



Bexley Road and Canterbury Road, Campsie Proposed intersection improvements

Community Consultation Report

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Executive summary

This report provides a summary of the community and stakeholder consultation carried out by Roads and Maritime Services on proposed intersection improvements at the intersection of Bexley Road and Canterbury Road, Campsie.

The NSW government is considering the 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 is investigating an upgrade of the intersection of Bexley Road and Canterbury Road, Campsie to reduce congestion and improve safety for road users. The proposal includes:

- Widening Bexley Road (southbound) into the grassed median and removing up to ten trees to accommodate the road widening and extended northbound right turning lane
- Improving safety at the intersection by prohibiting right turns from the one way access road onto Bexley Road and installing a no right turn sign and a stop sign
- Modifying the island garden beds immediately south of the access road to accommodate the proposal
- Reconstructing the footpath
- Relocating street lights and utilities
- Installing new drainage
- Providing new landscaping
- Asphaltting and line marking.

In October 2016 Roads and Maritime invited the community and stakeholders to provide feedback on the proposal.

We received feedback from **11** community members and **two** organisations. Generally, all submissions were in favour of the proposal.

Matters raised included removal of trees, impacts to property and traffic movements, safety, drainage and matters that were outside the scope of this proposal.

Roads and Maritime has considered the feedback and decided to continue development of the proposed upgrade and utility investigations.

We will keep the community and stakeholders updated as the proposal progresses.

1. Introduction

1.1. Background

Canterbury Road at the intersection with Bexley Road is a single carriageway with two lanes in each direction, separated by a painted BB line. Bexley Road is a single carriageway with two lanes in each direction and a dedicated right turn bay from Bexley Road onto Canterbury Road separated by a painted BB line.

Currently, there is a high volume of traffic passing through the intersection during AM and PM peak periods and insufficient eastbound right turning capacity from Bexley Road to Canterbury Road. The current proposal aims to improve intersection efficiency by extending the existing right turn lane from Bexley Road to Canterbury Road eastbound, to relieve queuing in the through lanes.

1.2. The proposal

Roads and Maritime is investigating improvements to the intersection of Bexley Road and Canterbury Road, Campsie, to reduce congestion and improve safety for road users and pedestrians.

The objectives of the proposal include:

- Improving traffic flows along Bexley Road
- Reducing congestion and improving travel times
- Improving safety.

The proposal includes:

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Image one: Proposed improvements on the intersection of Bexley Road and Canterbury Road, Campsie

2. Consultation approach

2.1. Consultation objectives

In October 2016 we consulted with the community to:

- Seek comment, feedback, ideas, and suggestions for Roads and Maritime to consider when developing the proposal
- Build a database of interested and concerned community members who Roads and Maritime could continue to engage during the development of the proposal.

2.2. How consultation was done

Consultation for the proposal was carried out between 19 October 2016 and 2 November 2016. Community members and stakeholders were encouraged to provide their feedback and make comments via email, mail or phone contact with the project team.

The following table outlines the communication tools used to inform the community about the proposal:

Table 1 – How consultation was done

Have Your Say letter – October 2016 (Appendix A)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Delivered to 5000 residents and businesses in the Campsie area (Appendix B)• Direct emails and letters to emergency services, schools, hospitals and community groups and relevant stakeholders in the local area.
Website	Details of the proposal were provided on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

3. Consultation summary

3.1. Overview

During the consultation period we received submissions from **11** people and **two** organisations on several matters. All submissions were generally in favour of the proposal.

Matters raised included tree removal, suggestions for additional improvements to the intersection, traffic movements, safety and matters that were outside the scope of this proposal.

We would like to thank everyone who took the time to review the proposal and provide feedback.

3.2 Feedback and Roads and Maritime's responses

Roads and Maritime has provided responses to feedback received on this proposal, as per the following table. The responses were provided directly to the person who commented as well as being detailed in this report, which will be made available to the public through our website rms.nsw.gov.au.

All comments have been considered to help Roads and Maritime make decisions on this proposal.

Matters raised during consultation that are not within our area of responsibility have been forwarded to the relevant authority.

