

## Media Release

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## Work begins on \$1.7m Hammond Park roundabout

Work has begun to upgrade the intersection of Hammond and Russell roads in Hammond Park to create a four-way roundabout.

The \$1.7m project will take an estimated 10 weeks to complete with funding provided by the City plus \$250,000 from the WA State Government's local projects, local jobs program via Kwinana MLA Roger Cook.

The work forms part of the City's plan to spend \$11.65m upgrading roads in 2017-18 to address the local community's top priority issue – traffic congestion.

Mayor Logan Howlett said once the new roundabout is complete this May, traffic flow and intersection waiting times will improve in the area, along with safer pedestrian and cycle opportunities.

"We are acting on the results of the City's 2017 Community Scorecard which showed more than 30 per cent of the annual survey's 693 respondents cited traffic issues as an area in need of improvement," Mayor Howlett said.

"Cockburn is a popular destination especially for families keen to live, work, visit and invest in this area. Traffic congestion is a result of growing pains in our expanding, contemporary community.

"Current road projects are funded with a combination of local, state and federal government money and we are very grateful for the WA Government's assistance to help meet the needs of our growing community."

The new intersection design comprises four traffic lanes at the roundabout with a raised central median island, drainage, street lighting, landscaping, on-road bicycle lanes and off-road shared paths for pedestrians and cyclists.

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