

SUMMARY OF FEEDBACK RECEIVED ON THE REFINED CONCEPT DESIGN

A total of 122 feedback sheets had been returned as of 16 April 2007, the official deadline for feedback on the refined concept design.

Of these:

- 65 respondents indicated that they were generally in favour of the refined concept design as presented in the March 2007 Community Update and at community displays held in March/April
- 25 respondents did not indicate whether or not they were in favour of the refined concept design
- 24 respondents indicated that they were not in favour of the refined concept design
- 8 respondents were non-committal / neutral in their opinion, indicating they wanted more detailed information about different aspects of the plan before making a decision

A/ Main reasons people gave for being in favour of the refined concept:

- Improves traffic flow, projects environment and beautifies the area, looks good aesthetically
- Greening South Road and ANZAC theme design
- Very informative, well explained, excellent concept
- Pleased to see something happening, long over due, can't happen quickly enough

B/ Main reasons people gave for not being in favour of the refined concept:

- Doesn't go far enough to address traffic congestion along South Road – bottlenecks at Tram, school crossing and Castle Plaza lights
- Overpass preferred / MATS plan better
- Lack of access to Everard Park
- Waste of money

C/ Aspects of the design which raised the most concerns or queries:

- Access to local side streets, in particular in Everard Park - Orchard Avenue and Eurilpa Avenue
- Changes to bus stops and 241 bus route on Tennyson – wanting more information on changes, fear loss of bus stop (Stop 5 on Anzac Highway and Bus Stop 6a)
- Free-flow turning lane from Anzac Highway into South Road – concerns regarding the capacity to handle traffic volumes
- Lack of pedestrian access points / difficulty of access for pedestrians crossing South Road
- Concern regarding increased traffic congestion / rat running in side streets during construction
- Noise impacts during and after construction – level of noise and how it will be managed

D/ Other Comments:

- Closure of Herbert Road and Forest Street seen as positive outcome
- Some people expressed concern that Mortimer Street would be left open – increased traffic impacts
- Concern traffic lights won't be synchronised to improve traffic flow and the intersection and traffic will be built up as far back as Ashford Hospital
- Loss of parking for businesses on south-east corner of the intersection and lack of access to Orchard Avenue business car park raised as concerns

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