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PARRAMATTA LIGHT RAIL TO SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK

The Parramatta Light Rail will provide reliable and modern public transport service to Sydney Olympic Park, with the NSW Government today announcing plans for the stage 2 extension of the project.

Premier Gladys Berejiklian today confirmed planning for Stage 2 was underway and is expected to be completed throughout 2018.

“I am pleased to announce Parramatta Light Rail Stage 2 is another step closer to connecting Greater Parramatta to the booming sport, entertainment and employment hub at Sydney Olympic Park,” Ms Berejiklian said.

“Our preferred nine kilometre route will connect with Stage 1 of the project north of the Parramatta River through the suburbs of Ermington, Melrose Park, Wentworth Point and on to Sydney Olympic Park.

“The exciting plan supports new communities and the creation of public places between Camellia and Ermington and future development planned for Melrose Park,” Ms Berejiklian said.

Minister for Transport and Infrastructure Andrew Constance said the NSW Government has started work on a business case for the preferred route north of Parramatta River which is considered the best option to achieve a fully integrated transport and land use plan for the precincts.

“We are going to finalise a business case for this project by the end of 2018 and are working with communities to ensure we can maximise the potential for this option,” Mr Constance said.

“We know it will provide a direct, frequent and reliable public transport connection for these areas and connects the new Western Sydney University campus at Sydney Olympic Park with its three campuses serviced by Stage 1.

“Light rail will also realise Sydney Olympic Park’s potential as Sydney’s premier destination for cultural, entertainment, recreation and sporting events, as well as linking businesses and residents in surrounding areas,” Mr Constance said.

A Final Business Case for Stage 2 is expected to be completed in 2018, with an investment decision and details on the timing of construction to follow.

The Environmental Impact Statement for Stage 1 of the project is on exhibition until 23 October and expressions of interest have been sought to design and construct, supply, operate and maintain the network.

Construction on Stage 1 will start in 2018, pending planning approval and will begin operating in 2023.

Find out more about Stage 1 and 2 of Parramatta Light Rail at:

www.parramattalightrail.nsw.gov.au

Download vision here:

<http://data.parramattalightrail.nsw.gov.au/videos/PLR-181017-Stage-2.mp4>

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