

# COMMUNITY UPDATE

JUNE 2021

## HALLAM NORTH AND HEATHERTON ROAD UPGRADE

**We're building extra lanes and upgrading intersections on Hallam North and Heatherton roads to make it quicker, easier and safer to get to where you need to be.**

### What's been happening on the project?

Since May, we've put in place long-term traffic changes on Hallam North and Heatherton roads, including concrete safety barriers and temporary fencing.

This ensures the continued safety of the community, road users and our workers throughout construction. We've been:

- locating underground services and utilities, such as gas, water and electricity lines, so they're protected during construction
- placing fencing and no-go zone signage around any sensitive trees and vegetation we'll protect

- removing some small trees and vegetation from the western side of Hallam North Road, between Thomas Mitchell Drive and Heatherton Road.

### What's coming up?

Throughout June and July, we'll continue service location investigations and tree and vegetation removal. We'll also:

- start excavation works to remove the embankment along Hallam North Road so we can widen the road
- close Thomas Mitchell Drive at the Hallam North Road intersection during the July school holidays so we can safely install drainage and undertake earthworks (see next page)

- build a concrete retaining wall on Heatherton Road, opposite Heatherton Village Shops
- relocate over and underground services, including power poles, gas lines and water mains.

Most works will take place between **7am and 6pm, Monday to Friday and 7am to 1pm Saturdays**. Some works may need to take place at night to minimise impacts on traffic or utility services. If we need to work at night we'll let you know in advance.

*Image: Artist impression of the Hallam North and Heatherton Road intersection.*



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Barrier installations on Hallam North Road near Thomas Mitchell Drive

## Managing impacts of construction

We'll do everything we can to minimise the impacts of construction. You may notice some changes as we undertake our works.

### Noise, dust and vibration

We'll be trenching, digging and using high-pressure water and industrial vacuums to undertake services relocation. This may cause medium to high levels of noise and vibration, and low levels of dust. We'll be monitoring these impacts to make sure we stay within required noise limits.

### Service utility relocations

We'll be moving telecommunications, gas, water and electricity services and working closely with service providers to do this. If you experience disruption to your services, please contact your service provider.

### Short term closure of the Thomas Mitchell Drive intersection

The Thomas Mitchell Drive intersection at Hallam Road North will be closed from **7pm Friday 25 June to 6am Monday 12 July**.

The Route 863 bus stops at the corner of Hallam North Road and Thomas Mitchell Drive will also be closed during this time. The closest bus stops during the closure are at Belgrave-Hallam Road and the corner of John Fawcner Drive and Heatherton Road.

The closure will allow for safe and efficient installation of drainage across the intersection, together with earthworks to build up the ground level.

While the road is closed we'll dig trenches and install drainage across the intersection.

We'll then backfill and place temporary asphalt before we reopen the intersection to road users and residents.

Works will take place between **7am and 6pm, Monday to Friday**, and **Saturdays from 7am until 1pm**.

You can access Thomas Mitchell Drive by using James Cook Drive from Hallam North Road and John Fawcner Drive from Heatherton Road. We'll have detour and traffic signage in place.

### Ongoing changes to traffic conditions

We'll continue to carry out long-term traffic changes on Hallam North and Heatherton roads.

These include:

- lane closures between 7am and 5pm on weekdays, and 7am and 1pm on Saturday
- reduced speed limits to 40km/hr on Hallam North Road during works, and 60km/hr outside of working hours
- reduced speed limits to 60km/hr on Heatherton Road at all times.

**Please plan your journey in advance, allow extra travel time, and travel safely through the area.**

## Thomas Mitchell Drive intersection closure



### CHECK OUT THE INTERACTIVE MAP

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Open the camera on your phone and hold it up to the QR code. Your phone will take you directly to the online map.

# Out and about in the community

We'd like to thank the community who came and saw the project team at our recent pop up displays.

The project team spoke with more than 100 people at the displays held on 26 April at Heatherton Village Shops, and 8 May at Endeavour Hills Shopping centre.

We talked about the project design, benefits, traffic changes and planned upcoming works.

We'll be back in the community in the coming months, so keep an eye out for dates and times.

*Image (right): Talking with the community at Endeavour Hills Shopping Centre*



## Community support

As part of our commitment to working with the local community, we delivered 25 cubic metres of mulch to the Thomas Mitchell Primary School for use in the school grounds.

During the project we'll continue to identify community groups and projects where we can provide assistance.

## Keeping you informed

As part of our commitment to sustainability, we encourage you to sign up to receive these Community Updates direct to your inbox.

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## Health and safety

Work is continuing safely on Victoria's Big Build, our biggest transport upgrade ever. Construction on large-scale public infrastructure projects is critical and the health and safety of our workforce and community remains our top priority. Strict COVIDsafe Plans are in place on all project sites across Victoria.

For more information and advice about the coronavirus (COVID-19), please visit [coronavirus.vic.gov.au](https://coronavirus.vic.gov.au).

*Image (left): Mulch delivered to Thomas Mitchell Primary School*

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