

Community update

Blind Creek footbridge at Fairpark Reserve

June 2024

Works on footbridge

Melbourne Water is leading the delivery of the works to strengthen and extend the life of the Blind Creek footbridge at Fairpark Reserve, in partnership with Knox City Council.

Works are progressing well with 8 new piles completed.

As a precaution in the best interests of public safety, the bridge will remain temporarily closed until the completion of the works.

The bridge is scheduled to reopen to the public mid-July 2024, weather permitting.

You can keep up to date with the timing of the works via our project web page.

Upcoming works

- Pour concrete for new capping beams
- Install new steel columns
- Reinstate the site
- Remove the detour
- Work hours are 7am – 6pm Monday to Friday, and 7am – 1pm on Saturdays. Quiet work and other critical activities (e.g. concrete pouring) may occur outside these hours.
- Some minor noise is expected from construction machinery, vehicles and equipment.

Access around our works zones

Access to the works site is from Park Boulevard.

For public safety fencing is installed around the construction site to prevent access. To help guide pedestrians and cyclists around our work area, temporary access is via the Blind Creek trail detour and the Fairpark Reserve carpark. Please continue to access Wayne Avenue and Fairpark Reserve via the Blind Creek Trail, Manuka Drive and the gravel track that runs along the creek. Refer to the project area map overleaf.

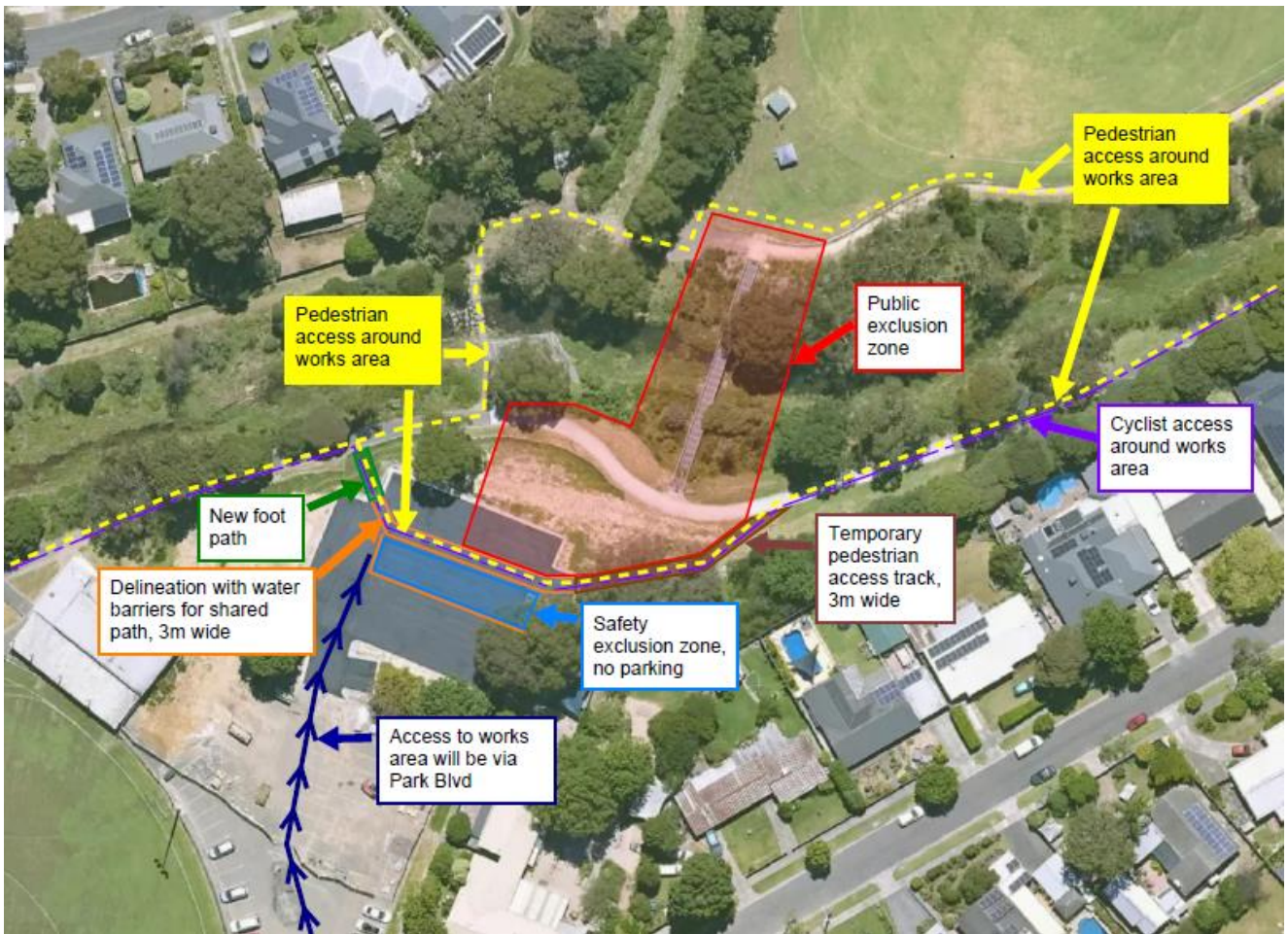
There have been a number of incidents of forced access into the works zone and vandalism of project and detours signs. To ensure your safety please do not enter the fenced area and follow the signed detour route.



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Project Area Map



We thank you for your patience and co-operation while we undertake these works to reopen the bridge as soon as we can.

Long-term plans

We are working closely with Knox City Council on plans for longer term arrangements of the bridge. We'll continue to keep you updated with this next stage.

More information

For more information about this project or our other activities, please call **131 722**, email enquiry@melbournewater.com.au or visit our web page: www.melbournewater.com.au/services/projects/fairpark-reserve-footbridge



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