



MICKLEHAM ROAD UPGRADE – STAGE 1

OCTOBER 2023



We're building extra lanes, upgrading key intersections and installing new traffic lights on Mickleham Road to reduce congestion and improve safety and travel times.

What's been happening

In September, we removed the existing median and kerbs on Mickleham Road, near Lemonwood Drive, and we made

good progress on protection works for the jet fuel pipeline at the intersection of Mickleham and Somerton roads.

The temporary roundabout has been moved closer to its original location at the centre of the intersection, with signage in place to help keep you safe.

What we're doing and when

In October, we'll start:

- upgrading the intersection at Mickleham Road and Lemonwood Drive

- preparatory works for traffic signals at Lemonwood Drive, Greenvale Gardens Boulevard, Somerton Road and Aitken College
- building the new shared walking and cycling path on the west side of Somerton Road and northbound on Mickleham Road, up to Lemonwood Drive.
- construction of new pavement and kerbs on the west side of Somerton Road
- telecommunication and power cutovers to new location
- earthworks at Candy Road Basin.



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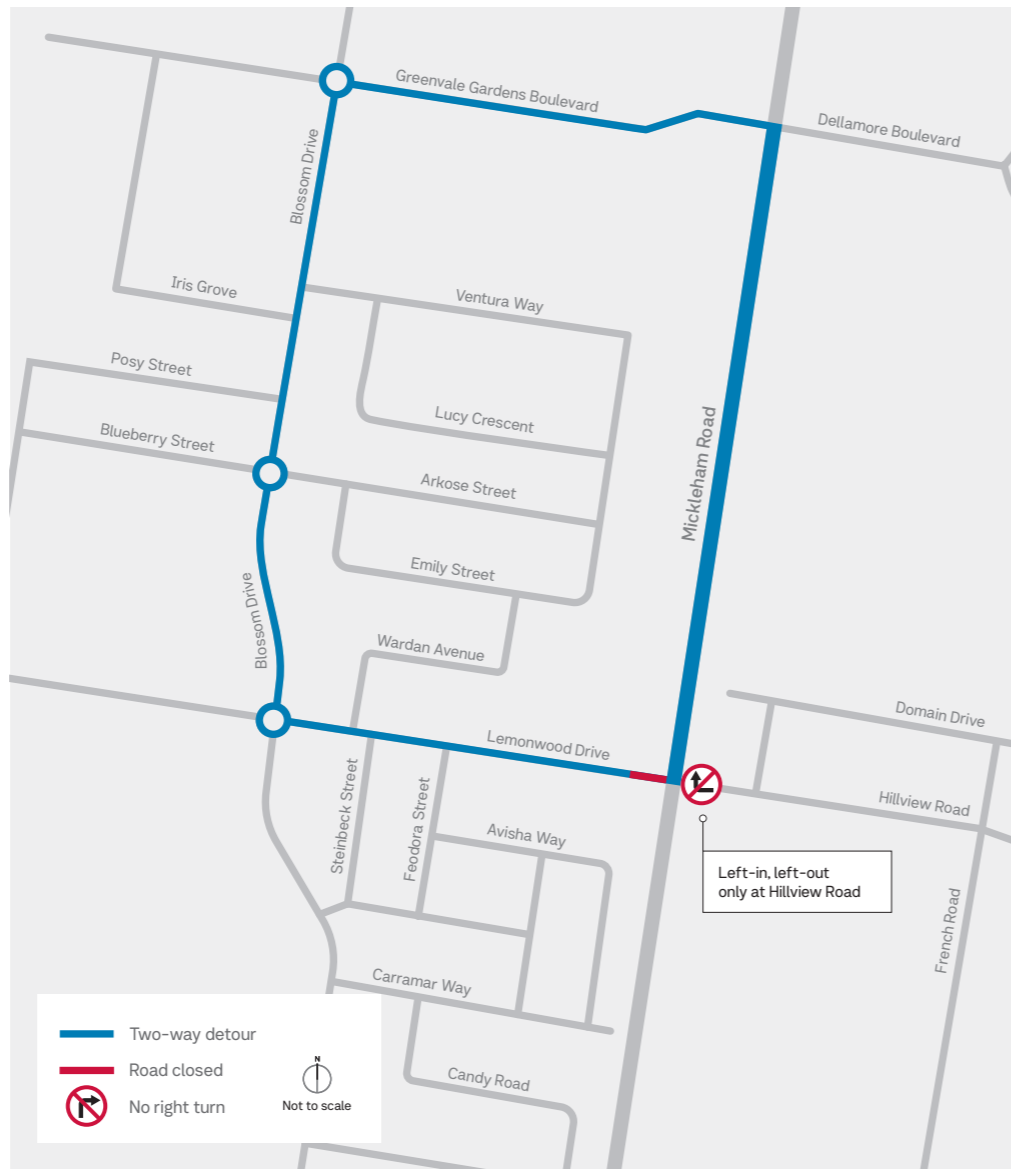


