

Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive Shared Path – Te Ara Ki Uta Ki Tai

PROJECT UPDATE

December 2017

Section 3: Orakei Basin Boardwalk Widening



Work is under way on the upgrade and widening of Section 3 of the Orakei Basin boardwalk, which is part of the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive shared path project.

Firstly, we would like to say thank you for being so understanding since construction on this section began in September. The boardwalk upgrade and widening is expected to be finished in mid-2018, and we are doing our best to undertake the work in a way that reduces the impact on boardwalk users.

At certain times, we will need to reduce the width of the boardwalk so construction equipment and materials can be delivered. We ask that you please follow the instructions on the signs at each end of the boardwalk and from staff at the project site while works take place. Our priority is to ensure the safety of the community and our work crews.



WHAT DOES THE BOARDWALK WIDENING INVOLVE?

The Orakei Basin boardwalk is a section of the 7km-long shared path from Merton Road in Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive.

We will be widening the boardwalk from 2.5m to 4.5m, installing new fences, lighting and handrails. The timber decking will be replaced with an anti-slip GRP (fibreglass) surface. The timber handrails will be replaced with modern steel handrails fitted with LED lighting. The bridge over the basin inlet and the concrete paths at each end will also be widened.

Widening the boardwalk will involve using an excavator to drive two rows of new timber piles about 3.5m into the basin bed. A timber structure will be built onto the piles to support the balustrades and GRP decking.

The boardwalk will remain open while this work is carried out, but at a reduced width for safety reasons. Cyclists are encouraged to dismount from their bikes before going onto the boardwalk. We encourage people to take care while walking and cycling near the construction area.



THREE MONTHS AHEAD

Over the next three months, you will see significant progress on the boardwalk, with most of the piles installed and the timber structure and balustrade installation under way.

CHRISTMAS SHUTDOWN

Contractor Broadspectrum will have a short break over Christmas. Works will cease from the close of business on Friday 22nd December 2017, and re-start on Monday 8th January 2018.

What you can expect:

- When we close the site we will make it safe and secure.
- We will remove traffic cones and some of the work signs.
- We will regularly check the temporary fencing along the basin edge of the boardwalk and repair/replace any sections required.
- The site compound and our traffic management will remain in place.
- The barge will be securely moored about 30m off the boardwalk.
- If you see an emergency or security issue, please call 0800 080 023. We will have a team on standby to attend to call-outs.

You will receive regular updates on progress and how the project might affect you.

Thank you for your patience while work on section 3 of the Glen Innes to Tamaki Drive shared path continues. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy holiday.



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