

Cycle City Albany (2014-2019) Strategy

COMMUNITY UPDATE
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PURPOSE OF THIS UPDATE

With the vision for Albany to become one of Australia's primary cycling destinations it is important to keep the community informed about some of the cycling achievements in the past two years.

Background

Over the past few years there has been a growing level of interest in cycling from the community. The number of people cycling to work or for pleasure has increased more than fivefold over the past 15 years in Western Australia. This trend is expected to continue as more people reap the benefits offered by choosing bicycles for business, leisure or recreational trips.

With the completion of the iconic Munda Biddi Trail, with Albany as the start (or end) point of one of the world's longest off road bicycle rides, Albany is perfectly placed to become a Cycling City.

The Cycle City Albany Strategy

The City of Albany identified a need to develop a strategic bike plan. Co-funded by the Department of Transport and working with transport planning consultants, Cardno, the City of Albany has prepared a five year draft plan.

The Cycle City Albany (2014-2019) Strategy is a culmination of the initial bike plan including recommendations

and improvement to the draft plan, following extensive community and stakeholder feedback.

The Strategy is nearing completion and will provide a clear direction for continued hard (infrastructure) improvements and soft (cycle tourism, active participation) strategies for the next five years.

The Cycle City Albany (2014-2019) Strategy aims to provide strategic guidance to enable the City of Albany to become one of Australia's primary cycling destinations.

What community told us

As part of the process, the City of Albany has undertaken a comprehensive community consultation process with those who currently cycle, or are interested in cycling, through a variety of public forums, surveys and submissions.

The majority of feedback has suggested improvements to the cycle network and improved safety. These two key areas will help us to encourage our children to ride to school, create a cycle friendly culture and generate more cycle tourism.

Princess Royal Drive/Frenchman Bay missing link

Through the consultation process the City of Albany received overwhelming feedback on the lack of connectivity and safety concerns for all cyclists along Princess Royal Drive/Woolstores/Frenchman Bay Road precinct.

As a major route for many cyclists into and out of the CBD, and the start (or end) point for the Munda Biddi Trail and Bibbulmun Track, this link is extremely important.

Feasibility Study - Princess Royal Drive to Frenchman Bay

In 2014-15 the City of Albany and Main Roads are committed to a feasibility study to investigate solutions for improved connectivity and safety for cyclists (and walkers).

Additional projects are to be identified.

For information about completed projects and other proposed projects see next page.

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2012-14 Cycling achievements

Cycle Infrastructure Projects Completed in the past two years:

The City of Albany, with funding support from Department of Transport and Main Roads, has been working hard to improve the existing cycling network with the following works completed or in progress:

CYCLE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS COMPLETED 2012-14



Cycle Path	Key Groups	Distance	Type of Work	Cost
NASHS/Anson Road	Active School Route	250 m concrete	Connecting missing shared path	\$75,000
Golf Links Road/ Troode St	Active Tourism Route and Active Club and Commuter Route	3500 m asphalt/fine 2 coat seal	On road bike lane and signage	\$685,000
Middleton Road	Active Club and Commuter Route, Active School Route	500 m asphalt	Improved kerbing and shared path around Dog Rock, Middleton Rd	\$70,000
Anzac Peace Park	Active Tourism Route	235m concrete	Improved link along foreshore through Anzac Peace Park	\$120,000
Eyre Park	Active Tourism Route, Family Friendly	600m (570m asphalt & 30m concrete)	Shared path through park	\$190,000
Great Southern Grammar – Stage 1	Active School Route, Active Tourism Route	580m (510m asphalt & 70m timber board-walk)	Shared path from Kalgan Heights to GSG	pending works
Emu Pt/ Mid. Loop - Griffiths St	Active Tourism Route, Family Friendly	170 m asphalt	Connecting missing shared path	\$75,000

CYCLE INFRASTRUCTURE PROPOSED PROJECTS 2014-2015



Project	Details
Feasibility Study for Hanrahan/Princess Royal Drive	The City of Albany, working in collaboration with Main Roads, are committed to a feasibility study to investigate solutions for improved connectivity and safety for cyclists (and walkers). The study will also investigate the main arterial routes into the CBD and end of trip facilities.
Albany Highway Shared Path	Albany Highway Shared Path from near York Street/ Lockyer Avenue Roundabout to Chester Pass Road.
Barnesby Road Shared path	Barnesby Road Shared path from North Road to Bohemia Road.
Middleton Road on-road cycle lane	Middleton Road on road cycle lane. Stage 1 improvements to the cycle lane.



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The goal of the Cycle City Albany Strategy is for Albany to become one of Australia's primary cycling destination.

The intent is to transform Albany into a 'Cycling City' where the community appreciates the social, health, economic and environmental benefits provided by cycling.

Estimated Completion Date:	Ongoing
Funded By:	City of Albany, Department of Transport, Main Roads
Project Team:	City of Albany, Cardno, Project Control Group (community stakeholders)
Current Status:	Draft ready for Council consideration

