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Cathedral Square Walkway open for another weekend

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The walkway into Cathedral Square will remain in place for another weekend, instead of closing this Sunday as originally planned.

The walkway follows the lowest-risk route along Colombo Street, beneath several buildings that are being prepared for demolition.

Roger Sutton, the chief executive of CERA, says the work on the largest one - the BNZ building - is progressing well.

But as the actual demolition work hasn't yet started the walkway beneath it can safely remain open longer than anticipated.

Over the past two weekends more than 40,000 people have walked in from the Re:START Mall to Cathedral Square.

Mr Sutton expects similar numbers in the next two weekends.

The walkway will be open from 9am this Saturday and Sunday, and next weekend, December 17 and 18.

The last intake of pedestrians begins at 7pm.

CERA's advice remains that given the potential for danger in the event of another major earthquake, people should carry ID on their body rather than in a bag.

Bicycles, scooters and skateboards are not permitted, and pets must also be left outside.

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