

Response to question on notice

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Question No. 597

Ms Jo Clay MLA: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services

1. What analysis has the ACT Government done over the past four years to develop dedicated bike paths to connect West Belconnen (a) with the broader Belconnen region, (b) to the Molonglo Valley region, (c) towards Gungahlin town centre, and (d) to existing connectivity pathways towards the city.
2. What are the outcomes of the analysis referred to in part (1).

TARA CHEYNE MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. The ACT's District Strategies were published in 2023 and reflect the ACT Government's approach to sustainably support future growth in the ACT. Each District Strategy includes a map that shows 'strategic movement to support city growth', which identifies future intended routes (including active travel) that have been identified following a strategic network assessment.
In addition, current and recently completed active travel projects are published on the City Services website at <https://www.cityservices.act.gov.au/Infrastructure-Projects/programs/path-network-improvements>.
2. The ACT Government takes a holistic approach to developing active travel facilities. Whilst active travel routes are planned, the specific treatments for dedicated paths aren't identified as future intended facilities within the ACT's Active Travel Plan or the ACT's Active Travel Planning Tool. 'Dedicated bike paths' are referred to in ACT's Municipal Infrastructure Standards as bicycle-only paths - these facilities are different to shared paths that have been designed for use by pedestrians and cyclists. Shared active travel facilities currently comprise the majority of ACT's active travel network.
The ACT Government undertakes strategic planning to determine the location and alignment of active travel facilities. In locations where the volume of people walking and cycling and the volume and speed of road users are in conflict; dedicated cycling facilities are then considered through infrastructure design where appropriate.

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Minister for City and Government Services

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