

Transport Access Program Millthorpe Station

The Transport Access Program is a NSW Government initiative to provide a better experience for public transport customers by delivering accessible, modern, secure and integrated transport infrastructure.



In late October 2017, it was announced that funding had been approved for the reinstatement of Millthorpe Station as an on-request stop on the Main Western Line in NSW, with a total project budget of \$1.1M.

Previous Consultation

Transport for NSW visited Millthorpe in November 2017 to meet with the community and discuss what the project might look like. We brought some very early options and discussed with community members the benefits of each option and a tentative preliminary timeframe for the project.

We thank the community for their ongoing interest in the project, and understand how important the revival of Millthorpe Station is as an on-request stop service.

What's been happening

The project team has been busy undertaking the necessary analysis to further develop the project design. What we've done so far includes;

- An architect has been engaged, and has developed a design which Transport for NSW is working through to finalise a concept design.
- Technical review of the concept design by engineers and Heritage advisors. A Statement of Heritage Impact has been drafted, and dialogue has continued with the Heritage Division within the Office of Environment and Heritage to identify elements to ensure a smooth approval process.
- Geotechnical investigations have been undertaken to determine ground conditions and noise monitoring has been undertaken which will be used in preparation of a noise assessment to be used in the planning approval process.
- Transport for NSW has met with NSW Trains to discuss timetabling and the marketing associated with the commencement of operations at the station.

Transport for NSW has identified the design above as one which responds to the needs of the station, in order to make it viable as an on-demand stop, which is accessible to all customers.

Features of the design include:

- A simple platform extension which will have a DDA compliant ramp which is designed to have little or no impact on the section 60 station platforms and building.
 A moveable ramp (provided by on board train staff) will be required in order to access the train carriage for those with additional accessibility requirements.
- Features include a new platform approximately 15m long, seating, additional lighting, an information board, tactile indicators and a help point.
- The platform extension will be a lightweight construction of precast concrete and structural steel elements, and will be installed parallel to the existing heritage platform.
- The current Millthorpe station name sign [hidden behind overgrowth] will be relocated onto the new platform
- Timber palings will be installed on the new platform extension to match the existing look.



Artist's impression of the Millthorpe Station subject to change during detailed design activities.

How is the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) involved in this process?

As Millthorpe Railway Station is a State Heritage listed site, an application undersection 60 of the Heritage Act 1977 will be submitted to the Heritage Council of NSW for heritage approval. The environmental impacts of the proposal will also be assessed by TfNSW under Part 5 of the Environment Planning & Assessment Act 1979. Once both heritage approval and planning approval is obtained, specific conditions of approval will be included within the construction contract.

Upcoming consultation

Members from the Transport for NSW project team will conduct a workshop with the community on Wednesday 25 July 2018 between the hours of 5 and 7pm in the Millthorpe Golden Memories Museum, 37 Park Street. Please confirm your interest in attending the workshop by emailing us at projects@transport.nsw.gov.au.

Next steps

We will pass all feedback received to the planning team, who are developing the planning approval documentation for this project.

Procurement has commenced and once the heritage approval is received for the design construction will commence. The project is still on track with construction to be completed early 2019.

The community will be kept up to date about the progression of the project via web page updates and community notifications. If you would like to subscribe to the notifications, please send us an email at projects@transport.nsw.gov.au.



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