



Leach Highway and Welshpool Road Interchange

Construction commencing June 2021

The Leach Highway Welshpool Road Interchange project will deliver:

- a new bridge taking Leach Highway over Welshpool Road to create a grade-separated interchange
- a new roundabout under the bridge at the Leach Highway and Welshpool Road intersection
- duplication of the existing Leach Highway bridge over the railway at Railway Parade and Sevenoaks Street
- a shared path along Leach Highway from Welshpool Road to Orrong Road.

Why a roundabout under the new bridge?

The roundabout design provides:

- Increased safety to all road users
- Improved network capacity
- Better traffic flows and efficiency.

Early works activities are underway

Early works have commenced and include geotechnical investigations, vegetation clearing, services locating and earthworks.

They also include compaction trials in the road reserve at the north eastern side of the Leach Highway and Welshpool Road intersection. These trials are testing new oscillating roller equipment for suitability in reducing vibration experienced by nearby premises.

Key project milestones and traffic changes

- **June to October 2021** – no entry to Ewing Street from Railway Parade
- **June 2021** – Speed restrictions in place. Footpath on Sevenoaks Street closed between John Street and Mills Street
- **Late 2021 – Early 2022** - Weekend Welshpool road closure, and Sevenoaks Street and Railway Parade closure, for bridge beam installations
- **Mid 2022** - New Leach Highway bridge over Welshpool Road open to traffic, and new Leach Highway bridge over rail at Railway Parade and Sevenoaks Street opens.

Managing construction impacts

LWA has developed strict management plans to minimise noise, vibration, and dust from construction activities and will monitor noise, vibration and dust on an ongoing basis.

Optimising traffic flows during construction

Detailed traffic planning is underway to ensure traffic flows are optimised during construction. Speed restrictions can be expected and while the aim is to maintain traffic flow on Leach Highway during weekdays, some night and weekend lane closures will occur on Leach Highway.



Vegetation removal

Vegetation clearing is required to prepare the road reserve along Leach Highway for additional traffic lanes. Vegetation removal will be completed in stages from early June 2021.

Our team has collaborated with conservation organisations to be able to reuse cleared vegetation where possible. This includes:

- Donating branches to the Kaarakin Black Cockatoo Conservation Centre in Martin. Kaarakin works to rehabilitate injured black cockatoos and, if possible, to return them to wild flocks.
- Donating branches and tree trunks to WA Wildlife, which offers a range of services involving education, training, research, conservation and a wildlife rescue service - providing medical care and rehabilitation for approximately 4000 injured, sick and orphaned native wildlife each year.

Traffic changes

Ewing Street North

For four months from early June 2021, vehicles will be unable to enter Ewing Street from Railway Parade, to enable services relocation and the realignment of the southern end of Ewing Street.

Shared footpath closures and detours

From early June 2021 to March 2022, the shared footpath on Sevenoaks Street will be closed between Mills and John streets to enable bridge works for the new Leach Highway bridge over rail.

Heavy vehicle movements

LWA will use Ewing Street to transport fill material onto the construction site, from early June 2021. The fill is required to elevate the road alignment for the new bridge over Welshpool Road.

How do I find out more about the project?

You will receive advanced notification for traffic changes, as well as ongoing updates about the project's progression. Future construction updates will be sent to our subscribers electronically.

Please subscribe to receive further updates by scanning the below QR code or visit our project page www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/Leach-hwy-welshpool-rd.

More Information

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