

Parliamentary Inquiry Road Safety Road Rules  
(Overtaking Bicycles) Bill 2015

# VicRoads and TAC Hearing Presentation

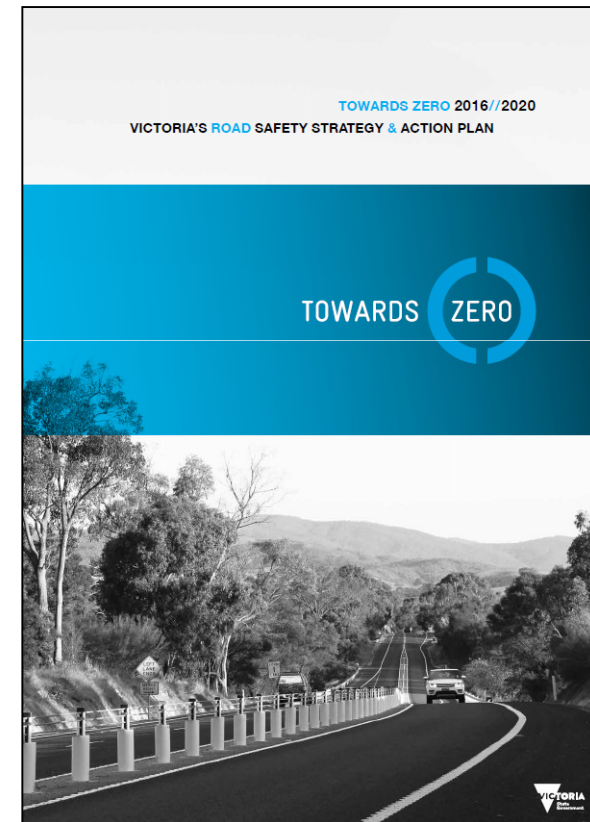
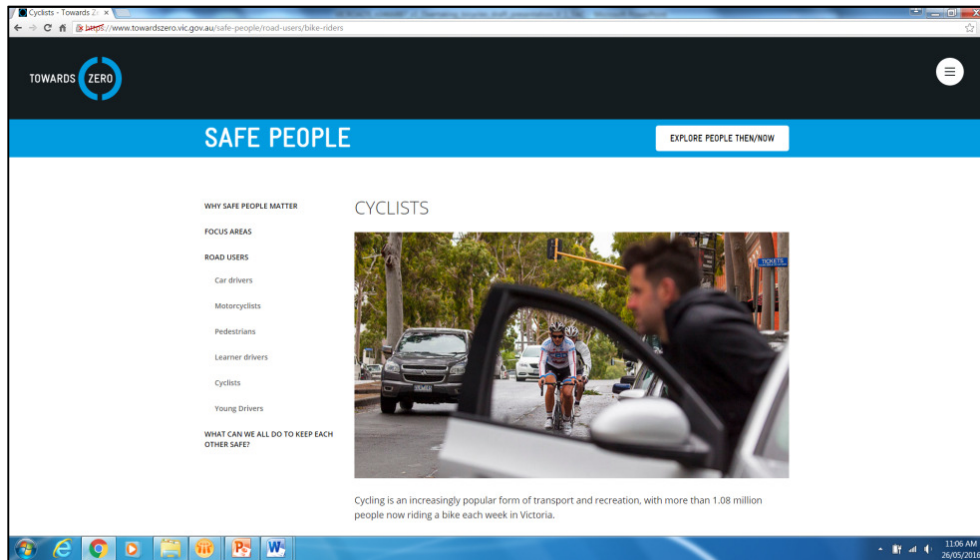
