Changes to bus stops in Castle Hill and Baulkham Hills

Transport for NSW has identified some ways to improve the reliability of buses, mainly on route M61, in The Hills Shire Local Government Area.

The NSW Government has fully funded the Bus Priority Infrastructure Program. The program aims to improve the reliability of bus services on Sydney’s main bus corridors.

Transport for NSW, in partnership with Roads and Maritime Services, is proposing to improve the reliability of buses by making changes to bus stops along the corridor between Castle Hill and the M2 Motorway. This corridor is predominantly serviced by the Metrobus M61 route.

A total of 99 submissions were received in response to the display of the Review of Environmental Factors (REF). We summarised the feedback and our responses into a REF Submissions Report. The Submissions report can be viewed during the display period at www.rms.nsw.gov.au/bpp.

BUS STOP CHANGES

We considered all feedback while finalising the proposal and have decided to proceed with the following:

We will retain bus stops:
- Stops 11 and 12 Old Northern Road and Oxley Ave, Baulkham Hills
- Stop 13 Old Northern Road and Edward Street, Baulkham Hills
- Stop 24 Old Northern Road and Olive Street, Baulkham Hills

We will improve bus stops:
- Stop 22 Old Northern Road and Hill Street, Baulkham Hills

We will extend bus stops:
- Stop 22 Old Northern Road and Hill Street, Baulkham Hills

We will relocate bus stops:
- Stop 10 Old Northern Road and Excelsior Avenue, Castle Hill
- Stop 21 Old Northern Road and Ackling Street, Baulkham Hills
- Stop 23 Old Northern Road and Hill Street, Baulkham Hills
- Stop 28 Windsor Road and Railway Street, Baulkham Hills

We will remove bus stops:
- Stop 7 Old Northern Road near Woodhill Street, Castle Hill
- Stop 15 Old Northern Road before Edward Street, Baulkham Hills
- Stops 18 and 19 Old Northern Road and Cross Street, Baulkham Hills
- Stop 29 Windsor Road and Charles Street, Baulkham Hills

We have included detailed maps to help explain changes to bus stops in the Castle Hill to Baulkham Hills corridor. For information on changes to bus stops along route M61 in other council areas, please visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au/bpp.
HOW WILL WE IMPROVE THE RELIABILITY OF BUS SERVICES?

We plan to improve bus journey times by:

- Reducing the number of locations at which buses need to stop by combining or removing some bus stops
- Making it easier for buses to move in and out of bus stops.

We have carefully considered bus stops near schools, aged care facilities and shops to ensure access to key bus stops are maintained, while still improving bus journey times.

BACKGROUND

These changes are part of Sydney’s Bus Future, the NSW Government’s plan to redesign Sydney’s bus network to meet customer needs now and into the future. In this plan, our customers tell us that travel time and on-time running are some of the most important service features.

For more information on Sydney’s Bus Future, please visit www.transport.nsw.gov.au/content/sydneys-bus-future

Changes have been developed by Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime, in consultation with bus operators CDC and Hillsbus. Local councils were consulted as part of the early planning work.

KEY OUTCOMES OF THE PROPOSAL

- Making travel times more reliable for passengers.
- Contributing to the NSW Government’s target of 95 per cent on-time running of bus services.

OLD NORTHERN ROAD AND CHURCH STREET, CASTLE HILL

Extend bus stop about 10 metres north

OLD NORTHERN ROAD NEAR WOODHILL STREET, CASTLE HILL

Remove bus stop and replace with clearway
OLD NORTHERN ROAD AND EXCELSIOR AVENUE, CASTLE HILL

9  Extend bus stop about 15 metres north
10 Relaxe bus stop and replace with no stopping zone
    New bus stop replaces clearway

OLD NORTHERN ROAD FROM EDWARD STREET, Baulkham Hills

15  Remove bus stop and replace with clearway

OLD NORTHERN ROAD AND OXLEY AVENUE, CASTLE HILL

11  Retain bus stop in current location
12  Retain bus stop in current location

OLD NORTHERN ROAD AND CROSS STREET, Baulkham Hills

18  Remove bus stop and replace with clearway
    Remove bus stop and replace with clearway

OLD NORTHERN ROAD AND EDWARD STREET, Baulkham Hills

13  Retain bus stop in current location

OLD NORTHERN ROAD AND ACKLING STREET, Baulkham Hills

21  Relocate bus stop and replace with clearway
    New bus stop replaces no stopping zone
**WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?**

The changes will be implemented between March and June 2018.

We will continue to liaise with the community throughout the project.

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