

ASHBURTON DISTRICT COUNCIL ROAD NETWORK MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS NEWSLETTER

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Executive Summary

Tena Koutou Katoa,

A great effort from our Heavy Maintenance Crews this month carrying out unsealed road metalling (using stabilised AP32) on Sheates Road, Langdons and Frasers Road. I would also like to recognise the efforts by Tarbotton Land & Civil who are continuing to help us with the flooding recovery works.

Our teams responded to numerous callouts, mid-September, as MetService issued a red warning for strong winds for Canterbury. Trees were uprooted (26 in total), and traffic signs were left battered and leaning over after the severe winds swept through the region, causing widespread damage.

COVID L2 restrictions continue to remain in place. Diligent planning and communication ensured that our planned cyclic works were able to remain ongoing, despite the additional measures enforced. We introduced increased auditing and compliance checks to ensure everybody on site was safe and understood the L2 operating procedures.

We are excited to welcome Beth Scannell to the HEB Ashburton whanau, as our new Contract Administrator. She brings a wealth of experience, a positive mindset, and is keen to get stuck into her work.

We also farewelled Rupal Sharma – Northern Supervisor - who had been with us from Day 1 in Ashburton. He is staying with HEB but is moving up to Auckland to be closer to his partner. Rupal has been a huge asset to our team and provided structure, discipline, and attention to detail; he will be sadly missed. His replacement, Lee Sparrow, will begin with us in early October.

Be kind, stay safe, kia kaha.

Ngā mihi nui (our thanks) to everyone.

Conrad Mclean,

Contract Manager.



Highlight for the Month

Watercutting

After numerous delays, due to COVID, we were able to get our watercutting programme underway and completed this month. Restoring skid resistance and texture by removing bitumen from the chip seal surface was a key safety deliverable that we were eager to address before Summer.

Over a period of 3 weeks the team completed 10,452m² of watercutting on the following roads: Seafield Road, Racecourse Road, Ashburton Staveley Road and Arundel Rakaia Gorge Road.

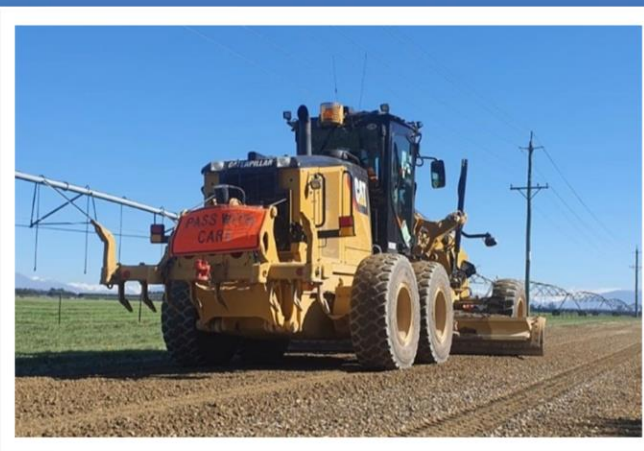


Upcoming Planned Works – September 21

Overview

Flooding repair works are ongoing with help from Tarbotton Land & Civil as they repair scouring and washouts on the unsealed network. Our Heavy Maintenance Crews are commencing digouts repairs (the excavation and replacement of unsuitable pavement material), to failed sections of Arundel Rakaia Gorge Road. And we will be making a start on footpath works in the Ashburton Township with our Minor Maintenance Crew.

In September, unfavourable weather meant we were unable to seal flood remedial works, so please continue to be aware of roads awaiting appropriate surfacing treatments. October should allow for better temperatures to seal. Primary roads are – Thompsons Track, Methven Chertsey Road, Tramway Road and Mayfield Valetta Road.



Summary of upcoming planned works

Digouts – Arundel Gorge Road, Tinwald Westerfield Mayfield Road and Trevors Road.

Footpath Repairs – Carters Terrace, Nixon Street, Jordan Avenue, McNally Street and NorthPark Road.

Routine works (potholes and signs), CRMs & minor flooding repair works.

Flooding Repairs (washouts, scours, sealed pavement repairs) – Muirheads Road and Alford Forest Cemetery Road.

Georgie Wilson – Southern Cyclic Crew Leader (right) stoked with gaining her forklift licence



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