#### **Transport for NSW**



# Pedestrian bridge over Dobroyd Parade, Haberfield

### Have your say on the Review of Environmental Factors



November 2023



Transport for NSW is proposing to build a pedestrian bridge over Dobroyd Parade at its intersection with Waratah Street, Haberfield.

The pedestrian bridge would provide a safer crossing at the busy intersection, which is just a short distance from Dobroyd Point Public School, and forms connections to and from Livvi's Place, Timbrell Park and Reg Coady Reserve.

The bridge is designed with stair and lift access on both sides, suitable for pedestrians, cyclists and people using mobility assistance.

The community is invited to provide feedback on the Review of Environmental Factors between

Monday 27 November and Monday 11 December 2023



#### Key features of the pedestrian bridge

- · A covered walkway for weather protection.
- Stairs on both sides of the pedestrian bridge with wheeling ramps for bike users.
- New lifts on both sides for accessibility and a ramp to the lift on the northern side (above flood level).

When the pedestrian bridge is complete, the existing street-level pedestrian crossing would be removed, an extended barrier fence would be constructed along the centre median and a concrete safety barrier would be installed along Dobroyd Parade.

#### Safety as a priority

As Sydney's population grows, and with the expansion of the M4 and M8 motorways, Dobroyd Parade is getting busier.

Cars and trucks often queue across this busy intersection, blocking a safe, clear path at the street-level crossing. This presents a safety risk for people using the crossing, including children from Dobroyd Point Public School.

The school, the local community and local councils have told Transport about their concerns for the intersection.

Transport's studies have also identified safety at the intersection as an urgent priority.

The pedestrian bridge would provide a comprehensive solution to this safety problem. If approved, Transport expects construction of the bridge to begin in the second half of 2024 and to take about six months to complete.

## Access to the proposed pedestrian bridge

The bridge design on display includes stair and lift access on both the northern and southern sides of Dobroyd Parade. There will be a short ramp to the lower lift entry on the northern side, to elevate it above the flood level from nearby Iron Cove Creek.

Both lifts would be suitable for pedestrians, mobility aids (such as wheelchairs and mobility scooters) and bicycles. The stairs will have "wheeling ramps" to make it easier for cyclists to move their bikes to and from the bridge deck.

The 2020 proposal considered ramps to the bridge deck level on both sides. Transport does not propose to proceed with the ramp option:

- The ramps would need to be 100 metres long or more to reach the height of the bridge deck
- Extending the ramp over Iron Cove Creek would affect open space in Livvi's Place and Timbrell Park
- The ramps might compromise privacy for residents along Dobroyd Parade
- Property acquisition might be required and the existing noise wall would need to be moved, adding to the cost of the project and delaying construction
- There are existing crossings on Dobroyd Parade at Ramsay Street, 300 metres west, and at Timbrell and Mortley avenues, 500 metres to the east.



#### Key features of the proposal, subject to detailed design



#### Previous community consultation

A proposal for a pedestrian bridge at the intersection was originally displayed for public consultation in 2020. (Three other proposed projects displayed at the time are no longer being considered).

At the time, there was strong community support for the proposal and Transport has prioritised its delivery, with some changes to the original concept design. The long ramps have been removed from the design, the location of the stairs has changed and the bridge is no longer being designed to cross Iron Cove Creek into Livvi's Place and Timbrell Park.

#### **Design with Country**

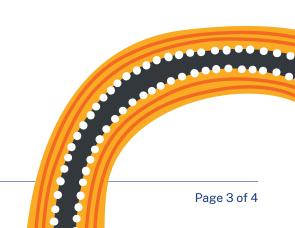
The proposed pedestrian bridge lies on the Country of the Gadigal and Wangal people. Transport is committed to Country-centred design and will consult with Aboriginal people to ensure the proposed bridge and its designs are consistent with the principle of Designing with Country.

#### **Review of Environmental Factors**

The Review of Environmental Factors (REF) describes the proposed pedestrian bridge and its likely effect on the environment during construction and operation. The REF proposes safeguards and mitigation measures to reduce those impacts.

The REF also outlines how construction of a pedestrian bridge will improve public safety at the intersection.

Subject to approval, construction is expected to begin in 2024 and would take around six months to complete.



#### Next steps

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Concept design



Review of Environmental Factors



**Prepare Submissions Report** 

**Determination of Proposal** 

Construction



Community feedback will help Transport for NSW design and deliver the pedestrian bridge.

The REF is on public display until **Monday 11 December 2023**.

To view the REF, please scan the QR code or visit transport.nsw.gov.au/pedestrian-bridge-haberfield





Feedback can be submitted by:

- Emailing ni@transport.nsw.gov.au
- Calling the Transport for NSW project hotline on 1800 684 490
- Completing the feedback form on transport.nsw.gov.au/pedestrian-bridge-haberfield
- Writing to Transport (Attention: Dobroyd Parade Pedestrian Bridge)
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