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Engagement Report

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Background

In November 2020 the City consulted the community on a cycleway on Oxford Street, College Street and Liverpool Street. The cycleway concept design showed:

Oxford Street

- The 2-way cycleway is centre running with 1 city-bound traffic lane converted into a separated cycleway.

Liverpool Street

- The 2-way cycleway is centre running between College Street and Elizabeth Street, on the northern side of the road between Elizabeth Street and Castlereagh Street.

College Street

- The 2-way cycleway is in the kerbside lane on the western side of College Street.

The City spoke with community, businesses and major stakeholders including Transport for NSW and Sydney Mardi Gras.

Engagement summary and activities

From 18 November to 18 December 2020, we asked the community for feedback on the concept design.

The purpose of the engagement was to make concept plans available for comments that will inform a detailed design on the improvements that will benefit community including people walking and riding.

The Sydney Your Say page was created and visited 2508 times during the consultation period. The plan was downloaded 993 times.

A notification letter was sent to 2920 properties.

We received a total of 819 submissions during the public exhibition period.

Submission were very supportive of a safe cycling connection and the main comments related to improving safety, connections, environmental benefits and concerns about access to a centre running cycleway and intersections.

Snapshot of people who answered the survey



819 people surveyed

99% completed the survey as individuals (not as an organisation or business)



609 submissions support the project

65 submissions do not support the project

145 submissions provided qualified responses and suggestions

Engagement summary – ideas and issues

Idea or issue raised	Count	City of Sydney response
Supportive of the project	609	Noted
Unsupportive of the project	65	Noted
Cycleway will create traffic issues	78	The proposal reallocates some road space from motor vehicles to bike riders, consistent with the NSW road user hierarchy (Road User Space Allocation Policy). This will increase safety and make cycling a more attractive mode of transport for those wishing to ride.
Use of a centre running cycleway and transitioning to intersections and cycleways	47	The design for the cycleway on Oxford Street is currently under review and the issues raised will be considered in the revised design.
Access and intersections	25	The majority of issues raised related to intersections along a centre running cycleway on Oxford Street. The design for the cycleway on Oxford Street is currently under review and the issues raised about will be considered in the revised design.
Other areas are in need of cycleways	24	The City's adopted planned bike network can be seen on page 17 of the Cycling Strategy and Action Plan (at cycleways.sydney). Oxford, Liverpool and College Streets are high priority due to the existing high use, potential for further growth, and the existing high number of crashes.
Conflicts between people riding, walking and driving	10	The different road users (people driving, riding and walking) are separated wherever possible. Road safety audits will be undertaken to identify and mitigate potential conflict points.
Need for education when implementing the cycleway	9	City staff routinely conduct onsite education when new infrastructure is opened, to ensure safe use.

Appendices

Appendix A: Sydney Your Say webpage (including online survey)

The screenshot shows a webpage with a blue background. At the top left, there is a green box with the text "Proposed works & maintenance". The main heading is "Have your say on new cycleways for Oxford, Liverpool and College streets". Below this, a sub-heading reads "We're proposing cycleways on Oxford, Liverpool and College streets to give people more options to ride safely." In the center, there is a dark blue box with a white arrow icon and the text "Under review". Below this, it says "Contributions to this consultation are closed for evaluation and review. The project team will report back on key outcomes." At the bottom of this box, it states "PUBLIC CONSULTATION PERIOD 18 November 2020 to 18 December 2020".

Why we're doing this

The City of Sydney is proposing to pilot new cycleways on Oxford, Liverpool and College streets to provide more transport options in the city.

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What we're doing

The cycleways include a 2-way cycleway in the centre of Oxford Street, west of Taylor Square, and Liverpool Street and a 2-way cycleway on the western side of College Street.

The innovative centre cycleway design will provide people cycling with a similar level of "green time" as if they were riding with traffic, but in a safer, separated road environment. The design will also reduce conflict between bike riders and parked cars, buses and vehicles (especially those turning at intersections). People can get to and from the cycleway at every signalised intersection along this part of Oxford Street.

On Oxford Street, 1 City-bound traffic lane will be removed to make space for the cycleways, leaving the current kerbside arrangements for buses, loading and parking as they are.

This requires a 6-month trial of kerbside arrangements on the southern side of Oxford Street to ensure buses can still operate effectively.

The cycleway is built with lighter weight materials than our usual permanent cycleways. It provides the same level of protection but can be installed faster to minimise disruption.

The cycleways will be jointly funded by the City of Sydney and the NSW Government, and built by the City of Sydney.

Work is scheduled to start in March 2021 and be completed by June 2021. Some night work will be required.



Oxford, Liverpool and College streets

1. Please provide your feedback below

2. You can also upload your submission.

No file chosen

* 3. What is your interest in the cycleways - select all that apply

- Resident within the City of Sydney local government area
- Visitor to the City of Sydney local government area
- Worker in the City of Sydney local government area
- Bike rider
- Business owner
- Property developer
- Licensed venue operator
- Other business operator
- Other (please specify)

* 4. Please provide your contact information.

Name *

Postcode

Email Address *

The next question is for organisations only.

5. Organisation name

The contact information will be held by the City of Sydney and not shared with any third parties, in line with the City's [Privacy Management Plan](#).

* 6. Feedback may be published in publicly available reports at the end of the consultation period. Do you give permission for your name or organisation's name to appear in these reports, with your feedback attributed? We will not publish your email address.

- Yes No

Privacy and personal information protection notice

Purpose: Collect community feedback on Oxford, Liverpool and College streets cycleways

Recipients: City of Sydney staff/contractors.

Supply: Voluntary.

Access/Correction: City of Sydney, 466 Kent St, Sydney, 9265 9333.

Storage: Council's record management system in line with our [privacy management plan](#). Responses are stored temporarily on a third-party service called SurveyMonkey ([terms of use](#) and [privacy policy](#)).

