

KINGSFORD SMITH DRIVE UPGRADE

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Community Newsletter

RIVER WALK OPEN TO PEDESTRIANS AND CYCLISTS

The new Kingsford Smith Drive River Walk is open!

The 1.2 kilometre River Walk is the latest addition to Brisbane's world-class active transport network, enabling residents and visitors to explore the area's vibrant dining, boutique shopping and retail precincts.

Stretching from Bretts Wharf in the east to Cameron Rocks Reserve in the west, the River Walk provides a great place to walk, run and cycle.

With the temperature cooling down, now is the perfect time to get outdoors and try out the new River Walk, while taking in the beautiful views of the iconic Brisbane River and CBD.

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River Walk now open, connecting pedestrians and cyclists from Bretts Wharf to Cameron Rocks Reserve.

UPCOMING MILESTONES

The transformation of Kingsford Smith Drive is starting to take shape, with key sections of the upgrade expected to open progressively to the community.

- Mid-2019 - the eastern section of Kingsford Smith Drive from Harbour Road to Theodore Street is expected to be completed.
- Late 2019 - the new urban plaza at Bretts Wharf is expected to open.
- Second half of 2020 - project completed with all works along the riverfront finished.

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CAMERON ROCKS RESERVE NOW OPEN

The rejuvenated Cameron Rocks Reserve is a standout feature of the Kingsford Smith Drive upgrade.

Located at the western end of the River Walk, the revitalised Reserve features new landscaping, lighting, shade shelters, a public barbeque and terrace steps to access the Brisbane River.

The project team has worked closely with the RSL throughout construction of the upgrade to ensure Cameron Rocks Reserve remains a special place of remembrance with the relocated Hamilton War Memorial taking centre stage.



The revitalised Reserve features terrace steps to access the Brisbane River.



Facilities installed at the rejuvenated Cameron Rocks Reserve include new seating, BBQ and picnic areas.



PROJECT OPEN DAY

YOU'RE INVITED...

To celebrate the completion of the revitalised Cameron Rocks Reserve and the opening of the new River Walk, the project will be hosting a Project Open Day in mid-2019.

The day will showcase Brisbane's latest riverside destination, allowing local residents and their families to enjoy the new park and riverside promenade. Food, drinks, activities and entertainment will be available on the day.

Keep an eye out for further information in your letterbox or on the project website in the coming months:

www.ksdupgrade.com.au



ARTIST ANNOUNCEMENT

The project is proud to announce Kenji Uranishi has been selected to deliver his 'Magnificent Flying Machines' art beacon concept as part of the Kingsford Smith Drive upgrade.

Kenji's art beacons are one of the key pieces of public artwork being installed across the project. The unique wayfinding markers will help to create a new entry statement to Brisbane, encouraging residents and visitors to explore this well-known but less frequently visited reach of the river.

The design of the beacons was selected following consideration of their location, artistic merit and community feedback.

Kenji's beacons take inspiration from two ground breaking Australian aviators and Hamilton locals, Sir Charles Kingsford Smith and Maude 'Lores' Bonney. He intertwines these courageous aviators pioneering spirit and passion for adventure with the awe inspiring, determined journey of an orchard swallowtail butterfly, the largest butterfly common to Brisbane.

The first two of Kenji's 10 art beacons were installed at Cameron Rocks Reserve in mid-April 2019. The remaining eight art beacons will be located at key locations along Kingsford Smith Drive, as shown on the map below.



The first beacon installed at Cameron Rocks Reserve.



Artist Profile

Kenji Uranishi is a Japanese-born, Brisbane-based artist who explores ideas around nature and the built environment, place and belonging.

Kenji has exhibited work across Australia and Japan, and is featured in public spaces including the redeveloped Ipswich courthouse and 400 George Street, Brisbane.



An artist's impression of the art beacons by Kenji Uranishi.



