Land Drainage Recovery Programme

Reducing the risk of flooding throughout Christchurch City

Temporary stopbank sandbag replacement

Contractors Paul Smith Earthmoving, working for Christchurch City Council, will soon begin work to strengthen the temporary stopbanks in the area.

The stopbanks, which extend from just upstream of North Avon Road to Bridge Street, were constructed following the 2011 earthquakes to reduce the tidal flood risk in the lower reaches of the Avon. Long-term management options for river and tidal flood protection are yet to be decided.

In May, the Council agreed to fast-track work to strengthen and increase the height of parts of the temporary stopbanks, and to replace the sandbags with more robust materials to provide a greater level of protection from river flooding. This work, along with an ongoing maintenance programme, will allow the temporary stopbanks to operate for up to 20 years.

The work in this area to remove the sandbags and replace them with more robust materials, is expected to start on 1 December, and take around four weeks. The work area on New Brighton Road is shown on the map below.















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Traffic Impacts:

- "Stop / Go" patrol for three days (1st to 4th December)
- "Shoulder closed" will be set up for the duration of works
- There will be no on-street parking around the worksite. Please do not park next to the no parking cones or work may be delayed

General:

- Work hours are between 7am to 6pm
- Safety is our main priority. We thank you for your co-operation while we are carrying out this work

If you have any queries or concerns about this work, please get in touch with the Council using the details below.











