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# Major boost to Logan and Ipswich bus networks planned

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A series of new and improved Logan and Ipswich bus services will be rolled out over the coming years.

The investment is part of a \$70 million commitment to improve bus services in Logan and Ipswich to support our growing state. The program also includes ongoing funding of more than \$24 million per year.

The upgrades to the Logan bus network will be rolled out over two stages and have been planned to reduce congestion and increase community access to jobs, healthcare and education.

Stage 1 will include the construction of 17 bus stops and improve access to the public transport network for around 47,000 Logan residents.

The upgrades to the Ipswich bus network will be delivered through a three-year bus improvement package set to launch in 2025.

The Ipswich bus improvement package will implement new services to growth areas of Redbank Plains, Collingwood Park, Augustine Heights and Bellbird Park, as well as Springfield, Deebling Heights and Karalee across three stages over three years.

A new direct route linking Springfield and Ipswich via Redbank Plains will be introduced, while improved service connectivity will be delivered to the Ripley Valley Priority Development Area, to the Ipswich Hospital and to train services.

The package will also improve inter-regional connections between key centres in Browns Plains and Springfield, extend existing routes in areas north and south of Ipswich, Springfield Lakes, Camira and Spring Mountain, and an increased span of hours will be delivered to some existing services on both weekdays and weekends.

Head of Translink Dr Deborah Hume said the changes will open up access to public transport for thousands of residents across Ipswich and Logan.

“Better public transport means many people will have easier access to health services, schools, university, employment, social activities and shopping,” she said.



# Logan

## Stage 1 service improvements will be delivered over this financial year and will include:

- **Route 534** – More services result in improved service frequencies, increased hours of operation, and improved on time running between the key activity centres of Springfield and Browns Plains.
- **Route 540** – Implementation of weekend services for the first time, providing weekend access for Beaudesert, Jimboomba and new estates along the Mount Lindesay Highway.
- **Route 587**– Extension to recently built areas of Yarrabilba, supported by the construction of two new bus stops, Sunday services for the first time and more services on weekdays and Saturdays.
- **Route 541** – Extension of this route to service Park Ridge and Greenbank communities in the Harvest Rise Estate and at Andrew Road. The route extension will be supported by the construction of three new bus stops, and more services on weekday and Sunday mornings.
- **Route 547** – Realigned to travel through the Berrinba residential and industrial estates, providing convenient access to the broader public transport network. Eight new bus stops will be constructed to support services to the suburb of Berrinba for the first time.
- **Route 535** – Funded by Translink and Economic Development Queensland, route 535 to Flagstone will see increased frequencies on weekdays and Saturday's, and Sunday services for the first time.

Planning is continuing for upgrades as part of Stage 2, which are set for delivery from early 2026, and will introduce easy access to public transport services for approximately 25,500 Logan residents for the first time.

Whilst Stage 2 is still in the planning phase, it is proposed to include:

- Three new routes to service fast growing residential areas of Logan Reserve, Bahrs Scrub and Park Ridge, linking:
  - Browns Plains to Loganlea via Park Ridge Road
  - Logan Village to Loganlea via Chambers Flat Road
  - Holmview to Beenleigh via Bahrs Scrub
- On Demand Transport for Yarrabilba benefiting around 12,400 residents by enabling them to connect to community services within the suburb, as well as to Route 587.
- Improved service frequencies in Park Ridge, and on east-west corridors between Springwood, Loganholme, Woodridge, Loganlea and Browns Plains.

Full details of the changes and all timetable information will be available on the Translink website closer to implementation.

# Ipswich

## Highlights of the package include:

### Stage 1 - 2025:

- The introduction of four new routes with two new services operating every 15 minutes at peak commuter times, increasing the number of residents within 400 metres of a bus service from about 37,000 people to 50,000 people:
  - route 501 between Springfield and Ipswich,
  - route 520 between Goodna station and Eden's Crossing,
  - route 522 between Redbank station and Springfield Central station, and
  - route 523 between Redbank Plains and Augustine Heights.
- New bus connections linking Redbank to Goodna and Springfield to Ipswich.
- Increased span of hours on weekdays and weekends.

- Additional service frequencies.

## Stage 2 – 2025/26:

While Stage 2 is still in the planning phase, it is proposed to include:

- Three new routes which will service Deebing Heights, Ripley and Karalee, linking:
  - Yamanto and Ripley/White Rock,
  - Karalee and Ipswich via RiverLink, Bell Street, Ipswich Hospital and UniSQ, and
  - Ripley and the Ipswich CBD via UniSQ and Ipswich Hospital.
- More services on route 515 between Brassall and Yamanto to provide a 15-minute frequency all day.
- Additional coverage on routes 502, 512, 506 and 509 to respond to growth.
- Increased span of hours on weekdays and weekends.
- Additional peak services.

## Stage 3 – 2026/27:

Stage 3 is also still in the planning phase and is proposed to include:

- A new route to respond to Spring Mountain and Springfield growth.
- New bus connections between Ripley, Redbank Plains and Goodna.
- Increased span of hours on weekdays and weekends, and
- Additional peak services.

Service improvements will be progressively rolled out over the three-year project. Information on the bus service improvement package will be available closer to implementation as final details are settled.

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