Dalrymple Road/Banfield Drive/Angus Avenue Intersection Upgrade

The Department of Transport and Main Roads is undertaking an options planning study for an upgrade to the Dalrymple Road/Banfield Drive/Angus Avenue intersection. As part of that study, two potential options have been developed and we are now seeking feedback from the community.

Background:
The Dalrymple Road/Banfield Drive/Angus Avenue intersection links the suburbs of Thuringowa to Townsville. The roundabout was constructed in 1996. In recent years, this area has seen extensive development with projects like Domain Central, the redevelopment of Vincent Village and, of course, the increase and expansion of residential developments such as the Willows.

What are the options for this intersection?
Two options have been developed:

- Option 1 is an overpass and involves the construction of a 4-lane bridge to take through traffic on Dalrymple Road across the existing Banfield Drive and Angus Avenue intersection.
- Option 2 is a fully signalised traffic intersection. This option involves removing the existing roundabout at the intersection and replacing it with a fully signalised intersection.

What are the key objectives of the upgrade?
The upgraded intersection will aim to provide safe and efficient access to Dalrymple Road, Banfield Drive and Angus Avenue. It will also aim to facilitate the access needs of ongoing development in the suburbs of Kirwan, Heatley, Garbutt and Mt Louisa.
**What stage is the project at now?**
The project is currently in the concept planning phase. During this phase the project team will aim to gather as much community feedback as possible, with the aim of developing a funding application. At this time, funding has not been approved and no construction start date will be available until this occurs.

**Why is consultation occurring at this time?**
Feedback is being sought during the planning phase of the project to give the project team a clear indication of community preferences.

**Will noise barriers be constructed with either of these options?**
If testing identifies noise barriers as a requirement during the detailed design phase of the project, these will be installed.

**Will there be pedestrian access and bike lanes with each of these options?**
Each of the selected options will accommodate bike and pedestrian access. The design phase will provide a more detailed plan for pedestrian and bike access.

**Are there any immediate plans to upgrade this intersection?**
The pedestrian crossing on Dalrymple Road (Mt Louisa side) will have temporary traffic lights installed on a trial basis to assist pedestrians from the start of school Term 3. If this trial is successful, pedestrian crossing signals will be installed and these will remain until the intersection upgrade is complete.

**When can I expect to hear about the chosen design and funding?**
Once funding has been approved and a finalised design has been selected, further community engagement will commence. The community will be informed at all stages of this project.

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