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The Murray Street Stage 6 Upgrade Project – Upcoming Road Reconstruction Works and Traffic Detours

The Murray Street Stage 6 Upgrade Project works have reached a critical milestone in the program with road pavement reconstruction works commencing on 1 February 2019. These works include the closure of the section of Murray Street from the Murray Street South intersection up to and including the Gawler Mill Inn Bridge.

The Council has targeted the late January/early February period to undertake these works to minimise impacts on the Township.

“After careful consideration for staging these challenging road works, which require the removal of the existing road and placement of 2000 tonnes of new asphalt road, condensing the bulk of the road reconstruction works over one weekend was chosen as the best option,” said Mayor Redman.

During this time of year and over the weekend traffic volumes in the Town are typically lower such that works can be undertaken with the least impact on the community more broadly, including businesses in the Town Centre.

The Mayor goes on to say, “As such works have been programmed to commence on the night of Friday 1 February and continue until early morning on Monday 4 February. Works will be undertaken both during the day and night over a continuous weekend in order to manage disruption. This will complete the main pavement works required however the final road surfacing layer has been programmed to be undertaken after business hours on Monday 11 February and Tuesday 12 February.”

Traffic restrictions and detours will be in place along with signage and traffic controllers to alert motorists of the changed traffic conditions helping to guide them around the work zone.

Murray Street and the Town Centre of Gawler will remain “Open for Business” during this time. Footpaths will stay open so that access to local traders and businesses is maintained. Murray Street from Lyndoch Road traffic signals through to immediately north of the Murray Street South intersection will remain open for vehicles with access maintained south of the Gawler Mill Inn Bridge through to Seventh Avenue. Murray Street South and Julian Terrace will also be accessible by following the detours which will be in place.

Variable Message Signs (VMS) have also been deployed on site providing advance notice of the upcoming works occurring over the weekend and will be used throughout the weekend to assist with traffic management and promote the township being ‘open for business’. Additional signage will also be used to ensure that motorists are aware the Town Centre remains open for business. The Council’s website provides a detailed update on the works, and its Facebook page will also make relevant posts.

“The Town of Gawler and its Contractor will continue to work with the community and monitor the impacts of the traffic restrictions during this period and asks for everyone’s patience and understanding during this busy time. Further information on this project is available on the Council’s website at www.gawler.sa.gov.au/murray-street-upgrade,” said Mayor Redman.

Should community members have any specific enquiries they can be directed to the dedicated project email Murraystreetupgrade@gawler.sa.gov.au or the 24/7 hotline 1300 556 780.

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