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Kia ora residents, and business operators

We're going to start some work adjacent to the intersection of John Street, Adelaide Road and Riddiford Street very soon, and wanted to give you advance warning this will be happening.

The existing pedestrian kerb extension near 7 Riddiford Street (Our General Grocer) is to be removed. This will create space to help make this very busy intersection safer for people on bikes.

This and other changes at intersections along Adelaide Road are being made now to pave the way for the installation of a safer bike route between Newtown and the waterfront in a few months' time. You can read more about this project at transportprojects.org.nz/newtown. More information will be available and shared in coming weeks.

As part of doing the preliminary work at this intersection, we'll also:

- reposition the adjacent traffic signal pole and lights
- put in a new pedestrian kerb ramp and tactile pavers.

Work is expected to start in the week beginning 21 February, and weather depending, will take about two weeks.

Contractor Fulton Hogan will do the work, which involves some excavation, laying a new section of kerb and reinstating the area. Work hours will generally be 7am to 5pm, but the work will be coordinated to minimise disruption to traffic at peak times. There will be a temporary 30km/h speed limit around the work area.

Cones and barriers will be in place where required, but people will be able to get to shops and businesses in the vicinity, and people will still be able to safely cross the road in this location. If any issue should arise around access or deliveries, construction staff on site will be able to help.

Three carparks will be required outside the shops on the hospital side of the intersection, which includes the loading zone. This is to provide a safe working zone and for essential construction equipment including a digger and trucks. This parking will be reinstated once this work is complete and remain in place until the new bike route is installed later in the year.

If you have any questions about this work, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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