



Transport for NSW

# Richmond Road upgrade, Marsden Park

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Review of Environmental Factors | November 2020



Richmond Road and Elara Boulevard, Marsden Park

Transport for NSW is continuing the planning for the future of Richmond Road to support the forecast growth in the North West Growth Centre.

Transport for NSW is continuing with planning and design to upgrade Richmond Road north of Elara Boulevard for about 1.5 km to provide access to Marsden Park and Marsden Park North Precincts.

As part of the planning for the upgrade a draft environmental impact assessment, called the Review of Environmental Factors (REF) has been prepared and is available for public comment until **Friday 27 November 2020**.

## Review of Environmental Factors (REF)

The REF for Richmond Road examines potential impacts of the proposed road upgrade, and how Transport will manage these to the community and surrounding environment.

Design improvements include new turning and overtaking lanes, widening and sealing of road shoulders and an improvements in access along the road particularly in peak hours.

Potential impacts listed below are discussed in detail in the REF:

**Traffic:** The upgrade will result in a safer and more efficient flow of traffic due to dedicated turning and overtaking lanes, and to the widening of the road in some areas.

**Heritage:** The proposal would encroach on the State listed curtilage of Clydesdale (House, Barn, Cottage and Farm Landscape heritage items), however it will not impact on any built structures.

**Biodiversity:** The proposal would require the removal of about 1.52 hectares of native vegetation, however it is not likely to significantly impact threatened species or ecological communities or their habitats.

**Urban Design and Landscape:** Where the removal of trees is required during construction, the area will be landscaped in consultation with Blacktown City Council to help integrate the proposal with the surrounding environment and landform.

To view the REF online, please visit our website at [nswroads.work/richmondrr](https://nswroads.work/richmondrr)

# Proposed Richmond Road upgrade, Marsden Park



## Overview

The NSW Government has proposed a road network to support the forecast growth in the North West Growth area. Once fully developed, the area will be home to around 250,000 people. The proposed road upgrades allow for the development of residential land in the surrounding areas and assist in meeting future traffic demands.

Richmond Road is an arterial road which provides a vital link for freight and commuters between Blacktown and Windsor. It forms part of the wider network from the M7 Motorway to new housing and employment precincts in the North West Growth Area.

Richmond Road is also a flood evacuation route for Bligh Park and Windsor Downs.

### Key features of upgrades include:

- Widening 900 metres of Richmond Road from two lanes to four lanes and merging with the existing road over a distance of 600 metres
- Providing a wide central median for future widening of the road to six lanes, if needed
- Providing a new set of traffic signals 800 metres north west of Elara Boulevard
- Providing bus bays and bus priority lanes at the main intersection
- Providing a new shared user path for pedestrians and cyclists

### Benefits of the upgrades include:

- Improving road capacity and safety to meet future traffic growth
- Supporting residential and employment growth
- Improving flood evacuation requirements
- Improving freight productivity

## Online Community Consultation

To ensure the health and safety of the community and our staff we will replace face to face community information sessions with an online information session on the NSW Roads Facebook page at [facebook.com/NSWRoads](https://www.facebook.com/NSWRoads) on **Thursday 12 November 2020** from **4pm to 4.30pm**.

During the session you can find out more about the REF from the project team and ask questions about the project. If you are not able to join the live session or would like to submit your questions in advance, please email the team at [nwgc@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:nwgc@transport.nsw.gov.au) or call us on **1300 367 561**.

We welcome all your feedback on the REF by **Friday 27 November 2020**.

## Have your say

In response to the evolving Coronavirus situation, Transport is following NSW Health advice and changing the way it approaches community consultation for important transport infrastructure projects.

It is important for the community to have their say on all transport infrastructure projects.

This means consultation will be carried out in different ways to ensure the community can practice social distancing and limit the spread of Coronavirus.

Traffic on Richmond Road



# North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy - Where are we up to?

## Garfield Road central

The NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment has granted Special Infrastructure Contribution (SIC) funding for Transport to continue the planning for Garfield Road central (between Denmark Road and Piccadilly Street, Riverstone).

