

Tutt Avenue & Rugby Street Intersection Upgrade

Consultation Report 2024

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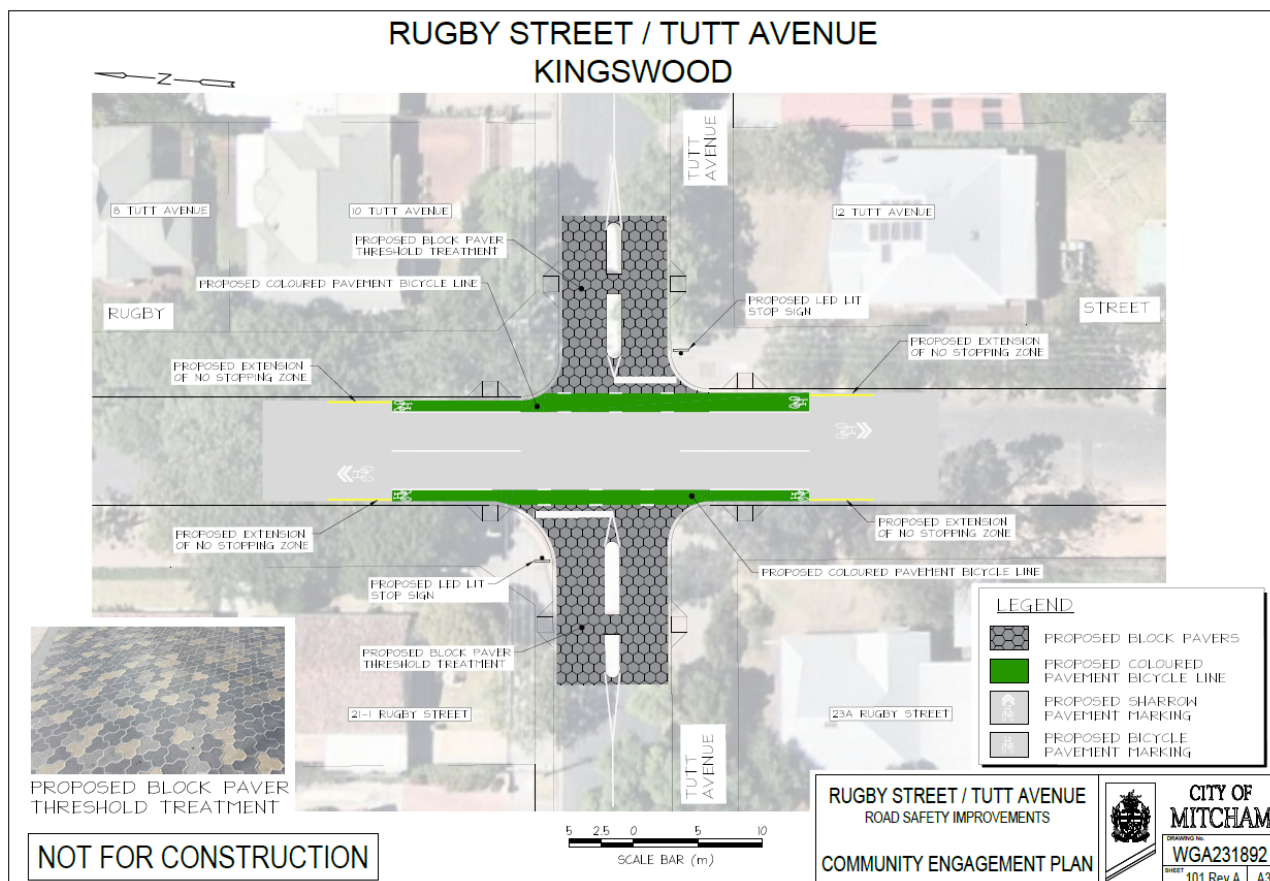
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Introduction

As part of the 2024-25 [Black Spot Program](#) the City of Mitcham nominated the upgrade of the Rugby Street and Tutt Avenue intersection upgrade to reduce crash factors and improve road safety for all users and we are pleased to share that this nomination was successful. This includes 100% funding of \$132,209 (including GST) funded by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts.



The project aims to achieve significant road safety improvements for vulnerable road users and motorists through the;

- Establishment of new on-street bicycle lanes, delineated by green pavement markings, and further supplemented by 'sharrow' symbols to signal shared roadway conditions.
- Implementation of threshold treatments at the start of the designated bicycle route to alert motorists and encourage caution.
- Installation of flashing LED stop signs to enhance visibility and compliance at the Tutt Avenue approaches to the intersection. This is part of a new approach using a sensor that will detect approaching vehicles to activate the LED signs.

