## **Media Release**

## Second section of progressive cordon reduction underway

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Work has begun in the second of four areas of the Rebuild Zone that are being moved out of the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery's Authority jurisdiction during June.

The progressive reduction will end the New Zealand Defence Force's unprecedented deployment in the city since the February 2011 earthquake.

In order to ensure all roads, footpaths and infrastructure are repaired and safe for public use, CERA is working with the Christchurch City Council, SCIRT and other key agencies.

While the cordon will no longer be in place and CERA will not have overall control of access, some roads will remain closed as street-level and underground repairs are carried out, or until any dangerous or damaged buildings are addressed.

All property owners within the central city have been told they need to manage the fencing and security of their own buildings once the CERA cordon is removed.

This week the area west of Manchester Street, south of Gloucester Street is being worked on and by late Friday afternoon it will no longer be part of the CERA cordon.

CERA's cordon map will be updated to reflected the changes on Friday at 5pm.