



STEPHENSON AVENUE EXTENSION (PHASE 2)

UPCOMING ROAD NETWORK CHANGES

Big changes are coming to the way you travel through Innaloo and Stirling.

From **13 December 2025**, a major section of the new Stephenson Avenue Extension will open, permanently changing how people access Mitchell Freeway, Stirling Station, IKEA and surrounding areas.

Before we action these changes to the road network, the project team needs to test the upgraded signals, road and ramp operations. This means several short-term closures and detours will be in place over the coming weeks.

What to expect before 13 December 2025

- Night works and short-term lane closures and ramp closures.
- Temporary closures on approaches to Cedric Street and Stephenson Avenue.
- Minor road modifications at IKEA, Sarich Court and Sunray Drive while our work crews finalise access layouts.
- New signals, line marking and traffic management in the area.

There will be specific work notices issued in the lead up to these impacts to provide additional details and detour information. As the network is changing significantly, testing ensures that prior to the changes coming in on 13 December 2025, the network is ready.

What's changing from 13 December 2025

A new road link will open:

- Stephenson Avenue will extend from Flax Way through to Cedric Street, with two lanes each way. There will be new signals, line markings and traffic patterns.

Two new freeway off-ramps will open:

- A northbound off-ramp from Mitchell Freeway directly to Stephenson Avenue and a southbound off-ramp replacing the current temporary connections.

One freeway off-ramp will permanently close:

- The Cedric Street northbound off-ramp will close permanently. If you usually exit here to reach Stirling, Innaloo or IKEA, you will now use the new northbound off-ramp to Stephenson Avenue.

Access to IKEA, and local businesses is changing:

- Access will shift to the new Stephenson Avenue connections.
- Sarich Court access will change.
- Sunray Drive modifications begin for future works.

Cedric Street westbound temporary closure between Stephenson Avenue and Ellen Stirling Boulevard:

- Detour via Stephenson Avenue, Oswald Street and Ellen Stirling Boulevard (no eastbound detour). Buses will continue to have access.

Part of Stirling Station's southern car park will re-open:

- Access will now be via Stephenson Avenue.

A section of the shared path will open:

- The shared path along the southern side of Stephenson Avenue will open, connecting path users from Scarborough Beach Road to Cedric Street.

What this means for your drive

If you are heading north on Mitchell Freeway:

- Move into the left lane earlier than you are used to.
- Follow signs for the new Stephenson Avenue off-ramp.
- The Cedric Street off-ramp will not be available.

If you are travelling between Stirling Station, Osborne Park or Innaloo:

- Expect new traffic signals.
- New turning movements.
- Changes to familiar routes into IKEA, and Sarich Court.

Please pay close attention to the changed traffic conditions, including new signage, traffic signals, and line markings. During the adjustment period, you may need to allow for extra travel time initially while familiarising yourself with new layouts.

What won't change

Speed limits on Stephenson Avenue will remain 50km/h. Access for buses will be available during all of these changes and businesses remain open and accessible.

See a map of the road and path layouts on the next page.

Staged changes continuing into early 2026

Large road upgrades open in stages so the community can benefit from key connections earlier. Once the new alignment opens to traffic, workers are then able to safely access different areas of the project to complete finishing works such as drainage, pavement works, signalised intersection tie-ins, shared paths and retaining walls. These final works will continue through the first half of 2026, with several planned traffic changes needed to complete the project safely, including:

- The continued temporary closure of Cedric Street westbound between Stephenson Avenue and Ellen Stirling Boulevard.
- A temporary closure of the Cedric Street northbound on-ramp planned from early 2026 with alternative access to freeway northbound in place until March.
- The full opening of Catspaw Road to Cedric Street.
- New shared path connections and Principal Shared Path infrastructure opening in stages in 2026, coinciding with the phased openings of the network.
- Works on the Stirling Bus Interchange will also continue in 2026.

More detailed communications will be provided in the lead up to these changes coming into effect.

