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Dear Mr French

ROAD ACTION PROGRAM – Kingsford Smith Drive – Harvey Street to Theodore Street

Construction commencement

Brisbane City Council is pleased to announce that construction of the Kingsford Smith Drive – Harvey Street to Theodore Street upgrade project will commence in January 2010.

This project is part of Lord Mayor Campbell Newman's Road Action Program, which tackles congestion and improves safety on Brisbane's 21 worst congested roads.

The upgrade will provide enhanced traffic infrastructure to service the area's growing needs. It will improve traffic flow, road user safety and pedestrian and cycling access.

Construction is expected to be completed in early 2011, weather permitting. Construction works will mostly occur between 7:00am and 5:00pm from Monday to Saturday. However, night works between 9:00pm and 5:00am and works on Sunday will be necessary for some of the work.

The speed limit through the work area will be reduced to 40km/h and traffic control will be onsite to assist motorists. Motorists should expect some minor delays when travelling through the area.

Every effort will be made to minimise disruption to the local community during this work. Advance notification of particularly noisy works or major access changes will be provided to properties within the works area.

The enclosed newsletter provides a project update.

If you would like to register to receive fortnightly construction updates via email, have any questions or would like further information, please phone the project team on 1800 727 923 or email roadactionprogram@brisbane.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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## Kingsford Smith Drive



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EAGLE FARM — HARVEY STREET TO THEODORE STREET UPGRADE



**COMMUNITY UPDATE TWO JANUARY 2010** 

The Kingsford Smith Drive – Harvey Street to Theodore Street upgrade project is part of Lord Mayor Campbell Newman's Road Action Program, which tackles congestion and improves safety on Brisbane's 21 worst congested roads.

Involving 57 projects, the Road Action Program is an unprecedented infrastructure investment that fast tracks 15 years of road works into just four years. The program delivers traffic congestion reduction, increased safety and improved access across Brisbane's road network.

#### **Construction details**

Council released a preliminary design for the project in November 2008 and completed detailed design in October 2009. Construction is due to start in January 2010 and should be completed in early 2011, weather permitting.

Construction will mostly occur between 7am and 5pm from Monday to Saturday. Night work between 9pm and 5am and works on Sunday will be necessary.

#### Traffic control

From 5am to 9pm Monday to Saturday, two lanes in both directions will be kept open to traffic. When traffic needs to be reduced to a single lane each way it will be done outside these hours. Traffic control will be in place during construction.

The speed limit through the work area will be reduced to 40km/h and traffic control will be onsite to assist motorists. Motorists should expect some minor delays when travelling through the area.

Safe pedestrian and cyclist access through the worksites will be maintained at all times.

Council is committed to keeping local businesses and residents informed of construction activity in their area and will make every effort to provide advance notification of activities likely to cause disruption during the construction period.

#### Upgrade to improve traffic flow

The Kingsford Smith Drive – Harvey Street to Theodore Street upgrade project will provide enhanced traffic infrastructure to service the area's growing needs. It will improve traffic flow, capacity at intersections, road user safety and pedestrian and cyclist access.

The project will complement works associated with the Gateway Upgrade project, which includes connecting south-facing on-and off-ramps to Kingsford Smith Drive.

The Kingsford Smith Drive – Harvey Street to Theodore Street upgrade will:

- widen Kingsford Smith Drive from four to six lanes
- provide on-road cycling and continuous pedestrian footpaths
- upgrade intersections
- close all centre median breaks to improve safety and traffic flow.



# EXISTING KINGSFORD SMITH DRIVE Legend • Existing bus stops to stay

Bus stops being relocatedBus stops removed

#### **Bus stop relocations**

As part of the upgrade, two bus stops between Harvey Street and Theodore Street will be relocated and four will be removed. This is due to low passenger usage rates and to evenly space the stops. Translink and Brisbane Transport have reviewed the bus stop locations along this stretch of road and have confirmed that this change will also help improve traffic flow with buses stopping at fewer locations. The map shows the new bus stop locations.

#### Centre median

To upgrade Kingsford Smith Drive from Harvey Street to Theodore Street from four lanes to six a number of trees and all centre-median car parking spaces and median breaks will be removed. During construction a similar number of trees removed will be replaced within the road corridor.

#### **Future upgrades**

Work is also progressing on options for other upgrades along Kingsford Smith Drive. Consultation will occur with stakeholders once options are available.



### For more information

Kingsford Smith Drive Harvey Street to Theodore Street upgrade project:

- phone the Community Information Line on 1800 727 923
  - **phone** Council on (07) 3403 8888 (after hours)
- email roadactionprogram@brisbane. qld.gov.au
- visit www.brisbane.qld.gov.au
  (go to 'Traffic and transport', 'Plans and
  projects', Transport strategy links,
  then Kingsford Smith Drive)
- write to
  Kingsford Smith Drive Harvey Street
  to Theodore Street upgrade project

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#### To view a map of the project:

- visit the office of Cr David McLachlan Hamilton Ward Office
   42 Racecourse Road, Hamilton Monday to Friday, 8.30am-4.45pm
- visit www.brisbane.qld.gov.au (go to 'Traffic and transport', 'Plans and projects', Transport strategy links, then Kingsford Smith Drive)

The project team will continue to provide updates throughout the construction phase of the project via letterbox drops and traffic alerts in the local Quest newspaper.

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