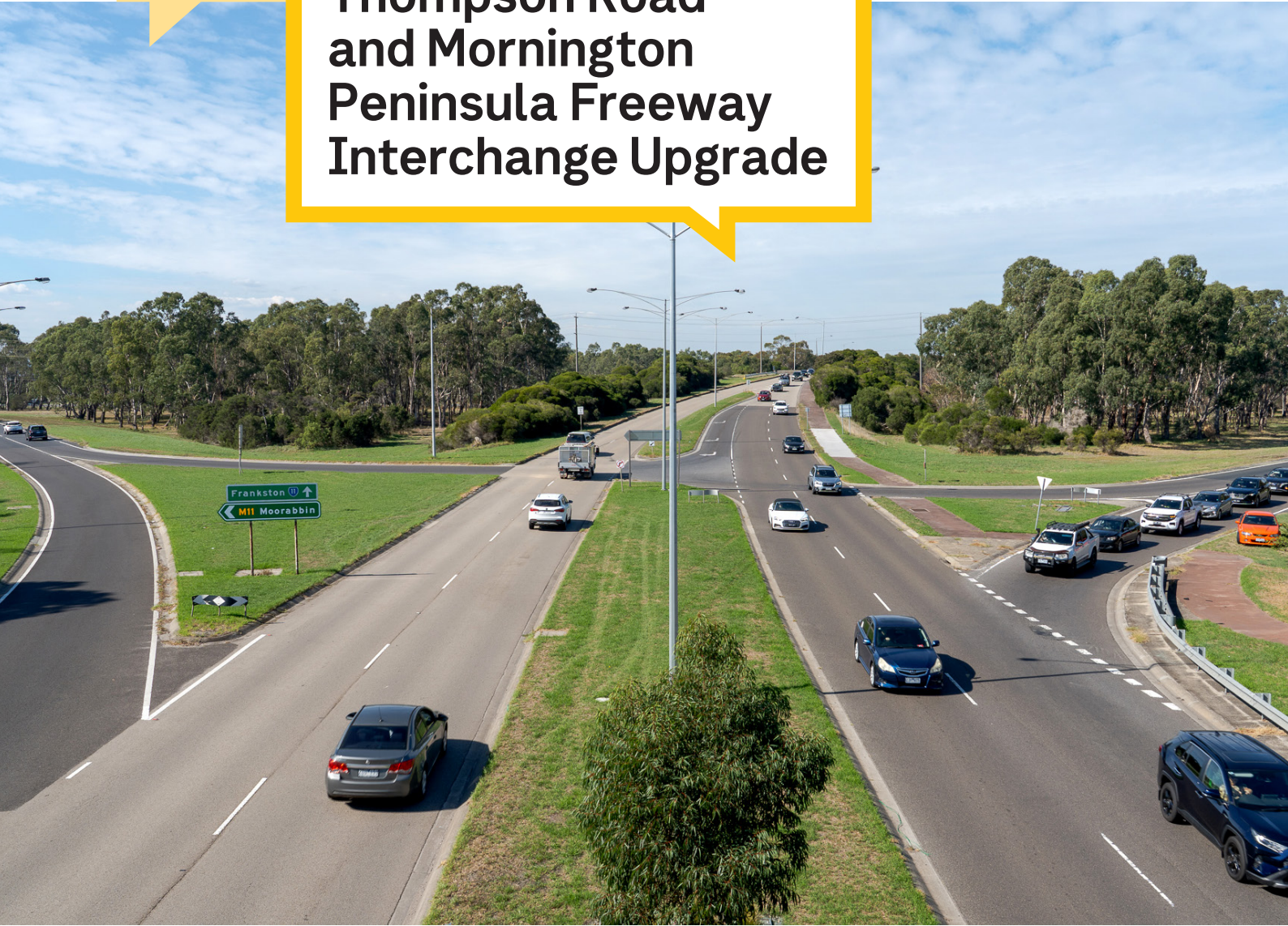


**What you  
said**

**Thompson Road  
and Mornington  
Peninsula Freeway  
Interchange Upgrade**



MARCH 2025

# Community Consultation Summary

We're planning for an upgrade to the western side of Thompson Road and Mornington Peninsula Freeway interchange, in Patterson Lakes. The upgrade aims to improve safety and traffic flow.

9,491

UNIQUE VISITORS TO THE ENGAGE VICTORIA WEB PAGE

1,561

RESPONSES TO OUR POLLS

## Community consultation

From 10 November and 30 November 2025, we asked for community feedback to help inform our planning. Thank you to everyone who took the time to provide feedback.

125

COMMENT PINS ON OUR INTERACTIVE MAP

140

PEOPLE ATTENDED OUR COMMUNITY POP-UP

## What you told us

Feedback has provided important local insights that have helped us understand community views on traffic flow, safety, and what should be considered in planning.

Upgrade the freeway entrance for better, safer entry as vehicles currently drive to the (Gladesville Boulevard) roundabout to do a U-turn, causing unnecessary traffic.

Right turning off the freeway is almost impossible with so many cars trying to turn right onto the freeway from across the bridge.

It's hard to see oncoming traffic when taking this exit ramp onto Thompson Road. Traffic lights would be far better and safer.

Traffic from the east along Thompson Road trying to turn right onto the freeway causes queues, and drivers do U-turns at the roundabout, creating extra congestion.

Impossible to turn right from Thompson Road onto the freeway during peak hour. Traffic banks up past the primary school and makes it impossible to get out without risking an accident.



