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Dear Mr Gabriels

## **FINDING WITHOUT INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF LAURENCE ATTWOOD**

I refer to your letter of 29 July 2024 regarding Coroner Jamieson's findings and recommendations.

The Department of Transport and Planning (Department) extends its sympathy to the family and friends of Mr Attwood.

### **The Coroner's recommendations**

Pursuant to section 72(2) of the *Coroners Act 2008* (Vic), Coroner Jamieson made the following recommendation relevant to the Department (Recommendation 1):

1. With the aim of promoting public health and safety and preventing like deaths, I recommend that the VicRoads review the design of the relevant section of Warrigal Road, Hughesdale, in light of the circumstances of this collision and consider improving the existing infrastructure with a view to enhancing pedestrian safety and accessibility.

### **Response to Recommendation 1**

***The Coroner's recommendation will be implemented.***

The Department of Transport and Planning (formerly VicRoads) will review the design of this section of Warrigal Road and identify any treatments that may improve pedestrian safety and accessibility at this location. Any identified improvements will be considered in future network planning. It is expected that the investigation will be complete by the end of 2024 and any identified improvements will be submitted for funding consideration as relevant programs become available.

Please do not hesitate to contact Peter Wills, Director Transport and Planning Inner Metro, [REDACTED] if you have any questions about the contents of this letter or if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Howard', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**Jennifer Howard**  
Executive Director, Inner Metro

01/10/2024