

# Illawarra Road Upgrades

## Stage 2b

### Background

The Tasmanian Government is committed to upgrading Illawarra Main Road between Midland Highway and Bass Highway as part of the Tasmanian Road Package of the Australian Government's Roads and Strategic Importance Initiative.

To achieve the upgrades, the road corridor has been separated into stages. The next stage to be completed is stage 2b, located between the Bass Highway, and the municipal boundary of Meander Valley and Northern Midlands Councils.

Other stages of the road project include:

Stage 1: Longford roundabout to Bishopsbourne Road (completed);

Stage 2a: Bishopsbourne Road to Meander Valley Council municipal boundary;

Stage 3: Pateena Road to the Bridge over the South Esk River.

Engagement with landowners and design work is still continuing on stage 2a and 3.

### Proposed works

The works for stage 2b will include:

- Overtaking lane when travelling south
- Shoulder widening for slow moving agricultural vehicles

- Improved turning opportunities at existing access points
- Flexible wire rope barriers located between lanes

### Community Consultation

We have been consulting with the local community since January 2021. Following feedback, changes to the designs for stage 2b were made, including slow pull-out lanes, and turning facilities. We are now calling for feedback on the designs, shown above.

### Timing

These updated plans are now available for the public to view and provide feedback on until 31 July 2023.

### Further Information

To provide feedback, or for further information about this project, please contact our project consultant on 6165 0443 or email [illawarraroadupgrade@stategrowth.tas.gov.au](mailto:illawarraroadupgrade@stategrowth.tas.gov.au)

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