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PROJECT NEWS

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Queen Street–Bower Street - Intersection Upgrade

Project summary

Sunshine Coast Council is upgrading the intersection at Queen and Bower streets in Caloundra to provide new signalised pedestrian crossings. This project will improve safety at this busy intersection for students and the school community, as well as pedestrians and cyclists. It will also help to relieve traffic congestion at school drop off and pick up times.

This important upgrade will include:

- installing traffic signals for new signalised pedestrian crossings
- line marking to formalise traffic lanes on Queen and Bower streets
- an additional west bound traffic lane
- providing a right turn traffic lane from Queen Street to Bower Street
- resurfacing Queen Street, between Bower Street and Allen Street
- a new three-metre-wide shared pathway including two raised priority crossings for pedestrians and cyclists between Bower and Ulm streets (running adjacent to the Queen Street Service Lane)
- street lighting, landscaping and drainage improvements.

Some car parking along Queen Street and the Queen Street Service Lane will require reconfiguration to allow for the intersection upgrade and shared pathway construction.

Minor vegetation removal will be required to make way for the upgraded shared pathway and crossings.

The shared pathway upgrade is jointly funded by the Queensland Government's Department of Transport and Main Roads to extend the cycle network across our region.

A diagram of the project plan is included on page 2.

Construction timeline

Construction is scheduled to begin in mid-August and finish in early November 2022 (weather, site and materials supply conditions permitting).

Construction will be a combination of day and night works, from Monday to Friday. Day works will take place from 6am to 6pm. Night works will take place from 6pm to 4am. Some temporary changes to traffic conditions will be required.

Night works are necessary to minimise inconvenience to the community by ensuring day time traffic flow is retained along Queen Street, including busy school pick up and drop off times.



A note from your local councillor

I'm pleased Council is upgrading the intersection as the safety and congestion improvements from this project will benefit many Caloundra residents, particularly school children and parents/carers. The new signalised pedestrian crossings and shared pathway are critical for this busy school intersection and will make a difference for everyone. I thank the community in advance for their patience during construction.

Cr Terry Landsberg, Division 2

Property access and parking

The project team will continue to liaise with nearby stakeholders, including the Caloundra State High School community and property owners before and during works.

Some properties adjoining the intersection and Queen Street Service Lane will require short term temporary access changes and changes to on-street parking. The project team will liaise with all directly affected properties ahead of any works requiring access changes.

Every effort will be made to minimise disruption to the community during construction.

Traffic management and temporary changes to traffic movements

Traffic management measures will be in place to ensure the safety of pedestrians, cyclists, motorists and the construction team.

The intersection and Service Lane will remain operational. Some temporary day and night time lane closures will be required during construction, however access will be maintained to local streets.

During construction of the shared pathway and raised priority crossings, one way traffic will operate along the Service Lane. Signage will help to communicate these changes to motorists.

Register for email updates or for further information

Contact the project team. To register for email updates about this project, or seek further information, you can contact the project team directly on:

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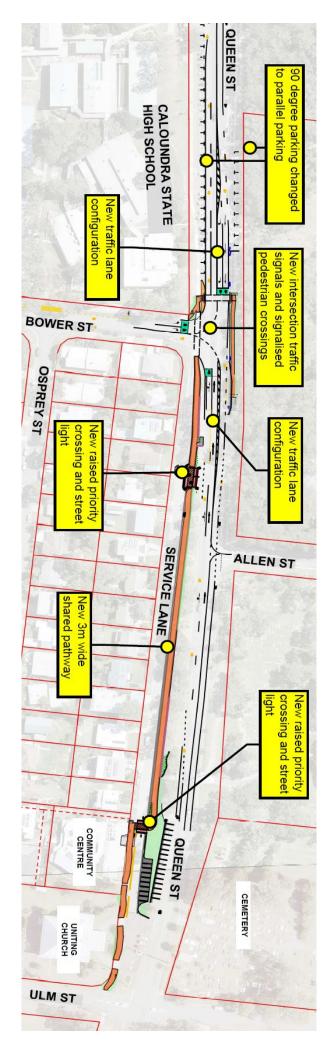
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Figure 1 (at right): Queen and Bower Street intersection and pathway upgrade design



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