

St Kilda Road Safety Improvement Study

Study is underway to identify safety improvements for all users on St Kilda Road.

Overview

St Kilda Road is a key transport corridor used by pedestrians and cyclists as well as tram, bus and vehicle commuters. It has a bustling business and office community that thrives alongside a huge residential population.

The Transport Accident Commission (TAC) has provided \$305,000 funding to VicRoads, to complete a study into possible improvements along St Kilda Road. The study is part of the TAC's Safer Cyclist and Pedestrian Fund.

We are working together with the City of Melbourne and the City of Port Phillip to complete this study.

Why is this study necessary?

Between January 2011 and December 2015, 122 incidents were reported where cyclists were injured on St Kilda Road.

The greatest contributors to these crashes were:

- Dooring: which occurs when drivers or passengers in parked cars suddenly open their door in the path of passing cyclists
- Side swipe: where a turning vehicle veers into cyclists when attempting to turn off or on to St Kilda Road.



During this period, 74 crashes involving pedestrians were reported. Two lives were lost and 33 of these crashes resulted in serious injuries.

St Kilda Road is an important link for local residents and businesses, with more than 330,000 people using the road each day. St Kilda Road is also one of the busiest tram corridors in Melbourne, with a tram service every minute during peak times.

- More than 200,000 people travel on St Kilda Road trams on an average week day
- 3,000 cyclists use St Kilda Road every day, making it one of the busiest cyclist commuter routes in Melbourne
- 31,000 pedestrians using this busy section of road during peak periods
- 41,000 cars and trucks use the road each day.

The study is aiming to identify likely improvements and initiatives to create a safer environment along St Kilda Road, between Linlithgow Avenue in Southbank and Carlisle Street in East St Kilda.

Community feedback

To complete this study, we need the help of cyclists, pedestrians, public transport users, local residents and motorists on their use and experience of St Kilda Road.

Look out for community information sessions in the area where you can share your experiences and what is important to you.

We are also running an online forum, please visit engage.vicroads.vic.gov.au to share your views. The forum is open until 14 September. For more information on community information sessions and to provide us with your feedback, please visit the VicRoads website: vicroads.vic.gov.au

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