

Community Information and Engagement

Main Roads and the Metropolitan Road Improvement Alliance are presenting an information session on the Murdoch Drive Connection project in March to allow the community to find out more about the project and ask questions.

The Murdoch Drive Connection from Roe Highway to Kwinana Freeway forms part of a \$2.3 billion package of road and rail infrastructure works, funded by the Australian (\$1.6 billion) and State (\$750 million) governments.

The project comprises the extension of Murdoch Drive south from Farrington Road to provide connections to Roe Highway and Kwinana Freeway. The project has been planned in various forms for more than 10 years and is required to reduce congestion, provide better access to Fiona Stanley Hospital and help the Murdoch Activity Centre meet its economic potential as a major employment and research centre.

Information Displays were held in February 2018 at the Kardinya Park and Stockland Bullcreek shopping centres to provide more information to the community about the project's approved concept design.

We appreciate the community's interest in the project, with 200 people registering their details for project updates, and over 300 taking the time to complete feedback forms.

What you told us	Our response
43% of respondees showed a preference for accessing information face to face via community information sessions.	In response, a Community Information Session is to be held on 10 March 2018 at the Lakeside Baptist Recreation Centre (details overleaf).
Almost all respondees live and/or work in the area, and the majority attended the display after hearing about it through a flyer sent via direct mail.	This mail out has been sent to a wide catchment of households in Leeming, Murdoch Chase and Bibra Lake to encourage registration via email, the preferred form of communication for the majority of households.
66% prefer to be kept in contact via email broadcast.	<p>In response, we intend to use email broadcasts as our primary communication mechanism.</p> <p>If you would like to register for project updates, go to http://project.mainroads.wa.gov.au/home and submit your details via the 'Stay Updated' tab.</p> <p>If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Main Roads WA at enquiries@mainroads.wa.gov.au or on 138 138.</p>
35% of respondees access the Murdoch Activity Centre (hospital, university, health precinct) on a daily basis, while 27% access it weekly or occasionally. Almost 80% agree that access to the Fiona Stanley Hospital and the Murdoch Activity Centre needs to be improved.	<p>The approved concept design for the Murdoch Drive Connection retains the existing connectivity between Bibra Drive, Farrington Road and Murdoch Drive albeit with some changes to traffic movements.</p> <p>Key project traffic movements include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two-way access to the Murdoch Activity Centre from Kwinana Freeway and Roe Highway. • Access to the Murdoch Drive Connection northbound (towards the Murdoch Activity Centre) from Bibra Drive. • Access from Murdoch Drive southbound (from Murdoch Activity Centre) to Farrington Road.



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<p>There were a number of common concerns and questions raised at the public displays and via feedback forms.</p>	<p>A Frequently Asked Questions information sheet has been developed in response to these. It is available at http://project.mainroads.wa.gov.au/home</p> <p>Two key responses are detailed below:</p> <p>Will there be direct access to Bibra Drive from the Murdoch Drive Connection?</p> <p>No. Strategic-level traffic modelling shows that direct access to Bibra Drive from the Murdoch Drive Connection would lead to a significant increase in traffic on a number of local roads including Farrington Road, Hope Road and Bibra Drive. Therefore, the concept design was modified from an earlier version to remove this access.</p> <p>Will there be direct access from the Murdoch Drive Connection to Farrington Road?</p> <p>No. Strategic-level traffic modelling indicated that direct connectivity from the Murdoch Drive Connection to Farrington Road would lead to an unsustainable increase of more than 5,000 vehicles on Farrington Road, which is a single carriageway already close to capacity. It would also lead to significant increases in traffic on Hope Road and Bibra Drive. This modelling validated concerns expressed by hundreds of community members, amenity groups and Local Government.</p>

Community Information Session (walk-in)

A Community Information Session will be held on 10 March 2018 to provide a further opportunity for local residents to have their questions answered in an informal setting. Subject matter experts will be on hand to discuss engineering design, route options, construction activities and upcoming activities.

- Location: Lakeside Baptist Recreation Centre, corner Farrington Road and Bibra Drive, Bibra Lake
- Time: 9am – 1 pm
- RSVP: Not required



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