

# Construction notification

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## First Avenue Upgrade, Maroochydore

### About the project

A new attractive streetscape will soon transform First Avenue, Maroochydore (from Aerodrome Road to The Esplanade and Duporth Avenue Bridge) into a vibrant, shady and inclusive space. It will provide businesses, residents and visitors with a more inviting space to live, work and play.

The final design was developed between 2018 and 2022 in consultation with our community and is now ready for construction thanks to a major funding grant announced earlier this year.

In addition to Council's funding contribution, the First Ave Streetscape project received \$11.9 million from the Australian Government to progress the critical connection between the Maroochydore City Centre and Duporth Avenue, Ocean Street and Cotton Tree.

You can view the final design and learn more about its features on the [project's web page](#).

A summary of the streetscape works includes:

- two raised pedestrian crossings along First Avenue; a raised pedestrian crossing along Cornmeal Parade, Memorial Avenue and George Street, a scramble crossing at the intersection of First Avenue, Duporth Avenue and The Esplanade
- upgrading footpaths and driveways
- upgrading underground services including power, telecommunications, stormwater, and mains water

- improving access for people with disabilities, prams, motorised scooters and other non-motorised forms of transport
- fixing footpath level variations where possible
- transforming the eastern side of First Avenue including extending kerbing and landscaped areas and new street furniture
- transforming the western side of First Avenue into a six metre wide, shared path for pedestrians and cyclists with a continuous, centralised planting strip
- relocating the two bus stops along First Avenue to The Esplanade and upgrading them to minimise conflict with other First Avenue street users
- extensive landscaping, including planting approximately 70 new trees and 1,800 new plants
- installing new street furniture to provide a welcoming, green environment for residents and visitors.

### Works overview

With underground services investigations now complete major construction will start in early 2026 and continue through 2027, weather and site conditions permitting.

The public tender process for the construction contract, has now concluded, and the successful contractor will be announced soon.

All information contained in this communication is accurate at the time of distribution however works and dates are subject to change due to circumstances outside of Sunshine Coast Council's control.

## What to expect

Construction will start at the northern end of First Avenue, near Duporth Avenue and progress toward Aerodrome Road.

To minimise inconvenience to our community, including local businesses while progressing the upgrade as quickly as possible, day and night works will take place.

Works will be staged as required, with periods of day and works.

Construction activity will generally take place between Monday to Friday, 6am to 4pm (day works) and 6pm to 12am (night works).

Contractors and specialist equipment will be on site with intermittent noise expected.

## Traffic and pedestrian access

Vehicle and pedestrian access will remain available to businesses, residences and nearby streets including Duporth Avenue, Aerodrome Road and The Esplanade (sometimes via detours or alternative access).

During footpath, pathway, driveway crossover or road resurfacing works private driveways and car parks may be temporarily inaccessible for periods of up to four working days (weather permitting).

Some temporary, short-term services (electricity, water or telecommunications) interruptions may take place. The relevant service authority will provide advance notice directly to affected businesses and residents.

For safety reasons during construction there will be some temporary, and permanent changes to traffic conditions.

### During construction:

- One way traffic on First Avenue from February 2026 until April 2027
- Intermittent single-lane closures with traffic controllers in place
- Occasional diversions for pedestrians while still permitting access to local businesses

- Temporary use of on-street parking bays for construction equipment and vehicles as required.

### Post construction:

- Permanent changes to on-street parking including 19 car parks to be removed for the First Avenue Upgrade
- Traffic speed shall be reduced from the current 50km/hr to 40km/hr permanently
- Two raised crossings on First Avenue and on the side streets will further slow traffic.

Council and the contractor will seek to minimise inconvenience to our community, including local businesses, by providing timely and regular advice about construction activities and potential impacts.

## Business Continuity Guide

Council has prepared a downloadable [Business Continuity Guide](#) to assist business during the construction process.

## Save the date: Information session

The project team will walk the street during early December 2025 to further discuss the project and answer any questions.

The project team will also be available to answer any question at a drop-in information session:

- **Location:** City Hall foyer
- **Date:** Wednesday 14 January 2026
- **Time:** Between 3pm and 6pm

Please email your interest and questions ahead of time to the project team:

[FirstAvenueUpgrade@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:FirstAvenueUpgrade@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au)

A detailed construction schedule will be shared with our community in early 2026 via our regular email updates and the project's webpage. Please subscribe your email over page to stay informed.

## Register for updates

The best way to keep informed about this project is to [subscribe](#) for emailed updates. Simply scan the QR code below.



**Image 1:** Artist impression of the First Avenue Streetscape looking south from the Duporth Avenue Bridge.

Please share this information with your family, friends, staff and suppliers.

## Contact us

You can also contact the project team directly via email: [FirstAvenueUpgrade@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au](mailto:FirstAvenueUpgrade@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au)

For more information about the First Avenue Upgrade project, including Frequently Asked Questions please visit Council's [website](#). You can also contact the customer contact team on the below details.

**Image 2:** Plan of First Avenue Streetscape upgrade.

