

NATUREPATH

IS BEING PROMOTED BY THE NORTH SHORE BRANCH OF **FOREST & BIRD**, NEW ZEALAND'S LARGEST INDEPENDENT CONSERVATION ORGANISATION. FOREST & BIRD IS CARRYING OUT A MAJOR RESTORATION AT TUFF CRATER RESERVE.

The Shoal Bay/Tuff Crater environment is a very special breeding and feeding ground to numerous shorebirds, some of which are endangered. These include the rare New Zealand dotterel which breeds along the eastern edge of the motorway in Shoal Bay, which is why it is essential that development in this area is avoided to minimise disturbance. There are just over 2000 birds NZ wide. Shoal Bay is a Department of Conservation "Site of Special Wildlife Interest" and has Auckland Council marine and land "Significant Ecological Area" designations, as well as containing "Outstanding Natural Features". These include rare shell barrier beaches.

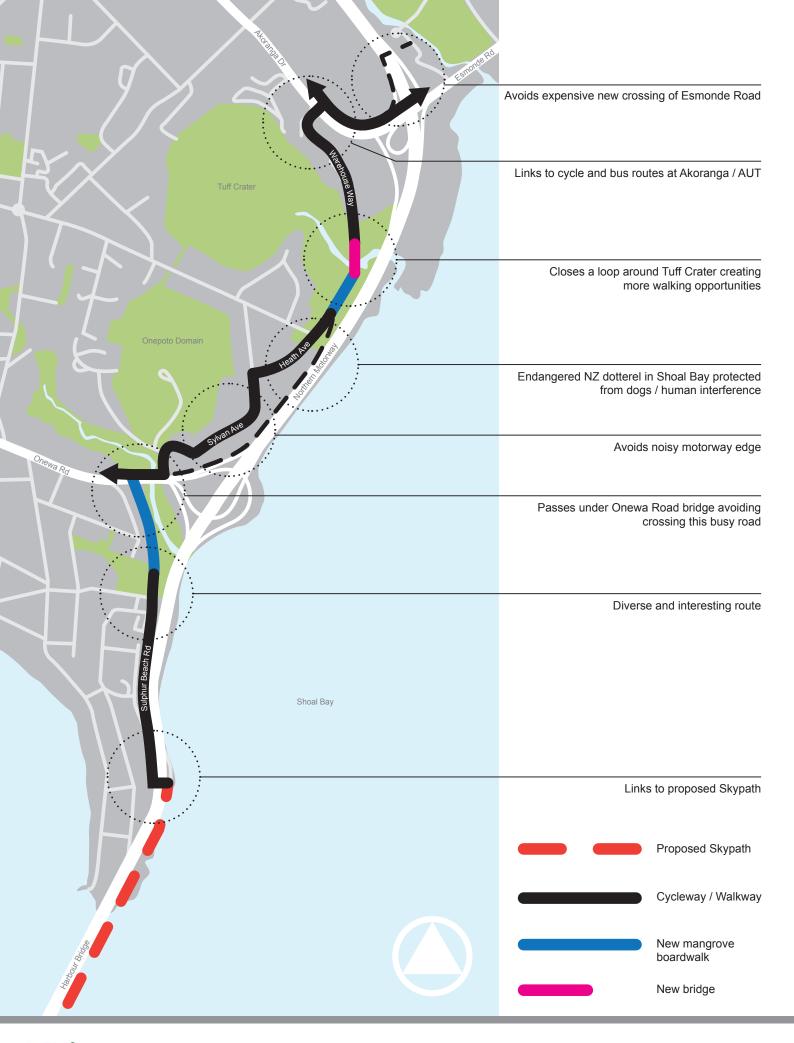


NATUREPATH **WILL**:

- Provide a relatively peaceful route through interesting terrain north of the bridge
- Link Northcote with Akoranga Drive and Takapuna, and points north and south to Devonport
- Link Onepoto to Tuff Crater via Sylvan Ave OR a route along the edge of the motorway or both
- Complete a circuit walk around Tuff Crater, desired by locals for many years
- · Provide an alternative commuting route
- Provide opportunities for appreciating the vistas of Shoal Bay
- Keep development out of Shoal Bay to protect important wildlife habitat

THE ROUTE:

- From the harbour bridge area to Stafford Park by a route either west of the bridge or east and under the motorway near Stafford Rd
- Through Stafford Park
- Along a new boardwalk on the west side of the mangroves below Waimana Ave
- Under the Onewa Road bridge to join the wave bridge north of Onewa Rd
- Up Sylvan Rd, right into Heath Ave, down the accessway to Heath Reserve OR along the western side of motorway to Heath Reserve
- Across Heath Reserve to a new boardwalk and bridge across the mangroves at a reasonable distance west of the motorway
- Into the Millennium Forest area of Tuff Crater Reserve, up the grass path west of The Warehouse head office to the path between Canon and Warehouse
- Out to Warehouse Way and through to Akoranga Drive
- Link to the pedestrian bridge to the bus station from near the lights at Akoranga Exit north.





PROPOSED WALK / CYCLE NATURE PATH (SITE OF SPECIAL WILDLIFE)

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