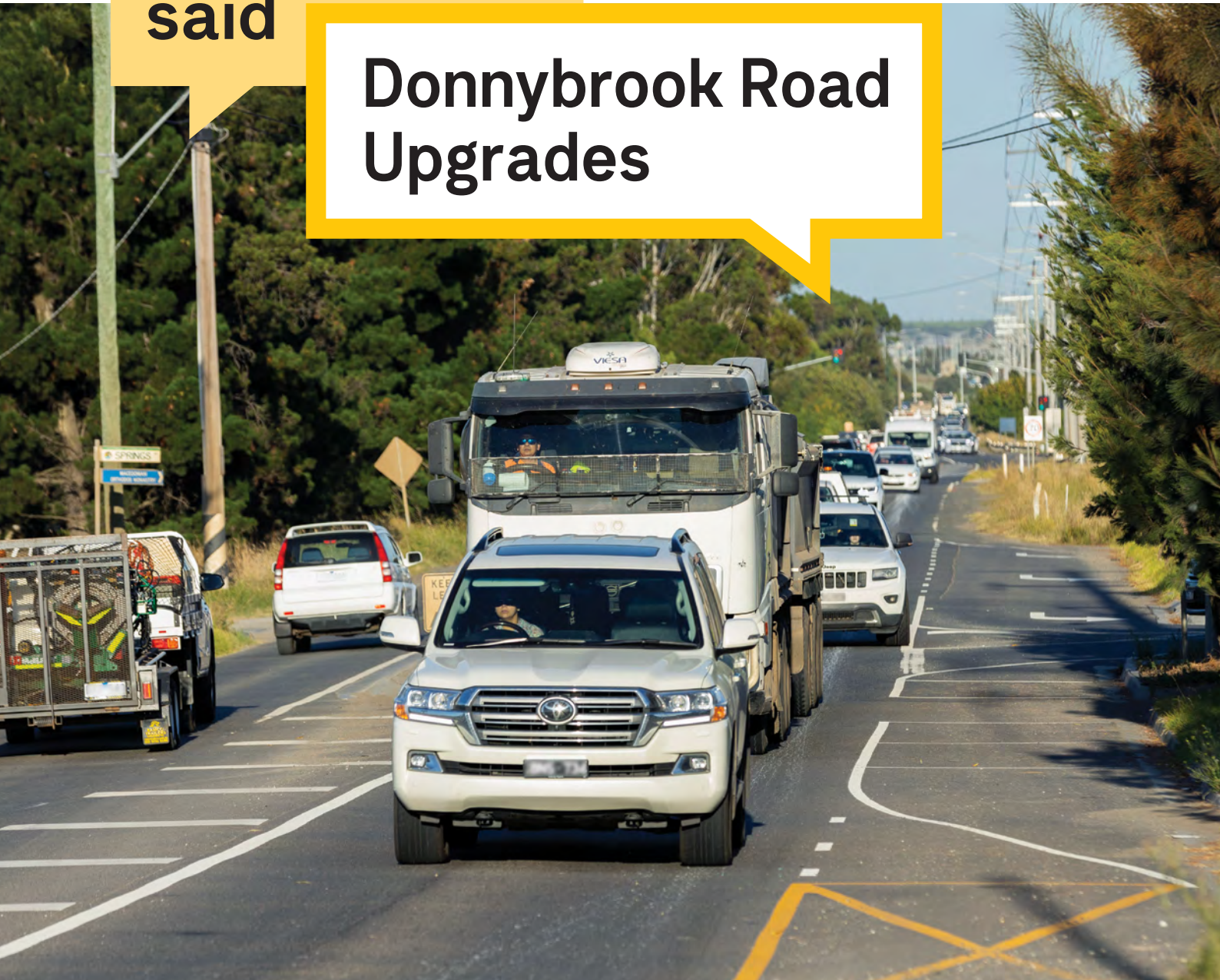


**What you've
said**

Donnybrook Road Upgrades



NOVEMBER 2025

Community Consultation Summary

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DONNYBROOK ROAD UPGRADES

We're upgrading the Donnybrook Road and Mitchell Street intersection to reduce travel times, improve safety and cater for population growth.

Planning is also progressing for future upgrades of Donnybrook Road between Mickleham Road, Mickleham and Epping Road, Woodstock.



Community consultation

From 23 June and 13 July 2025, we asked for community feedback to help inform our planning. Thank you to everyone who took the time to provide feedback.