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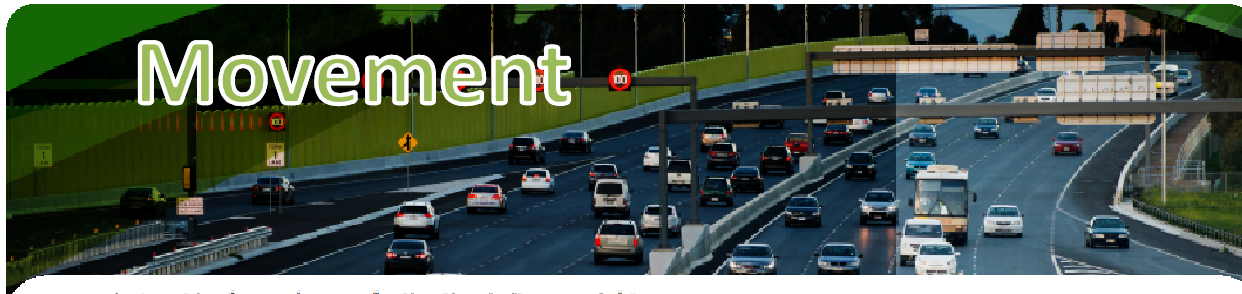
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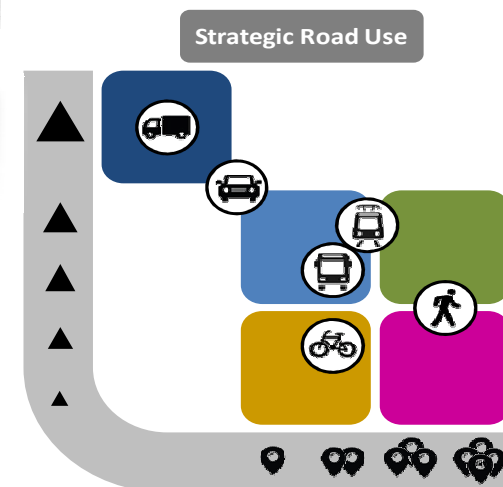
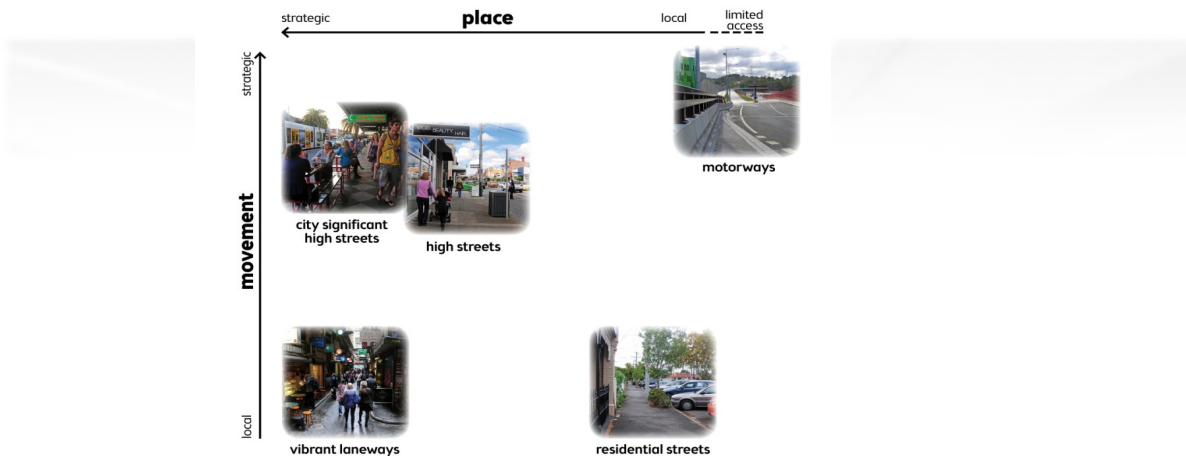
