

Pipes, paving and plantings

It's been more than a year since we started work to replace degraded underground pipes in Bath Street, to ensure the stability of this infrastructure for the next 100 years or more.

Utilities work has now been completed with the decommissioning of the old watercourse pipe. It was the failure of this pipe that originally prompted the Bath Street project to begin with, after part of it collapsed.

The rich history of the area has continued to surprise and challenge the project team in unexpected ways during this work, including with the discovery of robust brick manholes that might be better suited to a bomb shelter than the foul sewer system! All these challenges have required time and effort to work through.

Despite these delays, we remain on track to complete the project as scheduled by the end of October.

Now that the street's 'makeunder' is finished, we've begun work on its 'makeover'. This involves refreshing the road surface and making the area more user-friendly for members of the public.

Thanks to those who provided feedback as part of our community consultation on the design, either in writing or at our community hui in March.

We've made some changes to the original design to remain within our project budget, including a reduction in the amount of paving, planting and artistic lighting featured on the street.

Due to budget constraints, rainbow crossings have been excluded from the project scope. However, we will continue to explore opportunities to install them in the immediate vicinity when undertaking other roading infrastructure upgrades. You can see the revised design overleaf.

FAQs

Will the street still feature a cultural narrative?

Yes! The main theme is 'ara moana', the pathway to and from the sea. The design incorporates pātiki (flounder) and aramoana (ocean) patterns, and imagery of tuna (eels) which have long inhabited waterways around Ōtepoti Dunedin – including beneath Bath Street. Tohu whenua (cultural marker poles) will also be placed at either end of the street.

What's happening with the rainbow crossings?

These have been removed from the scope of this project to ensure the redevelopment of Bath Street remains within budget.

Back in 2021, in response to a community petition, Council passed a resolution to install a rainbow crossing in the CBD. The DCC will continue to work with the Rainbow community and the disability community to achieve this in future.

Rainbow crossings appear in many cities throughout Aotearoa and around the world. They are symbols of welcome and support for LGBTQI+ residents and visitors, and reflect the diversity within our communities.

Will there be any more changes to the design?

We're committed to delivering the best possible design for the community within our existing budget.

We don't anticipate any updates to the plans, but we'll keep you posted if further changes arise.

When will the street be finished?

We're getting close to the finish line now! We remain confident of completing the project as scheduled by the end of October. As always, we're grateful for the community's support as we focus on Bath Street's makeover in the months ahead.

Nearing the finish line

Complex streetscaping works are now underway to revitalise Bath Street, with a focus on completing the work as quickly as possible, minimising disruption and maintaining access for residents, businesses and patrons.

Work has begun to construct footpaths and drainage on the harbour side of the street, which will then be followed by the same on the Octagon side of the street.

"Short of closing the street completely, this approach allows us to pour as much concrete as possible at one time," explains Downer Project Manager, Scott Reid. "Multiple pours in small sections require many disruptive truck movements and extended times for drying — so completing the work end-to-end as much as possible significantly reduces the timeframe required."

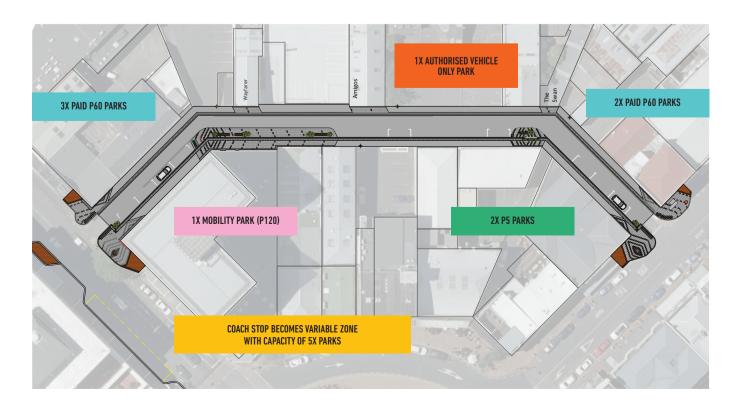
Bath Street will remain open to single lane traffic during this work. Some access may be affected at times when

property frontages are constructed, however these will be communicated in advance as works progress.

"There will be a notable increase in staff on the ground, working hard to complete works at driveways and reinstate these new surfaces as soon as possible. The site will be very busy, so please remain patient with our team, following signage and guidance where provided."

Once this work is done, there will be three further stages – paving, utility upgrades (such as lighting), and road surface construction.

"We're on track to have the street finished on schedule in October, so we're getting very close to the end now. We're grateful to residents, businesses and patrons for their understanding, as we focus on finishing the work as quickly and efficiently as possible."





ANY QUESTIONS?

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Updating the streetscape

Bath Street will benefit from a modest makeover that fits within our existing budget. To ensure the cosmetic redevelopment of Bath Street remains cost-effective, we've made some changes to the design.

- Reducing paved areas by 60%, focusing on the entrances to Bath Street and the seating spaces near food and beverage businesses
- Including fewer artistic lighting projections
- Relocating lighting projections to alternative walls
- Reusing stock light poles rather than purchasing new ones
- Incorporating fewer plantings
- Removing rainbow crossings from the scope of this project.

Key

Surface Drain

Sett Pavers (Tactile Strip). Random mix, Charcoal, Natural, Bannock

Sett Pavers (Make Up Strip Adjacent To Buildings). Charcoal

Tactile Indicator Pavers

▼ Tohu Whenua Locations

Existing 6m Concrete Light Pole - to be replaced with new pole

New 6m Light Pole

New 6m light pole (Gobo Projector Only)

Drinking Fountain

Sheffield Bike Stand

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Bin



Planting in Pots

Bench Seat





Poti Pavers - Charcoal and Natural



George/Lower Stuart St Terracotta Pavers



Asphalt