Canterbury Road and King Georges Road, Wiley Park
Intersection improvements
Community Consultation Report
Roads and Maritime Services | February 2018
Executive Summary

This report provides a summary of Roads and Maritime Services’ consultation with the community and key stakeholders on proposed intersection improvements on Canterbury Road and King Georges Road, Wiley Park.

The proposed improvements include:

- widening Canterbury Road on both the eastern and western approaches to provide additional right turn lanes to King Georges Road
- changing the existing dual left turn signalised slip lanes on Canterbury Road for vehicles turning into King Georges Road to a single give way slip lane
- realigning the left turn slip lanes on Canterbury Road in both directions to provide better vision for motorists preparing to turn left
- adjusting the existing entrance into Wiley Park and construction of a retaining wall on the revised road boundary
- relocating of existing impacted underground/overhead utilities and equipment, including an existing speed camera on the Canterbury Road
- constructing new pavement where required as a result of the changes to the intersection.

Roads and Maritime invited feedback on the proposal in December 2017. We received feedback from 17 people with four people supporting the proposal, eight people against the proposal and five people who did not state a preference. Key matters raised included:

- support for the proposal
- construction of an overpass or bridge
- other items not related to the scope of this proposal.

We thank everyone for considering the proposal and for their feedback.

Decision

After considering all responses, along with the proposal’s aims and design requirements, we have decided to proceed with the proposal unchanged.

We will continue to keep the community and stakeholders informed as the project progresses.
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1. Introduction

1.1. Background

The NSW Government is funding this proposal as part of its $300 million Urban Roads Pinch Points Program, which aims to reduce congestion and improve travel times on Sydney’s busiest road corridors, particularly during weekday peak periods.

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We have included a map to explain the proposal.

Figure 1: Proposed improvements at Canterbury Road and King Georges Road, Wiley Park
2. Consultation approach

2.1. Consultation objectives

Roads and Maritime consulted with the community and key stakeholders on the proposal to:

- seek comment, feedback, ideas and suggestions for us to consider when making a decision
- build a database of interested and concerned community members with whom we can continue to engage during the proposal’s development and delivery.

2.2. How consultation was done

Community members and stakeholders were encouraged to provide feedback and make comments via email, mail or phone contact with the project team.

Table 1: How Consultation was done

| Have your say community update – December 2017 | Distributed 3819 letters (Appendix A) to local residents and businesses (Appendix B) inviting feedback on the proposal. |
| Website | Roads and Maritime project webpage was updated with latest project information including the community update. |
| Social media | A targeted Facebook campaign ran between Monday 4 December and Wednesday 13 December 2017. The campaign reached 57,802 local residents and businesses, road users and other interested individuals. |
3. Consultation summary

3.1. Overview

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- support for the proposal
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- other items not related to the scope of this proposal.

3.2. Feedback and Roads and Maritime’s responses

Roads and Maritime provided responses to all feedback received on this proposal. The responses were provided directly to the person who commented, as well as in this report, which will be made available to the public.

All comments have been considered to help Roads and Maritime make decisions on this proposal. Matters raised during consultation that are not within Roads and Maritime’s area of responsibility have been forwarded to the relevant parties.
Table 2: Feedback summary and Roads and Maritime’s responses

