

Hon Corey Wingard MP Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

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Registration of interest opens for Fullarton Road intersection upgrades

Registration of interest will open next week for the design and construct contract for two major Fullarton Road intersection upgrade projects.

The package of works, worth nearly \$100 million and jointly funded by the Morrison and Marshall governments, will see vital improvements to the Fullarton Road intersections with Cross Road and Glen Osmond Road.

Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Corey Wingard, said the works will slash travel times, improve safety and reduce traffic gridlock for tens of thousands of motorists.

“Motorists who use the Fullarton Road corridor know all too well the frustration caused by unnecessary delays and safety risks,” Minister Wingard said.

“Over the past five year period (2015 to 2019) there were 40 crashes reported at the Glen Osmond Road/Fullarton Road intersection and 35 at the Cross Road/Fullarton Road intersection.

“This stretch of road was ignored for too long by the former Labor Government and we’re getting on with the job of fixing it while also creating 115 jobs in the process.

“Since releasing the concept designs for the works late last year, we’ve listened to the community’s concerns in relation to the Urrbrae Gatehouse.

“We made the difficult decision to remove the Gatehouse because of the engineering risks associated with attempting to relocate it and the financial risk to taxpayers.

“After meeting with representatives from the University of Adelaide, which owns the Gatehouse and the land it sits on, we’ve now made available to them the option to attempt this themselves.

“We’ve offered to make the \$2 million we’ve set aside for State Heritage projects as part of the upgrade available to the university to assist in the endeavour, along with the compensation they’ll receive through the land acquisition process.

“In total that’s approximately \$4 million or more, subject to final valuations, the university has to engage Mammoth Movers directly to attempt to relocate the building if they decide that’s the path they’d like to go down.

“The State Government’s priority is to save the 18 homes and as many trees with heritage or scientific significance as possible and that remains the case.

“I’ve asked the department to continue to work with Mammoth Movers on a new relocation strategy that may save additional trees from demolition and a revised plan is expected shortly.

“The State Government will continue to engage with all interested stakeholders and the community to ensure these vital upgrades can go ahead in the most appropriate way possible.”