

FAQ

Frequently Asked Questions

Why Carter Street?

Carter Street has been identified on Council's Bike Plan as a critical walking and cycling link. It is currently the only east-west street in the precinct, and the only viable route to connect the Carter Street Precinct to the regional network comprised of the Haslams Creek paths, M4 Shared Path and the potential Pippita Trail.

Why do cyclists need to be separated from traffic?

There is a small portion of the community who are comfortable riding with vehicles no matter how busy the street: the "strong and fearless". However, through international research it has been identified that two-thirds of the community are "interested but concerned" about cycling, and the key factor is safety. Councils endorsed Bike Plan 2017 sets a vision for cycling to be safe, and perceived as a safe and attractive option for all members of the community, for those aged 8 through to 80. Similarly, pedestrians move at different speeds to cyclists and feel more comfortable when given their own exclusive space. Therefore, on busy Carter Street it is proposed to physically separate cyclists from vehicles, and also pedestrians from cyclists where space allows.

Bike path: A bike path is proposed for the southern side of Carter Street between Hill Road and Birnie Avenue. The proposed bike path between the travel lane and the footpath follows national Austroads guides and is commonly used in Australia and Greater Sydney. An example in City of Parramatta is at Queens Road in Westmead, and is shown below:



How will on street parking be managed?

Due to trucks and large vehicles using Carter Street, there is insufficient width to allow parking to be retained on both sides. Approximately 85 spaces are impacted on the southern side, however a majority of the new streets being delivered in the Precinct will have on street parking on both sides, and this will deliver approximately 500 new spaces that will more than offset any temporary loss.

How is the project funded?

The design for this project is funded under the NSW Government's Precinct Support Scheme

What is happening with bus stops?

TfNSW is currently delivering an upgrade of Hill Road that will change how buses access Carter Street. Should a bus stop be required on the southern side, provision has been made for one at the eastern end near Birnie Avenue.

Where can I find more information?

If you need assistance preparing a submission, or you would like information in another language or format, please contact the Project Team via 1300 617 058 or transportplanning@cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au