

HOW CAN YOU HELP!



COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL

DRAFT ACTIVE TRANSPORT PLAN

We need your help immediately to push the Coffs Harbour City Council to install a safe pedestrian crossing over Hogbin Drive in front of SJPC.

YOUR VOICE IS CRUCIAL

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- Establish an account & Click on the submission form
- Write about student safety to school or **copy and paste some suggested entries below**. Make it personal about your child or students in general.

URGENCY AND SAFETY RISK

- The current lack of a designated pedestrian crossing over Hogbin Drive is a serious and immediate safety risk to our students.
- I fear a major accident or fatality is inevitable if a crossing is not installed soon.
- The volume of traffic on Hogbin Drive during school pick-up and drop-off (8:15 AM-9:15 AM and 3:30 PM-5:00 PM) makes crossing the road nearly impossible without students placing themselves in significant danger.
- Near-misses are a regular occurrence. We cannot wait for a tragedy to happen.

INADEQUATE CURRENT FACILITIES

- The excellent walking/cycling path is on the opposite side of Hogbin Drive to St John Paul College, forcing all students who use it to make a dangerous crossing.
- The 40 km/h school zone speed limit is not sufficient protection given the high density of traffic.
- There are no designated safe crossings within hundreds of metres of the school entrance.
- The nearby Southern Cross University roundabout is not a safe alternative for crossing, due to its design, traffic congestion, and a 60 km/h speed limit.

REQUESTED SOLUTIONS

- I strongly support the installation of a safe, designated pedestrian crossing solution directly in front of St John Paul College.
- The preferred, immediate solution is a dedicated school zebra crossing with an integrated safety island and physical barriers.
- Alternatively, please consider a long-term solution such as a pedestrian overpass bridge or a tunnel under Hogbin Drive to ensure the permanent safety of students.
- Addressing this crossing issue is a critical and necessary step to truly support the goals of the Draft Active Transport Plan for our community.

LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO ENSURE A SAFE SCHOOL ZONE