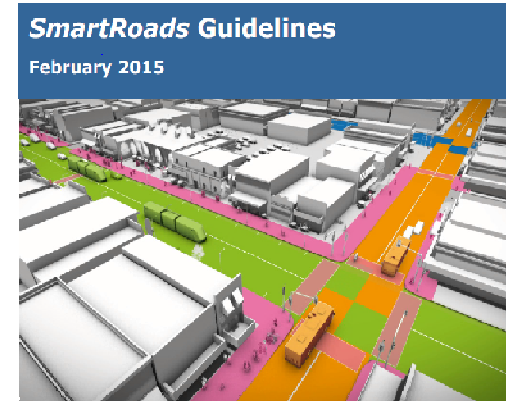
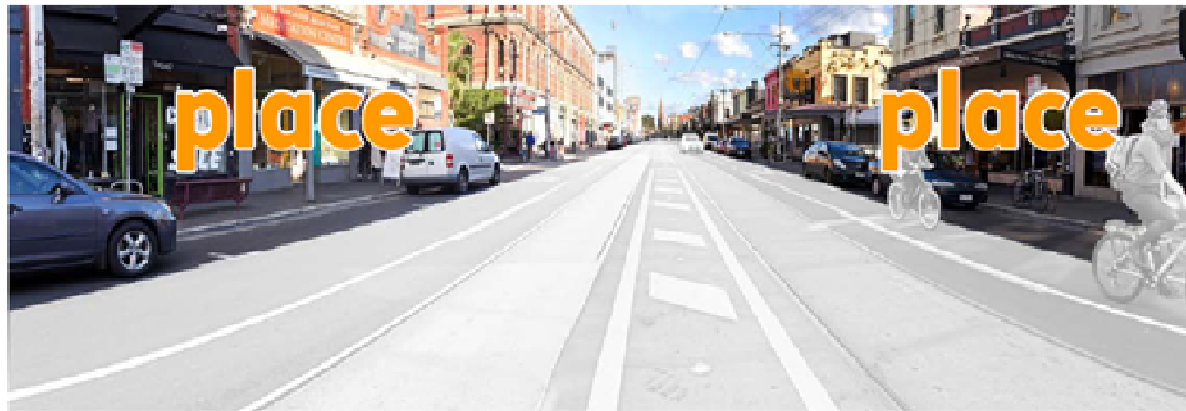
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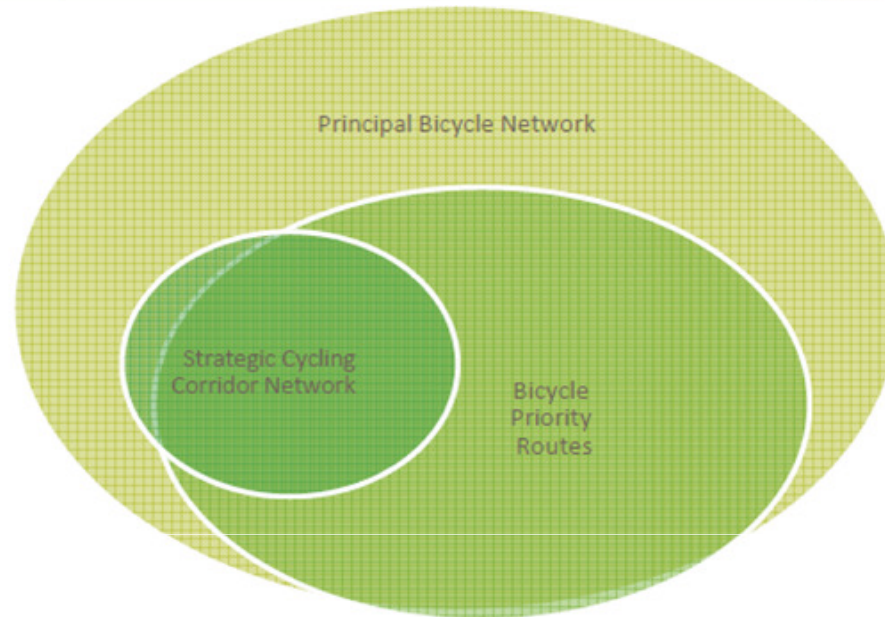
# VicRoads Movement and Place Framework



