

Week of 30th April 2018

Apologies for the delay in getting this out, one of the team was indisposed. This has not delayed the work - although some delays have arisen for other reasons.

Road construction

We have built up first section of **Cowie Street** to the subbase level. We are now working on the section closest to the bridge. Next we will place the basecourse layer. We appreciate the cooperation of the Cowie Street residents in the face of the disruption.

We have almost finished the subbase layer along the **new section of Laxon Terrace** to our site entrance. Unfortunately we have had some delays due to weak ground. This has meant we have had to remove about 300mm of the existing ground and then rebuild that up with strong rock.

We have received approval for our Traffic Management Plan for work in **Laxon Terrace**. It will be in place on Wednesday 2nd May, subject to confirmation from our roading subcontractor. We appreciate the cooperation of Laxon Terrace and Youngs Lane residents as we upgrade the road.

Stormwater

Connecting to the existing stormwater lines in **Cowie Street** has turned into a bit of a saga. The end of Cowie Street is congested with services,

some marked on plans, some not. Unfortunately we have to treat every service as live unless we can confirm otherwise.

Some of the old services have been found where we need to lay the new pipes. Most recently we discovered what appears to be disused high voltage underground lines where we need to put a new stormwater line that runs under the entrance ways to No.5, 7 and 9 Cowie Street. We are waiting on Vector to confirm removal of this line so we can get on with the planned works.

We have started to build the new **swale** on the east side of the tracks and north of the new bridge. The swale is a water filtration system for the stormwater that comes down Cowie Street and across the bridge. The filtered water is collected by a perforated pipe underneath the swale and piped to the existing stormwater line in the adjacent gully.

Severed cable 2

Last week we had another example of services which had not been installed to approved standards. While breaking up the concrete pad at the entrance to 7 and 9 Cowie Street we damaged a fibre cable which had been drilled

into a concrete block and covered with a concrete slab without any protective ducting.

We sent out notices and our apologies to affected residents. Chorus repaired the damaged cable and restored most connections within 24 hours.



Cable with no protective ducting

Mon 16th–Sat 22nd April

Planned works include:

COWIE STREET

- Placing driveways
- Connecting to existing stormwater lines
- Placing precast kerb and channel

SARAWIA STREET & LAXON TERRACE

- Filling rock to form road base
- Laying electrical ducting
- Removing existing seal