

Item 27.**Other Authorities - Shared Path, Darling Island Pyrmont**

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Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the implementation of a Shared Path along the eastern boardwalk from Ballarat Park to Pyrmont Bay Park.

Voting Members for this Item

Voting Members	Support	Object
Place Management NSW	[Insert]	[Insert]
Transport for NSW	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – Sydney City PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

Place Management NSW is committed to encouraging people to ride bicycles and improving the safety and amenity of cycling infrastructure by making bicycle riding a real and convenient option for the Pyrmont community.

A Shared Path is proposed for the Darling Island eastern promenade to improve rider safety by providing an off- road alternative to Pirrama and Darling Island Road.

The implementation of a shared pathway in Darling Island that is designated for the use of both bicycle riders and pedestrians would promote safety and compliance amongst cyclist

and pedestrian behaviors, compliance by riders and deter high-risk behaviors among cyclists by reminding them to slow down.

Comments

Bicycle riding is supported as a low cost, environmentally friendly mode of transport that can help to improve the livability of our towns and cities. A Shared Path is proposed to improve safety by providing an off-road alternative for people riding along Darling Island Pyrmont which serves as transit corridor.

Shared paths are implemented to provide a safe, reduced speed connection for people walking and riding. People who do not feel confident riding on the road can choose to use a shared path but must give way to people walking and are advised to not exceed 10km/h. Place Management NSW seek to install a shared path where the space is wide enough, such as this section of Darling Island Pyrmont.

According to Transport for NSW Centre for Road Safety, the recommended minimum shared path width is 2.5 meters, which is based on Austroads guidelines. The path of the main promenade of Darling Island is approximately 4 meters wide and between sections widens to 5 meters.

According to Transport for NSW Centre for Road Safety research findings published in August 2015, Shared Paths represent a relatively low safety risk.

If endorsed the shared path will be installed with appropriate line marking and signage.

Consultation

Place Management NSW has reviewed the areas use and established there is a clear need for a Shared Path as such has consulted with the community directly affected and have since received endorsement from the Pyrmont Saunders Wharf Apartments strata committee and surrounding residents / stakeholders, for the implementation of a Shared pathway at Darling Island.

Place Management NSW believe the establishment of a shared path will be the best outcome to promote safety and compliance amongst cyclist and pedestrians as well as providing residence clarity for the use of the public spaces and the ability to self-regulate users or to report issues to PMNSW control rooms or Police.

Financial

All costs associated with the Shared Path signage installation and promenade markings will be borne by Place Management NSW.

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