

Mt Victoria Residents Association support the reduction to safer speed limits on the proposed streets.

Reducing speeds is the one single action that will improve road safety for all road users.

Safer speeds make urban areas more liveable by making it easier for people to connect with others. This benefit is greater for those with the least travel options and for the more vulnerable in our society, particularly children, older people and those with disabilities.

Mt Victoria Residents Association would like to see the safer speed zone extended to include Kent and Cambridge Terraces at least as far as Vivian-Pirie Street, if not all the way to the Basin Reserve. There are many missing pedestrian crossing legs along these roads and slower speeds would make them safer to cross.

Mt Victoria Residents Association would like to see a safer speed zone extended to Mt Victoria in its entirety. Mt Victoria is a contained suburb with little through traffic and few exit/entry points. Mt Victoria contains and is adjacent to the highest concentration of school children in Wellington and safer speeds is important for their independent mobility.

MVRA would also like to see the safer speed zone extended to include the high population central city including Taranaki Street, and its important connection to the Wellington waterfront across the Quays, Wakefield and Cable Streets.

We note Oriental Parade is currently 40 km hour and this should be reduced to match the central area and make it easier for vehicle users to comply with the rules. Having numerous different speed zones is too complicated to expect good compliance from vehicle users.