



WHEELERS LANE REOPEN TO TRAFFIC

The southbound section of Wheelers Lane, from Birch Avenue to the railway crossing, has been re-opened to traffic ahead of the planned schedule.

Dubbo Regional Council (DRC) started the works on 22 May 2023, with the road closure in place from 5 June 2023.

It was anticipated the works would take up to 12 weeks, with scheduled re-opening in mid-September.

“We are excited to announce works have been undertaken quicker than expected, and we can re-open the southbound lanes ahead of the proposed schedule,” Dubbo Regional Council Mayor Mathew Dickerson said.

The works, which aimed to revitalise one of Dubbo’s crucial thoroughfares, involved the relocation of a water main and replacing the pavement. The pavement was replaced with new materials and an asphaltic wearing surface was constructed.

“The expected issues with underlying rock and sub-soil drainage did not eventuate how staff thought it would, allowing the team to complete the works ahead of schedule.”

Staff will install temporary lane markings on the road for three weeks before completing the line markings once the asphalt cures. The line marking will be undertaken with minimal disruption to traffic.

“The re-opening of the southbound lanes of Wheelers Lane from Birch Avenue to the railway crossing will alleviate the detour routes and restore normal traffic flow to the area,” Cllr Dickerson said.

“We would like to thank the community for their patience and understanding during the closure period; we understand roadworks can disrupt the routine.”

Council staff are currently in the planning phase for stage two of the Wheelers Lane Rehabilitation Project, which includes water main and road works that need to be undertaken on both the north and southbound lanes of Wheelers Lane between the Railway Line and Myall Street. It is expected the works will be undertaken in the current financial year.

During these works, there will be staged road closures, traffic management plans, delays and disruptions for immediate businesses and residents along Wheelers Lane. DRC will update affected residents, businesses, and the community as the project progresses.

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support.

You can find more information about the project via the YourSay website: yoursay.dubbo.nsw.gov.au/wheelers-lane-rehabilitation.

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