Gold Coast Light Rail

Gold Coast Light Rail Stage 3A project

For updates on the Gold Coast Light Rail Stage 3A project visit the Department of Transport and Main Roads

The Gold Coast Light Rail (GCLR) is Queensland's first-ever light rail system. It's a major step forward in transforming the Gold Coast into a modern, accessible city, and is the largest transport infrastructure project undertaken on the Gold Coast. GCLR runs over 20 kilometres, and has 19 stations from Helensvale to Broadbeach South.

Light rail in the Gold Coast will be built in stages, responding to our city's growth. Stages 1 and 2 were completed in 2014 and 2017, with the announcement for Stage 3A funding in November 2019.

The extensive light rail network is a key outcome of the Gold Coast Transport Strategy 2031. The Strategy highlights the need for a world-class public transport system with the goal to get people off the roads and move them around the city via sustainable modes of transport. The City continues to partner with the State and Commonwealth Governments to deliver this commitment.

Stage 3A — Broadbeach South to Burleigh Heads

The $709 million extension will take the Gold Coast light rail network to Burleigh Heads. The Federal Government has committed $269 million and City of Gold Coast committed $91.5 million. The balance is to be funded by the Queensland State Government.

Stage 3A project history

Preliminary Business Case

City of Gold Coast completed a Preliminary Business Case in December 2017. This detailed costs and benefits of the project for other levels of government. For more information download the Preliminary Business Case (PDF 427KB)

To view information and results from the stakeholder engagement and community consultation sessions during 2017 visit gChaveyoursay

Detailed Business Case

A Detailed Business Case was then developed by the Queensland Government in partnership with the City of Gold Coast. This Detailed Business Case covers reference design, proposed route, station locations, procurement, financial and budget implications for Stage 3A.

The community could learn more and share feedback at drop-in sessions and by submitting a Queensland Government online survey. The output from these sessions and the survey informed the Detailed Business Case. For more project related information including construction timelines and procurement visit Transport and Main Roads (TMR)

Nobby Beach Urban Revitalisation

The next stage of GCLR will link Broadbeach South to Burleigh Heads. The City is committed to revitalising urban areas along the light rail corridor, especially station precincts. Urban design improvements to Nobby Beach are being planned. Community engagement and business input was sought through 2018 and more recently in October 2019. The information from this is being considered as the detailed design is reviewed. Community and businesses will be updated as planning progresses.

For more information contact:

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Email: nobbybeach@goldcoast.qld.gov.au

Historical Information – Stages 1 + 2

GCLR Stage 1 from Gold Coast University Hospital to Broadbeach has been operational since July 2014. Stage 2 commenced on 17 December 2017 taking the network from Gold Coast University Hospital to the Helensvale heavy rail station, in time for the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games.

Since 2014, 45 million passengers have moved around our city using the G-link. Public transport usage on the Gold Coast has grown by over 47 per cent since the introduction of GCLR.

Residents and visitors now ride the G-link to some of the Gold Coast’s key destinations, like Griffith University, Southport CBD, Broadwater Parklands and the Gold Coast Aquatic Centre, Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre and Pacific Fair.

Future stages of light rail

The City Transport Strategy 2031 proposes further extensions to the Gold Coast Light Rail including:

- Burleigh Heads to Coolangatta via Gold Coast Airport
- Nobby Beach to Robina
- Broadbeach to Nerang
- Surfers to Bundall
Working around light rail

If you are planning to carry out work or activities near light rail, it is vital to be aware of certain safety and coordination requirements. This is due to the presence of:

- electrified overhead power lines and poles
- traction power substations
- moving trams and other vehicles.

Ensure your works or activities can occur without conflicting with light rail activities. For more information or to coordinate works with light rail, contact G:link on 1800 064 928 or visit the G:link website.

Works or activities requiring assessment by City of Gold Coast

For all works or activities that would normally require assessment by City of Gold Coast, and are in the light rail affected area, be aware that:

- depending on the location and scope of works, you may be requested to consult with G:link to safely coordinate your works with light rail (i.e. by way of advice/conditions in your approval), and/or
- your works may be subject to specific light rail requirements (including but not limited to: acceptable timing of works and safety protocols).

To help determine whether your proposed works or activities may be affected by light rail, refer to the .

TransLink

Please visit TransLink or call 13 12 30:

- plan your journey using trams, buses and/or train
- find timetable information
- find tickets and fares (including go card) information.

G:link

Please visit G:link or phone 1800 064 928 to find out about:

- details on operation of the Light Rail and riding the G:link safely
- route maps as well as information about stations and destinations
- timetables and live service updates

You can also download the G:link app for Android and/or Apple devices.

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