

## Woombye Streetscape Project

Late October 2022 – May 2023 (weather and site conditions permitting)

### Project summary

Construction works will soon start on the Blackhall Street, Woombye Streetscape Project.

Since November 2020 extensive community engagement has informed the streetscape design where residents, businesses, community groups and visitors shared their vision and values with council to bring the streetscape plan to life.

The main themes identified included: having an attractive and vibrant town centre, making improvements for pedestrians and vehicle parking, and sharing Woombye's story through a heritage trail.

The streetscape works will include:

- New landscaping including shady street trees, lawn, and garden beds to cool the footpath and beautify the town
- New street furniture including public seating, a drinking fountain with a dog water bowl, garden beds and rubbish bins
- Improvements to footpaths and crossings, making it easier to cross the street, slow traffic, encourage outdoor dining opportunities and improve access for people of all ages and abilities
- New raised pedestrian crossings to improve access to parking at Hill Street and slow traffic to the town centre
- Raising the existing pedestrian crossing to improve safety and slow traffic
- A new central meeting place for people to gather in front of the School of Arts Hall
- Changes to some timed parking on Blackhall Street to support local

businesses by encouraging a regular turnover of customers

- Heritage Trail – through the Woombye Community and Business Association creation of a future heritage and interpretive trail throughout the town to celebrate Woombye's heritage.

To accommodate the new footpath and pedestrian crossing works, offset parking in lower Blackhall Street, Wakefield Street and Hill Street has already been implemented to ensure no net loss of parking.

The streetscape improvements are being delivered as part of council's Streetscape Capital Works Program. Council, in partnership with the Queensland Government, has allocated \$1.55 million to deliver the streetscape improvements. The State Government has contributed \$500,000 of the total funding under the \$100 million South East Queensland Community Stimulus Program.

### Construction program

Local Kuluin based company DISC Landscapes and Construction has been appointed to undertake the streetscape works.

The project is expected to be constructed from late October 2022 – May 2023 with works staged in zones to minimise inconvenience to residents, businesses and visitors.

Construction activity will take place between 7am and 6pm Monday to Friday (some Saturday work may be required).

No works will take place on public holidays and the site will shut down over the busy Christmas period from approximately 22 December 2022 to 16 January 2023.

A construction compound will be set up nearby, most likely near the open grassed area off Barts Street, just below the Woombye Pub.

All works are subject to weather and site conditions. The Bureau of Meteorology has predicted heavy rainfall over the next few months however the construction team will continue to expedite the works as quickly as possible.

### Zone 1 Construction

The first area of construction will be in front of the School of Arts Hall and Woombye Library.

Community access will remain available to the hall and library during construction.

The construction team will liaise directly with these properties as works proceed.

### Property access, parking and temporary changes to traffic conditions

Safety is council's priority. Pedestrian access will remain available to all businesses and community facilities during construction.

Some on-street carparks and footpath areas will be temporarily closed off when items such as the raised pedestrian crossings or garden bed areas are being constructed.

To ensure the safety of pedestrians, motorists and construction workers, some temporary changes to traffic conditions will take place.

This may include partial lane closures or traffic controllers on site.

Please follow the instructions of traffic controllers and obey signage.

### Business as usual during construction

Access will remain available to all businesses and community facilities during construction.

To assist businesses to plan prior to, during and after streetscape projects, council has produced a *Business Continuity Guide* filled with handy hints. You can download the Guide from council's website.

Please continue to support all local businesses during the construction period.

### Keeping you updated

Council will issue regular construction updates to help keep the community informed as the project progresses.

#### Further information

To register for future project construction updates or contact council's project team please email [woombyestreetscape@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:woombyestreetscape@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au)

Or contact council's customer service via the details below (please quote 'Woombye Streetscape Project').

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**Figure 1: Woombye Streetscape Project works - artist impression**



**Figure 2: Woombye Streetscape Project works - artist impression. Zone 1 construction**



### A note from your local councillor

I would like to thank the local community for helping to bring this project to life. The charm of Woombye will be enhanced by these works and safety improved for residents and visitors. While construction has been staged to minimise inconvenience, Blackall Street will be a construction zone for the next few months. I thank you in advance for your patience and encourage you to continue to support local businesses. Please contact the project team with any questions or concerns.

**Cr Winston Johnston, Division 5**