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Intersection upgrade to begin

A major project to install traffic lights at the Masefield Drive/Rolleston Drive intersection in Rolleston is about to get under way.

The works, due to begin in early February, includes cycle lanes and footpaths (both separate and shared), as well as storm water work and road resurfacing. This is part of a comprehensive upgrade to future proof this busy area of Rolleston.

Selwyn Mayor Sam Broughton says the upgrade will bring long-term benefits to the community.

"This is a major project in the Rolleston Town Centre Master Plan to vastly improve safety while providing for increased vehicle, cycle and pedestrian traffic through this busy intersection," he says.

"Although there will be some short term inconvenience to motorists, the new layout will bring improved safety and traffic flow. It also provides for traffic associated with the Christchurch Southern Motorway," he says.

Construction is programmed to start on 1 February 2018 with completion in June 2018.

Although both Rolleston Drive and Masefield Drive will remain open at all times, there will be some disruption to traffic during the construction period, with temporary lower speed limits and other restrictions such as lane shifts and stop/go controls.

A 30 km/h speed limit will be in place around the work site. Road users are asked to take care when driving through the site, follow on-site signage, and be alert to changes in traffic management.

- Construction will occur from 7am–6pm, Monday to Sunday and overnight from 6pm–6am, Sunday to Thursday. Residents will be notified prior to night work.
- Works will have no planned impact on power, phone or internet, water or gas services.
- No-parking cones will be in place. The area is to be kept clear to allow enough space for traffic lanes and the work site.
- All works are subject to weather and on-site conditions.

- The bus stop in front of Countdown may need to be closed at times. A temporary bus stop will be available in front of 51 Rolleston Drive during these times.

Opus International Consultants Ltd have designed the new intersection layout, with Fulton Hogan Ltd awarded the construction contract. The total project cost, including design, construction and other work, is approximately \$1.4 million.

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A copy of the proposed new road layout is available at www.selwyn.govt.nz/roadingprojects.

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