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<td>Support for the proposal (Four comments)</td>
<td>We do not oppose the proposed changes and agree with the proposed improvements. I appreciate this proposal and hope it goes through. I approve of the proposed changes. In particular, the removal of signals on the south eastern left-turn slip lane will make it easier for pedestrians like me to walk along Canterbury Road. The widening of the slip lane on the north western side is also welcome. We have carefully studied the flyer we received about the proposed changes and are in full support of them. Having two lanes onto Canterbury Road will make a huge difference to transit times for the intersection.</td>
<td>Thank you for your feedback. We acknowledge your support for the proposal. Our next steps are to finalise the detailed design and environmental assessment for the project.</td>
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<td>Give way for motorist turning left into King Georges Road, Wiley Park (One comment)</td>
<td>My comment is in response to the point which details the change to the existing dual turn, signalised slip lanes on Canterbury Road for vehicles turning into King Georges Road to a single give way slip lane. I do not agree with the proposed give way movement for the cars turning left into King Georges Road, on either side. Cars can’t get up to speed quickly enough, particularly when their vision is limited. Traffic lights should control all aspects of the intersection.</td>
<td>Thank you for your feedback. The proposal to change the signalised dual lane to a give way singular lane for traffic turning left from King Georges Road to Canterbury Road will improve the intersection efficiency by decreasing waiting time for motorist turning left. To increase the safety of motorists turning left from Canterbury Road to King Georges Road, it is proposed to re-align both slip lanes. This re-alignment will require motorists to reduce their speed on approach to the turn, allowing them more time to make decisions on give way spacing and stop safely if required. It will also provide motorists better vision of on-coming traffic by reducing the need for the driver to turn their head.</td>
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<td>Preservation of</td>
<td>The green space of Wiley Park, which is located within a dense urban area, should be fully preserved. I request that</td>
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<td>green space</td>
<td>any trees that are removed be replaced with good-sized saplings.</td>
<td>Roads and Maritime Services are currently working in collaboration with Canterbury-Bankstown Council to develop a landscaping plan to match the existing vegetation community present onsite. The landscaping plan will include a mix of saplings, shrubs and ground cover species. Roads and Maritime has also investigated alternative designs to minimise the construction footprint and tree removal requirements, this will be further refined during the detailed design and pre-construction stage.</td>
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<td>Amenity and entrance into Wiley Park</td>
<td>The amenity of Wiley Park should remain unaltered by the proposed new entrance and retaining wall. The park entrance adjacent to the intersection is underutilised. I wonder about the need of a ‘formal’ entrance where there is no access to car parking. I would like to propose maintaining walking path (only) adjacent to the intersection, and re-designating the formal entrance on Edge Street or Clio Street, where the majority of users enter the park.</td>
<td>Thank you for your feedback. Roads and Maritime Services are proposing to maintain the location of the entry into the park adjacent to the intersection. It is proposed that all elements will be replaced, like for like, to ensure the amenity of Wiley Park is maintained. The entrance to the park, paving and landscaping vegetation species will be determined in consultation with Canterbury-Bankstown Council. Roads and Maritime will not re-design other entrances to the park as part of this project. Your comments have been passed on to Canterbury-Bankstown Council for their consideration.</td>
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<td>Out of scope (19 comments)</td>
<td>A bridge should be constructed over King Georges Road flying over Canterbury Road. This would be a permanent solution. Please build an overpass. Most of Sydney’s roads were built without consideration of future needs. It would be a waste of tax-payers money if you failed to build a fly-over in this busy intersection. A fly-over would solve the problem more permanently. The best solution is to build a bridge on Canterbury Road, which will solve the problem forever. The better option would be to invest in an overpass that allows King Georges traffic smooth passage. Make King Georges Road an overpass/underpass to Canterbury Road with on/off ramps.</td>
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<td>Thank you for your feedback. The purpose of this consultation was to seek feedback on the proposed intersection improvements on Canterbury Road and King Georges Road in Wiley Park. Constructing major infrastructure, such as a bridge or tunnel, is not part of the proposal and considered out of scope for this project. The proposed improvements will help to ease congestion and improve traffic flow in the area.</td>
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<td>The traffic congestion on King Georges Road at Wiley Park near the train station is a major bottle neck. The pedestrian crossing in front of the train station in Wiley Park stops the flow of traffic. The construction of an overpass, footbridge or tunnel should be considered. The flow of traffic travelling past Wiley Park train station (in both directions) is a major issue. The lights to turn from King Georges Road into Lakemba Street are always banked up, blocking traffic on the highway.</td>
<td>Thank you for your feedback. The purpose of this consultation was to seek feedback on the proposed intersection improvements on Canterbury Road and King Georges Road in Wiley Park. Reviewing traffic congestion at this section of Kings Georges Road is not part of the proposal and considered out of scope for this project.</td>
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<td>King Georges Road should be transforming to a mostly unobstructed North-South corridor. This means a 24 hour clearway. Alternative parking should be provided at Wiley Park train station and the Beverly Hills restaurants. Pedestrian bridges should replace school zones and a</td>
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<td>Separate overpass/underpass</td>
<td>Should be constructed for Arthur Street in Flemington, Canterbury Road in Wiley Park and Stoney Creek Road in Beverly Hills.</td>
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<td>Project at Canterbury Road and King Georges Road</td>
<td>The project at Canterbury Road and King Georges Road in Wiley Park is an excellent opportunity to deliver improved links for active transport within the community. The project should include upgrades to several local footpaths to enable shared use for walking and cycling.</td>
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<td>One of the reasons why congestion at the intersection</td>
<td>One of the reasons why congestion at the intersection is the red light speed camera. Motorists stop as soon as the yellow light is on. Prior to the camera being installed, two or three cars could easily cross the road before the red light activated.</td>
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<td>This is only a stop gap measure</td>
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The purpose of this consultation was to seek feedback on the proposed intersection improvements on Canterbury Road and King Georges Road in Wiley Park. Roads and Maritime Services will be replacing any impacted footpath, like for like, to decrease any additional impacts on the trees and housing within the community. Upgrades to increase footpaths and local cycle ways are not part of the proposal and considered out of scope for this project. Your comments have been passed on to Canterbury-Bankstown Council for their consideration.
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<td>I would also like to suggest that you improve the visibility of the pedestrian crossing in the southwestern slip lane. It is very difficult to see northbound vehicle approaching the slip lane if they turn into Canterbury Road.</td>
<td>Thank you for your feedback. The alignment of the southwestern left turn slip lane was investigated as part of the Road Safety Audit completed by Roads and Maritime Services, and was deemed to be a low risk. Your comments have been passed on to Roads and Maritime Services Network Safety team for their consideration.</td>
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<td>Motorists avoiding the M5 toll at Henry Lawson Drive cause congestion on Nurrawarra Road and Brickmakers Drive at Moorebank. The right turning lane on Nurrawarra Road at Moorebank needs to be upgraded.</td>
<td>Thank you for your feedback. The purpose of this consultation was to seek feedback on the proposed intersection improvements on Canterbury Road and King Georges Road in Wiley Park. Reviewing traffic congestion at Nuwarra Road and Brickmakers Drive in Moore Park is not part of the proposal and considered out of scope for this project.</td>
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<td>The intersection on Rawson Street and Canterbury Road in Wiley Park suffers from congestion as a result of a new median added to Rawson Road in recent years. The median has cause motorist turning left or right from Rawson Road onto Canterbury Road to queue in a single lane. The movement to the right is dangerous, and should be banned or the median removed.</td>
<td>Thank you for your feedback. The purpose of this consultation was to seek feedback on the proposed intersection improvements on Canterbury Road and King Georges Road in Wiley Park. Matters regarding local street amenity are a local council concern. As Rawson Street is a local road, which is not part of the proposal, it is considered out of scope for this project. Your concerns have been passed on to Canterbury-Bankstown Council for consideration.</td>
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<td>The intersection of Canterbury Road and King Georges Road in Wiley Park is congested by vehicles using the road to avoid paying the M5 toll. Placing a toll ‘on the back roads’ would stop this.</td>
<td>Thank you for your feedback. The purpose of this consultation was to seek feedback on the proposed intersection improvements on Canterbury Road and King Georges Road in Wiley Park. Reviewing the placement of tolls on the intersection is not part of the proposal and considered out of scope for this project.</td>
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4. **Decision**

