



Mosgiel to Balclutha safety improvements

FEEDBACK SUMMARY

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We've had great conversations with people in the community about improving SH1 between Mosgiel and Balclutha.

We attended three A&P Shows along the route - in Balclutha, Milton and Mosgiel, to share our ideas and find out more from people who use the road. We also provided opportunities to the community to provide feedback by phone, email or online.

We wanted to find out what makes the road feel unsafe and what people think could make this road safer.

About 220 people came to talk to us at the events and we received a number of comments from our website, emails, phone calls and messages on social media.

How your feedback is being used

Your feedback is very valuable in helping us to develop the safety improvement options. We use your local knowledge of the roads, alongside our research, to understand how the road is used and make sure we haven't missed anything important.

What happens next?

We'll make final decisions on the safety improvements and share them with the community in the next few months.

You said these things make you feel unsafe

- » Areas of the route with lots of curves and poor visibility north of Balclutha.
- » Sections of the road that are subject to ice and/or wind.
- » Frustrated drivers taking risks when overtaking.
- » Passing lanes that are too short or end on a corner.
- » Turning onto and off some parts of SH1.
- » People driving too fast through urban areas.
- » The width of some bridges.
- » The road surface and level of maintenance.

You told us you had mixed feelings about

- » Speed limits on passing lanes. Some people want them increased so they can pass slow vehicles easily while others want the overall speed limit slowed to create safer driving conditions.
- » Shorter passing lanes. You feel they can create risks for people if they end too soon.
- » Slower speeds near the SH8 intersection. You thought this could increase safety for vehicles turning in or out but could create issues with using the nearby passing lane.

You told us you support

- » **More opportunities for overtaking** or places for slow vehicles to pull over to let traffic past.
- » **Widened sealed shoulders** to provide space to recover if drivers drift out of their lane or lose control.
- » **Wide centre lines or flexible barriers** to keep vehicles apart and reduce head-on crashes especially on the passing lanes.
- » **Safety barriers** along sections near curves, steep drop-offs, ditches and the railway.
- » **Improving safety at some intersections** including SH8, Limeworks Road and Hillend intersections.
- » **More signage** to indicate icy areas, high wind areas and directional arrows for overseas drivers.
- » **Lower speeds** on advisory signs through some curves.
- » **Safer and more consistent speed limits and signs**, particularly through townships.
- » **Improved road surface** and management of roadside vegetation.



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