

Light Rail to Woden Construction Update

Monthly Look Ahead for December 2022



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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.



Early works on raising London Circuit finishing soon

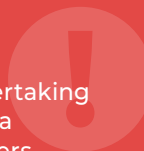
Early utility relocation works on raising London Circuit is nearing completion.

Telecommunications providers continue to undertake connections with new and existing infrastructure. Whilst these works are occurring there will be traffic changes and pedestrian and traffic management in place to ensure safety.

Works to reinstate the area following telecommunications trenching and conduit installation is ongoing and expected to be finalised in early 2023 (weather permitting).

PLEASE NOTE:

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



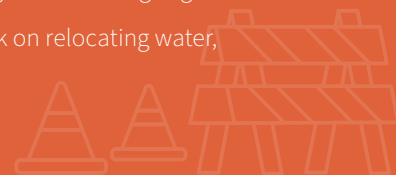
Commencement of main works on Raising London Circuit

With the new traffic light at Vernon Circle now operational, **London Circuit is now closed between Edinburgh Avenue and Constitution Avenue.**

Around 60,000 cubic metres of fill will be used to raise London Circuit by six metres to form an at-grade intersection with Commonwealth Avenue. Two of the existing cloverleaf ramps will be removed, with access routes via Edinburgh Avenue and Constitution Avenue channelling traffic to the City's west and east. This important road project will close the gap between the city and lake delivering more accessible footpaths, dedicated cycle lanes and more vibrant and useable public spaces.

In November we installed new traffic lights at Vernon Circle, undertook works to extend the City Hill footpath and prepared for the temporary closure of London Circuit. Bollards and concrete barriers have been installed, and line marking has been adjusted. Now that the closure is in place, site establishment will begin. Site establishment includes installation of fencing and tree protection, further line marking, installation of signage and trimming and removing vegetation.

In December we will also begin work on relocating water, stormwater and wastewater mains.



Main works – work hours

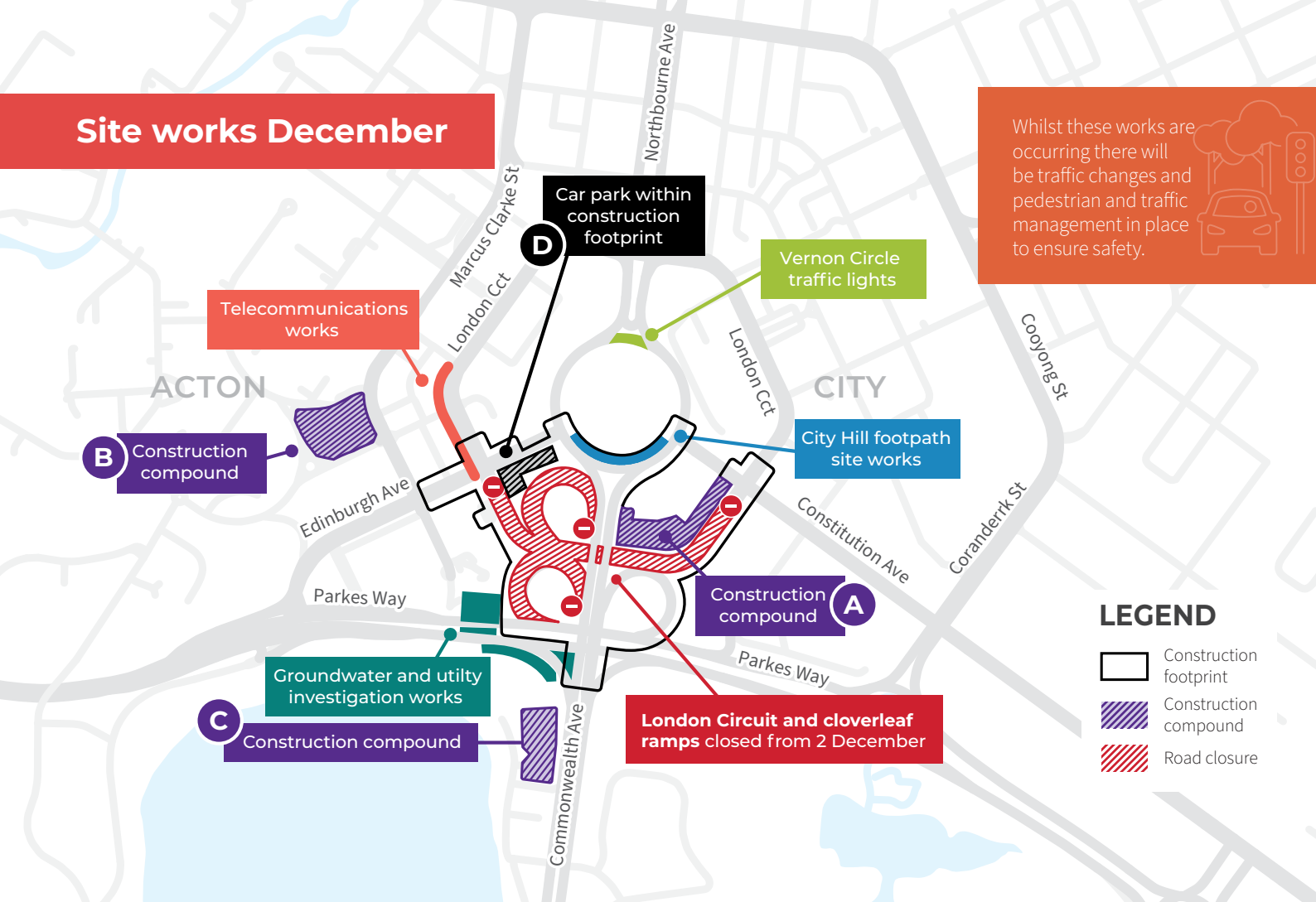
Our standard construction work hours are Monday to Friday 7am to 6pm and on Saturdays between 7am and 1pm.

