

ROADS AND PUBLIC SPACE

Action 1

Consider implementing 40km/h speed zones in areas of high pedestrian activity, including:

- a) Along Railway Avenue adjacent to Laverton Station;
- b) Along Mayer Road adjacent to Laverton Station;
- c) Along Skehan Boulevard, Macneil Drive and Henry Drive adjacent to Bruce Comben Reserve; and
- d) Along Merton Street, adjacent to Central Plaza.

Action 2

Improve amenity, increase safety for all road users, and deter through traffic on local roads by upgrading streetscapes and introducing traffic calming treatments, including:

- a) Traffic calming devices along Seabrook Avenue between the Point Cook Road intersections;
- b) Traffic calming devices along Shane Avenue between the Point Cook Road intersections;
- c) Traffic calming devices along Alma Avenue;
- d) Upgrading Aviation Road within the activity area to prioritise pedestrian movement and reduce vehicle speeds;
- e) Redesign the intersection of Victoria and Merton Street to reduce vehicle speeds and improve pedestrian and cyclist safety;
- f) Consider the partial closure of Kiora Street by closing off left-out traffic movements onto Newland Street;
- g) Consider the partial closure of Linden Street by closing off left-out traffic movements onto Newland Street;
- h) Consider making Alma Avenue one way east to west to make room for a bicycle lane and to improve traffic flow at school times;
- i) Consider no entry from Point Cook Road to Seabrook Boulevard and Shane Avenue from 7am-9am Mon-Fri to prevent rat running; and
- j) Consider road closures mid-block on Seabrook Boulevard and Shane Avenue to prevent rat running.

Action 3

Advocate for improvements to the arterial road network including;

a. Improving traffic flow and pedestrian access along Point Cook Road by upgrading key intersections including:

- The intersection of Point Cook Road and Central Avenue;
- The intersections of Point Cook Road and Seabrook Boulevard (North and South)

b. Duplicating Central Avenue between Skehan Boulevard and Point Cook Road; and

c. Requesting Department of Transport to consider improvements for High Street (between Railway Avenue and Princes Freeway) such as rezoning this land to allow for commercial development (inc. potential railway commuter car parking) and giving control of High Street to Department of Transport, and/or constructing an improved link to Merton Street.

Action 4

Ensure the safety of all road users is considered in new infrastructure works by undertaking a Road Safety Audit of the design prior to construction.

Action 5

Develop an on-going plan of streetscape improvements and use every opportunity to make improvements to the public realm.

WALKING

Action 6

Look at opportunities to improve and extend the pedestrian footpath network and ensuring footpath network is continuous, clear of fixed objects and other obstacles and is at least 1.8m wide, focusing on:

- a. The Railway Avenue underpass, at Princess Freeway,
- b. The footpath along Fitzroy Street and the connection to Epsom Street;

Action 7

Improve pedestrian safety around local schools by upgrading school crossing infrastructure to raised pavements crossings, including at:

- a. The school crossing on Bladin Street near Chave Court;
- b. The school crossing on Bladin Street near Campbell Street;
- c. The school crossing on Alma Road near Nicholson Street;
- d. The school crossing on Everingham Road near Lady Nelson Crescent;
- e. The school crossing on Victoria Street, near Hoddle Way;
- f. A pedestrian refuge at Queen Street/Hook Street

Action 8

Provide raised shared path crossings on:

- a. Shane Avenue, at Pipeline Reserve;
- b. Seabrook Avenue, at the Seabrook Linear Reserve;

Action 9

Provide and improve access for pedestrians on local roads, including:

- a. Relocate the pedestrian crossing on Railway Avenue to align with pedestrian desire lines exiting from Laverton Station towards Fitzroy Street;
- b. Kerb ramps at the junction of Maher and Watts Road and the shared path.
- c. At the roundabout intersection of High Street and Railway Avenue, across the western leg of Railway Avenue;
- d. At the roundabout intersections in the vicinity of Altona Meadows Primary School, including raised crossings.

Action 10

Work with Department of Transport to provide new and/or improved pedestrian crossing facilities on arterial roads including;

- a. A pedestrian refuge on Point Cook Road, at Pipeline Reserve;
- b. A pedestrian refuge on Central Avenue, at Epsom Street South;
- c. A pedestrian refuge on Central Avenue, at Jamison Street South;
- d. At the roundabout intersection of Central Avenue / Queen Street /Merton Street;
- e. At the roundabout intersection of Queen Street and Victoria Street;
- f. A pedestrian refuge on Queen Street and Hook Street

Action 11

Consider the installation of seating and other amenities along popular walking routes, including between activity nodes, schools and parklands.