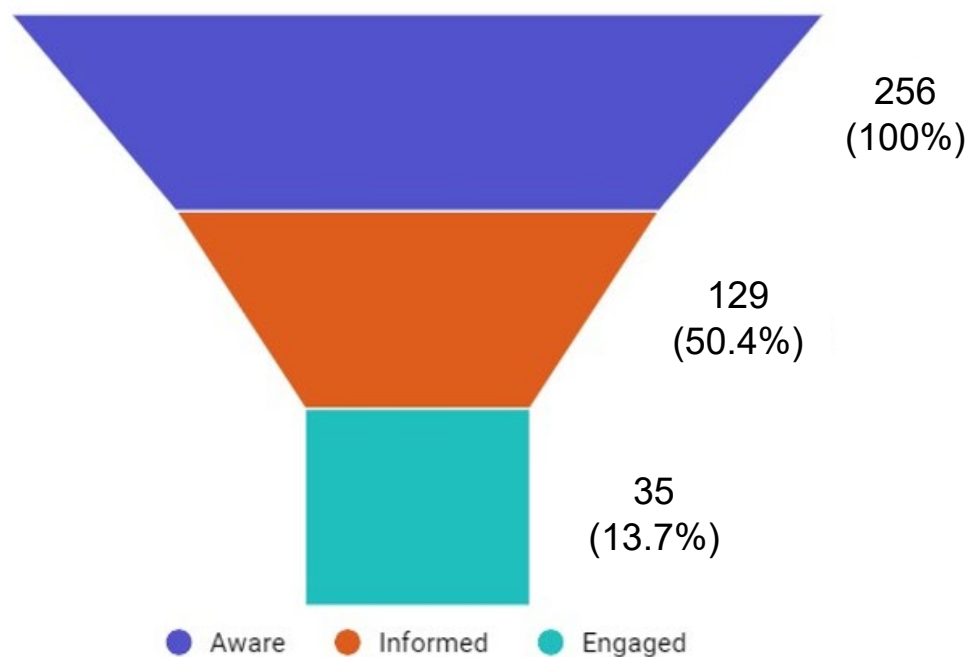
Further to this, the Council wanted to hear from residents and commuters regarding the proposed intersection upgrade of Rugby Street and Tutt Avenue. The feedback gathered to be documented, and relevant input to be incorporated into the final design.

Tutt Avenue & Rugby Street Intersection Upgrade

The community was invited to share feedback on the design for the Rugby Street and Tutt Avenue intersection upgrade. As part of the consultation process, directly affected residents and commuters of the intersection were invited to complete an online survey via Your Say Mitcham.

A total of 256 visitors viewed the Your Say Project Page with 35 submissions received, contributing to an overall engagement rate of 13.7%.

Visitor engagement



This report summarises the consultation undertaken to assist in finalising the detailed design for the Winston Avenue and Caulfield Avenue intersection upgrade.

Consultation Report

What is the purpose of this report?

The purpose of the *Rugby Street and Tutt Avenue Intersection Upgrade Consultation Report* is to present to the Council Members and the community, a summary of the comments and submissions which have been received during the community consultation process.

The consultation process included a letter box drop to approximately 215 residents and businesses that are directly impacted by the upgrade, inviting them to submit an online survey response via Your Say Mitcham.

The outcome of the community consultation process will contribute to the development of the final design for the Rugby Street and Tutt Avenue intersection upgrade. The Council's Engineering team will review all feedback received from the community, and relevant suggestions will be considered and incorporated into the detailed design.



Rugby Street and Tutt Avenue Intersection, Kingswood

How did we consult?

The community consultation process commenced on 23 September 2024 and concluded on 25 October 2024.

