



# PROJECT OVERVIEW

## DONNYBROOK ROAD UPGRADE

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Planning is progressing for the upgrade of Donnybrook Road between Mickleham Road, Mickleham and Epping Road, Woodstock.

### Overview

Options being explored to upgrade Donnybrook Road include:

- adding more road lanes
- upgrading intersections
- upgrading the Hume Freeway Interchange
- removing the Donnybrook Road level crossing
- building cycling and walking paths to improve connectivity.

### Benefits

Hume and Whittlesea are some of Australia's fastest growing communities and by 2041, it's expected that the population of the two council areas will grow by a combined 297,000 residents.

With a heavy reliance on the Hume Freeway for north-south travel between Melbourne's north and metropolitan Melbourne, significant delays are impacting traffic entering and exiting Donnybrook Road.

As residential estates continue to be developed in the area, we need to plan for upgrades to improve traffic flow and create a safer road environment for everyone who uses Donnybrook Road.

*Image above: View of traffic along Donnybrook Road.*

In our planning we're seeking solutions to:



Reduce travel times



Provide more reliable travel journeys



Improve safety



Cater for population growth and increased vehicle movements



Enhance access to residential areas

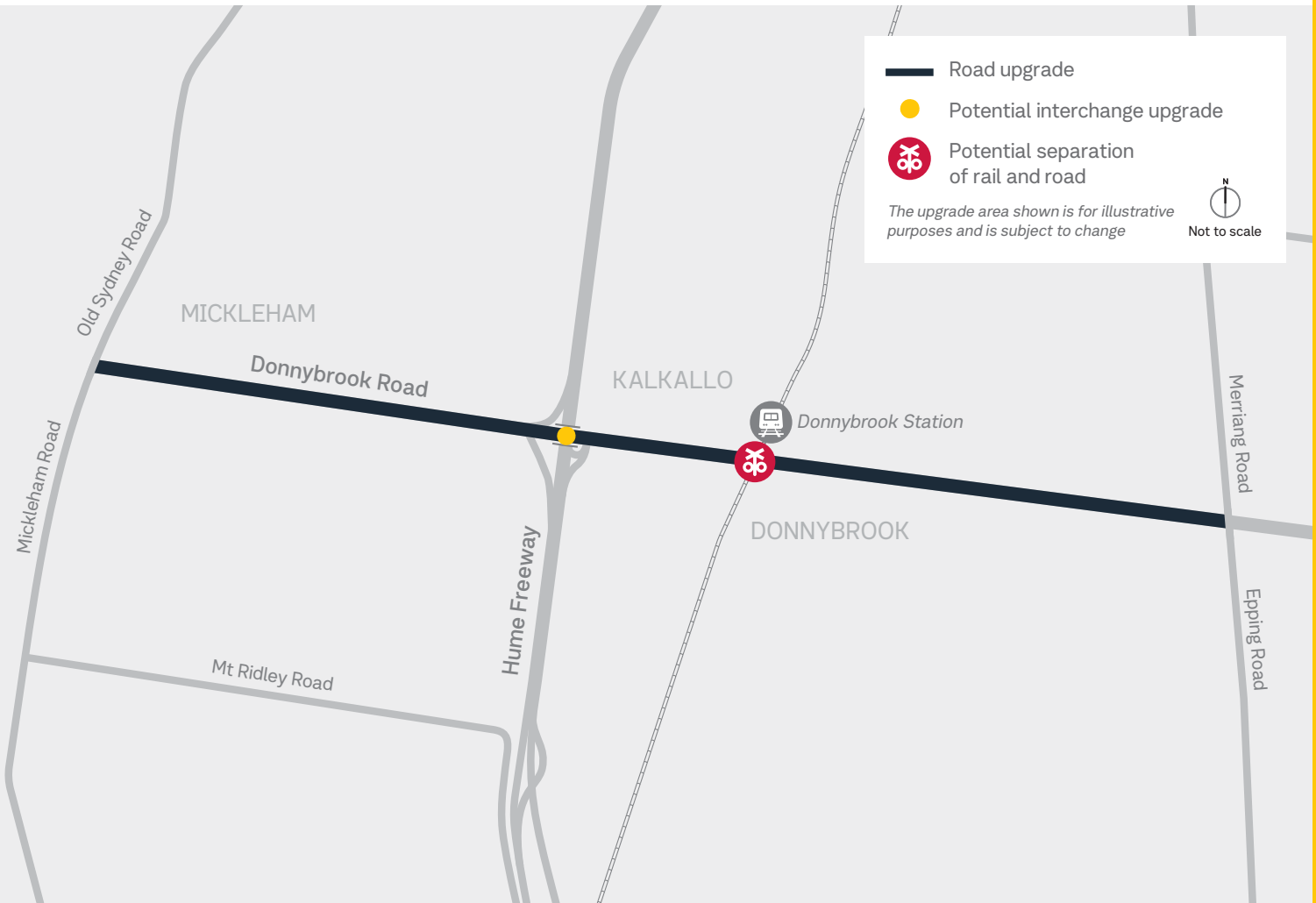


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## Planning timeline

- 2024 to 2025**  
Planning work
- 2025**  
Community and business engagement to help progress planning work

## Planning

We're currently undertaking planning to inform the Donnybrook Road Upgrade. This includes traffic modelling, engineering designs, constructability assessments, economic modelling, and environmental investigations.

This work will give us a complete picture of the area, allow us to understand environmental and social impacts, develop project options, and determine costs of different options to help inform government decision-making.

Our planning work is building on previous work undertaken by the Department of Transport.

This project is currently in the planning phase and will be used to inform government decisions on funding for future upgrades along Donnybrook Road. We expect our initial planning work to be complete in late 2025.

We'll continue to keep the community informed as our planning work progresses and we will be seeking community feedback in 2025, to help inform our work.

## Roadside technical investigations

To help inform our planning, roadside technical investigations will occur. At times, we may need to implement traffic control measures, including temporary lane closures, stop/slow traffic management and reduced speeds.

We'll keep traffic disruption to a minimum and avoid busy periods.



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*Image above: Donnybrook Road project overview map.*

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