

Hahndorf Township Improvements and Access Upgrade

Project Update

Following community feedback and further technical assessments, the approved solution is now confirmed for the Hahndorf Township Improvements and Access Upgrade Project. The project will now progress to the next phase of design. Construction is expected to commence in 2023.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) would like to thank everyone who has provided feedback on the project and for their patience while extended investigations and assessments have occurred as part of the project planning and development process.

Key features of the approved solution

The key features of the approved solution include:

- Verdun Interchange Upgrade the existing interchange will be upgraded to a full interchange, allowing access to and from the South Eastern Freeway in all directions.
- Mount Barker Interchange Upgrade the existing interchange will be upgraded to include the installation of a new three lane bridge across the South Eastern Freeway for northbound traffic; the conversion of the existing bridge to accommodate three lanes of southbound traffic and a new Shared Use Path; improved ramp capacity and new traffic signals to reduce congestion and improve safety. Consultation on the Mount Barker Interchange upgrade design was completed in March 2022.
- Hahndorf Main Street Upgrade revitalisation and improvements to Hahndorf's main street, Mount Barker Road (the Main Street) in collaboration with Mount Barker District Council
- Extension of Pioneer Women's Trail the trail will be extended between Verdun and Hahndorf which will include a bridge replacement and widening over the Onkaparinga River to accommodate the new section of the trail.
- Upgraded multi-purpose car park facility at Verdun this upgrade will improve access to public transport.

Following community feedback and further technical assessments, the previously proposed new interchange on the South Eastern Freeway near Hahndorf has been removed from the project scope acknowledging the impacts on the surrounding heritage and environment.

Key benefits

The approved solution will deliver several benefits to Hahndorf including:

- less property acquisition and disruption to local residents. businesses and the community by using the existing infrastructure where possible;
- improved access and connectivity to the South Eastern Freeway to and from Hahndorf including removal of some traffic from
- improved amenity, safety and connectivity for road users, pedestrians, cyclists, visitors and local residents using the Main Street;
- preservation of Hahndorf's heritage and character including heritage trees, buildings, and coach lighting;
- improved bushfire and emergency access by adding additional ramp access to South-Eastern Freeway at Verdun and improving access to South-Eastern Freeway at Mount Barker; and
- support for local businesses and economic growth in the area.



Artist Impression - New pedestrian crossing: Hahndorf Main Street.

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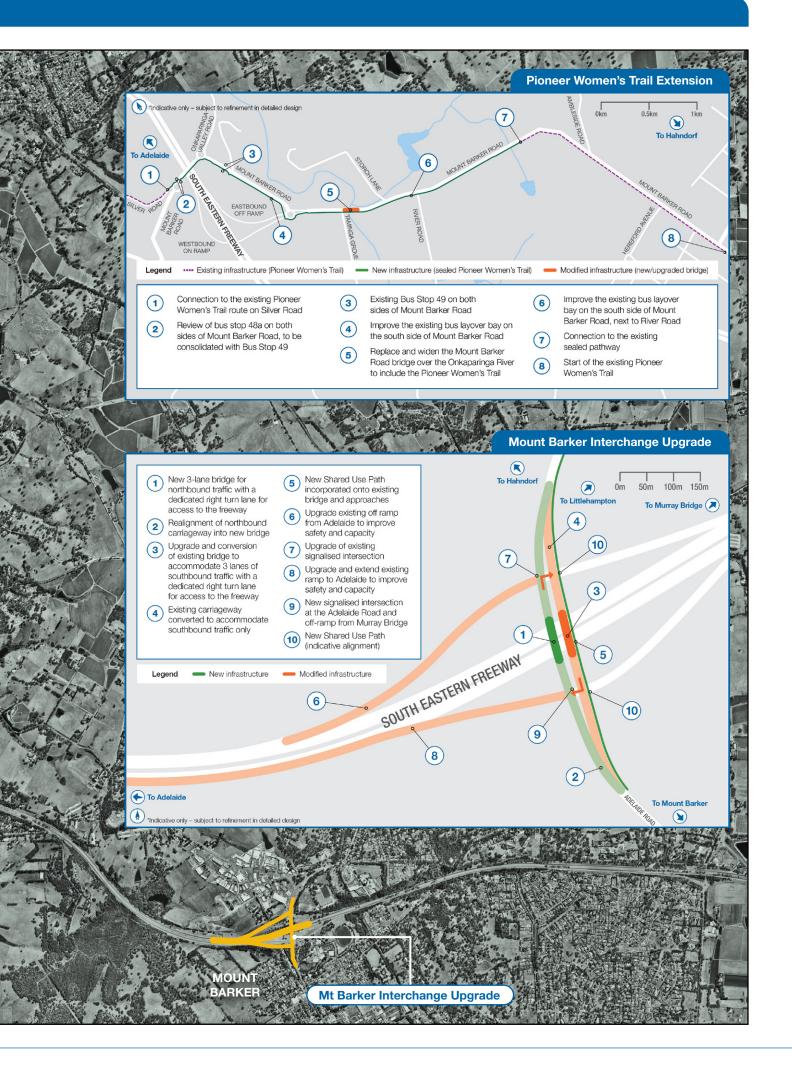












