



The Norwest Business Park, Glenwood and works progressing on the Bella Vista Station

# Improving local pedestrian and cycle access to Bella Vista Station

The \$8.3 billion Sydney Metro Northwest is the first stage of Sydney Metro – Australia’s biggest public transport project. The project is delivering eight new railway stations, 23 kilometres of new track, 4,000 commuter parking spaces and Sydney’s new generation of safe, reliable and fully automated metro trains.

Construction work on the new stations and Sydney Metro Trains Facility at Rouse Hill is well underway. With tunnelling complete, activity is now focused on the elevated skytrain section between Bella Vista and Rouse Hill, station construction and precinct works, track laying and delivering Sydney’s new metro train. In this area, stations are being built at:

- ▶ Kellyville, at the corner of Samantha Riley Drive and Old Windsor Road
- ▶ Bella Vista, at the corner of Celebration Drive and Old Windsor Road
- ▶ Norwest, at the corner of Norwest Boulevard and Brookhollow Avenue.

## New and faster services

Bella Vista Station to:	Sydney Metro (indicative travel time)
Macquarie University Station	19 minutes
Chatswood Station	30 minutes
Wynyard Station	50 minutes, includes Chatswood interchange

Pedestrian bridges will be built over Old Windsor Road at both Bella Vista and Kellyville, and an underpass at Norwest under Norwest Boulevard, to improve pedestrian access to the stations for customers living and working in the area.

## Proposed Glenwood pedestrian and cycle link

In late 2015, Transport for NSW consulted Glenwood residents on a proposal to build a pedestrian link into Glenwood to provide easier and more direct access to the new pedestrian bridge linking to Bella Vista Station.

The local community was keen to understand how pedestrians and cyclists in Glenwood would be able to access Bella Vista Station given the close proximity of the station and the minimal existing pedestrian access options between Glenwood and the station.

Feedback focused on:

- ▶ where a new pedestrian link could be located
- ▶ local traffic conditions and how these may be impacted by provision of a pedestrian link
- ▶ potential for increased on-street parking demand in Glenwood and how this could be managed
- ▶ desire for a well-lit, safe and attractive pedestrian link
- ▶ how best to minimise potential impacts such as anti-social behaviour, noise and visual impacts.



First escalators installed on the Sydney Metro Northwest project – Bella Vista Station, May 2017

Transport for NSW has used this community feedback to help inform the development of options for a pedestrian link.

Considering the location of existing pedestrian links, we have evaluated three possible options for an additional link:

- ▶ between Old Windsor Road and Shaun Street, through the Emmanuel Baptist Church/Anglican Technical College
- ▶ between Old Windsor Road and Sharrock Avenue
- ▶ between Old Windsor Road and Vanessa Court/Maley Grove.

Transport for NSW will be undertaking survey work in Glenwood over the coming weeks to develop a preferred option. A preferred option for the pedestrian link will then be exhibited via a Review of Environmental Factors (REF) later this year, when the community will be given further opportunity for comment.

Through the REF process the preferred option will need to demonstrate that it will allow for management of traffic and transport. The proposed design will integrate with the local area and surrounding footpaths.

As part of the REF, a parking plan will be prepared that responds to parking concerns and maximises safe access and use for pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles.

### Survey work

The survey work is intermittent and unobtrusive. It will involve a small survey team working on the footpath, in public areas and, with prior permission, private property. The work is scheduled for five days from 6 July, between the hours of 7am and 6pm (weekdays only). In case of wet weather the work may need to be extended beyond this period.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation while we carry out this work.

### About the proposed pedestrian path

- ▶ when Sydney Metro Northwest services start in the first half of 2019 there will be a train every four minutes in the peak, or 15 trains an hour
- ▶ Sydney Metro Northwest is building a pedestrian bridge across Old Windsor Road at Bella Vista to improve access to the station for Glenwood residents
- ▶ access to the bridge is currently blocked by 1km of continuous property fences and noise barriers along Old Windsor Road - restricting the number of residents able to walk to the new Bella Vista Station, despite living in such close proximity
- ▶ constructing a new pedestrian pathway in conjunction with the pedestrian bridge would result in reduced walking times for local people within proximity to the future Bella Vista Station
- ▶ pedestrian pathway would mean that 700 Glenwood households – and two local schools – would be within a 15 minute walk of the new station. An even greater number of households would be within a short cycling distance. This is compared to about 420 households without a pathway
- ▶ residents who would currently have a 25-30 minute walk at average pace would be able to walk to the new Bella Vista station in less than 15 minutes.

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