

**What you've
said**

High Street Road and Mowbray Drive Intersection Upgrade



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Community Consultation Summary

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HIGH STREET ROAD AND MOWBRAY DRIVE INTERSECTION UPGRADE

We're planning for an upgrade to the High Street Road and Mowbray Drive intersection in Wantirna South to improve safety and reduce travel times.

We're investigating options to install traffic lights at the intersection and improve walking and cycling connectivity.

Community consultation

From 16 February to 8 March 2026, we asked for community feedback via Engage Victoria to help inform our planning. Thank you to everyone who took the time to provide feedback.

286 ONLINE SURVEYS COMPLETED



90

COMMENTS ON THE INTERACTIVE MAP

103,283



REACHED VIA SOCIAL MEDIA ADVERTISING

5,590 UNIQUE VISITORS TO THE ENGAGE VICTORIA WEBPAGE

30

PEOPLE ATTENDED OUR COMMUNITY POP-UP

What you've said

Your feedback has provided important local insights and helped us understand how the community use the intersection. People also shared their views on safety, traffic flow and other key considerations for planning.

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We need traffic lights! The amount of cars trying to turn right onto High Street Road from Mowbray is excessive at times. They pull out in front of the cars turning right from High Street Road onto Mowbray and I've had many near misses.”

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Vegetation on median strip can impede vision of traffic approaching this intersection.”

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I often have to turn left onto High Street Road and then make a U-turn instead of turning right which causes delays.”

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I think traffic lights would make a huge difference at this intersection especially in morning peak times.”



COMMUNITY SURVEY

The community survey had 13 questions, and **286** responses were received.

49% of survey respondents live in the area, **21%** commute through the area, **11%** travel to the area for other purposes, **11%** have children that attend school in the area, **6%** work in the area, **1%** study in the area and **1%** own or operate a business in the area.

The most common issues experienced by respondents at the intersection were: difficulty turning right onto High Street Road (selected by **68%** of respondents); traffic congestion and queuing along High Street Road (**62%**); and traffic congestion and queuing along Mowbray Drive (**61%**).

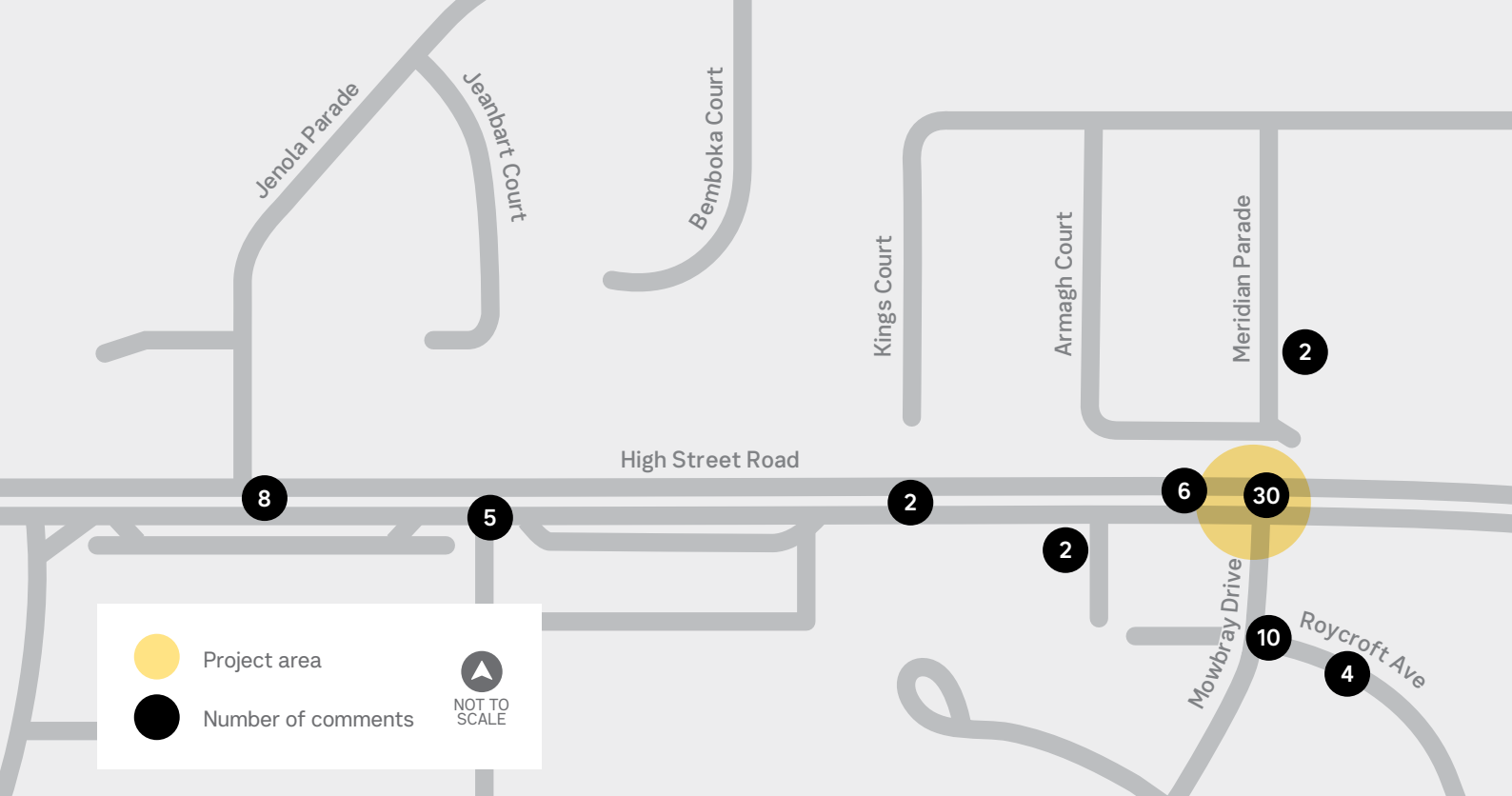
58% of respondents felt unsafe or very unsafe last time they used the intersection, **27%** indicated they felt safe or very safe, and **15%** said neither safe nor unsafe.

