

# National War Memorial Park and Underpass

## Milestones reached in underpass and park



### Lights on in the tunnel

The lights are on in the tunnel and will be linked to daylight sensors when the underpass opens so the journey will be comfortable on drivers' eyes.

Installation of tunnel safety and traffic management systems is almost complete and they have been tested well ahead of the planned opening of the underpass. Emergency services recently tested the tunnel's communication systems.

### Roadworks for new underpass route

Work begins next week to prepare the road for when State Highway 1 is re-routed through the underpass in October. Two lanes on Sussex St beside the Basin Apartments will be realigned.

Overnight Sunday 7 September, the junction of Sussex St and Buckle St Diversion will be closed to west-bound traffic. The Taranaki St intersection at the underpass exit will be partially closed at night from 31 August to 4 September.

More details will be included in notices to neighbours. The road closures and detours will be advertised.



### Crèche makes 3<sup>rd</sup> move to its final site

At the eastern end of the site, the historic Home of Compassion Crèche made the third and final move in its relocation to a permanent position within the park grounds on Monday and Tuesday. In total, the crèche has been slid 16.5m to the back of its original site, lifted 3.2m and finally slid 15 metres west. All this was achieved safely using hydraulics.

Restoration and landscaping will follow.



### Northern perimeter of the park taking shape

The northern perimeter of the National War Memorial Park is taking shape outside Mt Cook School, upper Tory St apartments and Te Papa Archives. Completion of works on this section is expected in late September.

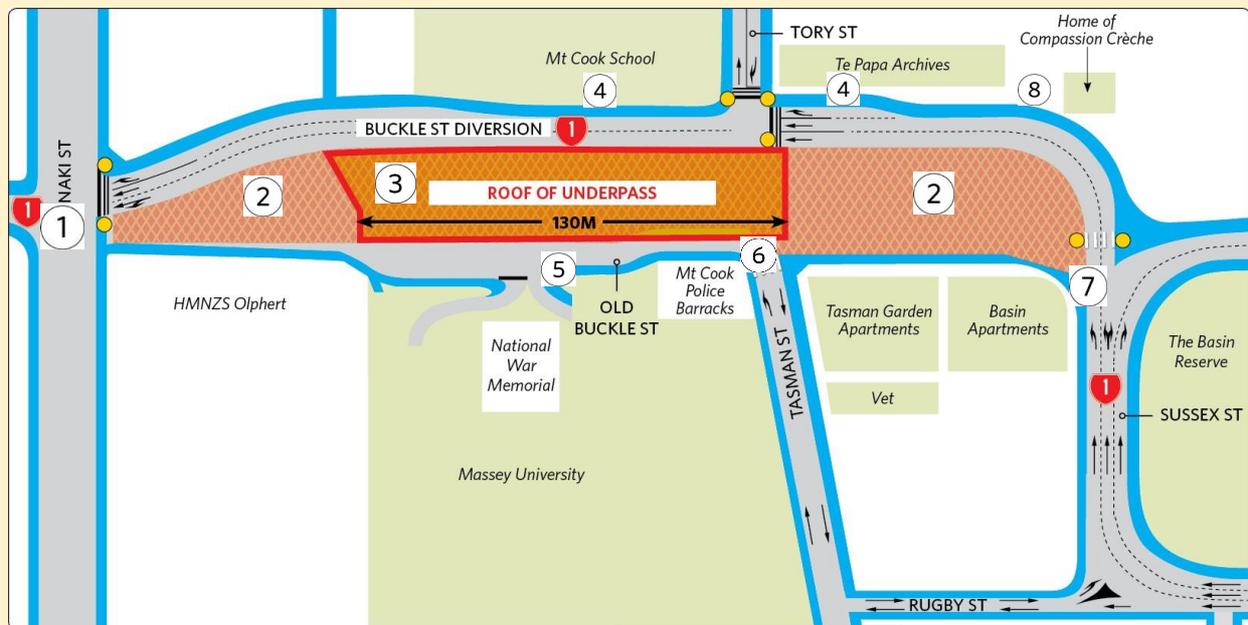
An access lane is part of the design and work to date has involved laying and compacting the base in preparation for future asphaltting. Next week associated stone pavers will be laid.

Outside Te Papa Archives this week, we are forming concrete kerbs and, near Tory St, will be installing underground services.

Outside Mt Cook School and the apartments at the top of Tory, the last of the precast concrete panels for terrace walls in this area will be delivered next week.

## Contact us

# What's happening around the project site



## Underpass

### 1 Taranaki St intersection

- Construction of southern traffic island and kerbs in preparation for resurfacing the intersection.

### 2 Western exit on to Taranaki St / Eastern entrance from Sussex St

- Construction of the road in preparation for asphaltting.

### 3 Tunnel

- Roof – waterproofing material has been applied and is currently being held down by weights.
- Interior – installation of safety and traffic management systems is nearly complete, precast panels and barriers are being installed, and the lower walls are being painted cream.

## Park

### 4 Northwestern perimeter

Work continues on landscaping the area adjacent to Mt Cook School, top of Tory apartments and Te Papa Archives.

- An end piece for terrace walls outside Mt Cook School and top of Tory apartments arrives on **Monday 11 August**.
  - Crane on site: 5.45
  - Truck arriving: 6.00 approx
- A further end piece will arrive later in the week in the early morning. We will let neighbours know as soon as possible.

### 5 Tangata Whenua Gardens by the National War Memorial

- Foundations for the western garden walls are being dug.

## Streets near the project site

### 6 Tasman St corner with Old Buckle St

- Installing water and gas connections – next week
- Installing telecommunications ducts across the road for services to nearby properties. Stop/Go traffic management will operate 17–22 Aug.
- Chorus will then put its cables in the ducts.

### 7 Outside Basin Apartments on Sussex St

#### Resurfacing the highway to turn into the underpass

- Inspection of underground services and installation of street light foundation near apartments' side entrance – to Sat 9 Aug.
- Next week, install new kerbs.
- A series of night works follows on Sussex St and in the underpass from Sun 17 Aug – 9 Sept.
- This is unavoidably noisy work.

(See detailed notice of works)

### 8 Home of Compassion Crèche

The crèche is now in its permanent position.

#### General site work hours

Mon – Fri: 6.00am–6.00pm Noisy work after 7.00am

Sat: 7.00am – 2.00pm Noisy work after 8.00am

We try to give our neighbours a timely warning of activities they may find disruptive. However, some activities may occur at short notice as the programme is adapted to optimise work progress.

## Contact us