Your Say Mitcham

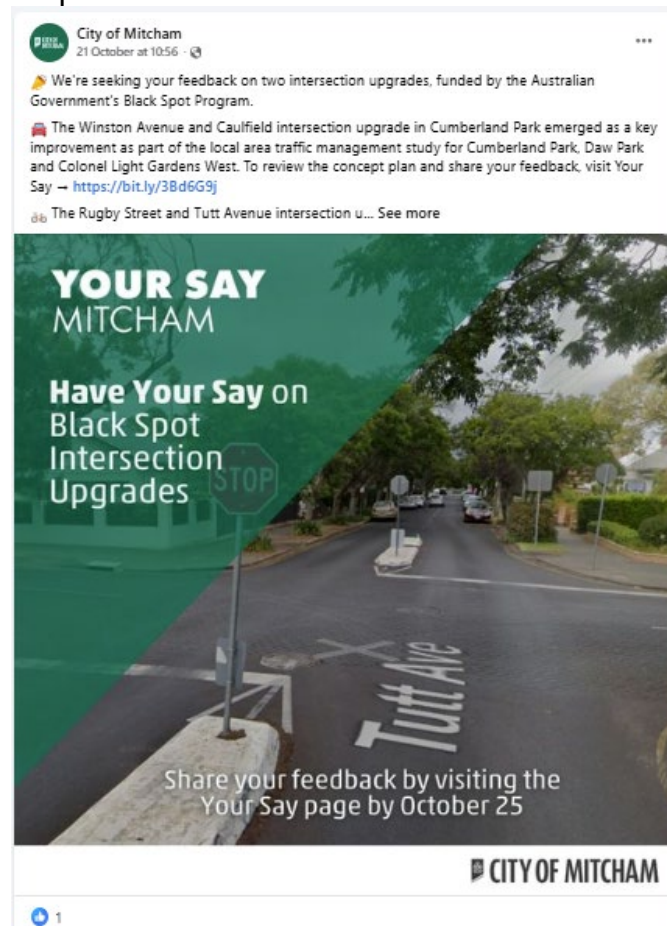
As part of the process an online project page was created via Your Say Mitcham <https://yoursay.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/rugby-tutt-intersection-upgrade> where the community could find more information including a series of FAQs, important documents, or complete a survey.

Letter Drop

Letters inviting the community to visit the Your Say Mitcham project page, and complete the survey were distributed to approximately 215 local residents, businesses, and organisations.

Digital Engagement

The Council website and social media posts (Facebook) also invited visitors, and page followers to take part in the consultation. An e-news was also sent to 3,540 registered Your Say Mitcham participants based on location and interests.



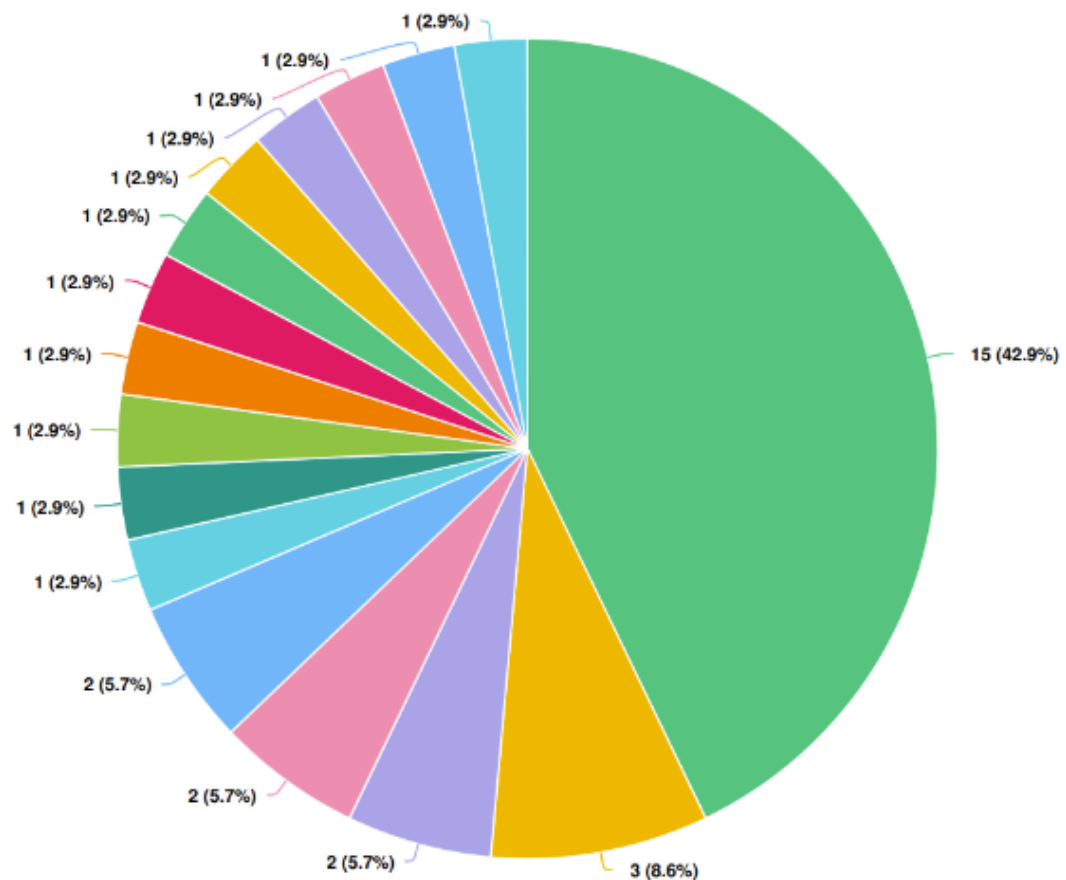
Social Media post (Facebook) – City of Mitcham

