

Labrador-Carrara Road (Olsen Avenue) bikeway between Gold Coast Highway and Napper Road

May 2024

The Queensland Government is committed to making riding a bike easy, convenient and an enjoyable way to travel, wherever you live in Queensland.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is delivering infrastructure to encourage more people to ride, whether it be for recreation, commuting, fitness or socialising.

Design is underway for a bikeway on Olsen Avenue between the Gold Coast Highway and Napper Road. This bikeway will facilitate cycling between the existing bikeway facilities to the north and the Napper Road intersection to the south. It will provide an important connection for bike riders to the surrounding suburbs of Labrador, Biggera Waters, Arundel and Southport.

The Queensland Government has committed \$3.879 million in funding the design and construction of Stage 1 from Central Street to Napper Road. Work to construct Stage 1 is expected to commence in late May 2024.



Artist's impression: Olsen Avenue bikeway

Key features

The bikeway will feature two kilometres of dedicated on-road bike lanes on both sides of Olsen Avenue. This project will improve safety by separating vehicles and bike riders.

The bikeway will feature:



Dedicated, separated on-road bike lanes in both directions (north and southbound) on Olsen Avenue



Short sections of off-road bike tracks behind existing bus shelters/stops where space permits



Installation of kerb separators between vehicle and bike lanes



Installation of pavement markings and signage

The project is being delivered in two stages:

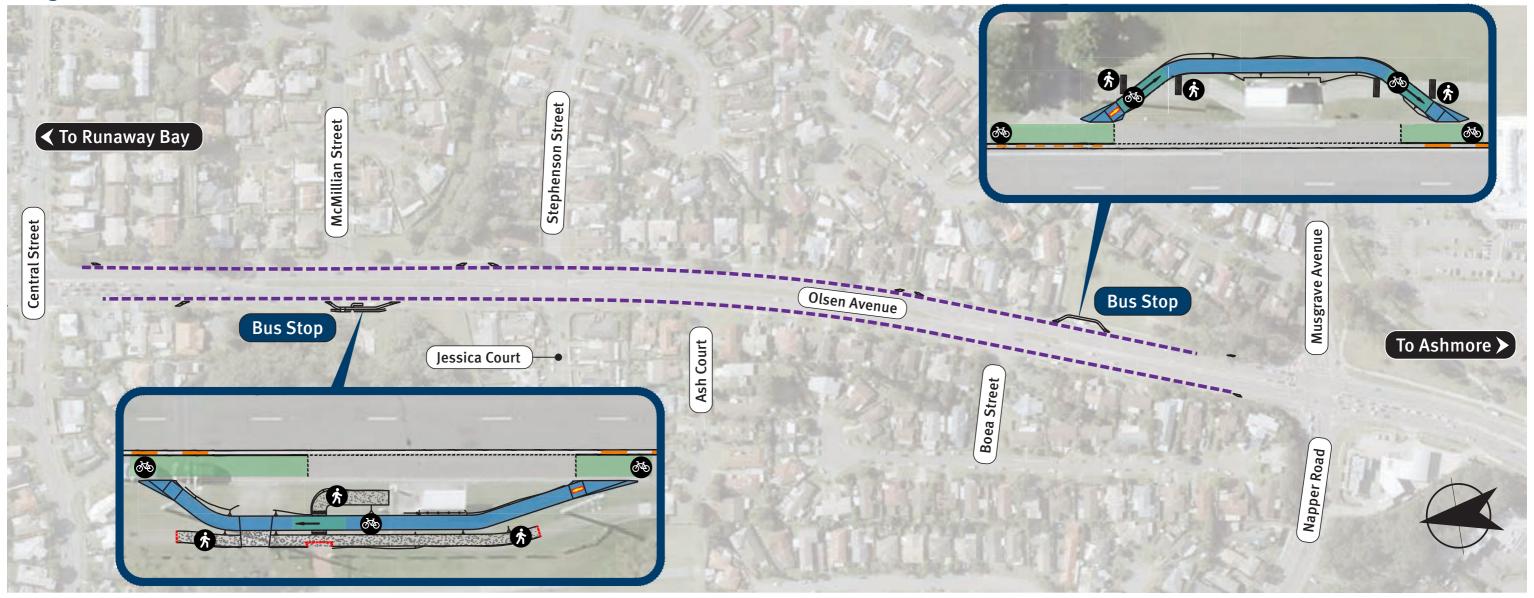
STAGE 1:
From Central Street
to Napper Road
May 2024

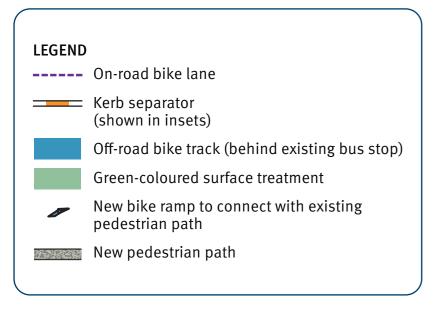
STAGE 2: From Jacob Drive to Central Street Future stage



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Stage 1 – 2024 Construction





Artist's impression:
Olsen Avenue
southbound to Gold
Coast Highway and
Griffith University



Project timeline

Business Case ————		Design		Construction — NOW—
April 2022	Mid-2022	Mid 2023	April 2024	May 2024
Community consultation	Approval	Preliminary design	Detailed design (Stage 1)	Works expected to commence (Stage 1)

Project background

Olsen Avenue is a primary cycle route used by commuter and recreational bike riders travelling to and from Harbour Town, Labrador and surrounding suburbs. It is a designated Principal Cycle Route in the SEQ Principal Cycle Network Plan.

By providing a designated bikeway on Olsen Avenue it will encourage more people to get on a bike. This delivers a range of benefits from improving physical and mental wellbeing, to having an environmentally friendly and convenient way to travel locally.

The new on-road bikeway will improve road functionality as it separates bike riders from the traffic lanes. This will raise driver awareness and provide a safer path for bike riders.

TMR commenced project planning in early 2022 with the local community invited to provide feedback on a proposed design in April 2022. Community feedback was considered as part of the design process. Work is now progressing on preparing Stage 1 for construction.

Project impacts

To accommodate the new bikeway, the existing on-street parking along Olsen Avenue will need to be removed. Different design scenarios were considered to retain some on-street parking. However, the narrow road corridor makes it difficult to safely and cost-effectively provide a dedicated bikeway whilst maintaining on-street car parking.

Residents and businesses will continue to place their bins on the verge for collection, nearest the kerb, instead of being placed on the road.

Contact us



If you would like further information about this bikeway, or to register for updates, please contact the project team.

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