

Frequently Asked Questions

Starkey Street pedestrian bridge, Forestville

As part of the Northern Beaches Hospital Road upgrades, the NSW Government has fully funded this \$5 million pedestrian bridge to improve traffic flow and road safety for road users and pedestrians.

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Who built the bridge?

Following a competitive tender process, the tender was awarded to Christie Civil.

When did construction start?

Construction started in May 2017 with the establishment of the site compound. The bridge was recently completed three months ahead of schedule.

What are the main impacts of the bridge?

- Changes in visual amenity
- Some partial property acquisition to accommodate the bridge near the vet
- Reducing the number of car parking spaces in the car park for the duration of construction (site compound) and for permanent structures (lift shaft, staircase and paths).

How many car spaces were removed during construction?

The compound has been occupying 16 car parking spaces during construction.

When the compound is removed all but three car parking spaces will be reinstated. Three car

parking spaces will be permanently removed to accommodate the bridge. Two additional car parking spaces will be modified to allow cars to be parked under the stair structure. The two modified car parking spaces will include wheel stops and height restrictions.

What is the site compound used for?

The compound will be used to store materials, provide a staging area for construction of the bridge access structure on the southern side of the road and provision of site amenities.

What landscaping has been included?

Roads and Maritime Services will landscape all four corners of the intersection and the car park garden bed on the southern side of Warringah Road.

More than one thousand native shrub & groundcover was planted in various sizes for the project.

An additional 11 super-advanced sized native and exotic trees were also planted.

What other provisions are being made for pedestrians?

Roads and Maritime installed pedestrian safety fencing:

- on the corner of Warringah Road and Ferguson Street on the western side of the intersection
- along the median on Warringah Road on the eastern side of the intersection.

Will the pedestrian crossings across Starkey and Ferguson streets remain?

Yes. The pedestrian crossings for the intersection will remain across Starkey Street and Ferguson Street during construction of the bridge. When the bridge is complete, the pedestrian crossing leg across Warringah Road on the western side of the intersection will be permanently removed. The pedestrian crossing at Ferguson Street will remain following completion of the bridge.

What happened to the existing bus shelter on Warringah Road?

The eastbound bus stop and shelter on the northern side of Warringah Road was relocated from the western side of the intersection to the eastern side. A new bus stop and shelter was constructed and the existing bus shelter will soon be demolished.

Does the pedestrian bridge cater for cyclists?

Yes. Bicycle parking facilities would be provided on both sides near the bridge landings. The lifts will also accommodate bicycles.

How much did it cost?

The project cost \$5 million and was fully funded by the NSW Government as part of the Northern Beaches roadworks currently underway at Frenchs Forest.

How is Roads and Maritime consulting the community?

Roads and Maritime will keep the community informed on the progress of existing bus stop demolition and the pack down of the compound and any associated changes to traffic arrangements via letterbox drops, web updates,

electronic message signs on site and emails to our stakeholder database.

For more information

Contact the project team on 1300 997 860 or email starkeystreetbridge@christiecivil.com.au

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