

STREETS AHEAD IN NGATEA

Two separate projects to upgrade the Ngatea main street will get rolling mid January 2020.

- ➔ NZ Transport Agency is renewing the main highway, repairing the carparks, and surfacing with asphalt from kerb to kerb.
- ➔ We're upgrading the kerb and channel and replacing the footpaths.

It's expected NZTA's portion of the work will take about eight weeks. We'll be replacing the footpaths in sections for about 20 weeks.

It's going to be a bumpy ride for a few months but when it's finished, the upgrade will breathe new life into the CBD and make us even more proud of our town.

Where we are heading

There are many things we have to do, before we can think about the nice-to-have things like gardens, seating and lighting.

We've had to be practical about our available budget and time constraints due to fitting in with the work NZ Transport Agency is doing to renew the road.

It's important that we fit in alongside NZ Transport Agency to minimise not only disruption but also the cost to our ratepayers.

Our first priority is the kerb and channel which is in poor condition and needs replacing. Kerb and channel is the concrete between the road and footpath. The channel portion carries storm water, while the kerb provides a visible (and physical) barrier between the road and footpath.

We're also replacing the footpath.

NZ Transport safety engineers are working on plans for road and pedestrian safety.

Once we've got the basics right, we'll look at options for more street-scape work and how it can be funded further down the track.

Where we've travelled before

Streets Ahead, or put it to bed?

In 2017 you shared your thoughts and ideas with us on the proposed revamp of the Ngatea main street.

We heard you were keen to pursue a partial upgrade. We also heard traffic management and pedestrian safety is important to you.

Over the last few months we've been working with an advisory group made up of local business owners and other key people in the community.

We've considered all your feedback and put together some plans which will be available to view from Thursday 12 December.

Help us map our destination

View the plans and vote for your favourite footpath design - or draw your own design - at these locations from **Thursday 12 December**.

- Take a break from Christmas shopping and check out our proposed plans and other information at the Council service centre.
- Plans and other information will also be on display at the Hauraki Plains Golf Course – they're sure to be a hit!
- Come and chat with councillors and council staff at the Ngatea Service Centre:
 - 3pm to 4pm Monday 16 December
 - 6pm to 7pm Wednesday 18 December
 - 10am to 11am Thursday 19 December
- View the plans and more online from Thursday 12 December <https://weneedtotalk.hauraki-dc.govt.nz>

Put on your seatbelt

The Council and NZ Transport Agency are aware there will be disruption to local businesses and the community during construction and will do everything possible to minimise this.

We'll work closely with the advisory group, businesses and schools that might be affected to find practical solutions to any problems. We'll promote affected businesses through our communication channels as much as we can so people know Ngatea is still "open for business". We'll keep you and the wider public well informed so everyone knows what's coming next.

Are we there yet?

Stay on the journey with us

- Sign up to our Plains e-newsletter and receive updates directly to your inbox www.hauraki-dc.govt.nz
- Pick up a copy of our latest newsletter and more from our service centre or most main street businesses (from Thursday 12 December)
- Go to our website <https://weneedtotalk.hauraki-dc.govt.nz>
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