Northern Transitway

Community Update

April 2021

Background

The Northern Transitway is a cost-effective solution to provide a high-quality public transport corridor along Gympie Road, from Sadlier Street, Kedron to Hamilton Road, Chermside.

It will deliver targeted bus priority from Kedron to Chermside, improving the safety, capacity and reliability of this important link in Brisbane's northern public transport network.

In the final design, the bus lanes will operate in both directions during weekday, peak periods only. The AM peak period is from 6am to 9am and the PM peak period is from 3pm to 6pm, Monday to Friday.

This means approximately 5,000 passengers each weekday will benefit from the travel time savings and service reliability, while local businesses and their customers will have on-street parking available along Gympie Road outside of peak periods and on weekends.

During the hours of operation, the bus lanes will become a 'clearway' and vehicles will not be permitted to park or stop along this section of Gympie Road (for more information on 'clearway' signage visit www.qld.gov.au/transport/safety/signs/regulatory).

The 2.3km corridor will support high frequency on-road bus services and enable reliable travel times, encouraging more people to use public transport and assist in managing congestion by separating buses from general traffic.

TMR has engaged Bielby to complete these works on our behalf with the project expected to be completed in early 2023 (weather and construction conditions permitting).

The project team will keep stakeholders informed during construction. TMR will continue to update the community about the Northern Transitway project via distributing notifications to residents, businesses and the community along the project alignment, via email, and updating the web page.

Project timing

- Site establishment, corridor survey and baseline monitoring will commence early May 2021.
- Main construction activities will follow and continue through to early 2023 (weather and construction conditions permitting).
- For the safety of the work crews and to minimise impacts to the road network, the majority of work will be undertaken at night. Night works will be from 7pm to 7am Sunday to Friday.
- When the works are to be carried out during the day typical hours will be from 7am to 5pm Monday to Saturday.

Upcoming work activities include:

- Site establishment, corridor survey, baseline noise and vibration monitoring, potholing and pavement testing
- Construction of two bus lanes (northbound and southbound) along Gympie Road between Sadlier Street, Kedron and Hamilton Road, Chermside
- Upgrades to bus stops within the corridor
- Public Utility Plant (PUP) relocations and modifications
- Modifications to signalised intersections
- New set of traffic signals at the intersection of Gympie Road and Boothby Street
- Improvements and widening of footpaths along the project corridor.





Construction impacts



Residents and businesses

- Nearby residents and businesses may experience impacts including, additional noise, vibration, dust and lights from activities onsite, and heavy machinery being used and stored onsite.
- Reversing beepers and flashing lights are a safety requirement and will be used at all times during working hours.
- Increased truck movement and trucks sitting idle near the construction and stockpile sites.
- On-street parking will be affected along the project corridor.
- A combination of day and night works with construction crews and machinery visible.
- Temporary property access restrictions will be required in some locations with property owners given advanced notice. Traffic control will be in place to assist motorists and pedestrians with access.



Motorists and bus customers

- Motorists and bus customers may experience changed traffic conditions, including speed limit restrictions, lane or shoulder closure, detours, temporary loss of parking spaces, and other traffic control measures in and around the work site. This may also cause delays and additional travel time for motorists.
- Changes to bus stop locations and operations.
- Please allow extra time when planning your travel and follow the directions of roadside signage and traffic controllers.



Pedestrians and bike riders

- Pedestrians and bike riders should expect changed conditions including detours, intermittent closures and other traffic control measures in and around the work site.
- This may cause delays and additional travel time for people who cycle and pedestrians.
 Please allow extra time when planning your travel and follow the directions of roadside signage and traffic controllers.

Contact us

The project team is committed to keeping everyone informed with timely and accurate information to minimise disruption to the local community. If you require further information, please contact the project team by email at northerntransitway@tmr.qld.gov.au phone on 1800 328 972* during business hours or visit www.tmr.qld.gov.au and search 'Northern Transitway'.

For up-to-date information on road closures and traffic conditions across Queensland, go to **www.qldtraffic.qld.gov.au** or call **13 19 40**.

For public transport information please visit **translink.com.au** or call **13 12 30** anytime.

We appreciate your patience while these important works are being carried out.

* Free call from anywhere in Australia, call charges apply for mobile phones and pay phones. Check with your service provider for call costs.