

## **Road Hierarchy FAQs**

What is the Road Hierarchy and how will it impact?

Why do we need a Road Hierarchy?	<ul> <li>As the road network ages, faces increased traffic volumes and loads, limited funding and competing community priorities the Shire needs to prioritise how we will manage each road in the network.</li> <li>With limited financial resources not all roads can have the same treatment.</li> <li>We want to be transparent and consistent in the allocation of Council resources.</li> <li>We need to be strategic in how we manage the road network.</li> </ul>
What will the Road Hierarchy do?	<ul> <li>It will enable the Shire to invest resourcing where it provides the greatest benefit for the WHOLE community.</li> <li>This means balancing individual priorities for improved community outcomes.</li> </ul>
How will the Road Hierarchy do that?	<ul> <li>All roads have been classified based on their function, use and connectivity to the rest of the network.</li> <li>Minimum levels of service have been assigned to each classification.</li> </ul>
What does "Levels of Service" mean?	<ul> <li>This identifies the quality and condition we aspire to for each classification.</li> <li>Sets minimum requirements on what maintenance activities should happen and how often maintenance should occur.</li> </ul>
How will it be used?	<ul> <li>The annual works program allocates resources throughout the road network.</li> <li>Budget constraints mean it is not achievable to address all maintenance needs on every road.</li> <li>The prioritisation of activity will be based on the Road Hierarchy.</li> </ul>
What about school bus routes?	<ul> <li>School bus routes will always be prioritised for the highest level of service, even though the road maybe in a lower priority classification</li> </ul>
What about if my road needs more maintenance?	<ul> <li>The Road Hierarchy identifies the MINIMUM standards with the Road Hierarchy</li> <li>Ongoing condition assessments of the road network will allow the works program to adapt to changing circumstances.</li> <li>Expectations should be based on the priority of that road within the road hierarchy.</li> </ul>





The final word	<ul> <li>The Shire wants to be open and transparent with the community on the prioritisation of the road network.</li> <li>The Shire want to share the reasoning behind why the maintenance levels of some roads will be adjusted.</li> <li>The Road Hierarchy will ensure that different types of roads receive the appropriate level of attention and care, based on justified requirements.</li> </ul>
Where can I see the	The Road Hierarchy Framework and the road classification
Road Hierarchy	table can be viewed on the Shire of York website

