

Transport for NSW

Denmark Link Road

Review of Environmental Factors | November 2020



Garfield Road West, looking south along Denmark Road

Transport for NSW is continuing work on the North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy by progressing planning for Denmark Link Road.

Denmark Link Road is a proposed new local road linking Garfield Road West, Riverstone and the Westminster Street Bridge, Schofields.

The proposed Denmark Link Road would reduce congestion and delays that are currently experienced at the Garfield Road railway crossing at Riverstone by providing an alternative route for light vehicles crossing the rail line.

Review of Environmental Factors

Transport for NSW has prepared an environmental assessment for Denmark Link Road, this is known as the Review of Environmental Factors (REF) and is available for public comment until **14 December 2020**.

The REF document examines potential impacts of the proposed road and addresses how Transport will mitigate and manage impacts to the community and surrounding environment. To view the REF online please visit nswroads.work/denmarkrd

Overview

Transport for NSW has been working with Blacktown City Council to develop a local road to improve traffic flow, within the Riverstone Town Centre.

Denmark Link Road would provide a local road connection from Garfield Road West at Riverstone via Denmark Road intersection to West Parade. West Parade would be extended to Bridge Street near the Westminster Street Bridge at Schofields. The project would also connect to the traffic lights at Westminster Street and Railway Terrace intersection.

The new link would provide the local community with an alternative connection for light vehicles to cross the Richmond railway line avoiding congestion around Riverstone rail level crossing.

Benefits of the project include:

- Reducing the congestion and delays that are currently experienced at the Garfield Road railway level crossing at Riverstone
- Providing a local road connection for light vehicles wishing to use the Westminster Street Bridge, alleviating some of the congestion on Garfield Road.

Key features of the project include:

- New two lane local road connecting Garfield Road West and Bridge Street
- A new right-turn bay along Garfield Road West for traffic waiting to enter Denmark Road at Riverstone
- Widening to the existing Denmark Road, Trevithick Street and West Parade.
- · Extension of existing Denmark Road
- A new link road between Denmark Road and Carlton Street
- A new intersection at Carlton Street
- Extension of West Parade to connect to Bridge Street, near the Westminster Street Bridge at Schofields

Have your say

In response to the evolving Coronavirus situation, Transport is following NSW Health advice and changing the way it approaches community consultation for important transport infrastructure projects.

It is important for the community to have their say on all transport infrastructure projects.

This means consultation will be carried out in different ways to ensure the community can practice social distancing and limit the spread of Coronavirus.

Potential impacts listed below are discussed in detail in the REF:

Traffic

Once completed the proposal would help to reduce traffic delays for motorists waiting to cross at the Garfield Road Rail level crossing.

Noise

Denmark Link Road would introduce additional traffic along the proposed route. The REF has identified the properties that would be considered for noise mitigation measures.

Heritage

The proposal would encroach on the heritage curtilage of the locally listed Hebe Farm, however Hebe Cottage itself would not be impacted.

Biodiversity

About one hectare of native vegetation would require removal, however it is not likely to significantly impact threatened ecological communities, species or their habitat.

Landscape character and visual amenity

The temporary impacts on visual amenity during construction activities would be confined to the road corridor and immediately adjacent areas. Where the removal of trees is required during construction, the area will be landscaped in consultation with Blacktown City Council.

Property Acquisition

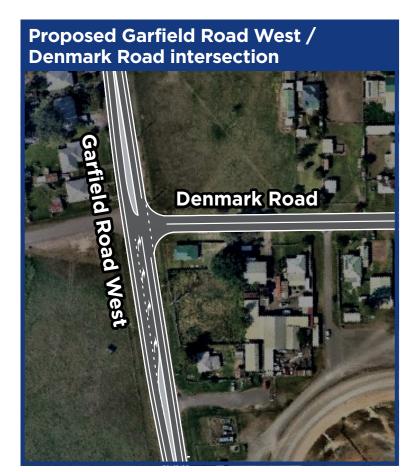
As the project progresses, there will be a need for Transport to acquire some properties along part of the Denmark Link road route. This would include both full and partial acquisitions.

Transport for NSW has already directly contacted potentially affected property owners and will continue to be in contact as the project progresses.

