

# Light Rail to Woden Construction Update

Monthly Look Ahead for August 2023



## BUILT FOR CBR

The ACT Government is building light rail to Woden to help make Canberra a more connected, sustainable, and vibrant city. This construction look ahead provides a summary of expected activity in the work zones for the month ahead on Raising London Circuit – an enabling project for light rail to Woden.



## Main works on Raising London Circuit

### Activities in August

- > New temporary road opens and earthworks continue
- > Heavy vehicle movement for fill placement
- > Site remediation activities around London Circuit
- > Relocation of water, sewer and stormwater pipes and structures, communications and electrical services
- > Potholing to identify existing service locations and removing redundant services
- > Erosion and sediment controls
- > Ongoing site preparation such as decommissioning streetlights and footpath, pavement and kerb removal

## Side track and bridge demolition

The new side track/temporary road along the western side of Commonwealth Avenue, across Parkes Way is expected to be open **after 20 August 2023**, weather permitting. Drivers heading north on Commonwealth Avenue towards the city will be diverted onto the side track. Drivers heading south will be diverted on the northbound lanes, allowing for the upcoming demolition of the southbound bridge. Further information and a detour map will be provided closer to the opening date.

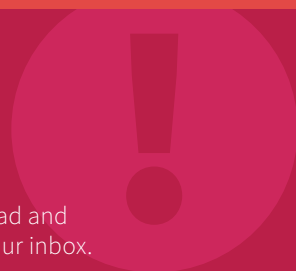
Once northbound traffic is diverted to the side track, work crews will demolish the existing southbound Commonwealth Avenue bridge over London Circuit and the retaining walls. Earthworks and importing fill to the area will also continue.



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## Site works August

### LEGEND

-  Construction footprint
-  Construction compound
-  Road closure
-  Closed car park

Telecommunications works

Edinburgh Avenue intersection works

London Circuit and cloverleaf ramps closed

Whilst these works are occurring there will be traffic changes and pedestrian and traffic management in place to ensure safety.



## Overall project works in August

### Early works – telecommunications work

Work will continue to connect new and existing infrastructure as well as reinstate the area following telecommunications trenching and conduit installation along London Circuit.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Service providers undertaking connections will issue a notification to customers if there are any scheduled impacts to existing services.

### Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit intersection

Work to modify the intersection of Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit is required as part of the London Circuit closure.

From mid-August, Edinburgh Avenue will be reduced to one lane westbound between London Circuit and Marcus Clarke Street. There will be traffic changes, long-term footpath closures, work areas and barriers in place. Parking bays on the northern side of Edinburgh Avenue (adjacent to the Metropolitan building) will be removed. Work will be conducted for utility investigations and installation, including the installation of electrical infrastructure along Edinburgh Avenue (between London Circuit and Marcus Clarke Street).

Where traffic changes are required, traffic and pedestrian detours may be implemented. There will always be one lane in and out open to ensure local access, including access to the QT Hotel. Pedestrian access around the area will also always be maintained.

## Asbestos management

As the Raising London Circuit project continues in August, construction activities will include the removal of encountered Asbestos Containing Material (ACM). Through the excavation and removal of existing structures and utility work, there is the possibility of unexpected finds, which can include ACM. Any ACM discovered will be analysed and removed by a licensed asbestos assessor and removalist. For more information about the removal of ACM, please refer to the project fact sheet on the [Light Rail to Woden website](#).



## Weekend day and night work

Throughout August, work on fill placement will be carried out from **7am to 6pm on Saturdays**. Work will be undertaken within the closure area, but you may notice an increase in trucks entering and exiting the site.

