## FISH HOEK VALLEY RATEPAYERS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

(Incorporating Fish Hoek, Clovelly and Sun Valley)

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SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON PROPOSED UPGRADES ALONG THE M3 IN

**NEWLANDS** 

**DUE DATE: 13 DECEMBER 2023** 

The Fish Hoek Ratepayers and Residents Association (FHVRRA) supports the proposed upgrades along the M3 in Newlands as it could make travel time through this area four times faster than at present reducing the long travel time from Fish Hoek to the Cape Town CBD where many of our residents work.

In general, we support free-flow traffic conditions and especially look forward to the reduction of head / rear crashes as currently, 65% of Cape Town's head / rear crashes occur in this section.

We support all but one of the proposed median closures, revised intersection layouts, additional non-Main Road signals, cul-de-sac development and removal of pedestrian crossings.

We do **NOT** support "To reinstate a signalised pedestrian crossing at Upper Hillwood Road in Bishopscourt to accommodate pedestrians and cyclists crossing the M3". This defeats the whole objective of safe speed through this section. Especially when there is a pedestrian bridge one block South of Hillwood Road at Upper Primrose Avenue. See pic.



During the entire 26 years of travelling to and from the City along this route, we have never (not once) seen a pedestrian trying to cross at Upper Hillwood Road. We have seen some J-walking further North of here, but very rarely.

## SUMMARY

The Fish Hoek Ratepayers and Residents Association (FHVRRA) supports the proposed upgrades along the M3 in Newlands with the exception of reinstating a signalised pedestrian crossing at Upper Hillwood Road

We also think that the M3 / Rhodes and M3 / Paradise Road intersections should be made fly-overs with proper freeway access lanes.

Now can we please consider the construction of the Fish Hoek Northern Bypass through Trappieskop and dualling of Ou Kaapse Weg?

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