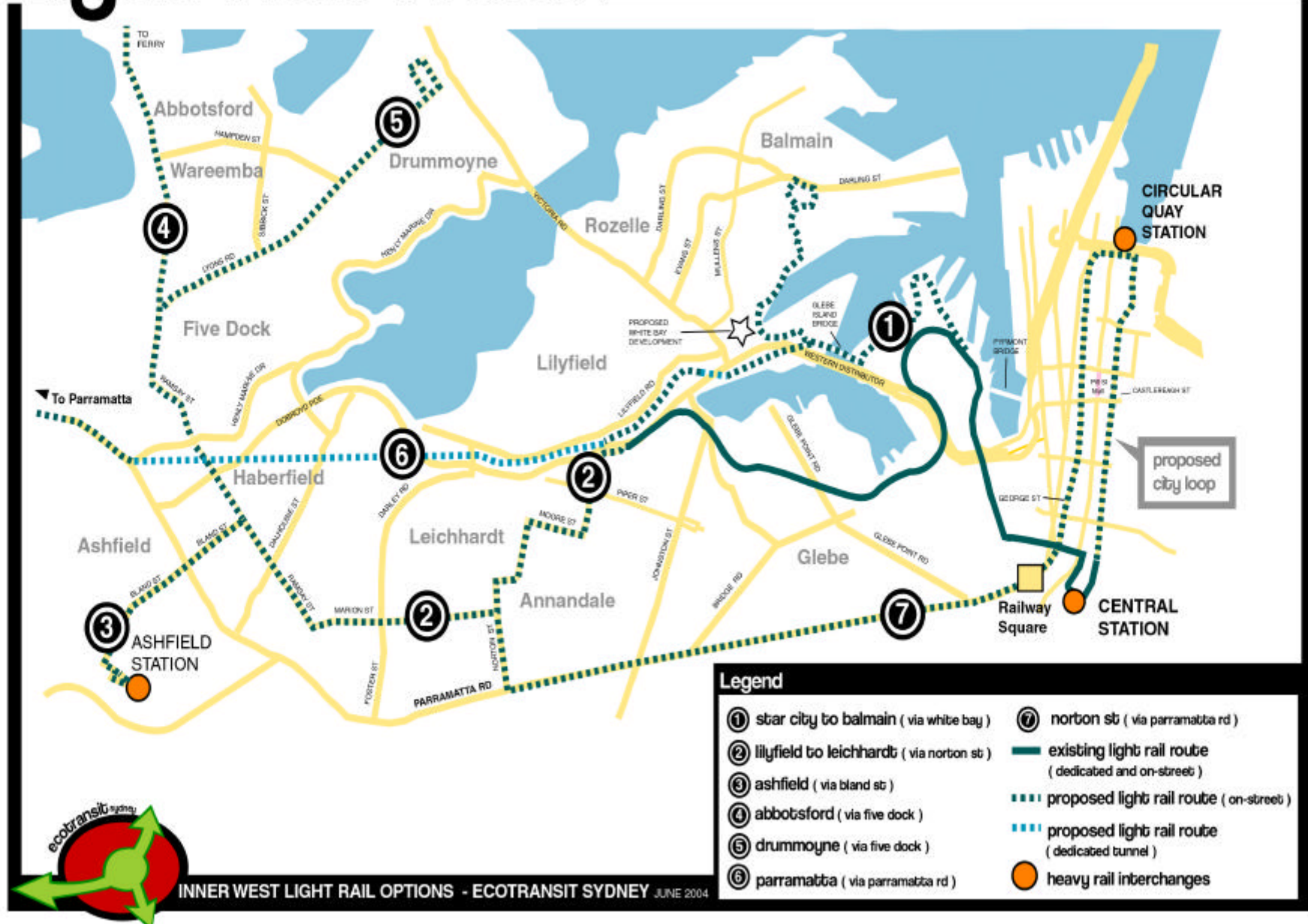


# Light Rail West

a mass-transit solution to congestion in Sydney's Inner West



- Legend**
- ① star city to balmain ( via white bay )
  - ② lilyfield to leichhardt ( via norton st )
  - ③ ashfield ( via bland st )
  - ④ abbotsford ( via five dock )
  - ⑤ drummoyne ( via five dock )
  - ⑥ parramatta ( via parramatta rd )
  - ⑦ norton st ( via parramatta rd )
  - existing light rail route ( dedicated and on-street )
  - ⋯ proposed light rail route ( on-street )
  - ⋯ proposed light rail route ( dedicated tunnel )
  - heavy rail interchanges



