

# Mission Bay Kohimarama Residents Association

Update June 2016



Here is an update on some of the things going on in our area that we hope you find interesting.

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## AGM

This is a preliminary notice that we will be holding our AGM on Tuesday 5 July at 7:00 pm at the Kohimarama Presbyterian Church. Apart from the normal AGM requirements, we will have speakers explaining how Residents Associations relate to and represent their communities, and how the Residents Associations relate to the Local Board and other Council agencies.

One of the key things we do at the AGM is to elect committee members. We would love to get a few more people onto our committee, and so if you have an interest in this suburb and the community, this is a great opportunity to get involved. This is not an onerous job, but can provide a lot of satisfaction and gives you a chance to make a small difference. If you think you might be interested, just reply to this email with your name and a contact

phone number and someone will be in touch.

Further details about the AGM will be distributed shortly.

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## Selwyn Reserve bollards

Work will start on 27 June to replace the existing post and rail fences around Selwyn Reserve with new timber bollards. The intent is to make pedestrian access easier, while still keeping vehicles out of the reserve. The work is expected to be completed by September. Further information is included [below](#).

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## Melanesian Mission strengthening and upgrade

We recently held a public meeting to allow Heritage NZ to explain their plans for these historic buildings. The plan is to strengthen the original buildings to bring them up to modern earthquake standards, and to replace the current temporary pavilion that houses the café with a new pavilion. Some key points from the meeting are outlined [below](#).



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## Selwyn Reserve Security Cameras

There has been a trend of increasing levels of overnight disturbance in Selwyn Reserve

recently, with significant noise and threatening behaviour in the wee small hours. The police have been trying to deal with this, but have found they lack the tools required. They have recommended that CCTV security cameras be installed so that the situation can be proactively monitored live from the Newmarket police station and appropriate responses taken before residents call them or the situation gets out of hand.

The Orakei Local Board, with MBK Residents Association support, has agreed to have these cameras installed in the next month. They will be linked to other cameras recently installed by the Business Association around the business area, and will provide an important tool to help the police deal with any inappropriate behaviour in the area.

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## Be.Accessible

Be. Accessible is a social change organisation with a vision to create a 100% accessible New Zealand for all people. They are working with the Mission Bay Business Association and the Orakei Local Board to help local businesses to provide accessibility for all.

They are looking for Local Mission Bay Residents to volunteer with them for around 2 hours on 21st June 2016 to help promote accessibility to local retailers in your area. You will be provided with full training and visit a few local retailers and cafes to carry out a brief checklist of how accessible their business is. If you are interested, contact Lauren Wetini on [laurenw@beaccessible.org.nz](mailto:laurenw@beaccessible.org.nz) or 09 309 8966

Further information can be found in the attachment to this email.

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## Using the SuperGold card on public transport

There are new rules that require anyone wanting to use the SuperGold card on Auckland public transport to use an AT HOP card loaded with a SuperGold concession. This is so that AT can monitor all public transport usage on the same system. We have included a communication from AT on how to do this [below](#).

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## New bus stops at Britomart

Note that the Britomart bus stops for buses servicing Mission Bay and Kohi have moved from Tyler St to Commerce St by Fort St. This includes all bus routes from 745 to 769. A map is shown [below](#).

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## Future public meetings

With the Mayoral election fast approaching, we are planning a “Meet the Candidates” meeting in conjunction with the Residents Associations of St Heliers/Glendowie and Orakei. We have not yet finalised details, but it will be held on 8 August at the St Heliers Centre.

Perhaps they are less glamorous, but there are also elections for the Orakei Local Board at the same time. We will be hosting a combined meeting with the Meadowbank/St Johns Residents Association on 15 September to meet these candidates.

We will let you know details of these events closer to the time.

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We hope this newsletter has been useful for you. Let us know if you have any suggestions, issues to raise or comments.

Best regards

Don Stock

*Chair*

*Mission Bay Kohimarama Residents Association*

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## **Further information**

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**Melanesian Mission strengthening and**

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## redevelopment

We had a very informative meeting, with the seismic strengthening work explained, and the design for the new pavilion on display. In general, we were impressed by the quality of the work to date.

The original stone building will no longer house a restaurant due to the fire risk, but the new pavilion is being designed as a flexible restaurant area that can support everything from icecreams for park-goers through morning coffee and lunch through to up-market dining in the evenings. The new operator is the group behind Otto's restaurant in Britomart, to give an idea of their market positioning.

