

Development Update – 3c Bignell Street

Kia ora neighbour

We wrote to you previously to let you know about our land purchase for the possible development of new homes at 3C Bignell Street, Gonville, Whanganui.

Since then, we've reviewed our social housing development pipeline to ensure we're getting the best value for money from our projects, so we can continue delivering new homes in the areas where they are most needed.

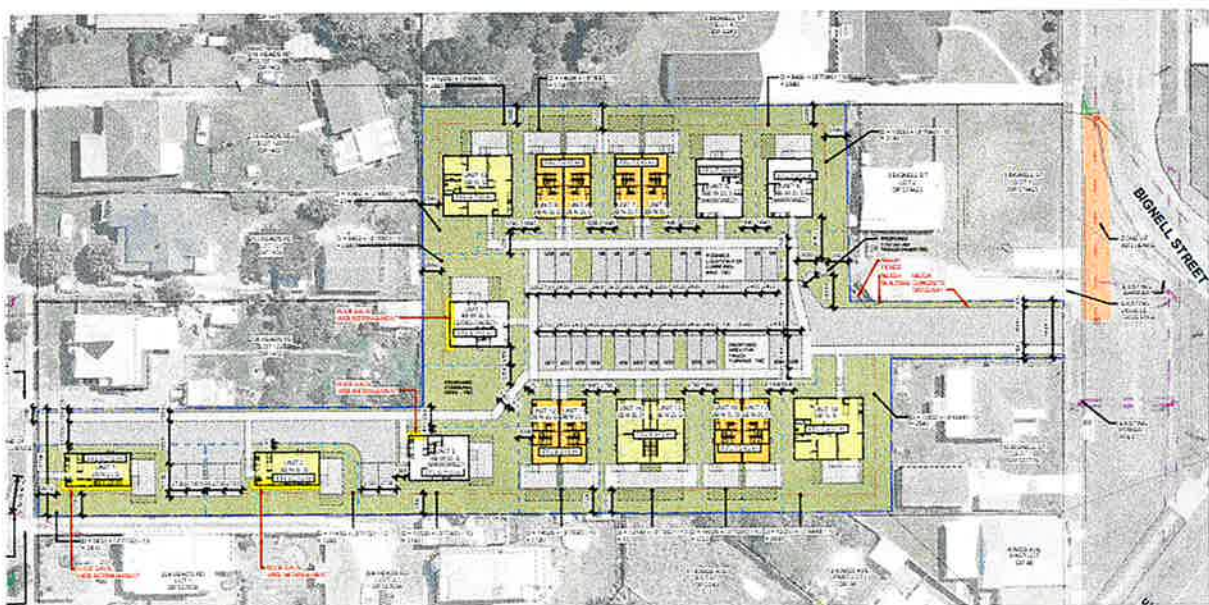
Following this review, the decision has been made to progress with the development at 3C Bignell Street. In the coming weeks we will be applying for consent to build 18 new homes on this site.

These new homes will form part of Kāinga Ora's renewals programme, which focuses on replacing older homes with warm, dry, modern housing that better meets the needs of customers and the community.

With over 260 individuals and whanau on the Ministry of Social Development Housing Register in Whanganui, there is a growing need for Kāinga Ora to provide more modern warm, dry homes so that these applicants can have a safe and secure place to call home and build their future.

What will be built?

In the coming months, construction is expected to start on 18 new homes. The development will consist of two, three and four-bedroom homes. These new, low maintenance homes will be a modern design, fully insulated, with carpets, curtains, and double glazing.



When will building start?

- Estimated start of construction..... Mid 2026
- Estimated finish of construction..... Early 2027

Who will live in these new homes?

Kāinga Ora will match these new homes to families on the Ministry of Social Development's Housing Register, with the highest priority for a home of that size and in that location. The size of the homes means they will be suitable for families in need.

Supporting our customers

We always help our new customers settle into their new home and community. A key focus of ours is to ensure that our customers understand their responsibilities and that includes taking care of their home, being good, respectful neighbours and connecting with their communities.

Kāinga Ora is also looking at new ways to support our customers and help them connect to support services when and if they need it.

Questions?

To keep up to date with this development or to sign up to receive email updates, please visit <https://engage.kaingaora.govt.nz/manawatu-whanganui-1>

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