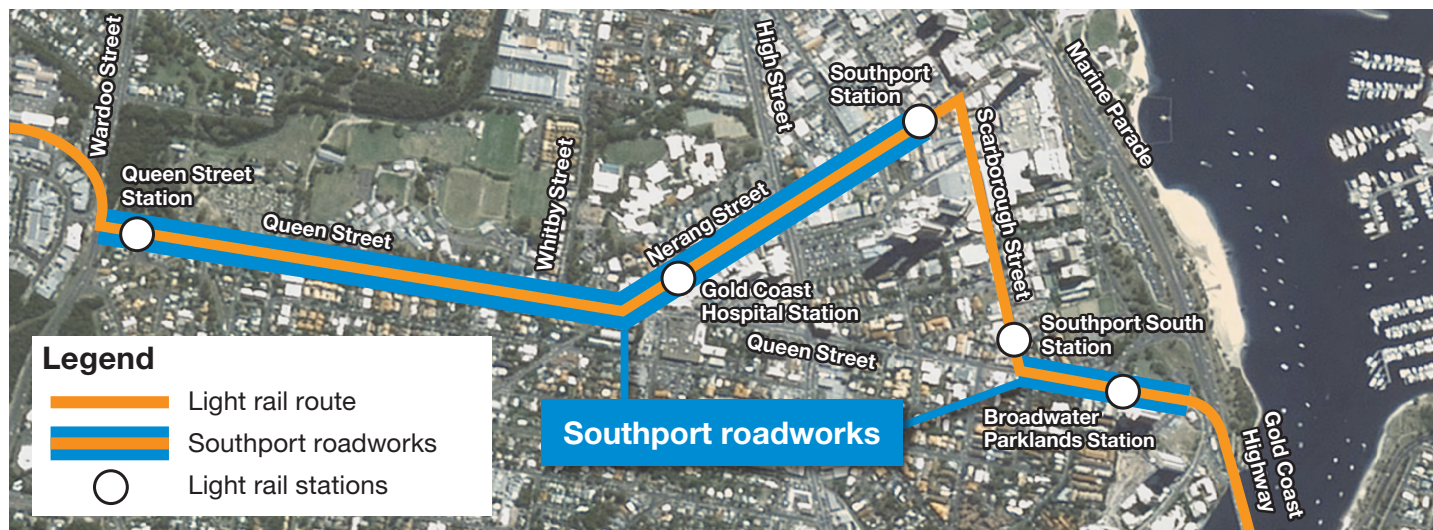


# Gold Coast Rapid Transit

## Finalisation of early works in Southport

The Gold Coast Rapid Transit project has been undertaking early works activities in Southport to prepare the area for the introduction of light rail in 2014. These works will soon be completed and it is important for the community to understand the long term changes to traffic, access and parking arrangements that will be in place along the light rail corridor from December 2011.



### Queen Street, between Wardoo Street and Nerang Street

#### Traffic arrangements

- Queen Street will be returned to two-way traffic
- The centre of the road will be fenced for the full length of this section of Queen Street to allow future track laying to occur with limited disruption to existing traffic arrangements.
- Traffic will be able to cross the light rail corridor at the intersection of Queen Street and Mick Veivers Way and at both ends of the Southport State Primary School car park.

#### Local side street access

Once the light rail system is operational, trams will travel in a dedicated corridor, separate from existing road traffic. For safety reasons, private vehicles will not be able to cross the light rail corridor except at designated intersections. As a result, the following streets will be restricted to left in and left out traffic movements at their intersection with Queen Street, effective late 2011:

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| • Salmon Street   | • Mal Burke Street |
| • Bambarra Street | • Whitby Street    |
| • Prince Street   | • Carey Lane       |
| • Ward Street     | • Tweed Street     |
| • Beale Street    |                    |

#### Parking arrangements

Where possible, road widening has been kept to a minimum in order to eliminate the need to resume whole properties along Queen Street. As a result, kerbside parking will no longer be permitted along Queen Street.

Along the centre of the road, there will be a temporary construction style fence erected to prevent traffic damaging the light rail corridor. While there may be empty space in some parts of the centre of the road, parking is also not permitted in these areas for safety reasons.

### Public Transport

The existing school bus arrangements along this section of Queen Street will remain unchanged.

