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Wynyard Quarter Update - Interim Cycle Path (Westhaven Drive and Beaumont Street)

Auckland Transport plans to carry out road and public space improvements within the southern section of Wynyard Quarter which will attract more people and businesses to an increasingly accessible waterfront.

These long term improvements include a cycle path that will connect Westhaven Promenade with North Wharf. This will provide a link in the continuous 20km Harbour Edge walking and cycling route from Herne Bay to St Heliers and will cater for bike riders of varying skill and experience.

Because the long term road upgrades are some years from construction, to align with the completion of the Westhaven Promenade in **February 2015**, an **interim cycle path** will be constructed to provide a safe and continuous link between Westhaven Promenade and North Wharf.

The route for the interim cycle path will run from the eastern end of Westhaven Promenade, along the western and northern side of Westhaven Drive, and the eastern side of Beaumont Street.

In late January and early February 2015 we will undertake a trial layout where we will temporarily narrow the road with barriers and monitor the effect on traffic in the east – west section of Westhaven Drive. By working with key stakeholders, we will use the findings from this trial to design the road layout for this section of the interim cycling project.

Please find enclosed a copy of the interim cycle path plans. You can also view the plans at:

www.at.govt.nz/projects-roadworks/wynyard-quarter

The operation of the interim cycle path will be monitored to help inform the design for the long term cycle facility, and road upgrade project. Further consultation will occur in due course.

Parking changes

On-street parking will generally be retained on both sides of Beaumont Street with some parking loss around the zebra crossing. The perpendicular parking on Westhaven Drive will be changed to parallel parking to support the shared path. This will result in the loss of 18 on-street parks with 10 on-street parks remaining.

Auckland Transport will ensure that parking is managed effectively and will undertake the following:

- Adjust parking restrictions to prioritise short-term parking over commuter parking.
- Look at ways to improve the operation of the car park adjacent to 23 Westhaven Drive and optimise parking in the cul-de-sac in this area.
- Remove the no stopping lines on the western side of Beaumont Street near 164 188
 Beaumont Street to increase the level of on-street parking.

When will construction of the interim cycle path begin?

To coordinate with the completion of Westhaven Promenade, construction of the interim cycle path is planned to start 16 February 2015 from the northern end of Beaumont Street with completion expected in March 2015.

Auckland Transport's stakeholder manager and contractor representative will be in touch shortly with businesses adjacent to the route to co-ordinate the work, and to understand how we can minimise the impact of the construction works.



Further information

For further information please contact our stakeholder liaison manager Greg Horne on greg.horne@aucklandtransport.govt.nz or phone 09 355 3553

More information on the road and public space improvements planned for Wynyard Quarter is available from $\underline{www.at.govt.nz/projects-roadworks/wynyard-quarter}$

Yours sincerely

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