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Cooks Lane Waterway Widening

May 2017

Work will begin soon to widen Cooks Lane Waterway, as part of the Matuku Waterway flood mitigation works to reduce flood risk in Heathcote Valley downstream of Bridle Path Road. This is stage two of three stages in the work. Stage one, the pipeline diversion from Heathcote Valley drain down Bridle Path Road and into Cooks Lane waterway, is being completed now. The three stages are outlined over the page.

Stage Two Works

Starting Tuesday 6 June, contractors Grounds & Services Limited, working for the Council, will start work to widen Cooks Lane Waterway, to accommodate the diverted water flows. Firstly, vegetation will be removed from the waterway in the yellow area on the map below. The waterway will then be regraded, and the area replanted once the works are complete. This work is expected to take around 12 - 14 weeks. *The pathway connecting Cooks Lane and Deavoll Place will be closed during construction.*

There will be no changes to traffic control. Local residents will see trucks going in and out of the site during working hours.



Please contact Grounds & Services Ltd on **03 349 0634** if you have any specific access requirements that they need to consider.

Standard work hours are Monday to Friday between the hours of 7am and 6pm. On rare occasions, the contractors may need to work outside these hours.

There will be increased noise, dust and vibration levels associated with this work. Contractors will do their best to reduce this as much as they can.

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Originally it had been envisaged that the pathway connecting Cooks Lane and Deavoll Place would be able to remain open throughout the duration of these works. Now the design has been finalised, it has become apparent that it is impractical, from a health and safety perspective, to keep the pathway open to the public during construction. This is due to the contractor needing truck access and room for staging and stock piling materials along the pathway line from Cooks Lane, and the lack of room for an alternative pathway.

We apologise for any inconvenience this causes during construction, and thank you for your patience while we complete this important flood mitigation work.

Safety is our number one priority. Safety is your responsibility too. Stay clear and stay alert. Please keep children and pets at a safe distance from the worksite.



Background - Matuku Waterway flood mitigation works

- Stage One Pipeline diversion from Heathcote Valley drain down Bridle Path Road and into Cooks Lane waterway this is currently being completed.
- Stage Two Cooks Lane Waterway widening (as outlined on the previous page)
- Stage Three Heathcote Valley Drain upgrade design work for the upgrade of the Heathcote Valley Drain is underway. The drain will be rock-lined to prevent further erosion from occurring and reduce the risk of water overtopping the drain inlet. We will provide further updates prior to construction work starting on stage three.

If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact the Council on the details below.

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