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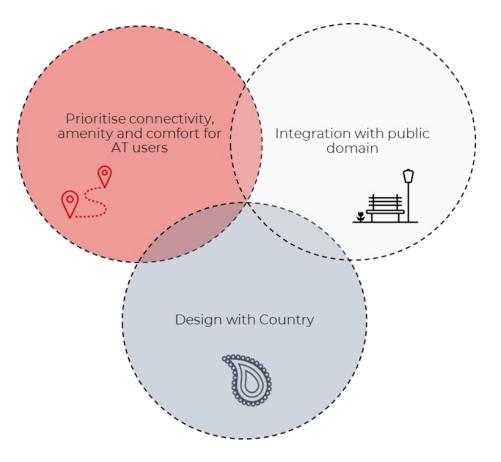
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1. Introduction



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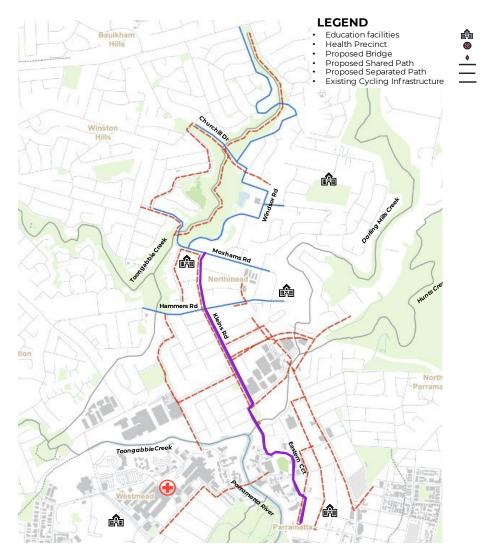
1. Introduction

Project overview

The **Kleins Road Pedestrian and Cyclist Corridor** (funded as part of the Transport for NSW Get NSW Active program) will provide an integrated active transport route from Parramatta North to Northmead.

The document outlines the **Alignment Review** for both Kleins Road and the proposed connecting shared paths. This has been undertaken through an opportunities and constraints assessment of the kerbsides to establish the preferred side for the cycleway as well as identifying opportunities to improve pedestrian facilities. These are documented in example cross sections and noted schematics.

The accompanying **Working Paper B** documents the feasibility of the proposed bridge at Darling Mills Creek including an overview of its location and general arrangements and mitigations.

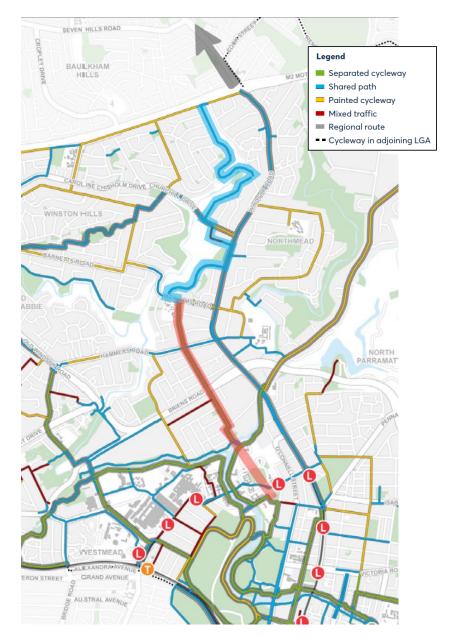


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1. Introduction

Project needs

- 1. Deliver a key component of the City's Parramatta Bike Plan 2023 and Parramatta Ways – Improving pedestrian and cycling connection to Northmead, Winston Hills and onward to Baulkham Hills.
- 2. Improve pedestrian and cycling connections across Darling Mills Creek – Provide an attractive alternative for users across Darling Mills Creek for commuting and recreation.
- 3. Supporting access to the Parramatta North Urban Transformation and Westmead Hospital Precinct -Together with PLR Active Transport Link, provide improved access to PNUT and Westmead.
- 4. Create a new link to promote the Dharug Nation's Connection with Country – Acknowledge and promote the importance of the corridor and Darling Mills Creek to the people of the Dharug nation through design and knowledge sharing



Proposed Kleins Road separated Corridor (shown in red) and shared path (shown in blue) as part of the Draft Parramatta Bike Plan 2023

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1. Introduction

Project objectives



Identify the **preferred kerbside alignment** for the separated cycleway along Kleins Road



Confirm **routes and arrangement of shared paths** to connect to the Kleins Road Cycleway



Identify opportunities for **streetscape improvements** as part of design process



Undertake engineering and design **evaluation** of proposed Darling Mills Creek bridge which is functional, deliverable and in keeping with local area



Provide opportunity through design and knowledge sharing to demonstrate the **connection of Dharug people to the land** on which the project is sited.

2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment

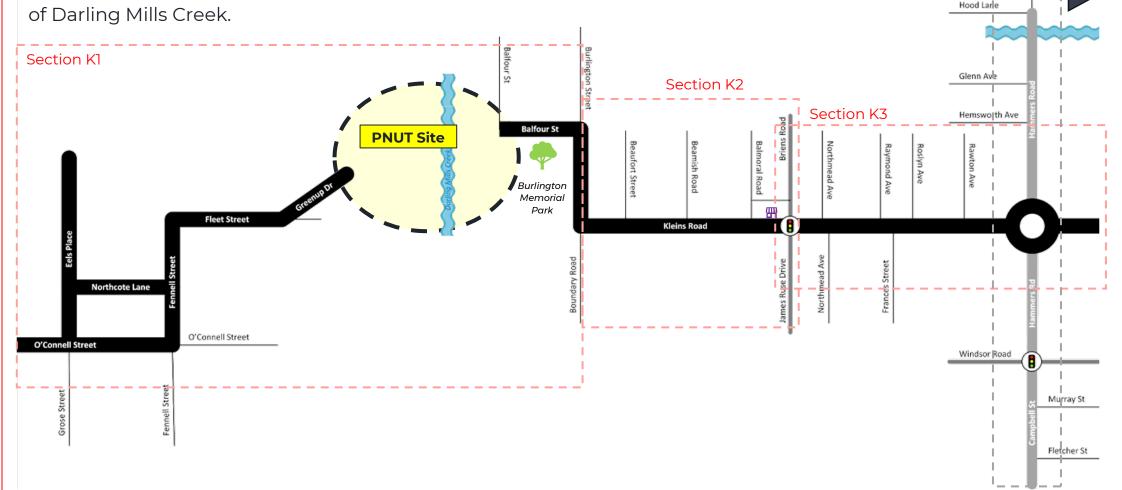
Concept drawings are provided as Appendix A

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Study area overview

The **Kleins Road Study Corridor** extends from Eels Place in the south to Junction Road in the north. The corridor traverses predominantly residential land uses but includes areas of retail and industry. The Parramatta North Urban Transformation (PNUT) forms part of the corridor together with a new crossing of Darling Mills Creek. Kleins Road Corridor Study area roads North Direction

