Light rail construction is starting in your area from 31 March 2017

In planning for Tomorrow’s Sydney we are building a new light rail line to provide modern, reliable and sustainable public transport that will transform services from Circular Quay and the CBD, to Kingsford and Randwick via Surry Hills, Moore Park and Kensington.

**What we’re doing on High Street**

ALTRAC Light Rail will start construction work on **High Street from Friday 31 March 2017**

There will be major changes to travel in the area during construction as High Street is closed to through traffic (see further details under ‘How will work affect you’). Twenty-four-hour emergency, hospital and local access will be maintained throughout construction.

This notification covers all work on High Street, between Wansey Road and Avoca Street (zone 26) from 31 March to 30 June 2017.

Work may at times be subject to further approval and work periods may, subject to weather or unforeseen circumstance, be extended by way of further notification to impacted stakeholders.

**Work location and activities**

**Site establishment, investigation and construction work:**

- Zone 26: High Street, between Wansey Road and Avoca Street.

Work may also take place on cross-streets and side streets around the area including Clara Street, Eurimbla Avenue, Botany Street and Wansey Road.

**Work times**

Work will occur during standard daytime hours to minimise impacts where possible:

- Monday to Friday, 6am to 6pm
- Saturday, 8am to 5pm.

Night time and weekend work is necessary at times for safety and traffic reasons. When required, this will take place from 8pm to 6am. Impacted stakeholders will be notified in advance.

**Details of work activities**

**Site establishment:** includes installation of temporary barriers, fencing and hoardings, lane closures, and vegetation work (includes trimming, mulching, relocation and removal of shrubs and trees).

**Investigation work:** includes surveying and locating services, trenching and excavating the road surface and footpaths, testing utility pits and condition of utilities, relocation of utilities and heritage investigation.

**Construction work:** includes movement of ground fill, excavation and ground stabilisation work, drainage work, pavement work (asphalting, line marking, kerb and gutter work), track work (rail preparation, concrete pouring, rail delivery and installation, welding, saw cutting and surface finishing), overhead power lines and street lights, traffic signals and signage, and road reinstatement.

Equipment and vehicles for this work may include radar detection and survey equipment, concrete trucks and pumps, flood lights, vacuum excavation trucks, coring and drilling machines, excavators, compaction equipment,
bobcats, cranes, saw cutters, road grinders, tipper trucks, hand tools, water carts, semi-trailers and traffic control vehicles.

How will work affect you?

Traffic and pedestrian changes

For the latest information on traffic changes please visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW app.

From 10pm 31 March 2017 the following traffic changes will be in place (see also map overleaf):

- High Street will be closed to general traffic between Clara Street and Avoca Street. High Street Emergency, hospital and local access will be maintained (from Clara Street) at all times. Adult emergency access remains via Barker Street. (further information below)
- Between Clara Street and Wansey Road, High Street will be open to westbound general traffic only. There will be no eastbound traffic in this section.
- Traffic on High Street will be limited to 40km/hr between Avoca Street and Wansey Road and a 24 hour clearway will be implemented.
- Right turns from Botany Street northbound, Eurimbla Avenue and Hospital Road onto High Street will no longer be permitted.
- No left or right turn permitted from Avoca Street into High Street.
- Access to High Street will be via Belmore Road into Arthur Street and Clara Street; or Botany Street into Arthur Street and Clara Street; or Botany Street (southbound) right into High Street.
- All traffic heading east along High Street from Anzac Parade or the University of New South Wales will be detoured via Wansey Road and Arthur Street to the newly signalled intersection of Arthur Street and Botany Street.
- The taxi zone on High Street will be moved to Clara Street.
- Cyclists are advised to follow sign posted cycle routes and the general traffic detours.
- Emergency, hospital and local access:
  - Emergency, hospital traffic (including drop off facilities), local traffic and pedestrian access to the Prince of Wales Hospital, Sydney Children’s Hospital, Randwick and Sydney Children’s Hospital Emergency will remain open at all times (access from Clara Street).

- An additional pedestrian crossing near Clara Street will assist those crossing High Street to the Prince of Wales Hospital.
- Access to Prince of Wales Hospital Emergency, Prince of Wales Private Hospital and The Royal Hospital for Women remains via the main Barker Street entrance (via Barker Street and Easy Street).

Traffic control will be in place to assist motorists, pedestrians and cyclists with the new traffic arrangements in and around High Street.

Changes to traffic signage will be in place, including variable message signs to advise the best routes to the Hospital Precinct.

Upgrades and signalisation of intersections to improve the flow of traffic have been carried out at Arthur Street and Botany Street, Arthur Street and Belmore Road and Barker Street and Botany Street.

Bus changes

From 10pm, 31 March bus stops on High Street between Wansey Road and Avoca Street will close and buses will be diverted. Pink signs will be in place at affected stops with directions to nearby alternatives.

Refer to Bus Changes Fact Sheet or visit transportnsw.info for details.

Waste collection

Residents and businesses should refer to the local access plan distributed to directly impacted stakeholders to understand changes to waste collection arrangements.

Noise and dust

You may experience some noise and vibration during this work. Where possible, the noisiest work will be scheduled during the daytime and evening.

Noise and vibration monitoring will be conducted and, where practical, mitigation measures such as noise blankets will be used to minimise impacts as much as possible. Vehicles will be switched off when not in use to minimise noise. Respite periods will be provided for high noise work, such as saw cutting, jack hammering and rock breaking. Where required, any dust generating activities will be watered down.

Every effort will be made to reduce the impact to residents and businesses while work takes place.
Lane/s closed
Permitted movements
Local access and emergency services only
Parking removed, 24-hr clearway and 40km speed limit
Pedestrian crossing
New taxi zone
Closed taxi zone
Western detour *
Eastern detour *
No left turn from Avoca Street into High Street
No right turn:
  • Botany Street into High Street
  • Eurlimba Avenue into High Street
  • Hospital Road into High Street
  • High Street into Wansley Road (local access permitted)
  • Avoca Street into High Street

*Note:
cyclists to follow general traffic detour
Keeping you informed

Construction of the light rail will continue in your area after this notified period.

To keep you informed of the latest project updates, notification of upcoming work and invitations to local community and business forums, we encourage you to provide us with your contact details by emailing – SLRCommunity@acciona.com.au.

Please visit sydneylightrail.com.au for all current construction notifications.

Contact information

We apologise for any disruption or inconvenience caused during this important work. For general project enquiries, please call 1800 684 490 or email projects@transport.nsw.gov.au. If you have any urgent enquiries or complaints during this work, please contact the 24-hour Construction Response Line on 1800 775 465.

To find out more information on the CBD and South East Light Rail, visit sydneylightrail.com.au and for further detail on changes, visit mysydneycbd.nsw.gov.au.

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