MEDIA STATEMENT

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Queen Street speed limit reduced for safety

The speed limit on Queen Street in Ayr has been reduced between Bower and Railway Streets to improve safety for motorists and other road users.

Transport and Main Roads North Queensland Regional Director Sanjay Ram said reducing the speed limit to 50km/h would also meet road planning and design standards.

"The previous 60km/h speed limit in this area has been reduced to ensure the safety of pedestrians and to remain consistent with other speed zones along Queen Street," Mr Ram said.

"The 50km/h speed limit reflects the built-up environment along this section of Queen Street, with multiple businesses and community facilities.

"The reduction also complements existing speed zones on approach to, and through, the town.

"We ask all motorists to slow down in this area and keep to the reduced speed limit."

Speed limits are set in accordance with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), which outline standards for speed zones and signs.

When assessing speed limits, consideration is given to the road function, prevailing traffic speeds, road environment and crash history.

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