Section S1



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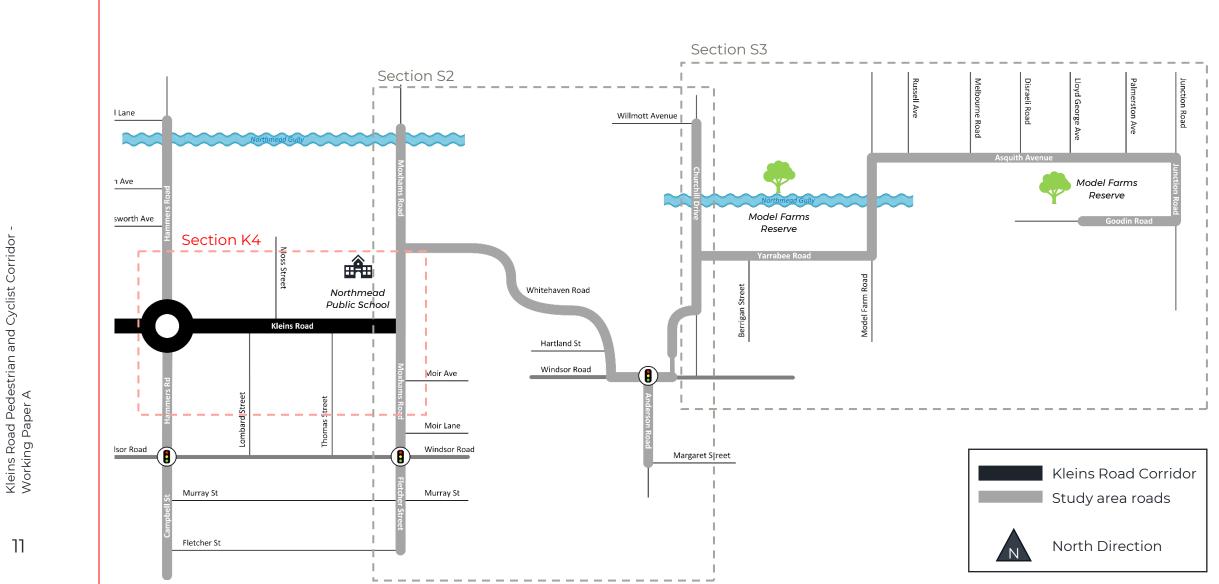
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Study area overview



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Project outcomes

New cycleways

Separated cycleways are proposed on the majority of Fleet Street and Kleins Road. This will provide a significant prioritised cycle connection from Parramatta Park and Stadium to Northmead Public School. Shared paths will link to the main Kleins Road corridor to nearby locations including large parts of Northmead, local schools and centres.

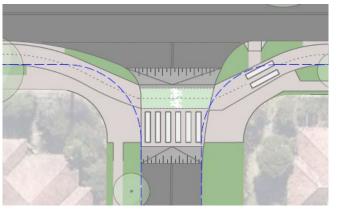
New footpaths

New footpaths are proposed on pedestrian desire lines not currently served. Existing footpaths throughout the study area will be reviewed and repaired.

Streetscape improvements

New trees and shrubs will be planted to provide shade and improve the general user experience. Where possible, existing utility poles will be removed, and wires put underground to improve visual amenity.

New Shared crossings



Where the proposed cycleway crosses side streets, new shared crossings will be provided. These raised crossing will provide priority crossing for those walking and on bikes.



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New Priority Pedestrian Crossings



On the opposite kerbside to the cycleway, crossing of side road with high pedestrian demand (warranted when greater than 20 per hour) will have priority pedestrian crossings installed. These are also provided mid-block at selected locations where warrants permit.



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2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment

Section K1 Eels Place to Darling Mills Creek

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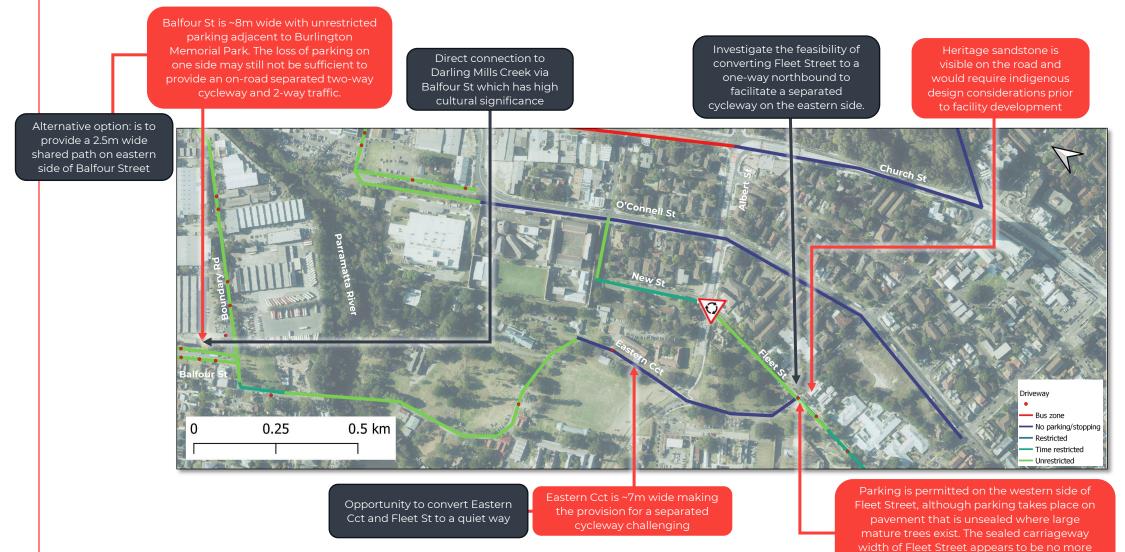
Section K1: Eels Place to Darling Mills Creek



than 6m, making the provision for a separated cycleway and two-way traffic challenging

Opportunities and Constraints

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Section K1: Eels Place to Darling Mills Creek

The **Parramatta North Urban Transformation (PNUT)** site is currently being developed by the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI). The 26-hectare site will support residential, commercial and retail land uses and will be constructed in stages.

The site will provide a vital walking and cycling connection as part of the Kleins Road Corridor by linking the new Darling Mills Creek Bridge with Parramatta CBD. The corridor itself will also improve connections north of the creek for future occupants of the PNUT site.

Following discussion with DPHI, an interim route and future permanent route through the northern part of the site is proposed:

Interim route

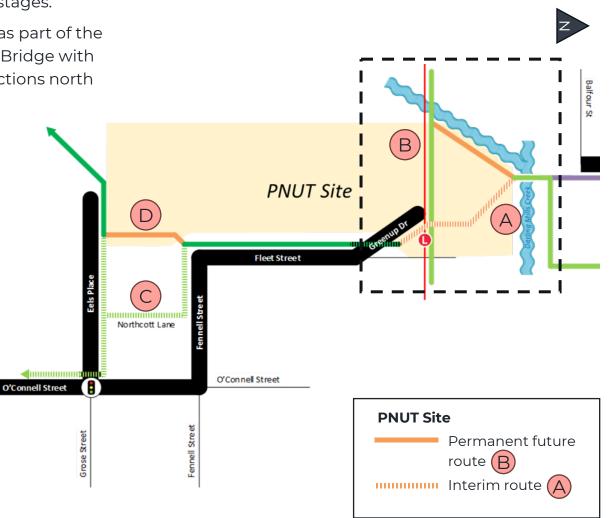
Using existing internal roads of Eastern Circuit and Greenup Drive. A new connection, east of the current SES site, will be constructed to connect Eastern Circuit with the new Darling Mills Creek bridge.

