



# Media Release

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### **Flinders councils to share in \$24 million for local roads**

Frustrated road users will see significant improvement to the condition of local roads as the Commonwealth Government injects \$2.1 billion through its Roads to Recovery Programme.

Councils in the Flinders electorate will share in more than \$24 million over the next five years to improve and upgrade roads.

Local roads provide key links between our homes, schools and workplaces to arterial roads and national highways.

The maintenance of these roads comes at a significant cost to local councils, which is why the Australian Government is doubling Roads to Recovery payments to councils next year (2015-16) to \$700 million.

This is great news for local councils, residents and businesses across the Mornington Peninsula, Bass Coast, Cardinia and Casey councils as well as French Island. The funding comprises:

- Mornington Peninsula Shire Council: \$6.881 million
- Bass Coast Shire Council: \$3.988 million
- Cardinia Shire Council: \$7.025 million
- Casey City Council: \$6.362 million
- French Island: \$114,000

These funds will make a real difference in building roads, repairing streets and creating better access for all community members.

This will ensure motorists, pedestrians and cyclists enjoy safer, quicker and more comfortable journeys on our roads.

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