### Parke's Way off ramp

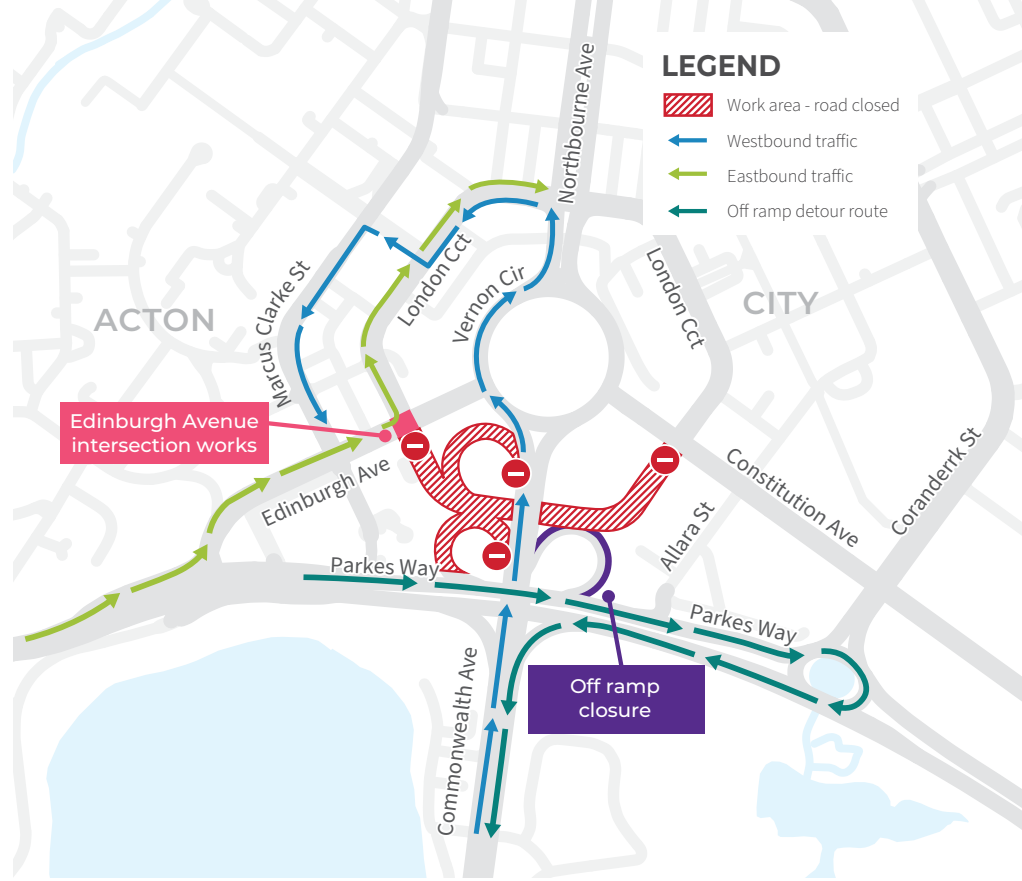
The Parke's Way South-East off ramp will be closed from **6pm Friday 4 August to 7am Monday 7 August**. During this closure, kerbs and footpaths will be removed, drainage infrastructure will be installed, and new pavements will be constructed. Parke's Way will remain open during the works. A detour will be in place during the works (see night and weekend works map).

Work in the road shoulder of the Parke's Way South-East off ramp will be required for a road crossing. This work will take place from 6pm to 7am, Monday to Friday. The off ramp will remain open during this work but there will be reduced speed limits and traffic control in place while work is carried out.

### Edinburgh Avenue intersection work

To undertake stormwater work, the intersection of Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit will be partially closed for two full weekends in August. The first closure will be to undertake stormwater investigations and the second will allow the installation of stormwater pipes. Additional closures may be required later if the work is unable to be completed across these weekends. Further details will be provided in advance.

Works will be carried out during the total duration of the shutdown, including overnight. The existing pavement will be removed, the area excavated, and investigations or installations carried out. Once this is complete the area will be reinstated.



During this time, the southbound lane of London Circuit will be closed from Gordon Street. Edinburgh Avenue will also be closed from Vernon Circle to London Circuit. Detours will be in place and access to the QT Hotel will be maintained.

Road users who would usually turn left on Edinburgh Avenue from Vernon Circle will need to continue on Vernon Circle, turn left on London Circuit, then use University Avenue and Marcus Clarke Street to reach Edinburgh Avenue (see map for detour).

### Utility works

In August night work will be required around the site to undertake utility relocations and cutovers. This includes at the intersections of Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit and Constitution Avenue and London Circuit. This work will be carried out by the asset owner and may include some noisy activities. Properties will be notified directly by the asset owner if services will be impacted. While work is undertaken there will be lane closures

and traffic control in place around the intersection, but local access will be maintained.

### Other works

Upkeep of landscaping at Vernon Circle will take place between **7am and 6pm, one Saturday each month**. During this work there may be lane closures and traffic control in place around the area.

Graffiti removal and fencing maintenance will be done around the site between **6pm and 7am, Monday to Friday** and **6am and 6pm on Saturdays**.

Other night works may need to take place in August. We will publish notifications on [act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden](http://act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden) to let you know when these works will take place.



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