B Permanent route

Using a new separated route adjacent to the western riverfront and Parramatta Light Rail shared facility. Construction of new separated facility on Greenup Drive.

Both options are subject to confirmation and continued discussion with DPHI.





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Section K1: Eels Place to Darling Mills Creek

South of the PNUT site a new separated path will be provided on the western side of Fleet Street.

To accommodate the cycleway, retain existing parking provision and avoid the heritage wall on the border of the PNUT site, Fleet Street will be converted to one-way operation for motor vehicles. A circulation plan is provided overleaf for vehicles accessing the PNUT site.

Whilst a permanent route within the southern section of the PNUT is currently being confirmed, an interim route via Northcott Lane is proposed.

Interim route

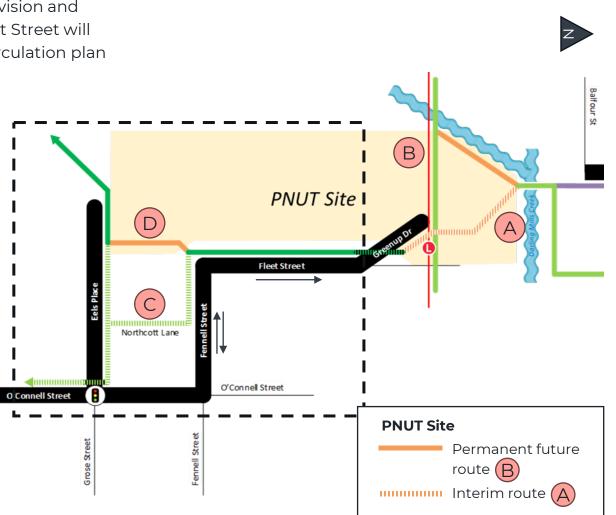
Creation of a shared path on southern side of Fennell Street. Conversion of Northcott Lane to a quietway with a contraflow in a southernly direction for cyclists. New shared path on northern side of Eels Place connecting with signalised intersection of O'Connell Street south towards Parramatta CBD.

Permanent route

New separated route through PNUT site as part of redevelopment. New shared path connecting Eels Place with Parramatta Park and Stadium,

The permanent route is subject to confirmation and continued discussion with DPHI.

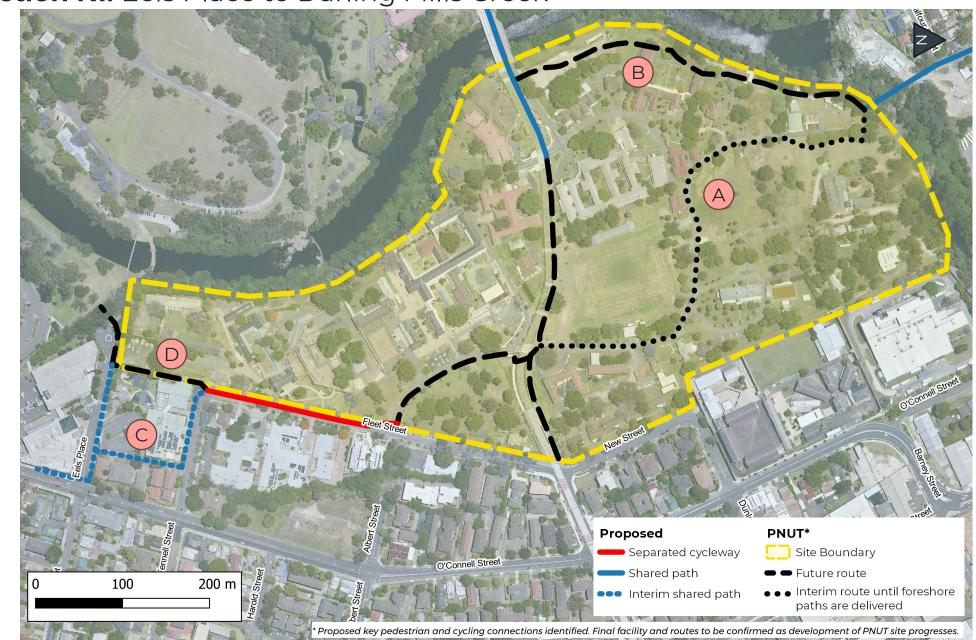




Section K1: Eels Place to Darling Mills Creek

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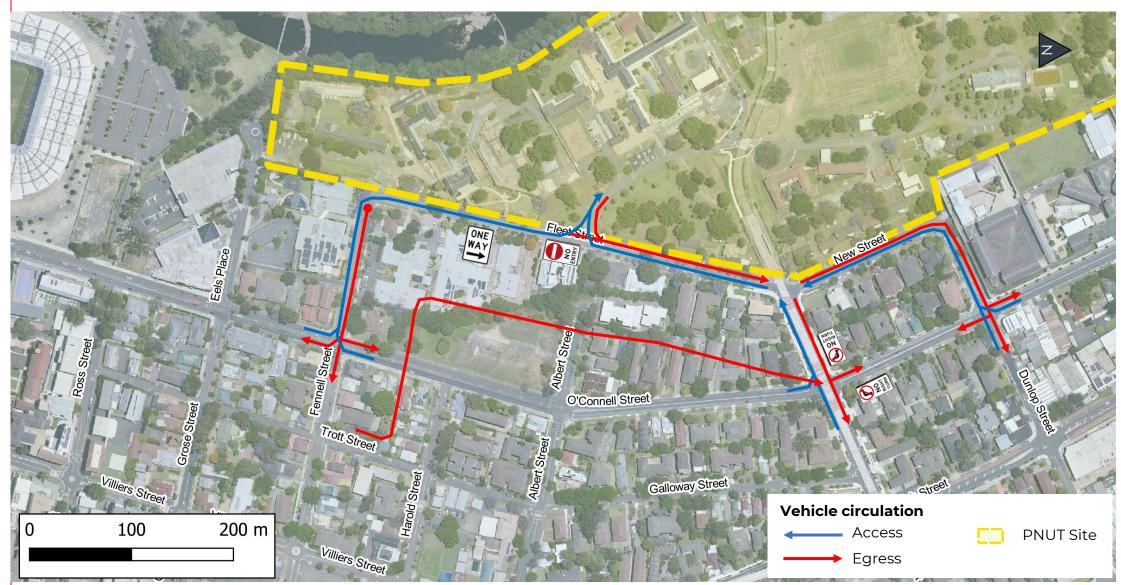
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Section K1: Eels Place to Darling Mills Creek

Vehicle circulation



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Section K2 Darling Mills Creek to Briens Road

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Strategic Bus Network for vehicles

accessing the Northmead bus depot.

existing grass verge

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Section K2: Darling Mills Creek to Briens Road

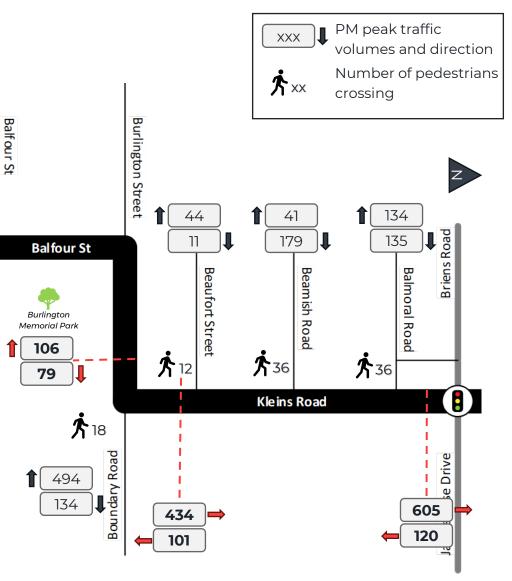
Traffic analysis

2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment

Section K2 extends from the landing of the Darling Mills Creek bridge south of Balfour Street to the Briens Road/James Ruse Drive interchange of Kleins Road. It consists of mixed land uses, residential on the west and industrial on the east.

