

# Drury Rail Stations project FAQs

## WHAT IS THE PROJECT?

The Drury Rail Stations project is part of the \$2.3 billion investment to improve the resilience and efficiency of rail in Auckland for passengers and freight and prepare the network for more frequent trains when the City Rail Link opens.

Over the next 30 years, an extra 130,000 people are expected to call South Auckland home. In preparation for this future growth, the Government has provided funding to build three new stations between Papakura and Pukekohe.

We are working with partner agencies Auckland Transport and New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) to create a cohesive transport network in South Auckland. Encouraging people to use public transport, rather than private vehicles, reduces carbon emissions and congestion making a positive contribution to the environment and quality of life.

Combined with the extension of electrification from Papakura to Pukekohe, the three new stations located at Drury Central, Drury West and Paerata, will make travelling by train more accessible and appealing to those living in the area.

## WHAT ARE THE PROJECT BENEFITS?

Our project will:

- provide the community with transport options that support and enable the future growth expected in South Auckland
- create easier access to the rail network for people travelling in and out of Drury and Paerata
- support environmentally friendly and sustainable public transport choices
- reduce congestion and the reliance on low occupancy vehicles, and
- improve the connectivity and accessibility for the future urban areas of Auckland.

## WHAT IS THE PROJECT TIMELINE?

Planning approvals were granted for Paerātā Railway Station and Drury Railway Station in early 2022 and enabling works began in late 2023.

At Drury Railway Station, the civil works contract was awarded to HEB Construction Ltd TD and they began setting up their site in mid-November 2024. Their focus is on connecting the station to the wider community by building a bus interchange, park and ride facilities and walking and cycling paths.

The contracts to build the stations at Drury and Paerātā was awarded to John Holland Group. Work on the stations began at Drury early-December 2024, and at Paerātā in early-January 2025.



### FIND OUT MORE

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At Paerātā Railway Station, the civil works contract was awarded to John Fillmore Contracting. They began setting up their work site in December 2024 and their work focuses on connecting the station to the wider community by building a bus interchange, park and ride facilities and walking and cycling paths.

Following physical construction completion, Auckland Transport will carry out final onboarding of station systems and operational readiness activities with Auckland One Rail, preparing to open both stations to the public and passenger services in mid-2026.

A legal challenge in the early stages of the Ngākōroa Railway Station project delayed design and building. The civil works contract has since been awarded to HEB Construction Ltd, with the station build contract awarded to John Holland Group. Both teams began establishing their work sites in late 2025, and early works are now underway. The station is expected to be operational in 2027.

## HOW DID YOU NAME THE THREE STATIONS?

Through our Mana Whenua forum, Iwi gifted the following names to KiwiRail and Auckland Transport.

- (Te) Maketuu Station (Drury Central)
- Ngaakooroa Station (Drury West)
- Paeraataa Station (Paerata)

Under a joint submission with Auckland Transport, we submitted the gifted names to the New Zealand Geographic Board (NZGB) for consideration. NZGB is the authority responsible for naming railway stations.

The NZGB considered our proposal along with feedback provided through the NZGB public consultation process, and has confirmed the following names for the stations:

- Drury Railway Station (Drury Central)
- Ngākōroa Railway Station (Drury West)
- Paerātā Railway Station (Paerata)

## ARE WE WORKING WITH MANA WHENUA?

We continue to work closely with our Mana Whenua partners ensuring the design and construction of the station buildings reflects the narrative of the area.

## A NEW BUS NETWORK IS ON ITS WAY FROM AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (AT)

As Drury, Paerātā and Ngākōroa stations open, AT will deliver a new bus network to help you get to and from the new stations, as well as local schools, jobs and services. AT gathered community



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feedback on the proposed services in late 2025. They are now reviewing all the feedback, and final service details will be announced in March. To stay up to date visit **HaveYourSay.AT.govt.nz/FranklinPT**



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# Drury Railway Station



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## PAERĀTĀ AND NGĀKŌROA RAILWAY STATIONS

If you are travelling between Drury and Pukekohe on State Highway 22 (SH22) you'll notice a hive of activity with NZTA contractors working hard at Paerata, building a new roundabout that will connect people to the new Paerātā Station. Closer to Drury; at the intersection of Jesmond Road and SH22, they're working on the interim upgrade of the intersection, to install traffic lights and a new access point to connect people to Ngākōroa Station.

Road users will be moved on to the new roundabout at Paerata when the work to tie in (join) the roundabout to the existing State Highway is completed. The new signalised 4-way intersection at Jesmond Road and SH22 is due to be completed in June 2026. For updates, email [sh22paerata@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:sh22paerata@nzta.govt.nz)

## PEDESTRIAN ACCESS BETWEEN ST IGNATIUS COLLEGE AND NGĀKŌROA RAILWAY STATION

A dedicated pedestrian pathway connecting St Ignatius College to Ngākōroa Railway Station is currently not included in KiwiRail's scope of work or budget for this site.

KiwiRail is supportive of a direct and safe walking route for students accessing the college via public transport and is open to working with Auckland Transport and St Ignatius College to explore options for a pathway, should they wish to pursue this.



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