Table 2 – Feedback summary and Roads and Maritime’s responses

Category	Matters raised	Roads and Maritime’s response
<p>Support proposal</p> <p>11 comments</p>	<p>Supportive of the proposed intersection improvements.</p>	<p>Thank you for your comments on our proposal, we acknowledge your support.</p>
<p>Drainage</p> <p>2 comments</p>	<p>Ensure drainage is improved. With any heavy down pours, there is flooding that runs across Bexley Rd about 20m from Canterbury Rd intersection.</p> <p>Drainage is a big issue. I am happy that it will be addressed.</p>	<p>Managing drainage, along with the identification and relocation of other services, will be included as part of the project development. Roads and Maritime will need to carry out investigations to identify services and will contact the community ahead of this work as it will generally be delivered at night to alleviate impacts on traffic.</p>
<p>Safety</p> <p>2 comments</p>	<p>Agree with banning of right hand turn from the one way lane, very unsafe</p> <p>Raised concerns over the banning of the right hand turn</p>	<p>This is included in the proposal as to improve safety at this location.</p>
<p>Tree removal</p> <p>6 comments</p>	<p>Opposed to palm tree removal in median</p> <p>Need to keep palm tree on corner which is the Ibis home.</p> <p>Wanted to raise concerns over the number of trees RMS is proposing to remove concerns with the removal of all the trees for development etc.</p> <p>Enquired about the removal of the trees and where the widening would be undertaken</p> <p>I truly hope if the project goes ahead, trees can be planted nearby to compensate for the 10 trees that will need to be removed.</p> <p>Have you got an approval from Council to remove 10 trees?</p>	<p>The palm trees at the corner of Bexley Road and Canterbury Road are not proposed to be removed or impacted as part of this proposal.</p> <p>The proposed intersection improvements on Bexley Road and Canterbury Road include widening Bexley Road (southbound) into the grassed median and removing up to ten trees to accommodate the widened road and extended northbound right turning lane.</p> <p>Roads and Maritime are completing a Minor Works Review of Environmental Factors to assess the impact of the proposal on the environment and the</p>

Category	Matters raised	Roads and Maritime's response
		<p>community.</p> <p>The property where the trees are proposed to be removed is within Roads and Maritime road reserve.</p>
<p>Local roads</p> <p>Three comments</p>	<p>Robertson Street is becoming a rat run.</p> <hr/> <p>Robertson Street needs maintenance.</p> <hr/> <p>Surface of Bexley Lane needs to be resurfaced</p>	<p>The management and maintenance of Robertson Street is outside the scope of this proposed project. Council are responsible for maintenance and decisions regarding Robertson Street.</p> <p>Bexley Lane is not considered to be impacted as a result of the proposal. Council is responsible for the maintenance of the road surface in Bexley Lane.</p>
<p>Traffic movements</p> <p>Five comments</p>	<p>Extra storage will be good - lots of traffic</p> <hr/> <p>Trucks do not currently turn left on to Bexley Road (at Canterbury Road) due to tight radius and instead use the access lane. The pink building could be removed to make way for trucks to turn. Bexley Lane could be widened to make way for trucks to turn. Robertson street is becoming a rat run. Robertson street has lots of potholes and when maintenance come and repair them trucks rip with back up straight away.</p> <hr/> <p>Does this left turn by-pass facilitate large vehicles? They may still feel it easier to go to intersection because there is more space. Hence, the traffic is still going to be hindered. Does the exit onto Bexley Road facilitate the exit of large articulated vehicles (not a right angle entry)? Signage location - What discourages drivers from going to traffic light intersection (when light is green) and turning there, because they know they will not have to Stop at a stop sign</p>	<p>The proposed works at the intersection of Bexley Road and Canterbury Road are to improve the northbound traffic flow on Bexley Road by allowing a longer turning lane for vehicles turning right to Canterbury Road, and reducing the occurrence of turning traffic overflowing into the through traffic lanes.</p> <p>Approximately 40 heavy vehicles, 10 B-Doubles and 10 buses travel west along Canterbury Road and turn left on to Bexley Road during the AM and PM peak hours.</p> <p>Roads and Maritime is committed to minimising private property acquisition wherever possible and as such, there is no plan to remove the building and/or impact the property (the pink building) at the corner of Bexley Road and Canterbury Road.</p> <p>Left turn access from Bexley Lane to Bexley Road will remain a high-angle turn with the addition of a Stop Sign. This has been adopted to minimise the impact on the environment and community, while improving intersection operation and safety.</p>

