

Sandgate Sub-Arterial Road (Sandgate Road) and Cameron Street, upgrade intersection Sandgate Sub-Arterial Road (Sandgate Road) and Northgate Road, upgrade intersection

Community engagement update

June 2022

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) would like to thank everyone who participated in the community engagement in mid-2021 for the Sandgate Sub-Arterial Road (Sandgate Road) and Cameron Street, upgrade intersection and Sandgate Sub-Arterial Road (Sandgate Road) and Northgate Road, upgrade intersection.

The intersection upgrades propose to install new traffic signals to control the movements and reduce the number of high severity crashes occurring. Controlling the movements at the intersections will reduce road trauma by removing the need for motorists entering or exiting the side streets to judge a gap in traffic and cross multiple traffic lanes. The upgrades to the two intersections on Sandgate Road are part of TMR's Safer Roads Sooner program to improve safety along this major arterial route.

Community engagement

Community engagement took place between 18 May 2021 for an initial two-week period, and due to the level of community interest, the engagement period was extended until 30 June 2021, with two community information sessions.

Around 4000 properties were notified of the upgrades, and TMR received feedback from 118 respondents. Of the 118 respondents who took part in the community engagement:

- 27 respondents support the changes
- 14 respondents agreed with some of the changes however do not support all the changes
- 11 respondents were neutral
- 66 respondents do not support the changes.

Some of the key themes from the feedback include concerns about increased local traffic, concern about congestion, local access and the 'bigger picture' of the local traffic area.

Next steps

TMR has considered the feedback received from the community and acknowledges the concerns around rat running and congestion, however is progressing with construction of the two intersection upgrades in early August 2022.

Sandgate Road is one of the major arterial roads of the TMR Metropolitan Region road network. The road corridor connects to some of the most densely populated suburban areas of north Brisbane, and carries high volumes of traffic carrying around 42,800 vehicles per day.

Data and road crash statistics used as part of the investigations for the projects showed that between 2014 and 2018, there were nine reported crashes at the Sandgate Road and Northgate Road intersection. For the same period, there were 12 reported crashes at the Sandgate Road and Cameron Street intersection. After the initial assessment, there were seven reported crashes between 2019 and 2020 at the Sandgate Road and Northgate Road/Cameron Street intersections, which further reinforced the need to address the safety issues.

As the main arterial road, Sandgate Road will be prioritised for 'green time'. Traffic signals will be coordinated to minimise wait times and to provide a 'green wave' for through-traffic in the peak flow direction. Once these new traffic signals are installed, and in addition to routine monitoring, TMR will observe performance and optimise the function of the new signals over a period of two to three months. This will include signal coordination with adjacent signal groups to allow free flow and optimal efficiency of through-traffic along Sandgate Road.

Green time for Cameron Street and Northgate Road will be kept at a minimum, while still maintaining an acceptable level of functionality. Outside of peak hours, entering Sandgate Road by either Cameron Street or Northgate Road will be no more efficient than the current status. As a result of these works, it is not anticipated there will be a significant traffic increase on the side streets. The new traffic signals will provide residents a much safer means of entering and exiting Sandgate Road to access their homes.

Further details on TMR's response to the feedback provided can be found in the **Community Engagement Summary Report** on the project webpages by visiting **tmr.qld.gov.au** and searching **'Sandgate Road and Cameron Street'** and **'Sandgate Road and Northgate Road'**.

If you would like a copy emailed or mailed to you, please contact the project team (details overleaf) to receive a copy.



Sandgate Road and Cameron Street intersection



Sandgate Road and Northgate Road intersection



Further information

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