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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: Southern Cross Drive in the Australian Capital Territory (ACT)

1. Have there been any traffic studies conducted in the last 10 years for Southern Cross Drive? If yes, when were they conducted and what were the findings?
 - a. What safety and other improvement measures did the Government take as a result of the study recommendations?
2. Has speeding ever been monitored on Southern Cross Drive? If so, what are the results speeding vehicles for each year the following years:
 - a. 2016-17
 - b. 2017-18
 - c. 2018-19 (to date)
3. What measures will the Government take to reduce speeding and improve safety along Southern Cross Drive?

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

1. Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) has completed a number of investigations on traffic conditions at the Southern Cross Drive intersections with Florey Drive and Starke Street near the Kippax shops between 2010 and 2015. The investigations recommended the implementation of traffic signals at both intersections to improve safety. The signalisation of the Southern Cross Drive and Starke Street intersection will be considered in future capital works programs.

TCCS also completed a study on traffic conditions on Southern Cross Drive between Kingsford Smith Drive and Coulter Drive in 2018. The study recommended the implementation of traffic signals at the Southern Cross Drive intersections with Ross Smith Crescent and Chewings Street to improve safety along the whole road section. These improvements will be considered as part of future capital works programs.

- a. The signalisation of the Southern Cross Drive and Florey Drive intersection was implemented in September 2012. As interim measures, TCCS will implement some signage and linemarking improvements at the Ross Smith Crescent, Ratcliffe Crescent and Chewings Street intersections under the Federal Black Spot Program. These improvements are expected to be completed by June 2019.

2. a-c. Traffic surveys on arterial roads such as Southern Cross Drive are programmed once in every three to five years. The most recent data is as follows:

Road section	Survey year	Speed limit (km/h)	Average weekday speed (km/h)
Kingsford Smith Drive – Coulter Drive	2015	80	81
Kingsford Smith Drive – Parkwood Drive	2015	60	66
	2018	60	63

3. Some speeding (up to 10% over the speed limit) occurs on Southern Cross Drive. This is managed through enforcement by ACT Policing and the Traffic Camera Office.

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Signature:



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By the Minister for Roads, Mr Chris Steel MLA