



## Connecting Brisbane North Northern Busway: Kedron to Bracken Ridge

The Queensland Government has delivered 24km of busway in Brisbane through the South East Busway, the Inner Northern Busway, the Eastern Busway from the Eleanor Schonell Bridge to Buranda, and the Northern Busway from the Royal Children's Hospital to Windsor. A further 3km on the Northern Busway is under construction from Windsor to Kedron, and the Eastern Busway is currently being extended by 1km from Buranda to Coorparoo.

The extension of the busway network on the north side of Brisbane is being planned through the Northern Busway from Kedron to Bracken Ridge.

### Better transport solutions for Brisbane North

The Northern Busway: Kedron to Bracken Ridge is a Queensland Government initiative to plan for the growing transport needs of Brisbane's northern suburbs. Planning for the busway will consider:

- a potential busway alignment and design
- potential busway station locations
- passenger pick up and drop off areas near stations (kiss 'n' rides)
- local bus access points (from local roads into the busway)
- pedestrian and cycle access to busway stations
- environmental and community impacts and how they can be managed.

### Busway benefits

- Provides passengers with a congestion-free run to where they want to go.
- Bus travel speeds of up to 80km/hr are possible on busways with guaranteed travel times.
- Cleaner and greener transport options – every full bus means up to 40 fewer cars on the road.
- Improved public transport for a broad catchment of suburbs – local buses can enter the busway or connect to high-frequency busway services.

TransLink busway network



## Community consultation: what has happened so far?

From 23 November 2009 to 22 January 2010, the project team consulted with the local community regarding the possible future direction of the Northern Busway from Kedron to Bracken Ridge.

As part of the consultation process, the project team undertook:

- briefings with elected representatives, key stakeholder groups and large land-owners.
- community information sessions.
- staffed displays at community libraries, as well as The Prince Charles Hospital.

Community consultation resulted in the project team receiving important feedback from the community.

- 132 phone calls were made to the project hotline.
- 54 emails were written to the project team.
- 242 feedback forms were submitted.
- 14 submissions were received.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads would like to thank the community for their feedback on planning the busway.

## Planning the busway: what you told us

The project team is considering all community feedback along with technical investigations to identify an ultimate busway alignment.

Feedback provided by the community included the importance of:

- servicing key community destinations such as The Prince Charles Hospital, Westfield Chermside and the Aspley Hypermarket
- Lutwyche Cemetery and Bradbury Park
- enabling existing local services to link in with the busway
- maintaining access to local streets
- minimising impacts to people's homes and local businesses where possible.

Consultation on the busway will remain a constant part of the planning process. The project hotline and email will continue to stay open for community feedback.

## Where to next?

Transport and Main Roads is considering draft busway alignment options, due to be released for community consultation in mid-2010.

A draft concept design and impact management plan is being prepared, which will consider the environmental, social and economic benefits and impacts of the busway, and will be guided by both technical studies and community feedback. It will also consider how construction and operational impacts can be managed.

## The community's continuing role

Community consultation plays an important role in identifying a busway alignment by providing the project team with invaluable local knowledge and feedback.

A community reference group is being established. This group will enhance community consultation by identifying key issues, concerns and values through a two-way communication channel during the planning process. For more information, phone the project hotline on 1800 289 210.



## Keeping you informed

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