

### **6.3. Standing Item - Sydney Metro - Project Update**

**AUTHOR:** Iman Mohammadi, Public Projects Engineering Officer

**ENDORSED BY:** Duncan Mitchell, Director Engineering and Property Services

**ATTACHMENTS:** Nil

#### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this report is to update the North Sydney Traffic Committee on the current status of the Metro City & South-West (Metro) project and upcoming works affecting local roads.

Updates are also provided on the Sydney Metro website at <https://www.sydneymetro.info/>

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Consent for the Metro City & South-West (Metro) project was granted by the Department of Planning and Environment on 9 January 2017. The consent can be viewed in full at [www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au).

The project will deliver new railway infrastructure for Sydney, including two new Metro stations within the North Sydney Local Government Area - at Crows Nest and Victoria Cross (North Sydney Centre). Construction commenced in early 2017, with train operations expected to be underway by 2024.

In accordance with the various conditions of consent, a Traffic and Transport Liaison Group (TTLG) has been established to inform traffic and transport measures during construction and operation of the project. The TTLG is chaired by the Sydney Coordination Office (SCO) and comprises representatives from the relevant Road Authorities, which includes North Sydney Council. The TTLG meets monthly and a smaller group of representatives known as the Traffic Control Group (TCG) meets weekly to discuss impending construction-related traffic management matters.

The Construction Traffic Management Plans (CTMPs) must be developed in consultation with the TTLG. TfNSW is the approval authority for the CTMPs, following endorsement by the SCO.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**1. THAT** the information concerning Sydney Metro City & South-West Construction Update be received.

## LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

- 2. Our Built Infrastructure
  - 2.1 Infrastructure and assets meet community needs
  - 2.4 Improved traffic and parking management
- 5. Our Civic Leadership
  - 5.2 Council is well governed and customer focused
  - 5.3 Community is informed and consulted

## BACKGROUND

Consent for the Metro City & South-West (Metro) project was granted by the Department of Planning and Environment on 9 January 2017. The consent can be viewed in full at [www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au).

The project will deliver new railway infrastructure for Sydney, including two new Metro stations within the North Sydney Local Government Area - at Crows Nest and Victoria Cross (North Sydney Centre). Construction commenced in early 2017, with train operations expected to be underway by 2024.

## CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS

As this is a state government project, Transport for NSW are responsible for all community engagement relating to the project.

## DETAIL

**Relates to ECM No:** N/A

**Standard or Guideline Used:** N/A

**Signs & Lines Priority:** N/A

**Precinct and Ward:** Various precincts, St Leonards & Cammeraygal Wards

**Impact on Bicycles:** Local cycling access maintained and managed through traffic guidance schemes

**Impact on Pedestrians:** Local pedestrian access may be impacted adjacent to and around the Sydney Metro work sites and managed through traffic guidance schemes.

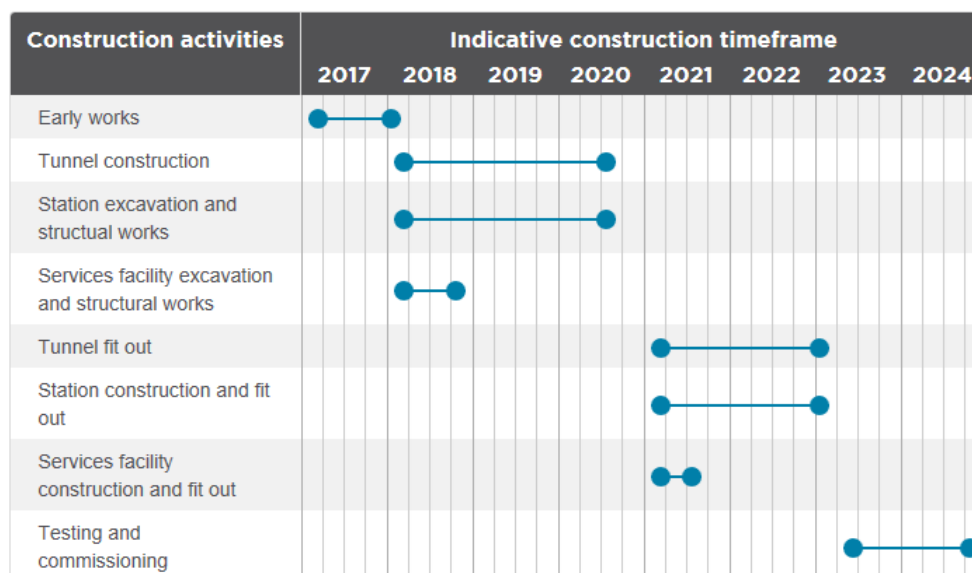
**Impact on Parking:** Parking adjacent to each construction site has been removed under applications throughout the project to facilitate construction.

