

Monthly update – North Strathfield

30 January 2023

Sydney Metro is Australia's biggest public transport project.

The NSW Government is delivering Sydney Metro West – a new underground metro railway which will double rail capacity between Parramatta and the Sydney CBD, with a target travel time of about 20 minutes between the two centres.

Sydney Metro has been granted planning approval to construct twin underground rail tunnels between Westmead and Hunter Street in the Sydney CBD for Sydney Metro West. Acciona Ferrovia Joint Venture (AFJV) has been awarded the contract to deliver 11 kilometres of twin metro rail tunnels between The Bays and Sydney Olympic Park and excavate five new metro stations, including a station at North Strathfield.

Transport for Tomorrow (T4T) has been awarded the contract to relocate the current overhead high voltage cables to a new underground route within the rail corridor and along Queen Street.

Site preparation and establishment work

The tunnelling contractor, AFJV, will continue site preparation and establishment work within and around the North Strathfield metro station site during February. Unless otherwise stated below, these activities will be carried out during standard construction hours:

- Monday to Friday 7am – 6pm and Saturday 8am – 6pm

AFJV work in February includes:

- Construction of the piling platform and piling for the permanent retaining wall
- Construction of retaining structures such as capping beams and ground anchors
- Concrete slab construction, traffic barrier and hoarding installation around the site
- Compound establishment work (power connection, awning installation)
- Installation of underground services for onsite utility connections
- Bus stop construction at Wellbank Street
- Utility investigation and relocation work along Queen, Waratah and Wellbank streets, the intersection of Concord Road and Wellbank Street as well as the intersection of George Street and Pomeroy Street
- Vegetation removal (one tree on Queen Street and one tree on Wellbank Street)
- Installation of two new pedestrian crossings on Queen Street (see next page for details)
- Line marking and signage installation work
- Delivery and removal of oversize equipment
- Taking readings from previously installed groundwater boreholes.

Work outside standard construction hours

Some of the traffic, utility work, tree removal, road pavement work, bus stop construction as well as oversize equipment deliveries, must be undertaken outside standard construction hours and will be carried out between **8pm and 5am** on **Monday, Wednesday and Thursday** nights from **Monday 6 February to Friday 24 February 2023** (weather and ground conditions permitting).

At times, low impact concreting work within the construction site may extend beyond standard construction hours between 6pm and 10pm during weekdays.

Changes to traffic, pedestrian and cyclist routes

The pedestrian and traffic changes in February will occur in two stages (see map overleaf).

In stage one on Thursday **16 February 2023** the bus stop on the western side of Queen Street in front of the construction site will be moved 40 metres north of the existing stop.

In stage two on Friday **24 February 2023** the following changes will occur:

- The bus stop on the western side of Queen Street will be relocated to the southern side of Wellbank Street. This will result in the removal of three (3) on street parking spaces
- A new level pedestrian crossing will be installed on Queen Street, south of Wellbank Street. This will result in the removal of one (1) on street parking space
- A second level pedestrian crossing will be installed on Queen Street, south of Pomeroy Street. This will result in the removal of three (3) on street parking spaces
- The western footpath on Queen Street in front of the construction site will be closed and pedestrians will be diverted to the eastern footpath

This work will require the removal of both the northbound and southbound parking lanes on Queen Street from **12 noon Friday 24 February to 5am Saturday 25 February 2023** to allow new line marking.

From **9pm Friday 24 February to 5am Saturday 25 February 2023** Queen Street between Pomeroy Street and Wellbank will also be a local access only area while line marking is occurring. Traffic controllers will assist motorists to access their properties.

Two-way traffic will be maintained around the work sites on Queen Street at all other times but there may be minor traffic delays. Property and driveway access will be maintained. Work will also involve partial road and footpath closures on Queen Street as well as short-term, staged parking removal while work occurs.

Delivery of the majority of oversize equipment will come from Wellbank Street to enter site. At times, larger machinery will be required to enter or exit Queen Street via Waratah Street as a result of the tight turning conditions and overhead powerlines on Queen and Wellbank streets.

T4T work in February

Transport for Tomorrow (T4T) is undertaking enabling work within and around the North Strathfield metro station site to prepare for the construction of Sydney Metro. T4T work in February will involve minor rectification work, and general site and design inspection. All work will be completed within our construction sites during standard construction hours (**7am to 6pm Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm on Saturdays**).

Equipment used:

Equipment will include: trucks, light vehicles, excavators, graders, rattle guns, watercarts, concrete saws, bobcats, jack hammers, vacuum trucks, vibratory rollers, cranes, piling rigs, elevated work platforms, concrete trucks/pumps, street sweeper and hand tools.

