

FORREST WALK UPGRADE

APRIL 2024



Overview

The Forrest Walk upgrade will enhance an important open-air arcade in the heart of Subiaco town centre.

The upgrade will improve the amenity and character of the space, enhance passive recreation opportunities and improve its capacity for night-time activity. New seating, decking, planting nodes, integrated art and lighting will add to the charm and atmosphere created by the existing tree canopy as well as complement commercial trade.

Upgrade features

- » New composite timber decking and public seating.
- » Improved surface treatments, pavement and pathways.
- » Conservation and retention of treescapes.
- » New softscapes including trees and underplanting.
- » Enhanced lighting scheme and electrical treatment.
- » Integrated art and incidental play.

Project details

- » Detailed design and review complete.
- » Project funding and program refinement complete.
- » Community engagement and stakeholder engagement complete.
- » Concept revision and refinement complete.
- » Construction tender awarded to BOS Civil.
- » Construction scheduled to commence 20 May for approximately 16 weeks.

PROJECT
CONCEPT AND
FUNDING



COMMUNITY
CONSULTATION



DETAILED DESIGN



PROCUREMENT



CONSTRUCTION

20 MAY
2024



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Frequently asked questions

Why is the City upgrading Forrest Walk?

This site is among several sites throughout the City precinct that were identified by the City as requiring improvements to enhance both amenity and usability for the community. Forrest Walk is a much-loved open-air arcade in the Subiaco town centre. The upgrade will facilitate enhanced use through new seating nodes, multi-function composite timber decking, lighting treatments, integrated art and renewed softscapes with capacity to detain stormwater run-off.

When is construction taking place, and for how long?

Construction is scheduled to commence 20 May for approximately 16 weeks.

For the most up to date information, scan the QR code at the bottom of this page, or follow this link:

www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/forrestwalk.

What impact will construction have on local businesses?

Construction will be approached in two stages to minimise impact on adjacent stakeholders. Pedestrian access from Rokeby Road through to Rowland Street, and to businesses accessed from Forrest Walk, will be maintained at all times.

Once complete, the design aims to improve pedestrian usability of the space, encouraging people to linger and enjoy, with an intent to boost visitation frequency and duration. The design also aims to increase the capacity of the space to host events and night-time activations, increasing vibrancy of the space to invite more activity for local businesses.

Can I still walk through Forrest Walk to access Rokeby Road and parking?

Yes. While minor foot traffic disruption is expected, pedestrian wheel-friendly access through Forrest Walk will be provided at all times.

Will there be noise at night-time during construction?

No. No night works are scheduled for this project.

How does this impact parking and driving?

No major disruptions are expected to parking or driving. Parking will still be available in the Forrest Square carpark, and along Rokeby Road. Rokeby Road and Rowland Street will remain open to vehicles throughout construction.

Does the new design for Forrest Walk include bike parking?

Yes. Bike parking is included as part of the redesign. It will be relocated to the western end of the site, near Rowland Street.

Was the community consulted about this design?

Yes. A series of community consultations were undertaken from February 2022 to December 2022, including online surveys, in person concept consultations, and open door walk-in engagement sessions. The City received a range of feedback from stakeholders and this has informed the design. Consultation for design development has now closed.

How do I provide feedback when the project is complete?

We're excited to deliver this project and would love to hear your thoughts and feedback once the design is installed. This will help us identify what works well, and highlight anything that could be done better in future.

Visit our Have your say Subiaco website to check on our latest public space consultation and feedback opportunities:

www.haveyoursay.subiaco.wa.gov.au

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