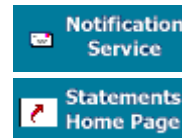


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New Armadale town centre road opens

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Armadale town centre has a new road - Whitehead Road - making navigating the city much easier and connecting Church Avenue to Jull Street.

Planning and Infrastructure Minister Alannah MacTiernan said the road, built by the State Government and the Armadale Redevelopment Authority, would improve traffic circulation in the city centre.

"The road was identified in the ARA Redevelopment Scheme in 2004 as a priority link with the opening up to two-way traffic of Third Road and Jull Street and complements the upgrade and opening up at Church Avenue of Commerce Avenue," Ms MacTiernan said.

The million-dollar project has produced a road about 250m long and forms the eastern boundary of Armadale Shopping City.

The road was named after Marion Whitehead, who paid for and ran a five-bed hospital from 1924 to 1946 on land now occupied by the road.

Civil engineering contractors DJ and MB MacCormick, of Maddington, constructed the road. With work including high-quality landscaping, parking bays and lighting in accordance with the ARA's design guidelines.

"This is the first new road in the city centre and will help the owners of the shopping centre progress the redevelopment and upgrade of the centre," Ms MacTiernan said.

Improving traffic flow is part of the State Government's commitment to providing better services in the local area.

Whitehead Road, first proposed in the 2000 Armadale Enquiry By Design, replaces the Third Road link, which was lost when Armadale Shopping City was first built.

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