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Governor Road Upgrade Community and Business Consultation Summary

GOVERNOR ROAD UPGRADE

We're planning for a potential future upgrade of Governor Road between Boundary and Springvale roads in Braeside.

As part of our planning we're seeking solutions to:

- provide efficient access to the Mordialloc Freeway
- reduce congestion and improve travel times
- improve safety
- improve infrastructure for walking, cycling and public transport.

CONSULTATION

From **21 January to 7 February 2022**, we asked for feedback on a potential future upgrade of Governor Road.

Community members and local businesses told us how they currently travel around the area, what their views are on access, efficiency, safety and what's important in the local area.

We thank everyone who took the time to provide feedback, via our online surveys, interactive map or Q&A tool.

219

Online surveys completed

86

Map pins placed on the interactive map

94%

of survey respondents travel via car around the local area

2179

Views of the Engage Victoria web page

46%

of survey respondents live in the area

192K

Reached by social media advertising

WHAT WE HEARD

These quotes, from survey and interactive map feedback, highlight common themes expressed by respondents.



"An upgrade will facilitate better flow of traffic along the east west corridor linking the Dandenong area with the Freeway and local Mordialloc region."

"There needs to be a better connection from the Keys in Keyborough, Braeside Park and Waterways for walking and cycling - we have young children and we don't feel safe in this area on our bikes."

"A high priority should be given to preserve all the habitats for the wildlife. The preservation of the unique quiet natural environment that is highly valuable in Braeside Park for the public to enjoy."

"There is nothing at all safe being a pedestrian as there are no footpaths or safe areas to cross Governor Road. There are bus stops along there, but there are no safe areas for passengers to wait or disembark."

"The roundabout at Boundary Road is often difficult and dangerous to navigate. I have witnessed accidents there and have often felt in danger as I navigate around it from all four entry points."

"With two lanes and then one lane, there are always drivers speeding and pushing in just to get a few cars ahead. It is like waiting for someone to hit you when the road goes from two, to one, to two, to one lane."

"During peak hours, the roundabout is dreadful. It slows down traffic and is accident prone. With the traffic volume increasing, it's time to upgrade with traffic lights."

"It's currently a single lane used by all motorists and there are some heavy vehicles that cause a lot of congestion."

KEY THEMES

Community survey

- **84%** of respondents typically experience delays along Governor Road
- respondents typically experience delays when travelling along Governor Road between Boundary and Springvale roads during the afternoon peak 3pm to 6pm (**42%**), morning peak 7am to 9am (**33%**) and day time 9am to 3pm (**19%**)
- **88%** of respondents had concerns when travelling along Governor Road. Safety (**68%**), traffic flow (**66%**), congestion (**62%**) and a lack of cycling and walking paths (**47%**) are the top concerns for respondents
- When asked whether respondents felt safe travelling along Governor Road, **42%** felt neutral, **36%** felt unsafe or very unsafe and **21%** felt safe or very safe

Business survey

OF THE RESPONDENTS:

89%

SUPPORT A FUTURE UPGRADE

61%

HAD ACCESS ISSUES TO OR FROM GOVERNOR ROAD



93% OF COMMUNITY RESPONDENTS WOULD SUPPORT A FUTURE UPGRADE

- **40%** of respondents chose alternate routes when coming across congestion on Governor Road. These include Wells Road (**40%**), Lower Dandenong Road (**22%**), Crawford Street (**15%**) and other routes like Cheltenham Road or through Waterways (**22%**)
- **57%** of respondents regularly walk or cycle in the area, with **40%** doing so more than twice a week, **36%** occasionally and **25%** only twice or once a week
- when asked about improvements to walking and cycling infrastructure **74%** of respondents would support improvements to cycling facilities along Governor Road, **60%** support safer connections to cross Governor Road and **48%** support better lighting and signage.

Interactive map



- + Concerns with congestion and safety at the Governor Road and Boundary Road intersection during peak hours.
- + Suggestions to replace the Governor Road and Boundary Road roundabout with a signalised intersection.
- + Suggestions to widen Governor Road to two lanes in each direction to reduce weaving and improve safety.
- + Suggestions for walking and cycling infrastructure to be built along the length of Governor Road, between Boundary and Springvale roads.
- + Suggestions to install lights along Governor Road between Springvale and Boundary roads to light dark areas.
- + Concerns regarding traffic noise particularly near Waterways.