## Garfield Road East and West

The project teams for Garfield Road East between Piccadilly Street, Riverstone and Windsor Road, Box Hill and Garfield Road West between Richmond Road, Marsden Park and Denmark Road, Riverstone upgrades are currently seeking feedback on the projects REF until **Friday 27 November 2020**. More information can be found at [nswroads.work/garfieldrd](https://nswroads.work/garfieldrd)

## Townson-Burdekin Road upgrade

The Townson-Burdekin Road Link is progressing with the concept design and environmental impact assessment. The REF for Stage 1 is expected to be completed and placed on public display before the end of the year. More information can be found at [nswroads.work/townson-burdekinrd](https://nswroads.work/townson-burdekinrd)

## Bandon Road

The Bandon Road corridor between Richmond Road, Marsden Park and Windsor Road Vineyard has been finalised as part of the North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy. More information can be found at [nswroads.work/bandonrd](https://nswroads.work/bandonrd)



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## Denmark Link Road

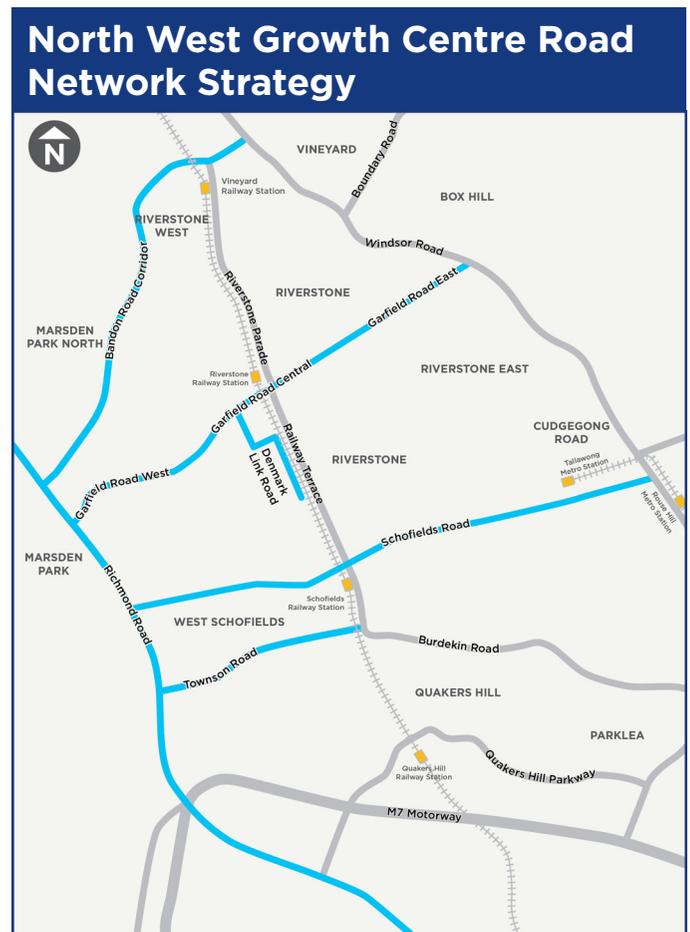
Denmark Link Road is a proposed new local road linking Garfield Road West, Riverstone and the Westminster Street Bridge, Schofields. This new link road would provide an alternative route for light vehicles crossing the rail line and reduce delays on Garfield Road West near the Riverstone level crossing. The REF is expected to be completed and placed on public display before the end of the year. Construction of the Garfield Road West and Denmark Road intersection will be delivered in stages. Denmark Link Road project will have a right turn bay at this intersection (Stage 1).

More information can be found at [nswroads.work/denmarkrd](https://nswroads.work/denmarkrd)

## Schofields Road

The upgrade of Schofields Road between Windsor Road, Rouse Hill and Richmond Road, Marsden Park was completed and officially opened to traffic on 28 June 2018.

For further information about the these projects please visit [nswroads.work/NWGA](https://nswroads.work/NWGA)



## What are the next steps?



## 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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\* Construction subject to funding

## What happens next?

At the end of the REF display period, a submissions report which summaries comments or questions received for each project, and our responses, will be published on the Transport for NSW website.

If you make a submission, you will receive an email or letter advising of any changes to the proposal as a result of feedback. A community update will also be distributed to advise the availability of the submissions report.

We will keep community members and other stakeholders informed of progress throughout delivery of the projects. You can access information on the individual projects through the Transport for NSW website, community newsletters and the project phone number and email provided below.



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