The NSW Government is planning to upgrade Memorial Avenue to a four lane divided road to meet the future transport needs of Sydney’s north west.

The proposed design and Review of Environmental Factors are on display for community comment until Friday 12 December 2014.

**Background**

Roads and Maritime is proposing to upgrade Memorial Avenue to manage current traffic as well as allow for the expected increases in traffic due to residential and commercial development in the area.

Memorial Avenue is about 2.2 kilometres long and connects Old Windsor Road in the west with Windsor Road in the east. It bisects the new Balmoral Road development and provides access to Blacktown, Glenwood, Stanhope Gardens, Parklea, Baulkham Hills, Castle Hill and Kellyville.

The Memorial Avenue upgrade would reduce travel times and congestion for motorists and improve road safety.

In December 2013 and January 2014, we displayed the preliminary design to the community for comment. Roads and Maritime have responded to community feedback by making adjustments to the design including:

- Additional improvements to the Memorial Avenue/Old Windsor Road and Sunnyholt Road intersection
- Additional improvements to the Memorial Avenue intersection with Windsor Road
- The inclusion of peak-hour street parking restrictions on Arnold Avenue West near the intersection with Memorial Avenue

**Key Features**

- Upgrading Memorial Avenue from a two lane to a four lane divided road with a central median
- Providing for a speed limit of 70km/h
- Providing a wide central median to allow for future widening to six lanes, when required in the future
- Providing landscaping in the median
- Constructing pedestrian/cyclist paths on both sides of Memorial Avenue
- Installing bus priority capability at traffic lights and bus bays at Arnold Avenue and Severn Vale Drive intersections
- Providing designated turning lanes and bicycle lanes at intersections with traffic lights.

**Benefits**

The proposal would:

- Increase road capacity to cater for traffic growth
- Improve safety for motorists through the installation of traffic lights and a central median to separate traffic travelling in opposing directions
- Improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians by providing off-road shared paths
- Improve travel times between Blacktown and Castle Hill
- Improve access and travel times for road freight
- Improve bus accessibility at traffic lights
- Facilitate the development of the Balmoral Road release area precinct
- Reduce the impacts of flooding on Memorial Avenue
New road to be constructed by others as part of Balmoral Road precinct.

Build culvert at Elizabeth Macarthur Creek.

Upgraded signalised intersection with additional through lanes and turning lanes on Old Windsor Road.

Arnold Avenue turned into a cul-de-sac.

Upgraded signalised intersection with additional through lanes and turning lanes on Windsor Road.

Hector Court turned into a cul-de-sac.

Build twin bridges at Strangers Creek.

New four way signalised intersection.

Left-in/left-out access for Burns Road on both sides.

Upgraded signalised intersection with additional through lanes and turning lanes on Windsor Road.
Have your say
The proposed design and Review of Environmental Factors for the Memorial Avenue upgrade is on display and can be viewed at www.rms.gov.au/roadprojects – search for Memorial Avenue upgrade.

We welcome your written comments by Friday 12 December. These should be sent to:
Memorial Avenue upgrade Project Team
Roads and Maritime Services
PO Box 973
Parramatta CBD NSW 2124
Or email your comments to:
Memorial.Avenue.Upgrade@rms.nsw.gov.au

What happens next?
We will consider all comments in finalising the project design and will continue to liaise with the community throughout the project.
The proposal is planned to be constructed as funding becomes available.

Community information sessions
Roads and Maritime values your views about the project and will host two community information sessions. We will be available to answer questions and receive feedback. Please feel free to drop in at any time during these information sessions:

Saturday 22 November between 2pm – 4pm
Wrights Road Community Centre
Corner Harrington Avenue and Wrights Road, Kellyville

Tuesday 25 November between 4pm – 6pm
Sherwood Ridge Public School
34 Rosebery Road, Kellyville

Display locations
The Review of Environmental Factors is on display on the Roads and Maritime website and at the following locations until Friday 12 December:

The Hills Shire Council
3 Columbia Court, Baulkham Hills
Monday to Friday between 8.30am and 4.30pm

Castle Hill Library
Corner of Castle and Pennant streets, Castle Hill
Monday to Friday 10am to 8pm
Saturday 10am to 5pm
Sunday 1pm to 5pm

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