

QEII Drive update

26 June 2017



Piling rig will be shifting

Piling on the north side of QEII Drive is nearly finished and the rig is moving to the south side of the road. The piles in the QEII Drive area are being installed to support the bridge taking the new motorway over QEII Drive.

Cycle/pedestrian detour

To ensure the safety of cyclists and pedestrians using the QEII Drive shared path, while the piling is underway, we have created a short-term detour around the piling site. The detour route will open on Wednesday 28 June and will stay in place while we complete our piling operation on the south side of QEII Drive. There will be no impact on other traffic.

The temporary shared path will be fenced and lit at night. There will be a vehicle access-way across the temporary shared path. Path users will have the right of way but please ensure you have been seen before you cross this area. The path surface has been compacted but it is unsealed. Please take extra care when cycling as skidding could be possible if you make a sharp turn.



Cycle/walking detour route in the making



QEII Drive Site Clearance

Starting the night of Sunday 2 July we will be installing steel safety barriers on QEII Drive, from Grimseys Road to Innes Road. The site clearance work involves tree felling and vegetation removal along QEII Drive. This will allow us to start building two new traffic lanes to upgrade QEII Drive to four lanes of traffic. The work may impact your travel time.

BARRIER INSTALLATION

To allow us to construct the two extra lanes on QEII Drive we need to install steel safety barriers along the road. This will protect our workers and keep drivers on the road safely away from our work site. We have already installed these steel barriers on QEII Drive near Grimseys Road.

From Sunday night 2 July till Thursday night 6 July we will install steel barriers on QEII Drive from west to east up to house 281. Due to high traffic volumes during the day we are doing this work at night. Traffic on one lane will be stopped for a short time when each barrier is placed. A stop/go person will manage the traffic.

To clear the work site we will fell trees and remove vegetation. This will take place between **3 July and 24 July**. This work happens during daylight hours and traffic on QEII Drive will need to be stopped for a maximum of three minutes at a time in both directions as the large trees come down. For more information on the tree felling please see the back of this notice.

After the site clearance work we will be moving services and drains. The motorway construction is likely to get fully underway in September. This work will be done off-line and should cause only a slight impact on traffic. Once the two extra lanes are in place we will move traffic over to the two new lanes to start work on the south side of QEII Drive.

Site Clearance: Tree felling



CONSTRUCTION IMPACT

Our piling work in this area during the day will continue till late July. Piling work in the Winters Road area will continue as well and this work is scheduled to finish by mid August.

Both the piling and the tree felling produce noise. Nearby residents will experience noise when our crew deliver, position and secure the steel barriers in place.

Stop/Go and Hills Road closure

QEII Drive will be four laned between Main North Road and Innes Road. For our work on the QEII Drive upgrade we will construct two lanes on the north side of QEII Drive first. Before construction on this can start we will need to remove the trees that are in the way of the new alignment. The tree felling and vegetation removal is scheduled from **Monday 3 July till Monday 24 July.**

Traffic management

For safety reasons the tree felling work needs to happen during daylight hours and traffic on QEII Drive will need to be stopped as the large trees come down. Between **10am and 2pm** traffic on QEII Drive will be stopped in both directions for a maximum of three minutes at a time. Please expect delays and plan your travel time.

On **Sunday morning 9 July between 6am and 11am** traffic at the Philpotts Road intersection will also be stopped in the same way when the trees come down in this area. **From 10 July to 14 July between 10am and 2pm** traffic will be stopped for a maximum of three minutes at a time on Hills Road while we fell the trees on the west side of Hills Road.

Temporary Road Closure Hills Road

On Sunday 16 July and Sunday 23 July from 6am to 11am Hills Road, between QEII Drive and Langes Road, will be closed to all traffic.

This is to allow the tree felling near the intersection. Please detour via McSaveney's Road and Marshland Road or find other alternatives for instance via Prestons Road. During these times on both Sundays the traffic on QEII Drive near Hills Road intersection will be stopped in both directions for a maximum of three minutes at a time when the trees come down.



TRAFFIC IMPACT

To summarise the overall traffic impact of our work: During the night works when placing the steel barriers, traffic on one lane will be stopped for a short time when each barrier is placed.

For the tree felling during the day traffic in both directions on QEII Drive will be stopped. This may impact on your travel times: expect a three minute delay.

The temporary road closure on Hills Road may impact on your travel time too.

For more information on this work or if you have further general queries, please get in touch with us: **0800 262 200**

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