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The realisation of a transformative project in the heart of Murray Bridge will culminate with the official opening of the Sixth Street Revitalisation Project this afternoon.

The entire length of Sixth Street is hardly recognisable after a high level redesign to bring the precinct alive and create a vibrant hub for community and retail activity.

This \$3.4million project has been delivered by The Rural City of Murray Bridge, in partnership with the Australian Federal Government through the 'National Stronger Regions Fund' and the State Government's 'Planning and Development Fund'.

Council endorsed concept plans for the new Sixth Street design in September 2014, work commenced in July 2016 and this major project has now been finalised seven months later.

Chief Executive Officer Michael Sedgman said community benefits included a more attractive streetscape and a destination people want to visit.

"Council has delivered on the vision of a vibrant, inviting and interesting place for people to gather, meet friends and participate in community events," he said.

"This exciting project has and will continue to provide economic benefits to the community through construction, amenity, progress and vitality for the Murray Bridge central business district."

The first community event planned for new precinct will be the Sixth Street Handmade Artist Market on Saturday 25 March 2017.

More than 36 vendors are booked in for the annual festival and Gallery Director and event organiser Melinda Rankin is expecting it to be the best yet due to the improved streetscape and facilities.

“We are looking forward to filling the beautiful new street with lots of colour and creativity,” she said.

“We have many exciting stalls coming from near and far.”

Photo: State Member for Hammond Adrian Pederick, Federal Member for Barker Tony Pasin and Rural City of Murray Bridge Mayor Brenton Lewis, test out the street furniture in the newly refurbished Sixth Street precinct.