Main Street Improvements

The Department and Mount Barker District Council have been working collaboratively towards a number of improvements for the Main Street that align with the Hahndorf Main Street Revitalisation Plan. The upgrade aims to improve the amenity, safety and experience for the people using the Main Street, supporting Hahndorf to remain a thriving Adelaide Hills community and one of South Australia's most loved tourism destinations.

This integrated upgrade will be delivered as a part of the Hahndorf Township Improvements and Access Upgrade Project. Mount Barker District Council is also committing funding towards this Main Street upgrade.

The key features of the Main Street upgrade include:

- new street seating, enhanced outdoor dining areas, upgrades to footpaths within high pedestrian zones, footpath extensions, interpretive signage and heritage plaques for buildings;
- planting of new trees and landscaping and new green gateway treatments with trees and plants that reflect the character of Hahndorf. The heritage trees will also be protected;
- an upgrade to the signalised crossing at Balhannah Road and Main Street;
- improved wayfinding signage;
- · optimised on-street car parking; and
- upgrades to wombat crossing ramps and addition kerb ramp crossings.

For further details of the integrated Main Street design and to view a copy of the Public Realm Design Report, please visit our website dit.sa.gov.au/hahndorf

Pioneer Women's Trail and Bridge Upgrade

The extension of the Pioneer Women's Trail completes the missing link between Hahndorf and Verdun and is important in recognising the historical and heritage importance of the trail. The trail honours the early European female settlers who walked through the bush track from Hahndorf to Adelaide to collect fresh produce at a time when most food had to be imported into South Australia.

The key features of the Pioneer Women's Trail upgrade are:

- replacement and widening of the existing Mount Barker Road bridge over the Onkaparinga River to include space for the Pioneer Women's Trail;
- extension of the sealed pathway from the Hahndorf township to Silver Road, Verdun: and
- improvements to two bus stops on the south side of Mount Barker Road.

Impact to vegetation will be minimised by varying the width of the new trail. This will avoid removal of any significant vegetation.

Next steps and feedback

To find out more about the approved solution please go to dit.sa.gov.au/hahndorf

The Department will organise a series of community information sessions to give the opportunity to better understand the final design solution and seek feedback on the Pioneer Women's Trail, Main Street design and Verdun Interchange upgrade to help inform the detailed design process. Community consultation will close on Monday, 31 October 2022.

Further engagement about the Mount Barker Interchange Upgrade will be conducted once the design is further progressed.

Feedback on the Pioneer Women's Trail, Main Street design and Verdun Interchange Upgrade is open until Monday, 31 October 2022.

- Register to attend a drop-in community information session where you can meet with a member of the project team and provide your feedback
- Complete an online feedback form on the project website dit.sa.gov.au/hahndorf
- Email us at <u>dit.hahndorfproject@sa.gov.au</u>
- Call us on 1300 794 880

The Department will be conducting further investigations and assessments on public and private land in the coming months. Private landowners impacted by the investigations will be contacted in advance.

Drop-in community information sessions

Please join us at one of the below information sessions to speak to members of the project team and view the proposed concept designs for the approved solution:

Venue: Hahndorf Memorial Institute. 59 Mount Barker Road, Hahndorf

Session 1 - Tuesday, 18 October 2022, 5pm - 7pm

Session 2 – Saturday, 22 October 2022, 10am – 12pm

These sessions will cover the design of the Verdun Interchange upgrade, the Main Street Improvements and the extension of the Pioneer Women's Trail.

More information

For further information and to register for future email updates please contact us

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