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MEDIA RELEASE

Pedestrians made safe by garden extension at Narrandera.

Pedestrian safety will meet garden beautification with the completion of a Narrandera Shire project now underway.

The project will see one of the busiest intersections in Narrandera incorporated into a raised blister that will both act as a traffic calming device and a pedestrian refuge while becoming an extension of the important public garden known as Memorial Gardens.

The blister will become a feature of the gardens with the pedestrian crossing being linked to existing pathways through the gardens, which are adjacent to the Narrandera Council Chambers. The extended pathway will feature the same pavers used in East Street traffic calmers. The space either side of the pedestrian crossing will be planted with lawn and will replace a large paved area at the western end of the existing gardens.

Council's General Manager Mark Amirtharajah said that the incorporation of the pedestrian crossing into the extended raised garden island is a win for residents. "We had identified a need to remove risk to pedestrians using this crossing from vehicles leaving and re-entering Victoria Avenue by driving lengthways across the marked crossing. The blister will force traffic to circle the gardens correctly," said Mr Amirtharajah.

The Roads and Traffic Authority's Pedestrian Access and Mobility Program provided fifty percent of the funds for the \$40,000 project. The project, which involves local contractors is expected to take several weeks.

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