73% of respondents said they experienced traffic congestion last time they travelled through the intersection, while **27%** said they didn't experience any delays. Of the respondents who experienced delays, **41%** said they experienced delays of less than 5 minutes, **22%** said delays of 5 to 10 minutes, **7%** said delays of 10 to 15 minutes, and **3%** said they experienced delays greater than 15 minutes.

We asked how supportive people would be if we had to remove any on-street parking or cycling lanes on Mowbray Drive to make the intersection safer. **69%** of respondents indicated that they would be very supportive or supportive, **14%** said they'd be unsupportive or very unsupportive, and **17%** said they were neither supportive or unsupportive.

58% of respondents indicated they have deliberately avoided the High Street Road and Mowbray Drive intersection. The most common alternate routes taken are either: turning left onto Stud Road from Mockridge Street (**28%**) or George Street (**16%**) and then left onto High Street Road from Stud Road or continuing north to the Knox Shopping Centre; or entering High Street Road from Fonteyn Drive (**15%**).

Respondents ranked upgrade outcomes in order of priority. Improving safety was selected as top priority for **58%** of respondents, and reducing congestion was selected as top priority for **32%** of respondents. More predictable travel times, better cyclist and pedestrian connections, and improving public transport flow were ranked lower priority.



Interactive map

The interactive map on the Engage Victoria webpage received 90 comments.

31% of map comments related to congestion and school traffic at the High Street Road and Mowbray Drive intersection, 24% of comments indicated concern about the number of traffic lights already along High Street Road and 20% of comments related to U-turn movements on High Street Road.

19% of map comments indicated support for traffic lights being installed at the intersection, with a further 7% of comments suggesting the intersection upgrade was urgent.

Other feedback included descriptions of unsafe driver behaviour at the intersection, suggestions to remove or limit U-turns at the intersection, or further along High Street Road, and suggested other future improvements that could be made outside the project area.

Face to face engagement

30 people attended our community pop-up on 28 February at Knox Gardens Community Hall in Wantirna South. Most pop-up attendees were nearby residents who shared their experiences of the intersection and offered suggestions for improvements.

We also doorknocked residents closest to the intersection to collect their views.

Key feedback included:

- Difficulty making right-hand turns into or out of Mowbray Drive, poor visibility and congestion are key issues. Many described lengthy detours they take to avoid the intersection.
- Suggested improvements included a signalised pedestrian crossing, synchronising traffic signals on High Street Road and adding keep clear signage in key areas.
- Some people were supportive of safety improvements but were concerned that installing more traffic lights would increase traffic congestion in the area.

Social media

We advertised on Facebook and Instagram during the engagement period. In total, these posts received 138 comments.

Feedback showed support for upgrading the intersection, however some comments identified alternative intersections they would like to be upgraded.

18% of all social comments indicated support for traffic lights to be installed at intersection. Other comments included descriptions of unsafe driver behaviour or incidents observed, and congestion experienced by drivers.

Next steps

Community feedback is being used to inform planning work which is expected to be complete in late 2026.

Our planning work will be used to inform government decisions on future funding.

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