Aberfeldie drainage improvement project

Construction will begin on Buckley Street between Vida Street and Hedderwick Street from Saturday 5 December until the end of January 2016. During January we will be working Monday to Saturday 7am to 6pm, and on Sunday 8am to 6pm to ensure we finish work within the school holiday period. We will construct two large drainage pits and lay new large pipes which are required for the new drainage system.

Changes to Buckley Street traffic flow and access

Our construction zone will be located in the east bound lane on Buckley Street from 5 December to the end of January. Due to our works, there will be changes to traffic conditions on Buckley Street and surrounding local roads.

- Two way traffic flows will remain on Buckley Street but will be limited to one lane in each direction between Cooper Street and Aberdeen Street from week commencing 5 December 2015 until end of January 2016.
- Hedderwick Street will be closed at Buckley Street. A detour will be in place via McCracken Street and Thomson Street.
- Detours will be in place to direct motorists around the work areas.
- Residents will have limited access during this time.
- Trucks will be driving slowly as they enter and exit the work area.

Signage, reduced speed limits and traffic controllers will be in place to reduce congestion and ensure motorists are able to safely navigate work areas. We encourage you to allow extra time while travelling in the area.

No driveway access

When our large trench is positioned across a driveway there will be no vehicle access for up to five working days. Pedestrian access to properties will always be maintained. If a pit is to be constructed in front of a property there will be no driveway access for up to four weeks. You will be notified if a pit will be constructed across your driveway in the road reserve.

Construction hours

We are working to very tight timeframes to complete our works on Buckley Street due to restrictions to complete works within the school holiday period from 5 December 2015 to
27 January 2016. To ensure that this work is completed on time we will be working the following days and times in Buckley Street:

- 5 December to 23 December, Monday to Saturday 7am to 6pm
- 4 January to 27 January, Monday to Saturday 7am to 6pm and Sunday 8am to 6pm.

We will provide you with additional notice of any changes to working hours.

**Christmas break – 24 December to 3 January**

No works will occur between the 24 December 2015 and 3 January 2016. Resident access to driveways will be available during this time. Normal work activities will resume on Monday 4 January 2016.

**Construction activity overview**

From Saturday 5 December we will begin preparing the area for our construction works. This will involve the installation of barriers Buckley Street between Hedderwick Street and Roberts Street to create the work zone, implement traffic management changes, pipe deliveries, set up fences between the footpath and nature strip and put up signage. You will notice pipes will be laid out on nature strips on Buckley Street.

During working hours driveways will be impacted by our works and restricted access only will be available to driveways for residents. Driveway access will not be available for the duration of works for two properties highlighted in red in the map below.

Once the site is safe and set up we will work in the area to construct two drainage pits and install pipes. The tunnelling machine that is laying pipe under Vida Street and Buckley Street will be retrieved from this location.

You will notice a work crew of up to 10 workers. Typical machinery on site will include big excavators, compaction rollers, small trucks, cranes to lift pipes in and out of trench, large trucks for material delivery and utes.
Bus stop closures

During work activities, it will be necessary to close the following bus stops:

- Bus Stop 6101 on the north side of Buckley Street
- Bus Stop 6234 on the south side of Buckley Street

The closest alternative bus stops are:

- Bus Stop 6100 (west) and Bus Stop 6201 (east) of Bus Stop 6101
- Bus Stop 6233 (west) and Bus Stop 6235 (east) of Bus Stop 6234

How will I be impacted?

There will be different impacts depending on the activity taking place. We will make every effort to reduce impacts where possible while undertaking these essential works.

**Noise:** There will be noise generated from construction activities such as excavation, truck and machinery movement, and compaction from construction equipment. Noise will be restricted to construction times.

**Dust:** Dust will be created due to the works. It will be managed on site with water, monitoring and regular cleaning.

**Parking:** There will be no on-street parking within our works area.

**Footpaths:** Footpaths may need to be closed to ensure the safety of our workers and the community. Please follow the signage and instructions of traffic controllers. Pedestrian access to properties will always be maintained.

How will the area look when you have finished work?

Once the new pipe is in place the trench will be backfilled with crushed rock. When the entire length of Buckley Street between Vida Street and Hedderwick Street is complete, resurfacing will take place to reinstate the road to its original condition. Until then, daily monitoring will occur to ensure temporary reinstatement is satisfactorily maintained.

Melbourne Water thanks you for your patience during these important drainage improvement works.

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