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Busy Spearwood roundabout to benefit from safety upgrades through Black Spot Program funding

A busy roundabout in Spearwood will receive much needed safety upgrades to reduce traffic crashes at the site.

The City of Cockburn has received \$507,245 from the Australian Government's 2021-22 Black Spot Program to improve the roundabout at the intersection of Spearwood Avenue and Hamilton Road.

Works are planned to begin this winter with completion due by the end of the year.

City of Cockburn Chief of Built and Natural Environment Daniel Arndt said the project includes an updated design to slow traffic speed at all four approaches to the roundabout.

"The project also includes installation of a crash barrier on Spearwood Avenue, upgrades to the shared pathway, and improved drainage, kerbing and street lighting," Mr Arndt said.

"This intersection is heavily used, particularly at peak times, and this project is part of the City's commitment to making moving around in Cockburn as safe and as easy as possible."

Lane and footpath closures will be in place throughout the work period to keep workers and community members safe. Advance notification of closures will be provided to help motorists plan ahead.

The project has been reviewed by Main Roads WA and Transperth with bus services on Spearwood Avenue and Hamilton Road to continue as normal during the roadworks.

Between 2015-2019, 19 crashes were recorded at the roundabout, including six occasions where road users required either medical treatment or hospitalisation.

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The Black Spot Program targets roads with a proven crash history or locations identified as high-risk.

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