



What you **need** to
know about...

Vehicular Accessways

maintaining our roads

There are approximately 5000 km of roads within the Southland District Council network: 2000 km sealed, 3000 km unsealed, including over 960 bridges, with 27 townships & a growing population (28,440 as per 2006 Census) who use these roads.

With an annual Roading Budget of over \$23M it is our aim to keep the roads maintained to an acceptable standard and are always looking at ways to improve the network as an asset for the community while keeping to an ever tightening budget.

As accessways are formed off of public roads, crossing footpaths, road reserve and various services, to allow landowners and the public vehicle access to a property or site it is subject to the approval of Council and compliance with the Roading Policy.

Types of Accessways

Private Urban Accessways

Commercial Urban Accessways

Private Rural Accessways

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Temporary Commercial Accessways

A permit is required for the establishment of a vehicle access, for both private and commercial use, and the location is determined by the Roading Manager (or other Council representative) in accordance with Austroads Guidelines for Safe Sight Distances.

Requirements of a Vehicular Accessway

Accessways should not cause damage to the road or create maintenance issues. The requirements for each of the types of accessways vary depending on location, use and its users. All accessways must comply with the following conditions:

- The accessway shall be paved with an appropriate material



- When kerb & channel has been laid the kerb shall be appropriately modified to allow adequate vehicular access without impeding water flow in the channel line
- Provision to ensure no silt or gravel can flow onto roadway or into drains

Full construction details and vehicle access requirements are available from the Council by contacting the local Area Engineer on 0800 732732.

**Contact our Customer Services
on 0800 732 732 if you have a concern about the
state of any of our roads, sealed or unsealed,
or if you come across a mess.**

top tips

Three simple Vehicle Access rules:

1. Contact Council if you are considering changing the use of accessway, as it may need to be upgraded to prevent damages to vital services.
2. Ensure drainage channel is kept clear of silt & gravel, contact Council if you notice any problems.
3. If in doubt - ask.



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