

How did this project come about?

There has been a high level of community interest in the development of a cycling and walking path connecting Willunga and Aldinga for many years.

In the lead up to the State Election, Leon Bignell Member for Mawson committed \$3M funding to support the delivery of a new shared use bicycle and walking path from Willunga to Aldinga. The City of Onkaparinga has now received a Community Infrastructure Grant Agreement from the Department of Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) to administer this funding.

Where is the new shared use path located?

The path will provide a 5.8km link between Aldinga Road/ Mainwaring Street intersection in Willunga and Main South Road/ Port Road intersection in Aldinga. The new path will connect into an existing footpath network at each end of the newly constructed path.

The shared use path will be off-road along Aldinga Road and the majority of Flour Mill Road. An on-road walking/ cycling connection will be incorporated for a small segment along Flour Mill Rd and Free Lane. The alignment of the path can be viewed on the location plan below.

Off-road segments of the shared use path will be sealed and 2.5m wide.



LOCATION PLAN







Why are there on-road connections along the shared use path?

Two on-road connections along the shared use path are proposed on local no-through roads.

Flour Mill Rd – west of Adey Rd (approx 500m length) has been earmarked for an on-road connection as it has a low level of local traffic and has significant vegetation established along the road verge. To construct an off-road shared use path in this location would require significant tree removals which council is keen to avoid.

Free Lane - (approx 230m length) also has a very low level of local traffic.

Local road rules will apply in areas where the pedestrian/cycling connection is earmarked as 'on-road'.

What will the work consist of?

The shared use path will consist of:

- Establishment of off-road path segments: 2.5m wide sealed shared use path
- Concrete, rubble and vegetated medians along Aldinga Road to provide safety separation from vehicles and shared use path users
- Landscape works along the path (where appropriate)
- Culvert extension for new shared use path on Flour Mill Road
- New shared use path bridge over Willunga Creek near Aldinga Road/ Pethick Road intersection
- Bus stop relocation approximately 50m further west of Aldinga Road/ Pethick Road intersection
- Speed limit reduction on Aldinga Road to 60km/hr commencing west of the new bus stop location, heading east into Willunga township
- Stormwater works (swales, pits & pipework) as required for the path development
- Traffic and wayfinding signage along pathway.

Works to slightly widen some sections and reconstruct Flour Mill Road will also be undertaken during Stage 1 construction including an intersection upgrade at Flour Mill Road/Bayliss Road.



Will trees be removed as part of the works?

A major focus for the design is to protect and retain existing trees.

On Flour Mill Road only weed species have been identified for removal and minor pruning as part of the path works.

A few of trees have been identified for removal along Aldinga Road at the road crossing locations in order to construct a safe path crossing point at the intersections. The trees that have been identified are not significant or regulated trees and therefore do not require state planning approval for removal. All other trees will be retained, noting that some may require minor pruning for the path works.

Several new trees and vegetated areas are proposed to be planted along Aldinga Road as part of the shared use path construction. Proposed new trees will be reviewed with adjacent landowners.

When will the work commence and how long will it take?

The construction of the shared use path will be delivered in two sections as per below:



LOCATION PLAN





Section 1: Scheduled to commence mid-August 2023 with completion expected April 2024.

Section 1 shared use path will be undertaken concurrently with the Flour Mill Road – road reconstruction project.

Section 2: Earmarked to commence late 2023 with completion expected mid 2024.



How will you mitigate community impacts during construction?

During the construction period every effort will be made to minimise inconvenience to the general public.

The works will be coordinated to minimise impact to road users with the aim to keep roadways open to the public for the duration of the works.

Construction works will require heavy machinery and to ensure public safety, traffic management measures (traffic controllers, speed restrictions and traffic signage) will be employed when required.

Where the construction works will impact access to landowner driveways, council will liaise with landowners in advance to coordinate works to minimise disruption.

Works will generally be restricted to between 7am and 5pm weekdays.

How are you engaging with the community?

We have spoken directly to all residents living along the relevant sections of Flour Mill Road, Free Lane and Aldinga Road and have sent project information to surrounding residents advising them of the project and providing the opportunity ask questions and provide feedback.

We will send another letter to residents adjacent to the section being worked on two weeks prior to the commencement of the works.

Advanced notice signage will be installed onsite to notify users of the identified roads who may not receive information through the engagement process.

A dedicated <u>Your Say page</u> has been developed and we will continue to update this page prior to, and throughout construction. You can ask questions about the project via the Your Say page.

Related projects

The Flour Mill Road – road reconstruction project will be undertaken concurrently with Section 1 of the shared use path works.

How can I get further information?

Visit the Your Say page at www.onkaparingacity.com/yoursay or contact:

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