

A vision for the Victoria Road Corridor

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Transport for NSW has a vision to improve the livability of Victoria Road, to provide better access to different modes of transport, and support local economies. Central to this is working in partnership with traditional custodians, to ensure that their history and knowledge is incorporated into the planning process from the beginning.

Cross government collaboration at the heart

The NSW Government is currently rolling out programs to increase homes, support additional job growth and improve education facilities across the corridor. As such, this vision will become a reality through collaboration across government, with local councils, the community, industry and in partnership with Country.

Victoria Road Vision

Revitalising this critical transport artery is essential to improve the transport function whilst supporting the vibrant town centers that traverse the corridor. To achieve this, we will rebalance road space for people to change the way they travel, providing better access to, and increasing public transport services.

The vision includes encouraging a choice to use more sustainable travel modes, prioritizing public transport to make it easier for people to catch buses, walk and cycle to key destinations. This will be underpinned by the introduction of higher frequency rapid bus services with more capacity and enhanced comfort.

We will facilitate improving sections of Victoria Road in Rozelle and Drummoyne, providing new bus lanes and reconfiguring existing bus lanes to improve bus reliability, travel times and local access.

Collaborating across government, other improvements will be made to cycling and pedestrian facilities including upgrades to footpaths for better pedestrian experience, with greening to activate more enjoyable public spaces for the local community.

Short term

Prioritising public transport within the existing road space along Victoria Road, is the vital first step towards changing the way we use this corridor. Transport has already extended the bus lane on the Gladesville Bridge to provide continuous bus priority between Gladesville and Anzac Bridge and additional bus lane extensions are proposed this year.

We will continue to investigate other opportunities where gaps in the kerb-side bus lanes can be joined up and services can be increased, including Lyon's Road and Melrose Park. Providing public transport priority now will give people more transport options and set us up to capitalise on future opportunities as the opening of motorways and Sydney Metro projects will change the way people travel along Victoria Road.

Staged approach to delivering the long-term vision

With public transport priority established in the existing road space, Transport will look to deliver a rolling program of works that will further support mode shift and changes in travel behaviour and facilitate other government priorities along the corridor.

Bus priority allows us to 'claim the space' within the road corridor providing an opportunity to promote the use of public transport and encourage people to switch travel modes.

Medium term

Focusing on areas of high demand between West Ryde and the Eastern Harbour City and West Ryde and the Central River City, we will look to improve and extend bus lanes, deliver parts of the Sydney metropolitan cycling network, upgrade footpaths and increase greening.

As motorways open and the network balances around new road configurations, Transport could roll out local centre changes, including active transport links, improved pedestrian movements and increased local greening. Local access to Victoria Road in Rozelle would be improved with reduced surface traffic once Rozelle Interchange and the Western Harbour Tunnel opens – we will consult with community and stakeholders to take advantage of that shift.

Rapid bus trunk and local 'feeder' services will provide high-frequency transport that better connects customers to local and cross-city destinations, travel will become easier, with shorter wait times and better reliability.

Partnering with local government and industry, we will investigate opportunities to reduce traffic speeds through town centres and deliver enhanced public spaces that enable people of all ages and abilities to have access to safer, more attractive and healthy places to live, work and play.

Achieving the long-term vision is dependent on funding and completion of a Final Business Case.