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MAJOR MILESTONE IN DELIVERING THE $45 MILLION MAITLAND ROUNDABOUTS PROJECT

Member for Maitland Robyn Parker has marked a major milestone for the Maitland roundabouts upgrade, with piling work under way for the foundation of the new pedestrian bridge ramp next to Church Street at Maitland.

"The first stage of the project was completed at High Street near Maitland Hospital earlier this year and upgrade work is now progressing at Church Street near Maitland Railway Station," Mrs Parker said.

"We are working closely with the community in order deliver this vital infrastructure.

"The NSW Government provided $45 million to make it safer and improve traffic flow as traffic volumes in the area increase.

"Early work is well under way in relocating utilities including electricity and train signals and realigning the pedestrian bridge ramp which will enable the new eastbound overpass to be built at Church Street.

"Once complete the overpass will carry two lanes above the Church Street roundabout and across the flood plain area to the north of the highway at the western end of the new bridge.

Mrs Parker said work started on rebuilding the New England Highway pedestrian bridge ramp at Church Street at the end of September.

"This work includes demolishing the existing northern ramp and replacing it with a new repositioned pedestrian ramp to allow the eastbound overpass to be built over Church Street," Mrs Parker said.

"Work to rebuild the ramp is expected to take around four months to complete weather permitting."

"A temporary ramp and footpaths are in place to ensure access to the existing pedestrian bridge.

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