



## **Closure of Jordan Stream Bridge – Puhi Puhi Road**

An independent structural assessment of all KDC's road bridges has recently been completed.

This assessment has resulted in a recommendation that the Jordan Stream bridge on Puhi Puhi Road is closed to all vehicles because in the bridge engineer's opinion multiple defects make it unsuitable to carry even the light vehicles to which the bridge has previously been restricted.



**Vehicle access to the bridge will be prevented, effective from Thursday 23 May. All vehicles will instead have to cross the stream via the ford.**

Council recognises that because the ford will be impassible in some conditions the closure of the bridge will have an adverse effect on residents of the upper section of Puhi Puhi Road.

It is currently believed that it is unlikely that the existing bridge can be restored to a serviceable condition, and council staff are therefore investigating other potential options to provide a reliable crossing of the stream.

In the interim Council will endeavour to ensure that the ford is quickly repaired if damaged in a heavy rainfall event.

Because the Jordan Stream catchment sometimes receives heavy rainfall when other lower areas do not, residents are asked to inform Council if they observe that the ford requires repair following such an event. Please contact James Prentice 027 546 5192.

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