

Why are we working at night?

We're taking the lessons from our recent work along Wairakei Road.

This intersection experiences a high level of vehicle, cyclist, and pedestrian movements which creates a challenging construction environment.

We've found that working at night offers many advantages in regards to the efficiency, safety, and impact of our work.

By undertaking this work at night we:

Reduce traffic impacts

- High traffic volumes at the intersection would require significant lane closures and traffic management.
- Undertaking work at night allows for flexibility in site setup and reduces disruption for daytime road users.

Shorten our programme = less overall disruption

- Night works allow us to complete activities more efficiently, reducing the total number of shifts required.
- Works such as trenching, installing ducts and cabling, and reinstating the trench can be completed in fewer stages.

Safely install underground services

- Installing new cabling requires excavating across the width of the road.
- At night, we can safely work across larger sections of the intersection at once, with fewer vehicles present.
- This reduces risks for both crews and road users.

What does this mean for you?

Managing noise during night works

- Night works can be disruptive and we're taking steps to minimise noise for nearby residents.
- Temporary noise barriers will be used on site where practicable.
- Noisiest activities will be prioritised earlier in the evening where possible.
- Crews will plan and carry out works efficiently to avoid unnecessary noise.

Summary

Working at night allows us to reduce impacts on the wider road network, complete the works more efficiently, and carry out safe installation of underground services.

While some noise is unavoidable, these measures help us minimise disruption and shorten the overall duration of works.

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