

Questions and answers

Alexandria to Moore Park Project Stage 1 (A2MP)

The NSW Government is investigating key intersection, safety and amenity improvements to support urban renewal and interface with major projects within the Alexandria to Moore Park corridor.

What is the challenge?

Traffic congestion at the key north south intersections along the corridor affect all road users with delays to pedestrians, cyclists, buses and general traffic.

The St Peters Interchange, and the CBD and South East Light Rail will be completed in 2020 at either end of the corridor. In 2024 the new Waterloo Metro Station in the centre of the corridor will open. Planning is also in place for a new dedicated public transport corridor along Gadigal Avenue to better service Green Square.

Urban renewal is happening rapidly along the corridor with more than 30,000 people expected to move into the area over the next decade.

We are reviewing future road planning for the corridor with a view to improving key intersections to better meet these challenges.

What changes to traffic and travel times and reliability are expected in the future?

We have carried out travel time surveys, traffic counts and traffic modelling along the corridor. Travel times travelling from the west to the east are likely to increase by 40 percent as a result of the future growth pressures by 2021.

At the key intersections (which also carry major bus routes along Fountain Street, Botany Road, Wyndham Street, Elizabeth Street and Bourke Street) general traffic and public transport

passengers will be faced with more delays and unreliability as the corridor gets busier.

What are the A2MP Stage 1 objectives?

The objectives of this proposal are to:

- improve intersection performance, safety and trip reliability within the Alexandria to Moore Park corridor; and
- Align improvements in stage 1 with future opportunities to improve the corridor to service future population.

What do you mean by 'stage 1 of the project'?

An upgrade of the full corridor between Alexandria and Moore Park would be delivered in stages. Stage 1 focusses on construction of new right and left turn lanes in McEvoy Street at Fountain Street, and a new right turn lane in Botany Road at McEvoy Street. These improvements would be supported with new clearways and additional right turn bans into local streets along the corridor. Minor improvements are also planned at Elizabeth Street and McEvoy Street and at South Dowling Street, Lachlan Street and Dacey Avenue. Future stages would be subject to availability of funding and broader government priorities.

How does it impact on Moore Park?

We received a lot of feedback during the initial concept planning display about the impact of the proposed work at South Dowling Street on the Hills Fig Trees along the eastern side.

We have listened to this feedback and the project team has now developed staged options that do not impact the trees initially.

A staged approach would also allow plantings to be proactively undertaken to replace the Hills Figs should they need to be removed at some time in the future.

How does it integrate with St Peters Interchange?

The project interfaces at the intersection of Euston Road with Maddox Street.

There will be two straight through lanes in each direction and the existing cross section of Euston Road east of Maddox Street will not change.

Why wasn't it built earlier?

The proposal responds to a range of corridor pressures including urban renewal as well as the major transport projects at either end.

Taking the time to understand the future pressures along the corridor including the effect of the major projects and to listen to community and stakeholder feedback and has allowed this fit for purpose solution to be developed.

What improvements are being considered?

The key features of the project are outlined below but in general consist of improving safety and the performance of the main traffic light intersections that affect customer journeys due to heavy congestion.

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What are the key project features?

The proposal will feature:

- Clearways in both directions along Euston Road and McEvoy Street from 6am to 7pm weekdays and 9am to 6pm weekends and 24 hour clearways in both directions along Lachlan Street and Dacey Avenue where parking is not currently permitted

- No right turns at intersections without traffic lights to keep traffic moving safely and efficiently
- Road safety and efficiency improvements at key intersections including:
 - Fountain Street and McEvoy Street;
 - Botany Road and McEvoy Street;
 - Elizabeth Street and McEvoy Street; and
 - South Dowling Street, Dacey Avenue and Lachlan Street.

What are the benefits of the project for road safety?

The introduction of additional bays for turning at the intersections, removal of parking, and the bans on right turns into most side streets will reduce the number and severity of crashes. The recent reduction in the corridor speed limit to 50km/h is also expected to improve road safety for all road users.

Are clearways being considered as part of the proposal?

Yes. To improve safety and performance without the need to widen the corridor, clearways are proposed in both directions along Euston Road east of Maddox Street and McEvoy Street from 6am to 7pm weekdays and 9am to 6pm weekends and 24 hour clearways in both directions along Lachlan Street and Dacey Avenue where parking is not currently permitted.

Will any parking spaces be removed?

The introduction of clearways does mean 'no parking' along the length of the corridor during clearway times.

Will you be acquiring properties?

Minor property acquisition will be required in Lachlan Street and at Fountain Street. Most of the land required for the improvements is already public land resulting from the road widening affectation in the area, which has been in place for many years.

What bus service improvements are there?

Bus service planning for this fast growing area is ongoing. Transport planning is taking into account the needs of the new Waterloo Metro Station, the

changes at Green Square with the opening of Gadigal Avenue to Lachlan Street, and the development of the other urban renewal precincts in the area.

The proposed improvements at the key intersections along the corridor will reduce delays and increase reliability at these locations for existing and future bus services.

How long will it take to build?

The works will mainly take place at night and take around two to three years in total to complete.

How are we consulting?

We are consulting in a number of ways. The project website features an interactive online map where you can provide feedback or members of the community can also drop in to a community information session or pop-up at:

2A South Dowling Street, Moore Park
Friday 6 December, 11am–2pm

Cliff Noble Community Centre
24 Suttor St, Alexandria
Saturday 7 December, 10am–1pm
Thursday 12 December, 5pm–8pm

We will provide information through project updates, emails, advertising and our website rms.nsw.gov.au/a2mp.

Printed copies of the REF are also available at:

- Green Square and Waterloo libraries
- City of Sydney Council, Kent Street, Sydney
- Roads and Maritime Services, 20-44 Ennis Rd, Milsons Point

The community has until **18 December** to submit their feedback via post, in person at an information session or by email.

What is happening now?

A project Review of Environmental Factors (REF) is on display. Community comment is encouraged.

What is an REF?

An REF is a project Review of Environmental Factors and is required under Part 5 of the

Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act).

An REF looks at the merits of a proposal in terms of environmental, economic and social impacts.

What happens next?

Following the REF display, we will consider and assess the community feedback. This will be detailed in a submissions report.

If the REF is determined and the project is approved for construction, then subject to funding, the project would move into the construction.

We will continue to update the community as the project progresses.

For more information

For more information or to ensure you are included in future updates please contact the project team:

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