

Ashton Avenue Bridge Replacement, Claremont

Main Roads is planning to replace the Ashton Avenue Bridge over the railway in Claremont in 2018.

The old timber bridge was built more than 100 years ago and currently has a 12-tonne load limit. Replacing it with a modern steel and concrete structure will ensure it is suitable for all standard vehicles.

Traffic flow will be improved with the inclusion of a second traffic lane southbound, providing a dedicated right-turn lane on this busy route.

As part of this project, the temporary right turn from Chancellor Street to Guger Street – implemented after the weight restriction was applied to the bridge – will be removed. The right turn from Guger Street to Ashton Avenue will also be prohibited to improve traffic flow and safety through the intersection. The final road layout is illustrated below.



Pedestrian facilities and shared paths will also be upgraded to current standards, along with lighting, barriers, drainage and signs.

This project is jointly funded by the Federal and State governments, under Round Three of the Bridges Renewal Program.

What to expect

Over the next few months, you may notice some pre-construction activity occurring as we prepare for this project, including service relocations by Western Power, Water Corporation, Main Roads Western Australia and the Public Transport Authority.



The ageing Ashton Avenue Bridge is being replaced

In early 2018, it is anticipated that our contractor will establish a site compound in the vacant carpark to the north of the bridge. The use of this site has been approved by the Town of Claremont, with some restrictions in place to ensure the comfort of local residents is maintained.

The bridge will be closed prior to its demolition in mid-February during a scheduled rail shutdown. The new bridge should be completed and open to traffic in mid-2018.

While the bridge is closed, signed detours will be in place to maintain local traffic flow. There will also be periods of night works to safely complete construction tasks in the rail reserve.

Prior to demolition of the old bridge, our contractor will write to the owners of properties close to the bridge to offer pre-construction building inspections. If you are contacted, we encourage you to take up this offer as it is your protection in the unlikely event of any property damage.

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