

## Upgrade to Jandakot Road – Stage 2

### Common Questions

With stage one and two of the Jandakot road upgrades complete from Fraser Road all the way through to Berrigan drive you may have some questions for us. One that we often get regarding Jandakot Road is why didn't the city construct or upgrade this road well and before the population exploded in Treeby and why did it all take so long? Well councils can't always tell what areas will develop first and how quickly as there are many factors at play including the economic climate and the plans of individual developers regarding Jandakot Road and Treby if i think back to 2010 we'd never even heard of Treeby it was just an old sand quarry a few years later it was rezoned had its first plans drawn up and then defying the market at the time Treeby sold out almost as fast as lots could be built by the developers and now has thousands of residents that call it home because of this rapid growth in building and population in the area the city scheduled the upgrade of Jandakot Road several years earlier than first planned the upgrade which widened the road to two lanes in each direction required purchasing of land from private property owners the process for the city to purchase land is directed by the state it's a sensitive process for landowners especially and one that takes time we also redesigned the roads so we took the smallest amount of land possible from the landowners while ensuring the safety and quality of the road there was a lot of pre-work before we could even get started on the construction side of things another question we often get is why didn't the city upgrade the whole stretch of road in one go we normally upgrade a road one section at a time as we often seek funding from the State or Federal Government and there are limits to their funding which can often only cover a portion of the road and any funding shortfall must also be budgeted for by the City in subsequent years hence the bite-size approach to our roads and finally our own project managers can only work on so many projects at one time and one final question we get is why are some roads prioritized over others often this comes down to what the crash data from Main Roads including the severity of the crash highlights as the most important place to invest first and that information while collected from an awful event helps us to focus on the roads that need upgrading first to keep our community safe and connected i hope that gives you an idea of the types of matters that influence what roads we build when and what time frames are involved when building and upgrading roads