WHAT'S NEXT

Feedback is being used to inform our planning and shape the development of design options.

A Business Case is currently being developed and is anticipated to be finalised in early 2023. Timelines and milestones will be determined through this planning work. We will continue to provide the community with updates and information as planning progresses.

PLANNING TIMELINE

- **Current**
 - Technical investigations to better understand the area
 - Develop a Business Case
- **21 Jan to 7 Feb 2022**
 - Community and Business Engagement
- **Early 2023**
 - Finalise the Business Case

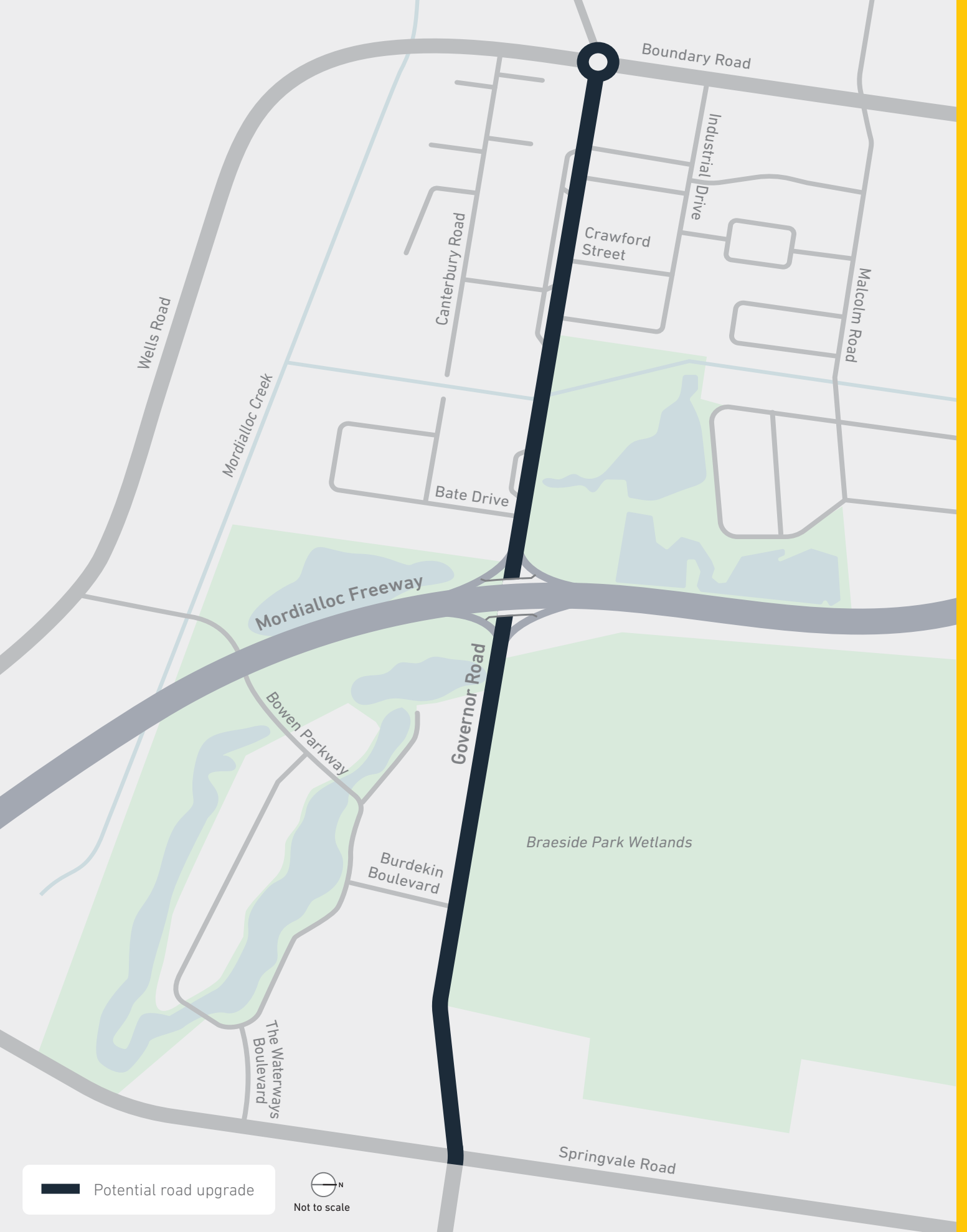
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