Observation 1: Traffic counts indicate that Beamish Road and Balmoral Road have high traffic volumes which would cross any western kerbside cycleway and pedestrian crossing. This is likely due to these side streets being used to avoid Briens Road when exiting Westmead Hospital via Redbank Road. **Recommendation:** Priority treatments, such as a bent-out intersection for the cycleway and pedestrian movements would support safe crossing of side streets.

Observation 2: The eastern kerbside has a higher number of driveways that directly service industrial units. Recommendation: Conflicts between cyclists, pedestrians, council vehicles and heavy vehicles would need to be mitigated in design should an eastern kerbside option be considered.



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Section K2: Darling Mills Creek to Briens Road

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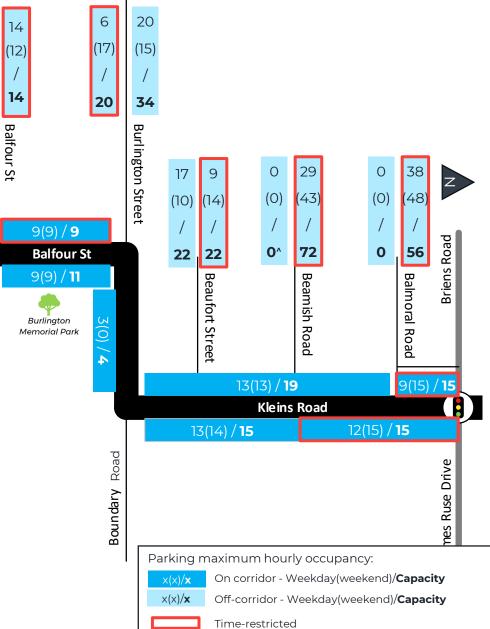
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Parking analysis

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- A small parade of shops is located between Briens Road and Balmoral Road which has *IP and ½P time restricted parking with a high turnover*.
- Additional restricted parking should be provided to offset any lost in front of shops. This can be accommodated by extending the existing restricted parking on the eastern side of Kleins Road.
- Parking survey data reveals medium to high parking occupancy across adjacent side streets along Kleins Road.
- As there may be a loss of parking spaces on Kleins Road, unrestricted parking capacity and availability exists on Burlington Street and Beaufort Street to mitigate this loss.
- Some parking offsets can be distributed to Beamish Road in limited capacity however this is mostly concentrated over 400m away from lost parking on Kleins Road.



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Section K2: Darling Mills Creek to Briens Road

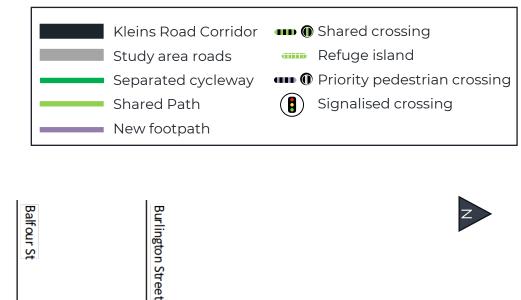
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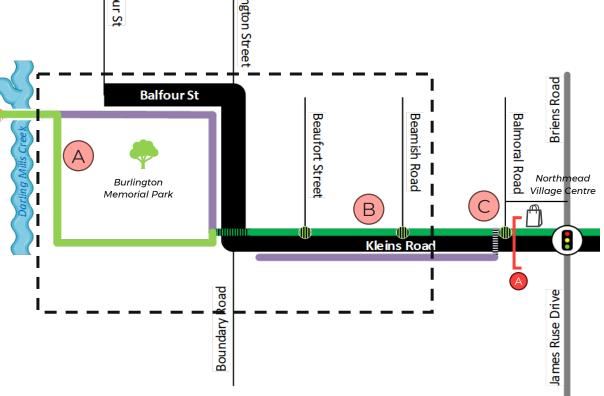
2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment

Summary: A shared path on approach to a new crossing of Darling Mills Creek. A separated cycleway on western kerbside of Kleins Road with change to kerbside parking at shops to accommodate.

Approach to Darling Mills Crossing: A new shared path will be created on the eastern side of Burlington Memorial Park. This will provide a lesser gradient than via Balfour Street and connects to Kleins Road at its intersection with Boundary Road. The existing fence adjacent to Balfour Street will be moved westwards to create space within the park lost through the proposed shared path.

- A new footpath will be created adjacent to Balfour Road to connect Kleins Road to the new crossing of Darling Mills Creek.
- B Separated cycleway: Provision of a 2.4m separated cycleway within the existing roadspace on the western side of Kleins Road. Parking would be retained, less some kerb buildouts to support new pedestrian crossings of Kleins Road.





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Section K2: Darling Mills Creek to Briens Road

Recommended option

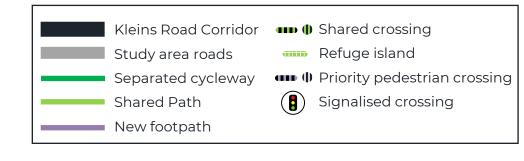
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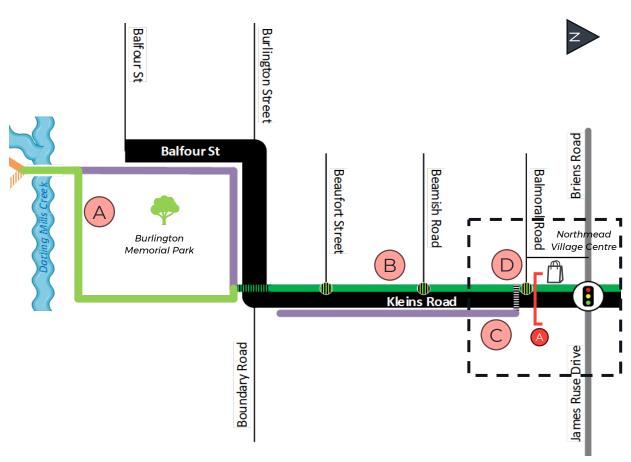
Summary: A shared path on approach to a new crossing of Darling Mills Creek. A separated cycleway on western kerbside of Kleins Road with change to kerbside parking at shops to accommodate.

New pedestrian priority crossing of Kleins Road and extension of eastern footpath: A new priority pedestrian crossing will be created on Kleins Road just south of Balmoral Road. This crossing will improve access to the Northmead Village Centre where shops are present on both sides.

The pedestrian desire line on the eastern side of Kleins Road will be formalised through an extension of the existing footpath. This will provide a continuous connection from James Ruse Drive, the new proposed priority crossing at the village centre and Boundary Road.

Modification to parking at Kleins Road shops: Existing angled parking would be converted to kerbside. Streetscape improvements are proposed as part of these works including new tree planting and paving. Existing disabled parking space will be retained but relocated angled parking spaces on Balmoral Street.





