INNER WEST COUNCIL

WESTCONNEX PROJECT UPDATE 03.07.19

STAGE 1 - M4 East

Extraordinary Community Reference Group (CRG) on M4 East operational matters

Roads & Maritime Services (RMS) convened this extraordinary meeting on 25 June 2019 to ensure stakeholders were briefed on M4 East opening and operational matters. The M4 East contactor gave a presentation on the community open day for the project and progress toward completion of the project. Although it is expected that the project will open to traffic in July 2019, no date has been given as it cannot be known precisely at this stage when the project will be fully completed. The briefing included progress of completion of landscaping of the Haberfield Gardens and other residual lands. RMS staff gave a presentation on final pedestrian crossing treatments around the portals. RMS also presented on the forthcoming Road Network Performance Review Plan (i.e. 12-montly and five-yearly operational traffic reviews) that will be undertaken in accordance with M4 East Condition of Approval (CoA) E36. CRG meeting notes are posted on the <u>WestConnex CRG website</u>.

Construction Updates – Haberfield and Ashfield

The Stage 1 contractor has issued an update each for Haberfield and Ashfield regarding works in these respective suburbs. For further information, see <u>Notification N401a</u> and <u>Notification N402a</u> on <u>Local Updates</u>.

STAGE 3A – M4-M5 Link Tunnels

Geotechnical Investigations - Alt Street, Haberfield

The Stage 3A contractor has issued a notice for geotechnical survey works to be undertaken along Alt Street, Haberfield, commencing 3 July 2019. These works are expected to take up to two weeks to complete, weather and conditions permitting. Works will be conducted from 7am to 6pm weekdays and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays. For further information, see <u>Notification MT097</u> on <u>Local Updates</u>.

Geotechnical Investigations – Annandale Street, Annandale

The Stage 3A contractor has issued a notice for geotechnical survey works to be undertaken along Annandale Street, Annandale, commencing 3 July 2019. These works are expected to take up to two weeks to complete, weather and conditions permitting. Works will be conducted from 7am to 6pm weekdays and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays. For further information, see <u>Notification MT100</u> on <u>Local Updates</u>.

Project interface meeting

Council and Stage 3A contractor staff recently met at a monthly interface meeting. Items discussed included: a general update of construction activities; final geotechnical survey works; footway widths next to the Haberfield G-loop site; high-voltage installation works at Pyrmont Bridge Road (PBR) and Haberfield construction sites; a recent dust complaint at PBR site; identification of property owners of tenanted properties for property condition surveys; and a general update on property condition surveys. In relation to the final item, contractor reported that there was an estimated total of 4,500 to 5,000 properties that would be eligible for property condition surveys provided by the contractor. At this stage 2,600 property owners have been offered surveys and 1,300 have taken up the offer (around 50% uptake). Around 600 survey reports have been completed and issued.

Construction of Campbell Road ventilation facility (piling works) – St Peters

The Stage 3A contractor has given a general notice that, from July 2019 through to mid-2020 piling works will be undertaken to install the foundations for the Campbell Street ventilation facility. Works will run from 7AM to 6AM weekdays and 8AM to 1Pm Saturdays. For more information see <u>Notification MT120</u> on <u>Local Updates</u>.

STAGE 3B – Rozelle Interchange

Project interface meeting

Council and Stage 3B contractor staff recently met at a monthly interface meeting. Items discussed included: lighting assets along pathways and roadways, harmonisation between WestConnex's future Residual Land plans and Council's Recreation and Needs study, site establishment works, geotechnical investigation surveys, plans for property condition reports, resident parking schema, and general updates.

GENERAL

Staff meeting to discuss Council's WestConnex Local Area Traffic Improvement Strategy (LAIS)

Council and RMS staff recently met to discuss how Council's LAIS might interact and complement RMS's 12 Road Network Performance Review Plans that are required to be undertaken for each stage of WestConnex. Council had previously written to RMS seeking funding for completion of traffic-calming works identified in the LAIS. Whilst funding has not been committed, RMS staff have signalled a commitment to working with Council to assess local operational traffic impacts.

Council's draft Integrated Transport Strategy (ITS) on public exhibition

The ITS is on public exhibition until 28 July 2019. It is part of Council's development of its Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS), which will help guide the development of Council's new comprehensive Local Environmental Plan (LEP) and Development Control Plan (DCP). To view the ITS, lodge comments and view dates for drop-in consultation sessions, go to <u>Council's Integrated Transport Strategy page</u>.

Concept design for Sydney Gateway project

Sydney Gateway is a proposed motorway connection from Sydney Airport's domestic and international terminals to the WestConnex St Peters Interchange. A concept design for the project was publicly exhibited from 27 May to 21 June 2019 and Council made a submission. Further information is available on the <u>RMS' Sydney Gateway website</u> for this project.