

Morrisonville Road safety upgrades – Plan your school journey

On 16 February, Hamilton City Council will begin constructing a new roundabout at the intersection of Morrinsville Road, Silverdale Road, and Matangi Road. Construction is expected to be completed in May/June (weather dependant).

During this time, road closures will be in place (see map below). All roads will remain open for people walking and biking.

These closures will affect how some students and parents' travel. Here's what you need to know to help plan school journeys during construction.

Driving children to school

- If you're driving from Matangi or Morrinsville, please allow extra travel time as you'll need to take detour routes. The official detour routes (shown on the map below) are the recommended routes and are suitable for heavy vehicles, but you're your welcome to choose your own route.
- Parents of Berkley students can continue to drop children at the New World Hillcrest car park. From there they can use the underpass to Morrinsville Road, then walk to Mullane Street via the alley off Gordon St.

MOE Funded School buses

- School Buses will continue to operate, but with amended routes.
- There will likely be some new drop off / collection points and adjusted schedules.
- Your school will provide updated route planners once received from the bus operators.

Hamilton City and Regional Public Bus Services

- Some public bus routes will be impacted by the closures. Please ensure you check the [BUSIT website](#) or Transit App to see if the bus you or your children catch will be impacted

Walking, biking, and scootering

- All roads will stay open to people walking, biking and scootering, and for some students this may be faster than travelling via detours.
- Parents can drop children at the designated drop-off points shown on the map below. Students can then walk, bike, or scooter the remainder of the journey.
 - If dropping children at Matangi Road, we recommend Dalbeth Place as a safest drop-off/collection point.
 - At all drop-off points, please take care, be patient, and make safe turning movements.

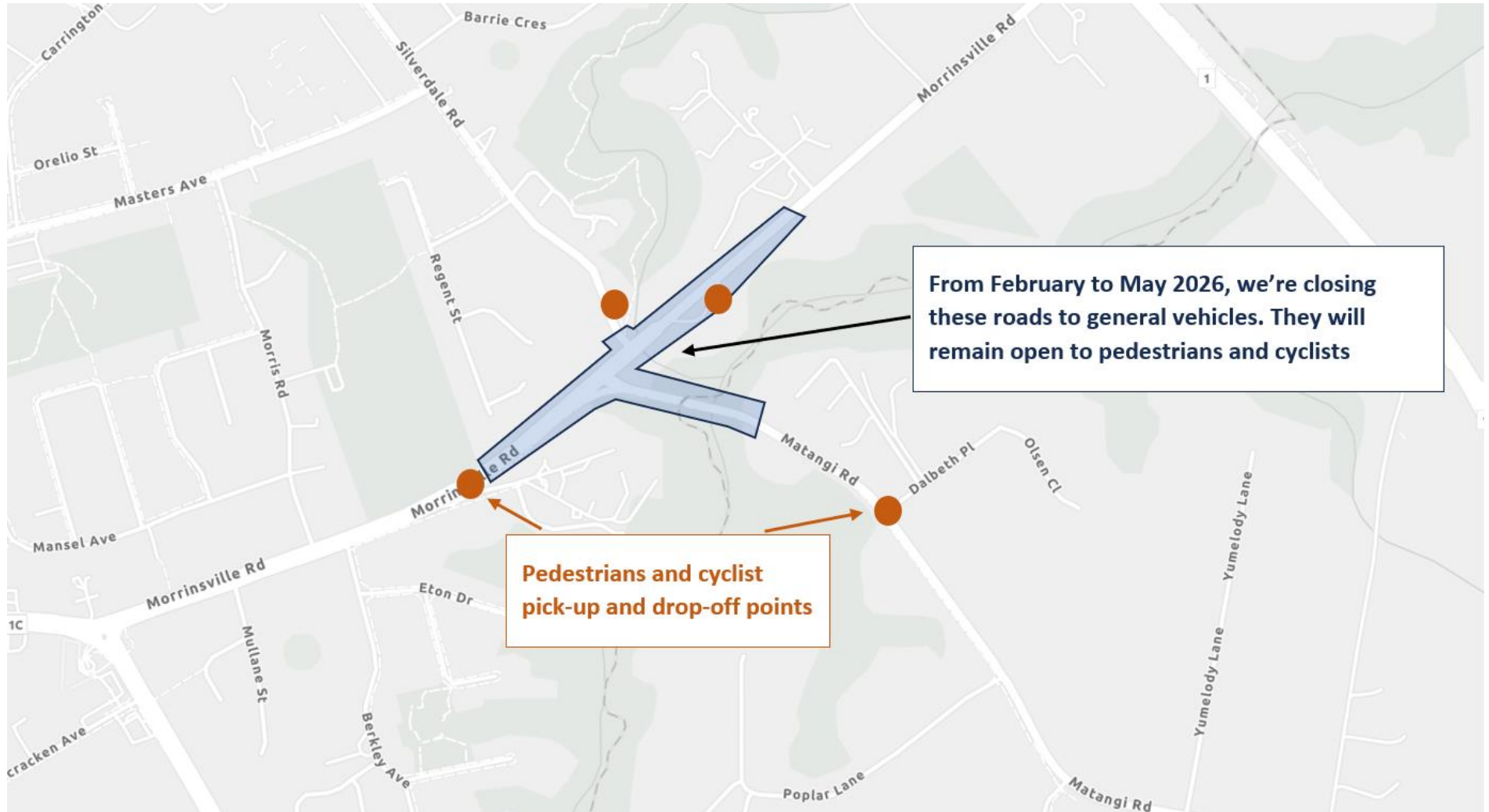
- Hamilton City Council staff will be stationed at road closure points to help assist students for the first few days of the road closure. This includes a bike bus to Berkley school leaving Dalbeth Place/Matangi Road at 8.20am on Monday and Tuesday, led by qualified bike instructors.
- The pedestrian/bike route between Matangi Road and Silverdale Road will include some grassed areas. Gravel may be added if needed in wet weather. Students should wear suitable footwear.

