



# Media Release

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## **Shared path to improve cyclist and pedestrian safety on Rockingham Road**

Improved safety for cyclists and pedestrians is the main motivation for installing a shared path along Rockingham Road in Hamilton Hill.

The City of Cockburn is gathering public feedback on the plan until 20 April, following receipt of \$50,000 from the Department of Transport Perth Bicycle Network Grants Program to design the path.

Cockburn TravelSmart Officer Jillian Woolmer said the path would improve safety for cyclists and pedestrians travelling along or crossing Rockingham Road. This includes school children and residents catching buses and going to local shopping centres.

“It is particularly important safety is improved considering there were four crashes involving pedestrians on Rockingham Road between Cockburn and Phoenix roads in the last five years, one resulting in a fatality,” Ms Woolmer said.

“Providing a safe and convenient path will also encourage more healthy activity to help address the growing obesity problem.”

The City plans to reduce Rockingham Road to one lane in each direction between Cockburn and Phoenix roads to install median islands and a 3m wide asphalt shared path.

Subject to funding, development of the project’s first stage would commence between Cockburn Road and Carrington Street mid-year, with the remaining stages in future years.

Construction of the path was identified in the City’s 2010 Bike Plan but was delayed while the City dealt with constraints along the road such as power poles and limited space.

Concept drawings of the plan can be viewed at the City’s Administration Building or Spearwood Library, both at Coleville Crescent, Spearwood.



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For more information and to provide your feedback via an online survey, go to <https://comment.cockburn.wa.gov.au/bike-path-proposed>, send an email to [comment@cockburn.wa.gov.au](mailto:comment@cockburn.wa.gov.au) or call the City's Transport Team on 08 9411 3444 during business hours.

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