

# Mill Road

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## WHAT WE'VE HEARD FROM YOU AND WHAT'S HAPPENING NEXT



Between 18 May and 19 June 2020, Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency asked for your feedback across a range of transport projects in southern Auckland. For the Mill Road project, we wanted to know what you thought about the route options identified as well as the proposed locations for connections with local roads.

**520**



pieces of feedback received for Mill Road

**940**



reactions to social media posts

**552,668**



times people saw our online ads

**245**



people attended our online community conversations



**117**

radio ads

Thank you for taking the time to have your say.

### New Zealand Upgrade Programme

Mill Road is being funded as part of the New Zealand Upgrade Programme which is investing \$6.8 billion in infrastructure projects across New Zealand to save lives, get our cities moving and boost productivity in the country's growth areas.

To find out more about the New Zealand Upgrade programme, visit: [www.nzta.govt.nz/nz-upgrade](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/nz-upgrade)

### COVID-19 CHANGED HOW WE COULD ENGAGE WITH YOU

During May and June, we had expected to be out and about with the Te Tupu Ngātahi Supporting Growth team, attending community information days to inform and update you on the Mill Road project.

With the level of COVID-19 restrictions in place, we took a careful approach to our public engagement and provided alternative opportunities for feedback as it was unsafe to gather in large groups at open days or drop in sessions.

We are looking to attend community events in the coming months, once it's safe to do so under lower COVID-19 Alert Levels.

# We heard from ...

 Residents' associations	 Walking and cycling groups	 Activity groups
 Local boards	 Local residents	 Agricultural groups
 Transport advocacy groups	 Community Groups	 Landowners
 Business owners	 Schools	

## Key themes

-  Provide safer ways to get around on foot and bike
-  Concern about the corridor becoming a 'rat run'
-  Want more opportunities to engage with Waka Kotahi about the project
-  Start construction as soon as possible
-  Less support for alignment of the Drury section
-  More information needed on the impact to homes and businesses
-  Carefully manage any impact on plants and animals in the project area

## You asked...

***'What is the impact to my property?'***

**We will:** Continue speaking with landowners as work progresses on confirming the preferred route so that we can discuss any potential impacts to your property with you directly.



***'We hope the Mill Road corridor considers the needs of other users apart from motorists.'***

**We will:** Investigate 'managed lanes' which could include one lane in each direction being prioritised for public transport. A walking and cycling path will also run the length of the Mill Road corridor to provide choice for how people access work, places of education and connect with family and friends.



***'We hope that as these projects develop there will be further opportunities for engagement and feedback on the various sections.'***

**We will:** Continue to share project information as well as opportunities for you to let us know what you think. Engagement with our partners, stakeholders and local communities is key to the successful delivery of Mill Road.



## Next steps

During the next few months, we will be undertaking a range of investigations over a wide area to help decide on the preferred route for Mill Road.

In early to mid 2021, we will be applying for the approvals needed to construct Mill Road. We'll also continue to talk with our partners, landowners and the community as the project progresses.

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