Please allow extra time for travel during the works and consider creating a travel plan with students. We appreciate your corporation while these important safety upgrades are delivered.

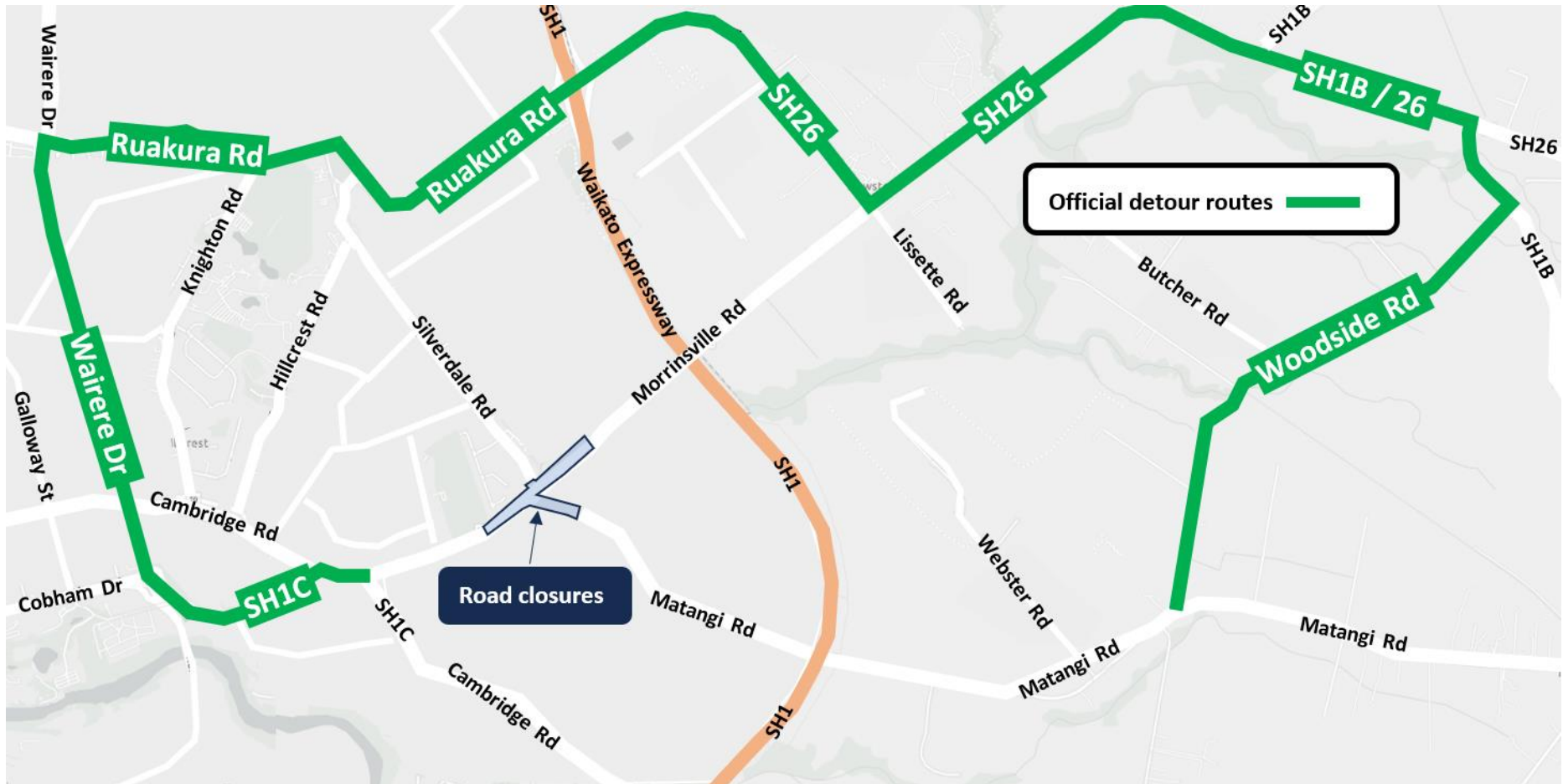
In March, Hamilton City Council will share more information about construction activities between Cambridge Road and Jansen Park. This work is planned for April to May/June, opening around the same time as the roundabout.

In response to public feedback, the design now includes wide shared paths on key sections of the cycleway, including a connection to the Cambridge Road underpass.

Road closures and drop-off points



Official detour routes



Please note: these are the recommended detour routes suitable for heavy vehicles, but people are welcome to plan their own journeys.