

Newsletter

A quick update from the project team about the work that is happening in and around the village.

Auckland Transport (AT) in partnership with St Heliers community representatives is working on improving the connection between the beach and shops and make it safer to walk, bike and drive around St Heliers village.

We would like to thank you for your patience while this important safety work is completed. For regular updates, please visit our website [here](#) or scan the QR code here.



Improvements timeline

Phase 1: Early June – Mid August 2021

30km/h Speed Limit Signage

Tamaki Drive Shared Path: Auckland Road to Goldie Street

Polygon Road Roundabout

Raised Pedestrian crossing near Vellenoweth Green

Phase 2: Mid August – Mid November 2021*

Tamaki Drive Shared Path: Goldie Street to Cliff Road

Raised Pedestrian crossings near Maheke Street and St Heliers Bay Road

Cliff Road/Tamaki Drive Intersection Works

Goldie Street Parking

Tamaki Drive resurfacing

Tamaki Drive footpath (southern side)

Vellenoweth Green Path

How are we tracking?



*Subject to Covid-19 Alert levels being 3 and below





Working under Covid Alert Level 3 restrictions

Along with a number of our projects in Tāmaki Makaurau, the St Heliers Village Upgrade resumed on Wednesday, September 22 after Auckland's move to COVID-19 Alert Level 3. The government will review the alert level in two weeks.

As the city is the frontline in the defence against the delta variant of COVID-19, the health and safety of people in our community remains our top priority. Together Auckland Transport and the Contractor have assessed the risks, and developed a comprehensive COVID-19 plan for the St Heliers worksite. We are confident that by following the new Health Order and strict industry standards provided by Construction Health and Safety NZ (CHASNZ), the work can be safely carried out.

Our plan includes standards and guidelines for pre-planning work, documenting the health and safety of staff, maintaining safe physical distancing, cleaning of all plant, tools and vehicles, sticking to work bubbles, and quickly and accurately tracing people if they come into contact with someone who tests positive for COVID-19.

Starting back up, right where we left off, our first activities have been laying asphalt and clay pavers through Goldie Street and St Heliers Bay Road, to match the finish achieved outside the Bathing Sheds.



St Heliers project gets back underway at Alert Level 3



Pedestrians out enjoying the greater freedom of Level 3, while work starts back up on St Heliers safety improvements Stage 2



For your safety

Please remember to still stay home and keep your bubble tight and avoid travelling at Alert Level 3, unless your journey is for work or essential personal reasons. This includes getting to and from work, travelling to the supermarket, the doctor, pharmacy or to get a COVID-19 test or vaccine. However, people should work and learn from home if possible. At Alert Level 3, schools can re-open for children of essential workers. Low-risk recreation in the local area is allowed. At Alert Level 3, you can also travel to attend permitted gatherings or to visit whānau if you have extended your bubble. For more information of where and when you are permitted to travel, go to: www.covid19.govt.nz

If you are moving around the city, please scan the Ministry of Health's NZ COVID Tracer app QR code, to assist with contact tracing, should it be needed. Simple tools for staying safe include wearing a face covering and getting vaccinated.

The traffic management remains in place around our worksites to keep the public and our crew safe. Please make sure children and dogs in your care do not enter any fenced areas, and be aware of construction trucks and other machinery in the area.



What this means for public transport

As always, the safety of our staff and customers is our top priority. All public transport services are being cleaned regularly and thoroughly.

While we are at Alert Level 3, it remains mandatory to wear a face covering while on-board public transport, if you are over the age of 12. You will also need to maintain a two-metre physical distance from other passengers while on public transport and remember to scan the QR code for your journey.

Also, when getting on and off a bus, please use the rear door. The AT Mobile app displays how many people are on a bus or train service at any given time, so you can see at a glance whether physical distancing is achievable before you board. Remember to tag on and tag off using your AT HOP card.

With schools closed during Alert Level 3 (except for dependents of essential workers), school bus services will not operate.

Look online for Auckland Transport's COVID-19 information [AT.govt.nz/COVID19](https://www.at.govt.nz/COVID19)



Next up (dependent on Alert Level and weather)

During Alert Level 3, or lower, work continues on Phase Two. We are working along Tamaki Drive between St Heliers Bay Road and Cliff Road with construction of the new shared user's path and boat ramp improvements.



A special thank you

AT wishes to acknowledge the Orakei Local Board, St Heliers' Residents Association and St Heliers Business Association for helping us to deliver this important project.



Get in touch

Our drop-in sessions at the St Heliers Library have been put on hold until Auckland is in Alert Level 1 now.

If you need further information on the library drop in sessions contact Caroline Tauevihi on 021 957 735 or Linda Casey for construction queries.



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