

# Work to start on new CBD bus infrastructure



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Roads and Maritime Services will install new bus infrastructure in the CBD from Monday 27 October to improve CBD bus services. This work is part of the NSW Government's Sydney City Centre Access Strategy to support light rail and deliver a fully integrated transport network in Sydney's CBD that puts the customer first and meets the growing demand for transport services.

Installing bus infrastructure and redesigning bus routes will deliver new and improved services that are more reliable, easier to understand and offer better flexibility for transfer with other transport modes.

In June 2014, Transport for NSW released the Sydney City Centre Bus Infrastructure Review of Environmental Factors for public display and consultation. A number of changes were made in response to submissions received, including resizing bus layover waiting areas to retain some parking and loading spaces and removing some proposed bus zones to reduce impacts on businesses and residents. We are also looking at some additional refinements in O'Connell Street and Bligh Street, which we will consult on with local residents and businesses shortly.

Our Submissions Report, which provides a summary of feedback and project design changes and the Review of Environmental Factors for the project, can be downloaded from our website at [www.rms.nsw.gov.au/cbdaccess](http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/cbdaccess).

The project has been determined in line with the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act of 1979* and we are now getting ready to start construction.

## Upcoming works

Sites for storage of equipment and materials for the bus infrastructure work will start to be established from 27 October in two city locations:

- Eastern side of Castlereagh Street between Hay Street and Campbell Street
- The corner of Pitt Street and Hay Street adjacent to Belmore Park

Following this, we will progressively:

- Install new bus stops, bus shelters, bus zones and roadside furniture
- Remove existing bus stops, bus zones, bus shelters and roadside furniture at some locations

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- Reconfigure the existing bus lane network
- Reconfigure existing bus zones and layovers and providing new bus layover zones
- Adjust roads and pavements, including modifications to existing kerb-lines and footpaths, lane markings and reconstruction of median kerbs
- Remove and relocate taxi ranks, loading zones and parking bays where bus zones, bus lanes and bus layovers are proposed
- Install or remove signage.

## Work schedule

Construction hours are **Monday to Friday 7am to 6pm** and **Saturdays 8am to 1pm**. Some **night work** will be required from **8pm to 5am**. There will be noise associated with this work, but every effort will be made to minimise the impact on residents and businesses. We will inform local residents and businesses ahead of construction occurring in the area, including night works.

The first phase of work will be carried out in the following streets, weather permitting.

Location	Start date	Duration
Gresham Street	Monday 27 October	8 weeks
Pitt Street between Bridge Street and Alfred Street	Monday 10 November	1 week
Pitt Street between Hay Street and Eddy Avenue	Monday 3 December	4 weeks
York Street at Barrack Street intersection	Saturday 6 December	1 week

Additional work may need to be carried out at each of the locations. Residents and businesses affected by the works will be notified as construction progresses throughout the CBD.

## Changed traffic conditions

Minor delays are expected due to changed traffic conditions. Lane closures will be in place while some work is carried out to ensure the safety of road users and workers. Road users are asked to follow the direction of traffic controllers, adhere to reduced speed limits and follow traffic signs.

We apologise for any inconvenience this work may cause and appreciate your patience.

## Further information

If you would like more information on the project or would like to be added to the project email list, please contact us on 1800 822 486 or email [cbd.busaccess@rms.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cbd.busaccess@rms.nsw.gov.au).

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For information on the Sydney City Centre Access Strategy visit [www.transport.nsw.gov.au](http://www.transport.nsw.gov.au).

For information on the CBD and South East Light Rail visit [www.sydneylightrail.transport.nsw.gov.au](http://www.sydneylightrail.transport.nsw.gov.au).