OPAWAHO DIVIDE ROUTE DIRECTIONS

The track starts in Titoki Street, near the corner with Rimu St, outside Riccarton Bush.

Follow Rimu St south, then turn right into Rata St. Follow Rata St into Kauri St, then turn right into Riccarton Rd.

Go west along Riccarton Rd to the traffic lights at the intersection with Matipo St. Use the crossing lights to cross Riccarton Rd. Follow Matipo St south, down the western side of the road.

You will get to a major intersection with Blenheim Rd. Use the lights to cross Blenheim Rd. You will need to first cross Matipo to the other side, then cross Blenheim, before crossing back to the western side of Matipo St. This will give you the best view of the plantings and cultivation in the planted retention pond and reserve behind the industrial buildings to the west of Matipo St, part of a stormwater management system.

Continue along the road, over the railway lines, and down to the roundabout on Wrights Rd – bear right onto Birmingham Drive. Cross Birmingham Drive, just prior to Marylands Place and continue up on the left hand side. Enter Marylands Reserve (just prior to Canty Canine Obedience Club) and follow the footpath into the reserve. The footpath peters out, so head south across the park through the wooded picnic area to the Marylands Cycleway. Follow the Marylands Cycleway west to the end of Annex Rd. Turn left to the Christchurch Southern Motorway through the tunnel to rejoin Annex Rd on the other side.

From the underpass, follow Annex Rd. Turn right into the Curletts Stormwater Basin onto a footpath which runs south. At footpath intersection, bear left on the path which runs between Curletts Rd and the back of Mokihi Gardens into Seagar Park. This path will take you back to Annex Rd.

At Annex Rd, turn right and follow footpath along the Heathcote River to Lincoln Rd. Turn right onto Lincoln until the major intersection. Cross Curletts Rd (use the lights at the intersection to safel cross) and, on the left hand side, head north. Turn left to follow the Nga Puna Wai Walkway along the Heathcote River through the grounds of Canterbury Park A&P Showgrounds. Walkway goes behind the Nga Puna Wai Sports Hub, crossing Augustine Drive. Turn sharp right before entering the Aidanfield Christian School which will take you back to Augustine Drive.

At the junction of McMahon Drive and Augustine Drive, turn left through along McMahon Drive to the roundabout. Take a moment here to visit the Mt Magdala Cemetery of the Good Shepherd Sisters.

At roundabout turn left onto Aidanfield Drive. Turn right into the Nash Reserve onto the north side of the Heathcote River swale and follow footpath back to McMahon Drive. Cross McMahon Drive at the bridge and walk over the bridge to the other side

of the swale. Turn right into the Nash Reserve swale and follow path to the end of Annies Lane.

Take the path left through the reserve alongside Annies Lane, to Date Crescent. Go south-west on Date Crescent to Bibiana St which you cross to get to Burbank Reserve which will take you to Burbank Drive. Turn left on Burbank Drive, then right into Cyclamen Pl. After Cyclamen Place bends right, you will find Dunbars Reserve on the left. Cut through here to Dunbars Rd. Cross Dunbars Rd and enter Lancewood Drive. At the T junction, turn right to continue along Lancewood Drive, turning left into Lakeview Pl. At the bend of the cul-de-sac, turn left into Champion Reserve through to Eskdale Pl. Turn right out of Eskdale into Westlake Drive. Continue west along Westlake Drive to the Westlake Reserve.

The Christchurch 360 Trail loops around Westlake Pond heading north-west first, before returning to the eastern side of the lake near Westlake Drive. Before getting to Westlake Drive, turn right and take the path that runs to the east along the north edge of the park.

At the eastern corner, take the path that exits the park to the east. Exit the park, turning right onto Lancewood Dr. Follow Lancewood Dr south until it becomes Wales St. Follow Wales St to Oakridge St, turn right, then turn right again into Nicholls Rd. At the end of Nicholls Rd, turn left into Halswell Junction Rd. Follow Halswell Junction Rd east.

Turn right into Sabys Rd. Between houses 21A and 23, turn left into the alley way which will lead to Muir Avenue. Follow Muir Avenue, turning left through Muir Park to Halswell Road. Turn right onto Halswell Rd, heading south. Turn left into Larsens Rd, and left again into Glovers Rd. Then right onto Kennedys Bush Rd.

Continue down Kennedys Bush Rd to the Cashmere Rd intersection. Cross Kennedys Bush Rd safely here, and enter Halswell Quarry Park from off Cashmere Rd. Cross the Halswell Quarry Park fields to the southern ponds, make your way east around the top of the ponds, and head towards the Halswell Quarry carpark.

The sign marks the end this leg of the Christchurch 360 Trail and the start of the Sugarloaf Hills leg.