

## TREASURER TOM KOUTSANTONIS

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### Major upgrade for one of Adelaide's worst intersections

The State Government will upgrade the intersection of Springbank, Daws and Goodwood roads.

Planning, design and community consultation will start immediately to realign these roads.

The current design of two T-junctions approximately 120 metres apart severely slows the flow of traffic, creates congestion and causes safety risks.

The 2017-18 State Budget retains contingent funds to realign the roads into a more conventional intersection, improving traffic flows and catering for all major traffic movements, while ensuring the risk of accidents is reduced.

As realignment of the intersection will require land acquisition, the State Government will conduct extensive consultation with affected landowners, residents, local government and stakeholders before a final design solution is agreed upon.

The community will be consulted through door-knocking, one-on-one meetings, a mailing list, a telephone enquiry line, an email enquiry address, and direct liaison with stakeholders and interest groups.

Planning, design and community consultation will start immediately, with construction expected to begin in 2018.

#### Background

Goodwood Road is one of southern Adelaide's major north-south arterial routes, while Springbank Road and Daws Road provide a key east-west connection.

The intersection has been a significant source of complaints over many years. More than 60,000 vehicles travel through it every day and there have been 21 crashes at this location between 2012 and 2016, resulting in 24 casualties.

The State Government has a strong track record of delivering upgrades to complex intersections.

The Britannia Roundabout upgrade has been a resounding success, resulting in a 24 per cent reduction in crashes in a comparison of the three years before and after the works, and a 14 per cent increase in traffic moving through the intersection.

The Daw Park project will build on important metropolitan intersection upgrades we

have already delivered including:

- \$7.7 million for the Sudholz and North East Road intersection at Gilles Plains.
- \$9.5 million to upgrade South Road-Richmond Road.
- \$4 million to upgrade Magill and Glynburn Roads intersection.
- \$2.5 million for the Golden Grove and Grenfell Roads intersection at Surrey Downs.
- \$3 million to upgrade the intersection of Marion and Sturt roads.

### **Quotes attributable to Treasurer Tom Koutsantonis**

The Member for Waite, Martin Hamilton-Smith, and the Member for Elder, Annabel Digance, have been relentless in their advocacy of this project, which is why we are delivering this important upgrade for South Australian commuters.

The Springbank and Daws Roads intersection is where motorists are often faced with lengthy delays when travelling along Goodwood Road. This upgrade will help to ease the flow of traffic for the tens of thousands of vehicles that travel through this section of road every day.

### **Quotes attributable to Minister for Transport and Infrastructure Stephen Mullighan**

This upgrade will reduce traffic delays and improve safety.

Anyone who drives along this section of Goodwood Road, or approaches from Springbank or Daws roads, knows how congested and slow it can be through this intersection.

Approximately 60,000 motorists travel through this intersection every day. It is a vital link and a key connection between the CBD, southern and eastern suburbs. This upgrade will improve travel times and make it safer for motorists.

We'll be speaking with the community throughout the life of the project so we can ensure our solutions meet their needs and Adelaide's wider transport network.

While this project is desperately needed, we must balance that by engaging with councils and landowners, and by providing as much information and support as possible during this process.

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