

Speed limit review welcomed

A review of speed limits across the entire city of Port Lincoln has been welcomed by Member for Flinders Peter Treloar, who says residents have been calling for a more simple and consistent system.

A petition gathered by a concerned resident has prompted the review, which will be undertaken by the Department for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure, in conjunction with the City of Port Lincoln, on all DTEI roads.

A particular area of concern is Hallet Place, between New West Road and Flinders Highway. The 60km/h speed limit has been regarded as inappropriate by more than 120 people who signed a petition to change the limit to 50km/h, particularly due to the skate park, tennis courts, public lawns/gardens and takeaway food outlets located on the stretch.

“Safety is of paramount importance in a busy city like Port Lincoln, and consistent speed limits will make it easier for drivers and pedestrians to navigate traffic,” Mr Treloar said.

“I look forward to the review prompting changes to ensure Port Lincoln is a safer city to walk and drive.

“A lack of pedestrian crossings and road maintenance are also of concerns to residents, and I hope the State Government starts to increase its attention in these areas also. “

The Minister for Road Safety said the review was due to be completed by the end of December, 2010.