

Multi Agency Collaboration – Achieving Better Outcomes

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Collaborating on Safety Concerns

- ▶ Roads & Maritime Services (RMS) had conducted a route safety review of the Mid Western Highway which had identified a number of pedestrian safety issues where the highway passes through towns:
 - Pedestrian movements across a wide highway carrying all traffic types,
 - Visibility of pedestrians entering the highway from behind parked vehicles, and
 - The interaction between arterial traffic and vulnerable road users such as pedestrians and cyclists.
- ▶ The Ogilvy Street and Adelaide Street intersection was considered a high priority.

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- ▶ Safety concerns related to the configuration of the intersection:
 - The marked pedestrian crossings on Adelaide Street and Ogilvy Street were 'in-line' with the kerb lines



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- The width of Ogilvy Street on both sides allowed for two cars to approach Adelaide Street side by side;



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- A lack of any physical restriction on parking;
- Restricted the visibility of pedestrians (particularly young and other vulnerable road users) to vehicles approaching the intersection;



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- Absence of any blistering or pedestrian refuges; and
- Non-compliant kerb ramps (incorrect grades and 'non directional').



Collaborating on a Scope of Works

- ▶ RMS approached Blayney Shire Council (BSC) seeking to:
 - relocate the marked pedestrian crossing on Adelaide Street, and
 - investigate the possibility of replacing the marked pedestrian crossing on Ogilvy Street with kerb extensions and a pedestrian refuge.
- ▶ BSC was conscious of the likely backlash from locals of removing the marked pedestrian crossing on Ogilvy Street.
- ▶ Council was also mindful that the intersection forms a gateway to the Blayney CBD.
- ▶ RMS agreed and was able to fund \$240K, if BSC could fund the balance (\$60K) and complete the works by 30th June 2015.

Collaborating on stakeholder engagement

- ▶ Council was acutely aware of the tight timeframe for community consultation, finalisation of the design and construction.
- ▶ Council staff worked with the RMS Communications and Stakeholder Engagement Officer to undertake the community engagement.
- ▶ The delivery method for the project was discussed during the community consultation and the project was staged in the safest and lowest impact method.



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- ▶ Relocation and kerb blistering of the existing marked pedestrian crossing on Adelaide Street;



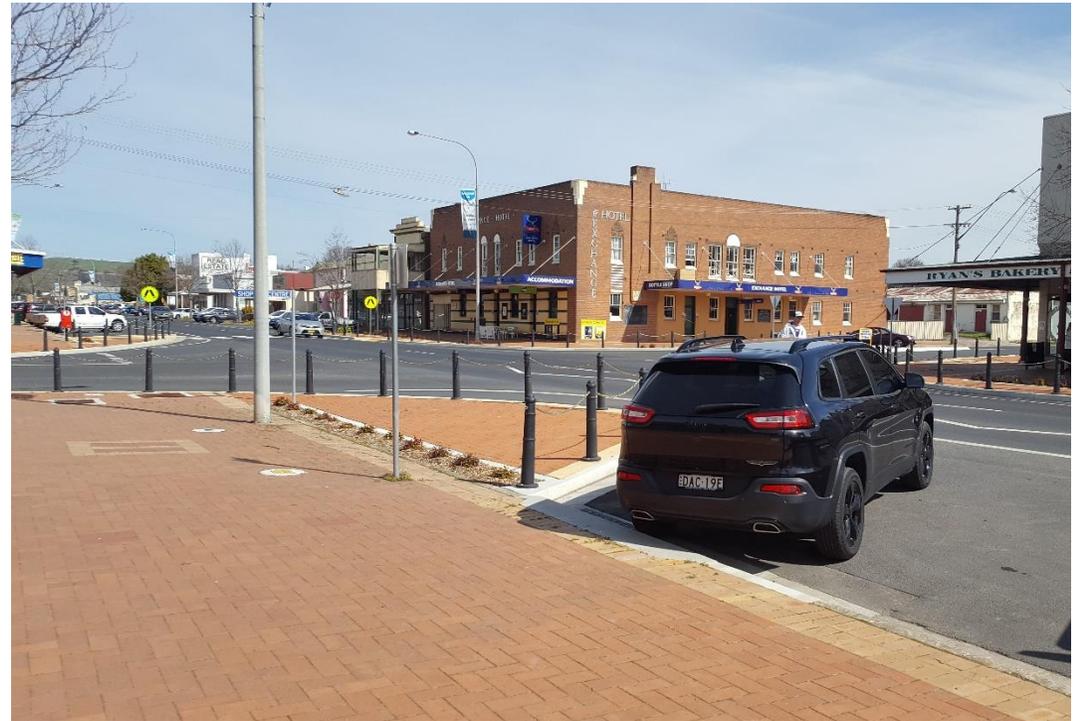
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- ▶ Replacement of the marked pedestrian crossing on the western side of Ogilvy Street with kerb blisters and a pedestrian refuge;
- ▶ Upgrading of the 'splitter island' on the eastern side of Ogilvy Street to pedestrian refuges;



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- ▶ Provision of compliant kerb ramps; and
- ▶ Blistering of the remaining leg of the intersection.



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