



# Lincoln Road Interchange Improvements Project

PROJECT UPDATE

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## Quick facts

- New seven-lane bridge across the Northwestern Motorway (SH16) at Selwood Road (previously two lanes).
- Widening of the Northwestern Motorway (SH16) from two to three lanes in each direction, plus bus shoulders.
- The existing four ramps will be realigned and rebuilt to improve entry and exit of the motorway.
- New signalised intersections on either side of the interchange give safer crossing opportunities for pedestrians.
- Fulton Hogan is delivering the improvements to the Lincoln Road Interchange on behalf of the NZ Transport Agency as part of the wider Western Ring Route project, a road of national significance.

## KEEPING UP WITH THE WEST

Upgrading the Lincoln Road Interchange is a key part of the NZ Transport Agency's programme of works to complete the Western Ring Route.

There are five separate projects currently underway or about to start, and they all need to be finished by the time the Waterview Tunnels connecting the Southwestern and Northwestern Motorways (State Highway 20 and 16) are opened in 2017.

Connecting the two motorways to complete the Western Ring Route will have a big impact on how Aucklanders travel around their city.

The improvements at Lincoln will help ensure the Northwestern is able to handle the growing demands from everyone who use the motorway – drivers, people who use public transport and those who walk and cycle.

## WHAT'S HAPPENED SO FAR?

Construction of the Selwood Road Bridge was completed last October and the partial opening of the new westbound off-ramp occurred last June.

The Selwood Road Bridge will be fully operational once the city bound on-ramp has been constructed and the westbound off-ramp is fully opened. The Transport Agency's team aim to have both these completed by mid next year.

## WHAT ARE WE DOING TO THE LINCOLN ROAD INTERCHANGE?

The safety of those on the road is paramount and as such our improvements at Lincoln Road include an upgrade to a fully signalised intersection with walking and cycling facilities. The westbound off-ramp will be lengthened and widened, meaning increased capacity and reduced likelihood of traffic queuing back onto the Northwestern Motorway.

The city (eastbound) off-ramp is being rebuilt to allow a straight and safer exit rather than the existing loop. At the same time, the city bound on-ramp will be lengthened and widened to make it easier for traffic to merge on to the motorway. There will also be a dedicated bus shoulder from Lincoln Road to the motorway to improve access for public transport.

Improvements also include better and safer access for walker and cyclists through the interchange. A section of Northwestern Cycleway will also be upgraded.

Alongside these improvements at Lincoln Road, Auckland Transport is also looking at public transport options in the area to give people more choices for travel.

*Upgrading the Lincoln Road Interchange is a key part of the completion of the Western Ring Route.*



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## MOVING THINGS HERE AND THERE

Over the next few months drivers, cyclists and walkers will notice significant changes in their route.

### Drivers

The new city (eastbound) off-ramp at Lincoln Road will open at the end of October and the old loop off-ramp closed. This will be a significant change to what drivers experience currently as you will need to leave the motorway earlier for Lincoln Road. This off-ramp will also be controlled by traffic signals at the top of the off-ramp to improve safety. Those travelling north on Lincoln Road to get onto the motorway heading east into the city will still use the existing on-ramp until the new one is completed mid next year. Also, those heading to the city will notice that they will be diverted onto the new Henderson Creek Bridge on the Northwestern Motorway from mid-November. Please take care until you get used to the new layouts and driving conditions.



The new Henderson Creek Bridge currently under construction. Traffic will be switched onto this in mid-November



New Northwestern Cycleway will be open early next year

### Walkers and cyclists

We will be shifting the alignment of the Northwestern Cycleway further north. You will be reunited with an old friend as we will be reusing the old steel cycleway structure for this change. We still ask that you take care while in the area. We will continue to assist where possible. The upgraded cycleway will be ready for use early next year.



## Meet the team

It is never easy constructing a project in the middle of a community and the Transport Agency acknowledges that drivers are affected by the Lincoln Road improvements. We certainly appreciate the support we've received from the community and for their continued patience in allowing the team to progress this significant project within the Western Ring Route.



The team delivering the new Henderson Creek Bridge



### CONTACT US

If you have got any concerns, compliments or would like to talk with our friendly project team, you can contact us on the 24hour project line **0800 34 57 44**.

Information on the Lincoln Road Interchange Improvements and other Western Ring Route projects can also be found on the NZ Transport Agency website [www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/wrr](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/wrr)

