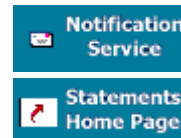


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\$700,000 cycling grants announced

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State Government funding totalling more than \$150,000 will help improve cycling facilities in the City of Armadale and the City of Gosnells this financial year.

Planning and Infrastructure Minister Alannah MacTiernan said the Perth Bicycle Network (PBN) funding included:

- \$80,000 for a path between Armadale Road and Forrest Road as part of the Woolworths redevelopment - the ARA would complete a link to Armadale Station;
- \$43,000 to the City of Gosnells towards a \$100,000, 1.2km shared path along the Canning River from Prince Street to Wilkinson Museum; and
- \$28,650 to the City of Armadale for paths linking Albany Highway to Railway Avenue along Armadale Road in Armadale, and along Connell Avenue in Kelmscott, between Brookside Avenue and Turner Road.

Ms MacTiernan said that since 2001-2002, the City of Armadale and the City of Gosnells had received a total of \$330,845 and \$498,981, respectively, through the PBN Local Government Grants Program.

"Before this, the south-east corridor had not received much Perth Bicycling Network funding," she said.

"Our Government has made sure this region gets a fair share.

"In addition, the State Government has spent \$10.7million on major cycle path projects in the south-east corridor, including paths along Tonkin Highway and along the railway line between Kenwick and Gosnells."

The Minister said that this financial year, 20 metropolitan local governments would share PBN grants worth more than \$700,000.

"As a result of these grants, a further 31km will be added to Perth's bicycle network, including 23km of on-road bicycle lanes and eight kilometres of off-road shared paths," she said.

"Over the past five years, the Government has provided more than \$5.2million to metropolitan local governments and built more than 360km of cycling infrastructure throughout the State.

"These grants demonstrate that the Government is serious about its responsibility for ensuring safe and enjoyable environments for cyclists and pedestrians.

"By making access safer, we can get more people on bikes.

"Shared paths have been particularly effective, with off-road facilities appearing to appeal particularly to women.

"This, combined with the success of the 'Cycle Instead' campaign, has proved very effective in boosting cycling levels in Western Australia.

"Across Australia, bicycles outsold cars for the sixth straight year in 2005."

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