



06 November 2024

Wellesley Street Bus Improvements (WSBI)

We remain on track to deliver a new widened footpath from Albert Street down to Queen Street on the northern side (zones 2 & 3) before the end of this year, with paving and bus shelters in these zones planned for installation next year.

Footpath upgrade works along the building façades of zone 2 will commence in the week of 11 November, starting on the Albert Street end and progressing down. Please expect footpath diversions along this section over the coming months. Access into businesses during their operating hours will remain available throughout construction.

There will be some utility installation works on and across Elliot Street from mid-November to late-December. Vehicle access, business access and pedestrian movements will be always maintained but due to the nature of the works (concrete cutting, breaking, excavation and compacting) noise disruption may be experienced. Noise mats will be used on fences.

As always, we wish to thank all our neighbours impacted by our works for their ongoing patience and cooperation.

WSBI Christmas Holiday Shutdown 23 December 2024 to 06 January 2025

There will be no works from the Downer WSBI team during this period. We will reduce our site footprint as much as possible and ensure we leave a tidy site with clear lines of sight to all businesses.

What's happening onsite

ZONE 1 Mayoral Drive to Bledisloe Lane (southern side):

- The site footprint has now extended down to The Civic/Metro underground driveway access. Pedestrian access from Wellesley Street to Bledisloe Lane/Aotea Square will always be maintained.
- The Bledisloe Lane/Elliott Street pedestrian crossing has shifted down slightly towards Queen Street (outside Dum Dum Dumplings) to allow teams to remove kerbs and pavement from the existing crossing.

ZONE 2 Albert Street to Elliot Street (northern side):

- **Until mid-November** - Installation of underground utilities continue within the existing site footprint.
- **11 November to 23 December** - Footpath upgrade works (subgrade and slab preparations) along the building façade will begin in preparation for the concrete pours mid/late Dec. These works will commence on the Albert Street end and continue down towards Elliotts Street and include localised access changes to all shop fronts in this section. We will ensure accesses are always maintained and all changes will be signposted. The site layout will shift as works progress (see over page).
- **December** - Light pole and bus shelter foundations will commence away from shop fronts.
- **Prior to 23 December (Christmas shutdown)** – A 3m wide concrete footpath is programmed to be available between Albert Street and Elliot Street. A work site will remain behind temporary fencing for construction of the remaining width and kerb line of the footpath and road corridor and installation of remaining utilities (similar to the current Zone 3 footprint).
- **January 2025** - Paving of the new footpath and construction of the new road corridor (northern side) will commence.

Elliot Street:

- **Mid-November to late-December** – Utility install across and on Elliot Street will be completed in stages to ensure vehicle access and pedestrian movements are always maintained. Access to businesses and Elliot Hotel will be always maintained.

ZONE 3 Elliot Street to Queen Street (northern side):

- The 3m wide concrete footpath between Elliott Street and Queen Street has now opened along the facade of the buildings.
- **November** - Utility installation works continue under the road corridor. Construction on the new footpath kerb line will commence soon followed by the construction of the remaining width of new footpath (prep, box and pour)
- **December** – Construction of remaining footpath continues followed by commencement of paving.
- **January 2025** – Paving continues. Construction of road corridor (northern side) continues. Construction of new kerb line around Queen Street commences.

ZONE 4 Bledisloe Lane to Queen Street (southern side):

- Work programmed to re-start March 2025.

