

# Not all roads have the same risk We need to help drivers read the road



## New Zealand roads can be unforgiving

- Our roads are unique. Our roads are windy, hilly, often single lane
- These roads can be challenging and demanding to drive, and the consequences of small errors can be fatal
- Not all risks are visible, and often our roads aren't easy to read



## Drivers need to choose the right speed for the road

- Drivers use a lot of cues to read the road and assess the right speed for the road and the conditions
- Conditions include the shape of the road, the weather, traffic, other road users, and road-side hazards
- Regardless of what causes a crash, speed always plays a part



## When communities understand risk, they can discuss what to do

- To reduce the risk on the road, we can improve the roads. We can also lower speed limits
- Locals know local roads, and have a perspective on what needs to be done
- Communities can contribute to discussions about local risk and how to make their roads safer

### What do you think?

We are also interested to hear what you think about how speed is managed along this section of State Highway 16. Are the risks on this road easily understood? What do you think about the speed people travel and how it is managed through signage, speed limits and enforcements? What else could be done to reduce the risk on this road and prevent more people being killed or seriously injured?

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