

Safe School Streets

In May, we updated the community on the Sunnyhills Safe School Streets project. The update included the conclusion of the trial, the feedback received on the trial and our next steps towards a permanent solution. Since May, we have progressed design for the permanent safety solutions and are ready to showcase these with the community. The permanent solution will replace the temporary concrete planters, orange safety posts and raised rubber traffic calming devices.

Invite to view the designs and talk to the team

We are hosting a community information drop-in at Sunnyhills School on **Tuesday 6 December** between **3pm and 6pm**

We will have maps to view and project team members to speak with on the day. Everyone is welcome to come along.

The maps can also be viewed online at Below links

- [Sunnyhills Overall Layout Plan](#)
- [The Boulevard Raised crossing](#)
- [Treeway & The Crest](#)
- [Treeway & Sunnyhill Cres & The Boulevard](#)
- [The Crest & The Boulevard](#)
- [Fordyce Ave & Suzet Place](#)
- [Stansfield Pl & Fordyce Ave & Pennycook Pl](#)

Two new safety proposals for The Boulevard

We have two additional proposals for the area. We are proposing to:

1. Convert the existing [crossing point outside #19 The Boulevard](#) into a raised zebra pedestrian crossing.
2. Install a [new speed hump near #35 The Boulevard](#).

On-street parking will not be affected by these proposals.

How this will benefit your neighbourhood

Raising the crossing to the footpath will help improve drivers' visibility of people crossing the road.

The location of the pedestrian crossing was chosen because people already cross here. The need for a raised pedestrian crossing was identified during the trial; however, placing a temporary device on the road could not happen because there was no safe and suitable device to implement this feature effectively.

The proposed speed hump and the pedestrian crossing will encourage drivers to slow down, creating a slower-speed environment in an area with high numbers of school children walking or riding their bikes and scooters to and from school.

Tell us what you think of the new proposals

You can play a role in shaping the way we make this happen. Here's how you can have your say on the new raised pedestrian crossing and speed hump proposals:

Online survey: [New Proposals for The Boulevard Survey](#)

Or In person at the community drop-in: Sunnyhills School, Tuesday 6 December, between 3pm – 6pm.

Give your views up until Sunday 18 December 2022

Supporting Vision Zero

The Safe Schools Streets Trial supports Auckland Transport's commitment to Vision Zero, the international benchmark for transport safety. It means no deaths or serious injuries on roads.

AT has committed to a goal of achieving Vision Zero in our city by 2050. It's an ambitious goal, but achievable. The approach acknowledges that we all make mistakes, but a mistake should not lead to a death or serious injury. Vision Zero values everyone using the road, not just those in vehicles. It is about caring for more vulnerable road users like pedestrians, cyclists, children and the elderly.

For more information please visit: <https://akhaveyoursay.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/sunnyhills>

How we're moving forward

We consider the trial phase complete. While AT works through the permanent design process, some or all of the temporary measures, such as the planter boxes and yellow safety posts may remain in place to provide a safer school zone.

Community engagement on the permanent solution

We'll engage with the community before any permanent changes are implemented, through mail outs, drop-in sessions, and site meetings.

The time frame to progress to a permanent solution is subject to funding approval. However, we expect consultation on the permanent design to take place in 2022/23 and will let you know ahead of time to get involved.

Background to the trial

Sunnyhills School participated in [Safe School Streets](#) to improve road safety outside and around the school's entrances and encourage active transport to and from school. Following consultation and engagement with the school and local residents between 2017-2019, the trial of temporary street changes began in April 2021.

More about the trial, temporary measures and what was changed and removed during the trial [Sunnyhills Temp Measures](#)

