Victoria Park

Victoria Park Tunnel INFORMATION

Victoria Park will be restored on top of the tunnel, with work due to start in autumn 2011 as soon as the tunnel roof is completed. At the same time, some facilities within the park will be reinstated. The key features of the reinstatement are:

- Areas affected by construction will be re-grassed, and trees replaced.
- Connectivity through and to the park will be improved by building new footpaths
- A replacement skate park will be built by Auckland Council in its original location next to Beaumont Street. This will cover 2,100 square metres and will be designed with input from skateboarders and local area representatives.
- A half-court for basketball will be built in a new recreation plaza.

- Two egress structures will be located in the park in case of an emergency in the tunnel. The structures will be integrated within the park - with one providing recreation opportunities and the other acting as a piece of art within the park.
- Before tunnel construction began a number of trees were removed from the park. These trees will be replaced as part of the landscape planting. A total of 150 specimens (both trees and shrubs) will be planted. These include six large London Planes to reinstate this historic ring of trees.
- Other furniture to be located in the park includes drinking fountains, picnic benches, bins, signage, public toilets and bike stands.
- The existing viaduct will include a public arts component. The viaduct columns will be painted.



