



# Johns Road Upgrade: The Groynes to Sawyers Arms Road

part of the Western Corridor



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Welcome to our seventh bulletin – packed with news, updates and our plans for the next few months. We issue these bulletins every three months or prior to a major change.

### The last three months

There has been a considerable amount of work done since the last newsletter, both lanes of traffic are now travelling on the new northbound lanes, a section of the new service lane and the Wilkinsons roundabout are open and The Groynes to Clearwater section is almost complete.

### The Groynes to Clearwater Avenue.

This section is nearing completion, most of the road foundation has been constructed ready for foam bitumen stabilisation. We need to wait until spring to do this as the foam bitumen needs higher ground temperatures to work correctly. The footpath and wire rope edge barrier will be installed this month and extra thick asphalt will be laid on the southbound lanes of the roundabout over the next couple of weeks (weather permitting) to give this this section of road the extra strength it needs to cope with turning vehicles.



## Gardiners Road to Wilkinsons Road Service Lane & Roundabout.

The new roundabout at the old Johns Road/Wilkinsons Road intersection will be open this month. The roundabout will connect the new one way service lane, Wilkinsons Road and the Johns Road (SH1) southbound onramp. At this stage we will have the service lane open from Stella Close to Wilkinsons Road. The on-ramp to Johns Road will not be opened until traffic moves back onto the southbound lanes.



## Wilkinsons Road to Sawyers Arms Roundabout

This section is now closed to through traffic as we have started to construct the drainage infiltration trenches which are located underneath the new swales (the broad, grassed channels designed to manage rain water runoff and remove pollutants). There will be some disruption to residents while their new driveway entrances are constructed, we will update those affected before work begins.



## Logs donated to Paparoa Street School

A few months back the project team donated and delivered some of the leftover tree trunks from trees that were removed to make way for the new 4 lane road. The logs have since been used to help create an outdoor classroom/playground. The outdoor area is usable in almost all seasons and has been a huge hit with all the kids.



### What's next?

The objective over the winter months is to get as much work done as the weather allows. We can't complete final surfaces as these need higher ground temperatures however, the aim is to get the southbound drainage completed and have the road foundations ready so come September we can hit the road running with foam bitumen stabilisation followed by chip seal and then the final smooth asphalt top layer.

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