

PETONE TO MELLING



Te Ara Tupua is the project to create a walking and cycling link between Wellington and Lower Hutt.

The Petone to Melling section is under construction, while the Ngā Ūranga ki Pito-One section is undergoing further design development and planning the details of construction. Updates on both sections will be available at nzta.govt.nz/tearapupua

Dear neighbour,

Our work is progressing on the Petone to Melling section of Te Ara Tupua. This project will provide a safe, fully separated cycling route alongside this part of State Highway 2 and will join other projects in future to create a route between central Wellington and central Lower Hutt. The Petone to Melling project is being constructed by Fulton Hogan on behalf of Waka Kotahi.

There is activity on several areas of the project at present while we work towards completion of the project in early 2023. We are working at both the northern and southern rail underpasses and on the main cycleway alongside SH2 and the rail line.

The location of this project means that work on site is complex and there may be times when you don't see people or machinery working. Safety for people working around the rail line and highway mean that we can't work all day every day, and some work can only be done when trains aren't running - at night or in the weekends.

On our project website at nzta.govt.nz/petone2melling you can view a project fly-over video filmed in December 2021.

PROJECT OVERVIEW



KEEP IN TOUCH

If you have any questions or would like to give us feedback on this project, please email us at P2M@nzta.govt.nz or call 0800 3424 8457

If you would like to receive email updates on construction work, please email us or sign up at nzta.govt.nz/petone2melling

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON SITE?

Petone Underpass

Work has recently resumed on the underpass south of Petone train station. This work was delayed as the site was flooded by heavy rain. The water will be pumped out of the underpass site so that work can continue. While this has caused a slight set-back for construction, the design for the underpass includes a permanent pump station, meaning that the route will not suffer this kind of flooding once the shared path is complete.

Work on the main structure of the underpass ramps will take place until approximately May this year, followed by the fascia panels along the ramps until September. From September until the end of the year, we will complete the lighting, CCTV and pump station.

Petone Station

Later this year, we will be making changes at Petone Station. The new cycling route passes through the station car park with a shared path in front of the platform. This will result in some temporary changes during the work, and a permanent change to the layout of the carpark.

Before we start work in front of the platform, a new parking area will be opened on the other side of the McKenzie Avenue overbridge, to maintain overall parking space numbers. This will provide an increase

of twenty spaces to the total number of park and ride spaces at Petone Station when the project is finished.

We will keep residents and station users informed ahead of work in the station beginning.

Main cycleway

Along the main stretch of the cycleway between SH2 and the rail line, some stretches are nearly ready to be surfaced with asphalt before the winter. We are preparing to install lighting poles in some areas along with a CCTV system.

We have completed construction of retaining walls north of the Dowse Drive interchange, this has enabled us to raise the ground level from the level of the railway tracks, up to the road level. We'll be working overnight in some areas in this stretch in the coming months to install drainage and cabling for the cycleway in this area.

Normandale Underpass

We have now completed the piling work for the underpass ramp structure on the highway side of the underpass near the Normandale Overbridge. We have now started work to dig out the ramp and connect the cycleway beneath the rail to Parliament Street. We'll be working on this underpass and surrounds until approximately August this year.



Retaining wall completed opposite Western Hutt Station, before raising the ground level for the cycleway surface



The northern ramp of the Petone underpass



Main cycleway progress, north of Petone Station



Main cycleway looking towards Dowse Drive interchange

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