

# Alfred Street Cycleway

## Frequently Asked Questions.

### What consultation has taken place previously?

Council sought feedback from the community on the Draft North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan. An online survey and a series of drop-in sessions were used to engage with a broad cross-section of the community, including local residents and sporting groups. Please see the Stage 1 North Granville Community Facilities Masterplan Engagement Report located in the Resources section of this webpage.

### What can I comment on?

Council would like to hear from you if you have any concerns or issues with what is proposed, the draft concept plan is located in the Resources section of this webpage.

### Why Alfred Street?

Alfred Street is the only street that connects through Harris Park and Granville from Parramatta Road to the Parramatta River, and is the least hilly of adjacent streets. It connects with existing cycling routes at the M4, Parramatta Road and the Parramatta Valley Cycleway, as well as key destinations such as F.S. Garside, the proposed Alfred Street Pedestrian and Cyclist Bridge over the river, and potential future traffic signals at the intersection of Parramatta Road (not part of this project).

### 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. Therefore, on a busier street such as Alfred Street it is proposed to separate cyclists from vehicles. This aligns with the Bike Plan that identified Alfred Street as the key north-south route east of the CBD.

### Where is the bike path proposed?

A bike path is proposed for the eastern side of Alfred Street between Parramatta Road and Eleanor Street. The proposed bike path between the parked cars and the footpath follows national Austroads guides and is commonly used in Australia and Greater Sydney. It allows

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parking to be retained on both sides of the street and maintain existing vehicle movements. An example in City of Parramatta is at Queens Road in Westmead, and is shown below:



**How can Council spend the funding allocated to this project?**

Council has been granted funding under the PRUAIP by the NSW Government for the nominated project only, it is not available to be spent on other projects.