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DRAFT GAWLER TOWN CENTRE STRUCTURE PLAN

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BECAUSE GAWLER IS CHANGING

AND HOW WE MOVE SHAPES HOW THE TOWN CENTRE FEELS

MOVEMENT AND PLACE

The Structure Plan takes a "movement and place" approach, recognising that streets are not just for traffic - they are also places where people walk, meet, shop and spend time.

This means balancing:
- **Movement** - Getting to and through the Town Centre. Designed for People to SAVE Time
- **Place** - Creating attractive, safe and active streets. Designed for People to SPEND Time

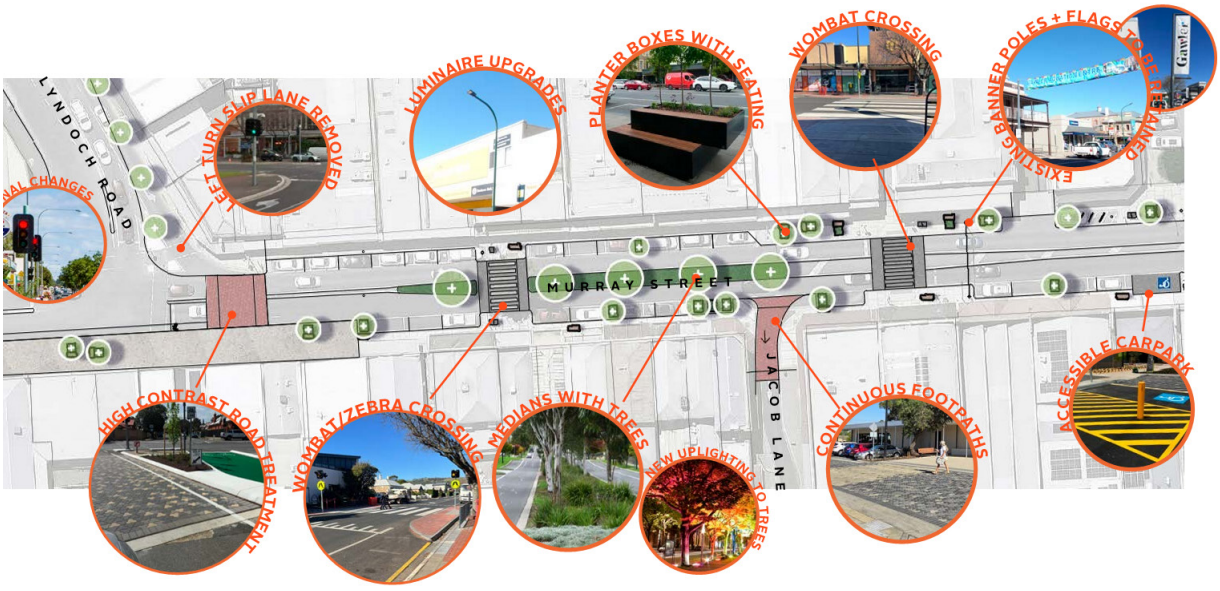
In the Town Centre, streets like Murray Street play both roles, with the Structure Plan seeking to strengthen the Place function while maintaining effective movement.

WHY THIS MATTERS

As Gawler grows, more people will be travelling to, from and through the Town Centre.
How we manage movement will affect:
- how safe and comfortable streets feel
- how easy it is to walk, cycle and get to local shops
- how attractive and lively the Town Centre is
- how much people visit and spend time in the centre
- how well traffic flows

WHAT ARE THE KEY CHALLENGES TODAY?

Analysis of the Town Centre highlights several key issues:
- Murray Street carries more traffic than is desirable for a main street environment
- It can be difficult for people to cross safely, with delays caused by traffic
- There is limited cycling infrastructure and connections through the Town Centre
- Heavy vehicles and through-traffic still travel along Murray Street despite bypass routes
- People often perceive a lack of parking, even where spaces exist



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WHAT DOES THE PLAN DO DIFFERENTLY?

Prioritising people in key locations

- More pedestrian crossings and safer intersections
- Wider footpaths and improved accessibility
- Lower speeds (targeting 40km/h in key areas)

Reducing through-traffic impacts on Murray Street

- Encouraging traffic, particularly heavy vehicles, to use bypass routes
- Investigating turning restrictions and traffic calming
- Rebalancing road space to support walking, cycling and streetscape improvements

Improving cycling and active travel

- Better connections to existing paths and regional cycling routes
- New on-road routes and shared connections through the Town Centre
- Improved signage and safer conditions for cyclists

Enhancing public transport connections

- Strengthening links to Gawler Central and other stations
- Supporting improved bus routes and connections over time
- Encouraging greater use of public transport

Making parking easier to use

- Improving wayfinding and signage to direct people to available spaces
- Investigating real-time parking information
- Supporting access via alternate routes rather than relying on Murray Street

WHAT YOU'LL NOTICE OVER TIME

- Safer, more frequent crossings
- Slower traffic speeds and calmer streets
- Improved walking and cycling connections
- Reduced through-traffic on Murray Street
- Improved signage and easier access to parking
- Better links between shopping areas, public spaces and the river

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The Structure Plan includes streetscape concepts that show how key areas could look in the future. An example for a section of Murray Street is shown below:



HAVE YOUR SAY

Community and stakeholder feedback on the Draft Gawler Town Centre Structure Plan is open from **1 June to 26 June 2026**. Your feedback will help refine the plan before it is finalised and adopted.