Street Works in Bethanga
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is Council going to do?
Council is delivering substantial improvements to intersections, parking, road surfaces and pedestrian safety in Bethanga after securing significant funding from the State Government’s Fixing Country Roads Program.

Works include road widening, establishing kerb and outstands, formalisation of key intersections, improved line marking, draining upgrades and sealing of a number of gravel streets.

Why were these projects chosen?
The criteria set by the funding body was very specific. Applications were only considered if they upgraded existing road infrastructure and improved the safety of pedestrians and motorists. Projects for regular road maintenance or general infrastructure were not eligible.

Council proposed projects on the basis of these guidelines, as well as evaluation of road and safety data, analysis of customer requests, community feedback as well as onsite technical assessments.

Where will the work take place?
The proposed works will involve a number of streets and intersections in Bethanga including the main street, a number of gravel streets and the service road to Bethanga Primary School.

When will construction begin and when is it expected it to finish?
Works are expected to commence in February 2019 and be completed by June 2019 depending on weather conditions and other possible disruptions.

Why are the works necessary?
The proposed works will increase pedestrian and traffic safety, improve connectivity within Bethanga and address drainage issues. The works will also improve pedestrian safety, traffic movement and parking around the primary school.

Will the street be closed during the works?
It is anticipated that streets will remain open to through traffic at all times during the works, although some streets may be reduced to one lane for short periods of time. Any changes to traffic conditions will be clearly signed.
Will parking be affected?
Some sections of parking may be affected at times during the works, especially around the Primary School and the Hotel. Alternative parking will be available in side streets.

Will pedestrian access be maintained during the works?
Yes, Council will provide safe and clearly signed temporary routes for pedestrians and where applicable, cyclists.

Will it be difficult to get access my property/business during the work?
Access to properties and businesses will be maintained through the duration of the work. Should there be any temporary restrictions to access then this will be communicated to those directly affected.

Why is Council holding Drop-in Sessions?
Informal Drop-in Sessions are being held to seek community advice on the prioritisation of the identified projects within the scope of works. Council technical officers will be in attendance to answer queries. Maps displaying the identified projects will be on display.

When will the Community Information Sessions be held?
Drop-in Sessions will be held Wednesday 5 December at the Bethanga Memorial Hall.
The first session will be held 5.30pm - 6.00pm and the second session will be held 6.15pm – 6.45pm.

What if I can’t attend an information session?
Project information and draft designs will be available on Council’s website www.towong.vic.gov.au
You can also provide feedback via email – info@towong.vic.gov.au

Who do I contact if I have questions or experience any issues with the works?
Contact Council’s Tallangatta office on (02) 6071 5100 or info@towong.vic.gov.au