# Hampton Willis Street Precinct Urban Design Framework

Koolkuna Lane Alignment and Configuration Options





### **Option A**

### Retain alignment, redirect one-way traffic flow

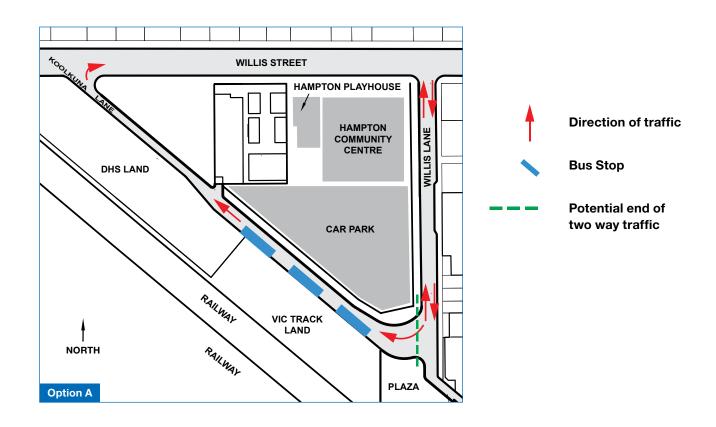
- Change direction of traffic in Koolkuna Lane to allow one-way traffic to exit onto Willis Street;
- Redirect traffic to head north (toward Willis Street) rather than south (toward station);
- Widen Koolkuna Lane to accommodate bus movements;
- No change to number of car parking spaces;
- Approx. an additional 1,000 vehicles per day could travel through Koolkuna Lane;
- Buses will enter the precinct via Willis Lane and exit via Koolkuna Lane, and travel an additional 145 metres along Willis Street before entering Hampton Street;
- Relocated bus stops to linear configuration along Koolkuna Lane.
- Convert bus interchange into new pedestrian plaza.

### **Impacts**

- Widening of Koolkuna Lane requires additional land to be set aside from the Scout Hall site (14m²);
- Potential impacts from increased traffic for residents of Willis Street, 140m west of Willis Lane and east of Koolkuna Lane;
- Improve pedestrian safety and enhance character of streetscape along Koolkuna Lane;
- Wider paths and road pavement provide safer environment for pedestrians and cyclists;
- The shape of Scout Hall site and DHS land are likely to result in a less desirable outcome if developed;
- If land west of Koolkuna Lane is developed, it is likely vehicle access will be provided directly onto Willis Street;
- Limits Council's ability to develop Scout Hall to recover costs of works, or for future investment into precinct;
- Higher volume of traffic flowing through bus interchange area, potentially impacting bus schedules.

### **Ways to address negative impacts**

 Lower speed limit along Koolkuna Lane, Willis Street and Willis Lane.



### **Option B**

### Realign lane, redirect one-way traffic flow

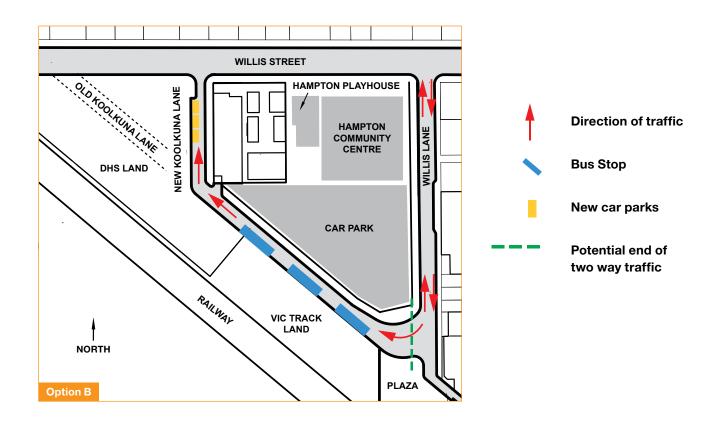
- Create perpendicular intersection with Willis Street through the Scout Hall lot;
- Redirect traffic to head north (toward Willis Street) rather than south (toward Station);
- Widen Koolkuna Lane (minimum 11.5 metres including road pavement and footpaths);
- Provide 3 additional car parking spaces on realigned Koolkuna Lane;
- Approx. an additional 1,000 vehicles per day could travel through Willis Street/Koolkuna Lane intersection;
- Buses will enter the precinct via Willis Lane and exit via Koolkuna Lane, and travel an additional 90 metres along Willis Street before entering Hampton Street;
- Relocated bus stops to linear configuration along Koolkuna Lane.
- Convert bus interchange into new pedestrian plaza.

### **Impacts**

- Encroaches 460m² into the existing Scout Hall land;
- Potential impacts from increased traffic for residents of Willis Street, 90m west of Willis Lane and east of Koolkuna Lane;
- Improve pedestrian safety and enhance character of streetscape along Koolkuna Lane;
- Wider paths and road pavement width provides a safer environment for pedestrians and cyclists;
- Vehicle access to existing and possible future developments would be required to move through Willis Lane then through car park/Koolkuna Lane;
- Higher volume of traffic flowing through bus interchange area, potentially impacting bus schedules;
- Enables Council to consider opportunity to include Scout Hall site in an adjoining development.