Action 12

Expand the off-road cycling network by building new shared path links, including:

- a. Along Pipeline Reserve towards Skeleton Creek
- b. Along Mayer Road adjacent to the Werribee Railway Line
- c. Along the southern side of Old Geelong Road

Action 13

Upgrading of existing paths to Shared path standards, including:

- a. Alongside Henry Drive, Macneil Drive and Skehan Boulevard
- b. Along Mayer Road adjacent to Laverton Station
- c. Between Epsom Street South and Fitzroy Street South
- d. Along the Skeleton Creek trail between Point Cook Road and South Terrace
- e. Along Railway Avenue adjacent to Laverton Station and the Werribee railway line
- f. Along the Princes Freeway adjacent to McCormack Park
- g. Between Watts Street and Merton Street under the Princes Freeway
- h. Along Point Cook Road between Shane Avenue and Pipeline Reserve
- i. Along Roscommon Place

Action 14

Expand the on-road cycling network through local streets, including:

- a. Along Fitzroy Street between Railway Avenue and the Princes Freeway
- b. Along Epsom Street South between the Princes Freeway and Central Avenue
- c. Along Cameron Avenue, between the Princes Freeway and Merton Street
- d. Along Alma Avenue, between Merton Street and Victoria Street.
- e. Along Everingham Drive between Victoria Street and Queen Street
- f. Along Jamison Street South between Cameron Avenue and Central Avenue.
- g. Along Myers Parade between Central Avenue and Reddrop Court
- h. Along Reddrop Court between Myers Parade and May Avenue
- i. Along Mary Avenue, between Reddrop Court and Merton Street
- j. Along Lan Avenue, Roser Drive and Wenlock Avenue
- k. Along Trafalgar Avenue between Merton Street and Victoria Street
- l. Along Bladin Street, between Mayer Road and Jennings Street
- m. Along Wackett Street between Old Geelong Road and Bladin Street
- n. Along Jennings Street between Bladin Street and Tyquin Street
- o. Along Tyquin Street between Jennings Street and Old Geelong Street.
- p. Along Railway Avenue between Princes Freeway and Merton Street.

Action 15

Improve connections between cycling routes, including:

- a. between Lan Avenue and the Skeleton Creek Trail.
- b. between Myers Parade and Reddrop Court.
- c. Between the Everingham Road local route, the Queen Street shared path and the Queen Street on-road bicycle lanes.

Action 16

Investigate the provision of new or improved bicycle lanes at key signalised intersections and roundabouts, including:

- a. Point Cook Road / Seabrook Boulevard.
- b. Merton Street (all roundabouts and signalised intersections).
- c. Queen Street (all roundabouts and signalised intersections).
- d. Bladin Street / Maher Road

Action 17

Improve connections across creeks and watercourses, including,

- a. Upgrading the existing Skeleton Creek Bridge to accommodate pedestrians and cyclists in all seasons.
- b. Upgrading the Queen Street Bridge to accommodate pedestrians and cyclists.
- c. Planning for a new cyclist and pedestrian bridge across Skeleton Creek to connect Victoria Street with Breezewater Reserve.

Action 18

Investigate the upgrade of existing on- road bicycle facilities to provide improved separation between cyclists and motor vehicles, including:

- a. Victoria Street.
- b. Merton Street.
- c. Queen Street.
- d. Maher Road.

This may include studies to examine the impacts of removing on-street car parking as one means of enabling bicycle separation, together with review of local and international best practice treatments.

Action 19

Advocate, support and provide increased and/or better-quality end-of-trip facilities at railway stations, activity centres and sporting precincts, including the following priority locations:

- a. Laverton Station.
- b. Aircraft Station.
- c. Altona Meadows Library.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Action 20

Advocate to the Victorian Government and Department of Transport for a review of bus services throughout the study area.

This could be complemented by advocacy on improvements to the frequency, coverage and accessibility of public bus services across Altona Meadows, Laverton and Seabrook; including:

- a. Providing direct services between Seabrook and the Aviation / Laverton Railway Stations;
- b. Expanding the coverage of bus services to the outlying areas of Altona Meadows (to the south of Central Avenue).
- c. Implementation of new forms of public transportation.

Action 21

Support the provision of safe and comfortable waiting areas at bus stops, prioritising bus stops that are in proximity to schools, activity centres and community facilities.

Action 22

Advocate for the upgrade of the existing bus interchange at Laverton Railway station that allows for the safe and efficient movement for passengers between public and community transport services.

CAR PARKING

Action 23

Review parking restrictions around the Aircraft and Laverton railway stations to provide an appropriate balance of long term and short-term parking.

Action 24

Maintain consistency across parking restriction signs including review of all existing signage.

Action 25

Ensure traders and adjacent property occupiers are consulted on any changes to parking restrictions in the vicinity of their property prior to the restrictions being altered.

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Action 27

Undertake a detailed audit of wayfinding within the study area to identify current signage and any gaps and consistencies in information presented on the signs.

Action 28

Plan for and install wayfinding signage across the study area that provides information to allow users to switch between mobility modes and navigate local street networks to and from key destinations. This should also illustrate walking and cycling times and distances.

Action 29

Facilitate community participation in the process of change to the study areas' streetscapes and infrastructure, through encouraging community participation in:

- a. Community events within public spaces (e.g. street parties, garden clubs and nature strip
- a. maintenance groups)
- b. Streetscape design development;
- c. Streetscape maintenance;
- d. Community art projects within public spaces.