

Media Release

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SAFER CROSSINGS FOR KILCUNDA IN TIME FOR SUMMER

The Allan Labor Government has delivered safer and smoother journeys for the Kilcunda community just in time for the busy summer season after completing major upgrades to the Bass Highway.

The \$7.8 million project has improved traffic flow through the popular coastal town and made it safer for pedestrians to move between the Kilcunda Foreshore, retail village, and the iconic Bass Coast Rail Trail.

New pedestrian-operated traffic lights opposite the Kilcunda General Store now connect to a concrete pathway leading to the trail and ocean, making it easier and safer for everyone to cross the busy Bass Highway.

More streetlighting has been installed along the highway to improve safety and visibility for pedestrians and drivers.

Crews have installed dedicated turning lanes into the foreshore reserve, the holiday park and service road to reduce the risk of crashes.

Extra parking on the Bass Highway service road and new bus stop facilities on the Bass Highway have also been completed as part of the project, better connecting locals and visitors with public transport.

The improvements were identified as a priority by the community during an extensive engagement process undertaken to identify improvement opportunities along the busy stretch of road in the growing region.

Line marking and landscaping works have also been completed, with 6,500 plants being planted in partnership with Bass Coast Landcare Network.

To learn more about the project, visit transport.vic.gov.au/BassHighwayKilcundaimprovements

Quote attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne

"Kilcunda locals and visitors can enjoy smoother traffic, safer crossings and extra parking thanks to our crews wrapping up \$7.8 million of works on the Bass Coast Highway."

Quote attributable to Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale

"Whether you're heading to the rail trail, enjoying the ocean views, taking the kids to the skate park, or checking out The Sticks – we're making it safer and easier to get around Kilcunda this summer."