



SH75 Halswell Road Improvements

Additional tree removal along SH75 Halswell Road

We're writing to let you know that due to a recent decision to install a new water main (pipe) along Halswell Road between Curletts Road and Templetons Road we'll need to remove some trees along the north/city bound side of this section of road, as shown on the plan.

Why are we doing this?

While we've been working along Halswell Road, the water main has burst a few times and required emergency repairs. Our investigations have indicated there is a risk of more significant breakages which could cause the loss of water to homes in the area and major disruption to the travelling community.

We have worked with Christchurch City Council to find the best long-term solution. As a result, while we continue to work on our roading improvements we'll be installing a new 250mm diameter PE (plastic) water main to replace the current smaller 150-200mm diameter cast iron pipe which is thought to be about 70 years old. This will boost current capacity, reduce leakage, and bolster future resilience.

Like other services, we'll install the new pipe under the footpath and grass berm instead of under the road. This will make it easier to repair and maintain in the future without having to dig up the new road, and minimise any disruption.

We know trees are important to many people and are a part of the community. We haven't made this decision lightly and have consulted a professional arborist so we can retain as many trees as possible. However, we have had to balance it with the need to provide a reliable long term means of supplying water to homes in the area.

To give the water main the best chance of a long life we need to make sure there are no trees or tree roots that could damage the pipe. This, together with potential safety issues and clashes with the shared path, means removing the trees, shown on the plan.

CAN WE HELP?

Please contact Fulton Hogan on 0800 ROAD FH (0800 7623 34) Monday to Friday, 8am - 5pm, or email cant.info@fultonhogan.com to discuss any specific access needs to your property. Contact us at anytime if the matter is urgent.

When

From Monday 16 June for about a week on weekdays between 7am and 7pm

What to expect

The tree limbs will be removed and then the trunks brought down. Chainsaws and chippers will be used to complete the work quickly and efficiently, but it will be noisy.

We'll be able to do the work using the existing traffic management and access to properties will be maintained.

As with the other trees we've removed we'll plant two more trees for each tree removed. We are working with Christchurch City Council on potential locations as it's unlikely we'll be able to plant the replacement trees along this section of Halswell Road or even within the project area.

Our contractor, Fulton Hogan, is again looking at ways the mulch and wood from the trees can be used by local community groups or charities.

The new water main

We expect to start installing the new water main from 1 July and will be working in the existing work area. This work could take up to 4 months to complete. From time to time it may be necessary for us to shut off the water to properties. We'll make sure to give you notice of this if it affects your household.

