

# Sutherland to Cronulla Active Transport Link

## Stage 1 Sutherland to Kirrawee

Planning approval



Artist's impression of Eton Street, Sutherland

Planning approval has been received for the first stage of the Sutherland to Cronulla Active Transport Link. Construction of Stage 1 between Sutherland and Kirrawee will start in early 2019.

The Sutherland to Cronulla Active Transport Link (SCATL) is a pedestrian and bicycle path between Sutherland and Cronulla to help make walking and bike riding a more convenient, safer and enjoyable transport option.

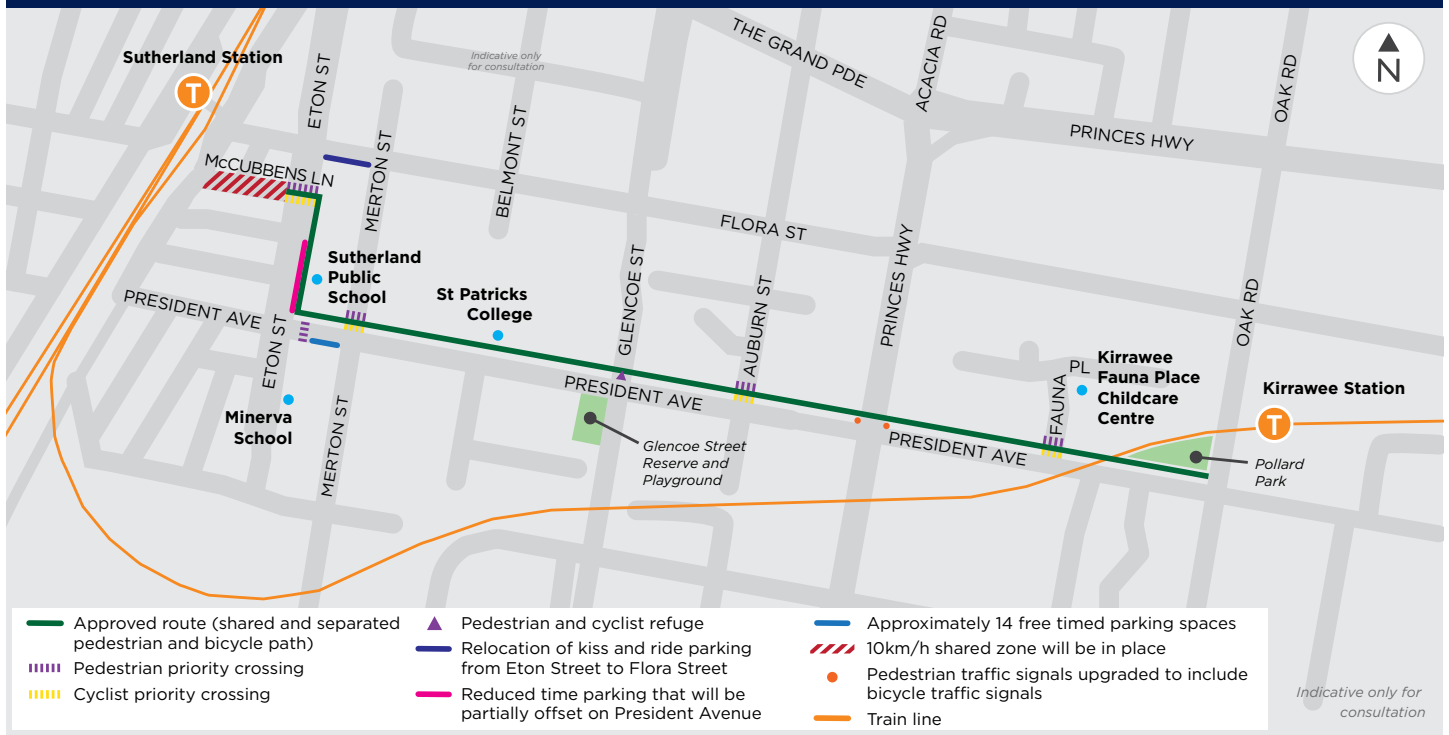
When linked to the existing Alford's Point to Sutherland shared path it will provide a regional continuous off road path in excess of 22 kilometres and allow connections to Bankstown and on to Parramatta.

Stage 1 Sutherland to Kirrawee will connect key destinations such as transport interchanges, schools, residential areas and business precincts.

Planning approval for Stage 1 follows community consultation and consideration of submissions received. Transport for NSW would like to thank the community for taking the time to visit our community drop-in sessions and providing feedback.

A Determination Report has been prepared responding to submissions. Visit [transport.nsw.gov.au/projects](https://transport.nsw.gov.au/projects) to view the Determination Report and planning approval conditions.

## Stage 1 Sutherland to Kirrawee approved route



## Key Features of Stage 1 Sutherland to Kirrawee

- Construction of a pedestrian and bicycle path that provides connections to key destinations including:
  - Sutherland and Kirrawee Stations
  - Businesses on Eton Street, Old Princes Highway and Oak Road
  - Sutherland Public School, St Patricks College, Minerva School and Kirrawee Fauna Place Childcare Centre
  - Residential areas
  - Pollard Park and Glencoe Street Reserve.
- A 10km/h shared zone at McCubbens Lane
- A separated pedestrian and bike path on Eton Street
- Pedestrian and bike paths on President Avenue (between Eton Street and Oak Road)
- New pedestrian and cycle crossings at Merton and Auburn Streets, Acacia Road and Fauna Place
- Utility relocation and installation including lighting
- Public domain work including pram ramps, pedestrian and cyclist refuges, signage and landscaping.

To keep five of the mature trees on Eton Street, the new bike path will be located on the eastern side of the roadway resulting in the removal of approximately 24 car parking spaces.

