

Action	Activities completed during 2017/18
1 Construct a shared use path along the Melbourne Water Pipe Track from East Burwood to Mitcham.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council officers have undertaken extensive planning and community engagement activities with the State Government to design the remaining sections of the shared use path along the Melbourne Water pipe track. Unfortunately maintenance and renewal issues of the Melbourne Water underground pipes are required which is preventing the shared path use project from proceeding at this time. Council will continue to advocate for the path to be constructed as soon as the maintenance and renewal works are completed by Melbourne Water.
2 Identify, map and prioritise 'Low Stress Easy Rides' throughout the municipality.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six 'Easy Ride' routes have been drafted. Community engagement activities have been conducted on the draft routes and a review of the feedback is underway.
3 Consider funding and commence a program of improvements for the 'Low Stress Easy Rides' on the local road network (eg linemarking and wayfinding signage).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awaiting outcome of action 2.
4 Identify key arterial road crossing points and other physical barriers to creating 'Low Stress Easy Rides'.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awaiting outcome of action 2.
5 Advocate to the State Government for improvements to the identified key arterial road crossing points and other physical barriers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awaiting outcome of action 2.
6 Implement high priority actions from Council's review of cyclist safety at existing traffic management devices.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three existing traffic treatments along Eley Road Box Hill South and five treatments along Albion Road Box Hill have been modified to improve cyclist safety. Funding from the TAC has been received to assist with the construction costs.
7 Expand the Skate/ BMX facility in Box Hill South.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of the expanded skate/ BMX facility in Box Hill South is complete and publically opened in October 2017.
8 Continue to advocate for the appropriate design and construction of the Box Hill to Ringwood shared use path.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All sections of the path are open to public, except for the section through Laburnum. Council continues to advocate for the appropriate design and construction of this section of the path.
9 Identify opportunities to improve connections to off road shared paths, particularly north-south connections to the Box Hill to Ringwood shared use path. Consider funding for the projects.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connections are being considered as part of the 'Low Stress Easy Rides' (Action 2). • Construction of an additional pram crossing at Eley Park was completed during 2017/18 • Successful advocacy along with Knox Council and community cycling groups for a shared use path to be constructed by the State Government along Burwood Highway between Morack Road Vermont South and Eastlink. This path will connect the EastLink path and the Dandenong Creek Trail. The State Government announced in May 2018 that the path will be funded and constructed during 2018-19 and 2019-20.

10	Advocate for the timely construction of a shared path on the former Healesville Freeway Reservation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council officers have been informed that Parks Victoria master planning, which would include planning of the shared path through the linear park, will commence when the land transfer process is complete. • Council continues to strongly advocate for the timely planning and construction of the path, including having meetings with state government politicians.
11	Work with land developers to ensure cycling infrastructure and services are appropriate in new major developments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing liaison with developers through the planning permit application phase to ensure compliance with the Whitehorse Planning Scheme.
12	Ensure Council's major development projects include appropriate cycling end of trip infrastructure and services, eg Nunawading Community Hub.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extensive planning for paths, bike parking and end-of-trip facilities continue for the development of the Nunawading Community Hub.
13	Document the location of current end of trip bicycle facilities on Council properties. Identify gaps and consider funding for the installation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bicycle hoops were installed in Laburnum Village shopping centre.
14	Consider options for improving accessibility, safety and convenience for cyclists utilising service lanes parallel to arterial roads. Advocate to VicRoads, where required, for improvements to service lane connections.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This action is scheduled to be undertaken during years 8-10 of the Cycling Strategy.
15	Design, construct, inspect and maintain on and off road cycling infrastructure in accordance with the Road Management Plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These tasks are conducted on an ongoing daily basis in accordance with the Road Management Plan. • Council has reviewed the current Road Management Plan and has commenced the process of preparing amendments for internal and public consultation.
