Road Upgrade Project

Brisbane Street Interim Upgrade

The project

Ipswich City Council will provide an interim upgrade to Brisbane Street, from Hooper Street to Burnett Street, West Ipswich.

This section of Brisbane Street will be upgraded to three lanes (two inbound and one outbound) to better manage the traffic congestion currently experienced by commuters.

The upgrade will include:

- Installing traffic signals at the Tiger Street and Brisbane Street intersection to improve pedestrian and vehicle access.
- Resurfacing key sections of Brisbane Street, as well as installing new linemarking. This will include double barrier lines for the length of the project to allow for safer controlled turning movements.
- Provide chevron linemarking to centre median in some sections to clearly separate inbound and outbound traffic.
- Modification of the concrete centre islands at the Burnett Street intersection and outside of the Home HQ shopping centre to manage vehicle turning movements.
- New kerb and channel in some sections.
- Removal of on-street parking to enable enough width for the third traffic lane.
- Removal of the bus stop near Tiger Street.

This is a multi-year funded project with an allocated budget of \$4.1 million in FY17/18.

Why is this project happening?

Brisbane Street, West Ipswich functions as a key arterial road in the city's transport network. It provides a major link between the western suburbs of Ipswich and the Ipswich City Centre for buses, commercial vehicles, walking and general traffic. It also provides direct access to and from many businesses.

On average, 20,100 vehicles use Brisbane Street each weekday. As the population of Ipswich continues to grow and with commercial and employment growth within the Ipswich City Centre, there is a need to provide more capacity and safer, more controlled turning movements on this road for commuters.

Project timing

Water main, power and communication services relocation

LATE 2017 -EARLY 2018

Road works commence

MID - LATE 2018

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Brisbane Street interim upgrade

357 - 341 Brisbane Street



331 - 305 Brisbane Street



283 Brisbane Street - Burnett Street intersection

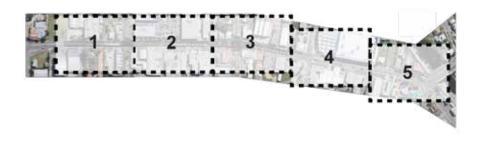


Keogh Street intersection - 333 Brisbane Street



303 - 285 Brisbane Street





FAQs

What are the benefits of the project?

Increasing the capacity and traffic flow on Brisbane Street will assist in managing current traffic congestion. It will also allow for safer, more controlled turning movements on Brisbane Street and improved pedestrian safety - particularly at the Tiger Street intersection.

What can I expect during construction?

Services, such as power, water main and communication cables will need to be moved prior to road works starting. Service authorities will advise businesses and motorists of any impacts expected during their works.

During Council's roadwork construction, there will be:

- increased noise due to machinery on site
- temporary changes to pedestrian accesses
- temporary traffic barriers / reduced lane widths for motorists
- traffic control restrictions as required

Council and its contractors will work with directly affected businesses to minimise any impact as much as possible.

Will this solve congestion at Burnett Street?

Synchronising the traffic signals at Clay Street, Keogh Street and the new signals at Tiger Street will improve traffic flow from Burnett Street and along Brisbane Street. Dedicated right-hand turn lanes on Brisbane Street will also improve traffic flow and reduce congestion.

Can you construct a roundabout at Brisbane/Burnett Street?

Constructing a roundabout at Brisbane/Burnett Street would require a large footprint of land and would not be safe for pedestrian movements.

Will I be able to turn right along Brisbane Street?

Motorists will only be able to turn right at intersections. Double barrier lines are being installed for the length of the Project to allow for safer, more controlled turning movements.

What roads will be closed?

At this stage it's not proposed to close any roads for the duration of this Project. However controlled lane closures should be expected.

Will I lose access to my driveway?

If new kerb and channel or driveway inverts are to be constructed, affected businesses/residents will be provided with a minimum of 48 hours notice so that alternative arrangements can be made.

Why is this called an interim upgrade?

The City of Ipswich Transport Plan (iGO) has identified that Brisbane Street will need to be widened to two lanes in both directions in the longer term (10+ years) to cater for forecast traffic growth. The longer term upgrade is reliant on the redevelopment of properties along the corridor to achieve the required road reserve width.

The current Project is considered an 'interim' upgrade as it can generally fit within the available road reserve whilst providing safety and capacity improvements which will assist in managing traffic congestion.

Who can I speak to if I have a question?

You can call the ICC Call Centre on (07) 3810 6666 (8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday to Friday) and they will direct you to a Communications Officer allocated to the project.





