



**Summer
2023/24**

Concept image of proposed seawall and beach access at Kohu Street (final design may vary)



Ōrewa walkway and seawall

Project Update #2

Detailed design for the new seawall and walkway along Ōrewa beach has progressed well over the past 10 months and is expected to be complete in December.

The 600-metre-long seawall between Kohu Street and Marine View will be constructed with a grouted rock surface and include access ramps and stairs to the beach. A new concrete shared path will follow the seawall alignment for most of its length.

Artwork is currently being designed in collaboration with Ngāti Manuhiri representatives and includes concrete stencils, stair panels and interpretative signage.

The final walkway design is still being developed and elements may change as a result of this development. The images provided illustrate the design teams intent for these areas.

Construction

Construction is planned to start in April 2024. The work will be staged over two years (2024 & 2025) between the months of April and October to avoid the busy summer season.

Tendering for construction is underway and a briefing was held on site with contractors in early November. The tender will be a two-stage process and is expected to be awarded in March 2024.

As part of the tender process, we are asking contractors to outline how they will stage the project between the two years, and their preferred start point.

Improvements to Kinloch Reserve have been included in the project. The design features an area of dry high-tide beach, a new footbridge across the watercourse, a lookout, seating areas to enjoy the views, and pedestrian access points to the beach.



Proposed concept design for Kinloch Reserve

Over the coming months and before construction starts, Tonkin & Taylor engineers will complete surveys to document the current condition of properties along the length of the proposed seawall. The site-specific reports will provide us a baseline and will be referred to if property owners have any concern regarding effects on properties during or at the completion of the works.

Recent storm events

As a result of the recent weather events, our operations team have co-ordinated works along the beach in recent weeks that include -

- Removing debris including pipes and manholes that have been exposed around Kohu Street
- Repairing the boat ramp at Puriri Avenue which is currently closed

- Sand replenishment on the beach involving moving sand from the southern end to the area in front of Ōrewa Recreation Reserve. This has removed the steep bank created during the storm and restored access to the beach. It will also create a buffer for future storm events.

Ōrewa Recreation Reserve and the foreshore area adjacent to the Ōrewa Surf Lifesaving Club are not part of this project. Future development options for this section of the beach are being considered and will be shared with the community in 2024.

Quarterly project updates are planned over the next two years as the walkway and seawall project progresses. If you know someone who would like to receive this newsletter, please email us:

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