We'll also continue:

- construction of the shared walking and cycling path on the western side of Mickleham Road, between Lemonwood Drive and Greenvale Gardens Boulevard
- building the new northbound lanes on Mickleham Road between Somerton Road and Greenvale Gardens Boulevard
- jet fuel pipeline protection works on Somerton Road
- relocating the water mains on Mickleham and Somerton roads
- water main protection works at Greenvale Gardens and Dellamore boulevards
- earthworks, drainage, and utility works, including the relocation of telecommunications services along Mickleham and Somerton roads
- hauling of telecommunication cables
- pavement works on the west side of Somerton Road.

Most of these works will take place **between 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday and 7am to 1pm, Saturdays**. At times we'll need to work outside of these hours to minimise impacts on traffic during the day.

The progress of these works will depend on weather and ground conditions. If we need to work at night, we'll let you know ahead of time.



Temporary closure of Lemonwood Drive

From Tuesday 3 October until late November 2023, we're closing Lemonwood Drive at Mickleham Road so we can upgrade the intersection and continue building your new northbound lanes between Somerton Road and Dellamore Boulevard.

During the closure, traffic will be detoured via Greenvale Gardens Boulevard and Blossom Drive. Please refer to the detour map on the left for more information.

While Lemonwood Drive is closed, we'll:

- remove the existing median and kerbs
- relocate and protect essential services including water and drainage
- install traffic signal conduits, pits and foundations
- remove the existing road surface
- installation of new road pavement and stormwater drainage
- build the new shared walking and cycling path and kerbs
- install new line marking.

Signed detours will be in place via Mickleham Road, Lemonwood Drive and Greenvale Gardens Boulevard.

During this time, right turns in and out of Hillview Road will be temporarily closed so we can safely complete these works and maintain traffic flow on Mickleham Road. We will still have a pedestrian crossing which will be operated by traffic management.

To travel north on Mickleham Road from Hillview Road, you'll need to turn left onto Mickleham Road and complete a U-turn at the Somerton Road roundabout.

To access Hillview Road when heading northbound on Mickleham Road, you'll need to:

- continue straight on Mickleham Road
- turn right onto Dellamore Boulevard
- do a U-turn at the roundabout
- turn left onto Mickleham Road, then left onto Hillview Road.

Up to 5 minutes of additional travel time is expected. We encourage you to plan ahead and allow extra time.

Changes to the temporary roundabout at Mickleham and Somerton roads

Throughout October, the intersection at Mickleham and Somerton roads will be reduced to one lane for traffic travelling east and west on Somerton Road while we complete water main relocation works.

There will be ongoing changes to this intersection until the project is complete.

When the project is complete, new traffic lights at the Mickleham and Somerton roads intersection will improve safety and traffic flow, getting you home safer and sooner.

What to expect







Traffic impacts

There are changed traffic conditions including reduced speed limits, lane closures and temporary traffic barriers, traffic lights and temporary line marking on Mickleham and Somerton roads while works take place.

Temporary footpath closures are also in place while we relocate services and build the new lanes on Mickleham Road.

Construction impacts

Our construction activities may generate medium to high levels of noise, dust, and vibration at times. We'll be monitoring impacts to ensure they're kept to a minimum.

	NEW TRAFFIC LIGHTS AT AITKEN COLLEGE		MAKING IT EASIER AND SAFER TO WALK AND CYCLE IN THE AREA
	REPLACING THE ROUNDABOUT AT MICKLEHAM AND SOMERTON ROADS		PROVIDING MORE RELIABLE JOURNEYS FOR OVER 25,000 MOTORISTS EACH DAY
	IMPROVING SAFETY AND TRAFFIC FLOW ON MICKLEHAM ROAD		IMPROVING TRAVEL TIMES AND REDUCING CONGESTION DURING PEAK HOURS

New battery and solar system powers Mickleham Road Upgrade

We've recently installed an integrated battery and solar generator system that stores clean energy from 30KW solar panels to provide power to the Mickleham Road Upgrade – Stage 1 site office.

We've invested in the two batteries as part of the SkyEnergy Storage System – a 60-kilowatt-hour system using Skybox batteries that are integrated with the project site compound.

We're proud to have flicked on the switch of a battery and solar generator system, as part of the industry's transition to clean energy systems at construction compounds just like our very own for the Mickleham Road Upgrade – Stage 1.

The site has so far avoided over 6 tonnes of CO2 within a 90-day period and is projected to avoid over 30 tonnes after 12 months.

The system will help the reduce the project's reliance on wholesale electricity by storing cheap renewable energy when the weather makes it plentiful and discharging it into the grid when possible.

Keeping you informed

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