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# Pitt Town Bypass

## **Community Update**

March 2025





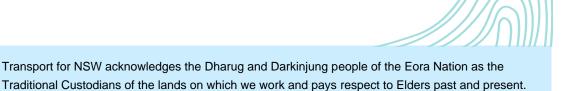
Intersection of Bathurst Street and Chatham Street looking south

The Pitt Town Bypass will reduce traffic through the town centre including heavy vehicles, improve journey efficiency for through traffic and improve road safety for local and all road users.

The NSW Government has committed \$100 million to deliver the Pitt Town Bypass which will reduce traffic through the town centre and improve safety for road users.

This important project will provide an alternative route for road users travelling north (towards Wisemans Ferry) and south (towards Windsor) along Pitt Town Road/Cattai Road. The new bypass will provide a more direct route around the town centre and reduce the volume of heavy vehicles passing through residential and commercial areas.





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Pitt Town Road looking south

#### **Key features of the bypass include:**

- Extending Pitt Town Road past Bathurst Street onto Cattai Road, east of Eldon Street
- Installing a new single lane roundabout at Eldon Street and Old Pitt Town Road
- Closing a portion of Cattai Road to maintain access to Buckingham Street
- Providing new bridge crossings of Hortons Creek
- Installing a new single lane roundabout at Pitt Town Road/Bathurst Street and Glebe Road.

### Consultation background

Transport for NSW (Transport) released a Review of Environmental Factors (REF) for the Pitt Town Bypass for public display in November 2018. The REF assessed the potential environmental and social impacts associated with the construction and operation of the project. It also identified safeguards and management measures to avoid, mitigate or manage those potential impacts.

Following the public display, Transport prepared and published a Submissions Report on the feedback received. Transport determined the REF and approved the project in February 2019.

# Project amendments since 2019 determination

Transport has continued to develop the project into detailed design and made some minor modifications to the project since it was determined in February 2019.

In November 2019 the project prepared an REF Consistency Review report to cover two key areas;

- Where the project design will extend beyond the original boundary determined in the REF.
- The proposed arrangements for the intersection at Buckingham Street and Cattai Road, as required by environmental safeguards from the determined REF. Further information on this issue is included in this update.

#### Addendum REF

Transport has prepared an addendum to the determined REF to address some further issues and some minor design changes since 2019 including:

- Reconfirming the environmental impacts have not changed since the original REF and consistency report in 2019
- Revising biodiversity surveys and assessing if any change in threatened species have occurred
- Further noise modelling and traffic monitoring surveys
- Tree surveys to identify the species and number of trees that may be impacted
- Reviewing the flood and stormwater models to confirm any changes.

The addendum REF can be viewed at https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au /projects/current-projects/pitt-town-bypass

# Buckingham Street and Cattai Road intersection

The project design during the REF display in 2018 included being only able to turn left in and left out at the intersection of Buckingham Street and the bypass. Right turns from Buckingham Street would not be allowed.

Following community feedback we have modified the project to allow a right turn from Buckingham Street onto the bypass.

The submissions report stated that a right turn into Buckingham Street from the bypass would be reviewed in detailed design. The design has since been reviewed against road design constraints and safety standards. Due to stopping and sight distances to nearby intersections and accesses with traffic volumes, a right turn from the bypass into Buckingham Street has not been considered a suitable option to continue.

Southbound road users who want to access Buckingham Street from the bypass can make a U-turn at the new roundabout at Old Pitt Town Road/Eldon Street, which will still allow entry for vehicles from the north to Buckingham Street, with only a short detour of approximately 400m (200m in each direction).

#### **Next steps**

Transport will look to award the construction tender to the preferred contractor in the first half of Quarter 2, 2025, with construction anticipated to commence in the second half of Quarter 2, 2025. Priority activities will include site establishment, utility and service identification and vegetation removal. We will continue to communicate to residents regarding construction activities and timeframes as the project progresses.

# Our journey so far



#### **Buckingham Street intersection**



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