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Delivering on Tallangatta Tomorrow

Tallangatta Tomorrow was a community driven planning project completed in 2012. Through extensive community consultation, key projects were identified to make Tallangatta a vibrant town and community. The plan has led to the delivery of a \$15 million suite of community-initiated projects designed to make the most of the features that make Tallangatta a great place to live and work. Works completed by Council so far include:

- Sandy Creek Rail Bridge reconstruction
- Tallangatta Sports Centre (Rowen Park) upgrade
- Tallangatta Library, Early Years and Community Centre construction
- Tallangatta Bowling Club upgrade
- Lord's Hut relocation
- Tallangatta Lookout redevelopment
- Destination Tallangatta project

WHAT IS DESTINATION TALLANGATTA?

Destination Tallangatta is a \$5.3m project, with significant Federal Government funding that delivers the remaining priority projects identified through Tallangatta Tomorrow, including:

- Traffic management and streetscape beautification works in Towong Street, including the roundabout and intersection works
- Lake Hume foreshore improvements
- A new foreshore playground
- Tallangatta Holiday Park upgrade
- Improved pedestrian links between the Rail Trail, main shopping district, residential areas and foreshore.

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT WORKS:

Council has surveyed and constructed a trial T-intersection at the Eastern end of the Triangles, having trialled and assessed two roundabout design options over the past months. This new design is available to view by visiting the Tallangatta Council office or on Council's website at www.towong.vic.gov.au

Refinement works will also be undertaken on the intersection design at the western end of the triangles in response to feedback. The modifications will enable longer vehicles, such as buses, to more easily access Towong Street.

WORKS TO TOWONG STREET, BETWEEN TOOMA STREET AND AKUNA AVENUE:

As part of the broader Destination Tallangatta project, the section of Towong Street between Tooma and Akuna Streets in Tallangatta will be upgraded. The works include road widening, the addition of new kerb and gutter to both sides, as well as new stormwater drainage works to the existing open channel. In addition, a bike lane will be created on both sides of Towong St.

Council aims to ensure that traffic in our main shopping precinct moves efficiently and safely to encourage customers and visitors to stop by, stay a while and support our businesses.

The work, which is part of the Destination Tallangatta project and supported by funding from the Federal Government, aims to slow traffic through the CBD, encourage motorists to drive along the shopping strip and improve car parking.

Beautification works along Towong Street, in conjunction with electricity distributor Ausnet, will include undergrounding power cables and removing the existing power lines.

Community members are encouraged to provide feedback via the Tallangatta Council office, either by calling 02 6071 5100 or dropping in during business hours to speak with Technical Services staff.