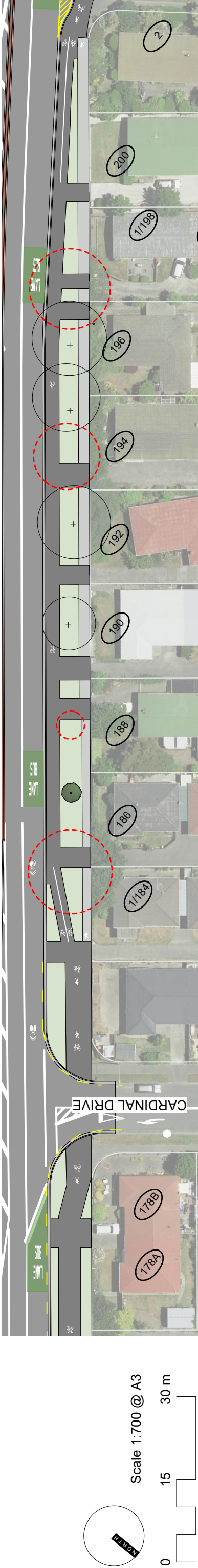
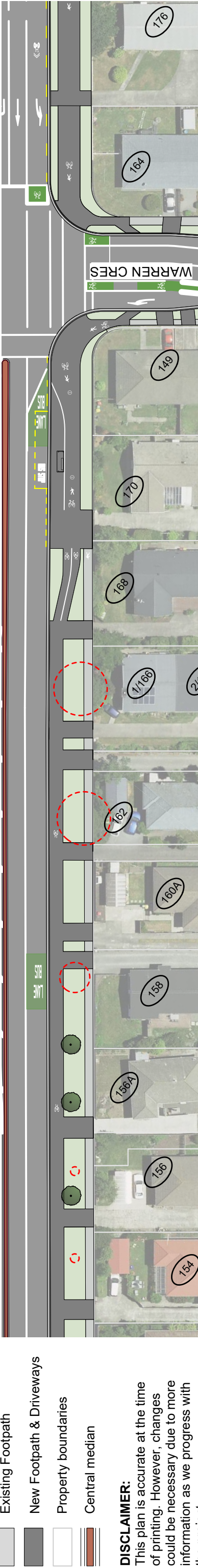
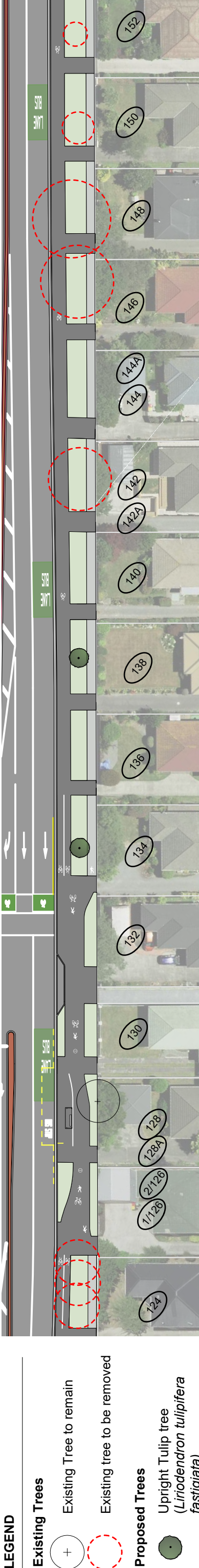
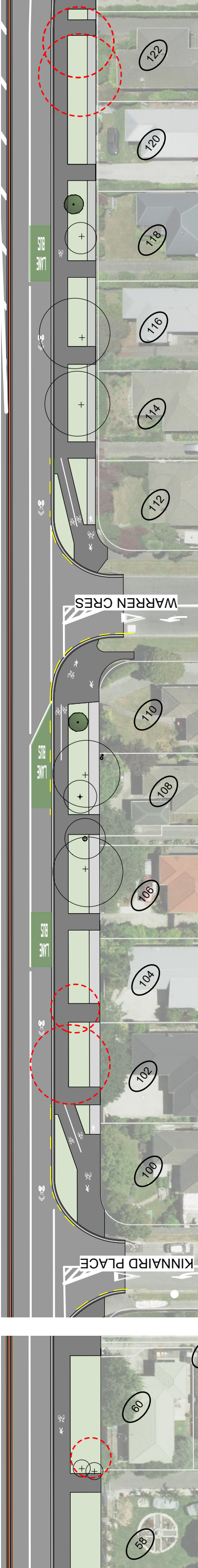
If you have any questions about the tree removal please email the project team: Halswell.Road@nzta.govt.nz

If you're not the property owner, please pass this information on to your landlord.

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation as we continue our work.

Planned tree removal on the north/citybound side of Halswell Road between Curletts Road and 198 Halswell Road, June 2025

Part of the SH75 Halswell Road improvements project



LEGEND

Existing Trees

- Existing Tree to remain
- Existing tree to be removed

Proposed Trees

- Upright Tulip tree (*Liriodendron tulipifera fastigiata*)

Other

- Grass berm
- Existing Footpath
- New Footpath & Driveways
- Property boundaries
- Central median

DISCLAIMER:
This plan is accurate at the time of printing. However, changes could be necessary due to more information as we progress with the project.

