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We’re at the most exciting stage of construction for the Rozelle Interchange project with significant milestones achieved in the last three months, ensuring we're on track to deliver the opening of the motorway and the Parklands by the end of 2023.

We hope you enjoy this update which showcases the progress we’re making. Please remember to click on any image to enlarge it.

Please refer to the Urban Design and Landscape Plan (UDLP) for further information about the Parklands, which will feature a wetland, picnic areas, barbeques, playgrounds, a boardwalk, bush trails, new shared walking and cycling paths and bridges that connect to other parts of the Inner West and beyond.

Landscaping continues around the Project

Trees have been planted in and around the future wetlands, in planter boxes lining the Green Link Bridge and around Iron Cove. Small but hardy, these young trees will grow to form an urban forest with shady areas perfect for a walk, a picnic or leisurely cycle through the Parklands. In total, more than 3,000 trees will be planted as part of the Parklands.

Lanscaping in the Wetlands

Landscaping on the Green Link Bridge

Landscaping at Iron Cove

Rozelle Rail Yards

Play equipment

For our younger community members (and their parents and grandparents) we’ve reached the exciting stage of installing play equipment into the Parklands! Equipment is being installed alongside shelters in the communal barbecue and picnic areas. Play items include a play tower, swings and cascading water play equipment. Sandstone blocks are being integrated into the landscaping bordering different activity areas.

Aerial view of the parklands play area

Parkland amenities

The Parklands amenities building steel structure has been erected and block work walls are being built. The building is located within the future sports and recreational area near Gordon Street. The building will incorporate toilets and changing rooms for public use.

Cladding will be installed to the external façade of the building which complements the design.

Wetlands and boardwalk

The timber boardwalk across the future wetlands has been built already. The reeds have been planted and feature lighting has been installed across the surface of the wetland basin.

The multifunctional wetlands will serve a vital role in the tunnel water treatment process and provide a thriving habitat for various aquatic species, such as Carex appressa, Carex fascicularis, Ficinia nodosa, Juncus Continuus and more.

Yarning circle

The yarning circle is being constructed from sandstone blocks in the parkland forest area, located at the western end of the parkland next to the wetlands.

Heritage timber and steel

A selection of steel rail tracks and timber sleepers from the former Rozelle Rail Yard site have been salvaged and refurbished to be used as part of the landscape design in the future Parklands. You'll see these repurposed heritage items throughout the Parklands to celebrate the industrial history of the area.

Timber will be used to create 'balance beam' play elements and walkways around play areas. Steel rail tracks will also be reincorporated into the Rail Garden area at the eastern end of the Parklands.

The Rail Garden area has been designed to represent a rail maintenance or shunting yard with areas for activities, seating and communal gatherings.

Village Green

Utilites, drainage and landscaping work has been ongoing in this area. We're currently building the concrete sections of the landscaped terraces around the Village Green. The landscaped terraces will provide seating and spectating opportunities across the Village Green and the main sport and recreational area of the Parklands. The design of the Village Green will ultimately create clear and open viewpoints beyond the immediate space for all visitors.

Victoria Road

Victoria Road pathway bridges

In May we opened the permanent shared user path bridge on the eastern side of Victoria Road, pictured below. Permanent lighting and safety screens along this bridge will be installed in the coming weeks.

On the western side of Victoria Road we're constructing a shared user path bridge connecting the future underpass and Parklands. This S-shaped structure is made up of three bridge girders, which were installed in May.

M4 & Iron Cove Link Tunnel exit portal

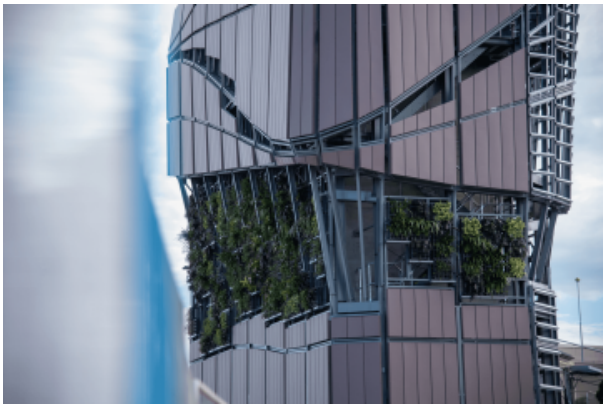
Next to the S-shape bridge we just mentioned you can see the now fully excavated M4 and Iron Cove Link eastbound tunnel exit portal which extends under Victoria Road. This tunnel exit portal will eventually carry traffic from M4 and Iron Cove Link to the Anzac Bridge and the city.

Iron Cove

The Iron Cove site is nearing completion and all work in this area will be finalised in the next month.

Landscaping across the site is in full swing and you may notice some large trees and greenery appearing in several locations. The ventilation facility is also in the final stages of construction, with green wall elements currently being installed.

Final traffic changes are now partially implemented, including the alignment for Victoria Road westbound lanes and the right turn into Terry Street. The final traffic change to open the eastbound alignment will be in place **during August** pending weather conditions.



City West Link

Bridge to Brenan Street

The Bridge to Brenan street has successfully been installed. This shared user bridge will link Brenan Street and Annandale to the new Rozelle Parklands. Some final work to the base structure and surrounds

on Brenan Street is still in progress to complete the structure in coming months.

Green Link Bridge

The Green Link Bridge is a landscaped shared user path spanning City West Link and The Crescent. The bridge will create connection for cyclists and pedestrians between Rozelle Bay Light Rail, Lilyfield and Annandale. This area is almost complete and lined with landscaping in preparation for the project opening later this year.

The Crescent Overpass

The Crescent Overpass has also been completed and is scheduled to open to traffic in coming months, after final updates to link the bridge into the network. This bridge will facilitate right-hand turns from the Crescent travelling to Victoria Road or Anzac Bridge.

Below ground

Mechanical and Electrical

The Mechanical and Electrical Fit-Out Team had a busy start to the year preparing the tunnel for commissioning. With over 96% of their work complete, the Fit-Out Team have installed over 5,400 electrical devices and more than 1,690km of cable to date.

Commissioning is the process of ensuring that all Mechanical and Electrical systems and components are designed, installed, tested, operated and maintained according to operational requirements. Rigorous quality control measures are implemented at each stage of the project. The team conduct thorough inspections and tests to guarantee that the required standards are met.

Line marking

Permanent tunnel line marking commenced in early June. The Project has completed 50% of the permanent line marking in the tunnels to date.

Blockwork walls

All blockwork walls throughout the Rozelle Interchange tunnels have successfully been completed. The blockwork walls are essential for controlling the permanent tunnel ventilation, protecting structures and

providing an area for a safe exit in the unlikely event of a fire or emergency.

Architectural Panels

Architectural panels for integrated wayfinding are being installed in various locations throughout the tunnel network.

Getting in touch

We hope you've enjoyed this latest progress update and of course, please get in contact if you have any questions or concerns about the information above.

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