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Green bike lane a first for Albany



In one of the first initiatives of its kind in regional WA, new bike lanes have been installed between Middleton Beach and Emu Point which include a section of “green treatment” to enhance the visibility of cyclists and increase safety.

The on-road bike lanes have been installed along Golf Links Road and Troode Street as part of the Cycle City Albany 2014-2019 Strategy.

At the busy intersection of those two roads, a section of green bike lane now provides a high quality surface which is intended to increase driver and cyclist awareness of the bike lane and improve the visibility of bicycles. The speed limit on Golf Links Road has also been changed to 70kmh.

City of Albany Community Services Executive Director Cameron Woods said Golf Links Road and Troode Street formed an important link for cyclists riding between Middleton Beach, Emu Point and Lower King Road.

“The area is a popular training loop for the Albany Cycle Club and Albany Triathlon Club, and also provides an alternative loop for casual cyclists linking with the Middleton Beach/Emu Point shared path,” he said. “The City of Albany is proud to be able to deliver a project which will increase safety for the significant number of cyclists who use the area.”

Mr Woods thanked the Department of Transport for co-funding the project as part of a three year Regional Bicycle Network grant. He said the new green treatment would be monitored closely and other opportunities for the use of similar treatments would be considered based on feedback. New bike lanes have also recently been installed on North Road.

The Cycle City Albany Strategy was officially launched in October 2014. Other proposed upcoming projects include:

- A Feasibility Study for Hanrahan Road/Princess Royal Drive (including arterial routes into the CBD).
- Albany Hwy Shared Path (Western Alignment) - project funded by COA, Main Roads and Department of Transport.
- Barnesby Road Shared Path – linking school zone to Centennial Park/North Road precinct.
- Middleton Road on-road cycle lane (Stage 1) from St Emilies to Tasman Street.

This project aligns with the City of Albany’s strategic objectives to be Clean, Green & Sustainable and to have Connected Built Environment.

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