

We are members of Otakou/Harington Point Communities and request the Dunedin City Council give urgent consideration to the following submission.

The Peninsula Connection Road Safety Project has been a huge success to date. However, with the increase in visitors to the Peninsula, particularly the tourism destinations beyond Portobello, and the recently created Te Rauone recreational beach and playground, it is now imperative the Peninsula Connection be completed to the Albatross Colony.

In particular, funding needs to be accessed urgently to create safe passage for vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists from the south end of Otakou, (just past the Golf Course), to the Otakou fishermen's Wharf. This section of road is extremely narrow with the road edge breaking away into the harbour in some places. It is dangerous for all who use it, and particularly with large tourist buses becoming more regular users.

This year, and every third year, Waitangi Day is hosted and celebrated at Otakou Marae. Hundreds attend this special day, and the traffic is horrendous on this section of road. With the marae also being a destination for many other activities it is an urgent safety issue for all who travel to attend.

The Peninsula Connection project is about safety for all who wish to enjoy all aspects of the Otago Peninsula, from the City to Pukekura. We want to see this project completed as soon as possible.

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