

Trunk Water Main Upgrade Sewell and Smith Streets

We are starting construction on a new trunk water main along Sewell and Smith Streets.

This work will involve installing 180m of new trunk water main pipe along Sewell and Smith Streets. This work is essential for ensuring a resilient and futureproofed water network in Kaiapoi, and will provide key capacity upgrades to support future development.

The work will include

- The new 450mm trunk water main will be installed by directionally drilling the new pipe underneath the road to minimise disruption and avoid services.
- The pipe will be drilled in two sections, one along Smith Street from the top of the Cass Street intersection to the top of the Sewell Street intersection.
- The second section of pipe will be drilled from outside the water headworks site at 4 Sewell Street and along to the top of the Sewell Street and Smith Street intersection where the two pipes will then be connected.
- There will be three drill pits, one at each end of the pipe and the other in the middle where the two new pipe lengths will join.

Timing of work

Construction works are planned to begin around 7 February 2024 with an aim to complete the works at the end of March 2024.

How the work may affect you

Access to driveways may be impacted during construction on Sewell Street. Contact will be made with residents prior to construction to discuss timings and minimise disruptions.

There will be some road lane closures on Sewell and Smith Streets during construction which will require traffic to be diverted.

Traffic impacts

There will be lane closures in place on Sewell and Smith Streets during construction. Traffic will need to follow the diversions.

General impacts

Noise and heavy vehicles will be present during construction works.

Thank you for your patience while we complete this work.

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