11,552 UNIQUE VISITORS
TO THE ENGAGE
VICTORIA WEBPAGE

| 139 PEOPLE
ATTENDED
3 POP-UPS

6795 RESPONSES
TO OUR
POLLS

|  **744** COMMENT PINS
ON OUR
INTERACTIVE MAP

Online polls



When asked what improvement respondents would most like to see, **48%** said more road lanes, **40.4%** said upgrades to the Hume Freeway interchange, **4.5%** said removing the Donnybrook Road level crossing, **4.1%** said upgrades to intersections and **3.1%** said new cycling and walking paths.



When asked which section of Donnybrook Road is highest priority to upgrade, **44.3%** said Polaris Road to English Street, **22.2%** said Mickleham Road to Errol Boulevard, **14.4%** said Hillview Drive to Epping Road, **11.8%** said English Street to Langley Park Drive, **4.4%** said Langley Park Drive to Hillview Drive, and **2.9%** said Errol Boulevard to Polaris Road.



When asked what kind of travel disruption would be preferred when we upgrade the intersection of Donnybrook Road and Mitchell Street, **59%** of respondents said high-impact works that are shorter in duration (e.g. full intersection closure for several weeks, which may cause delays up to 45 minutes), **41%** said low/medium-impact works that are longer in duration (e.g. lanes or sections of the intersection closed over multiple months, which may cause delays up to 10 minutes).

What you've said

Feedback has provided important local insights that has helped us to understand community views on safety, traffic flow and what we should consider in our planning.

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Please provide multiple lanes from Donnybrook Road off ramp to Donnybrook Road towards Kalkallo. At present it is a single lane turning right to the bridge and the traffic most of the times queues up all the way to Hume Highway. Additional lanes on the bridge both ways will reduce the traffic.”

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Two lanes going in both directions is needed along Donnybrook Road until at least Peppercorn estate, but ideally until Epping Road for projected growth. When an accident has occurred on the road, traffic comes to a complete standstill with no option but to wait it out.”

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There are long queues of traffic coming from Mickleham in peak in the morning, and traffic from the Donnybrook offramp wanting to turn right sometimes backs up so far as to run traffic to a standstill right out into the freeway. This creates a traffic hazard with vehicles travelling 100km/h approaching vehicles which are at a standstill. Vehicles wanting to turn left from the slip lane have been illegally using the emergency lane for years out of frustration.”

“

Must duplicate the bridge over the Hume. It is the primary cause of congestion. The bridge over the Hume should span enough to allow for additional lanes on the Hume Freeway in the future.”

“

There is no walking or cycling path along much of Donnybrook Road east of Donnybrook train station.”





Interactive map and social media feedback

Key themes included:

- duplicate and widen the Donnybrook Road bridge over the Hume Freeway, severe congestion is currently being experienced during peak periods
- increase the number of lanes on Donnybrook Road, to be at least two lanes in each direction
- address the traffic delays caused by heavy traffic backing up at the Donnybrook Road exit from the Hume Freeway
- ensure bridge and road designs allow for future expansion of the Hume Freeway
- build new walking and cycling paths along Donnybrook Road to connect residential areas with public transport and local schools
- rapid population growth and new housing estates are adding pressure to road infrastructure, resulting in significant travel time delays
- inefficient traffic light timing and intersection management, particularly at Harfield Avenue and The Woods/Rosehill Boulevard
- merging of two lanes into one at key intersections adds to congestion, especially as new estates and industrial areas emerge.

Face-to-face engagement



139 people attended our community information sessions held on 28 June at Merrifield City and Shared Cup and on 3 July at Merrifield City.

Key feedback provided included:

- the Hume Freeway interchange should be upgraded as priority
- there is a need for a continuous walking and cycling path the length of Donnybrook Road to connect the various estates
- right turn movements should be banned at Brookville Drive
- additional lanes should be added along Donnybrook Road between the Hume Freeway and Epping Road
- temporary traffic lights are needed at Willaroy Boulevard
- the level crossing on Donnybrook Road should be removed.

Next steps

Community feedback will help shape our planning for future Donnybrook Road Upgrades.

We expect our initial planning work to be complete in late 2025.

Construction timelines for the Donnybrook Road and Mitchell Street Intersection will be known once our planning has progressed further.

Planning work for the Donnybrook Road Upgrade will be used to inform government decisions on funding for future upgrades.

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