At times, to ensure safety and minimise impacts on the community, works will take place at night.

While we make every effort to inform you of upcoming construction activities, works are weather dependent and subject to change. Updated date and times are published online at act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden/construction.

Site works December

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



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-  Construction footprint
-  Construction compound
-  Road closure

Overall project works in December

Early works – groundwater and utility investigations

Groundwater investigations to determine if there is suitable water yield for irrigating the project's landscaping features will continue in December. Potholing investigation works will also be undertaken along Parkes Way between Commonwealth Avenue and Edinburgh Avenue. These works will involve minor potholing excavation to confirm the locations of underground utility services, including how deep they are. At completion of the potholing all surface reinstatement within the grassed areas will be completed.

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. This work is expected to be finalised in early 2023 (weather permitting).

Traffic light installation at Vernon Circle

To prepare for the temporary closure of London Circuit, traffic lights have been installed on the northern section of Vernon Circle. Now that London Circuit is closed between Edinburgh Avenue and Constitution Avenue, the Vernon Circle work area will be demobilised, and landscaping will be completed. Some of this work will be required to take place at night and will involve road closures.

To ensure safety, while these works are taking place there will be traffic changes and pedestrian and traffic management in place.

City Hill footpath

The existing footpath on City Hill is being extended, linking the footpath between Edinburgh Avenue and Constitution Avenue. In December, final landscaping and demobilisation of the work site will be undertaken.

During off peak periods and at night, intermittent northbound lane closures may be required. To safely carry out this work, safety barriers will be in place to protect work crews and motorists.

Status of site compounds

The Raising London Circuit project is using space within four city car parks for site compounds and construction activities:

- A** ACT Government surface City Hill car park (corner of Constitution Avenue and London Circuit)
- B** ACT Government surface car park at 41 Marcus Clarke Street
- C** ACT Government Acton waterfront surface car park
- D** ACT Government surface carpark at the corner of London Circuit and Edinburgh Avenue

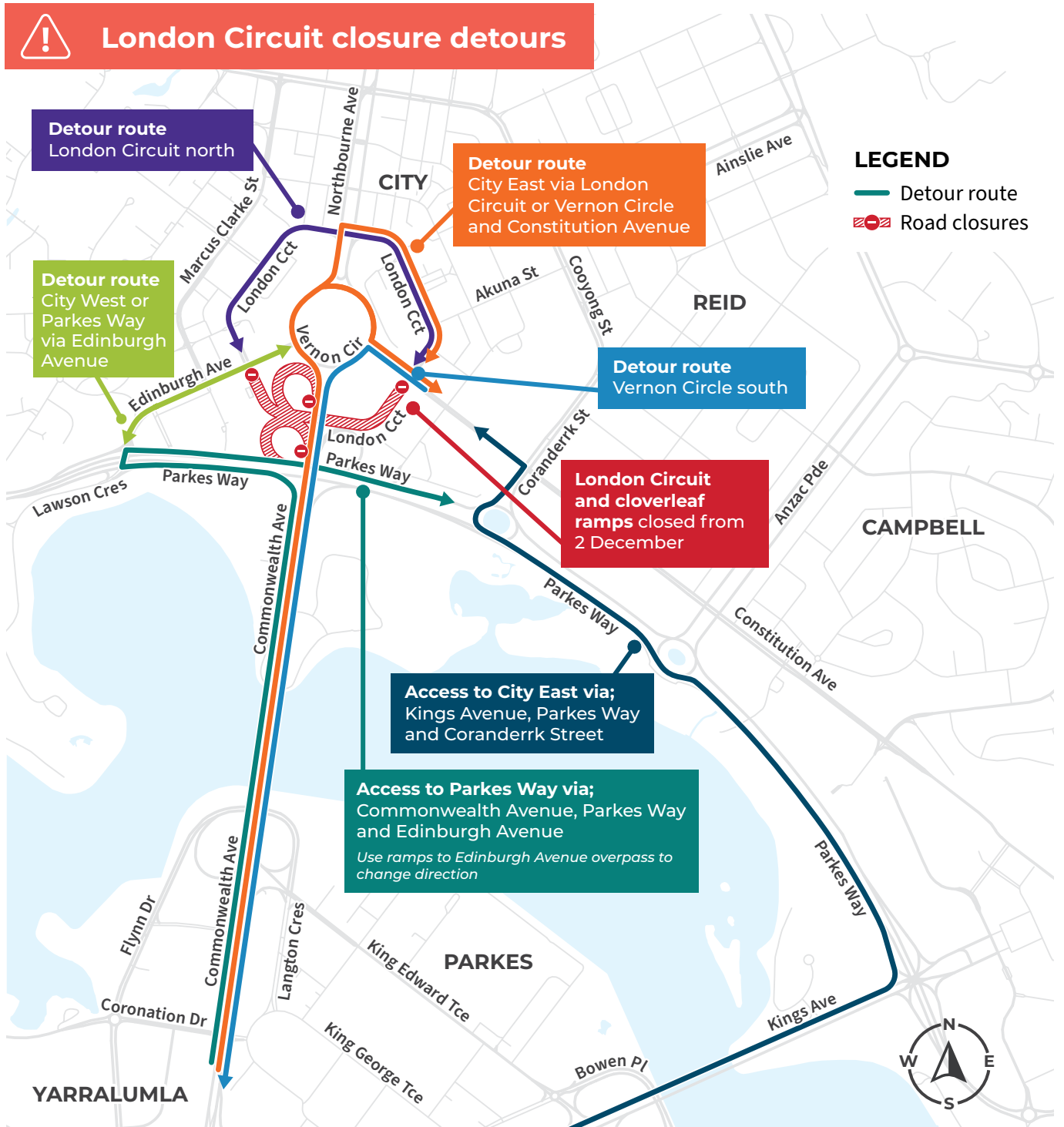
This will involve a temporary loss of some parking spaces during the construction period.

