

2026 Road Safety Action Plan

Blacktown community forum



Thank you for attending the 2026 Road Safety Action Plan community forum in Blacktown. There were a lot of interesting discussions during the session, which are summarised below as well as the results of the in-person polls.

We are in the process of drafting the 2026 Road Safety Action Plan, which will be available at the end of the year. We look forward to sharing it with you.

Transport for NSW is eager to continue these road safety conversations, stay up to date on campaigns at towardszero.nsw.gov.au or follow us on [social media](#).

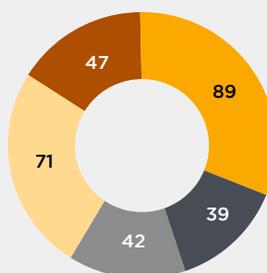
Stay safe and drive responsibly - let's make sure everyone arrives home safely.

Bernard Carlon
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Participant Feedback

What are the priority areas for road safety in the Blacktown community?

Number of mentions



Area of investigation

- Reducing unsafe road user behaviours
- Creating safer country and outer urban roads
- Increasing the safety of vehicles and protective equipment
- Pedestrians, cyclists and 'at risk' road users
- Creating safer urban spaces

Below is a summary of the suggestions and feedback we received during the Blacktown consultation.

1. Creating safer urban spaces

- Inform drivers on why changes are being made to roads (for example, why traffic lights and traffic calmers have been installed and why speed limits are changed).
- More community consultation of key infrastructure changes to better understand if the proposed measures will help or hinder locals (this requires a better understanding of how the roads are used by locals).
- Better road signage is required - noting there is a fine line between too much information and too many signs.

2. Increasing the safety of vehicles and protective equipment

- A suggestion was made that every car and vehicle should have a dash cam and reversing camera.
- All vehicles should have blind spot detection systems, and they should be retrofitted into older cars. This improves safety – especially for motorcycle riders.
- Subsidising the purchases of new cars with enhanced safety features and items like baby seats for low-income families to assist and incentivise people to put safety first.
- Support for young and first-time drivers in purchasing safer first cars.

3. Pedestrians, cyclists and 'at risk' road users

- Better road safety infrastructure, road maintenance and greater education around the benefits of road infrastructure measures.
- Mandatory high-visibility vests and lights for bicycle riders and motorcycle riders.
- Tall flags mandatory for wheelchairs and motorised scooters to help improve their visibility in traffic.

4. Reducing unsafe road user behaviours

- Formal road safety education and awareness should start at childhood in primary school and at home. Parents should be provided with take-home materials (in a wide range of languages) to reinforce road safety messages.
- A dedicated road safety app could be created to make information updates engaging and fun for relevant age groups. Supported by social media education campaigns, online forums and sharing of messages through community groups.
- Defensive driving courses could be a requirement for all drivers and more incentives should be provided for parents to put their children through more driver education programs.



"We aren't comparing apples with apples - education in Denmark is different to education in Australia. We need to find a benchmark that works for us."

Poll Results

This information was collected from forum attendees who participated in the polls at the Blacktown community forum held in April 2021.

Were the trends and statistics presented a surprise to you?

No 62%

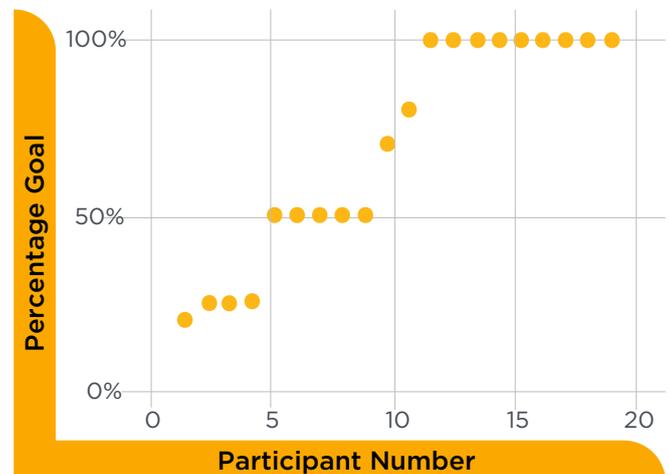
Yes 38%

Do you think we are on the right path to meet our targets of zero deaths and serious injuries on NSW roads by 2056?

No 51%

Yes 49%

What should our goal for 2030 be?



"There is a lack of ongoing training and road rules education – it's a safety issue for pedestrian and cyclist safety."