

Tripoli Way Extension Project

What is the Tripoli Way Extension Project

This road project will extend, widen, upgrade, and extend the existing Tripoli Way and The Expressway in Albion Park.

Tripoli Way currently runs between Hamilton Road and Calderwood Road and The Expressway currently runs between Moles Street and Calderwood Road.

The project will create a continuous route for vehicles between the Broughton Street/Illawarra Highway intersection in the west to Terry Street/the Illawarra Highway in the east which provides people with the opportunity to bypass the Albion Park Town Centre.

The new road would run generally parallel with, and to the north of, Tongarra Road/Illawarra Highway as demonstrated in the design map attached.



Project Benefits

- > Alleviate the impacts of traffic growth along Tongarra Road, Albion Park.
- > Ease traffic congestion within the Albion Park Town Centre.
- > Increase the safety of roads within Albion Park.
- > Provide a valuable addition to the transport network.

Progress to Date

The extension of Tripoli Way was identified by Council in 1961 as a long term strategic plan to manage our growing community. The project will reduce congestion on the Illawarra Highway through Albion Park, and has been identified in council's section 94 contributions plan since 1993.

Council engaged consultants, Cardno, in 2016, to help guide design and define project delivery and scope. In February 2020, Council endorsed community consultation to take place on the preferred alignment.

The preliminary concept design for the project is included on page 2 of this information sheet. The proposed alignment has been selected as the most practical concept design guided by the following information:

- > Desktop environmental analysis including identification and mapping of key ecology and heritage constraints
- > Preliminary consultation with key stakeholders and affected community members
- > Consideration of various alignment options, including options to avoid potential environmental impacts
- > Throughout the project timeline, Council has held discussions with targeted residents and key stakeholders

How Can I Find Out More?

Council would like to hear from you so we are able to form a strong understanding of community concerns, issues and expectations and how these can be considered for this project.

There will be drop-in community information sessions to give you a chance to comment on the project and ask any questions of the project team. The first will be held Wednesday 18 March from 4pm to 6pm at the [Former Tongarra Museum, Albion Park](#).

Locations and dates for any future pop-up information sessions will be advertised on Council's website: www.shellharbour.nsw.gov.au and on Council's Facebook page.

Opportunities for community input are also invited through the following avenues:

- > Shellharbour City Council's online survey platform: <https://letschatshellharbour.com/tripoli-way-extension-project>
- > Email: council@shellharbour.nsw.gov.au
- > At Council's customer service desk, 76 Cygnet Avenue, Shellharbour

The outcomes of the consultation period shall be considered through the next stages of the project, including:

- > Environmental assessment and approval
- > Detailed design
- > Construction phases.

KEY FEATURES

- ① Two lanes from Broughton Avenue to Calderwood Road.
- ② Four lanes from Calderwood Road to Terry Street.
- ③ Central kerb type barrier for the full length of Tripoli Way to prevent right turn movements for safety purposes, except at intersections.
- ④ Three intersections with traffic lights as shown.
- ⑤ Broughton Avenue and Illawarra Highway will remain a roundabout for the short term with potential upgrade to be confirmed.
- ⑥ Bridge over Hazelton Creek.
- ⑦ Left in, left out access to and from Tripoli Way.
- ⑧ A widened embankment from Broughton Avenue to Hazelton Creek Bridge to allow for future widening to four lanes.
- ⑨ Total length approximately 1975m.

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Figure 1.1 Tripoli Way Extension