

RCNB Police Mentoring Update from Russell Cooper

I'm sure many of you may recall meeting **Senior Sergeant Ashley Wigg** who was appointed as the Police mentee for the year beginning last November. I was chosen as the Mentor to represent RCNB.

Unfortunately, with Covid -19, the whole project came to a screeching halt earlier in the year.

The project Ashley was looking into was about improving safety for pedestrians and vehicles in the Doncaster Road section of the Greythorn shopping centre.

We talked about getting the speed limit for vehicles reduced from 60 to 40 Km/hr and increasing the time for pedestrians to cross at the 2 sets of lights.

Ashley started talking with Council and other Police units such as Highway patrol based at Nunawading about the number of collisions and near misses at this shopping centre.

Whilst the project was only in it's infancy, I suspect that the recent decision by Council to reduce the speed limit to 40 km/hr there has some 'traceability' back to this project.

Hence, I think we can claim some credit for the Police Mentoring project in making this area safer due to the new speed limit which is soon to be instigated along Doncaster Road at Greythorn shopping centre.

Editor's note – thanks Senior Sergeant Ashley and fellow Rotarian Russell for Opening this Opportunity.