**What is a Road Management Plan?**

The City of Melbourne’s Road Management Plan (RMP) identifies Council’s responsibilities, maintenance standards and inspection regimes required to demonstrate it is responsibly managing its road assets and civil liability.

It is a legislative requirement of the Road Management Act 2004 that City of Melbourne have an RMP.

**Why update the Road Management Plan?**

* City of Melbourne’s RMP needs to be reviewed every 4 years in accordance with section 54 of the [Road Management Act 2004](https://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/in-force/acts/road-management-act-2004/061).
* The current RMP was formally adopted in July 2017 (Version 4).

**What are the key changes?**

The current updates include:

* The inclusion of maintenance standards for trees and vegetation
* The adjustment of intervention (maintenance) levels to align with industry standards.
* Improvements to reporting processes to improve customer experience
* Removal of information relating to third party assets that are not managed by City of Melbourne (for example, telecommunication or gas companies and water authorities)

**Key terms**

* ***Intervention levels*** provide a standard guide for identifying when maintenance is required
* ***Defect type*** refers to the type of issue that may require repair or maintenance under the RMP

**Summary of changes to road maintenance intervention levels**

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| **Intervention levels changed to align with industry standards** | | |
| **Defect Type** | **2021 Intervention Levels** | **2017 Intervention Levels** |
| Tree plots and tree plot surrounds where granitic sand or permeable hard surface infill is below footpath level | More than 40mmm | Not in current RMP |
| Overgrown vegetation and trees on Council Roads and DoT Roads | Maintain roadway height clearance greater than 4.5m  Maintain footpath clearance greater than 2.5m | Not in current RMP |
| Overgrown vegetation and trees | Remove encroachment of vegetation on footpath greater than 250mmm  Remove encroachment of vegetation on footpath greater than 250mmm | Not in current RMP |
| Trees and vegetation – fallen tree limb obstructing all traffic types | Remove obstruction | Not in current RMP |
| Pavement break out (for example, potholes, dig outs, edge breaks) | Over 50mm depth and diameter greater than 200mm | Over 25mm depth and size 10m2 within a 50m2 area |
| Pavement Deformation | Over 40mm gap under 1.2m straight edge | Over 25mm gap under 1.2m straight edge |
| Pavement cracking | Over 3mm width and over 1m2 | Over 3mm width for all repairs |
| Uneven Surface Grade | Over 50mm gap under 1.2m straight edge | Over 25mm gap under 1.2m straight edge |
| Uplifted or sunken kerbstone | Over 50mm gap under 1.2m straight edge | Over 30mm gap under 1.2m straight edge and up to 3 kerbstones |