

Taylors Road, Westwood Drive & Calder Park Drive Intersection Consultation Summary

Community consultation for the upgrade of Taylors Road, Westwood Drive & Calder Park Drive intersection was carried out between 04 November 2021 and 15 December 2021. Letters and postcards were sent to residents with a link and QR code to the webpage set up for the consultation.

Eighty five responses were received with the project receiving significant support (average 4.1 out of 5) with the main comments in support due to the current traffic congestion at the roundabout, highlighting the increased pedestrian safety, especially for the safety of children attending day care as well as nearby residents walking to the shopping centre.

The major issues raised by respondents mostly relate to need for upgrading other intersections along Taylors Road and Calder Park Drive/Westwood Drive corridors. Residents have shown overwhelming support for duplication of Taylors Road as well as Calder Park Drive/Westwood Drive.

Further issues raised included additional entry to the Watervale Shopping Centre and the childcare centre.

Below are other items raised along with Council's response:

Taylors Road should have a continuous
2-lane carriageway in both directions

Council plans to duplicate Taylors Road including intersection upgrades. Please refer to Taylors Road Corridor Plan

 Calder Park Drive and Westwood Drive should have a continuous 2-lane carriageway in both directions

Calder Park Drive and Westwood Drive form part of the Palmers Road Corridor. Duplications of these roads is the responsibility of the Department of Transport. Initial planning works have been completed for the duplication of these roads. Department of Transport are yet to provide dates for construction.

 Requests for upgrade of other intersections to be prioritised

Council has significant plans to upgrade many roundabouts to signalised intersections over the next three years.

In addition to <u>Taylors Road Corridor Plan</u> the following intersections are planned for upgrade.

Caroline Springs Blvd & Rockbank Middle Road – 2023

Caroline Springs Blvd and The Crossing – 2024

Westwood Drive & Tenterfield Drive – Under investigation

 Entry for Watervale Shopping Centre from Taylors Road. Council has revised its design to incorporate a right turn slip lane into the shopping centre from Taylors Road.

 Roundabout is too dangerous for walking

Controlled signalised pedestrian crossings planned in all directions at the intersection are the main feature of the intersection upgrade.

 Pedestrian crossing required across Taylors Road

In addition to controlled crossings at the intersection, two new pedestrian crossings near St Vincent's Way west of the intersection and Mavora Court to the east are planned as part of this project.