

Memo

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To: Elected Members & Executive Leadership Team
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Rolleston Avenue - Transport works to support Museum Re-development

1. Purpose of this Memo

- 1.1 The purpose of this memo is to advise elected members of proposed temporary changes to the shared path on Rolleston Avenue to support the redevelopment of the museum.
- 1.2 Canterbury Museum is planning a multimillion-dollar redevelopment of its Rolleston Avenue buildings. The museum has applied for permanent and temporary easements for this work:
 - Three permanent easements for the underground base isolation of the Robert McDougall Gallery and Roger Duff wing, underground services and the existing overhang of the Roger Duff wing.
 - One temporary easement for five years over the current public pathway into the Gardens from Rolleston Avenue to the Robert McDougall Gallery for trucks and material into the work site.
- 1.3 As a result, the shared path along the museum frontage will be reduced in width and will not be able to cater for the current demands using the path safely.
- 1.4 There are ongoing capacity and safety issues on the existing shared path along Rolleston Avenue. Previous signage and marking projects haven't changed behaviours and the path can sometimes be unpleasant for pedestrians to use, especially when there is fast cycle or scooter traffic.
- 1.5 The proposed works provides an opportunity to trial an alternative layout.

2. Update

- 2.1 To support the closure of the museum, and the reduced space available outside the museum on Rolleston Avenue due to construction requirements, it is proposed to introduce a number of changes for people travelling on Rolleston Avenue. This will align with the museum construction period of five years. These changes will include:
 - Moving cyclists from the existing shared path to a two-way on-road cycleway on the western side of Rolleston Avenue to reduce the demands on the remaining path width for pedestrian safety.
 - Providing a new crossing point south of the museum as the existing zebra crossing will be closed and the pedestrian crossing markings will be removed.

- Traffic calming to support lower speeds in locations where there are lots of people travelling on many different modes.
 - Relocating tour coaches from outside the museum and botanic gardens to the north side of Hereford Street. The space used to accommodate this move was previously construction zones for the Arts Centre improvements, so no parking will be lost. The current tour coach parking on Rolleston Avenue will be converted to parking spaces.
 - Creating P3 school parking on the south side of Gloucester Street to increase the number of spaces available for pick-up and drop-off.
- 2.2 It is proposed to install the works initially under a temporary traffic management plan in March 2023 prior to the closure of the shared path at the Museum. Approvals will be sought post-implementation to allow for any minor changes when implementing the works on-site.
- 2.3 This information will be provided on the Have Your Say Page for the engagement to be undertaken for the Museum easements.

3. Conclusion

- 3.1 To support the reduced width of the existing shared path on Rolleston Avenue in front of the museum, it is proposed to introduce temporary transport works to provide safer outcomes for all road users. Once the temporary works are in place a report will go to the Council in early 2023 to confirm resolutions for the remaining period of the museum works, which is approximately 5 years.

Attachments Ngā Tāpirihanga

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