



# William Street bus only road (between Hay and Murray streets)

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*William Street Bus Only -  
looking north from Hay Street*



**The Public Transport Authority is working closely with the City of Perth to create a bus-only section of William Street, between Hay and Murray streets, which can also be accessed by taxis and cyclists.**

## How it will work

Once approved, William Street (between Murray and Hay streets only) will become a bus only road, which cyclists and taxis only can also access.

Buildings with driveways or access points in this section of road can continue to access their buildings. Pedestrians will also continue to use the footpaths.

General traffic will not be able to enter this section of William Street and will be redirected as appropriate. The City of Perth is converting Barrack Street to two-way traffic to encourage general traffic to use this route for north-south travel in the CBD.

## THE BENEFITS →

Focusing all bus services along William Street provides major benefits to the CBD road network and public transport passenger:

- Easier access for bus passengers with all north and south bus movements (excluding Red CAT service) located on the one CBD street
- Improved bus running time
- Improved CBD traffic with Barrack Street freed up for general traffic and Red CAT services
- Improved exiting for vehicles leaving car parks accessed from William Street
- Improved cycle network with dedicated lanes along Barrack Street

These benefits are supported by independent traffic modelling which found bus services along William Street (particularly southbound services during the PM peak) will be more efficient with faster, more reliable running times.

The modelling also showed by redirecting general traffic gaps in traffic were created to provide better opportunities for William Street car park users to exit the car parks. It showed clear gains to the level of service at these intersections where exiting traffic can turn right and left from each exit.

## Works completed to date

Stage 1 and 2 of this work is completed, which involved creating a left turn only lane at William-Hay Street intersection for northbound traffic and replacing street parking and a loading bay on the western side of this section of road into four bus stops.

All northbound bus services, except the Red CAT service, which previously travelled along Barrack Street were then relocated to William Street. This is to focus bus movements to this main route through the CBD, freeing Barrack Street up for general traffic.

Coinciding with these stages is the City of Perth's work to convert Barrack Street into two-way traffic between St Georges Terrace and Wellington Street (which will force Blue CAT services to use William Street) and introduce dedicated cycle lanes to significantly improve the CBD's cycle network.



## NEXT STAGES →

The PTA is about to seek approval to complete the final stage of this work, which will see William Street (between Hay and Murray streets only) become an exclusive cycle/bus/taxi zone.

General traffic will not be able to use William Street between Hay and Murray streets when the final conversion begins.

The bus-only section of William Street will be clearly identified with line-markings, signage and red asphalt.

This work, which sees the restricted access begin, is expected to start in late 2015 once approval is gained.



*William Street Bus Only –  
looking south from Murray Street*

## PROJECT INFORMATION

Project information will be regularly updated at [www.pta.wa.gov.au](http://www.pta.wa.gov.au)  
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