

## Durlacher Street - Maitland Street ROUNABOUT

The transformation of one of the busiest intersections in the CBD into a roundabout is set to begin on Monday 19 October 2020.

Local contractor Red Dust Holdings has been awarded the contract to upgrade the T-intersection at the corner of Durlacher and Maitland Streets.

Once completed, the roundabout will improve traffic safety for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians.

City of Greater Geraldton Mayor Shane Van Styn said community safety during construction of the much needed roundabout is paramount.

"More than 9000 vehicles travel through this intersection every day including hundreds of parents who drop off or pick up their children from St Francis Xavier Primary School," he said.

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

"The road closure won't affect access to Pizza Hut or Thrifty Car and Truck Hire and the clients and customers of Centacare, St Vinnies and the Family Relationship Centre will be able to access their carpark from a temporary entrance from Maitland Street.

"We understand this closure will cause disruption so to assist some traffic movement in the area a one-way detour for light vehicles only from Durlacher Street to Maitland Street via the QEII carpark will be in place.

We ask for everyone's patience during the works which will take about three months to complete."

The following changes to traffic management on Maitland Street will also come into effect

on 19 October and will stay in place during the construction period:

- Maitland Street from Cathedral Avenue to Durlacher Street will be open to local traffic only.
- Access to St Francis Xavier Primary School will still be available via Maitland Street.
- The Maitland Street entrance to the QEII carpark will be closed.
- A dedicated school kiss and drop zone only will be located on Maitland Street across from the Bishop's House.

To ensure QEII Centre patrons and other facility users have adequate parking during the works the following changes to car parking in the area will also be in place.

- The QEII carpark will be reserved for QEII patrons and facility users only. Access to the carpark will be from Durlacher Street only.
- Additional parking for QEII patrons and facility users will be available on the grassed area located behind the QEII. Access to this area is from Durlacher Street.

The roundabout construction also includes the removal of six small trees and five Norfolk pines to improve traffic safety at the intersection including safe intersection sight distance. The removal will be offset by planting a significant number of trees in the Cathedral Avenue Upgrade project.

For more information on the Project visit the City's website.

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Estimated Project Cost: **\$1.83 million**

State Government Black Spot Funding: **\$622,000**

Construction begin: **19 October 2020**

Construction completion: **Early January 2021**



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# Changes to Traffic Management and Parking during construction