The stone building will be used for conferences and functions.

An interpretative courtyard is being planned to tell the story of the Mission and the area from pre-European times through the days of the Flying School and beyond. This will be open to the public at all times.

The audience did express some very clear concerns, however.

1. No details were available of the interpretative courtyard, and so it was not possible to see what this would look like or how comprehensive it would be. A strong message was delivered to Heritage NZ that this is a really important part of the redevelopment, and should not be just a token display pushed into a corner somewhere. It should be engaging and comprehensive enough to tell a great story, and place the physical buildings into the context of the history around them.
2. The audience felt it is important that there is adequate public access to the inside of the old stone building, whether this be achieved through regular open days or some other means. Heritage NZ had not really thought this through, and so were charged with putting further effort into this aspect of the project and getting back to us.

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## Selwyn Reserve Bollards Replacement

The following is an email from Auckland Council outlining the work.

*Hi Everyone*

*Just letting you know that work will begin on 27 June replacing the bollards around the edge of Selwyn Reserve. The work may take approximately three months (depending*

*weather conditions), but at this stage we are aiming for a completion date of 9 September.*

*The existing post and rail fences will be replaced by 300 X 300 X 400 high wooden bollards, which will allow for easier pedestrian access (between the bollards) but will still prohibit people from driving in.*

*The work will be staged in four sections to reduce the impact on the public. During the time of construction there may be some parking restrictions at various times either within the car parks or on Tamaki Drive. When it is necessary to do this, contractors will ensure the safety of pedestrians is paramount and that any parking restrictions are kept to a minimum timeframe.*

*Work will start in at the western end of the reserve (near the Stonehouse) and contractors will be working their way east around the reserve. Some rocks will be installed under the drip line of trees, and a couple of additional seats will also be interspersed at intervals around the edge of the reserve.*

*Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.*

*Kind regards,*

*Pippa*

***Pippa Sommerville | Team Leader  
Park Liaison and Development Central***

*Parks Central/West | Community Services*

## **Using the SuperGold card on public transport**

We received the following information from Auckland Transport regarding the use of SuperGold Cards on public transport.

*The national SuperGold public transport scheme provides free public transport travel:*

- *From 9:00am – 3:00pm and after 6:30pm on weekdays; and*
- *All day weekends and public holidays.*

*Separately, Auckland Council will fund free travel from 3:00pm – 6:30pm weekdays.*

*From 1 July 2016: all SG cardholders will need to have an AT HOP card loaded with a SG concession; rolled out in two phases:*

- *Pre-1 July, 40-45,000 SG cardholders without AT HOP card to purchase card. Existing SG customers with a blue AT HOP card can continue to use their cards. The AT HOP card costs \$10; customers are required to top-up their AT HOP card with \$5 credit (HOP Money) at the time of purchase.*
- *Existing blue AT HOP cardholders after 1 July 2016 to exchange for a gold AT HOP card, free of charge.*

*How to purchase a card:*

1. *Buy a gold AT HOP card at a retail outlet or Customer Service Centre (CSC).*
2. *Register your AT HOP card online with a personal email address; or by post or at a CSC without a personal email address.*
3. *Apply for concession either online, by post, or at a CSC.*
4. *0800 number (0800 AT GOLD) available.*
5. *Customers need to before 1 July 2016:*
  - *purchase AT HOP card (via 0800, online, CSC or retailer)*
  - *register card with name and details (online, post or at CSC)*
  - *apply for SG concession to be loaded (online, post or at CSC).*

*There will be a discretionary transition period during July where bus, ferry and train staff will show discretion to non-AT HOP cardholders seeking the SG free*



*travel.*

See the [Auckland Transport website](#) for further information

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## **New Britomart bus stop locations**

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City Rail Link.  
The build is **ON!**

# Bus stop moves from Sunday 17 April

From Sunday 17 April 2016  
no bus services will depart  
from here

703 bus services will depart from  
bus stop 7028 on Commerce St near  
Fort St.

710, 713, 715, 715X, 716, 717, 745,  
750, 755, 756, 757, 767, 768, 769 bus  
services will depart from bus stop 1323  
on Commerce St, by the PostShop.

See map for directions to the  
new bus stops and details of the  
new routes.

Times may change due to route  
and stop changes. Please plan your  
journey carefully before travelling.



For more information visit  
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