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Commercial Road and Doggett Street intersection upgrade Newstead

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Brisbane City Council is planning to upgrade the Commercial Road and Doggett Street intersection to improve overall intersection operation and safety for all road users.

Council has been working with the local community to obtain feedback about the proposed design for the Commercial Road and Doggett Street intersection upgrade.

The intersection has been identified as a location requiring safety improvements, particularly for pedestrian movements across Commercial Road due to the large volume of pedestrians in the area. The intersection carries approximately 20,000 vehicles, 320 cyclists and 2,100 pedestrians per day.

Approximately 84 per cent of feedback received during the project's consultation phase, including at two public information sessions, supported the intersection upgrade.

The upgrade will significantly improve safety for all road users at the intersection, particularly for pedestrian movements across Commercial Road with controlled pedestrian crossing facilities.

Council would like to thank local residents, businesses, road users and other members of the community who provided feedback and looks forward to delivering this project.

This project is jointly funded by Council and the Australian Government through the Urban Congestion Fund.

Project features

- Signalising the intersection with traffic lights and controlled pedestrian crossing facilities
- Extending the right-turn pocket, west and eastbound, on Commercial Road
- Installing a right-turn pocket southbound on Doggett Street
- Converting Doggett Street to a oneway street for northbound traffic only, between Commercial Road and Longland Street
- Removal of four on-street parking bays on Doggett Street and six on-street parking bays on Commercial Road
- Relocation of the Australia Post box and loading zone on Commercial Road
- Installing on-road bike boxes on Commercial Road at the intersection
- Kerb and channel works
- Resurfacing and line marking.

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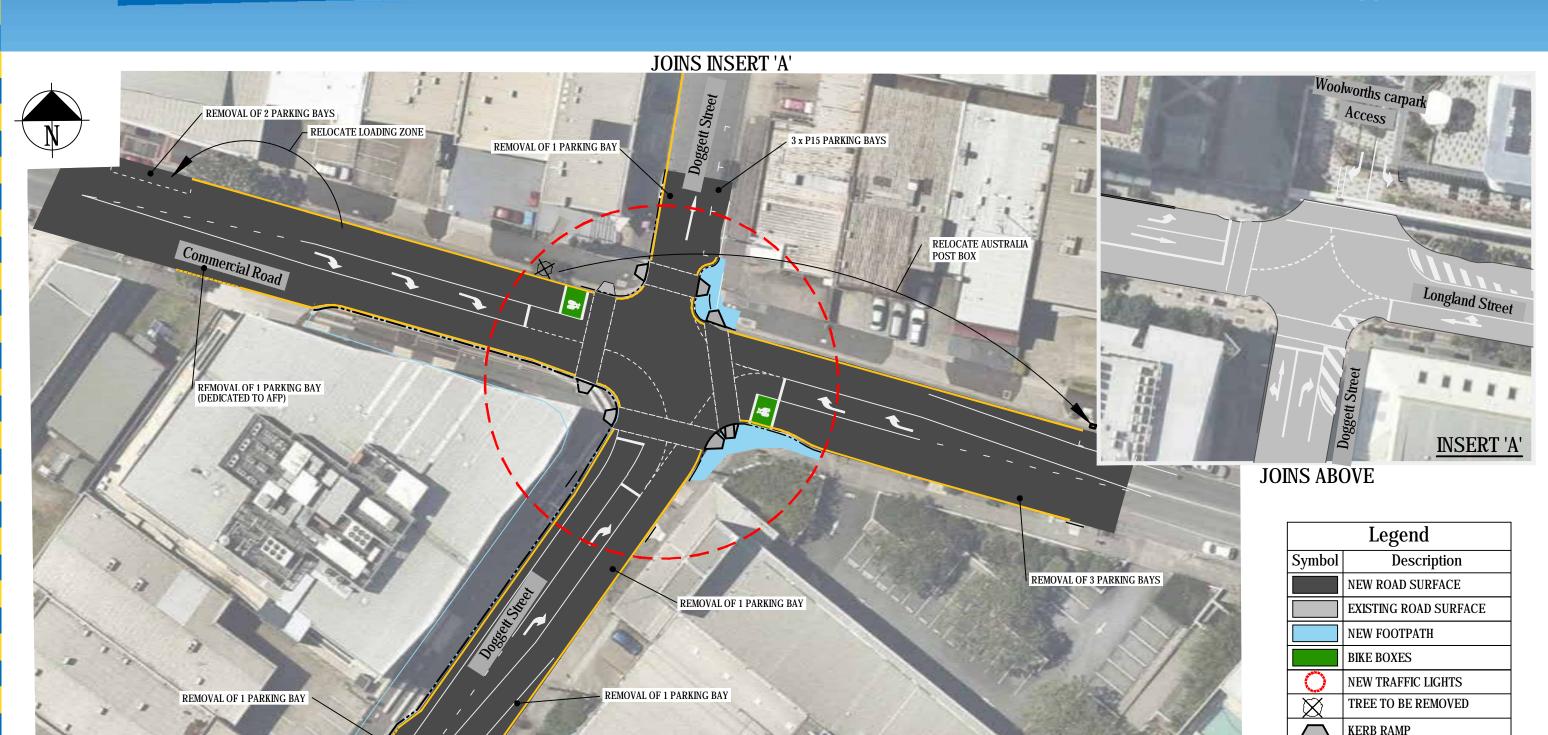
Community feedback

