Dampier Drive Extension – Karnup
(Planning Control Area 126)
Fact sheet

What is the proposed Dampier Drive Extension?

• The proposed Dampier Drive Extension is intended as a grade separated interchange (fly–over) over Mandurah Road and the railway line into the proposed train station precinct and future urban communities to the east.

• The proposed extension also includes dedicated bus lanes, shared paths and Principal Shared Paths along Dampier Drive to connect future communities surrounding the proposed station, along the eastern corridor, the Golden Bay neighbourhood centre and surrounds.

• The realignment of the intersection of Paganoni and Mandurah roads southward will also be required, creating a four-way signalised intersection with Crystaluna Drive.

• Further detailed planning and design will take place prior to any construction.

Why is the proposed Dampier Drive Extension planned?

• The draft South Metropolitan Peel Sub-regional Planning Framework and draft Transport @ 3.5 Million – Perth and Peel Transport Plan for 3.5 million people and beyond, identifies a number of proposed transport initiatives to accommodate future population growth in the suburb, including:
  – the eastward extension of Dampier Drive
  – a future rail station at Karnup (west), located north of Paganoni Road
  – the identification of Warnbro Sound Ave, Dampier Drive and Nairn Road as proposed Transit Priority Routes.

• The proposed extension aims to:
  – cater for an increase in traffic volumes and relieve congestion for people crossing Mandurah Road and the railway line
  – improve access to Mandurah Road from Dampier Drive and Paganoni Road
  – provide an additional east-west road connection by completing the integrator arterial road network in the southern end of the City of Rockingham
  – provide access to and from the proposed railway station.

When is it happening?

• The proposed extension is a long term project with no timeframe or allocated budget.

• Karnup is currently identified for ‘long term – post 2031’ residential expansion in the draft South Metropolitan Peel Sub-regional Planning Framework.

• The timeframe is dependent on pressures on the existing road network, including:
  – future traffic on Mandurah Road
  – how the Mandurah Road/Dampier Drive and Paganoni Road intersections function with increased traffic from future population growth.
• The area around the proposed train station has been identified as a Transit Oriented Development – a mixed-use precinct with more homes, employment, efficient public transport and amenities – as part of planning to accommodate a future population of 3.5 million people in the Perth and Peel regions.

What does this mean?

• If your property is affected by the Planning Control Area (PCA) you can still continue to use and enjoy your house and land as usual, it just means that any further development (for example, renovations, sheds and patios) or subdivision will need to be approved by the WA Planning Commission.

• Other than the usual maintenance, Dampier Drive is not planned to change until construction of the proposed extension commences.

Why is the PCA needed now?

• Land use planning takes a long-term view and land is typically reserved and planned for well in advance of any confirmed project timeframe or budget. This provides more certainty for land owners while ensuring the land is available when it is needed.

• A PCA protects land required for long-term projects from development until it may be reserved for a public purpose in the Metropolitan Region Scheme. A public purpose includes school sites, railways, major roads and parks and recreation areas.