A street is also a place, a destination in its own right.



# Bicycle Networks



Preferred types of facilities



Local street bike route



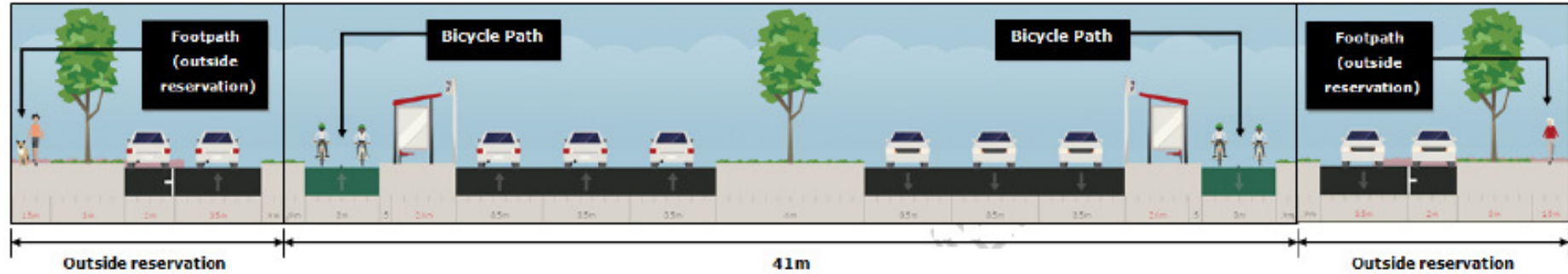
Off road path



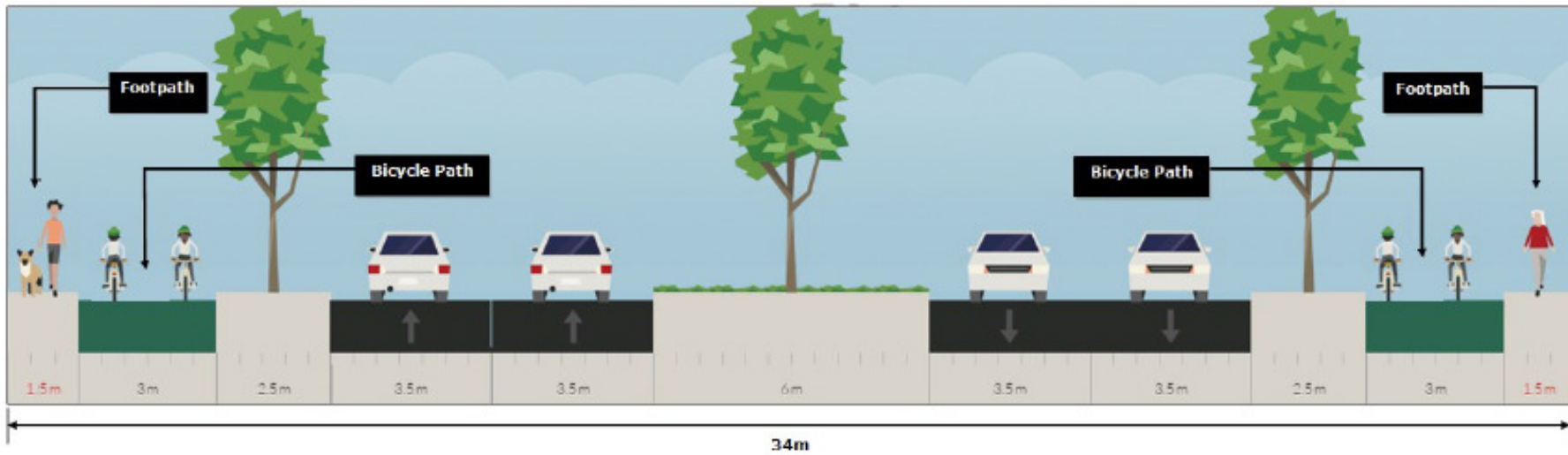
Segregation

# Future Communities - Growth Area New Road

