The Somerset CBD upgrade is continuing to progress nicely, with kerb and channel and asphalt works on Wragg Street now completed. Footpaths are almost completed, except for one across the Elizabeth Street/Plaza frontage and east of Hygienic Butchery to Simpson Street. These sections were delayed due to special footings being required for the Plaza canopy and work across Simpson Street for the underground power works. Construction of the canopy has started, while the Wragg Street footpaths will be completed this week. The line marking of the parking bays in Wragg Street is finished, with the remaining asphalt works at the Elizabeth and Simpson Street intersections to be completed this week. The canopy footings, drainage, underground power and irrigation will be constructed in the plaza over the next two weeks. The canopy design and documentation has been completed with Council to call for tenders for construction shortly.

Road maintenance works are due to begin on Mount Hicks Road between the intersections of Mount Hicks Road and Old Mount Hicks Road on Tuesday, May 23. Weather permitting, the work will take place between 9am and 3pm, with the road to be closed during that time. Traffic will be detoured through Old Mount Hicks Road. For further information contact Engineering on 6443 8351.

Public comments have now closed for Council’s Draft Annual Plan and Budget for 2017/18. I’d like to take this opportunity to thank those who provided their feedback. The Annual Plan and Budget will be up for discussion at our next Council meeting with further information to go out to the public shortly.