Section A - Kleins Road Shops

2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment

To the south of the Briens Road intersection, parking spaces are provided for local shops on both sides of Kleins Road.

Currently, 15 angled spaces (including one disabled space) are provided on the western side with an additional 9 provided parallel on the eastern side.

The proposed option (see next page) would see the existing angled parking converted to parallel parking with a slight reduction in trafficable lane width. With an average space of 6m per vehicle, this would result in the retention of 9 spaces, and net loss of 6 spaces. This could be **fully offset** by providing additional angled short stay parking nearby on Balmoral Road and on Kleins Road with pedestrian access support by new shared crossing proposed on side streets.

А Existing - 0 - 0 4 m 5.2 m 3.65 m 3.1 m 2.9 m 3.4 m 1.7 m 1.55 m Sidewalk Angled parking Drive lane Drive lane Drive lane Parking lane Sidewalk Facing north Proposed

3.2 m

Sidewalk

1.4 m

2.6 m

2.35 m

Parking lane

1 m

3.1 m

No turn lane

3.1 m

Turn lane

3.2 m

Drive lane

2.3 m

Parking lane

1.55 m

Sidewalk

1.7 m

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Section K3 Briens Road to Hammers Road

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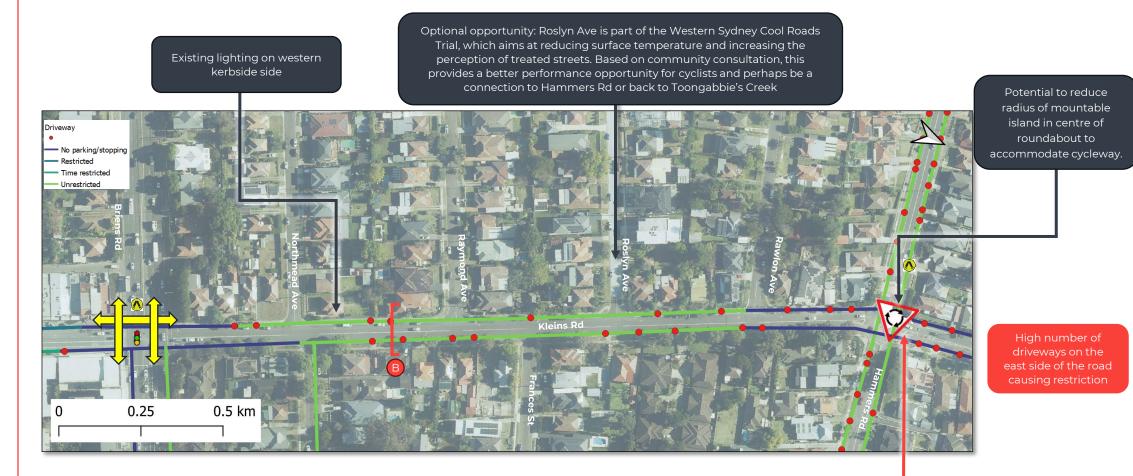
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Section K3: Briens Road to Hammers Road



Opportunities and Constraints

2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment



Kleins Rd (to the north of Briens Rd) is between 11-12m wide, providing a separate two-way cycleway. This will require the removal of parking on one side

Limited space and gradient changes at roundabout

Integrating a cycleway on Kleins Rd with a roundabout on Hammers Rd would require a high level of intervention **\\SD**

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2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment

Section K3: Briens Road to Hammers Road

Traffic and parking observations

Section K3 extends from Briens Road to Hammers Road and consists of residential land uses on both sides.

Observation: The Hammers Road roundabout is large and acts as a major intersection on the corridor with significant vehicle movements in all directions. This creates a challenging crossing environment for cyclists and pedestrians with prioritisation limited to a western arm raised pedestrian crossing facility, a small refuge island provided on the northern arm and drop kerbs on others. Traffic count surveys indicate low traffic movements on other side streets.

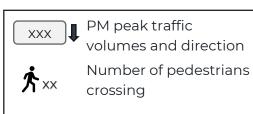
Recommendation: Treatments should focus on providing continuous priority crossing for pedestrians and cycling users to improve access and safety along this section.

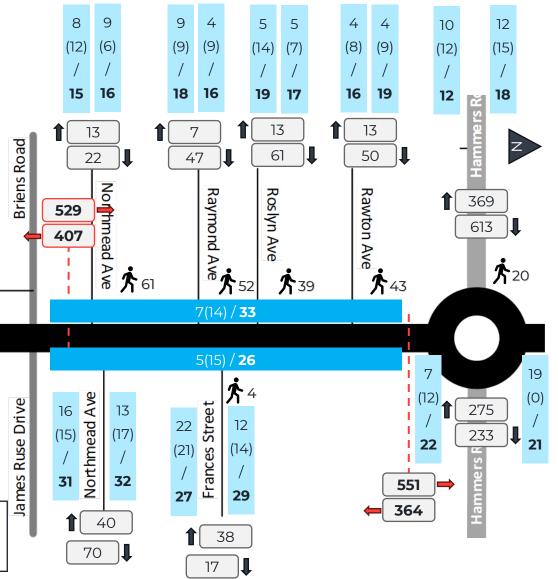
Parking analysis

- A total of 33 spaces will be lost on the western kerbside of this section.
- Parking counts indicates that the current occupancy • numbers on the opposite kerb and nearby side street should offset this loss.

Parking maximum hourly occupancy:

- On corridor Weekday(weekend)/Capacity $\times(x)/x$
- Off-corridor Weekday(weekend)/Capacity (x)/x





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2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment

Section K3: Briens Road to Hammers Road

Recommended option

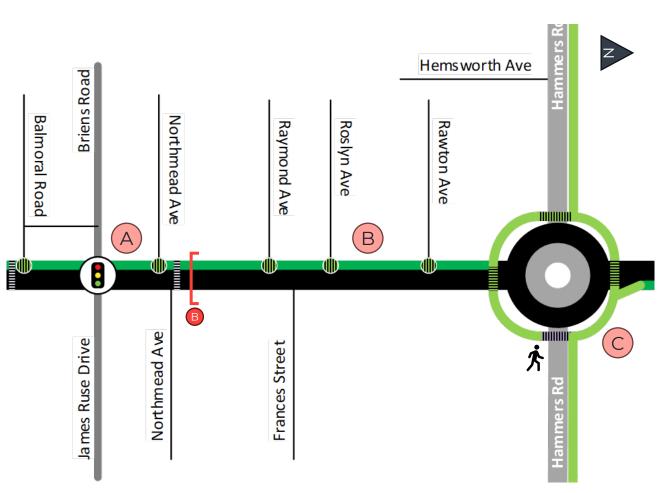
Summary: Provision of a separated cycleway on western kerb of Kleins Road. Modifications to Hammers Road roundabout to support cycling and pedestrian movements through intersection.

- Briens Road intersection: Existing pedestrian crossing on eastern arm of signalised intersection will allow for both cyclists and pedestrians to cross.
- B Separated cycleway: Provision of 2.4m separated cycleway within existing roadspace on western side of Kleins Road. This will result in loss of parking on this kerbside.

