

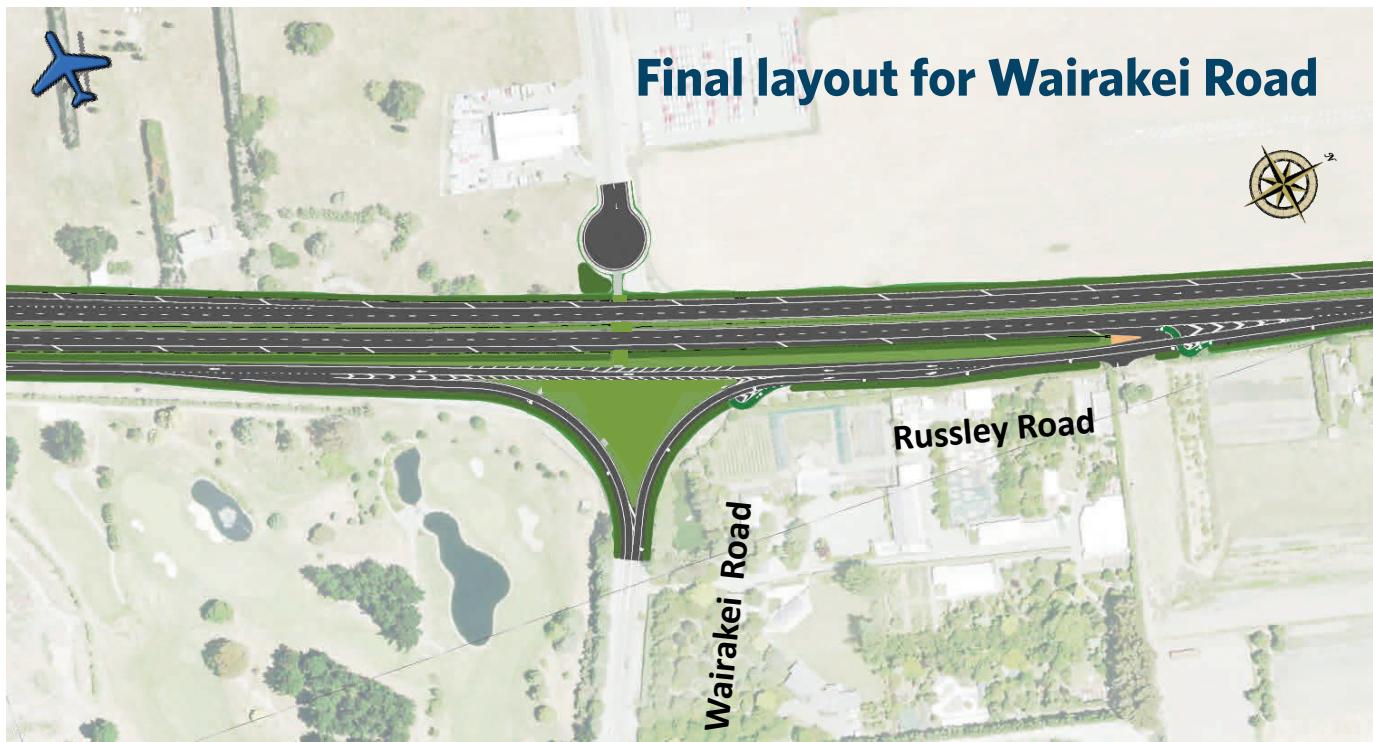
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# Russley Road Upgrade

part of the Western Corridor

September 2016

## Changes to Wairakei Road



Work on the upgrade of Russley Road will soon start at the Wairakei Road intersection. Above is a plan showing the final layout that will close access to Russley Road on the west (airport) side of Wairakei Road and reduce access to left-in left-out on the east (city) side of Wairakei Road. These changes are necessary for safety, as the existing Wairakei Road roundabout is too close to the end of the Russley/Memorial interchange slip lanes.

During consultation between 2010 and 2013 we looked at many options for this intersection (including over and under-passes). As a result of the consultation, this final design provides safer and better access from Wairakei Road onto Russley Road (SH1) and to the airport when used in conjunction with the improved Russley/Memorial interchange and Harewood Roundabout.

These changes may mean you need to take a different route to get onto or across Russley Road, which may be longer for some. We are aware this final design is not ideal for everyone, but it does reduce many of the issues local residents and businesses had with the original design.