Category	Matters raised	Roads and Maritime's response
	Suggest blocking off access to one way lane and suggested demolishing the pink building on the corner to help with the left turn at the lights	
	Suggest that at the intersection of the nearby access lane where you intend adding a new no right turn, also realign the entry point so to enable smoother flow on to Bexley Rd. Currently the vehicles approach and are nearly at right angles to Bexley Rd thereby making a very untidy left hand turn.	
Footpaths One comment	What is the purpose of the new footpath and where this leading to	The footpath currently exists and is a cross-path through the park area at this intersection. The path will be reconstructed as necessary to tie in with the existing path.
Property Impacts One comment	Enquired if proposal would impact on private property	There will be no long-term impacts to property on Bexley Road. Some temporary changes to access may be required during construction if the project proceeds. All residents who may be affected will be consulted ahead of construction.
Outside scope of proposal Three comments	Suggest an overpass	There is no plan for any additional work, other than the current proposal at this intersection. The suggestion is noted.
	Suggested looking to the section of Canterbury Road which is one lane in each direction near Summer Hill	This intersection is not within the scope of the proposed project. The comment is noted and will be passed on to Network Sydney.
	Requested additional trees be trimmed to reduce the number of birds	Additional trimming of trees is not within the scope of our project. This would be managed by Council.

4. Recommendations

Roads and Maritime would like to thank everyone who took the time to consider our proposal and provide feedback.

We have considered the comments received and decided to continue investigating this proposal.

5. Next Steps

Roads and Maritime will proceed with planning the proposed upgrade and utility investigations. The community will be kept informed as the proposal progresses.

Appendix A – Have Your Say letter July 2016



October 2016

Have your say – Proposed intersection improvements at Bexley Road and Canterbury Road, Campsie

The NSW Government is planning this project 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 your feedback by **2 November 2016** on a proposal to extend the existing right turn lane from Bexley Road onto Canterbury Road.

Currently, a high volume of northbound road users turn right from Bexley Road onto Canterbury Road, causing the turning traffic to queue back into the Bexley Road through lanes.

Benefits would include:

- Extending the northbound right turn bay from Bexley Road to Canterbury Road to help reduce the likelihood of Bexley Road through traffic being blocked by motorists turning right onto Canterbury Road
- Reducing congestion by improving northbound traffic movements through the intersection
- Improving safety of the intersection to reduce the number of rear-end crashes and crashes involving motorists changing lanes.

The proposal includes:

- Widening Bexley Road (southbound) into the grassed median and removing up to ten trees to accommodate the road widening and extended northbound right turning lane
- Improving safety at the intersection by restricting right turns from the one way access road onto Bexley Road and installing a no right turn sign and a stop sign
- Modifying the island garden bed immediately south of the access road to accommodate the extended turning lane
- Removing the second island garden bed on Bexley Road, south of the access road and some of the grassed median
- Reconstructing the footpath
- Relocating street lights and utilities
- Installing new drainage
- Providing new landscaping
- Asphaltting and line marking.

We have included a map to help explain the proposal.

How can you give feedback?

Roads and Maritime welcomes your comments on our proposal by 2 November 2016. You can provide your comments by:

Calling our Project Manager, Kaitlin Reidy, during business hours on 0404 893 456

Emailing PinchPoint@mns.nsw.gov.au

Writing to Pinch Point Program, Roads and Maritime Services,
PO Box 973, Parramatta NSW 2124

Next Steps

We will carefully consider all feedback received before deciding to proceed with the proposal. A community consultation report will be prepared summarising the matters raised. This will be made available on our website. We will keep you updated as the proposal progresses.



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Arabic

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Cantonese

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Appendix B – Distribution area





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