Modifications to Hammers Road Roundabout: To

accommodate the proposed cycleway, the existing footprint would need to be marginally increased. Council's warrants are met so crossings would be permitted on all arms with the northern, western and southern constructed as shared crossings. Due to the proximity of driveways, the eastern crossing would be pedestrian-only with cyclists required to dismount.





Section K3 - Recommended option to initial design

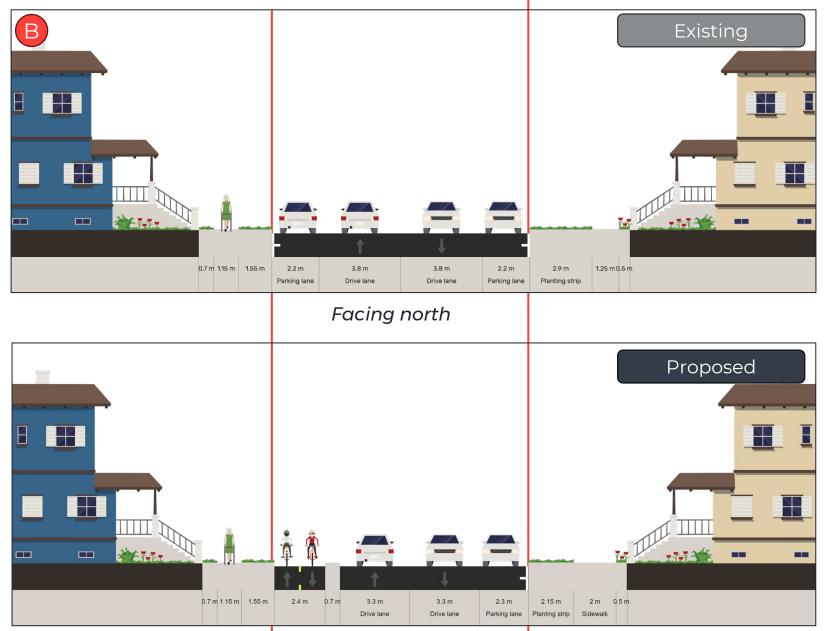
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Section B - Kleins Road North

North of Briens Road, unrestricted kerbside parking is provided on both sides of the road.

A separated cycleway could be provided within the existing kerbline through reallocation of roadspace, against the western kerbside. Parking would be retained on the opposite kerb.

The existing footpath could be widen to 2m within the existing verge space.



2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment

Section K4 Hammers Road to Moxhams Road

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Section K4: Hammers Road to Moxhams Road



Opportunities and Constraints

2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment



Concentration of driveways on the both side of road

School pick up and drop off at Northmead Pre-School and Northmead Public School

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Section K4: Hammers Road to Moxhams Road

Traffic and parking observations

2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment

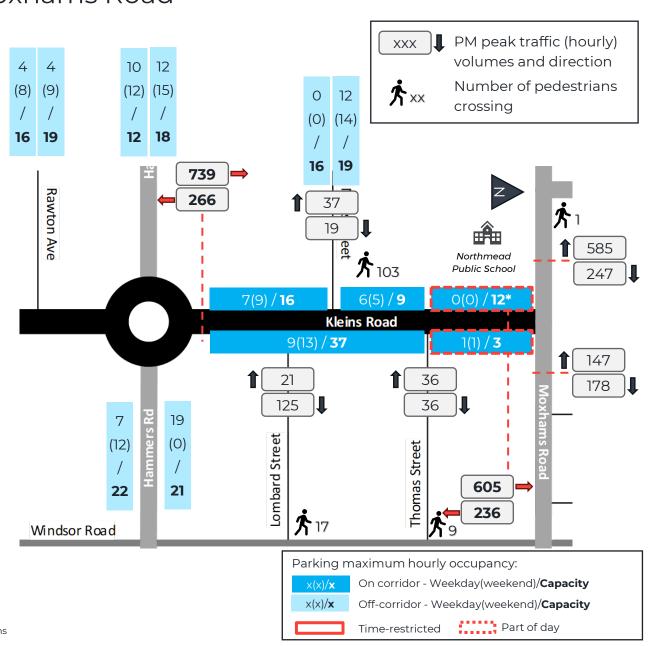
Section K4 extends from Hammers Road to Moxhams Road and consists of residential land uses on both sides. Northmead Public School is located at its northern end.

Observation: This section experiences some of the highest vehicle volumes (>750 vehicles northbound) on Kleins Road. Whilst most side roads in this section have relatively low movements (<100/hour), Lombard Street acts as a rat-run alternative between Kleins Road and Windsor Road.

Recommendation: The proposed cycleway design should consider possible conflicts between cycleway users and pedestrians, particularly during school dropoff and pick-up times.

Parking analysis

- Depending on the final alignment, up to 40 kerbside spaces may be lost, south of the school.
- Parking analysis indicates available parking spaces on opposite kerbs or on side streets.



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Section K4: Hammers Road to Moxhams Road

Recommended option

2. Kleins Road Corridor Assessment

Summary: Provision of a separated cycleway on the eastern kerb with conversion of a shared pedestrian/ cycling crossing at the existing crossing site in front of Northmead Public School.

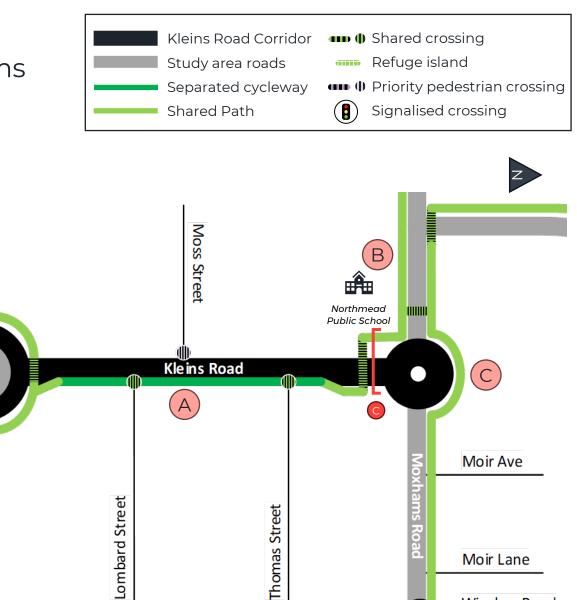
Separated cycleway: Provision of a 2.6m separated cycleway within existing roadspace on the eastern side of Kleins Road. This will result in loss of parking on this kerbside.

Shared path around Northmead Public School: B

Widen the existing path outside the school, requiring the school fence to be relocated approximately 1.5m into the school's ground. The existing crossings of Kleins Road and Moxhams Road will be converted to shared pedestrian and cycling crossings. The paths around the school between the crossings will be widened to up to 5m, minimising conflicts and providing additional path widths for students and waiting parents.

Creation on new roundabout at intersection of

Moxhams Road: To reduce traffic speeds and improve general circulation within the network, a roundabout is proposed at this intersection.