16	Ensure that new road and path infrastructure considers the needs of all users including cyclists, pedestrians and vehicle occupants. Consider lighting, visibility, rest facilities, signage, separation of road users if appropriate, accessibility for users of all abilities and convenience.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New path and road infrastructure is designed to consider the points raised in Action 16. • Ongoing advocacy to the State Government to minimise the detrimental impacts and maximise appropriate infrastructure along the Koonung Creek Trail as a result of the North East Link project.
17	Work with the State Government and neighbouring municipalities to ensure relevant network improvements provide connectivity, accessibility and safety throughout the eastern region. Prioritise relevant actions from the Melbourne East Regional Sport and Recreation Strategy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing liaison with neighbouring municipalities and the State Government regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pipe track shared use path ○ Burwood Highway shared use path between Morack Road Vermont South and the EastLink bridge in Wantirna South ○ Shared use path along the former Healesville Freeway reservation ○ Impacts of the North East Link on the Koonung Creek path • Active participation in the ongoing development of the Eastern Regional Trails Strategy with six other municipalities in the Eastern Region and the State Government. • Work has commenced on the development of the Metropolitan Cycling Network as part of the Resilient Melbourne program.
18	Work with the State Government to review and update strategic documents relevant to Whitehorse, eg: Principle Bicycle Network; Strategic Cycling Corridors; Metropolitan Trail Network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing and detailed discussion and planning with the State Government regarding Strategic Cycling Corridors, particularly the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chirnside Park to Mordialloc Strategic Cycling Corridor (via the pipe track) ○ Box Hill to Ashburton Strategic Cycling Corridor (via the Gardiners Creek Trail) ○ CBD to Belgrave Strategic Cycling Corridor (via the Koonung Creek Trail). • Ongoing advocacy for the construction of the Strategic Cycling Corridor along the former Healesville Freeway Reservation.

19	Advocate for improved access and increased cycle parking at key sites within Whitehorse, eg: train Stations (particularly Blackburn and Heatherdale); appropriate tram stops; Shopping centres; Primary, secondary and tertiary education facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocated to Metro Trains and Public Transport Victoria for improved bicycle storage at Mont Albert train station. • Implemented the 'Whitehorse Active and Safe School Program' at Whitehorse Primary School, including planning for an upgrade of the school's bike parking facilities. • Bicycle hoops have been installed in Laburnum Village shopping centre.
20	Review Council's Domestic Animal Management Plan to understand the effectiveness of dog off leash controls in the vicinity of shared paths.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council adopted the Domestic Animal Management Plan 2017-2020 in October 2017. The Plan includes actions to review the off-lead provisions and to implement a comprehensive community education strategy.
21	Review on-road cycle lanes where vehicle parking is permitted. Assess if improvements can be made that accommodate the needs of cyclists and drivers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action not commenced.
22	Investigate options to identify sections of the shared path network where reduced speed limits would improve pedestrian and cyclist safety and implement appropriate advisory signage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action scheduled to be undertaken during years 4-7 of the Cycling Strategy
23	Investigate safety improvements that can be made to the local road network that currently have a Level of Traffic Stress rating of 3 or more	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action scheduled to be undertaken during years 4-10 of the Cycling Strategy.
24	Develop an 'Easy Ride Signage and Wayfinding Strategy' to identify consistent, legible, and practical signage and linemarking to be implemented across the network.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awaiting outcome of Action 2.
25	Continue to review Green Travel Plans submitted to Council to ensure they align with the City of Whitehorse Cycling Strategy 2016.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Travel Plans continue to be assessed when submitted to Council as part of the planning permit process.
