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Walkway
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to go

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Elders
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Car dented, but
confidence
still high

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A kilometre on his knees to fix slippery boards

Next time you think your job is a bit tedious, spare a thought for Lloyd Stewart. For the past few days Lloyd, working for MES Services, has been contracting to Transfield to fix the new boardwalk area in Waiuku's Queen Street. The boardwalk has been closed for some time as the original boards were found to be dangerously slippery.

The solution? Into each board, router two 2.5mm deep grooves the length of each board, and insert, then glue, a narrow strip of fibreglass with an anti-slip coating into each groove. There's over 600 of them, and Lloyd reckons that's about 1.2km of routing and panelling. He laughs that he didn't have kneepads the first day he worked on it, but that soon changed. Lloyd expects to be completed today or tomorrow, so it's hoped the footpath may re-open in the near future.

But when you walk on it, (in safety now), spare a thought for Lloyd.

