



The Hon. Shelley Hancock MP
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MORE THAN HALF A MILLION REASONS TO GET ON YA BIKE!

Member for South Coast Shelley today joined with Shoalhaven City Council representatives to announce the NSW Government is investing more than \$500,000 under their Walking and Cycling Program for nine projects that would encourage people to get on their bikes and cycle the beautiful South Coast.

Mrs Hancock said the funding would assist Shoalhaven City Council to construct new cycleways, bike racks and kerb ramps across the South Coast improving connectivity, safety and accessibility for cyclists and pedestrians alike.

“As part of our active transport program, we are investing in infrastructure to encourage people onto bikes,” Mrs Hancock said.

“Cycling is an important part of our local transport strategy as well as a great way to reduce congestion and keep active.

“The most practical way to encourage community participation is to have quality supporting infrastructure that includes dedicated paths, ramps and bike racks,” Mrs Hancock said.

Projects to receive funding include:

Shared User Pathways

LOCATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
St Georges Basin	Stage 1 of a shared path constructed from Nulla Place to the Wool Lane as part of a broader plan to improve connectivity through to Sanctuary Point.
Ulladulla	Stage 2 of a shared path constructed along Deering Street, completing connectivity with Ulladulla Lighthouse.
Swanhaven	Advanced design works underway for a shared path bridge along The Springs Road connecting Swanhaven and Cudmirrah.

Bike Racks

LOCATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
Wowly Creek beach access	The new racks providing safer and tidier storage in an area where bikes are frequently used, especially by tourists to the area.
Plantation Point Parade Vincentia	The installation of new racks in an area where a high number of bikes are currently being left, providing tidier and safer storage and better access to the precinct for all users.
Centre Street Callala Beach	The new racks providing safer and tidier storage in an area where bikes are frequently used, especially by tourists to the area.

Kerb Ramps

LOCATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
Nowra	Kerb ramps being constructed throughout Nowra as identified in Council's local strategic plan.
Huskisson	Kerb ramps being constructed throughout Huskisson as identified in Council's local strategic plan.
Ulladulla	Kerb ramps installed at the intersection of South Street and the Princes Highway Ulladulla.

“This is a fantastic win for the community and local cycling enthusiasts with some really great projects soon to be underway,” Mrs Hancock added.

“Each project is important, delivering improvements for not only cyclists but pedestrians and those with mobility issues and prams.

“However, I’m particularly thrilled to have secured funding to continue the Deering Street shared user path.

“The new path will improve connectivity and offer users a safe alternative to existing arrangements through better segregation from other traffic all the way from the town centre to Warden Head Lighthouse.

“The NSW Government provided \$150,000 in 2017 to see stage 1 of the project get underway in addition to an investment of \$460,000 to improve safety, upgrade facilities and landscaping at the lighthouse.

“Once both projects are complete the lighthouse will certainly be an easily accessed, major attraction iconic to the Southern Shoalhaven.

Since 2011 funding provided for South Coast projects under the NSW Government’s Active Transport Program has totalled more than \$3 million.

“I am committed to the provision of safe and connected bicycle networks between centres, transport hubs and tourist destinations and this funding will help us achieve just that,” Mrs Hancock said.

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