

# CHELMER TO INDOOROOPILLY RIVER CROSSING PRE-FEASIBILITY STUDY

## Newsletter #1



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### Introduction

To ensure we're continuing to plan for the future, we're undertaking a pre-feasibility study of the Chelmer to Indooroopilly river crossing in the vicinity of Walter Taylor Bridge.

### Project background

The river crossing between Chelmer and Indooroopilly is serviced by four bridges in total, including options for road, rail and active transport travel.

The heritage-listed Walter Taylor Bridge is a two-way, two-lane bridge that provides road transport across the river, and also includes a footpath. This bridge services the Corinda to Indooroopilly community and currently experiences some congestion that impacts both private and public transport.

There are also two rail bridges servicing the Ipswich/Springfield Rail Line and the Jack Pesch Bridge for walking and cycling.

This pre-feasibility study is part of our ongoing transport network review and investigation process, to help understand current and projected travel and transport across the river between Chelmer and Indooroopilly. You can find out more about what pre-feasibility means over the page.

### A message from the Lord Mayor

I am pleased to invite you to have your say on this important pre-feasibility study for a river crossing between Chelmer and Indooroopilly.

We want to hear about your experiences when crossing the river in our city's west and the challenges you might face, no matter how you travel. Understanding how and why you move through the area, alongside our technical investigations, will help shape the next steps in the planning process.

We are committed to building a better Brisbane for generations to come and this is all part of our plan to understand what we need to do to help make our city a great place to live, work and relax.

I look forward to your feedback and keeping you up to date as this pre-feasibility study progresses.

**Adrian Schinner,**  
**LORD MAYOR**



## What is a pre-feasibility study?

A pre-feasibility study is one of the earliest stages of the planning process for infrastructure in Council. The pre-feasibility study focuses on defining the problem and whether there is merit in adding more capacity for travel across the river. The study will also examine whether potential solutions are likely to be cost effective.

In a pre-feasibility study stage, a broad range of high-level information is analysed. This may include, but is not limited to a combination of technical input and studies, and community input, such as:

- current and proposed land use in the local area
- local and network-wide traffic studies, including both current and forecast traffic figures
- environmental studies
- heritage studies
- Council planning documents, such as *City Plan 2014* and *Transport Plan for Brisbane*
- community input.

The **technical input** will particularly assist Council to consider the high-level expected benefits, impacts, cost, risks and opportunities of cross-river travel options in the vicinity of the Walter Taylor Bridge.

The **community input** will also play a vital part in this study as Council seeks to understand more about how, why and when the local community crosses the river, and the challenges they face when choosing a travel option.

Together, this information will assist Council to determine the challenges and opportunities that currently exist when travelling across the river.

The outcome of pre-feasibility study will determine the next steps, including what opportunities may need to be investigated further, if any, and in what timeframe.

## Have yoursay

We are inviting you to have your say to understand the community's experience when crossing the river between Chelmer and Indooroopilly.

Scan the QR code to complete the survey and tell us how, why and when you cross the river. You can also visit [brisbane.qld.gov.au](http://brisbane.qld.gov.au) and search 'Chelmer to Indooroopilly river crossing pre-feasibility study'. The online survey will close at the end of February 2022.

You can also visit us at pop-up information sessions in December:

- **2 December 2021, 5pm-7pm** at Indooroopilly Shopping Centre (Level 1, opposite Essential Beauty)
- **4 December 2021, 9am-11am** at Gordon Thomson Park, Chelmer

All feedback received during consultation will help inform the pre-feasibility study, along with information from the technical studies.

We are committed to keeping the community informed and will provide an update outlining the key themes from consultation and next steps following the close of the feedback period.

The Chelmer to Indooroopilly River Crossing Pre-feasibility Study is expected to be completed in mid-2022.



**SCAN ME**  
to find out more

### FOR MORE INFORMATION



Visit Council's website at [brisbane.qld.gov.au](http://brisbane.qld.gov.au) and search 'Chelmer to Indooroopilly river crossing pre-feasibility study'.



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