If you are new to the Russley/Wairakei Road area you may like to review the Russley Road Upgrade consultation information which can be found on the project website [www.nzta.govt.nz/russley-road/](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/russley-road/)

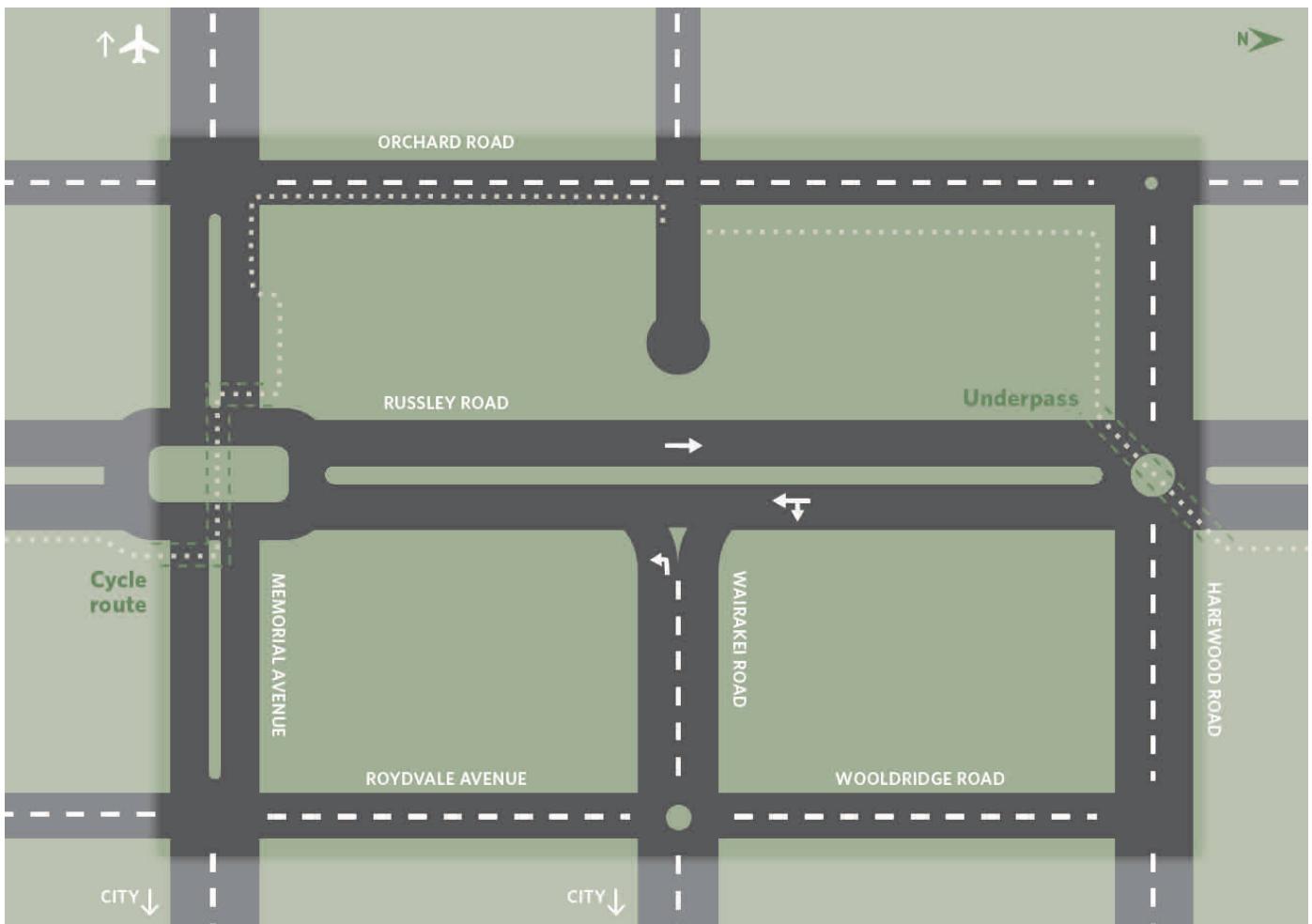
### How to use the new Wairakei Road Intersection

- To go north on SH1 from Wairakei Road you turn left from Wairakei Road onto SH1 and do a U-Turn through the Memorial Avenue/Russley Road (SH1) intersection (or large roundabout at present)
- If you are coming from the south on SH1 and want to access Wairakei Road you do a U-Turn around the Harewood Road roundabout and then a left turn into Wairakei Road or you can make a turn right at Memorial Avenue and use Roydvale Avenue.

# Construction of the Russley Road/Wairakei Road intersection

Once the Harewood Road roundabout is completed in September 2016, access to Wairakei Road will be restricted using a temporary traffic management layout similar to that of the final road. There will be left out only from Wairakei Road onto Russley Road and left into Wairakei Road from Russley Road. There will be no direct access onto Wairakei Road for northbound traffic and there will be no access to the airport precinct from Wairakei Road.

Work to prepare for this change will begin in early October (we will let you know the exact date closer to this time). This may include removal of the traffic islands and roundabout. To carry out this work, the roundabout may be reduced to one lane during night shifts, weekends and off-peak hours.



**We ask motorists to be aware of changes in traffic management, follow on-site signage and drive to the conditions. The project team thank you for your patience while we carry out this work.**



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