Consultation Summary

Survey

A total of 35 contributions were received via the Survey Tool. The majority of respondents indicated that they live in Kingswood (42.9%).

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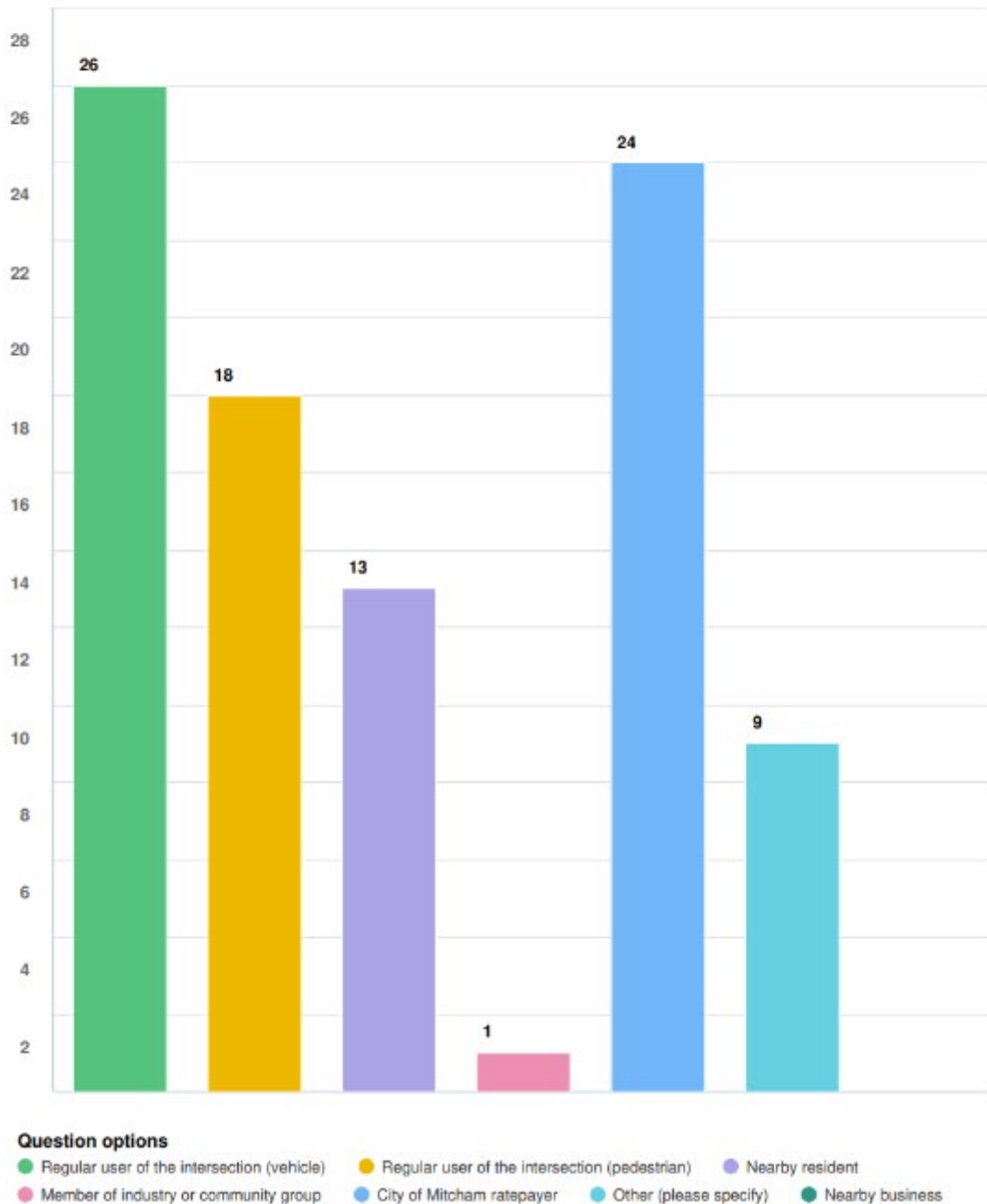
Question options

