

# MACQUARIE STREET, SOUTH HOBART

## Pedestrian Crossing Improvements

### BLACK SPOT PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROJECT

Pedestrian improvements will be implemented in the busy South Hobart shopping area in 2018–19. The works provide added safety for pedestrians, and are in response to requests from the South Hobart community.

The changes will include an improved median pedestrian crossing facility in Macquarie Street between BUPA and Lady Gowrie Child Care.

In response to a petition from the community, new pedestrian traffic signals will be installed between the South Hobart Butchery and the South Hobart Chemist.

The work will occur in stages, described in the diagrams below.

### OTHER PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS

A step-free path will be created along the south side of Macquarie Street by staging the installation of raised thresholds at five side streets. More information about the construction of these will be provided closer to the start of works.

### Local Retail Precinct Upgrade - 2021

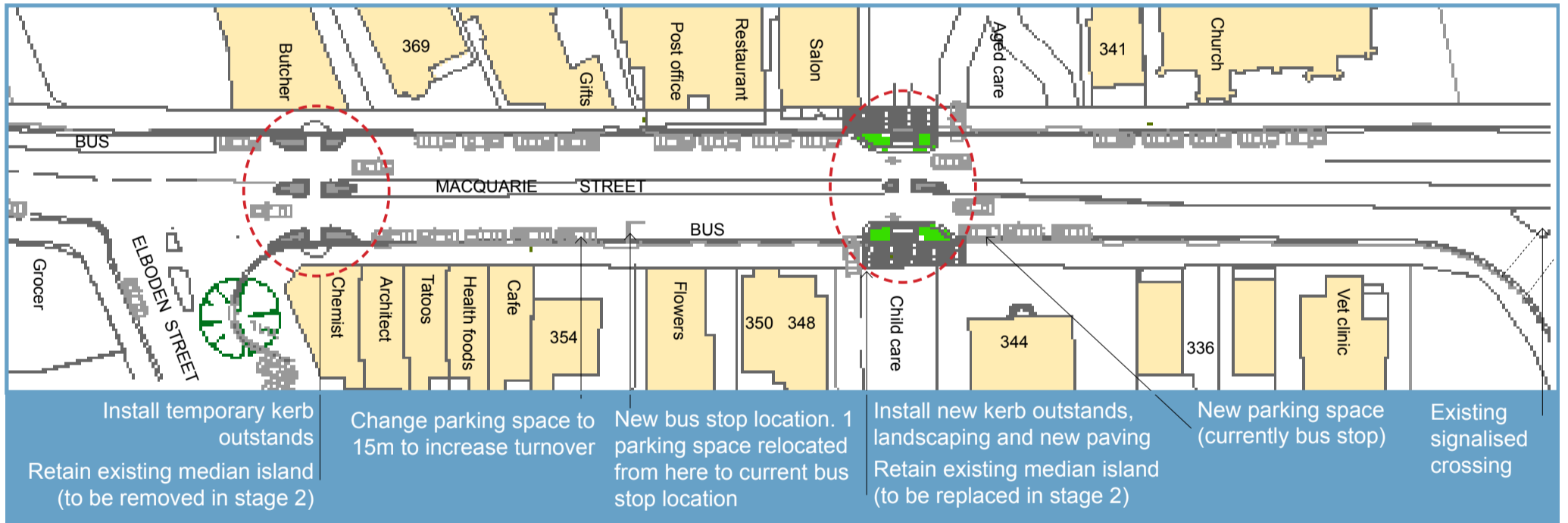
The 2018 improvements will be the beginning of a more substantial upgrade of the South Hobart shopping area.

The City of Hobart is working with community and trader groups in a number of local neighbourhoods to revitalise main street shopping areas as part of the 'Local Retail Precincts Plan'.

