Light Rail to WodenConstruction Update

Monthly Look Ahead for July 2023



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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.



Main works on Raising London Circuit

Activities in July

- Localised dismantling of retaining walls on the west side of Commonwealth Avenue
- Temporary side track and pavement construction
- Site remediation activities around London Circuit
- Relocation of water, sewer, stormwater pipes and structures, wastewater mains, and 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, footpath, pavement, and kerb removal

Sidetrack and bridge demolition

In July, work will continue on building a side track (temporary road) along the existing Commonwealth Avenue bridge over London Circuit. This side track will be used to divert traffic off the existing Commonwealth Avenue bridge over London Circuit, so that work can commence soon after on dismantling the bridges. Learn more about this part of the project at act. gov.au/lightrailtowoden/raising-london-circuit. More information on this work and the traffic change will be provided soon.

Asbestos management

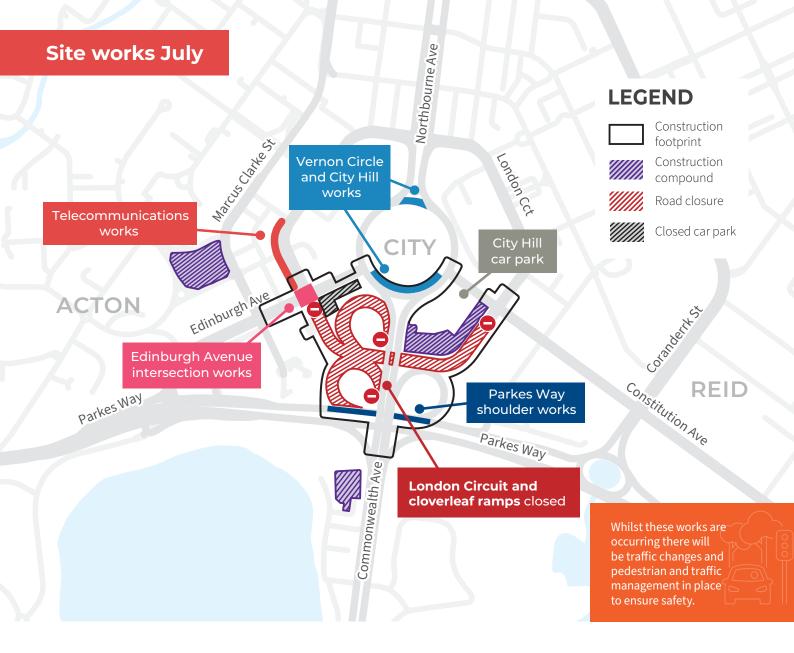
As the Raising London Circuit project continues in July, construction activities will include the removal of encountered Asbestos Containing Material (ACM). Through the excavation and removal of existing structures and utility work, there is the possibility of unexpected finds, which can include ACM. 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**.



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Overall project works in July

City Hill footpath and Vernon Circle

Ongoing works for the maintenance of City Hill footpath and Vernon Circle will continue throughout the project, as needed.

Parkes Way

In July, there will be work carried out on Parkes Way (near Commonwealth Avenue) as part of the side track works. This will take about a month to complete and will be undertaken during standard construction hours. One lane will be closed on Parkes Way eastbound during off-peak times.

Accessible car spaces change at City Hill

Accessible car spaces in the City Hill car park will be moved from facing London Circuit to facing Constitution Avenue. The original car spaces will be closed for construction use.

Early works – telecommunications work

Work will continue in July 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. Throughout July, there will be traffic changes and long-term lane and footpath closures at the Edinburgh Avenue intersection and along Edinburgh Avenue, between London Circuit and Marcus Clarke Street. Barriers and work areas will be in place 24/7. Parking bays on the northern side of Edinburgh Avenue will be removed. Work will be conducted for utility investigations and installation, including the installation of electrical and stormwater infrastructure along Edinburgh Avenue (from London Circuit to 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. Please follow wayfinding signs and instructions from traffic controllers.

Night and weekend work

Throughout July, work on the side track will be carried out from 7am to 6pm on **Saturdays**. Work will be undertaken within the construction footprint, but you may notice an increase in trucks entering and exiting the site.

Commonwealth Avenue

From Monday 17 July to Friday **21 July**, we will conduct night work on Commonwealth Avenue near the bridges over London Circuit. The work will take place from 6pm to 6am across five shifts. During this time, we will remove kerbs, signs, and railings, and construct pavements required for the side track and upcoming traffic switch. As a result, one lane in each direction of Commonwealth Avenue (northbound and southbound) will be closed, and traffic control measures will be in place. In case of wet weather, we may continue the work from 24 to 28 July.

Edinburgh Avenue works

To undertake stormwater work, the intersection of Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit will be partially closed for two full weekends between Friday, 6pm and Monday, 8am in late July/early **August**. 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.

Works will be carried out during the total duration of the shutdown, including overnight. The existing pavement will be removed, the area excavated, and new stormwater pipes installed. Once this is completed, the area will be reinstated. 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 detour map). Additional closures may be required later if the work is unable to be



completed across these weekends.

Night work will also be required throughout July at the intersection of Edinburgh Avenue and London Circuit, and within the London Circuit construction footprint, to undertake utility relocations and cutovers. This work will be carried out by the asset owner and may include some noisy activities. Properties will be notified directly where 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.

Parkes way ramp night works

Night work in the road shoulder of the Parkes Way South-East off ramp will be required for a road crossing. This work will take place from **6pm to 7am, Monday to Friday**, and will take around ten shifts to complete. 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.

Other night and weekend 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 be needed in July. We will publish notifications on act. gov.au/lightrailtowoden to let you know when these will take place.



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