

# Media Release

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## SAFER SPEEDS ALONG HOPKINS STREET AND DYNON ROAD

The Allan Labor Government, in partnership with Maribyrnong City Council, is making two busy roads in Footscray and West Melbourne safer for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers.

From tomorrow, the speed limit on Hopkins Street between Moore Street and Hopetoun Bridge will be reduced to 40km/h. Additionally, Dynon Road between Kensington Road and just east of Dock Link Road will have its speed limit reduced to 60km/h.

Over the past five years, there were 31 reported crashes on Hopkins Street and Dynon Road between Moore Street and just east of Dock Link Road, with one crash resulting in a fatality and 10 resulting in serious injuries.

This new speed limit will make it safer for everyone who uses this road. To protect work crews installing the new speed signs – traffic management, lane closures and reduced speeds will be in place.

This upgrade builds on a number of safety upgrades the Labor Government has made in the area including a \$3. million upgrade of the Moore Street and Hopkins Street intersection to make it safer for all road users, particularly pedestrians walking to and from Footscray Station and Footscray Market.

Since September 2023, the Labor Government has made Dynon Road safer with refreshed line markings, coloured surface treatments and new signage to improve visibility for bike riders and motorists. A temporary Shared User Path was put in place and planning is underway for a permanent shared user path.

A truck curfew continues to remain in place on Moore Street between Hopkins Street and Ballarat Road. Once open, the West Gate Tunnel will take 9,000 trucks off roads in the inner west and allow for the introduction and enforcement of 24-hour truck bans on six local roads including Moore Street.

### **Quote attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne**

*"We're reducing the speed limit on sections of Hopkins Street and Dynon Road to make our roads safer for everyone who uses these roads – pedestrians, cyclists and drivers."*

### **Quote attributable to Member for Footscray Katie Hall**

*"I've had members of the community raise their concerns with me about the need to improve safety along Hopkins Street and Dynon Road – that's why we're introducing safer speeds from Monday."*