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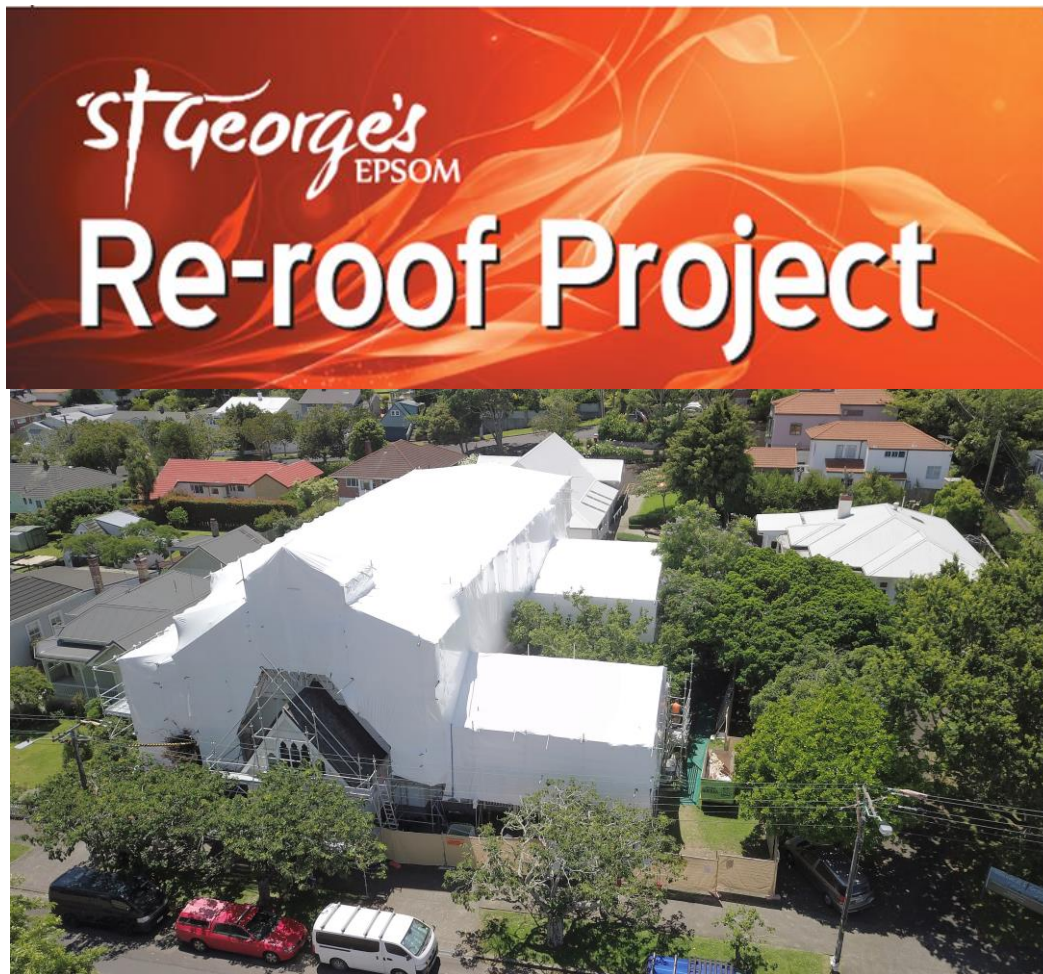


Photo courtesy of the builders across the road.

Under the covers

It doesn't look like much is happening when you can't see under the covers. If you're around during the week you'll hear the whine of skill saws and power screwdrivers, and the clanging and banging of people walking along the planks of the five-storey-high scaffolding. There is very little hammering because no nails have been used. Only screws: tens of thousands of them. Now the whole roof, except for the road side steel-roofed original foyer, is fully prepared for tile laying and waiting for the tiler's workers to become available.

Delays in our construction programme meant that the tiler programmed other work, which must be completed before the tile team can be devoted to our roof. The team is due on site about now and expects to take two months to complete its part. Meanwhile the builders will complete the final parts of their work: preparing the roof of the original foyer and strengthening the connection of the roof structure to the wall. That work is done from beneath the roof and is accessed by removing the top two weatherboards from the wall of the main body of the church.

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