INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE ROZELLE INTERCHANGE

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I am writing to you about my concerns regarding the intersection at Victoria Road and Lyons Road. I have lived in Drummoyne for nearly 40 years and live close by to this intersection. I walk to the shops most days, having to cross over this intersection. Thus, I feel I have good knowledge of these roads.

It is a dangerous intersection for both cars and pedestrians. The cars and heavier transport run the lights as they try to avoid the traffic lights short time window. Some drivers think they do not have to give way to the pedestrians once the walking light has turned red. It is a bit scary and I have known of a number of casualties - children, adults run over, cars in accidents and increased road rage.

Victoria Road Drummoyne is a thoroughfare, the only toll free access to the CBD from the north, thus this is a popular route for many motorists. The suburb of Drummoyne has paid a high price to subsidise the movement of people from other suburbs using Victoria Road.

Our suburb is divided into two sections, it is more difficult and time consuming for locals to get from either side of the suburb. Victoria Road is ugly, no greening exists. Lots of noise and pollution.

I suggest that a pedestrian overpass is built over the intersection at Victoria Road and Lyons Road. This would save time as pedestrians will have no need to cross Victoria Road and would enable a more efficient flow of traffic. Politicians might think - too expensive!! However, now is a good time to consider this as a "thankyou" for the locals of Drummoyne. Other government departments might consider "chipping in".

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