River Street Duplication Pacific Hwy to Kerr St



October 2019 - Update 1

To support a growing community and address the congestion along River Street, Ballina Shire Council is continuing plans to duplicate River Street from the Pacific Highway to Kerr Street, Ballina. Once complete, the four-lane roadway will double the road's capacity and comfortably cater for traffic up until 2036. This project is estimated to cost \$23 million and will be a significant investment to help improve our road network.

>> existing and predicted traffic flows

Traffic modelling has identified the arterial roads into Ballina have insufficient capacity to handle the predicted traffic volumes to 2036. The modelling also showed River Street and parts of Tamarind Drive are already at capacity in peak hours.

	traffic flows 2019	predicted traffic flows 2036
River Street, Fishery Creek Bridge	26,103 vehicles	29,501 vehicles
Tamarind Drive, Canal Bridge	23,335 vehicles	28,140 vehicles

Two-lane arterial roads have capacity for around 18,000 vehicles per day, and four lanes have a capacity for around 36,000 vehicles per day.

This means the River Street Duplication will provide sufficient capacity for current and predicted 2036 traffic volumes in and out of Ballina.

>> concept designs

Consultants, working in conjunction with council's technical officers, have produced concept designs for the River Street Duplication.

The concept designs identify a number of sections that need to be modified to allow for the River Street duplication, these include:

- 1. Pacific Highway Roundabout to Burns Point Ferry Drive
- 2. Burns Point Ferry to Quays Drive
- 3. Quays Drive to Barlows Road
- 4. Barlows Road to East of Brampton Avenue
- 5. Brampton Avenue to Fishery Creek Bridge
- 6. Duplication of Fishery Creek Bridge
- 7. Fishery Creek Bridge to Tweed Street

These are concept designs only and do not provide full construction details. The detailed designs and construction staging will be developed following this exhibition period.

>> community feedback

Council resolved at its meeting Thursday 24 October 2019 Ordinary meeting to exhibit the concept plans and seek community feedback.

The concept plans and intersection modifications, can be viewed at:

- Council's Customer Service Centre, 40 Cherry Street, Ballina
- Alstonville, Ballina and Lennox Head Libraries
- Council's website
 ballina.nsw.gov.au/riverstreetduplication

Submissions close: Friday 6 December 2019.

Community Info Sessions

During the exhibition period, council will host two community information sessions at the Council Chambers, located within our Customer Service Centre, 40 Cherry Street, Ballina.

2pm Tuesday 19 November 2019

5pm Thursday 21 November 2019

These information sessions will present the concept plans, and highlight the impacts on the adjoining properties and intersections.

Please RSVP by Monday 18 November 2019 to *communications@ballina.nsw.gov.au* or telephone 1300 864 444.