## Primary Arterial



## Secondary Arterial



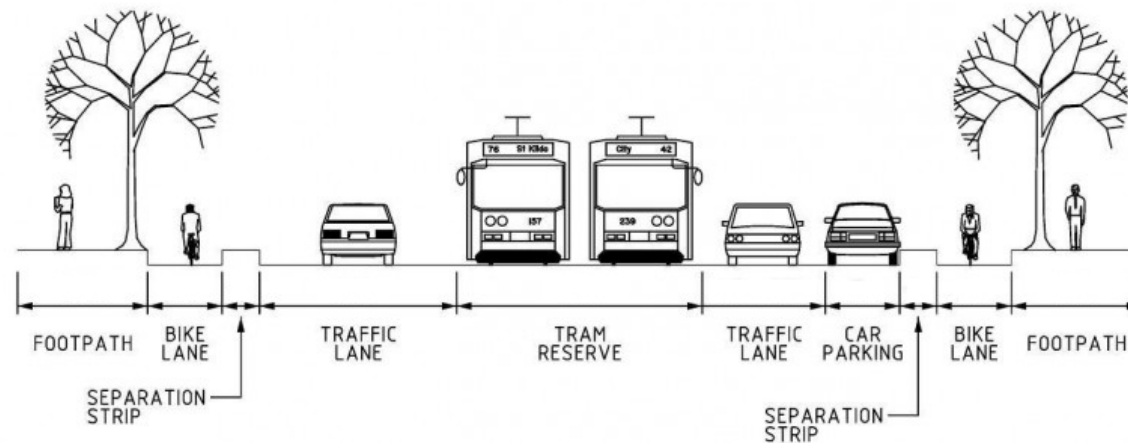
# Built-up Areas – Available Road Space



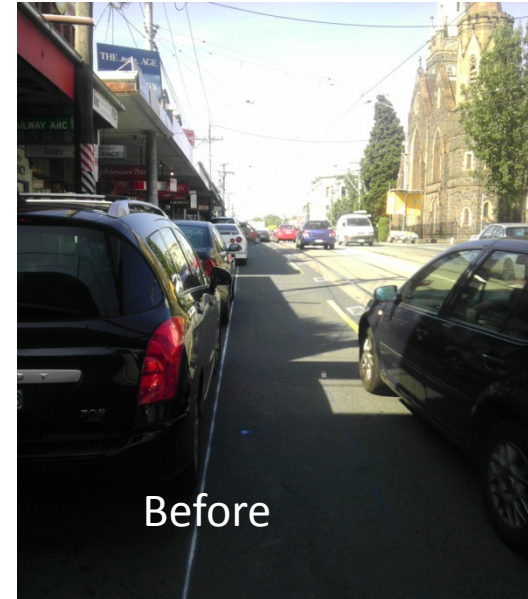
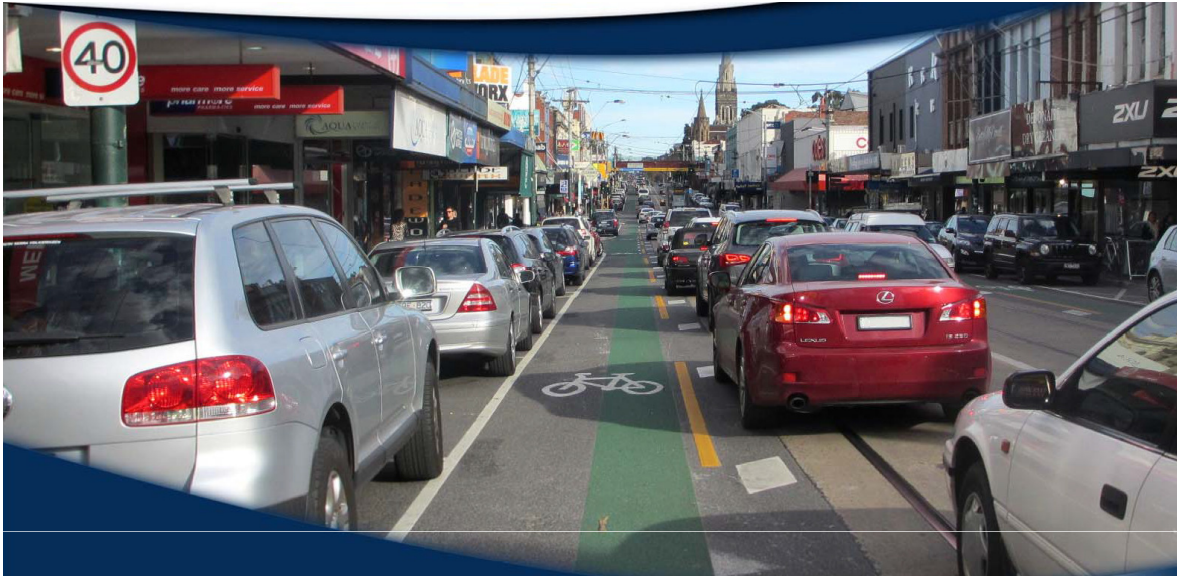
***One-way protected bicycle lane on La Trobe Street, Melbourne Central Business District***



