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WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT COUNCIL

Dunns Avenue works expected to start Monday

The Waimakariri District Council earthquake rebuild and recovery programme is steadily progressing. With works now underway on Smith Street in Kaiapoi, sewer works on Dunns Avenue in Pines Beach are expected to start this Monday 18 April.

The works package will be undertaken by Dormer Construction Ltd between 7.30am and 6pm Monday through Saturday and will include the replacement of sewer connections and the damaged sewer main in Dunns Avenue. The connections from the boundary of each property to the sewer main - the 'laterals' - will also be replaced.

Council Engineer Representative Peter Carter says to minimise disruption to the community, the existing sewer on Dunns Avenue will be kept operational during construction to handle the flows, and on completion of the new pipe the existing pipe will be plugged with concrete.

"In general, it will be possible to maintain a functioning sewer system during construction, although residents may be asked not to use high water use fittings such as dishwashers or washing machines for periods of the day if the contractor is working on their lateral."

"They may also be asked not to flush toilets or run taps for short periods of time during the renewal of their lateral. Our contractor will discuss this with residents while they are doing the work."

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