#### Traffic Signals

Traffic signals will be operational at the following locations:

- Wardoo Street/Queen Street intersection
- Mick Veivers Way/Queen Street intersection
- Nerang Street/Queen Street intersection
- both ends of the Southport State Primary School car park

### Works in January 2012

It is anticipated that only minor works will be undertaken in this area in January 2012.

### Nerang Street, between Queen Street and Davenport Street

#### Traffic arrangements

- Two-way traffic retained (one lane in each direction)

#### Local side street access

Once the light rail system is operational, trams will travel in a dedicated corridor, separate from existing road traffic. For safety reasons, private vehicles will not be able to cross the light rail corridor except at designated intersections. As a result, the following streets will be restricted to left in and left out traffic movements at their intersection with Nerang Street:

- Cougal Street
- Rawlins Street
- Garden Street

Little High Street - due to the complexity of the High Street/ Nerang Street intersection and the future light rail corridor in the vicinity of Little High Street, this side street will be restricted to left out only.

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## Parking arrangements

- Provision of loading bays, disable parking spaces and taxi bays will be provided along Nerang Street (Queen Street to High Street and High Street to Davenport Street)
- Queen Street to Davenport Street: Free regulated timed parking in the centre of Nerang Street will be temporarily provided in sections between Queen Street and Davenport Street until GoldLinQ require the area for the next stage of construction.

## Public Transport

Queen Street to High Street: Bus stops will be provided as follows:

- On the northern side of the road: Just to the west of Cougal Street and

High Street to Davenport Street: Bus stops will be provided as follows:

- On the northern side of the road: Just to the east of Rawlins Street and
- On the southern side of the road: Just to the east of Garden Street

## Traffic Signals

All existing traffic signals are being replaced and upgraded; no additional signals are being installed.

## Works in 2012

It is anticipated that the bulk of the works will be completed by Christmas with footpath works and final road paving to be undertaken in January / February 2012 (weather permitting).

## Scarborough Street and then into Queen Street (between Lenneberg Street and the Croquet Club)

### Traffic arrangements

- Scarborough Street and Queen Street will remain two-way traffic
- Scarborough Street will be one lane in each direction
- Queen Street will be two lanes in each direction

### Local side street access

Once the light rail system is operational, trams will travel in a dedicated corridor, separate from existing road traffic. For safety reasons, private vehicles will not be able to cross the light rail corridor except at designated intersections. As a result, the following streets will be restricted to left in and left out traffic movements at their intersection with Queen Street effective late 2011:

- Lenneberg Street
- Lather Street

Bauer Street - due to the complexity of the Queen Street/Ada Bell Way intersection and the future light rail corridor in the vicinity of Bauer Street, this side street will be restricted to left out only.

### Parking arrangements

- Scarborough Street: Along the centre of the road, temporary free regulated timed parking will be provided until GoldLinQ require the area for the next stage of construction.
- Queen Street: Along the centre of the road, there will be concrete kerbs to prevent traffic damaging the light rail corridor. While there may be empty space in some parts of the centre of the road, parking is not permitted in these areas for safety reasons.

### Public Transport

Public bus routes as they are today will remain unchanged by the completion of works.

### Traffic Signals

All existing traffic signals are being replaced and upgraded; no additional signals are being installed.

### Works in 2012

It is anticipated that the bulk of the works will be completed by Christmas with footpath works and final road paving to be undertaken in January / February 2012.

## GoldLinQ and future works

With government funded early works in Southport nearing completion, light rail operators GoldLinQ are anticipated to commence track laying along the light rail corridor from early – mid 2012.

There will be minimal disruption to local traffic movement once these works commence as the light rail will travel down the centre of the roadway. Two way traffic will be maintained in either direction during the light rail construction.

For further information about the GoldLinQ construction program contact your Southport Place Manager, Bruce Miller on 1800 967 377.

## Courtesy bus services

The Gold Coast Rapid Transit Courtesy bus will not be operational on public holidays during the Christmas and New Year period between December 24 and January 3 2012.



## Contact information

To stay up to date with traffic, parking and construction changes in Southport:

- Call **1800 967 377** to speak to the project team
- Sign up for Light Rail Mail at **[www.goldcoastrapidtransit.qld.gov.au](http://www.goldcoastrapidtransit.qld.gov.au)**
- Register to receive email and SMS updates by emailing your address and phone number to **[southport@tmr.qld.gov.au](mailto:southport@tmr.qld.gov.au)**

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