***One-way protected bicycle lane on Albert St, East Melbourne***

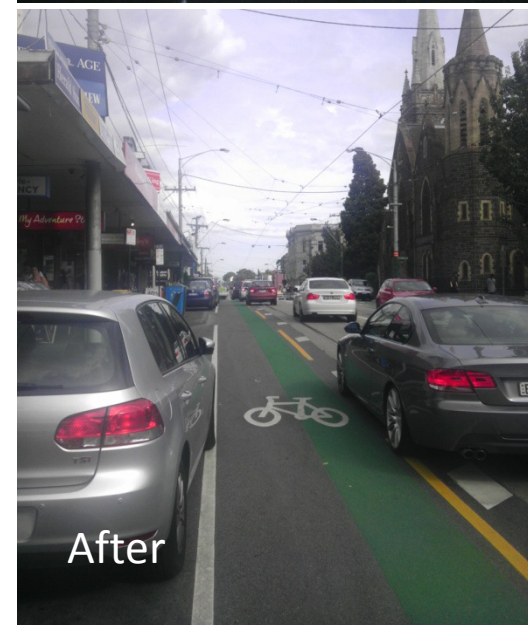
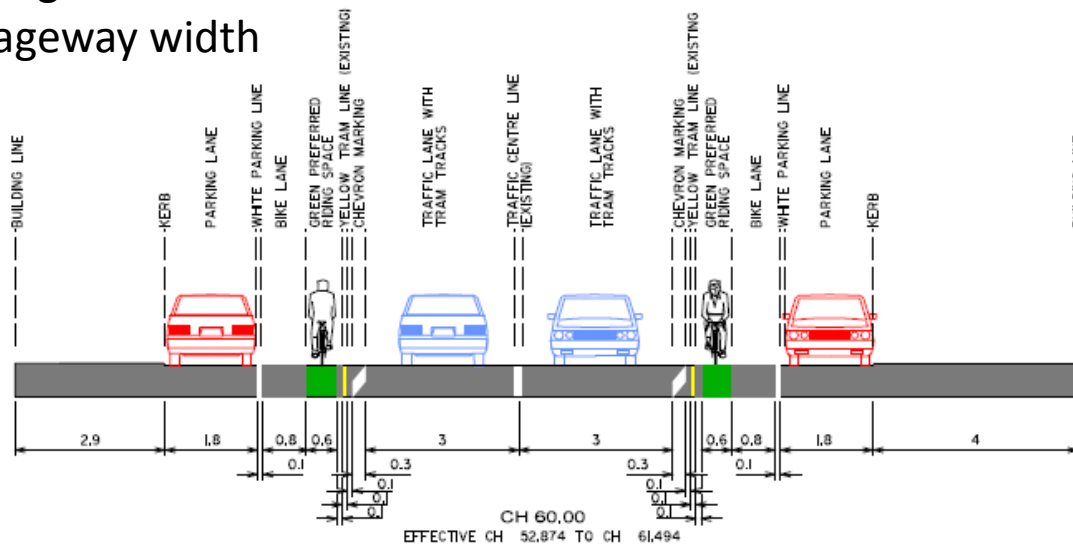