- KINGSWOOD, SA
 ● COLONEL LIGHT GARDENS, SA
 ● COROMANDEL VALLEY, SA
 ● LOWER MITCHAM, SA
- NORTH ADELAIDE, SA
 ● HAWTHORN, SA
 ● GLENALTA, SA
 ● KINGSWOOD, NSW
 ● BELAIR, SA
- WESTBOURNE PARK, SA
 ● CUMBERLAND PARK, SA
 ● NETHERBY, SA
 ● ADELAIDE BC, SA
- LINDEN PARK, SA
 ● UNLEY, SA
 ● TORRENS PARK, SA

Respondent Connection to the Intersection

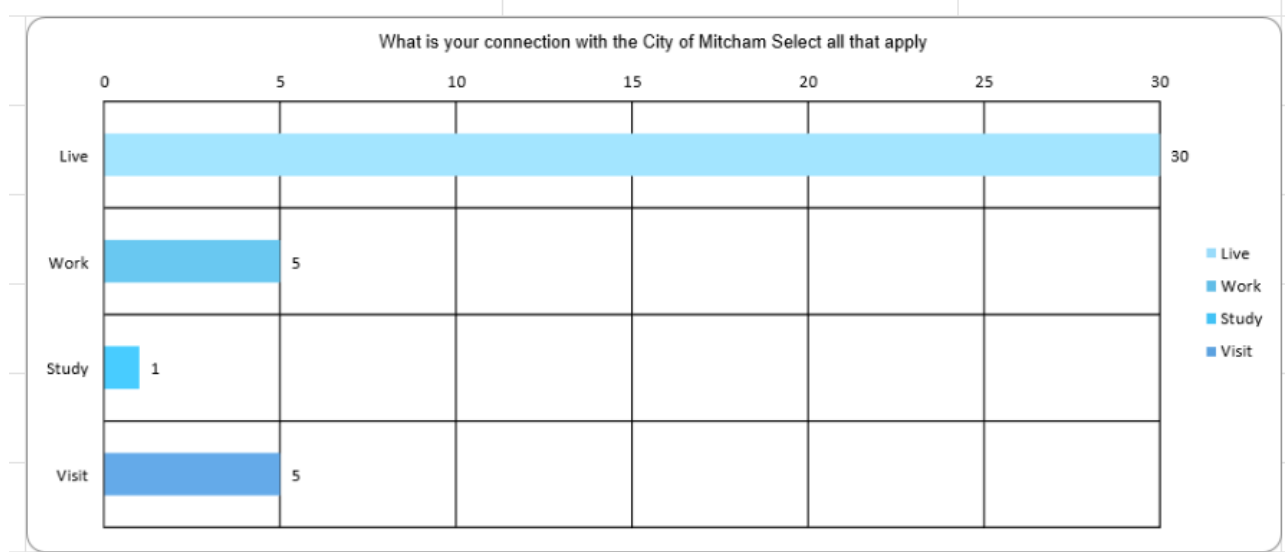
Most respondents indicated that they are a regular user of the intersection (74.3%), followed by City of Mitcham ratepayer (68.6%), and a nearby resident (51.4%). Noting that respondents could select multiple connections.

Q3 What is your connection to the Rugby Street and Tutt Avenue intersection? (Please select all that apply)



Respondent Connection to the Intersection (Purpose)

