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Media Release

Resident wishes Bollen Road was a road less travelled

Staff from Mount Barker District Council have met with residents on Bollen Rd to listen to their concerns and investigate what measures may be required to make the road safer.

The road, which connects Hawthorn and Flaxley roads, will be a primary access point for the new King's Baptist Grammar School and housing developments once construction is completed.

General Manager Infrastructure, Phil Burton said, "The development of a new school, sporting facilities, car park and residential homes is generating an increase in construction activity on Bollen Road at this time. Some temporary measures are required to accommodate this activity, in accordance with development approvals.

"Council is working with developers and their contractors to ensure appropriate traffic management plans are implemented during construction to keep all road users safe." Mr Burton said.

As for the future, Council is currently preparing a concept plan for Bollen Road including the intersection with Hawthorn Road. This plan will outline the future function of the road and inform any upgrades required by both developers and Council.

"All aspects of the future function and use of Bollen Road in light of the new developments in the area and the existing amenity of this corridor will be assessed and then shared with the community for their feedback, Mr Burton said.

"Bollen Road is transitioning from a rural town boundary road to an urban street that needs to cater for safe passage of all anticipated users including pedestrians and motorists.

"The full construction of the Heysen Boulevard remains a priority for our community and will benefit residents on Bollen Rd as it will be a preferred alternate route to connect the southern parts of Mount Barker to the Adelaide Road interchange."

The concept plan for Bollen road will be released for community consultation within six months.

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