

Richmond Road Upgrade Project – Between Elara Boulevard and Heritage Road, Marsden Park

Community update

Roads and Maritime Services | July 2019



Richmond Road Elara Boulevard Precinct

The NSW Government has proposed a road network to support the forecast growth in the North West Growth Area. Over the next ten years, 33,000 homes will be in the area and once fully developed, the area will be home to around 250,000 people.

Richmond Road has been upgraded from two lanes to four lanes between the M7 Motorway and Elara Boulevard. Roads and Maritime Services is proposing to continue the Richmond Road upgrade from Elara Boulevard to Heritage Road. The upgrade would provide safer and improved access to fast growing residential developments in the Marsden Park precinct and future commercial and residential developments in Marsden Park North precinct.

Project background

Roads and Maritime completed the upgrade of Richmond Road between M7 Motorway and Garfield Road West in 2016. The next stage of work, between Elara Boulevard and Heritage Road, is currently being planned to meet the current and projected traffic volumes.

Richmond Road provides an important north-south link through an area of north-west Sydney set to undergo significant land-use and transport changes, including rapid population and employment growth over the next 20 years and beyond.

Features

- Widening 900 metres of Richmond Road from two lanes to four lanes (two lanes in each direction)
- Wide central median for future widening of the road to six lanes, if needed
- New traffic signals 800 metres north west of Elara Boulevard
- Provide bus bays and bus priority lanes at the main intersection
- New shared user path for pedestrians and cyclists.

Project benefits

- Improve connectivity to the proposed developments within the Marsden Park and Marsden Park North precincts
- Improve safety for motorists
- Support Richmond Road as a key freight route

Richmond Road upgrade



North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy – where are we up to?

In 2014, the NSW Government published the road network strategy to support the forecast growth in the North West Growth Area. Over the next ten years, 33,000 homes will be provided in the area and once fully developed, the area will be home to around 250,000 people.

The NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) has granted Special Infrastructure Contribution (SIC) funding for Roads and Maritime to undertake the planning of Richmond Road.

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Schofields Road upgrade – completed

The NSW Government funded the \$340 million upgrade of Schofields Road between Windsor Road and Richmond Road. Schofields Road has been upgraded to form a major east-west link from Rouse Hill to Marsden Park.

The work was delivered in three stages, with the final stage open to traffic in June 2018.

Garfield Road East and West upgrades – planning

The NSW DPIE has granted SIC funding for Roads and Maritime to undertake the planning and concept design of Garfield Road East (from Piccadilly Street, Riverstone, to Windsor Road, Box Hill) and Garfield Road West (from Richmond Road, Marsden Park to Denmark Road, Riverstone) to provide safe and efficient access to the surrounding road network.

The project will involve planning for the future upgrade.

Garfield Road central – planning

During consultation in 2013 and 2014, Roads and Maritime sought community feedback on options for the railway level crossing. The community highlighted their concerns about the current traffic congestion in Riverstone and heavy vehicles travelling through the town centre. Roads and Maritime also received feedback about the location of an overpass and impacts on community amenity, local businesses, schools and property.

Further planning of Garfield Road central is subject to funding availability and Roads and Maritime will undertake community consultation at that time.

Bandon Road corridor preservation – completed

The Bandon Road corridor has now been finalised. The corridor will connect Richmond Road, Marsden Park with Windsor Road, Vineyard, providing alternative access across the North West Growth Area and reducing traffic congestion within Riverstone.

This finalised corridor has been sent to NSW DPIE for inclusion in the precinct plans for Marsden Park North, Riverstone West, Riverstone and Vineyard Precincts.

Further development of the Bandon Road corridor is subject to funding availability.

Denmark Link Road – planning

Denmark Link Road is a proposed new link road between Garfield Road, Riverstone and the Westminster Street bridge, Schofields. This new link road would alleviate traffic congestion along Garfield Road around the railway level crossing at Riverstone. Light vehicles would have an alternate local connection to cross the Richmond railway line.

Roads and Maritime is continuing planning and field investigation work to inform a strategic design.

Townson Road and Burdekin Road – planning

The NSW DPIE has granted SIC funding for Roads and Maritime to undertake the planning and concept design of these roads.

Townson-Burdekin Road upgrade will provide an east-west link, about 3.6km, between Richmond Road and Walker Street, ultimately facilitating connection through to Sunnyside Road and Windsor Road in the east. Townson Road would be widened to a four lane divided road and would extend over the railway line to Burdekin Road. The project will include crossing of Bells Creek and Eastern Creek, and a railway overpass on the eastern end of the corridor.

Outer Sydney Orbital – planning

The NSW Government is planning for the long term transport needs of Western Sydney by identifying and protecting a corridor of land for future transport infrastructure to link the Central Coast with the Illawarra via Western Sydney.