Parking spaces on President Avenue (near Merton Street) will be converted to angle parking, providing 14 new parking spaces, a short distance to nearby schools and shops. The 'kiss and ride' parking on Eton Street will be moved to Flora Street (adjacent to Sutherland Public School).

Transport for NSW will continue to look at parking along the route in consultation with Sutherland Shire Council during detailed design.





Community drop-in session at Shire Farmers Market



Sutherland to Cronulla Active Transport Link will link a number of important destinations, including transport interchanges, residential areas, schools and shops.

## What we heard

The community was invited to provide feedback on Stage 1 Sutherland to Kirrawee between 15 October and 4 November, 2018 through drop-in sessions, directly to the team and through our interactive website. In total 110 submissions were received with a large number in favour of the proposal.

Key themes included:

- Benefit of reduced traffic
- Safer for pedestrians and cyclists
- Connectivity to key destinations
- Minimise construction and noise impacts
- Reduce the number of trees removed
- Minimise parking impacts.

Submissions also asked for continued work on future stages of the SCATL. We will continue to work with Sutherland Shire Council, Roads and Maritime Services and Sydney Trains to progress the planning of Kirrawee to Cronulla.

For more information about the submissions received view the Determination Report at [transport.nsw.gov.au/projects](https://transport.nsw.gov.au/projects)

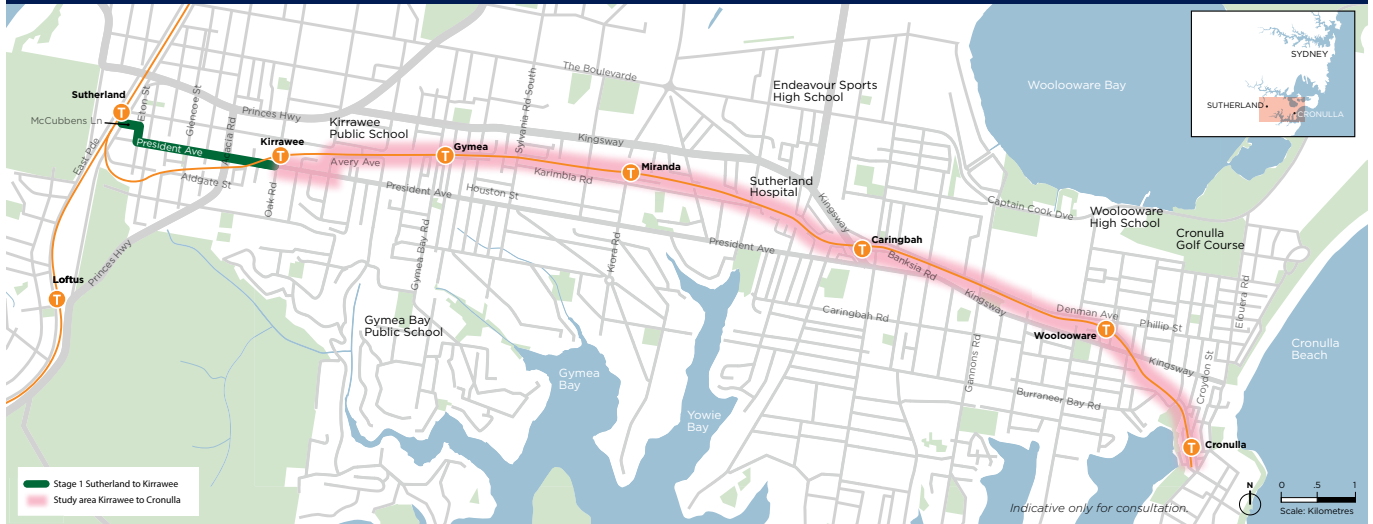
## Reducing impacts on trees

Minimising the impact to trees along the active transport link was a key theme during community consultation. The team has been working to progress the design and reduce the number of trees impacted by the project.

The number of trees to be removed has been reduced from 60 to approximately 22, with a further 19 to be assessed during construction by an independent arborist. Native trees and shrubs will be planted along the active transport link to offset trees removed during construction.

A Vegetation Offset plan will be prepared in consultation with Sutherland Shire Council to offset all trees directly impacted by the proposed route.

## Approved Stage 1 SCATL and study area between Kirrawee and Cronulla



### How SCATL will be delivered

Due to the complexities of building infrastructure in and around the rail corridor, the SCATL will be delivered in stages:

- **Stage 1 Sutherland to Kirrawee** will connect key destinations such as transport interchanges, schools, residential areas and business precincts
- **Future stage Kirrawee to Cronulla** will make greater use of the rail corridor while connecting key destinations like transport interchanges, Sutherland Hospital, recreation areas and shopping precincts. We will keep the community informed about future stages including opportunities to have your say.

### Key Benefits

Currently, around 50 per cent of trips of less than two kilometres in the area are made by car.

The SCATL will allow pedestrians and bicycle riders of all ages, capabilities and experience to walk and cycle more safely and quickly to work, school, shops or the station.

Providing a practical alternative to the car for short trips will reduce local traffic congestion and also have significant environmental and health benefits. The SCATL will encourage people to walk and cycle in the area for fun or exercise.

### Next steps

Construction of SCATL Stage 1 Sutherland to Kirrawee is scheduled to commence in early 2019 and take approximately a year to complete.

We will also continue to progress the planning of the Kirrawee to Cronulla section, and keep the community informed about opportunities to have your say.

### More information

We will continue to keep the community informed during construction through regular notifications and updates to the project website at **[transport.nsw.gov.au/projects](https://transport.nsw.gov.au/projects)**.

If you would like to speak to the project team you can call **1800 684 490** or email **[projects@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:projects@transport.nsw.gov.au)**



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