roots are uplifting it and will investigate treatments such as boardwalks to avoid tree removal. If a tree needs to be moved or relocated, we will apply for consent.

Construction of the Tamaki Drive Cycle Route is expected to start mid-2018. AT is investigating mitigation measures to address flooding at low spots on Tamaki Drive near the Outboard Boating Club and intend to carry out this work at the same time, subject to funding and consenting.

## A city for bikes

Encouraging people to get on their bikes is part of the vision for a more accessible, liveable city. Since opening in July 2016, around 770 cycle trips are made daily along Quay Street Cycleway. On 22 March 2017, this cycleway reached a milestone 200,000 cycle trips.

Tamaki Drive Cycle Route, Ngapipi Bridge widening and the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path are all part of a 3-year, \$200m programme of investment by Auckland Transport (AT), the NZ Transport Agency and Auckland Council to give Aucklanders more transport options and make it easier to get around the city by bike.



In recent years, cycleways on Quay Street, Nelson Street, Beach Road and Grafton Gully have helped double the number of people on bikes heading into the city. The Lightpath Te Ara I Whiti has become an iconic part of Auckland's city scape, winning a string of awards, including the top prize in the Transport category at the Berlin World Architecture Festival in November 2016.

Once completed, the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path is expected to draw more than 1,000 cycling trips per day.

Find out more at AT.govt.nz/cycling



# **Feedback form**

Please complete this freepost form and return it to us by **Sunday 8 October 2017** Alternatively, you can provide feedback online at **AT.govt.nz/haveyoursay** 



5. How would you improve our proposal?

If you have difficulty completing the form, you can
call us on (09) 355 3553 and our contact centre staff
will help you fill it in over the phone.

If your comment relates to a specific location on the route, please be sure to state where. You are welcome to attach additional pages (or provide feedback online) if you need more space.

## GLEN INNES TO TAMAKI DRIVE SHARED PATH: SECTION 4

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### **Personal information**

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Business/organisation
Street address
Suburb
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Phone
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ensures that we can contact you with updates to the project, including the outcome of the consultation.

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I would like to receive information on public consultations in my area

#### What best describes your interest in this proposal? (PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)



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I work/own a business in the area

I visit the area to shop

I cycle in the area

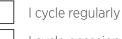
I walk or run in the area

I drive or take the bus/train in the area

I visit the area for other reasons (PLEASE SPECIFY)

#### What best describes your cycling habits?

(PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)



I cycle occasionally

I may cycle or cycle more often if cycling facilities improve



#### How did you hear about this project?

#### (PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY)



Information posted/emailed to me Auckland Transport/NZTA website

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Blog e.g. Bike Auckland, Greater Auckland

Social media e.g. Facebook, Neighbourly

#### Word of mouth

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