

SOUTH DUNEDIN FUTURE UPDATE

Kia Orana, Talofa lava, Mālō e lelei, Ni Sa Bula and warm Pacific greetings from the South Dunedin Future team.

This has been another challenging year as we all navigate the Covid-19 pandemic, through its lockdowns and changes to our lives.

This has disrupted some of our community discussions about the effects of climate change and how to adapt 'the Flat' and beyond. But we have been carrying on, taking every opportunity we can to discuss these important issues.

Over the past two years we have held more than 60 meetings with local groups, and met face-to-face with about 2,000 people. We have heard a huge range of things, from big ideas for the future to technical questions about the flow of underground water and the personal histories of generations of South Dunedinites.

Underneath all this we have heard a deep love of the place, a willingness to change and a desire to be part of big decisions that will need to be made to give South Dunedin its best possible future.

Manager for South Dunedin Future



South Dunedin Future now has a dedicated manager, Jonathan Rowe.

This new role is jointly funded between the Dunedin city and Otago regional councils. His job is to help us effectively face the challenges of climate change and make the most of the opportunities for South Dunedin's future.

Jonathan brings great skills and experience to the job. He has returned to his Dunedin roots with his family after working in Wellington as an advisor to the Minister for Climate Change, and a number of programme management roles for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade based in the Cook Islands and Fiji, managing sustainable development programmes.

A report will go to meetings of both councils soon to provide an update on the programme and outline the next steps.

Roads to be resurfaced at night

Several roads in the South Dunedin business area will be resurfaced in coming weeks.

Princes Street and King Edward Street (from South Road to Macandrew Road), Bridgman Street, Cameron Street, Sullivan Avenue, and part of Hillside Road will be resurfaced in stages from 16 November to about 8 December. Worn areas of road will be removed, and pavement renewed to provide a safe, smooth and durable surface for all users.

To minimise disruption, work will take place at night (between 6pm and 6am). Traffic management will be in place during these times and contractors will help to provide affected residents and business owners with access to properties as needed.

This work is part of the DCC's annual resurfacing programme, which this year will see \$6 million spent on renewing some 66km of roads around the city. Other areas of focus over the summer months include parts of Andersons Bay Road, Stuart Street, MacLaggan Street/Serpentine Avenue, the Cumberland Street overbridge, and more.

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