

# Information update

June 2017

# **Proposed Westall Road Extension**

Princes Highway East to Monash Freeway



We're preparing a business case for the proposed Westall Road Extension to improve traffic movement from Princes Highway to the Monash Freeway.

### Overview

VicRoads is developing a business case for a proposed extension of Westall Road.

The extension is expected to divert traffic and freight vehicles from the heavily trafficked roads between Westall Road and the Monash Freeway. For example, Blackburn Road could see a reduction in traffic of up to 60%. This will result in improved access to residential, recreation and local employment areas.

This would reduce congestion and improve traffic movement in and around the south-eastern region and the Monash National Employment and Innovation Cluster (NEIC), Melbourne's largest concentration of employment outside of the CBD.

The business case will include recommendations for Government for future funding and is expected to be completed in late 2017.

## What we know

The Westall Road Extension is proposed to follow an existing road reserve from the intersection of Westall Road/Princes Highway to the Monash Freeway.

Through preliminary investigation and early consultation with council and local businesses, we know that the Westall Road Extension needs to:

- Decrease traffic congestion and freight on parallel local roads such as Blackburn, Springvale and Clayton Roads.
- Improve traffic flow for public transport on local roads.
- Address the current travel delays to and from the Monash NEIC.
- Improve access to strategic transport routes for commuters and freight.

## Join the conversation

Whether you live, work, drive, ride a motorbike, walk, cycle or take public transport in the area, we need your feedback to understand the issues and opportunities.

- Jump online and tell us about your travel experience. Visit: engage. vicroads.vic.gov.au/westall-roadextension.
- Join us at our upcoming information sessions to talk one on one with members of the project team and share your travel experiences:

## **Drop-In Information Sessions**

When: Thursday, 29 June 2017

3:00pm - 6:30pm

Where: Notting Hill

Neighbourhood House 37 Westerfield Drive

Notting Hill

When: Thursday 20 July 2017

3:00pm - 6:30pm

Where: Monash Community Inn

72 Clayton Rd,

Clayton



# **Project steps**

|                         | Step 1<br>Issues identification  | Step 2<br>Solutions exploration  | Step 3<br>Submit business case  |
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| We will be              | <ul> <li>Investigating the existing<br/>conditions in the study area</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Developing proposed solutions to improve</li> <li>Finalising the business case for submission to the</li> </ul> |   |
|                         | <ul> <li>Identifying issues, concerns,<br/>needs and opportunities</li> </ul>  | movement in the<br>region through a<br>Westall Road Extension  | a funding consideration   |
| Our objective           | <ul> <li>Understand current<br/>experiences travelling<br/>in and around the<br/>Westall Road Extension</li> </ul>     | <ul> <li>Identify preferred upgrade<br/>solutions based on<br/>stage 1 feedback</li> </ul>                               | To submit a business case<br>that includes the proposed<br>solutions to improve traffic<br>movement and that reflects<br>the needs of the community |
|                         |  | <ul> <li>Seek feedback from<br/>the community on the<br/>proposed solution</li> </ul>                                    |   |
| Your input will be used | <ul> <li>To ensure current issues and<br/>experiences are understood<br/>and develop proposed<br/>solutions</li> </ul> | To refine the proposed<br>solution and identify any<br>further considerations  | To form the business case   |
| Status                  | Underway   | Mid 2017   | Late 2017   |

### Potential benefits

The Westall Road Extension is expected to provide:

- Improved traffic flow in the local area by reducing traffic on parallel roads such as Blackburn, Springvale and Clayton Roads.
- Opportunity to improve public transport operations on priority bus routes in the area.
- Better connections to Clayton and Springvale Activity Centres.
- Improved freight access to commercial areas in Moorabbin, Braeside and Dandenong South.
- Improved traffic movement in and around the south-eastern region and Monash NEIC.

### Contact us

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