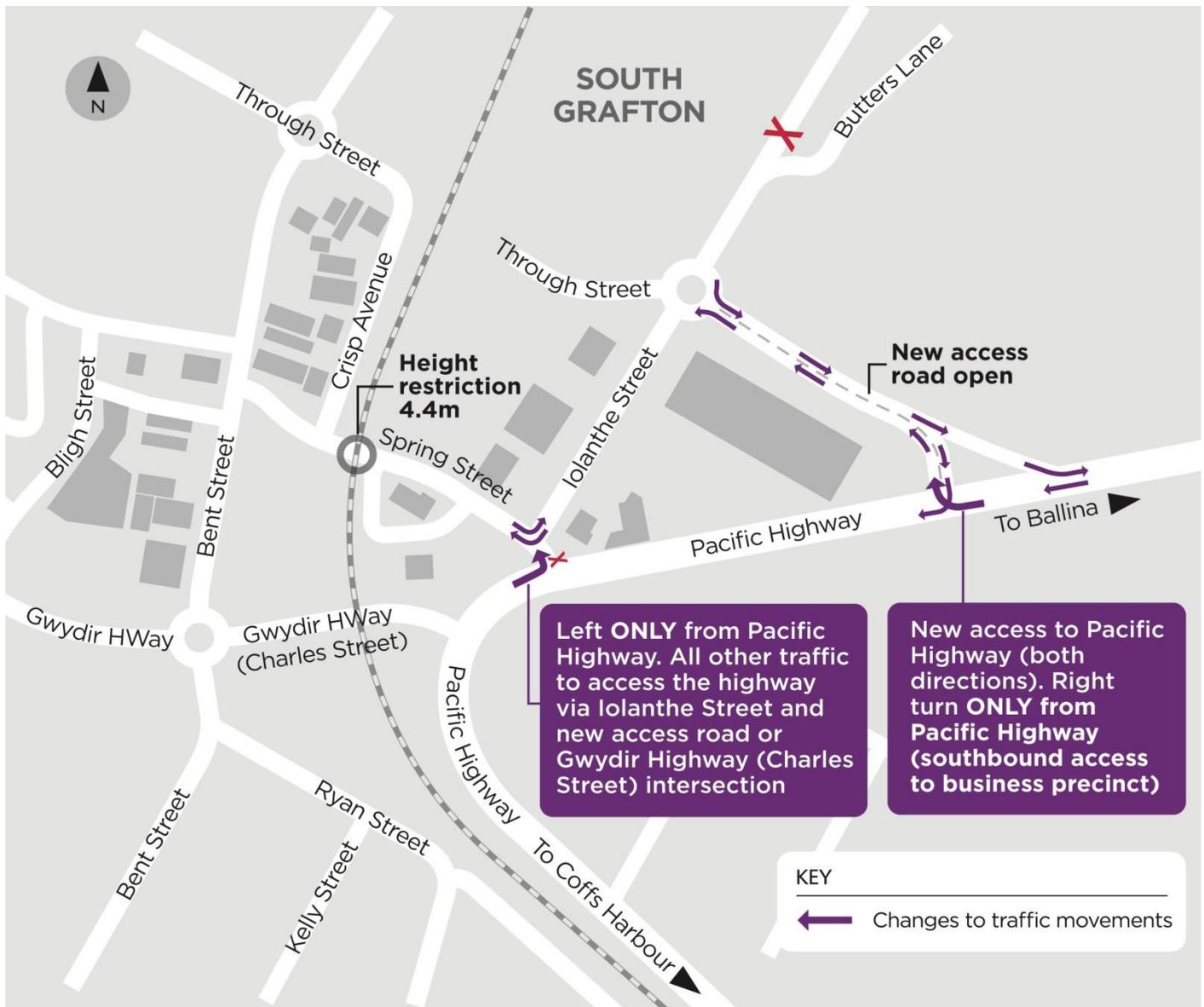


New access road linking South Grafton and the Pacific Highway to open 18 January 2019

As part of the new Grafton bridge project, the new access road linking the South Grafton business precinct to the Pacific Highway will open to traffic on Friday, 18 January.



Traffic changes

- No right turn into Spring/Iolanthe streets from the Pacific Highway (southbound highway traffic will need to use the new access road intersection with the highway)
- No left or right turn out of Iolanthe Street onto the Pacific Highway (traffic will need to use Iolanthe Street and the new access road or the Gwydir Highway (Charles St) intersection to access the Pacific Highway).

Iolanthe and Spring streets work

Work will begin on upgrading Iolanthe Street and the section of Spring Street between Iolanthe Street and the rail viaduct in January.

Iolanthe Street will remain two-way during construction but on-street parking will not be available until widening of the road to four lanes is complete in late 2019.

The temporary traffic arrangements will allow access to be maintained for businesses while the new roads are being built. Pedestrian access will also be maintained during the work. However some temporary disruption will still be experienced and we ask for patience during this time.

New roundabout construction Pacific and Gwydir highways intersection

Work will also begin in the new year on the building of a new roundabout near the intersection of the Pacific and Gwydir highways.

Out of hours work

There will be some work outside of normal construction hours, including on the weekend and at night to ensure we minimise impacts to businesses and the community as much as possible. We will let businesses and the community know before work outside of normal construction hours occurs.

What's happening?

Iolanthe Street, Spring Street and the new Gwydir Highway roundabout are being rebuilt in stages to allow them to remain open during work.

The finished work will:

- Widen Iolanthe Street to four lanes with a central safety median and a new signalised pedestrian crossing
- Include a new signalised pedestrian crossing of the Gwydir Highway
- Include new pedestrian and cycle paths
- Provide two new roundabouts at the intersection of the Pacific and Gwydir highways and the intersection of Through and Iolanthe streets.

How will this work affect you?

In addition to the changed traffic arrangements, there will be noise, dust and vibration impacts.

To reduce noise impacts we will:

- Use appropriate work planning and machinery selection to reduce the duration of the work
- Switch off machinery when not in use
- Manage truck routes to reduce the number of heavy vehicles in the area
- Use 'squawkers' instead of 'beepers' on vehicles.

To reduce dust impacts we will:

- Water areas to reduce dust particles in the air
- Modify work during high winds
- Revegetate areas as soon as possible
- Apply dust binders which help the soil stick together and prevent small dust particles forming
- Monitor dust levels and change mitigation measures if they exceed allowable limits.

To reduce vibration impacts, we will:

- Monitor vibration levels and change mitigation measures if they exceed allowable limits.

We thank you for your patience and understanding while we complete this work.

Contact us

For more information on the traffic changes, visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au/grafonbridge to view an animation.

If you would like to make an enquiry or complaint, or to register your general feedback, please contact the Community Relations Team on 1800 918 759. Alternatively you can email grafonbridgecommunity@fultonhogan.com.au; write to PO Box 546 Grafton, NSW 2460 or visit the Community Display Centre at the corner of Duke and Pound streets, Grafton.



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