

Ernest Street shared user bridge connection into Anzac Park

Warringah Freeway Upgrade

June 2024



Transport for NSW acknowledges the Cammeraygal people of the Eora Nation as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pays respect to Elders past and present.

We are simplifying the Warringah Freeway, making it safer and easier to use, and more efficient and reliable for the benefit of all customers, including public transport users.

What is the new Ernest Street shared user bridge?

As part of the Warringah Freeway Upgrade, we are constructing a new shared user bridge next to the existing Ernest Street road bridge, which will connect into Anzac park.

The new Ernest Street shared user bridge sits alongside the north side of the existing Ernest Street bridge over the Warringah Freeway.

The bridge will be 10m wide and contain various utilities: large water mains, electrical transmission line and communications cables.

What were some of the challenges in designing the connection for the shared user bridge on Ernest Street?

Due to the large number of utilities located inside the new shared user bridge and the need to maintain clearance for vehicles on the freeway, the bridge will be around one metre higher than the existing road bridge, and even higher above Anzac Park. This presented our engineers with a challenge in how to design a safe and uninterrupted connection between the bridge and Anzac Park for the community.

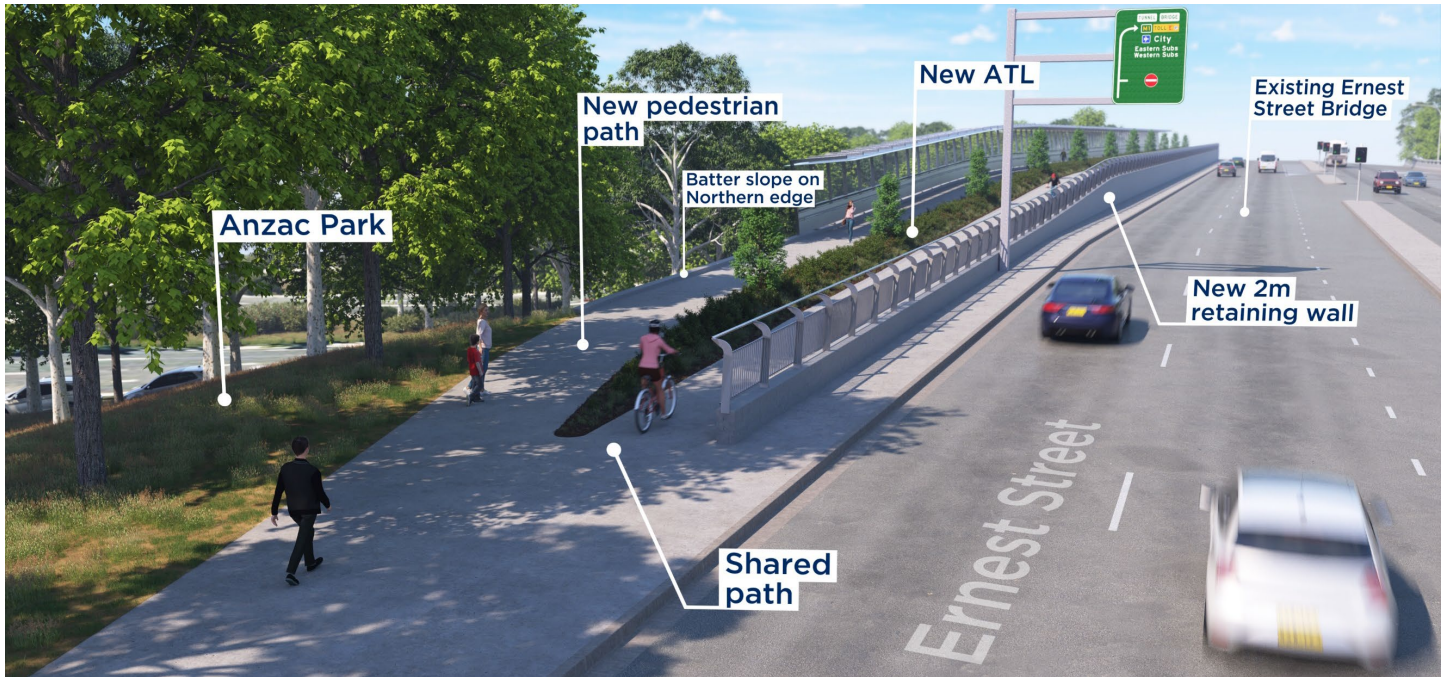
What is the preferred design and what are the benefits?

The preferred design is considered to have the most advantages of all configurations considered, including:

- providing an uninterrupted connection from the new Ernest Street shared user bridge and the shared user path along Anzac Park
- creating additional usable open space within Anzac Park and landscaping opportunities
- providing a Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) compliant ramp of 7.14%, which is safe for both cyclists and pedestrians
- removing any interaction between vehicles and pedestrians or cyclists
- offering a better line of sight for pedestrians and cyclists
- creating a quieter street for residents of Cammeray Avenue.

What considerations went into reaching the preferred design?

More than 20 designs have been considered through extensive assessment to find the preferred design. Some factors which needed to be considered included the bridge's structure, size, height, slope, space for utilities, and safe connection to Anzac Park.



How would the preferred design impact Cammeray Avenue?

The preferred design, if confirmed, would permanently close the Ernest Street end of Cammeray Avenue, converting Cammeray Avenue into a cul-de-sac. Emergency vehicles and large vehicles, such as garbage trucks, would be able to access the street from Anzac Avenue and turn around at a new turning circle to exit. This change would also reduce traffic volumes on Cammeray Avenue, making it a quieter residential street due to the nature of a cul-de-sac.

How would this impact trees and open space in Anzac Park once the connection is completed?

This design, once complete, would provide a net increase in green space and more landscaping opportunities.

Feedback from North Sydney Council and the community, received during consultation, will be considered during further design.

When is the online briefing session and how can I attend?

Please join us for a live briefing to learn more about the preferred design.

Wednesday 26 June 2024 at 5:30-6:30pm

A recording will be made available shortly after the session for those who cannot join. Please register so we can share this with you.

Scan the QR code to register.



Are there other ways I can provide feedback?

You can provide your feedback via email or via our portal. We are also happy to speak to you over the phone or via email to answer questions.

Community consultation will be open until 11:59pm Sunday 30 June 2024.

For more information, visit our portal by scanning the QR code.



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