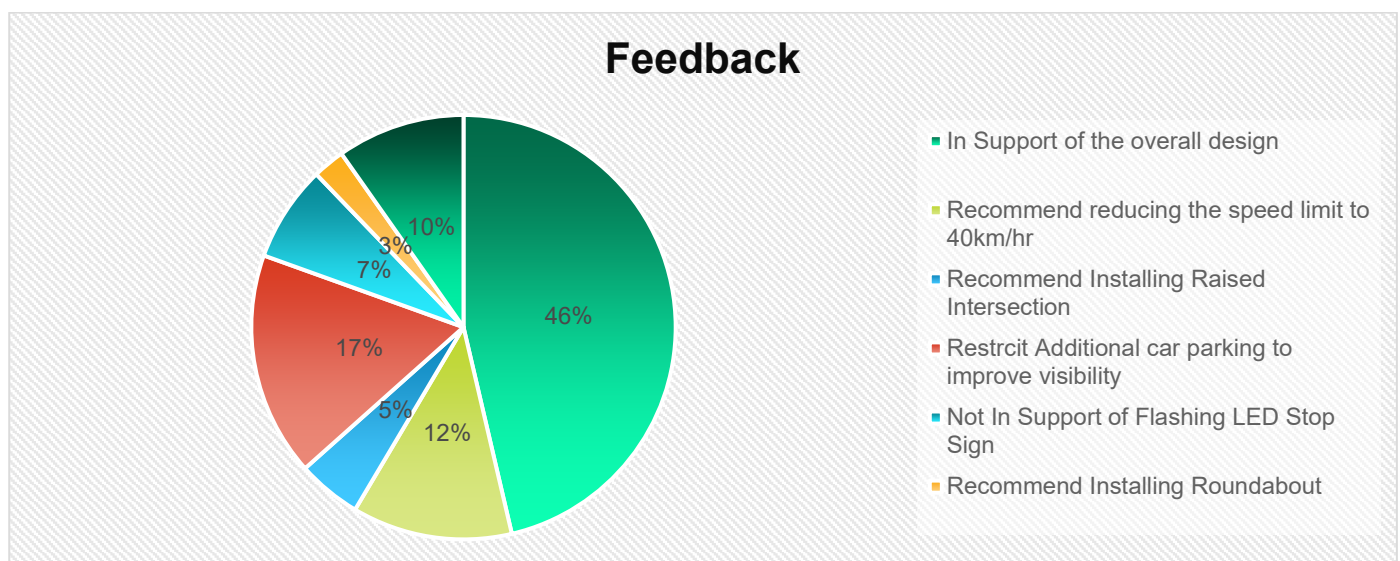
A majority of respondents to the survey identified that they live in the affected area (73.2%)



Respondent written feedback on the design:

A total of 35 participants provided written feedback/suggestion, which has been reviewed by the Council's Traffic Team. The primary feedback on the design includes:

- Support for the overall design – **19 respondents.**
- Restrict additional car parking to improve visibility – **7 respondents.**
- Recommend reducing the speed limit to 40km/hr – **5 respondents.**
- Other – **4 respondents.**
- Not in Support of Flashing LED Stop Sign – **3 respondents.**
- Recommend Installing Raised Intersection – **2 respondents.**
- Recommend Installing Roundabout – **1 respondent.**



Each of these feedback points will be examined in more detail, and relevant suggestions will be incorporated into the detailed design.

Council Response to Key Themes and Suggestions

Suggestion 1: Restricting additional car parking near the intersection to improve visibility.

Response

It is proposed as part of the upgrade that a single car parking space is removed on each side of Rugby Street to maintain a balance between improved visibility and preservation of on-street parking. The intersection upgrade will improve visibility (sight lines) and will comply with current Australian standards. The Council aims to achieve a safe balance between on-street parking and road safety. Since the upgrade will meet the required visibility standards, additional car parking restrictions will not be necessary.

Suggestion 2: Recommend implementing a 40 km/h speed limit.

Response

The Council must obtain approval from the Commissioner of Highways through the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) to implement a 40 km/h speed limit, which must apply to a local area rather than an individual street.

Approval criteria for the installation of a 40 km/h speed limit includes: a clear boundary definition of a 40 km/h precinct and a review of mean average speeds for all streets within the defined boundary. This requires the conduct of speed surveys on all relevant streets within the precinct, consultation with all affected residents, businesses, and adjoining councils, identification of those streets or sections of street which are to receive new high-level physical speed control treatments, or which are to retain a 50 km/h speed limit and installing appropriate signage and treatments. Government requirements emphasise that this speed limit applies to a complete precinct, not just a single street.

As part of our draft Integrated Transport Plan, *Moving Mitcham*, investigations into 40 km/h speed limit precincts across the Council area are proposed and we will soon be inviting community feedback on this document.

Next Steps

Each of these feedback points will be examined in more detail, and relevant suggestions will be incorporated into the detailed design, which is scheduled for completion by the end of December. Construction is estimated to commence between February and June 2025.

Further Information

For more information on Winston Ave & Caulfield Ave Intersection Upgrade please visit <https://yoursay.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/rugby-tutt-intersection-upgrade> or call us on 1300 133 466.

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