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## key features and vital statistics

The City Loop needs to be completed before any substantial extensions to Sydney's Light Rail Network can be made. This is because Sydney's Central Business District is a key destination point for tens of thousands of people who make short and medium distance trips within the city's inner suburbs. A loop is essential, as people require access to destinations concentrated along the entire length of the CBD. In this way the City Loop would form an anchor point for a wider network.

### Light Rail West Stage One

#### STAR CITY - BALMAIN (via White Bay)

- 2.6km's on-street alignment (\$35million)

Starting from the Star City interchange, this line would connect Balmain with the CBD via an existing bus tunnel and the old Glebe Island Bridge. It would provide a shortcut to the city for residents, reduce pressure on STA bus services and relieve congestion on Victoria Road. Stage One of Light Rail West would also play a critical role in the successful revitalisation of the White Bay Power Station site.

### Light Rail West Stage Two

#### LILYFIELD - LEICHHARDT (via Norton St)

- 3.8 km's on-street alignment (\$43million)

This route would connect Leichhardt with the CBD and service the popular Norton Street cafe strip. It would provide easy and convenient access to the Leichhardt shopping precinct, relieving parking and traffic problems. As an extension of the existing light rail line, it would follow Brennan Street, and travel through Lilyfield and Leichhardt, terminating at Leichhardt Marketplace at Marion Street.

This route would form a trunk for three divergent lines that would connect Leichhardt's shopping, restaurant and entertainment centres with adjoining suburbs to the west.

### Light Rail West Stage Three

#### ASHFIELD (via Bland St)

- 1.6km's on-street alignment (\$15million)

Connecting with CityRail services at Ashfield, this service would link the inner and outer western suburbs and the CBD. This route would extend the Lilyfield to Leichhardt route across Parramatta Rd to Ashfield Station, connecting the inner-western communities of Lilyfield, Five Dock and Leichhardt with a major transport hub at Ashfield.

### Light Rail West Stage Seven

#### NORTON STREET (via Railway Square)

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Serving as a continuation of the City Loop, this line will serve Railway Square interchange, then proceed along Broadway and Parramatta Road to Norton Street. Trams have the option of returning to Central Station or the City Loop via Lilyfield and the existing Light Rail line. This route will revitalise the local retail trade along Parramatta Road, and assist in the proposed beautification of this major thoroughfare and enhance the tourism potential of the popular Norton Street cafe precinct.

### Light Rail West Stage Four

#### ABBOTSFORD (via Five Dock)

- 4.8km's on-street alignment (\$40million)

This route would connect the residential suburbs of Abbotsford, Five Dock and Drummoyne with the CBD and would relieve congestion on Dobroyd Parade and the City West Link. Importantly, this route would allow easy interchange with services to Ashfield Station, thus connecting residents to the extensive CityRail network.

### Light Rail West Stage Five

#### DRUMMOYNE (via Five Dock)

- 2.6km's on-street alignment (\$24million)

This route would allow residents from Five Dock and Drummoyne to avoid heavily congested roads such as Victoria Rd when traveling to the CBD. It would also revitalise the shopping precinct along Lyons Rd.

### Light Rail West Stage Six

#### PARRAMATTA (via Parramatta Rd)

- 2.4km's tunnel section (\$107million)  
15.8km's on-street alignment (\$150million)

This high frequency light rail service would connect Parramatta with the CBD and the many shops, businesses and services along Parramatta Road. It would enhance existing rail and bus services by providing a much-needed boost in capacity, as well as relieving pressure on Parramatta Road.

Extending from the Star City interchange via the old Glebe Island Bridge, this line would use a purpose-built tunnel from Rozelle to Parramatta Road. The line would then follow Parramatta Road to the new Westfield transport (train/bus/light rail) interchange at Parramatta City Centre. This *Clean Tunnel* alternative to the M4 East would require no exhaust stacks or expensive filtration systems.