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Fowlers Rd & Princes Hwy Intersection Upgrade

Works are well underway building the Fowlers Road to Fairwater Drive Link Road. The new link will provide a vital connection for the suburbs of West Dapto to Dapto Town Centre, the Princes Highway and M1 Motorway. Stage 3 is the final stage of works and will see the Fowlers Road and Princes Highway intersection widened with additional turning lanes to improve traffic flow and upgraded pedestrian crossings.

This FAQ provides information on upcoming changes at the Fowlers Rd / Princes Hwy intersection

What is happening to the intersection of Fowlers Road and Princes Highway?

The intersection will be widened to accommodate right hand turning lanes to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion in peak periods. Pedestrian crossings will be upgraded and footpaths will be realigned to follow the new line of the intersection. Works in and around the intersection include service relocations, drainage works, road widening and construction, footpath and driveway construction, kerb and guttering, new traffic light installation, remediation works for identified properties and landscaping. See the Stage 3 Consultation Plan for details.

When will Stage 3 works start and how long will it take?

Works at the intersection are anticipated to start late April 2019 and finish in the first quarter of 2020, subject to weather and site conditions.

How will these works affect traffic movements?

During construction Princes Highway and Fowlers Road (east of Princes Hwy) will remain open in both directions. Traffic controls will be in place at times. Project staging means the now open Marshall Street deviation provides alternative north/south access. We will update the community via roadside signage.

How will the Yorkshire Rd/Fowlers Rd and Elizabeth St/Princes Hwy intersections change?

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As part of the upgrade, these two intersections will become "Left In, Left Out" only. This means no right hand turns into or out of these intersections will be permitted in the future. The traffic conditions have been assessed and the changes to these intersections are required for safety. Alternative routes of travel include:

Yorkshire Road / Fowlers Road- vehicles can turn right, to and from, Fowlers Road via Kent Road.

Elizabeth Street / Princes Hwy- vehicles can turn right southbound onto Princes Highway via Cleveland Road. Access to Elizabeth Street from the north (M1/Fowlers Road or Princes Highway) is via Marshall Street.

How will the upgrade affect pedestrians?

Footpath works will be staged and there may be periods when pedestrian access will be restricted. However we'll install project fencing and signage to indicate safe paths of travel.

Will bus stops be affected?

The bus stop on Princes Highway in front of the TAFE property will be permanently relocated slightly to the south. The bus stop in front of the Ribbonwood Centre will be temporarily relocated slightly to the north during works but will still be in front of the Centre. It will then be returned to its current general location in line with the new footpath. Other bus stops near the intersection may be temporarily relocated during works, these will be clearly signposted.

What do these changes mean for nearby properties?

Properties near the intersection of Fowlers Road and Princes Highway may see changes to the road alignment, driveway access and the position of the footpath in front of their property. For some properties, Council has purchased land to undertake the road widening works. We will work with occupants to maintain access to properties during works.

How will trees be affected?

Some trees need to be removed along the eastern side of Princes Highway in order to widen the road. We have a landscaping plan for the project which includes some turfing, plus planting new trees and ground covers along the new link road to offset construction vegetation removal and provide amenity in the area.

Who is undertaking the works?

Abergeldie Contractors Pty Ltd is Council's appointed contractor and will undertake the intersection upgrades on Council's behalf, noting certain service relocations will be undertaken by service providers such as Telstra, Optus, NBN, (Communications), Endeavour Energy (Power), and Sydney Water (Water), or their nominated contractors.

How will I be kept informed?

Road users will see on-site flashing Variable Messaging Signs (VMS) at times in the lead up to works as well as traffic control signage during construction.

Up-to-date project information is also available on

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We are also working directly with those at properties near the intersection to keep occupants informed and to notify them before works commence.

What are the hours of work?

Monday to Friday from 7am to 5pm. Saturdays from 8am to 1pm. Works may occur outside these hours in special circumstances including night works for some asphalting works and service connections.

Who do I contact if I have a question or concern during construction?

For more information, contact the Engagement Team on Ph: 4227 7111 or email engagement@wollongong.nsw.gov.au

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