

Sutherland to Cronulla Active Transport Link

Community Update

June 2022



Artist impression of two-way cycle path at Denman Avenue, Caringbah.

The Sutherland to Cronulla Active Transport Link (SCATL) is progressing following the display of the Review of Environmental Factors (REF) and community consultation.

Transport for NSW (TfNSW) would like to thank everyone who made a submission during the public display of the REF in November and December 2021.

Based on valuable community feedback, we are revising the route west of Sylvania Road through **Kirrawee and Gymea** to focus on the urban streets and reserves to the south of the railway line instead of the displayed route along Oak Road, Flora Street and Kingsway.

TfNSW will continue to investigate routes through **Miranda** between Sylvania Road and Jackson Avenue.

Design is progressing well on the displayed route from **Jackson Avenue, Miranda to Gannons Road, Caringbah**. We will now finalise the design on this important and much needed infrastructure for the community.

We look forward to delivering this project with construction work targeted to commence in early 2023.

Submissions Report now available

We received 92 formal submissions in response to the REF public display late last year.

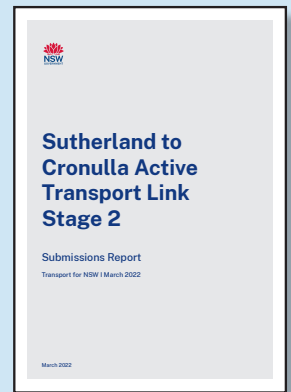
Based on feedback received from you, we understand that SCATL continues to be very important to the community.

Key themes raised in the feedback included:

- support for the Bath Road/Avery Avenue alternative route
- concerns around parking and tree removal
- concerns about integrating pedestrians and cyclists on the route
- concerns regarding driveway and side street crossings
- questions regarding why the rail corridor is no longer an option.

We have reviewed all feedback and prepared a Submissions Report to summarise and respond to the comments we have received.

To view the full, detailed report please visit Project Documents on the SCATL website at:
nswroads.work/scatl



2021 REF
Submissions Report

Rail corridor decision

TfNSW recognises there is continued concern in the community about why the rail corridor is no longer being presented as a viable option for the SCATL route.

An assessment of route options has progressed with many factors being considered.

As part of this assessment we have found a key disadvantage of the rail corridor option is that it provides a poor experience for pedestrians and bike riders.

For instance, a rail corridor option would:

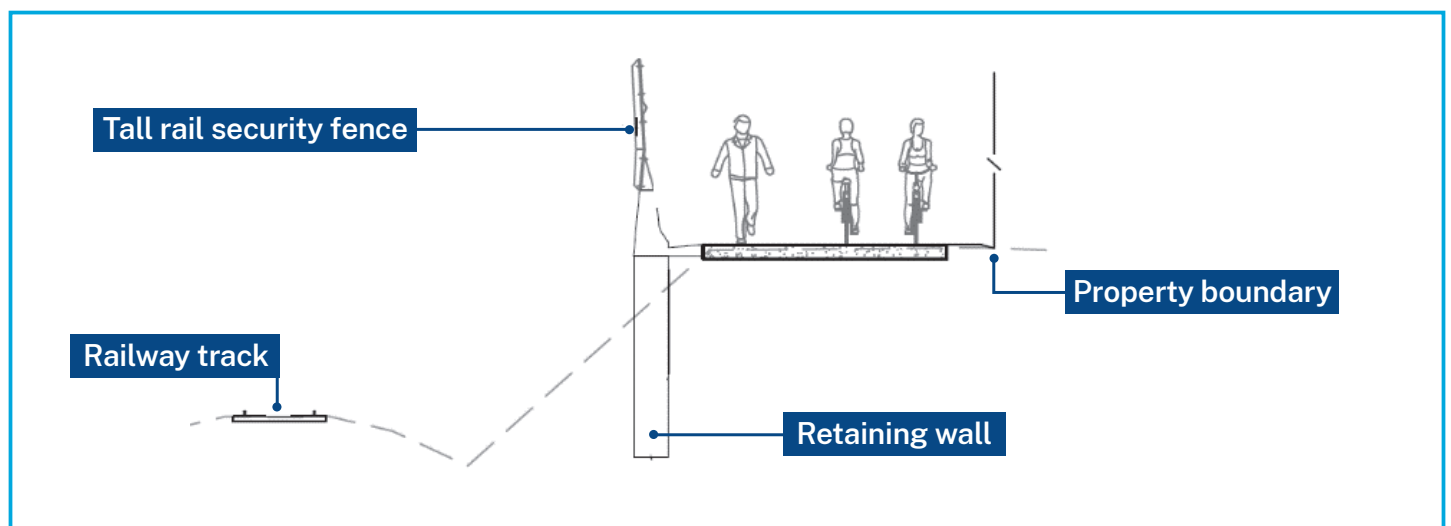
- be an “infrastructure-heavy” design which would predominantly be a concrete path confined between rail boundary and security fences
- provide little opportunity for tree planting, meaning much of the route would be exposed to direct sunlight