#### Ways to address negative impacts

- Lower speed limit along Koolkuna Lane, Willis Street and Willis Lane;
- Develop Council owned car park, including underground car parking facilities;
- Acoustic fencing and landscaping along boundary of 8 Willis Street



### **Option C**

## Realign lane, two traffic flow at north end way

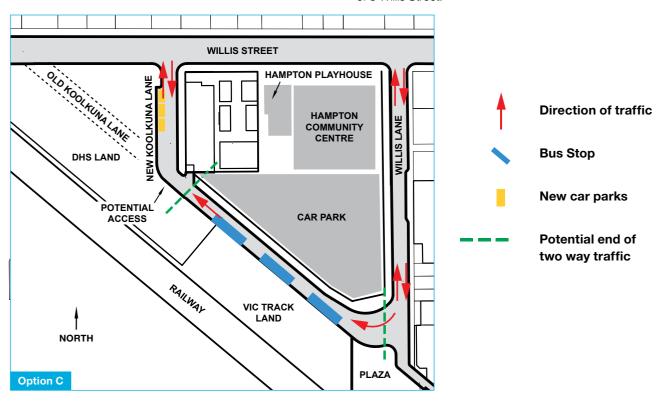
- Create perpendicular intersection with Willis Street through the Scout Hall lot;
- Widen Koolkuna Lane (minimum 15.8 metres including road pavement and footpaths);
- Permit two-way traffic to enter/exit Willis Lane up to new bus interchange and one-way traffic to continue north along Koolkuna Lane;
- Provide 3 additional car parking spaces on realigned Koolkuna Lane;
- Approx. an additional 2,000 vehicles per day could travel through the Willis Street/Koolkuna Lane intersection;
- Buses will enter the precinct via Willis Lane and exit via Koolkuna Lane, and travel an additional 90 metres along Willis Street before entering Hampton Street;
- Relocated bus stops to linear configuration along Koolkuna Lane.
- Convert bus interchange into new pedestrian plaza.

#### **Impacts**

- Encroaches 600m<sup>2</sup> into the existing Scout Hall land;
- Potential impacts from increased traffic for residents of Willis Street, 90m west of Willis Lane and east of Koolkuna Lane;
- Improve pedestrian safety and enhance character of streetscape along Koolkuna Lane;
- Wider paths and road pavement width provides a safer environment for pedestrians and cyclists;
- Vehicle access for existing and possible future development improved via direct access from Koolkuna Lane;
- Fewer vehicles travelling through bus interchange area (compared with other options);
- Enables Council to consider opportunity to include Scout Hall site in an adjoining development.

### Ways to address negative impacts

- Lower speed limit along Koolkuna Lane, Willis Street and Willis Lane;
- Allows Council to recover costs by selling the Scout Hall site:
- Access for possible future development of land west of Koolkuna Lane can be located on Koolkuna Lane and not on Willis Street:
- Acoustic fencing and landscaping along boundary of 8 Willis Street.





In 2013, Bayside City Council adopted the 'Hampton Willis Street Precinct Urban Design Framework' (UDF) to guide planning and decision-making about the future use and development of the area.

Council is now seeking input from the community around the possible realignment and re-configuration of Koolkuna Lane, which was one of the ideas identified in community feedback during the development of the UDF.

Specifically we are seeking your thoughts on three options for the possible future alignment and configuration of Koolkuna Lane. The options are summarised in this brochure and we would like to hear your thoughts, suggestions and preferences.

Through the UDF Council is seeking to make it easier to access bus and train services, improve the environmental quality of the precinct and make it safer and easier for pedestrians to move around the area.

VicTrack are also currently investigating the development potential of the land to the west of Koolkuna Lane which is currently occupied by the bus interchange and all day car parking. Their review is considering options for retaining the bus interchange within this precinct.

### Why does Koolkuna Lane need to be changed?

The Hampton Willis Street Precinct UDF identifies the opportunity to improve traffic and bus circulation through the area by rearranging the existing conditions, including the alignment and configuration of Koolkuna Lane.

### **Key priorities**

A key priority for Council in the possible realignment of Koolkuna Lane is to avoid any loss of car parking spaces. Therefore, whilst a number of realignment options were initially developed, only the three which all ensure that there is no loss of car parking have been shortlisted for community consultation and further consideration by Council. The three options are explained in this brochure. It was also important that all options allow traffic accessing areas along Willis Lane will still be able to exit via Willis Lane.



You may have other ideas or views that you may wish to have included. We are happy to discuss these at the workshops or on Council's Have Your Say page at www.bayside.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay

Council would like to hear your views about the three options presented in this brochure for the future of Koolkuna Lane.



#### **Community workshop**

Come along to the community workshop to provide feedback and nominate your preferred options for Koolkuna Lane.

When: Wednesday 25 February 2015

6.30pm-8.00pm

Where: Hampton Community Centre

14 Willis Street, Hampton

Participation in the workshop will be open to people who reside immediately around Koolkuna Lane. Council will provide invitations and RSVPs are essential.

Please RSVP by 4.00pm Monday 23 February 2015 by registering at Council's 'Have Your Say' page www.bayside.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay or by contacting the Strategic Planning team at Council.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please contact Tom Vercoe, Senior Strategic Planner on:

Phone: 03 9599 4444

Email: enquiries@bayside.vic.gov.au

#### Can't make it to the workshop?

If you are unable to attend the workshop but would like to provide feedback, please share your thoughts online at www.bayside.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay

Online feedback is invited until 5.00pm on Monday 9 March 2015.

The Have Your Say page will be updated following the workshop and will include the collated comments gathered at the session.