### Interactive map and social media feedback

Feedback was received through the Engage Victoria interactive map, which attracted 125 comments during the consultation period. Additional feedback was provided via Facebook and Instagram advertising, generating 215 comments. Key themes included:

- Community members raised concerns about heavy congestion at the Gladesville Boulevard and Thompson Road roundabout due to high volumes of traffic accessing the freeway and Thompson Road. Long queues were reported along Thompson Road and Gladesville Boulevard, often extending past the primary school and shopping precinct.
- Drivers frequently use the Gladesville Boulevard and Thompson Road roundabout to avoid freeway congestion. This significantly increases traffic beyond what the roundabout was designed to accommodate, increasing congestion and reducing intersection performance.
- Safety concerns were raised regarding limited visibility when exiting the freeway and turning left onto Thompson Road. A blind spot caused by the exit ramp alignment restricts views of eastbound traffic, contributing to driver hesitation and sudden braking.
- The right turn onto the freeway from Thompson Road and the right turn from the freeway exit onto Thompson Road are particularly challenging during peak periods due to high traffic volumes, competing movements, and limited gaps in opposing traffic.
- Difficulty completing right-turn movements was reported to cause traffic to back up along the freeway off-ramp and onto the bridge, especially during the morning peak. Drivers often respond by making unsafe decisions or diverting to nearby intersections and roundabouts.



### Face to face engagement

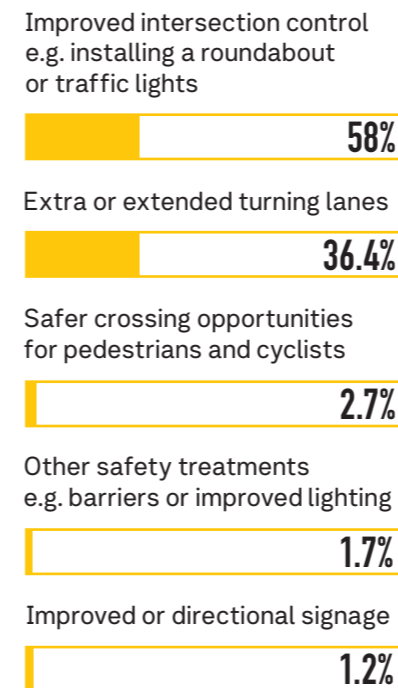
140 people attended our community information session held on 22 November at Patterson Lakes Community Centre. Key feedback provided:

- Community members expressed concerns about frequent U-turns at the Gladesville Boulevard and Thompson Road roundabout, noting that these increase the risk of serious accidents due to poor sightlines, acute angles, high approach speeds, and driver behaviour.
- Traffic along Thompson Road, particularly eastbound, was perceived to be moving at high speeds and volumes. This creates a safety risk for drivers merging or turning from the exit ramp onto Thompson Road, as they must assess multiple lanes of fast-moving traffic simultaneously.
- Due to the limited capacity of the right-turn lanes from Thompson Road onto the freeway, community members reported long queues forming back over the bridge. When drivers are unable or unwilling to wait, respondents noted that they often continue straight, use the Gladesville Boulevard roundabout to perform U-turns, and then access the freeway from the opposite direction, further increasing congestion and safety risks at the roundabout.

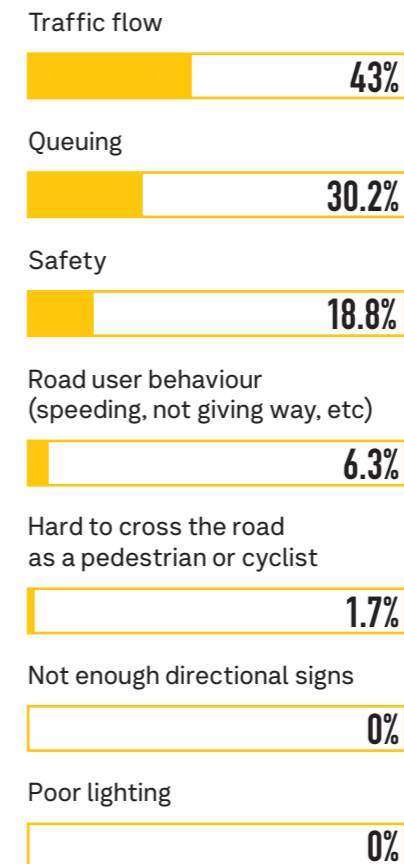


### Online poll results

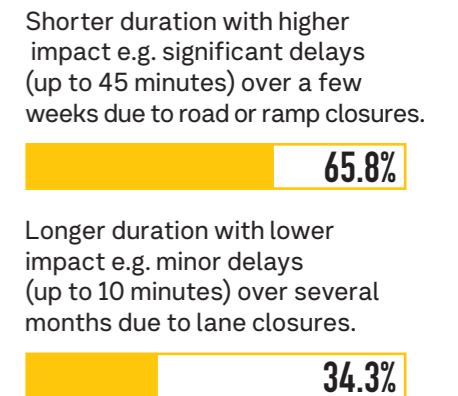
Which improvement would you most like made to the western side of the Thompsons Road and Mornington Peninsula Freeway interchange?



What is your main concern when using the western side of the Thompsons Road and Mornington Peninsula Freeway interchange?



During the interchange upgrade, which type of travel disruption would you prefer?



## Next steps

Community feedback will help shape our planning.

The upgrade is currently in the planning phase, and we expect our initial planning work will be complete in late 2026. Construction timelines will be known once our planning has progressed further.

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