

KINGS PARADE UPGRADE PROJECT

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



Background

Central Coast Council is looking to make improvements to a section of Kings Parade, between the Crescent and Reibey Streets intersection and the Hobbs Parade Roundabout; inclusive of the Kings Parade slip lane and the Queen's Garden.

The purpose of the proposed works is to:

- improve safety for motorists, pedestrians and cyclists
- improve traffic flow
- improve the visual amenity of the area, including the presentation of roadways, pedestrian and cycleways and the Queen's Garden landscaping

With a range of options available, Council is seeking community feedback to determine what the priorities and preferences are for this area before progressing with redevelopment works.

Considerations for discussion include, however are not limited to:

- Reshaping of Kings Parade to remove the slip lane from Crescent Street
- Changes to the shape and order of the intersection
- If there should be a right hand turn off Reibey Street
- Should Kings Parade have one-way traffic?
- Is the parking in Kings Parade in the best location/formation?
- Should there be improvements made to the Queen's Garden landscaping?
- Should the Boer War Memorial be relocated to a more accessible location in ANZAC Park?
- Can access for people with a disability be improved?
- Can access for pedestrians and cyclists be improved?
- How can public safety be improved?

Frequently Asked Questions

Council has identified several questions that participants may have regarding this project and outlined them below. As community consultation commences, other relevant questions will naturally arise from participants. Those questions, and answers, will be added to this document. For your reference, you are currently reading:

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If you have a question that you would like answered, that is not covered in the information provided over the page, then please email the Project Team at kingspde@centralcoast.tas.gov.au

If your question is "How do I get involved in this project?" please visit Council's website at www.centralcoast.tas.gov.au and use the 'Kings Parade Upgrade Project' link under the 'Community & Recreation' menu to access the dedicated project web page.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why does the Crescent and Reibey Streets intersection need upgrading?

Council has identified that this intersection does not meet the current standards for an intersection of this kind. Additionally, anecdotal and observational research has established that this intersection is known for causing concern amongst drivers and pedestrians, with numerous 'near misses' occurring each year. Council aims to address this and reduce the confusion, concern and risk of residents who use this roadway.

Why is Kings Parade being included?

Council understands that some of the safety issues at the intersection relate to vehicles turning into the Kings Parade slip lane. Council therefore wishes to consider the design and function of Kings Parade, as well as how that design impacts on Crescent and Reibey Streets.

What is happening to the Queen's Garden?

The Queen's Garden is one of the first sights that visitors and residents of the town see when entering from Penguin and the West. As an entrance statement to the town, its appearance is dated and in need of rejuvenation. Council wants to hear from the community to determine what, if anything, could be done to improve this and make the Queen's Garden a more attractive and welcoming space.

What about the Boer War Memorial?

Council has not decided that the memorial should be moved; however, it is keen to hear the community's thoughts on the matter. In considering the intersection upgrade, it has been identified that access to the memorial is limited and its location poses a deterrent to those visitors wishing to view it. Other nearby memorials, such as those located in Anzac Park, can be more safely accessed and observed. With continuing and growing interest in Ulverstone's collective memorials, Council would like to know if the memorial currently located in the Queen's Garden might receive greater patronage in a different location.

How much of the area is under consideration?

Road resurfacing is scheduled to be undertaken between the Roundabout where Kings Parade meets Grove Street, through to the roundabout on the Eastern side of the bridge, where Hobbs Parade meets Crescent Street, then up to the intersection between Crescent Street and Reibey Street. Everything in between these landmarks is open for consideration and feedback.

When are civil works scheduled to commence?

The Kings Parade Upgrade Project aims to deliver a Final Design to Council for consideration in May 2018 to allow for inclusion in the 2018-2019 financial year budget. Civil works will then be scheduled into the 2018-2019 financial year works program.