

Parkes Special Activation Precinct



Community newsletter update
April 2022



This community newsletter provides updates on all major construction, job creation and investment opportunities and activities underway in the Parkes Special Activation Precinct (Parkes precinct).

Bridge work commences

A major milestone has been reached on the project with construction commencing on the two overpass bridges that will replace existing level crossings on Broilgan Road within the Parkes precinct.

The first bridge will be constructed over the North West Link Rail Line. It will be a single span Super-T bridge spanning 38 metres and will accommodate two traffic lanes and a pedestrian shared path across its 14 metres width.

The second bridge will be constructed over the Parkes to Narromine rail line and will be Parkes' first steel bridge. It will be a single span steel box girder bridge spanning 54 metres in length and 14 metres in width. The bridge abutments will be constructed on top of reinforced soil walls, to ensure adequate clearance over the railway line.

Once complete the bridges will provide safer, more efficient and faster travel along Broilgan Road, eliminating both level crossings and providing better access within the Parkes precinct for residents and businesses.

For more information, contact the project team on ParkesSAP@fultonhogan.com.au

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Community drop in session

The NSW Government in partnership with Parkes Shire Council will be holding two drop in sessions for the Parkes Special Activation Precinct. Please come and visit our team:

→ **Wednesday, 4 May 2022**
6-8pm
Fulton Hogan site compound
Woolstore Place, Parkes

→ **Thursday, 5 May 2022**
10am – 1pm
Cooke Pavilion, corner of
Clarinda Street and
Short Street, Parkes

Please register your interest at
ParkesSAP@fultonhogan.com.au

- 01 Excavator loading material into a dump truck
- 02 A bulldozer pushes dirt in one of the project detention basins
- 03 Brologan Road and the North West Link Rail Line, facing east, where construction has commenced on one of two new rail bridges.



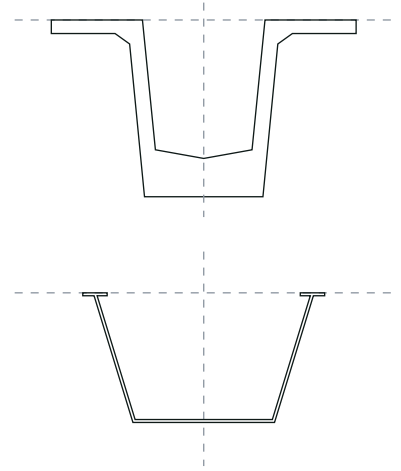
Super T vs steel box girders

Super T

Super-T girders are large precast, pre-stressed concrete beams which provide structural support to bridge decks. They are named after their T-shaped cross sections and are able to span longer distances than other types of girders.

Steel

Steel box girders are large, welded steel beams which will provide structural support for the bridge decks. They are named after their box-shaped cross sections and can span longer distances than traditional precast concrete girders.



Opportunity knocks for local job seekers

The Parkes Special Activation Precinct is offering an exciting opportunity for young local job seekers who are interested in starting a career in the construction industry.

Three new local Aboriginal recruits have been employed as part of the project's participation in the NSW Government's Infrastructure Skills Legacy Program (ISLP). They join two other trainees on the project who are participating in the government's infrastructure traineeship program.

The trainees joined the project after securing a civil construction apprenticeship and another commenced under a business administration traineeship.

The ISLP aims to increase training and employment opportunities for government funded projects, targeting local people who are struggling to find employment.

The program encourages women, people aged under 25 and Aboriginal people to apply for this amazing opportunity.

Apprentices and trainees employed on the project have the opportunity to secure formal qualifications as well as receive on-the-job training.

Please contact ParkesSAP@fultonhogan.com.au for further information, or pass on this information to people you may know.



Special Activation Precincts



Government-led studies



Fast track planning



Government-led development



Infrastructure investment



Business Concierge



Representatives from the NSW Government and Brightmark announce Brightmark's investment onsite in the Parkes precinct

Circular economy vision for Parkes

The Parkes precinct is on track to become a thriving business hub where waste is re-used as a resource to reduce landfill via recycling, re-manufacturing and the construction of an energy from waste facility.

Energy from waste

The master plan identified that an energy from waste facility would be a key part of attracting ongoing investment into the precinct, supplying reliable energy to support economic growth and long-term jobs in Parkes.

The Parkes precinct was listed as a strategic location for energy from waste infrastructure in the NSW Energy from Waste Infrastructure Plan.

Energy from waste is an innovative way of managing waste that is safely and effectively used around the world. It will support recycling, divert waste from landfill and provide base-load reliable energy for heavy energy users such as manufacturing industries.

We are taking a considered approach to the facility and incorporating the priorities of the Parkes community, reducing carbon emissions, supporting investment in the area and driving a circular economy in the precinct.

The energy from waste facility would be established in accordance with the EPA's policy which requires proven technology, proven operator and a proven waste stream and provides some of the world's strictest standards for protecting human health.

Brightmark

The NSW Government is pleased to welcome Brightmark, the first circular economy business in the Parkes Special Activation Precinct. Brightmark is an international waste solutions company based in the United States, and will invest \$260 million here to establish a plastic recycling plant. The plant will re-purpose all types of plastic, not just the 'easy to recycle' plastic, and will be the first of its kind in Australia.

Brightmark will help to realise the circular economy vision for the Parkes precinct, as it diverts up to 200,000 tonnes of plastic from landfill to create oil, fuel, wax and alternate new plastic products to deliver true circularity.

The company was drawn to the Parkes location through the Special Activation Precinct program due to the sustainably-minded business environment and community and its location as a transportation and logistics hub.

Brightmark's plant will be operational by 2025, with construction expected to start early 2023.

→ 1,500 ha

Activated by Stage 1 delivery work

→ 4,800 ha

Parkes Special Activation Precinct area

→ 3,000

New jobs created by the Parkes precinct

Boundary adjustment

A minor adjustment to the Parkes precinct boundary, exhibited in November 2021, has rezoned approximately 21 hectares of land to allow for future development in line with the precinct’s master plan. The adjustment includes four additional lots along Westlime Road. Environmental, biodiversity and heritage considerations were assessed as part of the boundary adjustment. The majority of the land is owned by government, with other impacted landowners consulted. For further information or to view the updated Parkes Special Activation Precinct Master Plan, go to planning.nsw.gov.au/parkessap

Newell Highway upgrades

Alongside the construction underway in the Parkes precinct, the NSW Government is also working on upgrades to 10.5 kilometres of the Newell Highway. The project teams are working together to ensure that both projects are delivered safely and efficiently for the community. If you have any questions about the Newell Highway upgrade, please contact the project team on **1800 741 636 (option 4)** or email newell.upgrade@transport.nsw.gov.au

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