

Cathedral Avenue - Sanford Street ROUNDBABOUT

The transformation of the Cathedral Avenue and Sanford Street intersection into a roundabout is set to begin on Thursday 11 March 2021.

Over the years, traffic congestion has steadily increased along Cathedral Avenue in the vicinity of the schools with almost 9,000 vehicles travelling through the intersection with Sanford Street every day.

Converting the intersection to a roundabout will enable drivers entering or exiting Cathedral Avenue at the intersection to do so in a quicker and safer way and provide pedestrians with a safer way to cross the road.

City of Greater Geraldton Mayor Shane Van Styn said the volume of vehicles and pedestrians that pass through the intersection meant community safety during construction of the much needed roundabout is critical. "There are hundreds and hundreds of parents who drive through this intersection to drop off or pick up their children from the five schools in the area and hundreds more students who either walk or ride their bikes to these schools," he said.

"Therefore, to ensure community safety, the decision was made to close the intersection during construction.

"We understand this road closure will cause disruption but the good news is, existing vehicle and pedestrian access to all the businesses, offices and carparks in the vicinity of the construction site, including the Woolworths Service Station, Mia Royce Physiotherapy, Monsignor Hawes Heritage Centre and the City Civic Centre will remain open during the works.

"I'm asking for everyone to please be patient while construction is taking place, knowing the end result will be well worth the short-term inconvenience."

The City has secured \$1.27 million Australian Government Black Spot Funding to build the roundabout and will utilise in-house engineering expertise and local contractors to upgrade the intersection at the corner of Cathedral Avenue and Sanford Street.

Mayor Shane Van Styn was pleased to see the City taking the initiative to build the roundabout.

"I commend the City for taking on this construction project which will be 100 percent constructed by the City's approved, local annual supply contractors," he said.

The construction of the roundabout, which aligns with the Geraldton City Centre Revitalisation Plan, is expected to be completed before the end of the financial year.

For more information on the project or the City Centre Revitalisation Plan visit the City's website.



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Estimated Project Cost: **\$1.27 million**
 Australian Government Black Spot
 Funding: **\$1.27 million**
 Construction begin: **11 March 2021**
 Construction completion: **30 June 2021**

Changes to Traffic Management and Parking During Construction

