Mike Turtur Bikeway Overpass

Project Update - February 2024

The South Australian Government made an election commitment to put the Mike Turtur Bikeway Overpass Project on hold until further consultation was undertaken to determine the next steps.

This commitment was made in response to a high level of concern raised by locals about the potential impact to trees and Forestville Reserve.

What we heard

In May 2022, a Community Reference Group (CRG) was established to hear the views of the local community and key user groups. Members represented local residents, reserve users, Unley Swimming Centre users, pedestrians and cyclists. A number of members were also Goodwood Railway Station users. The City of Unley and Unley Bicycle User Group (UBUG) were also represented.

During the five CRG meetings and site walks held between May and August 2022, several alternative options for both an overpass and underpass were raised and considered by the CRG.

Through this process there was no clear preferred option amongst members. It was

however made clear that some level of change to improve local access would be beneficial.

Thank you to all community members who participated in this process, along with the broader public who contacted us and the PTP Alliance to express their views on the project.

We are committed to working with the community to improve connectivity and safety for all users of the Goodwood Station area, while minimising local impacts in Forestville Reserve.

The CRG report is available on the DIT website at https://dit.sa.gov.au/MTBU

Outcome

On review of the potential design alternatives, and in consideration of community feedback received, it has been determined that there are no feasible options to deliver an overpass or new underpass without significant tree impacts.

Following concerns from the local community about the impact to trees and to the Forestville Reserve, improvements will be made to local access instead of constructing an overpass near the Goodwood railway station and tram bridge.





Local upgrades planned

The key upgrades will include:

- widening the two archways under the tramline to improve the safety of the Mike Turtur Bikeway and the Marino Rocks Greenway on both sides of the rail line. This will increase the width of the archways to approximately 5.5m on each side enabling safer movements for people walking and cycling on a 4m wide shared path.
- refreshing the existing subway and ramps to improve safety and amenity, including a lighting upgrade, installing safety mirrors, CCTV installation, drainage improvements, new non-slip surface and re-painting.

Upcoming Mike Turtur Bikeway improvements include:

- An elevated Mike Turtur Bikeway over two arterial roads (Marion and Cross) is a key feature of the Marion ANZAC Cross Road Project.
- Consideration of a grade separation of the Mike Turtur Bikeway at Morphett Road, Morphettville is part of the Morphett Road Level Crossing Removal Planning Study.

For more information

More information about the planned local upgrades, including construction timelines, will be shared once available.

To register for updates please email dit.engagement@sa.gov.au or call 1300 794 880





Planned local upgrades Artist impression of widening



One of the two archways to be widened

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Subway and ramp elements to be upgraded