## Legislative Assembly Economy and Infrastructure Committee

## Hearings scheduled for inquiry into vulnerable road users

The Legislative Assembly Economy and Infrastructure Committee will hold two days of public hearings next week for its inquiry into the impact of road safety behaviours on vulnerable road users.

The inquiry is investigating changes to road users' behaviour during and after the COVID-19 pandemic, and how this affected the safety of people most at risk on the road.

Vulnerable road users, such as pedestrians, cyclists and motorcycle riders, are less protected in the event of a road crash. The inquiry will consider the impact of road users' behaviour on these groups as well as on the safety of children, older people and people using mobility devices.

On Tuesday August 8 the Committee will hear from a wide range of witnesses, including from the Transport Accident Commission, Department of Transport and the Department of Health, as well as representatives of organisations, such as the Bicycle Network, Victoria Walks, the RACV and researchers and advocates from groups representing vulnerable road users.

The hearing will be held in Melbourne and broadcast on the Committee's website from 9:30 am to 4:25 pm.

The Wednesday August 9 hearing will be held at the Merri-bek Civic Centre in Coburg.

The hearing will commence at 10 am with a councils' roundtable with representatives of Darebin, Merri-bek, Whittlesea and Yarra.

The Committee will also hear from a range of community advocates representing groups in Melbourne's northern suburbs.

The full schedule for the hearings can be found on the Committee's website.

The Committee has received more than 280 submissions and will report to Parliament in March 2024.

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