

Project Update: Orrong Connect Planning Study



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We're driving forward

Orrong Road is a vital connection for many people moving across Perth. We're planning for the future of Orrong Road to ensure it is safer, smoother and better connected for people who drive, bus, ride or walk, live or work nearby.



705
Survey respondents

70%

of respondents said the most important factor when travelling through the Orrong Road transport corridor was travel times



Survey and broad engagement results

We thank the hundreds of people who took the time out to talk to us, complete our survey or interact with us online.

The strength in the approach with Orrong Connect has been reaching a really wide audience and our data indicates that people from across the metro area have engaged with us.

Engagement was undertaken through a variety of methods, with both online and in-person opportunities to provide input.

We ran a survey from 9 September to 21 October 2024 to give people an opportunity to voice their concerns and aspirations for the Orrong Road corridor.

We received 705 responses to the survey with some of the top responders being:

487 Road users travelling from within to outside of the area

375 Road users travelling within the area

426 Road users who travel the corridor daily



Other key findings from the survey:

- Access to crossings for vehicles (across Orrong Road) was labelled second most important by 46% of respondents.
- A total of 30% of people indicated they would like to shift to active travel (such as walking or cycling) or public transport in the future.
- There were 530 people who indicated that reducing congestion was a highly desirable outcome for Orrong Road.
- There were 471 people who suggested improved safety was also highly desirable.

In addition to the survey, we ran four pop-up information sessions at local markets/shopping centres that attracted 170 visitors. The project's MySayTransport website was also well received, with almost 2,000 visitors.

See the Engagement Results Snapshot for more information.

Deliberative Panel gets underway this month

Excitement is building ahead of working with a Deliberative Panel of up to 70 people to set a vision for the future of Orrong Road. This innovative engagement process will involve four days of deliberations between November 2024 and March 2025.

Orrong Connect Project Director David Goodram said the Panel will be reviewing a range of factors as they consider the future of Orrong Road.



"To help our Panel achieve its goal, it will receive presentations from key stakeholders and information from Main Roads," he said. "Feedback from the community gathered during the broad engagement will also be analysed and considered."

The team at Main Roads WA will use the Panel's final recommendations to inform the next phase of design and planning for Orrong Road.

We thank those who've volunteered to be on the Panel and look forward to seeing how they can help create a vision for the future of Orrong Road. We will keep you informed as the project progresses.

Engagement Timeline

1 November 2024

Deliberative Panel gets to work, coming together over sessions between November 2024 and March 2025

2 April 2025

Deliberative Panel reports on, and presents, its final recommendation on a plan for Orrong Road

3 April/May 2025

Detailed planning and development commence, following endorsement of Panel recommendations.



Our approach to sustainability

The Main Roads Sustainability Policy commits us to creating lasting benefits through an integrated consideration of social, environmental and economic aspects in all that we do.

This policy is integral to Orrong Connect and it will help guide our upcoming deliberations, so that sustainable outcomes are forefront in the panel's thinking as they develop recommendations for the future of this important transport corridor.

These fact sheets have been created for our Deliberative Panel, stakeholders and the community to learn more about our approach to sustainability and how we look to integrate it into everything we do.

See our fact sheets on sustainability:

[Sustainability Development Fact Sheet](#)

[Net Zero Fact Sheet](#)

[Social Impact Fact Sheet](#)

Further information

Register on our project website to receive project updates and keep informed about future opportunities to participate.

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