

# Update # 2: Construction works at Ashgrove West Substation

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Dear resident,

We are writing to provide you with an update on Powerlink Queensland’s Ashgrove West Substation replacement project. The substation is located on Trinder Road, Ashgrove West.

Staged construction works commenced in May 2018 and are expected to go **through until October 2020** (weather dependent). **These activities will not result in any planned electricity outages.**

The project involves removing ageing substation equipment and installing new equipment within the existing substation site. All construction activities will take place within the substation’s existing site on Powerlink-owned land – no expansion of the existing site is required.

### Project update – Stage 1

Stage 1 works have progressed well to date and have included site establishment, decommissioning and removal of aging equipment, and testing and commissioning works.

Works to replace the existing substation fence are expected to commence in early November 2018 and continue through to February 2019. During this time Powerlink may need to establish additional security measures onsite to ensure that access to the substation remains restricted to authorised personnel only.

A range of machinery will be used to complete the works, including concrete trucks and pumps, and small excavators. Construction vehicles will be on site as required to efficiently undertake these activities.

There may also potentially be increased noise and dust levels from the equipment being used, however as with all of our activities, care will be taken to minimise any disturbance.

### Future stages

Construction stage	Key activities	Expected timings <i>(weather dependent)</i>
Stage 2	Removing primary plant across three substation bays, replacing oil separation equipment, installing new cabling, and testing and commissioning works.	April 2019 to February 2020
Stage 3	Removing primary plant across the remaining three substation bays, installing new cabling, and testing and commissioning works. Finalising post-construction remediation works on site.	April 2020 to October 2020

### **Minimising potential impacts**

To minimise any inconvenience to local residents, our working hours are typically between 6.30am and 6.30pm, Monday to Saturday (not including public holidays). Powerlink does not expect any major work to be performed outside of these hours, however should the need arise we will inform you in advance of any proposed changes.

At all times, we aim to conduct our activities with as little disruption as possible to the wider community. The project will be undertaken in accordance with rigorous environmental management requirements, which clearly outline how potential impacts will be minimised and managed.

### **Traffic management**

We are mindful of the substation's location in a residential area and will take all reasonable measures to minimise impacts to local traffic. Residents may notice an increase in traffic as vehicles access the site during peak construction periods. Construction vehicles will primarily access the substation via Baileys Road and Trinder Road. Comprehensive traffic management plans will be in place to help minimise any potential interruptions.

Equipment deliveries will also be scheduled to avoid peak traffic periods in the local area (e.g. school drop-off and pick-up times). **We thank local residents in advance for their patience and understanding during project works.**

### **Further information**

We will continue to keep you informed about project milestones as construction progresses. In the meantime, if you would like more information, please visit [www.powerlink.com.au](http://www.powerlink.com.au) or contact:

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