Key themes raised during consultation, with Council's response detailed below:

Key community feedback	Council's consideration and response
Traffic signals preferred option over a roundabout	The signalised intersection provides safe and controlled movements for all road users. The project will provide right-turn pockets for turning vehicles to allow motorists to wait safely for the green arrow without impacting through traffic movements. A signalised intersection provides safe and controlled pedestrian crossing facilities.
	A roundabout is not preferred in this location due to the high volume of pedestrians crossing the intersection. Additionally, the land required for a roundabout is not feasible without significant property resumption.
Pedestrian connectivity	The existing two zebra crossings will be replaced with controlled signalised crossings on the four approaches to the intersection.
	The project proposes to introduce a signalised scramble crossing, which allows pedestrians to cross the intersection in all directions at the one time. This will also help to improve safety by removing potential conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians and reduce wait times at the intersection for pedestrians and motorists.
Increased traffic in local streets with Doggett Street converted to one-way	The project proposes to convert Doggett Street to oneway for northbound traffic, between Commercial Road and Longland Street. This will address safety concerns through this narrow section of Doggett Street and will ease congestion impacts at the Commercial Road intersection.
	Motorists are encouraged to use either Kyabra Street or Masters Street to travel southbound towards Commercial Road. The intersection of Longland Street and Doggett Street will change to prevent movements into Doggett Street. This will also prevent through movements from the Gasworks car park, at Longland Street.
	Traffic modelling indicates minimal increase in traffic volumes on local streets however, Council will monitor the local area following completion of the works to ensure the upgrade performs as anticipated.
Cycling facilities and connectivity	New on-road bike boxes are proposed on Commercial Road at the intersection to allow cyclists to move to the front of the lane when stopped at a red light. This will also increase awareness by providing a space where people riding a bike are clearly seen by all users at the intersection.
	Bike parking facilities are also being investigated and may be incorporated if safe storage areas can be found that do not impact the footpath area.
Australian Federal Police bollards	The Australian Federal Police (AFP) are planning to replace the existing temporary concrete barriers with steel bollards on the footpath in front of their building on the corner of Commercial Road and Doggett Street. This project is separate to the Council's intersection upgrade.
	The timing for this work is yet to be finalised, however Council is working with the AFP to coordinate these works with the intersection upgrade.
Removal of on- street parking	To facilitate the upgrade and allow provision to extend the right-turn pockets, six parking bays on Commercial Road and four parking bays on Doggett Street will be removed.
	In addition, the Australia Post box on Commercial Road will be relocated approximately 80 metres east of the current location, and the loading zone on Commercial Road will be relocated approximately 20 metres west of the current location.
Impact to traffic	Changing Doggett Street to oneway will reduce the impacts of congestion at the Commercial Road intersection by eliminating one traffic phase.

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PROJECT PLAN
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Project timing

Detailed design early 2020

Start of construction early 2020

End of construction mid 2020



Information session October 2019 at Gasworks Plaza

More information

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