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## Stage 7 of the Murray Street Upgrade Project – to commence soon.

Construction of the final stage of Council's Murray Street Upgrade Project is due to commence mid-March 2021 and is anticipated to be finished in early June 2021.

These works are the final stage of Council's upgrade of Murray Street, in the Town Centre, which started in 2012 and has thus far delivered improvements from Lyndoch Road to the Gawler Mill Inn Bridge.

The Project will deliver an upgrade to the roadway from the Gawler Mill Inn Bridge up to and including the intersections of Tenth Street and Seventh Street with Adelaide Road.

This final stage of Murray Street upgrades has a project budget of \$1.78M allocated. Council has received significant funding assistance towards the Project with \$854,000 from the State Government's Special Local Roads Program and \$463,000 from the Australian Government's Heavy Vehicles Safety and Productivity Program.

Council would like to take this opportunity to thank both the State and Federal Governments for their financial contributions to the Project.

"It is really pleasing that, after many years, we have reached the end of this transformational project for our town that improves road safety outcomes for all users," said Mayor Redman "Council has provided additional amenity improvements as part of this project by funding landscaping that beautifies this important entrance to the Town Centre."

The Project will include the following works:

- 1. Road realignment and safety improvements around the intersections of Adelaide Road and Tenth Street and Seventh Street, including cycling lane delineation.
- 2. Improved drainage and stormwater control within the Project boundary.
- 3. Improved road and pedestrian lighting.
- 4. Upgrades to footpaths and kerbing
- 5. Revitalised landscaping, including extending the visual amenity from the other stages of Murray Street upgrades across the Gawler Mill Inn Bridge.

Council has recently awarded the contract for these works to Outside Ideas CLC Pty Ltd.

Council and Outside Ideas will work with businesses and make every effort to ensure that there is minimum interruption to their normal operations during the construction period. Disruption to residents and visitors will also be kept to a minimum where possible.

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 will remain open to two-way traffic at all times during the day, notably with reduced speed limits. Short term road closures of Murray Street will occur during periods of night works scheduled to occur in May 2021, with detours in place during that time.

Businesses along Adelaide Road will remain "Open for Business" during this time and your continued support through these works is important. Business impact mitigation from these works is a project focus for Council Staff and the Outside Ideas Project Team.

Variable Message Sign (VMS) trailers will be deployed on site to provide advance warning to motorists. The Council's website provides detailed information on the works, and its Facebook page will also provide updates at key junctures.

"The project has been carefully planned to ensure that the works are staged in a manner which minimises impacts to traffic congestion and businesses as much as possible," said Council's CEO, Henry Inat. "Council really does appreciate your patience during this time."

Should community members have any specific enquiries they can email <a href="mailto:council@gawler.sa.gov.au">council@gawler.sa.gov.au</a> or call Customer Service on 8522 9211

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