

DELIVERING FOR YOU



YOUR NETWORK, YOUR NEWS.

Aurora Energy (your local electricity distribution company) manages and services the network in Central Otago/ Wānaka, Queenstown Lakes and Dunedin. We have a huge, 5-year work programme underway and are investing over \$560 million to upgrade the network and are focused on planning to ensure it has the capacity to enable the energy future of our communities. This means there may need to be more planned power outages, to keep you and our contractors safe while we carry out the work. Thank you for your patience as we work hard to provide you with a safer and more reliable electricity supply.

CENTRAL OTAGO/WĀNAKA ELECTRICITY NETWORK

We have a number of projects underway to ensure the future resilience of the area, as well as upgrading existing assets. Below is a snapshot of a few major projects either recently completed, currently underway or upcoming in your area. Large infrastructure projects can take a long time to deliver and we hope you enjoy following the updates as they progress. Stay tuned!

COMPLETE ✓

Cromwell bundled work

Replacing 19 power poles and five cross arms, as well as maintenance on other equipment in and around Cromwell, Lowburn and Pisa Moorings was completed in November.

A combined effort from our contractors Connetics, Delta, ElectroNet and subcontractors meant we could reduce the number of planned outages and customer disruption.

Thanks to the locals who stopped by the Lowburn Community Hall, where we were set up to provide support.



UNDERWAY >>>

Omakau zone substation

We have an integrated programme of work underway to improve supply to the Omakau area, including a new zone substation. We have recently installed a new generator and mobile substation parking bay. Next up is the installation of the new transformers and decommissioning the current Omakau substation site.

Work started early last year and is scheduled to be completed this year.



UPCOMING 📅

Ettrick bundled work

Ettrick residents can expect to see some activity in the area in January and February, with our contractors Network Waitaki undertaking a large programme of work to replace 45 power poles, 12 cross arms, 7km of power lines, five transformers, and one air brake switch along Ettrick-Raes Junction Road. To minimise disruption to customers, we will install generation where possible.

Watch this space for more updates! 👍

This is just one of our upcoming projects to upgrade the electricity network in Central Otago/ Wānaka, Queenstown Lakes and Dunedin.

ELECTRICITY PRICING – HOW IT WORKS

Aurora Energy's line charge prices recover the direct costs of distributing electricity to you across our network (distribution prices), and other indirect costs (pass-through prices) including regulatory levies and electricity transmission from the national grid.

Our costs make up roughly 28-40% of your overall power bill. Every retailer (who you pay your bill to) packages up the costs differently. Some combine the costs and others itemise them. You can find out more about pricing on our website.

The way electricity prices are set will change over the next few years, to make them fairer and easier to understand and to support New Zealand's drive towards electrification and reducing carbon emissions. Aurora Energy's future changes will be phased in, to give everyone time to understand and adjust to the changes. We'll help you understand what they mean so you can benefit by actively managing how you use electricity at critical times of the day.

ANY QUESTIONS?
GET IN TOUCH!

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