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Built for CBR: The infrastructure projects re-shaping our city



Pictured: Site Engineer Neori Nadruku and Design Graduate Taylar Hoadley are part of the construction team behind Canberra Hospital's new Critical Services Building.



Message from the Chief Minister

The ACT Government is supporting thousands of local jobs through the delivery of its \$6.6 billion infrastructure program. This includes new and upgraded facilities in public healthcare, public education, transport, city services and our sporting, arts and entertainment precincts.

Over the coming years, the Government will be delivering the infrastructure priorities it has already

outlined, but also working on what comes next for the future of the city.

As Canberra's economic recovery continues, it is important that the Government invests strongly in our local infrastructure. And it will be infrastructure that is uniquely Canberran; built to support the lifestyle Canberrans want.

Andrew Barr



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A new 'superstructure' is rising out of the ground at Canberra Hospital as work continues to deliver bigger and better health infrastructure for our growing city.

The Critical Services Building will provide more operating rooms, treatment spaces and intensive care beds when it is completed in 2024.

Passers-by will start getting a better idea of how the finished building will look when facade installation starts later this year.

The new facility will link to the existing main hospital building through a welcome hall. To start that integration, Hospital Road has been reconfigured as separate north and south roads, with u-turns on both sides. A temporary hospital entrance is also in place.



London Circuit project gathers pace

Preparations are underway for work to start on raising London Circuit later this year.

The project will create a level intersection with Commonwealth Avenue, enabling the next stage of light rail and improving active travel between the city and the lake. Before this project commences, traffic lights will be installed on both the Coranderrk Street roundabout and Vernon Circle to help with traffic flow during construction.

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Clinicians test world-class hospital facilities

The medical staff at Canberra Hospital has started testing new medical facilities that will feature in the new Critical Services Building.

The prototype shed includes features to simulate an operating theatre, intensive care unit bay, resuscitation bay, equipment zones, staff stations and patient rooms.

Patient scenarios will test the equipment and layout before the new Critical Services Building opens in 2024.

Pictured: Canberra Hospital clinicians examining the facilities during their construction.



Stay well this winter

Follow these simple steps to help protect yourself and others from illness this winter:

- Book your flu shot
- Stay home when unwell
- Practise good hygiene
- Wear a mask
- Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccinations

Head online for more tips.



Intersection upgrades starting soon

Traffic lights will soon be installed at the following three intersections as part of ongoing efforts to improve safety and traffic flow in the region:

- Dudley Street/Novar Street/Kent Street/Adelaide
 Avenue on-ramp_______
- Adelaide Avenue off-ramp/Kent Street
- Kent Street/Denison Street.

Other upgrades include widening the Adelaide Avenue off-ramp to Kent Street and installing off-road paths and crossing signals to improve active travel connections.

This project is jointly funded by the ACT and Australian Governments.





Help design Acton Waterfront park

You are invited to share ideas and provide feedback on the planned Acton Waterfront park.

Have your say on preliminary designs and help transform the area into a park for all Canberrans to enjoy.

The proposed designs include more green open spaces, better connections with the city and features that celebrate the site's history and national significance.

Head online for more information, to view the designs and provide your input.



Common Ground set to welcome first residents

Construction is nearing completion on a new public housing development in Dickson that will provide vulnerable Canberrans with permanent accommodation.

Common Ground will include 40 residential units, communal areas and support services to improve residents' health and provide education and employment pathways.

Residents are due to move in later this year.



Woolley Street upgrades well underway

A new space for pop-up markets, live music and outdoor dining are among the upgrades now underway in Woolley Street in Dickson. The project is due for completion in late 2022.

Acknowledgement of Country

The ACT Government acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land, the Ngunnawal people. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and contribution to the life of this city and region.





Raising London Circuit guide

Understand how the impacts on your travel will be eased as construction starts on this city-shaping project.

Preparations are underway for work to start on raising London Circuit later this year.

The project will create a level intersection between London Circuit and Commonwealth Avenue, enabling the next stage of light rail and improving walking and cycling paths between the city and the lake.

With construction to affect travel through the city over the coming years, the ACT Government will work with the community and businesses to help minimise the impact. You will be told early and often about upcoming traffic changes, delays and transport and travel alternatives.

Works approved

The National Capital Authority has approved this project following extensive community consultation.

