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Inquiry into referred 2017–18 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE
15 November 2018

Asked by Mrs Elizabeth Kikkert MLA:

Ref: TCCS Annual Report, TCCS Portfolio, output class 2.1 – Roads and Infrastructure

In relation to: Kuringa and Owen Dixon Drives intersection in the Australian Capital Territory (ACT)

1. Have there been any traffic studies conducted on this intersection? If so, how many and when were they conducted?
2. What safety and improvement measures for this intersection were undertaken by the government as a result of any traffic studies, and when did they occur?

Mr Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:--

1. In 2015, Roads ACT commissioned a Local Area Traffic Management study on roads in Melba, Evatt and Spence. The study concluded that any upgrade to this intersection would be beyond the scope of this study and recommended:
 - a. that the intersection be considered as part of a future Capital Work proposal; and
 - b. to extend the 70km/h speed zone on Kuringa Drive further north-east as an interim measure to enhance safety this intersection (which was subsequently delivered).

In response to the 2015 study as well as community requests, a Capital Works Feasibility Study was completed in April 2016. This study investigated traffic volumes, movements and crashes at this intersection and proposed a solution to install traffic signals.

2. Funding to construct the traffic signals was provided in the 2018-19 Budget as part of a two-year budget and construction is currently programmed in 2019-20. This project also includes the construction of a shared path facility, from the intersection of Kuringa Drive and Owen Dixon Drive to the Barton Highway, to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Environment and Transport and City Services

Signature:

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By the Minister for Roads, Mr Chris Steel MLA