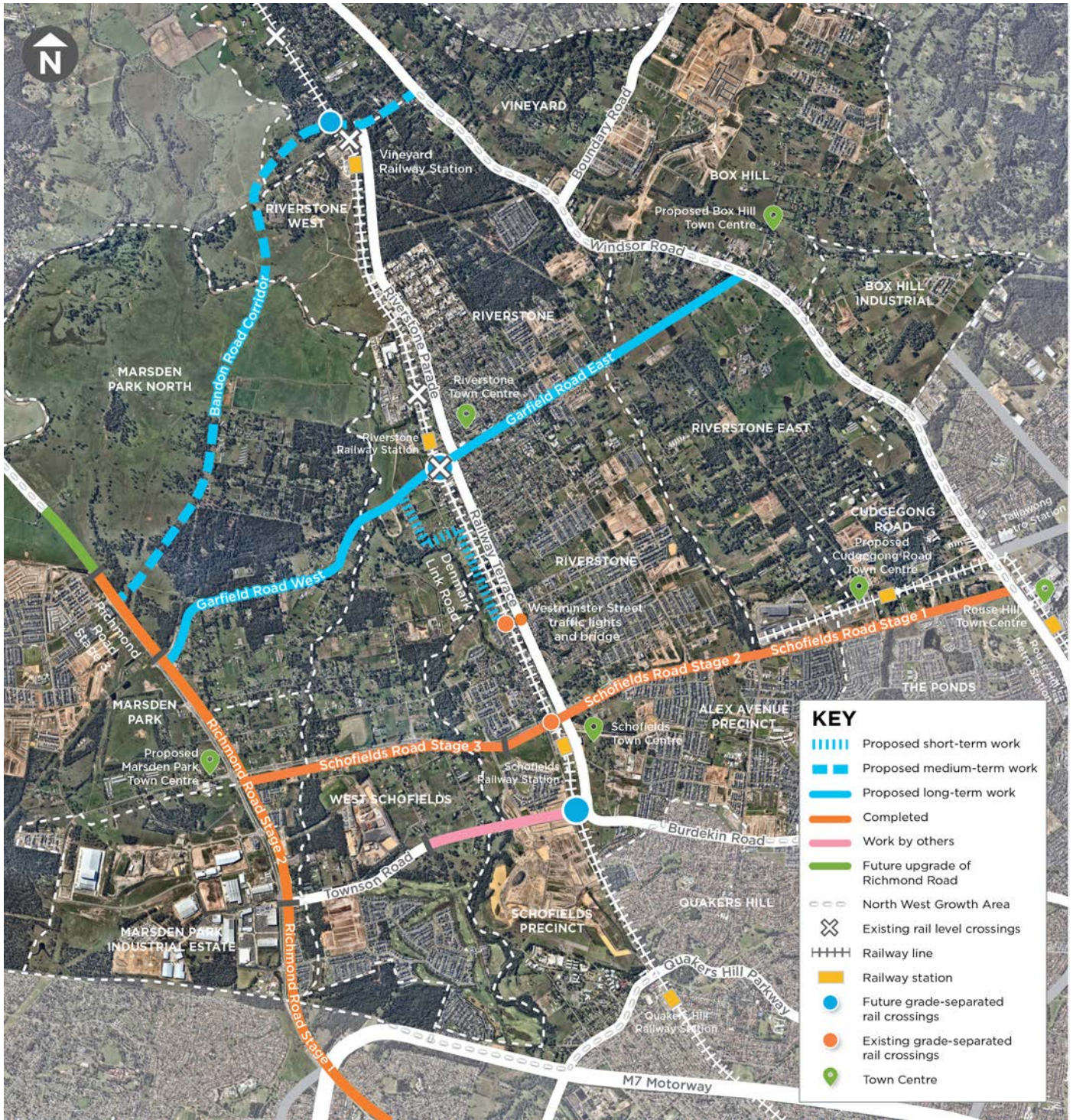
The Orbital will connect growth areas in the North West and South West with the Western Sydney Airport.

Work on the Outer Sydney Orbital is being led by Transport for NSW (TfNSW). TfNSW are working closely with other government agencies.

Please contact TfNSW if you have any questions about the Outer Sydney Orbital on **1800 837 511** or corridors@transport.nsw.gov.au.

North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy

Updated June 2019



Interactive portal

Check out our **interactive portal** at www.rms.nsw.gov.au/nwgc to find out more about the North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy and submit any questions or comments you have.



Richmond Road and Elara Boulevard intersection



Richmond Road, looking north

Next steps



*Subject to availability of funding



Richmond Road, looking north

Community Information Sessions

Roads and Maritime is seeking community feedback to help inform our future road plans in the North West Growth Area. We will host three community information sessions where you can ask the project teams questions and seek further information about proposed road upgrades. A formal presentation will not be given so please feel free to drop in any time at one of the following sessions:

- **Saturday 27 July** 2019, Schofields Community Centre, 65 Railway Terrace, Schofields between **10am** and **2pm**
- **Tuesday 30 July** 2019, Schofields Community Centre, 65 Railway Terrace, Schofields between **4pm** and **7pm**
- **Thursday 1 August** 2019, Riverstone Sports Centre, 15 Hamilton Street, Riverstone between **4pm** and **7pm**

If you are unable to attend one of the information sessions, you can contact us to discuss or arrange another time that is suitable to meet. To join the mailing list please contact the project team (see details below).

Please provide comments by **16 August 2019**.

Contact us

If you have any questions or would like more information on the Richmond Road Upgrade please contact our project team:

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