

Officer Summary of key points from online survey comments

The feedback from the online consultation the following range of views. The intention of providing this information is to show the range of different views. It is noted that the majority of comments in favour of keeping the road open is at a similar level to the overall results, and is by far the most popular opinion.

1. There are more important things to focus on
2. Widen the footbridge over the Freeway
3. Lets give it a go
4. Its narrow and I'm afraid I will hit a cyclist
5. There are already sufficient bike paths and footpaths
6. This will block important connection between Clifton Hill and Abbotsford
7. Police the existing restrictions instead
8. Impossible to access Johnston Street from Trennerry Crescent
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10. Look at other traffic management solutions rather than the closure
11. Don't prioritise one mode over another
12. Residents shouldn't be forced out onto Hoddle Street and other main roads
13. Will result in much longer car journeys
14. Main roads are congested and unsafe
15. No need to social distance with masks mandatory
16. Concerned about emergency access
17. Footpaths can be easily widened
18. Make the street like Stewart Street shared zone
19. Restricts access to northern and eastern suburbs
20. Restricts access to work, school, local facilities and visiting family
21. Cyclists should be given priority over cars
22. Cyclists should have their own separated paths
23. It will impact on property values
24. Local streets are safer for cars than main roads
25. This proposal has no relation to COVID-19
26. This proposal has no relation to the Climate Emergency
27. It is a dangerous road for children
28. Not opposed to better cycling, just not at the expense of cars
29. The process is disingenuous
30. Less confident cyclists use footpath which is not safe
31. This is only wanted by lobby groups not residents
32. Proposal would be transformative for pedestrians and cyclists
33. Hoddle Street should be route for cars
34. Pandemic shutdown is a rare and unique opportunity to implement forward thinking opportunities
35. There are more motorists than cyclists
36. Restricts access to shopping opportunities
37. Use alternating traffic flows regulated by traffic lights
38. Bridge over the freeway is primarily for pedestrians
39. Needs assessment and modelling to inform community of impacts
40. Depoliticise the discussion
41. Dissuade motorists using technology

42. Introduce further turn bans at Trenerry and Johnston Street
43. Will end up paying more for taxis and Ubers
44. The consultation process has been poor
45. Stop the rat run instead, locals should be able to use the road
46. Using COVID-19 to bypass consultation
47. There will be a big impact when returns to pre-COVID levels
48. Responses to survey cannot be crossed checked against address
49. Lack of data supporting proposals
50. Council wasting time consulting, the trial would already be one month in
51. There is no criteria to measure a trial
52. Change to local traffic only
53. Closure will result in more pollution
54. Does not create a pocket of natural beauty
55. There is no issues now on Trenerry Crescent now that the Chandler Hwy bridge is upgraded
56. Hoddle Street has been upgraded to take more traffic
57. This proposal will impact on Hoddle Street upgrades
58. There is greater density of housing meaning that the road needs to stay open to accommodate increased traffic
59. Keep it open during peak hours
60. Chance to reshape streets and how we travel
61. The proposal is ablest and only for people who can cycle
62. Grand plans on climate can only be achieved through change
63. This will impact on Clifton Hill and Abbotsford local economies
64. We are happy with the way things are
65. I see no issues as a cyclist who regularly uses this road