Site compounds within carparks A and B have been set up and are now in use, and Carpark D is now closed following the closure of London Circuit. Carpark C will be closed in early 2023.





London Circuit closure detours



How to get around the city

To support work to raise London Circuit, London Circuit is now closed temporarily between Edinburgh Avenue and Constitution Avenue.

The two western cloverleaf ramps off Commonwealth Avenue are permanently closed and affected commuters will need to rethink how and when they travel in the area.

To help commuters find their way in and around the city during raising London Circuit works, detours are in place to maintain access to City East (such as

Reid) and City West (including New Acton and ANU) and to Parkes Way from South Canberra.

Traffic lights have been installed on the northern section of Vernon Circle and the Coranderrk Street and Parkes Way roundabout to improve traffic flows during construction.

If possible, travel outside of peak times and find other ways to travel. To walk, e-scoot or cycle between the city's east and west, active travellers can use a new footpath and pedestrian signals on City

Hill between Constitution Avenue and Edinburgh Avenue which will provide a safe route when completed.

With the removal of the northwest cloverleaf buses will use the new bus lane on Vernon Circle to access the nearby City Interchange via Constitution Avenue. Bus customers can plan their journey at transport.act.gov.au.

Stay up to date on travel impacts. Visit builtforcbr.act.gov.au/travel-impacts.





What to expect

While we make every effort to minimise construction disruption and impacts to the community, at times within the construction footprint area you can expect to experience higher levels of noise and dust, traffic, pedestrian and cyclist changes involving detours and an increase in construction vehicle movements.

Throughout construction we will continue to notify of upcoming work and we will monitor our activities and make adjustments to our controls where needed.

Thank you for your patience and understanding while we carry out this important work.

Construction notifications are published online at act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden.

Weekend and Night work

From Monday 5 December 2022 to Friday 9 December 2022 there will be night work to install barriers and temporary traffic measures on Commonwealth Avenue.

From Monday 5 December 2022 until Friday 9 December 2022 there will be utility investigations to identify existing services in the area ahead of watermain and electrical installation. This work will include potholing and excavation and is planned to be carried out along Constitution Avenue, between London Circuit and Vernon Circle and will involve staged temporary closures of both eastbound and westbound lanes. Detours and traffic control will be in place.

Potholing and preparation work for watermain crossing, stormwater and wastewater main installation is planned to be carried out at the

intersection of Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit from Monday 5 December 2022 until Friday 9 December 2022. In the event of poor weather work may be delayed to the following week. This work will involve staged temporary lane closures, and detours and traffic control will be in place.

Work over the weekend will take place between 7am and 6pm, with night work to be undertaken between 8pm and 6am.

Other night works may need to take place in December. We will publish notifications on act.gov.au/lightrailtowoden to let you know when these works will take place.



Sign up for updates

Use this QR code to receive this look ahead and supplementary construction notifications direct to your inbox.

Stay safe near the work site

As major works begin on London Circuit, please remember to stay safe and follow all signage. Pedestrians and cyclists are reminded to not enter construction zones, look out for signage and only use designated road crossings.

Road users in the area are reminded to please slow down and take care while driving on impacted roads. Please follow all signage and pay attention to directions from traffic controllers, especially when travelling at night when additional road closures may occur.



To speak to someone in a language other than English telephone the Telephone Interpreter Service (TIS) **13 14 50**. It operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

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