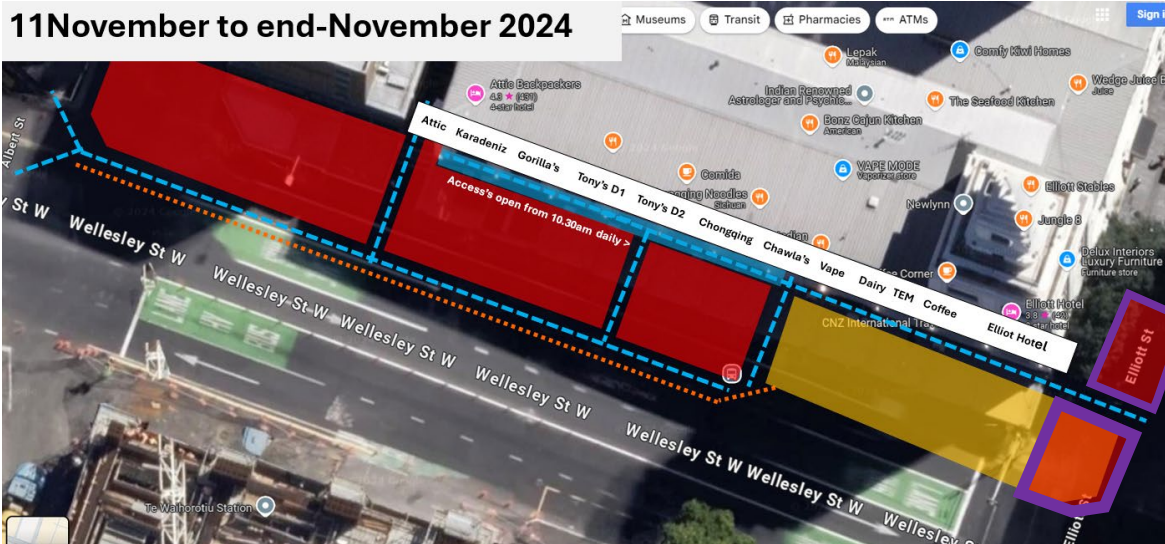


Upcoming example of the site footprint changes in zones 2

- The images below are examples only and footprint and dates may vary as works progress.
- Some temporary pedestrian diversions are required around the sites so all business, property and/or driveways can remain accessible.
- Wayfinding and business signage are to be installed on temporary fencing.
- Noise mats will be in place during noisy works and removed during quiet works to provide line of sight to businesses.

Zone 2 site footprint high level plan

11 November to end-November 2024



Elliot Street utility works



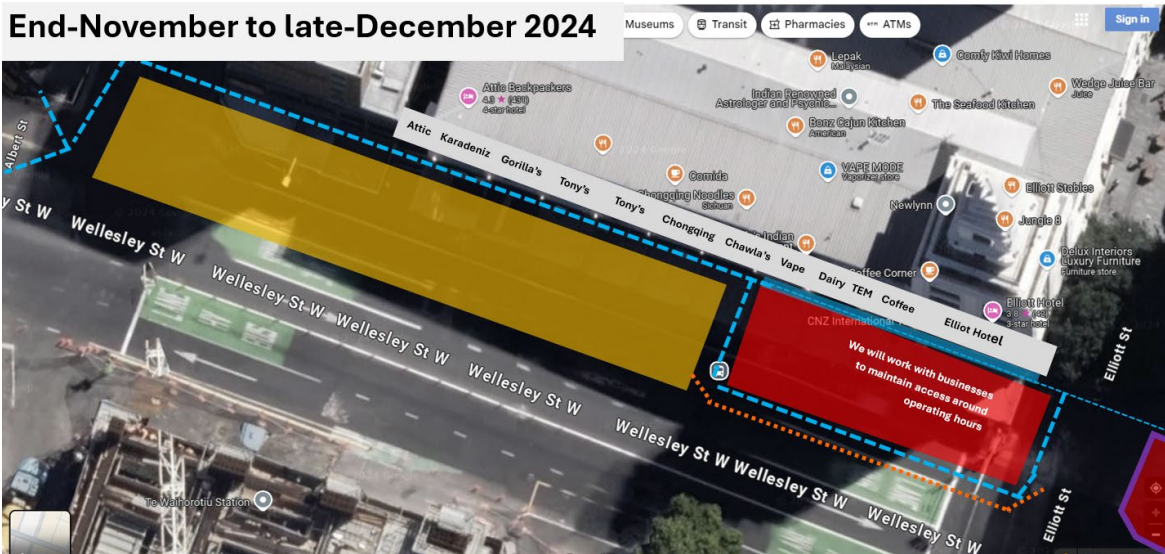
Stage 1 site footprint (approx.)



Stage 2 site footprint (approx.)



End-November to late-December 2024



Pedestrian routes



Support through construction

If you have any questions about construction, please contact Downer's Stakeholder Manager Brandy Smith at brandy.smith@downer.co.nz or 027 692 3783.

To learn more about why we're upgrading Wellesley Street, visit the project page at <https://progressakl.co.nz/projects/auckland-transport/wellesley-street-bus-improvements/>.

To contact us or to arrange a time to meet our Auckland Council team, email Ben at midtown@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz or scan the QR code (right) to subscribe to regular construction updates.