26	Advocate to the State Government for appropriate cycling conditions as they plan and deliver major transport and recreation projects.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing advocacy to the State Government regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Box Hill to Ringwood shared use path ○ Shared use path along the former Healesville Freeway Reservation ○ Shared use path along the Melbourne Water pipe track ○ Expansion of the Eastern Freeway as part of the North East Link project and the implications on the Koonung Creek Trail ○ Shared use path alongside Burwood Highway from Morack Road Vermont South to the EastLink bridge in Wantirna South
27	Continue to implement cycling education programs for school aged children that encourage safe cycling as a healthy and sustainable mode of transport and recreation. eg Bike Ed, Bike It, Transit, Bike Skills School Holiday Program, Ride to School Day.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All schools within Whitehorse are offered the opportunity to participate in a wide range of education programs funded by Council. Below are the outcomes for 2017/18. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 'Bike It' hosted on 22/11/17 with 148 students and 83 volunteers/ staff ○ 'Transit' sessions held in 13 schools with 724 grade 6 participants ○ Funding provided for two teachers at Whitehorse Primary School and one teacher at Kerrimuir Primary School to undertake Bike Ed accreditation training ○ 'Whitehorse Active and Safe School Program' implemented with Whitehorse Primary School ○ Cycling and scooting promoted as part of the 'Walk to School' program in October 2017 ○ 'Ride to School Day' promoted in May 2018 ○ School holidays bike skills program hosted on 4-5/4/18 ○ Road safety presentation at Sweetland Road Early Learning Centre 31/5/18

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jointly hosted an Active Transport Forum on 9/5/18 with Manningham and Maroondah Councils to encourage primary schools to participate in active travel programs
28	Continue to implement education programs for adults to encourage bike riding for transport and recreation. Particularly encourage females and community members who are 'interested but concerned', eg CycleWise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 x novice 'CycleWise' courses held on 22/10/17 2x intermediate 'CycleWise' courses held on 5/11/17 and 24/3/18 'Mums on Bikes' course held on 20/10-3/11/17 Bike maintenance course held on 3/6/18
29	Develop and implement a publicity campaign to raise awareness that parklands and reserves are for the enjoyment and use of a variety of users, and therefore need to be respectfully shared by cyclists and pedestrians.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advertising regarding sharing paths in October 2017 and the January 2018 editions of the Whitehorse News Promotion at the Ride to Work events in October 2017 Ongoing patrols of parks and reserves to promote keeping dogs on leads on shared paths Pop up displays in parks regarding responsible animal ownership including keeping dogs on leads when on shared paths Distribution of information, such as the 'Sharing Roads and Paths' brochure, at education programs and community events.
30	Develop and implement a publicity campaign that promotes the respectful sharing of roads by drivers and cyclists. Continue to use resources from campaigns such as the Amy Gillett Foundation's 'It's A Two Way Street' and 'A Metre Matters'.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advertising regarding sharing of roads and footpaths in October 2017 and January 2018 editions of the Whitehorse News Promotion at the Ride to Work events in October 2017. Promotion and distribution of 'We care for Cyclists' bumper stickers to encourage better sharing of the roads. Distribution of information, such as the 'Sharing Roads and Paths' and the 'It's a Two Way Street' brochures, at education programs and community events.
31	Host community cycling and promotional events that encourage new riders and congratulate existing riders eg Ride to Work Day, Ride to School Day, Whitehorse Spring Festival, Community Bike Rides	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'Ride to Work Day' events hosted in Box Hill and Nunawading on 18/10/17 2 x novice 'CycleWise' courses held on 22/10/17 2 x intermediate 'CycleWise' course held on 5/11/17 and 24/3/18 'Mums on Bikes' course held on 20/10-3/11/17 Promotion and distribution of 'We care for Cyclists' bumper stickers to encourage better sharing of the roads 'Ride to School Day' promoted in May 2018 Bike maintenance course held on 3/6/18 Jointly hosted an Active Transport Forum on 9/5/18 with Manningham and Maroondah Councils to encourage primary schools to participate in active travel programs
32	Provide information and maps in a variety of accessible formats that promote cycling routes and programs and allow cyclists to select routes that are suitable for their skill level. Consider regional publications rather than municipal. Work with community groups and retail outlets to distribute the information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TravelSmart maps distributed at relevant community events such as CycleWise, Transit and Wiser Driver. Map is available on Council's website and through Council's customer service centres. Planning has commenced to update the map. Information and maps distributed at events, including 'It's a Two Way Street' brochure and the 'Sharing Roads and Paths' brochure. Work has commenced on the development of the Eastern Regional Trails Strategy to identify regionally significant trails and ways of promoting their use throughout the eastern region of Melbourne. Work has commenced on the development of the Metropolitan Cycling Network as part of the Resilient Melbourne program. Wayfinding signage is an essential component of the Easy Ride Routes that are currently being planned.