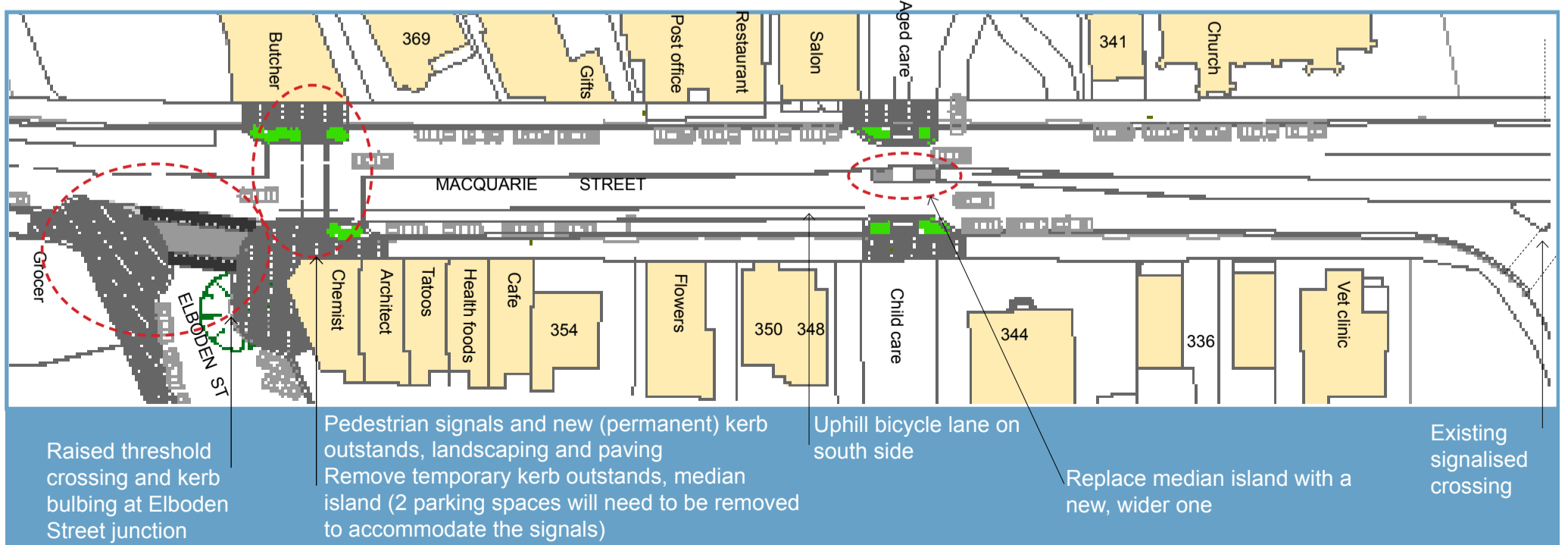
As part of the Local Retail Precincts Plan the South Hobart village streetscape will be revitalised. We will start planning and engaging with the South Hobart community in 2020, with construction planned for 2021.

More information about the Plan can be found here: [hobartcity.com.au/retailprecinctsplan](http://hobartcity.com.au/retailprecinctsplan)

### STAGE 1 April–June 2018



### STAGE 2 Late 2018



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### PROJECT INFORMATION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### 1. Why is the City of Hobart changing the pedestrian crossings in Macquarie Street between Elboden Street and the Southern Outlet?

The City of Hobart is upgrading the two crossing points as part of the Federal Government's 'Black Spot' road safety infrastructure program.

The improvements will enhance pedestrian safety in the busy area.

The City has decided to install traffic signals (traffic lights) at the crossing in Macquarie Street near Elboden Street. The decision was made in response to a community petition and a request by the South Hobart Progress Association.

#### 2. When will construction start?

The contractor will begin setting up the site for first stage works in the week of 9 April 2018 and construction will commence shortly after.

Major elements of the work will occur during the upcoming April school holiday period.

Stage 2 will involve installation of pedestrian traffic signals and will occur towards the end of the year. More information will be provided closer to the start of construction.

#### 3. Where will works start?

Work for stage 1 will proceed as follows:

- A) Install temporary kerb bulbing near the Chemist.
- B) Install temporary kerb bulbing near the Butchery.
- C) Install permanent kerb bulbing near Lady Gowrie.
- D) Install permanent kerb bulbing near BUPA Aged Care.

#### 4. How will this affect the traffic?

There are no anticipated road closures during the stage 1 works.

During construction traffic will continue in both directions with appropriate signage and controllers.

Traffic will need to go slowly in the immediate vicinity of the works.

#### 5. How will this affect the bus stops?

In order to install the safer pedestrian crossing near BUPA Aged Care, the outbound bus stop on the south side of Macquarie Street will need to move slightly to the west. This is shown in the plan over the page. The bus stop will be permanently relocated to outside the florist as part of the project.

#### 6. Will I be able to access the shops and services?

Yes - the contractors will ensure that pedestrian access is maintained to the shops, properties and bus stops during construction.

#### 7. Will there be changes to on-street parking?

Some parking spaces on Macquarie Street may be unavailable during construction work.

Once the stage 1 works are complete, the parking arrangements will change on the south side - as shown in the plan, over the page.

These changes are due to the bus stop relocating. There will be no overall loss of on-street car parking in the area.

When the pedestrian traffic signals are installed (stage 2), there will be two fewer spaces available for on-street car parking in the area - one near the butchery and one near the chemist.

#### 8. Will there be raised thresholds at the side streets?

The City of Hobart will also be installing raised thresholds at side streets along the south side of Macquarie Street from Elboden Street to Denison Street. This will provide a continuous step-free path and improve pedestrian access in the precinct.

These works will occur after the Macquarie Street pedestrian crossing works. More information will be provided to nearby residents and businesses closer to the start of construction.

#### 9. How can I contact someone regarding the works?

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Before work starts, City of Hobart officers will visit businesses and residences in the vicinity of the works to discuss specific operational requirements and needs.