Further information

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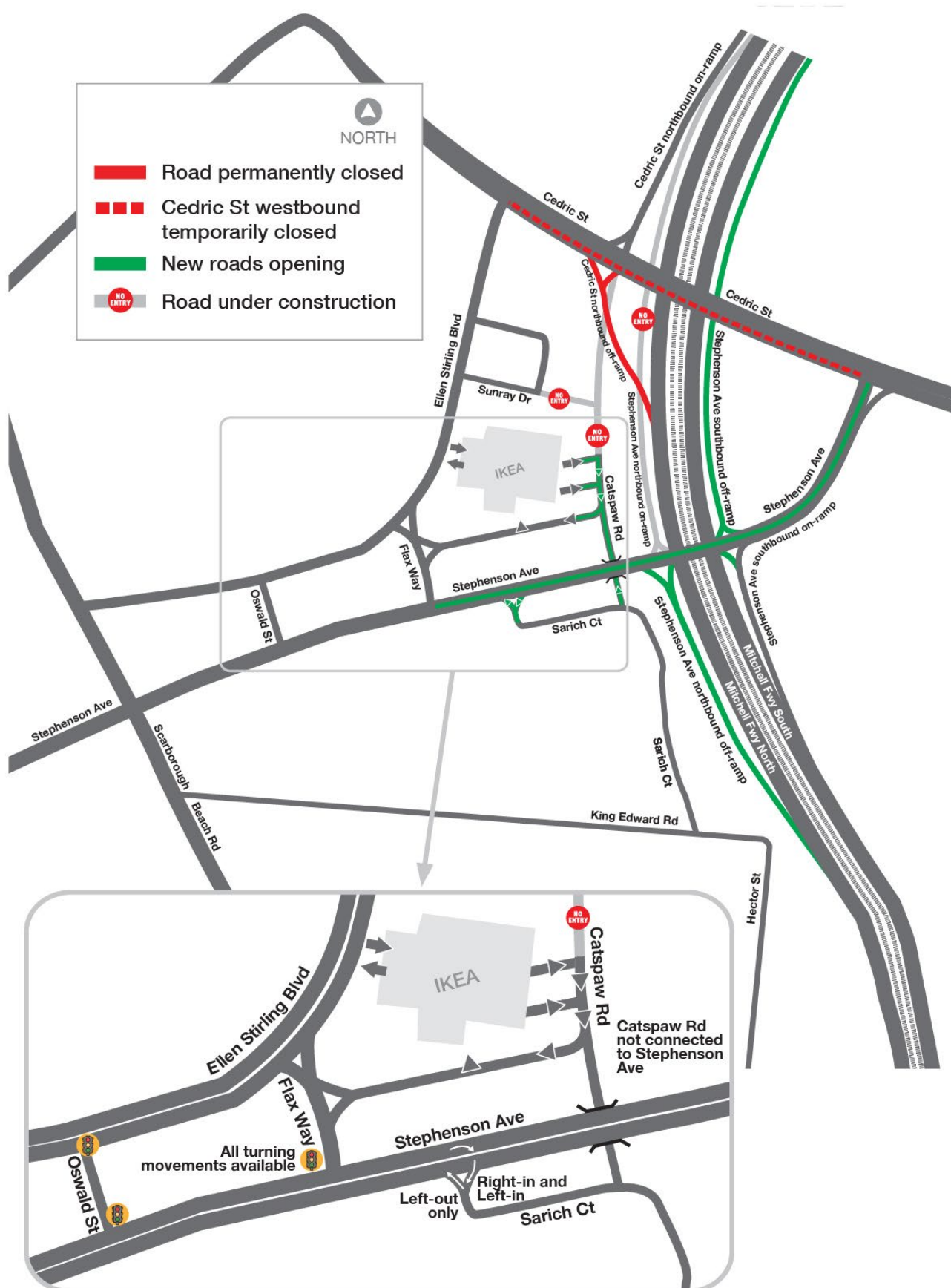
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Stage One Stephenson Avenue Interchange Road network changes



Stage One new shared paths and connections

