

# Christchurch Northern Corridor QEII Drive - Grimseys Road

PROJECT UPDATE

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## CLOSING GRIMSEYS ROAD/QEII DRIVE INTERSECTION

The Christchurch Northern Corridor (CNC) Alliance team is starting the final stages of the QEII Drive west upgrade. The left out lane from Grimseys Road onto QEII Drive will be temporarily closed again to construct the new intersection. When we open the Grimseys Road intersection, before Christmas this year, it will have the final lay-out: left in and left out only.

### TRAFFIC IMPACTS

**From Monday 3 September the Grimseys Road exit onto QEII Drive will be closed.** A traffic detour will be in place, see map overleaf.

The current Prestons Road works being carried out by the Council will be at a stage where two-way traffic on Prestons Road can be maintained. Temporary traffic lights will be used to pass these work sites on Prestons Road in September.

Closing the Grimseys Road exit lane means we need to move some of the steel safety barriers on the evening of **Sunday 2 September from 8pm.**

Stop/go controls will be used during this night work on QEII Drive. This may impact on your journey by up to five minutes. The detour in place for the intersection closure will add extra travel time to your journey as well.

### WHAT'S NEXT?

We have installed the drainage pipes and the street light cables and now it is time to build the road pavement for the two extra lanes on QEII Drive west between Main North Road and Grimseys Road and the new lay out on the intersection with Grimseys Road.

The existing pavement at the intersection will be removed; more gravel and asphalt will be brought onto site to build the new road.

The new lanes will be ready in December this year. Similar pavement work will be happening on QEII Drive east behind our barriers.

After completion we will move traffic over to the new lanes, so we can start the upgrade on the two existing road lanes. Traffic on QEII Drive will be moved over to the new lanes between Main North Road and Grimseys Road and on QEII Drive east between our bridge walls and just before Hills Road.



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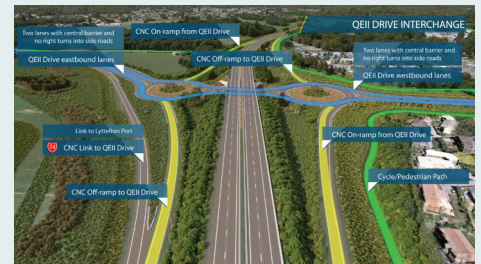
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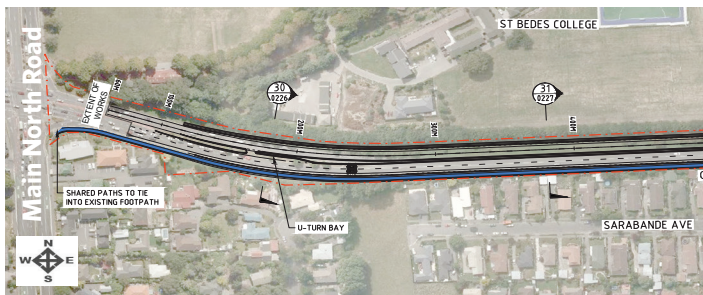
Map: the green lines show the diversion for Grimseys Road to access and exit onto QEII Drive through Daniels Road and Main North Road. The red line shows the Grimseys Road - QEII Drive intersection closure.



Artist's impression of the QEII Drive Interchange.



Aerial view of the QEII Drive interchange, with the new CNC motorway going over QEII Drive (bridge walls are visible).



## FUTURE U-TURN BAY

The planned U-turn bay on QEII Drive west, that will give access to Grimseys Road for westbound traffic, is scheduled for completion in late 2019.

We'll improve travel times by making QEII Drive four lanes, and adding a central median to improve the traffic flow and safety. Local Grimseys Road residents will have access to their homes using a U-turn bay on QEII Drive.

A U-turn bay provides convenient and safe access for residents with less risk than uncontrolled right-hand turns. The U-turn bay will be installed just before the intersection with Main North Road (see design above) so vehicles travelling west can turn and head back to Grimseys Road.

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- › Our standard construction work hours are Monday to Saturday between 7am and 7pm.
- › There will be increased noise and vibrations associated with most of the construction work. We will do what we can to minimise this.
- › Keep yourself and your children, as well as pets, at a safe distance from the work site. Please stay behind the construction fences at all times.
- › All work sites are subject to weather and other unforeseen conditions. Some jobs will be finishing early while others may be delayed or rescheduled.



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