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Dear Shirley

Macgregor West - Intersection and Residential Street Improvements Feasibility Study

AECOM has been engaged by Roads ACT to undertake a feasibility study of intersection and residential street improvements in the Macgregor/ Holt area. A project overview, recommended improvements and opportunity for comment are provided below. A project locality plan is attached for reference.

Project Overview

The residential development in Macgregor West has impacted on traffic levels within the Macgregor/ Holt area. A 2008 traffic assessment report has identified the need to improve a number of intersections and residential streets to reduce traffic levels to acceptable levels, improve the management of traffic flows on the road network, and to assist public transport and pedestrian movements.

The objective of this project is to undertake the necessary design to investigate the feasibility and cost of the recommended improvement measures, and establish a clear priority for the improvement measures based on the greatest benefit to the community being the highest priority.

Recommended Improvements

The following is a list of recommended improvements that are being explored as part of the feasibility study.

Starke Street/ Southern Cross Drive Intersection

- Provision of a single lane roundabout to replace the existing give-way intersection.
- Off-road cycle path to direct cyclists around the roundabout.

Florey Drive/ Southern Cross Drive Intersection

- Proposed two lane roundabout to replace the existing give-way intersection.
- Off-road cycle path to direct cyclists around the roundabout.

Osburn Drive/ Florey Drive Intersection

- Proposed single lane roundabout to replace the existing give-way intersection.
- Off-road cycle path to direct cyclists around the roundabout.
- Connection of existing shared paths in the eastern verge of Florey Drive to the proposed cycle paths.

Spofforth Street/ Messenger Street Intersection

- Proposed single lane roundabout to replace the existing give-way intersection.

Spofforth Street/ Drake Brockman Intersection

- Proposed single lane roundabout to replace the existing give-way intersection.

Southern Cross Drive/ Beurpaire Crescent Intersection

- Widening of existing pavement to provide a right turn bay on Southern Cross Drive.

Southern Cross Drive/ O'Reilly Street Intersection

- Provision of a right turn bay on Southern Cross Drive.

Ginninderra Drive/ Kingsford Smith Drive Intersection

- Provision of a second right turn bay from Ginninderra Drive (eastbound) to Kingsford Smith Drive (southbound).

Spofforth Street Pedestrian Crossings

- Provision of pedestrian refuge islands at bus stops. Two islands to be located south of Messenger Street, and the third south of the Southern Cross Drive/ Spofforth Street intersection.

Osburn Street Pedestrian Crossings

- Proposed pedestrian refuge island on Osburn Drive, near Macgregor Primary School.

Southern Cross Drive Pedestrian Crossings

- Provision of pedestrian refuge islands between the two proposed roundabouts at Florey Drive and Starke Street.
- Proposed pedestrian refuge island to be located near the bus stop between Starke Street and Beaurepaire Crescent.
- Pedestrian refuge island to be located near the bus stop between O'Reilly Street and Beaurepaire Crescent.

Southern Cross Drive Speed Limit

- Consideration of increasing the speed limit on Southern Cross Drive (between Florey Drive and Kingsford Smith Drive) to 70 km/hr.

Comments on the project, including suggested priority, should be directed to Kristen Howard at the contact information noted below no later than **Wednesday, 30 September 2009**.

Yours faithfully



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