We thank everyone who provided comments and the community and stakeholders for considering the proposal.

After reviewing the feedback, we have decided to proceed with the proposal unchanged.

5. **Next steps**

Roads and Maritime will finalise the detailed design and environmental assessment for the project.

We will continue to keep the community informed as the project progresses.
Have Your Say – Proposed intersection improvements at Canterbury Road and King Georges Road, Wiley Park

The NSW Government is funding this proposal as part of its $300 million Urban Roads Pinch Point Program, which aims to reduce congestion and improve travel times on Sydney’s busiest corridors.

Roads and Maritime Services is seeking feedback by Thursday 14 December on a proposal to make improvements at the intersection of Canterbury Road and King Georges Road, Wiley Park.

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Have your say

Roads and Maritime welcomes your comments on the proposed improvements by Thursday 14 December. You can provide your comments by:

- Calling our Project Manager, Henry Mi, on 1800 572 004 during business hours
- Emailing pinpoint@rms.nsw.gov.au
- Writing to Pinch Points Program Project Team, Roads and Maritime Services, PO Box 973, Parramatta, NSW, 2124.

Next Steps

We will carefully consider all feedback received before deciding to proceed with this proposal. A community consultation report will be prepared, summarising the matters raised and our responses. This will be made available on our website. We will keep you updated as the proposal progresses.
New and extended clearways on Roberts Road and King Georges Road, Greenacre to Beverly Hills

We have also been working with Canterbury-Bankstown Council to deliver improved parking on The Boulevard and Lakemba Streets at Wiley Park. Council is expected to commence construction of a new car park on The Boulevard in February 2018. Following the completion of car park, new and extended clearways will be introduced on Roberts Road and King Georges Road from the Humen Highway, Greenacre to the M5 Motorway, Beverly Hills. For more information please contact the project team on 1300 706 232 or clearways@rms.nsw.gov.au.
6.2. Appendix B – Distribution map