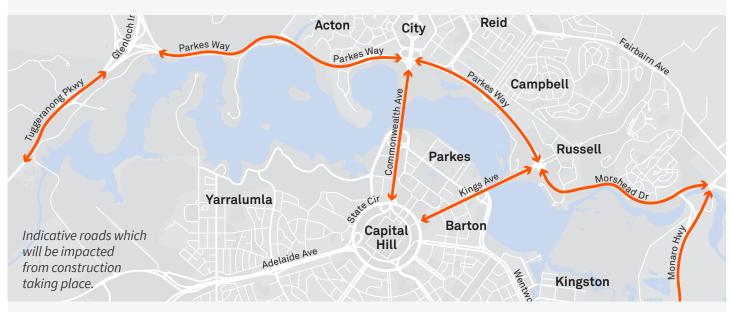
This means work can start on delivering this important road project for Canberra that will seamlessly connect the city to the lake.

The most significant travel impacts are expected to start in early 2023 as main construction works scale up.

Sign up for project updates at **builtforCBR.act.gov.au**

Preparing the road network

The road network will be improved before major construction work starts on raising London Circuit.



Coranderrk Street traffic lights

Traffic lights are being installed on the westbound lanes that turn right at the roundabout on Parkes Way to Coranderrk Street.

The lights will become operational later this year and will help support overflow traffic when Commonwealth Avenue's capacity is reduced in 2023.



Talk to us in the city

ACT Government representatives will be out and about across the city over the coming months to provide more information and answer your questions on raising London Circuit. For more on where to find us and to sign up to project updates, visit **builtforCBR.act.gov.au**.

Vernon Circle traffic lights

Temporary traffic lights will be installed on the northern side of Vernon Circle during construction to allow safe right turns onto Constitution Avenue and London Circuit.

Real-time traffic updates

Traffic monitoring technology installed in key locations across central Canberra will provide real-time traffic information to road users via road message boards, radio and social media.

Monitoring of the traffic network will also result in faster responses to accidents or issues before they cause congestion.

Path upgrades

Several shared paths will be upgraded and signs installed to help people walk, ride or scoot into the city.

Most paths around the construction zone will remain open – some with temporary detours – and a new path through City Hill will be built to improve pedestrian access.

Rethink your route, rethink your routine

Rethink your route, rethink your routine ahead of construction starting later this year.

This could mean travelling outside peak times or finding other ways to travel to the city such as walking, cycling or e-scooting.

Maps and guides can be found at builtforCBR.act.gov.au

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Local kids name hospital cranes

A group of Garran Primary School students have celebrated the official naming of the two electric tower cranes at work on the Canberra Hospital's new Critical Services Building.

Following a public vote on 12 name submissions made by the Garran Primary School students, the winning names are 'Lightning McCrane' and 'Cranosaurus'.

These cranes play an important role moving heavy or bulky materials such as steel, concrete, machines and other items on the construction site.



Home fire safety tips

With unattended cooking the most common cause of house fires, here are some safety and prevention tips:

- Always watch open flames and never leave cooking unattended.
- Ensure kitchen appliances are clean before use. Keep stoves, ovens, and exhaust fans free of grease and fat build-up.
- Keep stovetops clear of flammable material like tea towels and electrical cords, with pot handles facing inwards.
- Have a fire blanket and extinguisher in the kitchen.
- Never use water to extinguish an oil or grease fire.

Head online for more advice on preventing fire in the home.



Bin day changes

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Bin day is changing in Dickson and Downer from 13 June. View the new calendar online.

8–26 June	Siblings - Botanic Inspirations The Australian National Botanic Gardens
15 June	The Wombats UC Refectory
15–19 June	The Initiation by Cathy Petocz Canberra Theatre Centre
18–25 June	Twenty Minutes with The Devil The Street Theatre
19 June	NRL: Raiders v Knights GIO Stadium
24 June	NRL Ampol Women's State of Origin GIO Stadium
26 June	Canberra Fashion, Food and Wine Market Fitters' Workshop
For more events and details, visit events.canberra.com.au	



Upcoming ACT Government **consultations**

Help shape decisions affecting you and your community for current and upcoming projects, including:

- Disability 10-year strategy;
- ACT Disability Health Strategy;
- Acton Waterfront park; and
 - Trees in the ACT.

For more, visit yoursay.act.gov.au.



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