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CONSULTATION OPEN FOR WANTIRNA SOUTH INTERSECTION UPGRADE

The Albanese and Allan Labor Governments are progressing planning for an upgrade of the High Street Road and Mowbray Drive intersection in Wantirna South, as part of the Suburban Road Blitz – a joint commitment investing in safer, more efficient roads across Melbourne.

The community is being invited to help shape the planning for future intersection upgrades with the potential to improve safety, reduce congestion and support smoother travel for local residents, businesses and road users.

From Monday 16 February to Sunday 8 March 2026, Big Build Roads is seeking feedback to inform planning, including community views on traffic flow, safety concerns and how the intersection is used throughout the day.

Feedback will be used to guide early design work, traffic analysis and on-site investigations to ensure any future upgrade delivers the best possible outcome for the Wantirna South community.

Residents and local businesses are urged to have their say on the Engage Victoria website or speak directly with the project team at Knox Gardens Community Hall, 56 Argyle Way, Wantirna South, on Saturday 28 February between 10:00am and 3:00pm.

Planning work is underway and includes developing a project design, traffic modelling and site investigations to build a clear picture of existing conditions.

At times during site investigations, traffic control measures such as temporary lane closures and reduced speed limits may be required. Disruption will be kept to a minimum, with busy periods avoided where possible.

Planning for the upgrade is expected to be completed later this year and will inform future government funding decisions.

The planning project is part of the \$1.2 billion Road Blitz, with contributions of \$1 billion from the Australian Government and \$200 million from the Victorian Government.

More information is available at www.bigbuild.vic.gov.au/high-mowbray-intersection.

Quote attributable to Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government Catherine King:

“This planning work is about carefully considering Victoria’s future infrastructure needs, to support growing communities, improve safety and keep people moving more efficiently.”

Quote attributable to Victorian Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne:

“Planning for upgrades at busy intersections like High Street Road and Mowbray Drive is critical to improving safety and reducing the risk of crashes for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians.”

Quote attributable to Federal Member for Aston Mary Doyle:

“This intersection is used every day by local families, workers and small businesses, and this planning work is an important step toward safer and more reliable journeys in Wantirna South.”

Quote attributable to Victorian Member for South Eastern Metropolitan Region Lee Tarlamis:

“Listening to the community is essential to getting this project right and ensuring the future upgrade reflects how locals move through and rely on this key intersection.”

Quote attributable to Victorian Member for South-Eastern Metropolitan Region Michael Galea:

“This project is about planning ahead for the future of Wantirna South, easing congestion and improving safety as traffic volumes continue to grow across Melbourne’s east.”

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