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The Department of Planning and Environment (the Department), in consultation with Blacktown City Council and other key stakeholders, has finalised an Indicative Layout Plan (ILP) for the West Schofields Precinct (the Precinct).

Transport for NSW proposes to resolve a transport corridor from Tallawong Station through to Marsden Park in the coming years as the North West Growth Area develops.

What does the hatching for the transport corridor shown on West Schofields ILP mean?

- The exhibited West Schofields ILP shows a hatched corridor labelled as a 'transport corridor'. This is similar to what is shown on the ILPs and zoning maps for the Riverstone East, Riverstone, Alex Avenue, Schofields and Marsden Park Precincts.
- The hatched corridor however, is only indicative and Transport for NSW is currently doing additional technical assessment of an alignment between Schofields and Marsden Park and onwards to St Marys prior to confirming the final alignment. It is highly likely that the transport corridor will shift as Transport for NSW completes its investigations.

Can I develop my land where the hatching is shown?

- When the transport corridor alignment and the rezoning of the Precinct are finalised, the zoning map will identify a Special Purpose zone to protect the land from development that would prevent the delivery of a future transport service.
- In accordance with the Growth Centres State Environmental Planning Policy, certain development within or near the corridor will require referral to Transport for NSW for its comment.

Will I be compensated for my land shown as hatched?

- The Department along with Transport for NSW will explore options for acquisition/ compensation or development rights transfer for the entire transport corridor. An acquisition process will be in place to enable the development of any future transport service.

How wide is the corridor?

- Within West Schofields, the final corridor could be up to 60 metres wide. The exact configuration of the final corridor is yet to be determined. Transport for NSW, working with Sydney Metro, continues to investigate the precise location and proposed engineering requirements to support the corridor.

Is the alignment confirmed?

- The alignment is indicative, as it is in all the other precincts. Transport for NSW, working with Sydney Metro, is undertaking engineering and geotechnical investigations and concept designs to determine the exact alignment. For all precincts, the alignment could change.
- For West Schofields, further investigations will be carried out in the post-exhibition period with the aim to make any amendments to the alignment upon rezoning.

When will the transport corridor be developed and for what type of transport?

- This transport corridor will be a rail link extending the North South Rail Line from St Marys to Schofields. In the Future Transport 2056 strategy it is planned for investigation in the next 10 years. As yet, there is no commitment for the delivery timeframe for this infrastructure.
- Transport for NSW and the Department are working hard to reserve a number of transport corridors across Sydney and the need for the delivery of particular corridors depending on development in an area are being continually reviewed.