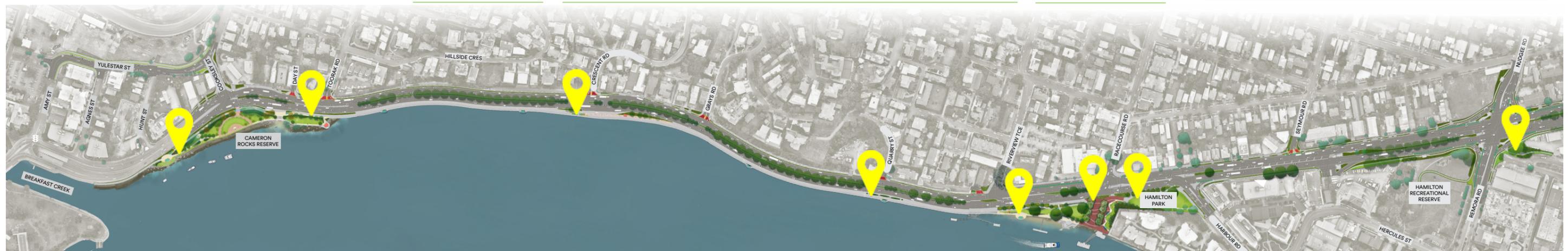
Public art is a key feature of the upgrade.

THE WOMEN'S JOURNEY

A separate series of ground level artworks will also be featured along Kingsford Smith Drive, which will explore stories and concepts specifically related to Brisbane women.

Australian artist Judy Watson will interpret this concept and develop works that reflect the spirit and history of the area.

More information about the Women's Journey will be available later in 2019 as the design progresses.



Cameron Rocks Reserve

Crescent Road bus stop

Quarry Street

Bretts Wharf

Nudgee Road intersection

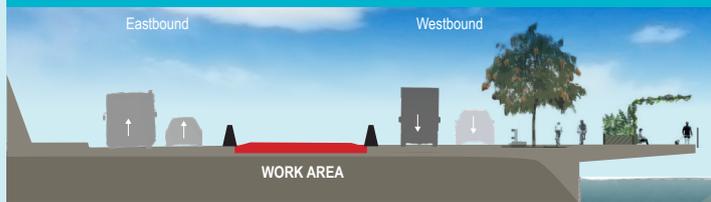
UPDATED CONSTRUCTION STAGING

Following the announcement in late 2018 that additional ground works will be required along the riverside section of the upgrade, the project has reviewed its construction staging for works between Cameron Rocks Reserve and Bretts Wharf.

The project team is continuing to work tirelessly to complete these complex works and to minimise the duration of construction.

All works between Harbour Road and Theodore Street are expected to be completed by mid-2019. In addition, all remaining works on the upgrade between Cooksley Street and Harbour Road will be completed in the second half of 2020. At this time, Kingsford Smith Drive will be fully opened to all traffic and the speed limit returned to 60km/h.

Mid-2019 to late 2019



Work in centre median and Bretts Wharf Plaza

- Westbound traffic moved to riverside
- Pavement works in new median
- Service installation
- Bretts Wharf Plaza construction.

NOTE - Additional ground improvement works will continue adjacent to the River Walk, between Toorak Road and Grays Road, until late 2019.

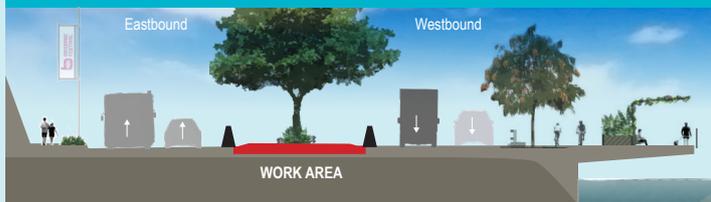
Late 2019 to mid-2020



Work on northern side

- Remove a small number of trees
- Install new services (water main, Energex, gas, etc.)
- Road pavement works
- New northern footpath construction
- Install new street lighting and kerb
- Stormwater installation
- Build bus stops
- Bretts Wharf Plaza open to community.

Mid-2020 to the second half of 2020



Finishing activities

- Eastbound traffic moved to new northern side
- Work on new centre median including traffic island works
- Landscaping
- Lighting
- Complete all road surfacing and final line marking.



OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Exciting retail and dining opportunities in Hamilton

After a stroll along the newly opened River Walk, check out the many local businesses nearby which remain open throughout construction.

While the Hamilton area may look different as construction progresses in 2019, our local businesses still need your support throughout these changes.

Racecourse Road, Portside Wharf, Hamilton Harbour, Eat Street and other local delights in between are open and operating as usual in 2019!



OPEN FOR BUSINESS: Located on Kingsford Smith Drive, Gino's Italian Restaurant has been serving delicious food to Hamilton residents for over 30 years!

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