- contain long lengths of a half a kilometre or more with no entry/exit points
- require CCTV monitoring and security lighting due to a lack of passive surveillance.

We are committed to providing community-friendly infrastructure that:

- connects key places
- caters for all types of activities such as walking, recreational bike riding and commuting
- provides a realistic and accessible alternative for short local trips
- wherever possible, provides an enhanced user experience through shaded urban areas.

The rail corridor option does not align with these key objectives.



Typical rail corridor cross section that was investigated and rejected on grounds of suitability

Kirrawee to Gymea – proposed revised route

Feedback received during the REF display late last year confirmed a strong community preference for SCATL to be located away from busy urban areas wherever possible.

We have listened to this feedback and will begin developing a route to the south of the rail corridor (see red route on map below). The displayed route through Oak Road and Flora Street at Kirrawee will not be developed further.

This revised preferred route, to the **west of Sylvania Road**, provides the best possible experience for all users and makes use of quiet urban streets and shaded reserves through **Kirrawee and Gymea**. There are a number of options under consideration in this area.

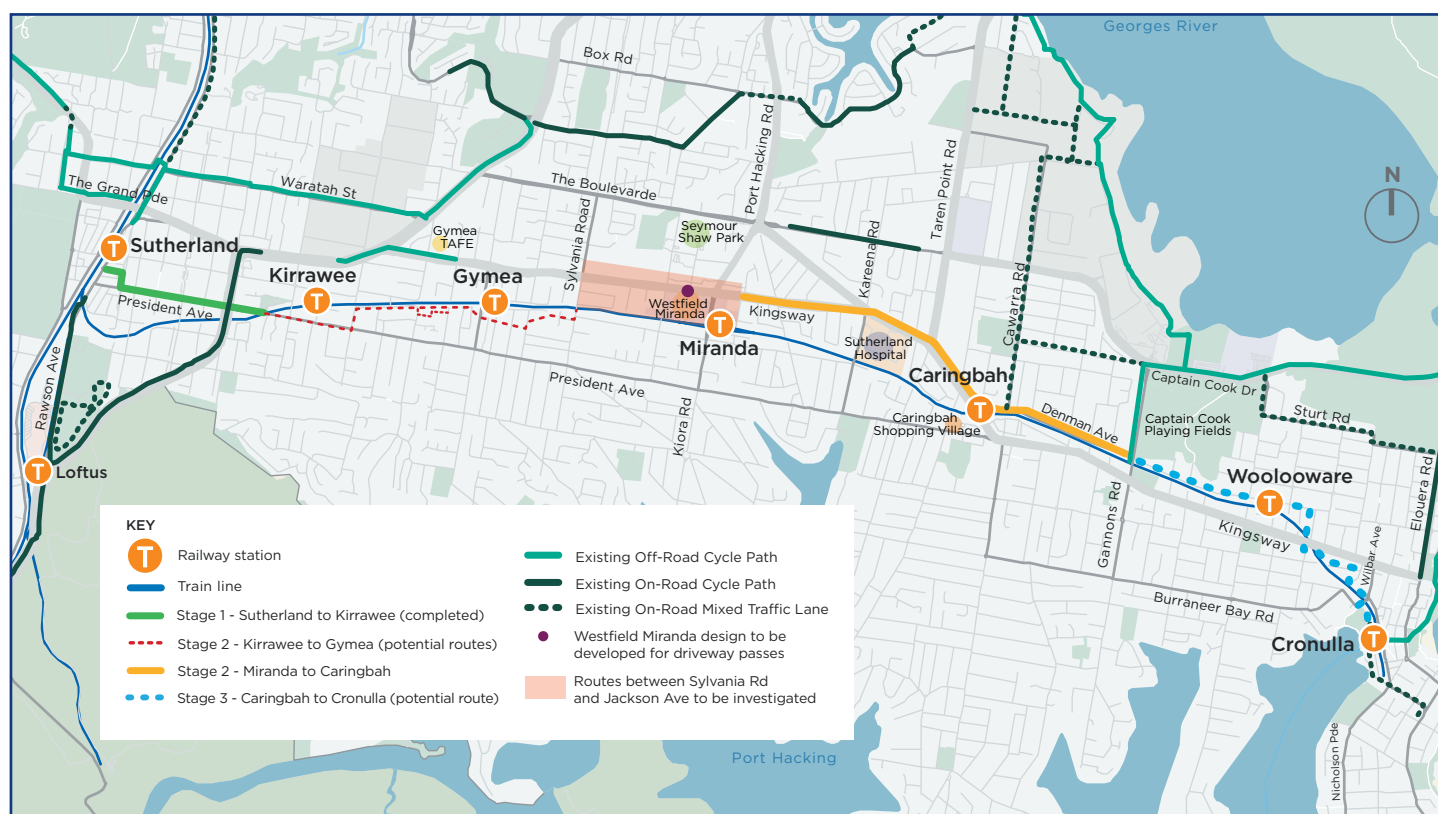
We will now progress the detailed design and environmental assessment for this revised route and consult with the community later in 2022. The final route may alter slightly to what is shown below, as part of this assessment and consultation.

Miranda

Transport will continue to investigate routes through Miranda between **Sylvania Road** and **Jackson Avenue**. The community will be consulted regarding this section later in 2022.

Miranda to Caringbah – displayed route to proceed

