# NEWSLETTER

## Road works | March 2020



Port Stephens Council is planning to undertake road improvements along Lemon Tree Passage Road, Salt Ash.

### **Project background**

In 2014 much of Lemon Tree Passage Road was upgraded, however the section of Lemon Tree Passage Road in Salt Ash between Michael Drive and the Rookes Road intersection was not included in these previous works.

As advised in December 2019 we have secured funding to upgrade the section of road from 192 Lemon Tree Passage Road to near the intersection at Rookes Road, Salt Ash.

This funding has come from a variety of sources including the Australian Government Black Spot program due to the number of crashes in this area.

The crashes in this area have been near to the intersection of Rookes Road with Lemon Tree Passage.

### **Project details**

- Construction of wider shoulders along this section of road providing a safer road and better distance from the existing table drains.
- Installation of new sections of kerb and guttering around the intersection of Lemon Tree Passage Road and Rookes Road. Please note that there is no contribution required from residents for this work.
- Driveway entrances will be improved for some properties.
- Adjustments to the intersection of Rookes Road with Lemon Tree Passage will be made to ensure that this intersection has better site distances in both directions.
- Changes to the bus stop location in this area to help provide a safer crossing point.
- Some drainage works will be undertaken.

#### Community drop in session outcomes

Thank you to the residents who took advantage of the opportunity to meet with Council staff and review the plans for the planned works.

Your input has resulted in a number of changes to the design for the works including:

- changes to the extent of the kerb and gutter area to allow for ease of access to residents to their driveways;
- changes to the design to allow for access by service vehicles such as septic trucks

#### **Timeframe**

Due to the above changes in the design the works have now been rescheduled to begin mid April.

These works should take no more than ten weeks to complete and should be completed by end June 2020.

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