

Safety culture

- My background
- Not a reflection on Rob
- Albert Road crosswalk
 - Was terrible, now worse but lower traffic flow
- Sight lines at crossings and driveways
 - Our driveway was typical
 - They moved the barrier covers from our driveway to next driveway
 - They installed barrier covers and then the mirror on the next day
 - They parked a truck blocking our driveway to install a mirror to improve access
- Traffic management
 - Especially during occupation
 - ZERO attention by traffic management staff
 - Driving on footpath
- Now has been 3 accidents including a cyclist knocked off bike







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Noise

- Night time noise on every night since November 21
- RIMG

"The EPRs require airborne noise from night time construction activities to be inaudible within habitable rooms of residences, except where the works fall within the definition of Unavoidable Works. Unavoidable Works must have been approved by the Independent Environmental Auditor (IEA) appointed for the Metro Tunnel prior to the Works commencing, except in the case of emergency works which must subsequently be approved by the IEA. In practical terms, this means that for most of the time, airborne noise from construction activities should not be heard by residents within bedrooms and living rooms at night"

EPA info on Metro Tunnel work

Work on the **Metro Tunnel** is mostly at the major construction stage. Contractors have started building underground stations and tunnel boring.

Managing noise and vibration

EPA has worked with **Rail Projects Victoria** (RPV) to avoid and lessen the risk of noise impacting the local community.

Our **Noise control guidelines** (publication 1254) (the guidelines) outline what we expect of RPV and their contractors during construction. Key aspects of the guidelines that apply to the Metro Tunnel are:

- People nearby shouldn't be able to hear noise from the project:
 - in any habitable room of residential premises
 - from 10 pm to 7 am from Monday to Sunday

This doesn't apply if the works are **unavoidable**. The *Environment Protection Act 1970* defines the meaning of a **habitable room**.

- When unavoidable works will affect people, RPV or their contractors should tell them:
 - when the noise will occur
 - how long it will go on for.

What unavoidable works are

The Metro Tunnel project may consider works that cannot be practicably and safely completed during normal business hours to be unavoidable. They include works that:

- involve continuous work, for example a concrete pour
- pose an unacceptable risk to life or property
- risk a major traffic hazard
- could cause a major disruption to the transport system.

RPV or their contractors sometimes can't avoid noisy works. They must show they have made all reasonable efforts to limit the impact of noise on the local community.

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