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Dear Resident,

School zone safety improvement works on Waterdale Road in Ivanhoe

We're improving safety along Waterdale Road in Ivanhoe, as part of the Victorian and Australian Government's Targeted Road Safety Works Program, which delivers shovel-ready infrastructure projects and urgent road safety improvements in Victoria.

Between July 2014 and June 2019, two crashes occurred on Waterdale Road within the existing 40km/h school zone.

Pedestrians are completely exposed to the full force of a crash, making them some of the most vulnerable road users. In 2015, an average of 11% of deaths and serious injuries were from crashes involving pedestrians, that's why we're investing in road safety infrastructure to slow traffic and reduce the risk to pedestrians.

What we're doing

To make the road environment safer for pedestrians, cyclists and local school children, we're installing:

- electronic speed signs that flash during peak school hours on Waterdale Road, between Livingstone Street and Ford Street, ahead of the existing 40km/h school zone.
- new static signs to further alert drivers of the 40km/h speed limit.

Electronic speed limit signs will caution drivers travelling along Waterdale Road to slow down to 40km/h, ahead of school zone near Ivanhoe Primary School.

Waterdale Road will be made safer thanks to the \$19.5 million Pedestrian and Safer Schools Initiative which forms part of the Victorian and Australian Government's Targeted Road Safety Works program.

The Targeted Road Safety Works program is dedicating \$97.2 million to deliver shovel-ready infrastructure projects and urgent road safety improvements in Victoria. This will help us continue to deliver a safer network for connected journeys to get Victorians home sooner and safer, while supporting economic recovery.

What this means for you

During works, drivers will experience the following disruptions:

- one lane at a time will be closed during works and traffic controllers will be onsite to help you move through the area safely.

We're starting works in mid May 2021 and construction is expected to finish by the end of June 2021, weather permitting. Crews will be onsite Mondays to Fridays from 9.30am to 3.30pm.

During the construction period, you may notice the electronic speed limit signs we've installed on Waterdale Road are not operating. Please obey the speed limit displayed on the static signs, while we work to connect power onsite.



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If you're travelling through the area, keep an eye out for changed traffic conditions, plan-ahead and allow for an extra five minutes travel time.

We thank you for your patience while we complete these important safety improvements on Waterdale Road.

Find out more

Visit: the VicRoads website and search for 'Safety upgrades for school zones and shopping precincts in Melbourne'

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Kind regards,

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