



What to expect during construction

Major construction includes:

- › Installing temporary fencing and hoarding
- › Removing some vegetation as well as light poles, bins and parking meters in the area
- › Relocating, protecting and upgrading essential services such as sewer, water, gas, electricity and telecommunications
- › Installing temporary and permanent lighting
- › Building the light rail track slab including earthworks, excavations, concreting, drainage, and installing power and communications components to run the light rail signalling system
- › Widening and upgrading footpaths
- › Road work on Scott Street, and the intersections at Scott and Watt streets and Scott and Bolton streets
- › Laying light rail track.

Information about construction

Notifications with detailed information about upcoming work will be delivered to residents and businesses throughout construction. Information will also be available at revitalisingnewcastle.nsw.gov.au/construction.

Work hours

Most work will be carried out from 7am to 6pm Mondays to Fridays and Saturdays from 8am to 6pm, weather permitting. We will notify nearby residents and businesses if we need to work outside these times.

Equipment

Construction equipment will include, but is not limited to, excavators, vacuum trucks, road profilers, rock and concrete hammers, rollers, compactors, concrete and road saws, concrete pumps and trucks, asphalt pavers, trucks, light vehicles, lighting towers, grinding and welding equipment, elevated work platforms, winches and cable drums, front-end loaders, piling rigs, under bores, rail saws, generators, cranes and hand tools.

Noise

Work may be noisy at times. We will aim to minimise noise by:

- › Turning off machinery when not in use
- › Scheduling the noisiest activities during the day, where possible
- › Using acoustic barriers where required
- › Positioning noisy equipment as far away as possible from residents and businesses
- › Using non-tonal reversing beepers on all machinery.

Dust

We will aim to minimise airborne dust particles by:

- › Using water carts
- › Installing hoarding mesh
- › Avoiding dust generating work on windy days, where possible.

Vibration

Major work like earthworks, site clearing and concrete removal may cause some vibration at nearby buildings. If you feel vibration in your building due to this work, there is no immediate cause for concern. Vibration monitoring and assessments will be completed, as required, to ensure there is no cosmetic or structural risk to nearby buildings.

Stay informed

For regular updates follow **Revitalising Newcastle** on Facebook, and subscribe to our newsletter at revitalisingnewcastle.nsw.gov.au/stay-informed

How can I find out more?

Call **1800 684 490**, email projects@transport.nsw.gov.au or visit revitalisingnewcastle.nsw.gov.au

Urgent enquiries or complaints

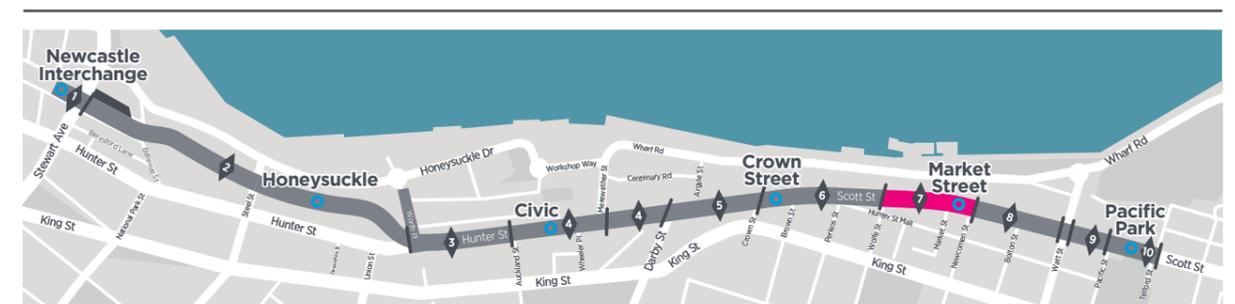
For urgent enquiries or complaints about construction activities, call our **24-hour construction response line** on **1800 775 465**

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Newcastle Light Rail

Construction overview - Scott Street between Wolfe and Newcomen streets

The NSW Government is committed to Revitalising Newcastle. Newcastle Light Rail major construction will start on Scott Street between Wolfe and Newcomen streets in Newcastle from 5 February 2018.



Scott Street between Wolfe and Newcomen streets (zone 7) will be closed to all traffic from **5 February 2018** for light rail major construction and upgrades to essential services.

The eastbound lane in zone 7 was closed to traffic on 8 January 2018 to allow footpath and road widening work to begin.

As part of the light rail project in this area, we will be delivering:

- › a wire-free light rail system using world-class technology to preserve Newcastle's unique character
- › much needed upgrades to essential services
- › wider footpaths and improved public spaces
- › smart pole street lighting.