Street

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Windsor Road

Section K4 - Recommended option to initial design

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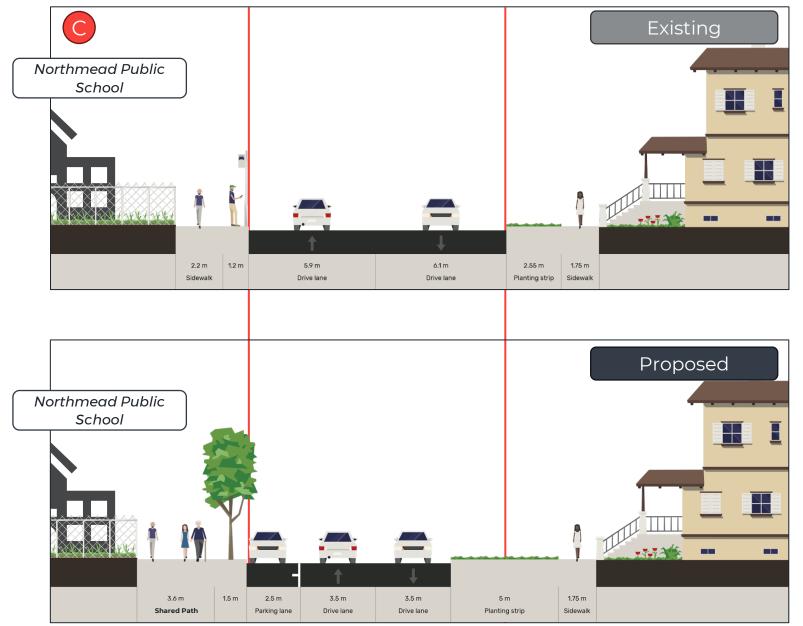
Section C - Northmead Public School

Several kerbside uses occur outside Northmead Public School including pick up and drop off by school buses. A pedestrian crossing (patrolled during the morning and afternoon) is provided just south of the intersection with Moxhams Road.

It is proposed that a shared path be provided on the western side adjacent to Northmead Public School between the two existing crossing points. Both crossings will be converted to shared use

The need to widen footpath into school grounds (up to 1.5m) should be included as part of detailed design and through assessment of future pedestrian/cyclists volumes.

The existing western kerbside space will be retained for parking and school bus services.



3. Shared Path Kerbside Assessment

High-level CAD drawings are provided as Appendix B

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3. Shared Path Kerbside Assessment



of the roundabout and the fenced footpath

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3. Shared Path Kerbside Assessment

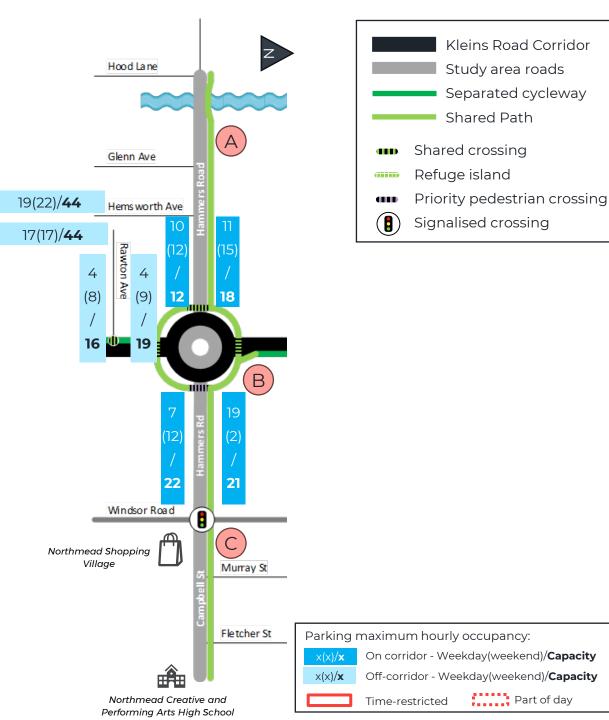
Section S1: Hammers Road

Observations and recommendations

- A Shared path on the northern side of Hammers Road due to shared crossing connections around roundabout and availability of verge space.
- B Reduction in size of the roundabout and transition to a single directional kerbside lane on approach to Kleins Road (see Section K3).
- C Widen existing signalised pedestrian crossing points at Hammers Road and Windsor Road intersection to 4.5m wide. This will support the function as a shared pedestrian/ cyclist crossing.

Parking analysis

- Approximately half of spaces on Hammers Road were observed to be occupied during the survey period.
- High level design has indicated that a shared path could be accommodated in existing footpath and verge space. This is subject to further design and loss of parking may occur (such as avoiding high value trees or utilities).



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3. Shared Path Kerbside Assessment

Section S2: Moxhams Road to Anderson Road



Opportunities and Constraints

A shared path on the west side of Whitehaven Road would require a high level of design intervention as the road is ~7m wide and would develop the proposed shared path, encroachment into the natural reserve may be required. It is a preferred option compared to the east side

Angled parking, no stopping zone and upcoming child education centre on Whitehaven Rd may require a high level of design intervention to provide a facility in the area

The two schools, Northmead Public School and Pre-School Kindergarten have high pedestrian and cycling activity. To provide safe movement and crossing opportunities, further analysis is required during AM and school zone pick-up/drop off times



To provide a shared path on the eastern/southern side of Whitehaven Rd is constrained by the crossfall. It is also constrained by stairs (6 Whitehaven Rd), and elevated footpaths

Providing a facility on the western/northern side is restricted by the angled parking in the vicinity of Moxhams Rd

Provision of a separated cycleway on the eastern side of Kleins Rd approaching Moxhams Rd requires a crossing facility across Moxham to provide a link to Whitehaven Rd on north side of Moxhams Rd Higher traffic levels, and number of driveways, may require higher level of design interventions for a shared path

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3. Shared Path Kerbside Assessment

Section S2: Moxhams Road to Anderson Road

Observations and recommendations

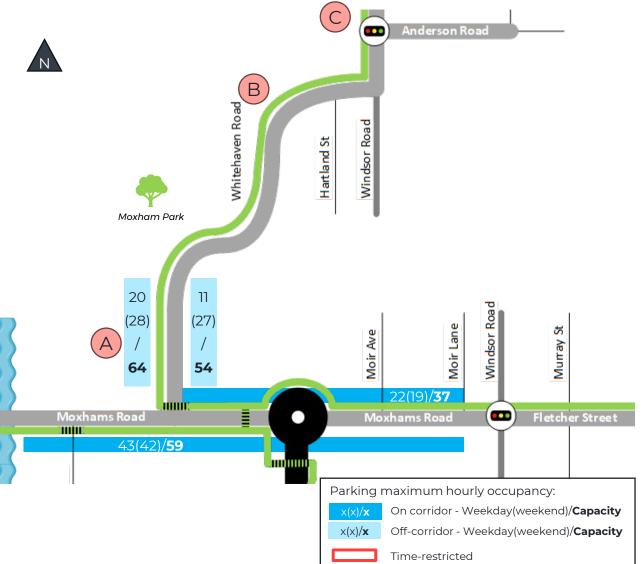
- A Provision of a new shared path on the western side of Whitehaven Road. This will be sited on existing verge and require existing parking to be converted to kerbside.
 - Care should be taken to ensure encroachment into Moxham Park is minimal. Earthworks may be required in certain areas due to steep gradient drops.
- C New combined bicycle and pedestrian crossing arm created on northern side of Windsor Road intersection with Fletcher Street and a new pedestrian crossing arm on northern side of Windsor Road intersection with Anderson Road.

Parking analysis

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- Moxhams Road may experience an increase in parking occupancy due to parking loss along Kleins Road's separated cycleway.
- Marginal parking occupancy changes are expected along Whitehaven Road given the high availability of unrestricted parking along Moxhams Road.





