



# Walnut Avenue Intersections Improvements

## Project Overview

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency is working with Ashburton District Council, iwi and KiwiRail to improve the intersections of West Street (SH1) and East Street with Walnut Avenue.

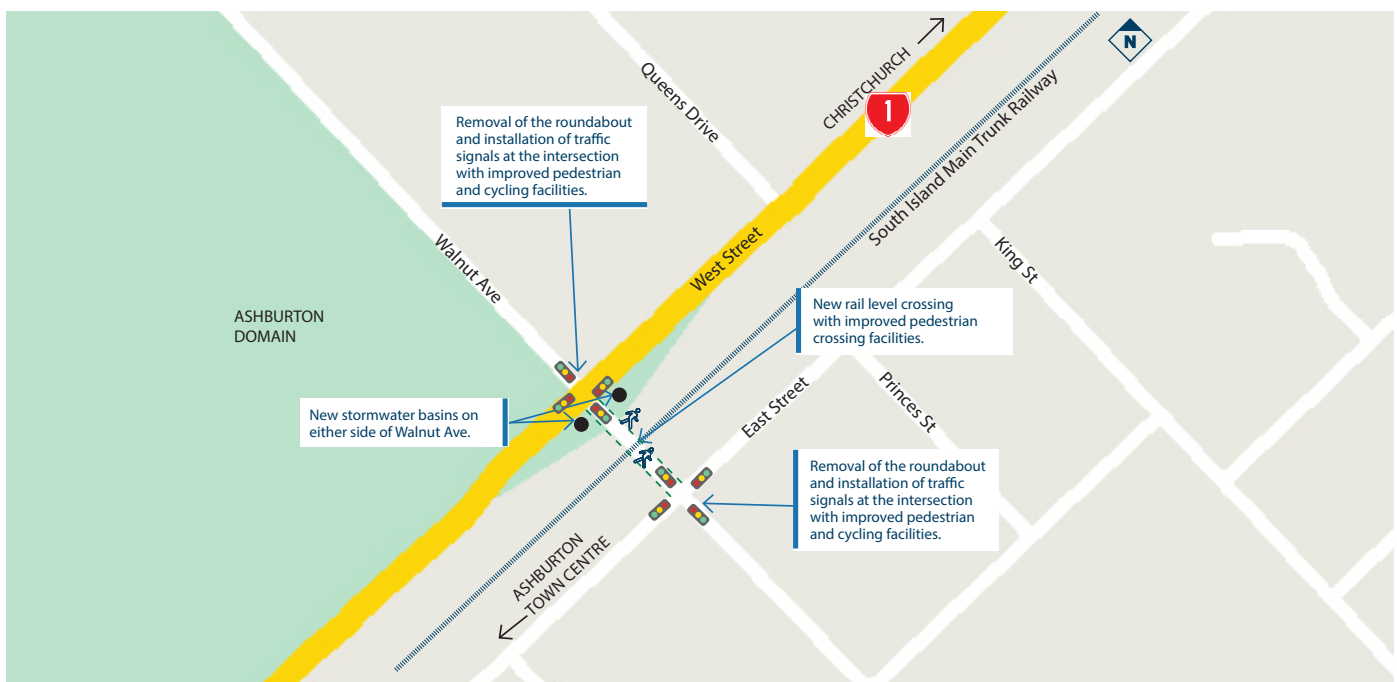
We'll be replacing the roundabouts with traffic lights, creating a new rail level crossing and improving pedestrian and cycling facilities.

The work also involves road widening, a street lighting upgrade, and island and pavement construction. The traffic lights and railway barriers will be coordinated too.

School children will benefit from the safer crossings, which will also help reduce delays, make it easier for larger vehicles to travel through, and improve access for locals.

Weather dependent, we expect everything to be finished by the end of 2022. The project is part of the New Zealand Upgrade Programme, the Government's \$8.7 billion investment in growing communities across the country.

## Work Area



## Traffic Impacts

A 30km/h speed restriction and other traffic management will be in place during the work. Please drive with care when travelling through the site, allow extra time and pay attention to signs and changes to the road layout.

Two lanes will be open to traffic for the majority of the works, with a stop/go system used on occasion when required.

To keep school students and other pedestrians and cyclists safe, a temporary pedestrian crossing will be installed, along with temporary fencing sitewide.

We will update you ahead of any significant changes to the site as work gets underway.

Thanks again for your patience and understanding as we carry out this work.

## What work is coming up?

For the first two weeks, we will establish a work site and hydro-excavate to locate underground services. This is noisy work and will continue for several hours at a time. We apologise for any inconvenience this might cause.

We will also test ground conditions around the site and begin removing a number of trees around the intersection so we can widen the road and carry out other works. We are working with council to off-set the tree removal by planting in other areas.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The majority of the work will be carried out from Monday to Friday between 7:00am and 7:00pm, and on Saturdays if needed. We will let you know if we need to work at night.

The work will be carried out by Fulton Hogan and measures will be in place to minimise noise, dust and vibration levels.



Example of hydro-excavation



Current view of the intersections

## CAN WE HELP?

Please contact Fulton Hogan on 0800 ROAD FH (0800 7623 34) Monday to Fridays, 8am - 5pm, to discuss any specific access needs such as nurse/doctor visits or Meals on Wheels deliveries to your property. Contact us at anytime if the matter is urgent.