

Next Steps

From early to mid-2027, we'll share the preliminary bridge designs and seek further feedback to make sure we have not missed anything important. We'll also share more about construction and how we'll manage disruption.

Main construction works will begin in late 2027, with the bridges built in stages to help keep people and traffic moving. The aim is for all bridges to be completed by 2032.

Come and talk to the team

We'll be in the community this month to answer any questions. Check online for dates, times and locations.

Takaanini Rail Crossings Programme



We're getting ready to replace rail crossings in Takaanini

Find out how your feedback is helping shape the project



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Scan the QR code or visit at.govt.nz and search for 'Takaanini level crossings'.



Opening City Rail Link means more trains across the network, big cuts in journey times and easier connections with people and places. Replacing rail crossings with bridges in Takaanini is a key part of allowing even more trains to run in future, while making it safer to get around your local area.

Community feedback

Thank you for sharing your feedback on the proposed bridge designs and how we can keep Takaanini moving during construction. It has helped inform decisions made so far and will help guide areas where further work and decision-making is still needed.

What we heard and what are some of our next steps

Spartan Road walking and cycling bridge

Little support for a walking and cycling bridge at Spartan Road and concerns about efficient freight movement.

- Final decision on the design option will be confirmed by the end of 2026
- New bridge at Manuia Road will provide new route for heavy vehicles

Manuia Road vehicle bridge

Support for walking and cycling on one side of the bridge only, parking restrictions north of Oakleigh Avenue, future growth and managing congestion.

- Parking north of Oakleigh Avenue will be restricted to address safety and access.
- Additional vehicle lanes on Great South Road.
- Walking and cycling facilities will be confirmed in early 2027.
- Three or four vehicle lanes on the bridge will be confirmed in early 2027.

Manuroa Road walking and cycling bridge

Access to the bridge via lifts or ramps had mixed feedback, retain signalisation at Manuroa Road/Great South Road intersection, and improve connections to Takaanini Station.

- A design decision on lifts or ramps to access the bridge will be made in early 2027.
- Signalised intersection at Manuroa Road/Great South Road will be retained.

Taka Street vehicle bridge

Access to Cathay Lane via a road under the bridge to minimise impact on the reserve, future-proof infrastructure, and improve connectivity.

- Cathay Lane access will be under the bridge with a simplified intersection. While the preferred option reduces impacts, some trees and the skate park will be affected. Further design and assessments from arborists will identify how impacts can be avoided, minimised or mitigated.
- The bridge design will be future-proofed for extra lanes.
- Takanini Road will connect to the footpath between Taka Street/Maru Road and the station.

Walters Road vehicle bridge

Future-proof the bridge for growth and access to Takanini Town Centre.

- The Walters Road bridge has been designed based on forecast growth, which indicates that two traffic lanes (one in each direction) will be sufficient to meet future demand.
- To maximise value for money, the bridge is proposed to be designed with walking and cycling facilities that could be converted to additional traffic lanes in the future should demand increase.
- Existing entries to Takanini Town Centre will be retained.

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