

St Anne's Church Ferry Rd

Our inspections and assessments of the church have identified a potential weakness that we are investigating further at this time. It is considered that the NE wall of the church may fail in a significant quake. (Some fresh damage to the wall has been noted since 23 December).

For this reason we have cordoned off the church as per the aerial view above which will make Block 4 closest to the church wall off limits - as noted.

We consider that there is minimal risk to people outside this cordon but there should be no congregating close to the NE wall within the yellow triangle shown above.

We are looking into the possibility of a temporary propping solution to allow the church to re-open, which would involve an internal brace and some containers outside – possibly affecting the veggie garden. We will know early next week whether this is a viable option after we've inspected the building further.

If we are able to undertake temporary propping it will take 10-14 days to complete this before we can re-open the church. In the **meantime access to** the church should be limited to two people at a time for short periods only.