

# Waterview Shared Path

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## New path to connect Waterview and Mt Albert

Auckland Transport (AT) is designing a shared path that will connect Waterview and Mt Albert. The path is being delivered as part of the Waterview Connection project.

The Waterview shared path will include two new bridges and run nearly 2.4 km from Alan Wood Reserve off New North Road, following the route of Oakley Creek to connect with Great North Road. It will be accessible from a number of points along the way, including Phyllis Reserve and the Unitec campus.

The path will add to Auckland's growing cycling and walking network, connecting with the north-western cycle route along SH16 and with shared paths to Onehunga and New Lynn.

### Path features

- The path will be around three and a half metres wide and constructed predominantly in concrete, with a short section of timber boardwalk between Phyllis Reserve and Harbutt Reserve.
- It will be of a low gradient to enable accessibility for all users and will be well lit, to provide a high level of safety.
- The path will keep mainly to the perimeter of Albie Turner Field and Phyllis Reserve, allowing for future development of these parks.
- AT plans to install traffic lights at the intersection of New North Road, Soljak Place and Bollard Avenue to provide a safe crossing for cyclists and pedestrians.
- AT is working with local landowners to finalise the route the path will take.

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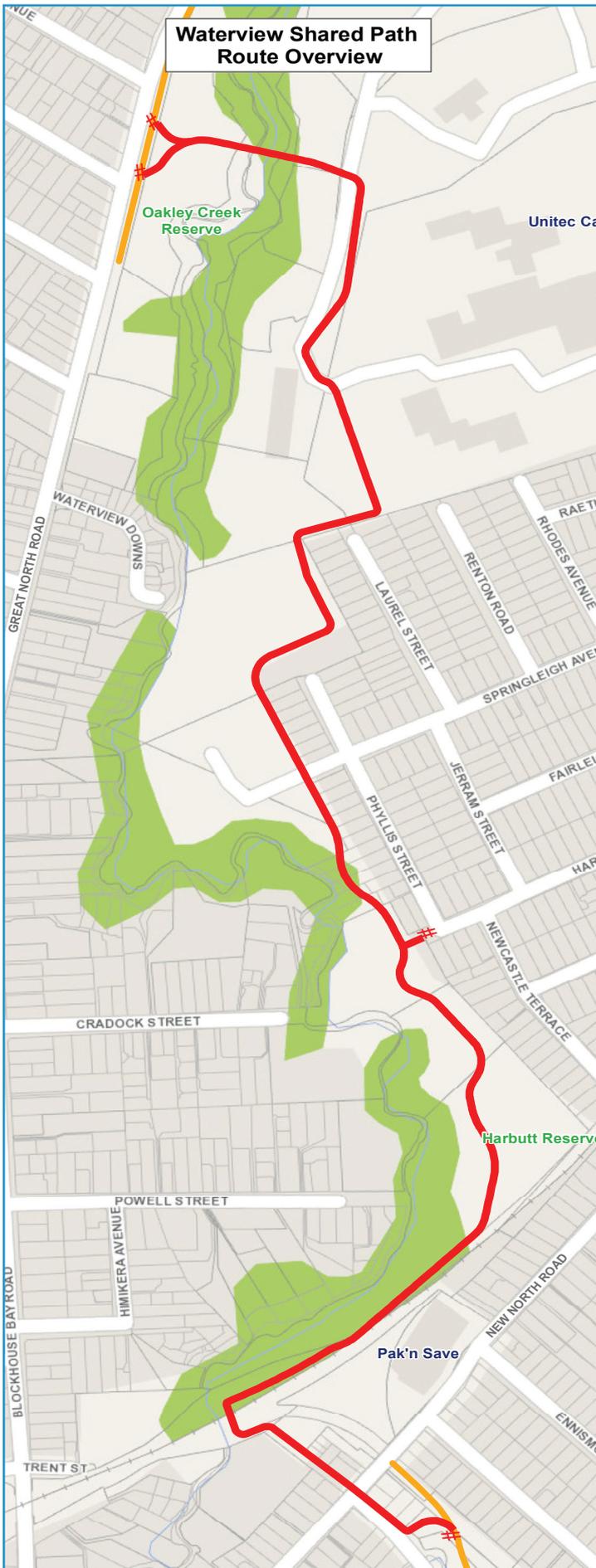
AT is holding two open days this month, so come along to meet the project team and find out more about this exciting development.

**When:** Wednesday 23 July, 3pm - 7pm

**Where:** Metro Football Club  
Phyllis Reserve, Mt Albert

**Thursday 24 July, 3pm - 7pm**

Avondale Baptist Church  
1288 New North Road, Avondale



## New bridges

Two bridges are required for the path at each end of the route to connect communities to the path.

- Alford Bridge will be approximately 15m high and 80m long, crossing over Oakley Creek near Great North Road. AT proposes to construct the bridge in concrete, with four piles supporting the bridge deck.
- Soljak Bridge will be approximately 6m high and 30m long and cross over the western rail line to connect with Soljak Place. The concrete bridge will have catch screens over the rail line, similar to those on motorway over-bridges.



## Planning and construction

The decision to build the Waterview shared path results from a 2011 decision by the Board of Inquiry to provide local connections for communities. Following that decision, AT has investigated options, reached agreements with some of the affected property owners and developed a concept design for the path.

In the next month, AT will apply to Auckland Council for the consents required to further develop the design and begin construction. This process will look at the effect of the path on the local environment, such as working within a residential area. It will also consider the safety of the path during construction and after completion.



The consent application will be publicly notified. This means that you can have a say on the application. The council's website [www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz) lists all publicly notified applications and provides information on the consenting process, including how you can make a submission.

The consents process can take several months. Once complete, the design will be developed and refined for construction. We expect that works will begin in late 2016 and take around 12 months to complete.