

Ōrewa walkway and seawall

Project Update #5

Construction has restarted on site this month, and our contractors (JFC) have resumed work on the section of seawall between Kohu Street and Kinloch Reserve.

We paused construction between Christmas and March to minimise disruption to the local community and residents during the busy summer period at the beach.

Prior to Christmas JFC made good progress in a short space of time and completed two 30 metre sections of seawall. There are two stonemason crews constructing the wall, and each is working on a separate section.



Section of seawall under construction, December 2024

Over the coming months, the seawall between Kohu Street and Kinloch Reserve will be completed, including a pedestrian ramp and stairs. Work will then begin on constructing the walkway along this section.

You can expect to see multiple crews on site through this next phase on construction, with specialist teams working on both the seawall and walkway. Construction will continue south to Marine View over the next 10 months.

We intend to complete the project before the end of this year, but this work will depend on favourable weather and tides.

What's been happening over summer?

Work continued on the project behind the scenes over the past two months, with JFC sourcing capping stone for the top of the seawall and constructing samples of concrete finishes for the walkway and stairs. This ensures there are no delays when construction of the walkway begins.

The site is regularly monitored to ensure the work that has been completed is protected and the site

is safe, including removing small loose rocks from the beach that were exposed following high tides.

Beach access and safety

We aim to keep the car park in Kinloch Reserve open during construction, but there may be times when it is closed for short periods to allow for the installation of services. Pedestrian access to the beach will be available from Kohu Street and Kinloch Reserve.

JFC are again accessing the beach from Kinloch Reserve, so when you visit the beach, please be aware of vehicles and machinery in this area and keep outside the fenced areas for your safety.

As construction progresses towards Marine View, JFC will begin to use the Marine View boat ramp more frequently for access, and there will be an increase in machinery and vehicles moving along the beach.



Delivery of rock, December 2024

JFC staff will update residents and property owners living on the foreshore about planned work ahead of time. At times, some areas of the foreshore and beach will be closed to the public for short periods, and we aim to keep disruption to a minimum.

Replacing the watermain along the Esplanade

As part of our project, we are working with Watercare to replace a section of watermain that runs along the esplanade reserve in front of foreshore properties. The pipe was damaged during Cyclone Gabrielle and will be replaced with a new pipe.

JFC will notify foreshore residents of these works ahead of time, and we anticipate the works will be completed with minimal disruption.

Next steps

Here's what is happening between March to June:

- Complete the seawall between Kohu Street and Kinloch Reserve, including a pedestrian ramp and stairs
- Construct the walkway between Kohu Street and Kinloch Reserve
- Commence the seawall between Kinloch Reserve and Remembrance Reserve

Keep up to date

Quarterly updates are planned as the seawall and shared walkway project progresses. If you know someone who would like to sign up to receive the newsletter, email

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