33	Support, where feasible and appropriate, cycling campaigns and events conducted by external stakeholders and community groups.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promotion and distribution of 'We care for Cyclists' bumper stickers to encourage better sharing of the roads Implemented Bicycle Network's 'Ride to Work Day' event in conjunction with Box Hill Institute Implementation of joint 'Bike It' event with RoadSafe Eastern Metro and Boroondara Council Continued implementation of education campaign regarding respectful sharing of roads and paths by cyclists, pedestrians and drivers (using Amy Gillett Foundation materials); VicRoads' 'Travel Happy' campaign promoted at Bike It event; Promotion of new State Government Road Rules that relate to cyclists Implementation of VicHealth's 'Walk to School' program that promotes all forms of active transport including cycling.

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34	Promote respectful driver behaviour through enforcement of parking regulations in locations where illegal parking causes safety issues for cyclists. Liaise with Victoria Police regarding other Road Rules that are outside the enforcement authority of Council.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing education and enforcement of parking regulations throughout the municipality Advertising campaign continues regarding respectful sharing of roads by all road users (see actions 29 and 30) Ongoing liaison with Victoria Police regarding enforcement and road safety issues.
35	Develop an 'Easy Ride' brand. Run a promotional campaign for each new Easy Ride route following implementation, including households along the routes, visitors to major destinations along the routes and the general community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awaiting outcomes of Action 2.
36	Participate in relevant regional and state committees to increase knowledge and advocate for improved services and infrastructure within Whitehorse.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular attendance and active participation in groups such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eastern Transport Coalition Metropolitan Transport Forum RoadSafe Eastern Metro Sport and Recreation Victoria forums Eastern Region Trails Strategy project committee Whitehorse Council/ Victoria Police road safety committee Community Liaison Group for the North East Link project
37	Review and update internal policies (eg Green Travel Plan) and procedures to raise Council officers' awareness of cycling issues and enable a culture of promoting safe, healthy and sustainable transport and recreation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A review of Council's Green Travel Plan has commenced Induction training is held for all new Council staff regarding transport issues, including cycling to and from work, end of trip facilities and cycling events for staff. Officers have attended training courses, workshops and conferences during 2017/18, eg <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bike Futures conference MAV road safety workshop MAV/TAC cyclist safety workshop AITPM conference Smart Urban Futures conference
38	Encourage cycling amongst Whitehorse Council staff through the development of tailored programs and promotions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff are encouraged to participate in 'Ride to Work Day' and 'CycleWise' events Ongoing encouragement through new staff induction processes Review of Council's Green Travel Plan has commenced
39	Regularly review cycling data, eg ABS Census data, VISTA, bicycle and traffic counts, school travel data, crash statistics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crash statistics reviewed regularly Cycle to school data captured as part of the VicHealth's 'Walk to School' program Participated in Bicycle Network's 'Super Tuesday' and 'Super Sunday' data collection programs.
40	Monitor trends in use of various types of bikes, including electric bikes, tandems, recumbents and hand bikes. Plan for infrastructure, education and advocacy actions as required.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action not commenced.
41	Annually evaluate key programs and projects and report to Council the progress of implementing this Strategy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation reports prepared for programs such as 'Bike It', 'Walk to School' and 'Ride to Work Day'. Road Safety Audits conducted for construction projects such the improvements at traffic management devices Council report regarding the 2017/18 progress of the Cycling Strategy presented to Council in July 2018.

42	Conduct a review of this Strategy at the midpoint and end of its term.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Action scheduled to commence after year 5 of the Cycling Strategy.
43	Form a group of community cyclists and non-cyclists to assist with the strategic implementation of the Whitehorse Cycling Strategy 2016.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Active Transport Forums will be hosted in lieu of a committee. This will allow for greater involvement and engagement with community members. The first Forum was held on 21 February 2018 and was well attended.