We will now proceed with a section of the route between **Jackson Avenue, Miranda** and **Gannons Road, Caringbah** as displayed in the REF. This section includes a proposed upgrade of the Kingsway and Willarong Road intersection to traffic signals. Construction of the east component is expected to commence in early 2023.



Taren Point Road to Banksia Road

The revised SCATL route will now be on the southern side of Kingsway between Taren Point Road and Willarong Road, instead of the northern side as displayed in the REF (see image).

New traffic signals at the Kingsway and Willarong Road intersection

Targeted consultation will be carried out with residents and businesses affected by these options to support the development of the new design.

We will upgrade the intersection of Kingsway and Willarong Road to a signalised intersection, which will provide benefits for the community including:

- safe crossings for pedestrians, school students and bike riders
- improved safety for all road users
- improved efficiency and turning movements for motorists.

The intersection upgrade will also include the closure of the right turn movement from Kingsway into Banksia Road. Willarong Road and Gannons Road provide safe alternatives for accessing northern Caringbah.

Some changes to current parking on Willarong Road will be required, however there will be no overall loss of parking for customers wishing to access Willarong Road businesses.

Community feedback is welcomed from residents and businesses affected by these changes. Further updates will be provided as design of the new traffic signals progresses.



Proposed changes to the SCATL route along the south-side of the Kingsway

SCATL Stage 3 - Caringbah to Cronulla

TfNSW, in consultation with Council, will commence a route options assessment for the third and final stage of the SCATL route from Caringbah to Cronulla. This will include investigation works and community consultation. We will keep the community informed as planning for Stage 3 develops.

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