

28 February 2022 **Media Response** 

## Mayor Ann Ferguson's response to \$19M Public Transport Announcement

"The key to orderly traffic movement in the Hills is the completion of the Heysen Boulevard connector road; projects to reduce congestion for Hills commuters cannot effectively achieve success without the government of the day showing leadership and fixing the planning mess that Council has inherited.

"Our community has been asking the Marshall Government for Heysen Boulevard to be funded for the past four years with no success, despite there being a future revenue stream from developers to offset the cost.

"It is well overdue for the Government to detail its plan - if it has one - for the completion of this vital piece of infrastructure during the next four years.

"Council has been handcuffed by a poor historic State Government planning decision. Unfortunately, our community continues to see zero leadership from the current Government on Heysen Boulevard, even after its own key advisory agency on infrastructure urged it to fast-track the completion of the connector road.

"Our community continues to seek a commitment from the major parties that, if elected on March 19, they will provide the required cash flow to enable the remaining 47 per cent of the road to be constructed so orderly development in one of the fastest growing regions in South Australia can proceed."

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