After major work is finished, roads will re-open to traffic. Safety barriers will remain in place around the light rail track for testing of the light rail signalling system and vehicles.

Other activities, such as landscaping and finishing work, will take place after major construction work in this zone is completed.

At a glance - the main changes

Roads and traffic

Scott Street will be closed to all traffic between Wolfe and Newcomen streets during construction. Detours will be in place directing road users onto King Street, Honeysuckle Drive and Wharf Road.

Parking

Parking on Scott Street between Wolfe and Newcomen streets will be permanently removed and some parking on Wolfe, Newcomen and Bolton streets will be temporarily removed when light rail construction starts. For more information about parking, including a city centre parking guide, visit revitalisingnewcastle.nsw.gov.au.

Access to private driveways

Access to private driveways on Scott Street in zone 7 will be maintained via an access lane from Newcomen Street until early March. We will work closely with residents and businesses to provide offset parking arrangements from early March.

Pedestrians

Pedestrian access will be maintained on the southern side of Scott Street throughout major construction.

Further detail inside, including tips on how to access the city.

Scott Street between Wolfe and Newcomen streets

From 5 February 2018

Construction timing

To build light rail as quickly and efficiently as possible, work will be taking place in all construction zones from early 2018. This means most of Hunter and Scott streets along the light rail route will be closed to traffic during construction, including:

- › **Zone 3** (Hunter Street between Worth Place and Auckland Street)
- › **Zone 4** (Hunter Street will be open between Auckland and Merewether streets and closed between Merewether and Darby streets)
- › **Zone 5** (Hunter Street between Darby and Crown streets)
- › **Zone 6** (Hunter and Scott streets between Crown and Wolfe streets)
- › **Zone 7** (Scott Street between Wolfe and Newcomen streets)
- › **Zone 8** (Scott Street between Newcomen and Watt streets)
- › **Zone 9** (Scott Street between Watt and Pacific streets)
- › **Zone 10** (Scott Street between Pacific and Telford streets).

Each zone will re-open to traffic as soon as it is safe to do so.

Traffic changes

Scott Street between Wolfe and Newcomen streets (zone 7) will be closed to traffic while major construction is carried out from 5 February 2018.

Detours will be in place directing road users onto King Street, Honeysuckle Drive and Wharf Road. Access across the former rail corridor will be available at Stewart Avenue, Merewether Street and Watt Street. Access to Australia Post on Market Street will be available via Hunter Street Mall.

Changed traffic conditions during construction may cause some delays and we encourage people to take this into account when planning their trip.

We will display up to date information on road closures and detours on electronic signs along the road. For the latest traffic information, visit livetraffic.com or download the **Live Traffic NSW** app. A map detailing alternative routes into and out of the city is available at revitalisingnewcastle.nsw.gov.au.

Loading and mail zone changes

The mail zone on the southern side of Scott Street near Market Street will be relocated to Market Street near the post office when light rail construction starts. The nearest loading zones are located on King, Newcomen, Market and Bolton streets.

Indicative traffic arrangements, subject to change.



Pedestrian changes

Pedestrian access will be maintained on the southern side of Scott Street between Wolfe and Newcomen streets throughout construction to allow access to businesses and properties. The footpath on the northern side will be temporarily closed. Pedestrian access will also be provided across the construction zone to maintain a connection between Wharf Road and Hunter Street Mall.

Parking changes

On-street parking will be permanently removed on Scott Street between Wolfe and Newcomen streets and some parking on Wolfe, Newcomen and Bolton streets will be temporarily removed when major construction starts. Parking will be available on surrounding streets and in nearby car parks on Hunter, King and Bolton streets. For more information about parking, including a city centre parking guide, visit revitalisingnewcastle.nsw.gov.au.

Waste collection

Residents and businesses who place their bins on Scott Street for collection can continue to do so during light rail construction. Bins will be collected and taken to a central point for emptying and returned the following day. To ensure bins are collected, they must be placed on Scott Street by 4.30pm the day before the usual collection day.

Emergency services

Detailed plans are in place to ensure emergency services can access all buildings along the construction zone. Emergency services will be provided access to the construction zone in the event of an emergency.

If you have concerns about emergency services access, please contact our Precinct Managers on 1800 684 490.

Tips for travel in the city

Reroute - Consider alternative routes into the city such as Memorial Drive and Darby Street, and use King Street or Honeysuckle Drive and Wharf Road to get across the city.

Remode - Reduce car travel and consider making buses, cycling or walking part of your journey.

Retime - If you can, avoid the morning and afternoon peak, especially between the busiest hours of 8-9am and 5-6pm.