More information about the property acquisition process is available at www.propertyacquistion.nsw.gov.au

Garfield Road East and West - consultation

Community consultation for the REFs for the Garfield Road West and Garfield Road East upgrades and Richmond Road upgrade, Marsden Park are currently open to community comment until **Friday 27 November 2020**. The proposed Garfield Road upgrades are part of the long term upgrades and are subject to funding and approval. Denmark Link Road would allow the easing of traffic congestion on Garfield Road in the short term. To view the REF online please visit nswroads.work/garfieldrd



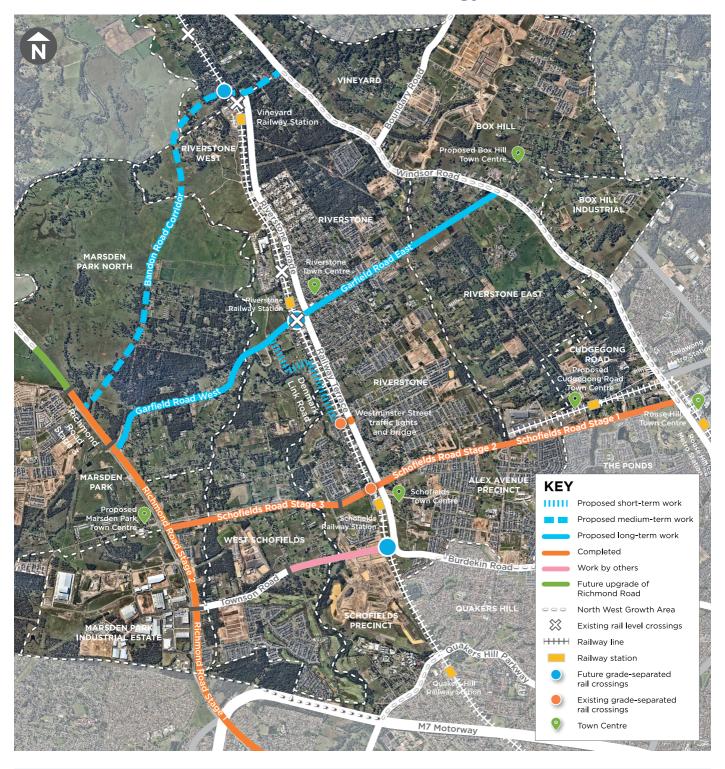
Right turn bay at intersection



Proposed ultimate signalised intersection



North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy





Interactive portal

Check out our interactive portal at www.rms.nsw.gov/nwgc to find out more about the North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy and submit any questions or comments you have.



North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy - Where are we up to?

The North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy was developed to support growth in the North West which will see an increase in traffic due to additional housing and employment in the area. Once fully developed, the area will be home to around 250,000 people.

Denmark Link Road

The Denmark Link Road is part of the short term works in this Road Network Strategy. Denmark Link Road will connect Garfield Road West with Westminster Street Bridge. We are currently seeking community feedback on the REF until Monday 14 December 2020. More information can be found at nswroads.work/denmarkrd

Garfield Road central

The NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment has granted Special Infrastructure Contribution (SIC) funding for Transport to continue the planning for Garfield Road central (between Denmark Road and Piccadilly Street, Riverstone).

Garfield Road East and West

The project teams for Garfield Road East between Piccadilly Street, Riverstone and Windsor Road, Box Hill and Garfield Road West between Richmond Road, Marsden Park and Denmark Road, Riverstone upgrades are currently seeking feedback on the projects REF until Friday 27 November 2020. More information can be found at nswroads.work/garfieldrd

Richmond Road upgrade

The Richmond Road upgrade Marsden Park is progressing with design and environmental impact assessment. We are currently seeking feedback on this project and the REF which is on display until **Friday 27 November 2020**. More information can be found at nswroads.work/richmondrd

Townson-Burdekin Road upgrade

The Townson-Burdekin Road Link is progressing with the concept design and environmental impact assessment.

The REF for Stage 1 is expected to be completed and placed on public display in the coming months. More information can be found at nswroads.work/townson-burdekinrd

Bandon Road

The Bandon Road corridor between Richmond Road, Marsden Park and Windsor Road, Vineyard has been finalised as part of the North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy. More information can be found at nswroads.work/bandonrd

Schofields Road

The upgrade of Schofields Road between Windsor Road, Rouse Hill and Richmond Road, Marsden Park has been completed and opened to traffic on 28 June 2018.

For further information about these projects please visit nswroads.work/NWGA









Project development process



*Subject to project approval

Contact us

If you have any questions or would like more information on the Denmark Link Road project please contact our project team:



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on 131 450 and ask them to call the project team on 1300 367 561. The interpreter will then assist you with translation.

What happens next?

At the end of the REF display period, a submissions report which provides a summary of comments or questions received on the project, and our responses, will be published on the Transport for NSW website.

We will notify the community once the submissions report is available to view and throughout the progress of the project. You can access information on the project through the Transport for NSW website, community newsletters and the project phone number and email provided below.

Online Community Consultation

To ensure the health and safety of the community and our staff we will replace face to face community information sessions with an online information session on the NSW Roads Facebook page at facebook.com/NSWRoads on Tuesday 1 December 2020 from 4pm to 4.30pm.

During the session you can find out more about the REF from the project team and ask questions about the project. If you are not able to join the live session or would like to submit your questions in advance, please email the team at nwgc@transport.nsw.gov.au or call us on 1300 367 561.

We welcome all your feedback on the REF by Monday 14 December 2020.



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