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Section S3: Windsor Road to Roger Gregory playground



Opportunities and Constraints

3. Shared Path Kerbside Assessment



Street furniture including bus stop shelter on Windsor Rd are a potential constraint **NSD**

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Section S3: Windsor Road to Roger Gregory playground

Observations and recommendations

3. Shared Path Kerbside Assessment

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- Whilst a shared path is shown on Ulandi Place, as a cul-de-sac opportunity to provide on-road quietway treatment instead.
- B Refuge islands retained at Yarrabee Road/Churchill Drive and Model Farm Road/Simpson Street intersections.
- C

Provision of a shared path facility on the western side of Yarrabee Road. Whilst this can primarily be provided within the existing verge, certain sections may reguire small kerbside buildouts around mature trees.

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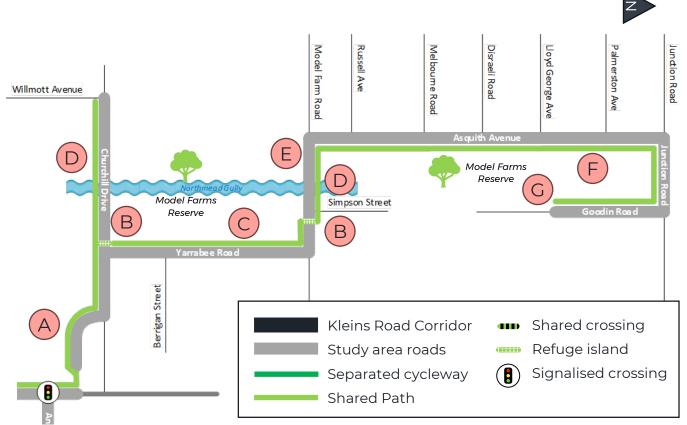
Existing crossings of Northmead Gully on both Churchill Drive and Model Farm Road would require cyclists to dismount due to width of path. No opportunity to widen path without significant structural upgrade.

Shared path preferred on northern side of Model Farm Road due to existing verge width. Option on southern side would require realignment of kerb due to proximity of mature trees. F

Widening of existing footpath to shared path on the eastern side of Asquith Avenue.

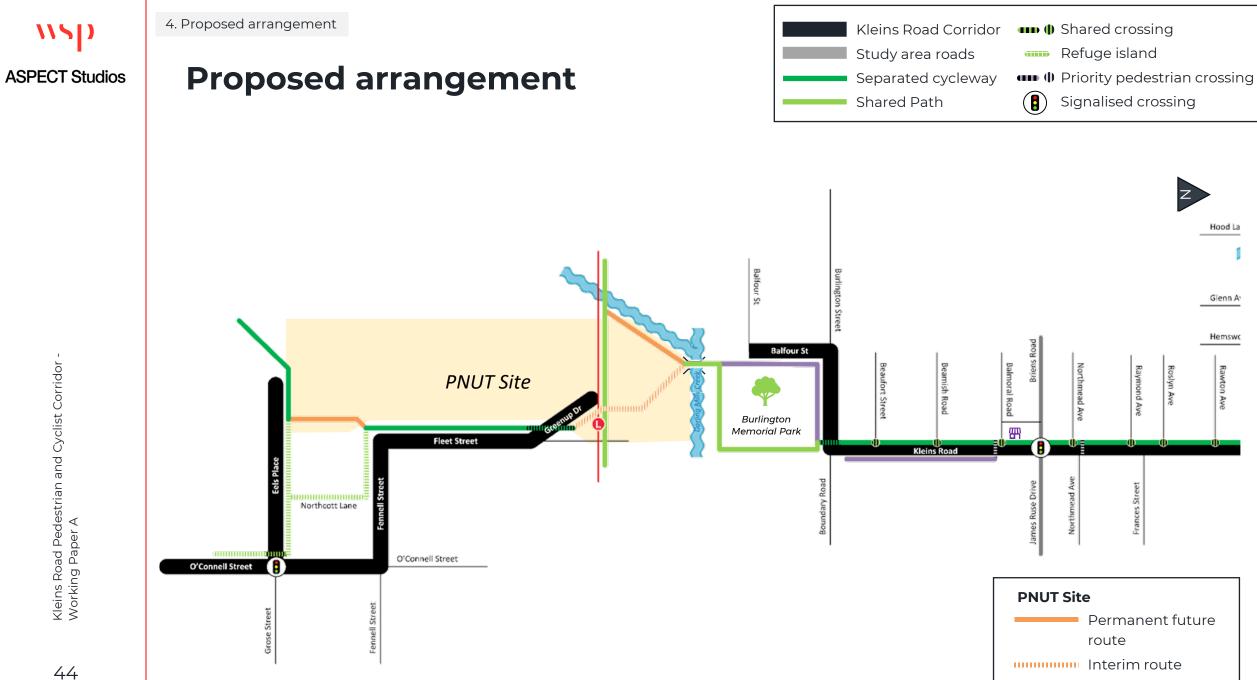


Shared path extended to recently upgraded Roger Gregory playground on Goodin Road.



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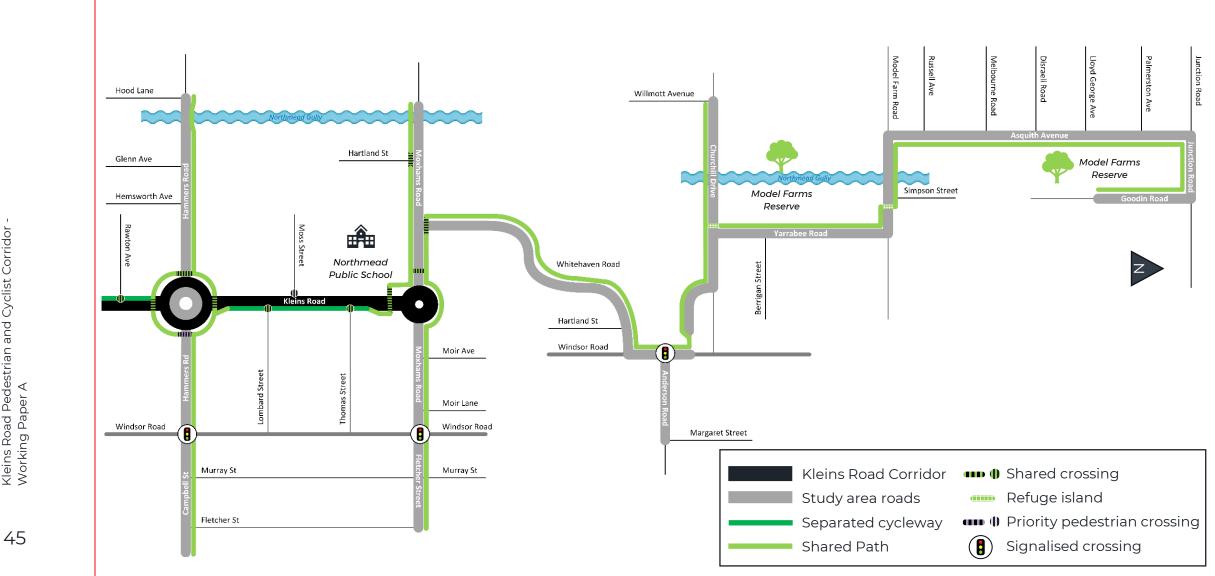


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