



Construction Work: Early May – Mid December 2010

Sturges Road Bridge Replacement Stage 2 Physical Works

Dear resident,

Sturges Road Bridge is being replaced. The bridge carries up to 17,000 vehicles a day but its dated design contributed to congestion on the road and did not allow for electrification of the rail line. Once complete the new Sturges Road Bridge will boast three traffic lanes and shared pedestrian and cycle paths on both sides. Construction work is being carried out from **Early May – Mid December 2010**.

Our working hours are generally 7.00am – 7.00pm Monday to Friday and 8.00 am – 5.00 pm on Saturdays. When work needs to be done within the rail corridor we have to work around activity on the line so some Sunday and overnight work may be required. All operators have been briefed about keeping noise to a minimum. The details of the work are as follows:

Key Project Activities

Stage 1 of Bridge Construction: Mid May – Late August 2010

These works include utilities, drainage, entranceways, footpaths, retaining walls, pavement and surfacing works. Every effort will be made to maintain access. Site management from Hawkins will come and see those affected parties before the works start.

Single Lane of New Bridge Open to Traffic: Late August 2010

A new lane will be constructed on the eastern side of the Bailey bridge and form part of the new 3-lane bridge. Once completed the temporary bridge will be removed and the new lane opened to traffic. It will still be controlled by traffic signals.

Stage 2 of Bridge Construction: Early September – Mid December 2010

Once the Bailey bridge is removed the final stage of the new bridge construction will be carried out. The new 3 lane bridge will be **open to traffic early November 2010**

Parking

Please do not park on the street or verge between Swanson Road and Septimus Place to allow for road works and utility company access for relocating utilities until the project completion date of Mid December 2010.

Traffic Detours

There may be short periods where the road is closed to allow for construction machinery and activities to take place during the construction stages. It is still advisable to utilise the designated detour routes to avoid the traffic congestion that may result from the single lane access over the temporary bridge. Once the new bridge is open to the public there will still be other site works continuing until mid-December so there will be traffic management put in place until all works are complete.

Our contractors understand that this work may cause some inconvenience and are focused on completing it as quickly as possible. They will work hard to minimise any disturbance. We thank you for your patience while this important work is carried out.

*If you have any concerns or queries about this work please contact the **Waitakere City Council's 24 hour call centre:***

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