

# Land Drainage Recovery Programme

*Reducing the risk of flooding throughout Christchurch City*

November 2016

## Edmonds Park – flood mitigation works

**Work will soon begin on changes to the Edmonds Park sports fields to reduce flood risk in the area. The work is part of a wider programme of flood mitigation works in the Bells Creek catchment, an area that has been at greater risk of flooding since the earthquakes, due to ground subsidence.**

Edmonds Park is currently used as junior soccer fields. To increase flood water storage to reduce flooding in the area, the park will be excavated by approximately one metre. The work will include new grass turf, a drainage system (including a small underground dewatering pump) and timber retaining walls. The park will be used to detain flood water in large infrequent rainfall events, reducing flooding to properties in the surrounding area. It will otherwise operate as sports fields.

To transfer stormwater to the park and maximise the buildable space at Linwood College, Bells Creek will be diverted from where it currently flows through Linwood College, closer to Edmonds Park. A path will be constructed alongside the new alignment, providing public access linking the north end of Edmonds Park with Aldwins Road.



To facilitate construction Edmonds Park will be closed for the duration of the works, which start on 14 November 2016 and run through until April 2017. The Edmonds Factory Gardens and the playground at the northern end of the gardens will remain open.

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## Impacts:

- During the construction works, temporary traffic management will be in place in Aldwins Road and Ryan Street. Access to private property will be kept open to residents at all times.
- Edmonds Park will be closed to the public during construction. The Edmonds Factory Gardens and the carpark and playground at the northern end of the gardens will remain open.
- For your safety, please keep away from the construction works area and adhere to all safety signage.



**For information on other flood mitigation works in the area, please visit the webpage listed below.**

**If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to contact the Council using the details below.**