



# WAIKŌWHAI

## PROGRESS UPDATE

### SUMMER 2024

#### KIA ORA!

Happy New Year, Waikōwhai! We're looking forward to the new year ahead! We hope everyone had a lovely holiday season. We had a great time celebrating the end of 2023 at our community celebration in November, which you can read all about on the right. You'll also find out what's happening in the Waikōwhai neighbourhood and the latest community news.

So, let's dive in!

## COMMUNITY FUN IN WAIKŌWHAI

On 27 November, more than 150 people gathered to celebrate a big year for the neighbourhood. A team of Roskill Development and Kāinga Ora elves handed out Christmas goodie bags and shared details about upcoming work and updates on projects already happening for the area.

Whānau and tamariki had plenty to do, with crafts and face painting, games, planting, painting, and more!

"It was heartwarming to see all the local kids having fun along with all the local leaders who came to support our team," says Karla Beazley, Kāinga Ora Community Engagement and Development Coordinator.

Our civil construction partner, LEAD Alliance, added to the festivities by contributing Christmas crackers and candy canes and provided a digger on-site as a photo booth. The teams from Hoodlinks, Aftermath, Friends of Molley Green Reserve and Harcourts Mt Roskill all came together to make the day a success.

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# WAIKŌWHAI NEIGHBOURHOOD PROGRESS UPDATE

## Stage 1

Stage 1A public housing construction is underway, with the first eight public homes complete on Glass and Nash Roads and Kāinga Ora customers now settled in. A further 29 public homes are due to be completed by October 2024. Stage 1B civil works are now complete. Stage 1 market and more affordable housing is now in design and will commence construction by mid-2024.

## Stage 2

Removal of old houses no longer fit for purpose and relocations are well underway. LEAD Alliance has started land remediation and civil works, which will continue until Q3 2024. Construction of the Molley Green Reserve upgrade is now underway.

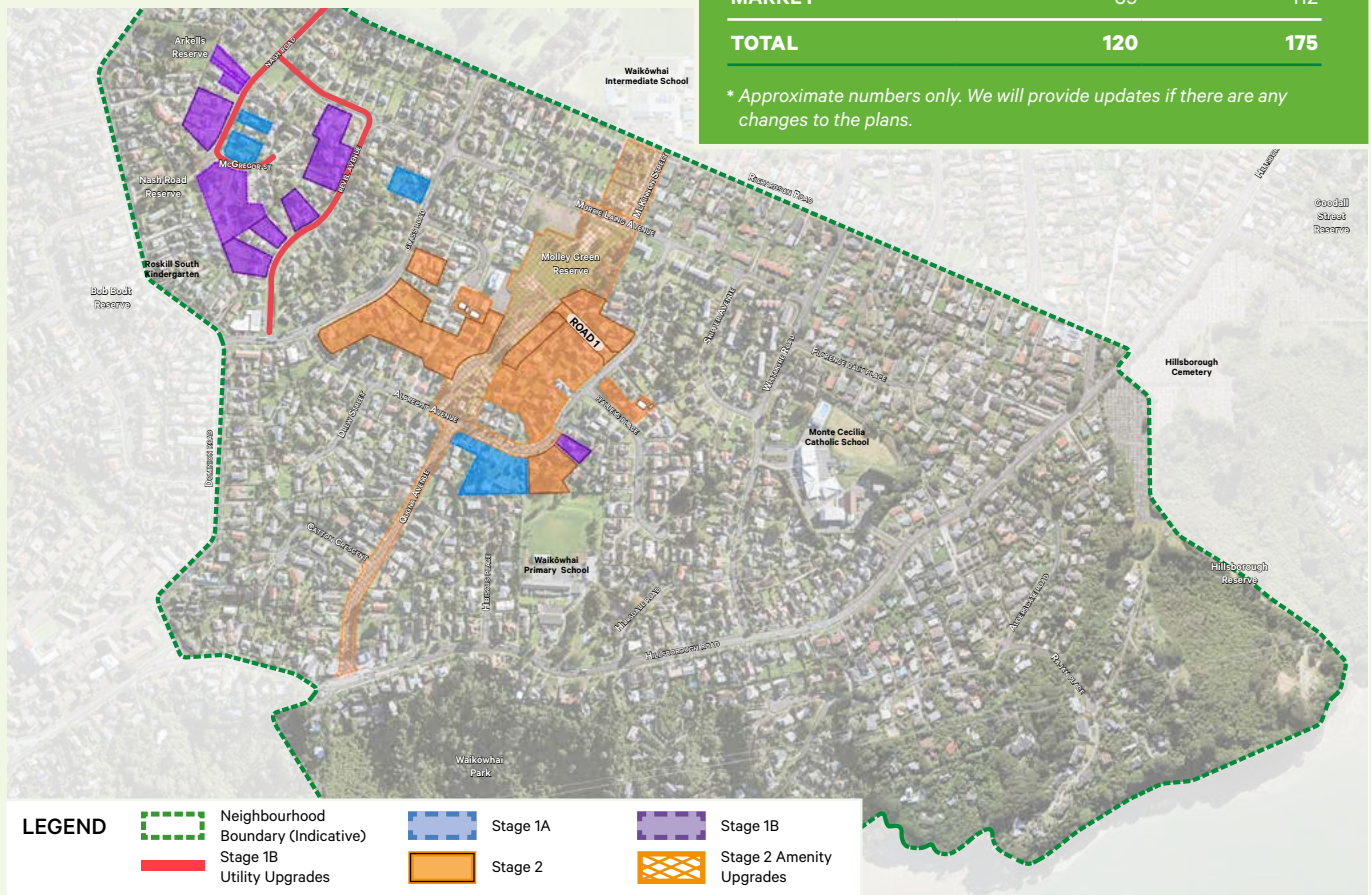
Waikōwhai is one of several neighbourhoods set to grow as part of the Roskill Development, which is delivering around 12,000 new homes. In Waikōwhai, we're building around 1,200 new, warm, dry, healthy homes – a mix of public homes and homes for sale at market and more affordable prices, such as KiwiBuild.