# Provision of Bicycle Path – Limited Road Space



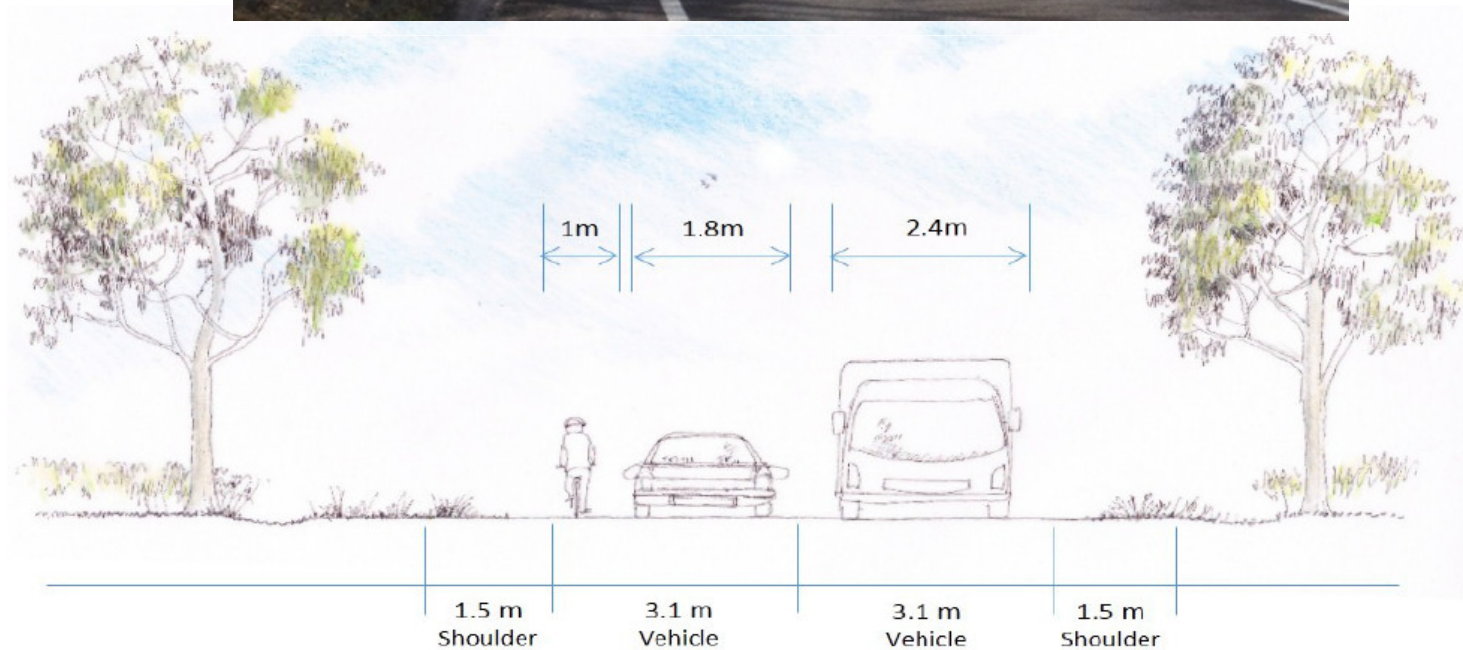
Before

Glenferrie Road, Hawthorn – Anti-Dooring Issues - restricted carriageway width



After

# Bicycle Facilities – Rural Roads



Typical Rural road single lane cross section



# Making Cycling Safe



- Cycling Road Rules Review: reported on rules that could be improved and those that need better communication
- Travel Happy – Share the Road
- Community road safety projects

# Making Cycling Safe



- Promotion through partnerships
  - Cycling Victoria
  - UCI, AGF events – VMS 'alert' messages
  - Cadel Evans Great Ocean Road Race
- Rider Reminder (car dooring)

# TAC Road Safety Grants

- Community grants
  - almost \$550,000 on safer cycling



- LGA Grants
  - around \$730,000 on safe cycling infrastructure projects



# Recommendations to the Inquiry

- Consider the safety impact of encouraging additional crossing of single and double solid centre lines
- Is the Bill intent on addressing overtaking lateral clearance distances only, or is it also trying to address passing in parallel lanes?
- The widths of some road space makes for very tight coexistence already amongst different road users, finding extra space within the current design of some roads will prove difficult.
- Rigorous evaluation supporting this change would build confidence in it providing a positive road safety outcome.
- The benefit of mandating a new law over providing advice is hard to evaluate given that no clear evaluations are available to inform this decision.