There are four (4) construction sites within the North Sydney LGA associated with the Metro project.

1. **Victoria Cross Station (VC2)** – includes 155-189 Miller Street bounded by Miller Street, Berry Street and Denison Street.
2. **Victoria Cross North (VC1)** –site for the services building and additional access point at 52 McLaren Street (vacant site on northern corner of Miller Street and McLaren Street intersection).
3. **Crows Nest Station (CN)** – includes 497-521 Pacific Highway bounded by Pacific Highway, Oxley Street, Clarke Lane and Hume Street; 14 Clarke Street (Beaurepaires site); and 477-495 Pacific Highway bounded by Pacific Highway, Hume Street and Clarke Lane.
4. **Blues Point Reserve (BP)** – Temporary construction site, including creation of a shaft for the delivery and extraction of tunnel boring equipment.

The City & Southwest (Chatswood to Sydenham) project has been split into stages. Each stage is subject to separate contracts and may be undertaken by different contractors. An indicative timeline for the full City & Southwest portion is provided below.

## Indicative timeline



Source: Sydney Metro website 26/5/17

Works at each site are currently at station construction/ fit out and linewise trackworks. The key activities are summarised below.

### Update on sites within North Sydney Council area

#### Victoria Cross South

#### [Vic Cross – Construction Updates](#)

Excavation works, formwork steel fitting, deliveries, concrete pouring. Installation of hoardings, site accommodation and tower cranes on Miller Street frontage. Deliveries via Miller Street Work Zone.

Miller Street – major stormwater upgrade works located within southbound, establishment of one-way contra flow – staged night works from March 2022 until first week of May (approx. 4 weeks total).

### **Victoria Cross North**

#### [Vic Cross – Construction Updates](#)

Deliveries and tower crane operations within site boundary. Access via McLaren Street.

### **Crows Nest Station**

#### [Crows Nest – Construction Updates](#)

Deliveries occurring from Pacific Highway “logistics lane” – footpath occupation - pedestrians diverted to western side of Pacific Highway. Some concrete pours occurring from Clarke Lane.

Hume Street fully closed to traffic between Pacific Highway and Clarke Lane until 31 December.

### **Blues Point**

#### [Blues Point – Construction Updates](#)

DPIE granted modification for continued use of Blues Point site for additional 12 months from December 2020 for linewide track fitout.

The site acoustic shed was removed in December 2021.

A site compound has been established on Blues Point Road to facilitate and expedite these works. Blues Point Road south of Henry Lawson Avenue was closed to traffic from 16 August 2021 for an initial period of 3 months. Pedestrian access to Blues Point Reserve maintained with temporary pathway.

Existing parking spaces at Blues Point Road had to be temporary removed and Blues Point Road be closed to traffic at the reserve to enable completion of Capping beam removal works and landscaping works in the Blues Point Reserve. These works started on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2022 and expects to be complete by end of March 2022

Park reinstatement works in Henry Lawson Reserve will continue into 2022.