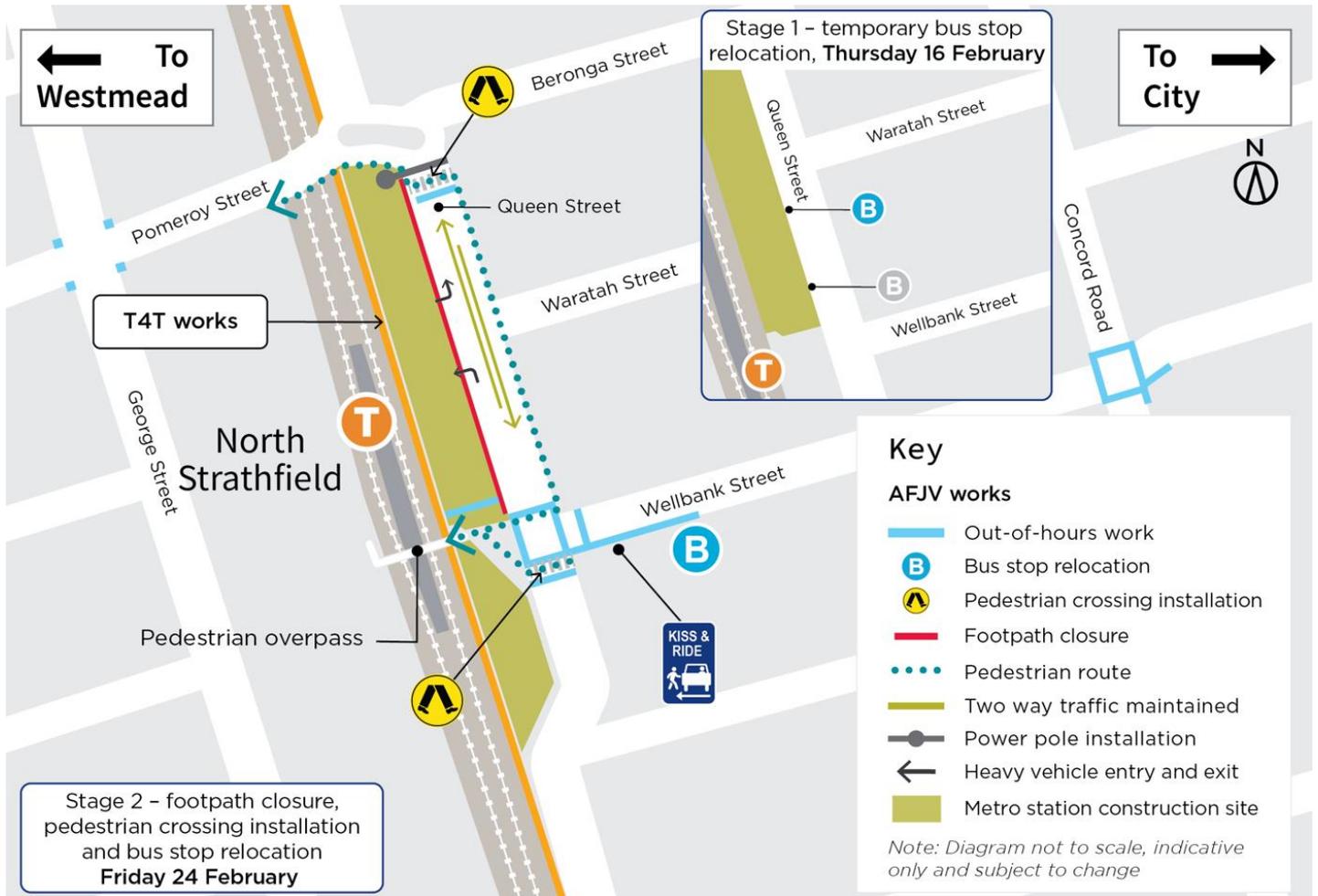
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North Strathfield metro station work area



Contact us

Please contact Liz from the AFJV community team or Michael from the T4T team on 1800 612 173 or by email if you have any questions, complaints or would like to provide feedback about the work, including appropriate respite periods. AFJV's Community Communications Strategy is available online at acciona.com.au/sydney-metro-west-ctp (plans). If you would like to provide feedback on this plan, please contact the AFJV community team.

We will continue to keep you updated on the progress of work in your area. If you would prefer to receive updates by email, please send a request to metrotunnelsAFJV@transport.nsw.gov.au and we will add you to the distribution list.

Thank you for your cooperation while we complete this essential work.

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