



Howard Road slip works – FAQs

QUESTION	ANSWER
WORKS	
What works are being carried out?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First, we'll install temporary anchors into the slope to make it safe for our crews to work.• Then, we'll construct a reinforced concrete wall with gravel backfill and timber panels.• Following this, Wellington Water will install new water mains in the area.
Why was this solution chosen?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• It's the best solution to stabilise the slope, based on the composition of the ground at the slip site.• It will also mean we regain the road reserve – the strip of land between a property's front boundary and the road – at the slip site.
Is this a permanent solution or will more works need to be carried out at a later stage?	This is a permanent solution.
How will the piles be built and how deep do they go?	The concrete for the piles will be poured on site i.e. they're not pre-cast. They'll be 10m deep.
The design is for the piles to stop at ground level - why not have them a meter higher with handrails?	The piles have been designed by our engineers to the required standards.
How high will the concrete wall be? What	The wall will be 10m high with 3.5m of that visible above the ground. The top of the wall will be at road level. The wall has

standard is it being built to?	been designed by our engineers to the required standards and has a 50-year design life.
Will the safety barrier be the same quality as the previous one?	There was no safety barrier previously. The new barrier is being designed by our engineers to the required standards.
Will the road by the slip site be upgraded as well?	The road by the slip site will be laid with new asphalt once the slip repairs and water main works are completed.
What will the width of the reinstated road? Will two cars be able to fit?	It will be the same width as it was before the slip happened which is 4 metres.
What will happen with the spoil afterwards?	We'll need to clean up following the works and will work with our contractors and impacted landowners to plan around this.
TIMING AND CONSENT	
How long will the works take?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The anchors will take about two weeks and the construction of the wall about four weeks. • There will be a gap of about a week between these two stages to give the concrete for the anchors time to cure (the road will be open during this time). • Wellington Water works are expected to take a further six weeks approximately.
How much contingency is built into the 6-week timeframe to allow for bad weather?	The 6-week timeframe indicates how long it will take to carry out the works. If bad weather means works can't be carried out, this will affect the timeframe.
Can you confirm contractors will stick to the timeframes communicated around pedestrian and vehicle access?	Yes, we're working very closely with our contractors and the timeframes have been agreed and understood by all. We're in constant contact with the Point Howard Association should there be any feedback on this and will also have Council staff at site a lot of the time to monitor this.

Why can't you carry out the works at night so the road closure has less impact?	We can't undertake the works at night for noise reasons and also for the safety of our workers.
Are these works fully consented and fully funded?	Yes – consent was gained through the emergency response process. We've spoken to the consents team throughout the planning and design phase and they are comfortable that the design has been undertaken with the right level of technical expertise. Regarding funding – Council has approved a budget for the works.
IMPACTS ON ROAD USERS	
At what times will the road be closed for works?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It'll be closed for vehicles from 8am to 4pm weekdays. • It'll be closed for pedestrians from 9am-12pm and 12.30-3pm (the Dillon Street walking tracks – accessed at the Eastern Harbour Regional Park entrance next to Ia Ngaumatau Road – are available during these times).
The Dillon Street walking tracks are too difficult for me to use as I have mobility issues. What should I do?	We understand this route may not work for everyone. We've worked with our contractors to give pedestrians access through the work site from 12-12.30pm. Once through the site, pedestrians can then jump on a shuttle (more details about shuttles will be provided in a further update).
Why can't we use the Sorrento Bay track? It's faster and easier.	We've recommended a public walking track that's maintained by Greater Wellington. If there are other tracks you're aware of, you're welcome to use these at your own discretion if you have the approval of any landowners.
There's a track on private property that isn't well maintained but everyone uses – can Council look to better maintain that track?	The Point Howard Association is welcome to have conversations regarding any private tracks with landowners and make arrangements for maintenance/use.
How can we get our kids to and from school if the	You'll be able to park your car below the slip site and walk through the site to your relocated car until 9am. From 3pm,

<p>road's closed from 8am to 4pm?</p>	<p>you can park your car in the same place and walk through the site back to your property.</p> <p>However, please do not park on the double yellow lines so vehicles do not impede access for construction and emergency services.</p>
<p>If I have a hospital appointment I can't change and it's at a time I can't get out by vehicle, what do I do?</p>	<p>Let us know via the Point Howard Association (email pthowardassn@gmail.com) as soon as possible and we'll see how we can assist.</p>
<p>How will ambulances or fire engines get through if needed when the road's closed?</p>	<p>Emergency Services (ES) have the contact number for the construction manager to call if they need access through the site in an incident, in which case the site will be cleared as emergency vehicles are enroute.</p> <p>If the site can't be cleared in time, ES staff will park below the site then walk through it and be transported by a Council ute (parked at 69 Howard Road) to the property they need to get to. Once the site is cleared, ES staff – who will have been attending to the person/people in the meantime – will go back to their vehicle and drive it through the site if needed.</p>
<p>Will we be ticketed if we park on yellow lines below the slip site if there's nowhere else to park?</p>	<p>Parking is allowed by the boat ramp in the Seaview Marina – but only while works are taking place. We'll also have staff on site who will be monitoring traffic management needs during this time.</p>
<p>RELEVANT ISSUES</p>	
<p>Is there a defibrillator above the slip site?</p>	<p>Yes, this is located at 69 Howard Road.</p>
<p>There are high trees that Council own which could be a fire risk – can maintenance of these be looked into?</p>	<p>If you think there's an issue with any trees, please submit the details on our Report a problem webpage (if you don't get a reply, send your request number to pthowardassn@gmail.com for follow up).</p>
<p>WELLINGTON WATER WORKS</p>	

<p>Will the Wellington Water works happen immediately after the slip works are finished?</p>	<p>They'll start works as soon as they're able to get their heavy machinery safely past the slip site.</p>
<p>How long will those works take and what are the impacts for us?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approximately 6 weeks. • There will be pedestrian access at all times, but the road through each work area will be closed for vehicles from 8am to 4pm on weekdays. <p>We'll continue to keep you updated on these works, timing and any disruptions.</p>
<p>Why is there no vehicle access during the water mains works.</p>	<p>The new water main pipe is being laid under Howard Road and the road isn't wide enough to safely accommodate construction vehicles and traffic.</p>
<p>Why can't Wellington Water do their works at the same time as the slip works to reduce the time the road's closed?</p>	<p>Unfortunately, it isn't possible to get the heavy machinery required to do the works past the slip area.</p>
<p>Why are the pipes going in after the road is resealed following the slip works?</p>	<p>We'll be laying temporary seal after the slip works and permanent seal will be laid following the water main works.</p>
<p>Why can't Wellington Water start their works where Nikau/Howard Roads cross and work up to the slip site. If they were to do this, it's likely they would hit the slip site at a point in which they were able to continue work up the street beyond the slip site?</p>	<p>Wellington Water considered this option but, after investigation, concluded it wouldn't be possible due to space constraints.</p>