

CITYLINK CYCLEWAY TRIAL

Project update **December 2020**



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Brisbane City Council is pleased to provide an update for the CityLink Cycleway trial, including announcing the design and plans for construction of the new separated bikeway from William Street to Grey Street, via Victoria Bridge.

As part of Council's strategic direction to deliver improved public and active transport connections in the inner city, the Victoria Bridge will permanently close to general traffic from Sunday 24 January 2021. This closure will facilitate both the Brisbane Metro project and CityLink Cycleway trial, which will create a high-capacity, sustainable transport network to and from the city centre.

With active travel more than doubling between 2006 and 2016, we are committed to expanding our city's active transport network to deliver safe, convenient and connected bikeways and help improve active transport options for Brisbane.

Trial stages

The CityLink Cycleway trial is being implemented in stages and will include a separated two-way bikeway on:

- Elizabeth Street, between William and Creek streets
- Edward Street, between Elizabeth and Alice streets
- William Street to Grey Street, via Victoria Bridge.

See overleaf for more information about the bikeway design on William Street to Grey Street (via Victoria Bridge).

Council is investigating extending the CityLink Cycleway to other parts of the city centre in future stages, including Albert Street, Alice Street, North Quay and Melbourne Street.

Construction update

- Elizabeth Street construction started late November 2020 and will be completed in mid-January 2021.
- Edward Street construction to begin in mid-January 2021.
- William Street to Grey Street construction to begin in late January 2021.

No works will take place on site between Tuesday 22 December 2020 and Saturday 9 January 2021. Works will recommence from 7pm on Sunday 10 January 2021.



Provide a **safe, connected and accessible** cycleway



Improve **cyclist accessibility** to places of work and local amenities



Provide **more active travel opportunities** by complementing the existing bikeway network



Improve **safety** for people walking, riding and driving



Decrease **carbon emissions**

Funding

The CityLink Cycleway is a joint initiative of Brisbane City Council and the Queensland Government. The project is jointly funded through Council's Active Transport Infrastructure Fund (ATIF) and the Queensland Government Works for Queensland grants program.



Queensland Government

William Street to Grey Street (via Victoria Bridge)

A new separated two-way bikeway will be installed on William Street (from Elizabeth Street), Victoria Bridge and Melbourne Street (to Grey Street) in South Brisbane.

The bikeway on William Street will connect to the newly installed bikeway on Elizabeth Street and future shared zone on Queens Wharf Road as part of Queen's Wharf Brisbane, once the development is completed.

Construction timing

Construction for the new bikeway between William Street and Grey Street (via Victoria Bridge) will commence after the closure of the Victoria Bridge on 24 January 2021 and take two months to complete, weather and site conditions permitting.

Construction impacts

Local residents, businesses and road users in close proximity to the worksite may experience:

- increased activity around the worksite, including deliveries of machinery and equipment
- construction noise, including saw cutting of asphalt and concrete, and excavation works
- increased levels of lighting, dust and low levels of vibration
- changed traffic conditions, detours, traffic controllers and signage to safely direct road users, cyclists and pedestrians.

Due to workplace health and safety requirements, reversing beepers cannot be switched off.

Council apologises in advance for any inconvenience caused and appreciates your patience during these works.

Working hours

To minimise impacts to road users and ensure safety for road workers, some works will be undertaken at night between 7pm and 5am, Sunday to Thursday.

Where possible, works will be undertaken during the day between 7am and 5pm.

Key activities

The new bikeway from William Street to Grey Street (via Victoria Bridge) will involve:

- converting a kerbside traffic lane to a separated two-way bikeway on Victoria Bridge, Melbourne Street, and a portion of William Street and Stanley Street, including raised yellow kerbs, line marking and signage
- widening a section of footpath on William Street to create a shared path
- constructing new kerb build-outs at various locations on William Street
- constructing new kerb ramps on William Street, Stanley Street and Melbourne Street
- altering traffic lane markings at various intersections to improve delineation for cyclist and vehicle movements
- removing signage and line marking where motorcycle and coach parking will be removed
- upgrading traffic lanterns to include cyclist movements at intersections.

To view the design for this section of the CityLink Cycleway trial, please refer to the project plan overleaf.

Parking removals

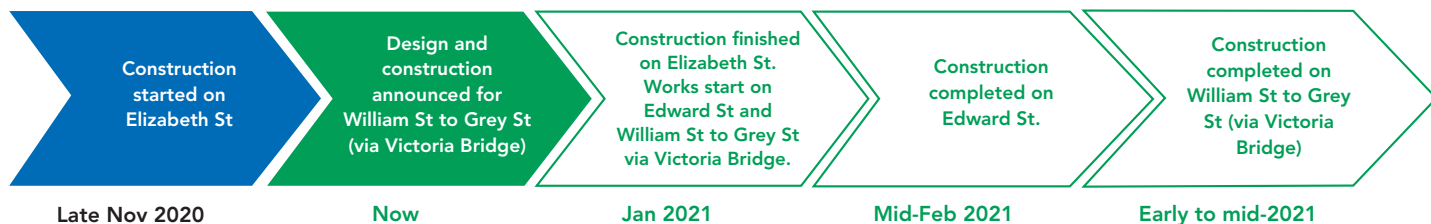
Council will be removing approximately 28 motorcycle parking spaces across William Street and two coach parking zones from Stanley Street.

To see alternative parking locations, please visit Council's website at brisbane.qld.gov.au and search 'CityLink Cycleway'.

Council has worked hard to minimise changes to parking wherever possible.



CityLink Cycleway trial timing



Council is pleased to announce that works on Elizabeth Street are nearly complete and the bikeway is expected to be open in mid-January 2021, weather and site conditions permitting.

We are committed to keeping the community informed about construction activities in their area and will provide another update in early 2021 before works start on the bikeway from William Street to Grey Street (via Victoria Bridge).

To keep up to date with the latest information about the CityLink Cycleway trial or to subscribe for project updates, please visit Council's website at brisbane.qld.gov.au and search 'CityLink Cycleway'.

E-wheeling devices

As part of the CityLink Cycleway trial, e-wheeling devices will be able to use the new separated bikeway on Elizabeth Street, Edward Street and William Street to Grey Street, via Victoria Bridge.

Council has worked with the Queensland Government Department of Transport and Main Roads to create a design for a separated, dedicated bikeway that e-wheeling devices will be permitted to use in the city centre.

E-mobility is a key initiative of Council's *Transport Plan for Brisbane* and e-Mobility Strategy, which focuses on opportunities to encourage greater use of e-bikes, e-scooters and other emerging, sustainable e-mobility travel options. Encouraging e-wheeling devices to use the CityLink Cycleway on selected streets in the CBD will keep riders and pedestrians safe and help connect the community with places of work and local services.



Evaluating the trial

Council will be measuring the effectiveness of the CityLink Cycleway as part of a 12-month trial period.

During the trial, we will monitor the performance of the bikeway and seek feedback from users, businesses, residents, industry groups and peak bodies. Feedback will be sought on, but not limited to:





- safety
- bikeway usage
- alternate alignments/design improvements
- benefits of using the bikeway (e.g. time savings).

Have your say

You will be invited to have your say on the CityLink Cycleway trial in early 2021 once the bikeways on Elizabeth and Edward streets are operational.

More information about the trial period will be provided to the community once construction is completed on Edward Street.

MORE INFORMATION

-  Visit Council's website at brisbane.qld.gov.au and search 'CityLink Cycleway trial'
-  Email bikewayprojects@brisbane.qld.gov.au
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