

MYCITI PHASE 2A

THE JOURNEY TO BETTER PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Project Update

December 2022

'Sky Circle' project well underway

The construction of the 'Sky Circle' is well underway at the corner of Jan Smuts Drive and Govan Mbeki Road. The first of its kind, the elevated traffic circle will provide MyCiTi buses with passage across this busy intersection, without affecting general traffic below.

The upgrade includes major improvements to the intersection and surrounding roads that will benefit all road users, new pavements and street lighting for cycling and walking, and new bus lanes and stations for MyCiTi.

Work currently underway

- Piling on the northern side of the elevated traffic circle
- Relocation of existing fences and boundary walls
- Extension of the Lotus Canal culvert
- Temporary traffic diversions at the intersection of Govan Mbeki Road and Jan Smuts Drive

What's planned next?

- Relocation of existing underground services
- Piling on the southern side of the elevated traffic circle
- Removal and replanting of existing trees, where possible
- Construction of a retaining wall at the Lutheran Church

What else you need to know

Motorists are urged to proceed carefully between Heinz Road and Wetton Circle on Govan Mbeki Road, as well as on Jan Smuts Drive, where the piling rigs are located.

Work will stop between 15 December and 9 January for the annual builders' break. Contact details will be made available in case of an emergency.

There are local labour and sub-contracting opportunities for the duration of the project. Residents from wards 43, 47, 60 and 66 who are interested must be registered on the Jobseeker Database at their local Subcouncil office.

Opportunities are also ongoing for accredited local neighbourhood-watch groups, which are members of the Community Policing Forum, to operate on a rotational basis for the duration of the contract.

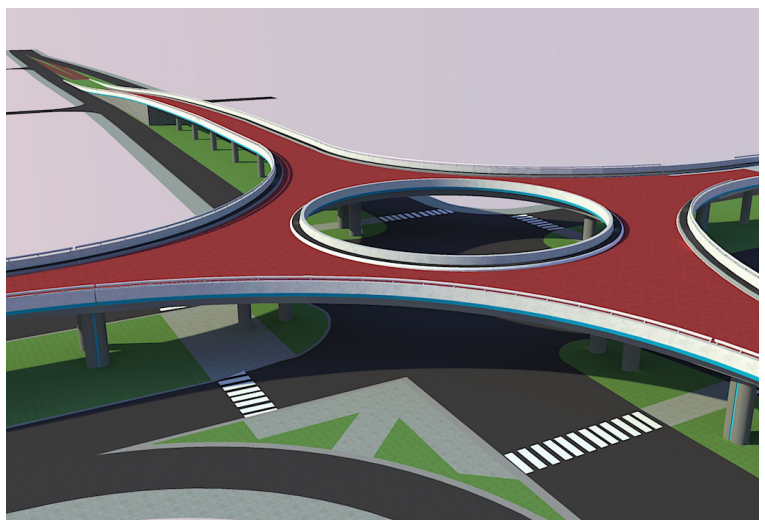


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Construction is being undertaken in phases to limit the impact on traffic.



The elevated traffic circle will connect future MyCiTi services between Claremont, Wynberg, Mitchells Plain and Khayelitsha.

Spine Road depots progressing well

Work is progressing well with the construction of two bus depots on a 15-hectare site near the corner of Spine Road and Mew Way for Phase 2A.

The facilities will be used to park, maintain, wash and dispatch buses, initially accommodating 290 buses and many more as MyCiTi expands across the city.

The site will also serve as a base for the companies operating Phase 2A services, with administrative offices, boardrooms, training space and facilities for staff and drivers.

Construction of the eastern depot is currently underway and construction of the western depot will start in January 2023, with the overall project on track for completion by March 2025.

Residents are reminded of local temporary job and sub-contracting opportunities for those registered on the Jobseekers' Database at their local Subcouncil office. Road users are advised to look out for



The depots will house buses serving the Phase 2A routes to Khayelitsha and Mitchells Plain.

construction vehicles entering and leaving the site via Mew Way, opposite Lookout Hill. Residents are also urged to please report any signs of vandalism or theft of infrastructure to

local law enforcement.

Work will stop on 15 December for the annual builders' break and resume on 9 January 2023.

Construction of Lenteguur pedestrian bridge to commence soon

Construction of a new pedestrian bridge will soon commence in Lenteguur, linking with MyCiTi services at the Sesame stop and the future Sesame MyCiTi station along AZ Berman Drive.

The elevated bridge will enable safe passage for pedestrians over the railway line from New Woodlands to Lenteguur, including smooth access for residents with wheelchairs, bicycles and prams.

It will also feature overhead lighting for better visibility and CCTV cameras to improve safety, as well as greening and landscaping measures to uplift the immediate surroundings and create a

more pleasant experience for all.

Three public information days have been held with the affected communities and a door-to-door information exercise was undertaken with directly affected properties.

The newly appointed contractor has selected a Community Liaison Officer from Ward 75, and is in the process of appointing one from Ward 76.

A community leadership engagement session was also held on 22 November and a project engagement committee (PEC) is in the process of being elected.

The PEC will represent the community, working closely with the project management team and councillors to ensure the successful implementation and timely completion of the project.

This includes helping to resolve any conflicts that arise and collaborating to achieve the goals of the project, through transparency, honesty and integrity.

With work set to commence soon involving heavy construction vehicles, residents are urged to avoid the construction site for their own safety.



Artist impressions of the new bridge linking residents with MyCiTi services and other shops and services along AZ Berman Drive.

Partnering with communities

Public information days were held across the Phase 2A footprint in October and November.

These events provided the opportunity to find out more and speak directly with MyCiTi officials about proposals that were published for public comment. It also allowed officials to gain valuable feedback from people who live, work and travel in each area.

Proposals included new MyCiTi station concept designs, public transport interchange upgrades, road closures and traffic flow changes to safely accommodate future services, as well as locations for bus stops that will serve direct routes in Phase 2A.

We would like to extend a special thank you to everyone who was able to join us at these events as well as to everyone who submitted comments. There is still an opportunity to comment on some of the proposals. Once the public comment period for each



Residents in Wynberg helped identify locations for new bus stops in the area.

proposal ends, all comments are collated, reviewed and considered by our technical teams before final

decisions are made and responses to each comment developed and shared with residents.

30+ Public information days held in October/November **140** Proposed bus stop locations visited to obtain public input **1330+** Attendees at public open days

Recently completed public participation exercises

- Claremont bus facility upgrade including new MyCiTi station
- Construction of the new Vuyani public transport interchange in Khayelitsha
- Upgrade of the Nolungile public transport interchange in Khayelitsha
- Identifying bus stops locations for planned direct routes



Have your say: ongoing opportunities for public participation

| Proposal | Public Comment Deadline |
|---|-------------------------|
| Upgrade of Nyanga public transport interchange including a new MyCiTi station | 2 December 2022 |
| Permanent road closures in Ottery | 9 December 2022 |
| Permanent road closures in Claremont | 9 December 2022 |
| Construction of bus holding facility in Wynberg | 9 December 2022 |
| Upgrade of Wynberg public transport interchange and changes to traffic flow along surrounding roads | 9 December 2022 |

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