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PROJECT NEWS

Project number: P-H4223

To the Resident

Scholars Drive Link – Sippy Downs

Project summary

The new dual-purpose transport link funded by the Australian Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program will be constructed in Sippy Downs in the coming months.

Scholars Drive Link remains a three metre-wide, dual-purpose pathway connecting Scholars Drive to the roundabout at the intersection of Columbia Street and Varsityview Court, Sippy Downs. Please refer to location of works overleaf.

It will provide for one-way light vehicle access at 20km/hr during school pick-up and drop-off times only. Boom gates will operate to stop vehicles using the Link outside of these times.

Pedestrians and cyclists will be able to enjoy the use of the Link outside of school pick-up and drop-off times. Low-level bollard style lighting and security cameras will be installed along the Link for safety.

Design outcomes

The Scholars Drive Link has been designed under a Safe Systems Approach and incorporates recommendations from an independent Road Safety Audit and Kangaroo Survey and Habitat Assessment. Further information about both assessments can be found on council's website.

Timeline

Construction is scheduled to start late April/early May 2022 and is expected to be completed by 30 June 2022, weather and site conditions permitting.

In general, works will take place between **7am and 5pm, Monday to Friday**. Some work may be required on Saturdays to meet project timelines.

Property access and parking

Council will make every effort to minimise construction impacts during school peak periods.

Informal parking in the cul-de-sac of Scholars Drive and pedestrian access between the University of the Sunshine Coast and Columbia Street/Varsityview Court intersection will be restricted during construction works.

Residential property access will not be impacted. If for some reason your property access may be impacted, you will be contacted directly by a member of the project team.

Traffic and pedestrian management

The safety of all road users and construction workers is Council's top priority.

Some disruption to traffic flow is likely to be experienced.

To facilitate the safe and efficient delivery of this project, traffic management measures will be in place throughout construction.

Council thanks you in advance for your patience and cooperation.

Further information

You can find further information about the Scholars Drive Link project on Council's website at <u>www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au</u>

To contact Council's project team please email scholarsdrivelink@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

Or contact Council's customer service via the details below. Please quote P-H4223 to lodge a request.

Figure 1: General Arrangement Plan - indicative only



Figure 2: Typical Section – indicative only



A note from your local councillor

Hi everyone,

As many know, traffic delays and congestion have been experienced ever since the Queensland Government and the Department of Education decided to build one of the largest State Schools in our region on a cul-de-sac. Council and others have discussed the Scholars Drive Link for as long as I can remember. Community discussion and meetings have occurred over many years. I would like to personally thank USC, the Department of Resources and the Federal Government for their assistance in making this project a reality in order to help combat traffic on Scholars Drive.

Best regards, Christian Dickson