To learn more about what's happening in Waikowhai, visit [roskilldevelopment.co.nz/neighbourhoods/waikowhai/](https://roskilldevelopment.co.nz/neighbourhoods/waikowhai/)

### Proposed homes in Stages 1 and 2

NEW HOMES *	STAGE 1	STAGE 2
PUBLIC	61	63
MARKET	59	112
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>175</b>

\* Approximate numbers only. We will provide updates if there are any changes to the plans.



## ESTIMATED DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE

### Summer 2023 / 2024

- » Eight more Stage 1 public homes completed.
- » Stage 2 house relocations and removals complete.

### Autumn 2024

- » Stage 2 infrastructure civil works (excluding the McKinnon St area) and land remediation continue.
- » Molley Green Reserve upgrade (and Albrecht Basin) continues.
- » Stage 1 of public house construction continues.

### Winter 2024

- » Stage 2 infrastructure civil works (excluding McKinnon St area) and land remediation complete.

### Spring 2024

- » Molley Green Reserve works are almost complete. More public homes to commence construction.

### Molley Green Reserve upgrade update

The basketball court will be closed from the end of January to allow for the remainder of the upgrade works. The footpath through the reserve between Gerbic Place and Molley Green Place will stay open, along with access to the Community Garden. Our team will hold a range of community events at nearby parks while the work is underway. To keep up to date, follow us on [facebook.com/roskilldevelopment](https://facebook.com/roskilldevelopment)



## FUTURE SQUAD PITCH IN FOR FOOD FOREST WORKING BEE

*Students from four central high schools pitched in to help the Molley Green garden team and Kāinga Ora at a working bee to support the local Food Forest.*

The students were part of the Kāinga Ora Future Squad programme, which allows students to learn about the Housing and Urban Development industry, its various pathways and career opportunities from leading professionals within the industry.

“At Kāinga Ora, we are responsible for creating thriving communities through housing and urban development in Aotearoa, New Zealand. This includes looking to sustain or enhance the overall economic, social, environmental, and cultural well-being of current and future generations,” says JP Puleitu, Advisor - Youth Placemaking.

Students first did a three-day workshop where they learnt the key stages of the building process. They got to visit their local development site to see the action live and hear from industry professionals about career options. They then shared input into housing and urban development from a youth perspective.

The students went on to volunteer at several Kāinga Ora events and activities, like the Molley Green Food Forest,



where they helped by moving large rocks, mulching, planting and weeding, and the Twilight event in December 2023, where they helped with activities like face painting, art and general setup and pack down.

Opportunities such as these will continue to be available for students to access through the Future Squad programme.

## CELEBRATING IN STYLE IN WAIKŌWHAI!

It was a jolly Molley Green Reserve when Waikōwhai locals got together for an early Christmas celebration! See the fun they had below!







## MEET CLAIRE HANSELL

*Programme Manager, Placemaking, Kāinga Ora*

### What does your role involve?

Working in the Placemaking space is exciting and provides opportunities to make meaningful connections with communities. Placemaking ensures that quality and equitable spaces are designed for and by the communities who will use them. No one community is the same, and Placemaking highlights how unique and special that community is.

### What do you enjoy most about your job?

My awesome team and seeing people take pride in their neighbourhoods.

### What do you love most about the Waikōwhai community?

The Tamariki of Waikōwhai are a definite highlight. It's always good to hear their play and laughter echo from their schools, parks and streets.

### What were you doing previously?

I've been at Kāinga Ora for three years now. Before that, I juggled study, working in the creative and placemaking industry and raising my son (who is a pretty cool guy).

### What do you like doing outside of the office?

I love reading books (especially about dragons and swords) and hanging with my family and dog, Duncan.

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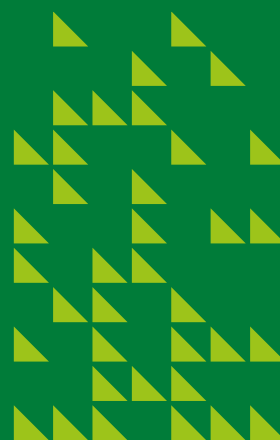
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### LAYING THE GROUNDWORK

LEAD Alliance is our civil works partner. They prepare the land, remove existing public homes and upgrade streets and infrastructure before building starts. For any questions about civil works please contact **LEAD Alliance on 0508 747 48 244.**



  
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