DRURY RAIL STATIONS UPDATE FEBRUARY 2026

To support population growth and transport needs in south Auckland, we are building three new train stations between Drury and Paerata. Combined with the completed Papakura to Pukekohe electrification project, the new stations will make travelling by train more accessible for the wider community and provide faster routes into the city.

Major progress has been made since our last update. In January, the stations even caught a glimpse of the future, as test trains stopped at each platform for the first time to check the clearances between the trains and the new infrastructure.

Drury and Paerātā Stations are expected to be operational in mid-2026, with Ngākōroa to follow in 2027. Recent milestones include:

Drury Railway Station

- Closure of the northern end of Flanagan Road, with traffic now diverted via the completed Station Access Road
- Installation of both stairwells, platform stairs, under-track pipelines, pedestrian bridge barriers and platform shelters
- The lift on the Great South Road side is now complete, with the other not far behind
- Ongoing construction of the stairwell roofs and carpentry works

Paerātā Railway Station

- Installation of six 35-metre beams for the road over rail bridge, each weighing 65,000kg each and placed in a single day using a 600-tonne crane
- Installation of beams, structural steel, and barriers for the pedestrian bridge
- Ongoing steel and carpentry work across the pedestrian bridge, lift shafts, and stairwells

At both sites, asphalting has been completed for the car parks, along with the line marking, wheel stops, lamp posts, and bus shelter installations. The wetlands and landscaping are also finished. Works in the forecourt areas have started, including installation of lights, speakers, emergency egress stairs, additional shelters, yellow tactile pavers, and wiring. Artwork, provided by Mana Whenua, features on the pedestrian bridge and road bridge barriers, providing a vital link between the new structures and surrounding environment.

Ngākōroa Railway Station

In December, we held a dawn karakia (blessing) at the Ngākōroa site with our Mana Whenua partners and NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA). The ceremony took place from the new station site through to State Highway 22, where an access road will connect to the station. Just before Christmas we were joined by Minister of

Transport, Hon. Chris Bishop, and other key stakeholders for a sod-turning event marking the start of physical works.

We are pleased to share that our contractors have now begun early works on the Ngākōroa Railway Station, with major works planned for the remainder of the year.

Sustainability

KiwiRail and our contractors remain committed to delivering these projects sustainably. We are proud to report that the sustainability targets for the Drury and Paerātā Station works have been exceeded. Efforts include:

- Use of low-carbon concrete in piles, culverts, and station platforms
- Reduced emissions through contractors storing trucks on-site and encouraging driver carpooling
- Supporting supplier diversity through sub-contractor spend with Māori and Pasifika-owned businesses
- Strong waste minimisation results, including diverting 85% of construction and demolition waste and reusing or diverting 94% of spoil (soil, gravel, etc.)

Find recent drone photos of all three sites on the following pages.

We continue to work closely with NZTA who are delivering major road improvements for the community. Our teams attend quarterly community days hosted by NZTA at Drury School Hall, where residents can ask questions and learn more about the ongoing works in their area. If you have any questions, we encourage you to join the next session on **Saturday 28 February, between 10AM and 1PM**.

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 in the next couple of weeks. 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** or sh22drury@nzta.govt.nz

The SH1 Papakura to Drury project is also underway and may cause additional noise and traffic in the Drury area. More information is available at www.nzta.govt.nz/p2b.

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 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

For more information about our project please visit www.kiwirail.co.nz/druryrailstations or for further information about this work, please email contactus@kiwirail.co.nz

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Drury Station
Jesmond Rd
Fitzgerald Rd
Blackbridge Rd
Pitt Rd
Ngākōroa Station
St Ignatius of Loyola Catholic College
Karaka Rd
Auckland - Hamilton Motorway
Paerātā Rise
Glenbrook Rd
Wesley College
Burtt Rd
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