

Geraldton Cycling Network EXPANSION PROJECT

Frequently Asked Questions

Why are shared paths being built?

For more than 10 years the community has been requesting an off-road shared path that will enable people to ride or walk from Cape Burney in the south to Drummond Cove in the north. These paths are also identified as priorities in the Geraldton 2050 Cycling Strategy.

How many shared paths are going to be built?

The City has received funding to design and construct three shared paths that will connect the most northern and southern suburbs to the existing shared path network. These paths include:

- Glenfield Beach Drive Shared Path: a 2.5m wide, 380m long path between the Chapman Road and Hillview Drive roundabouts
- Chapman Road Shared Path: a 3m wide and 3.5km long path between Corallina Quays and Glenfield Beach Drive
- Cape Burney to Tarcoola Beach Shared Path

Who is funding these projects?

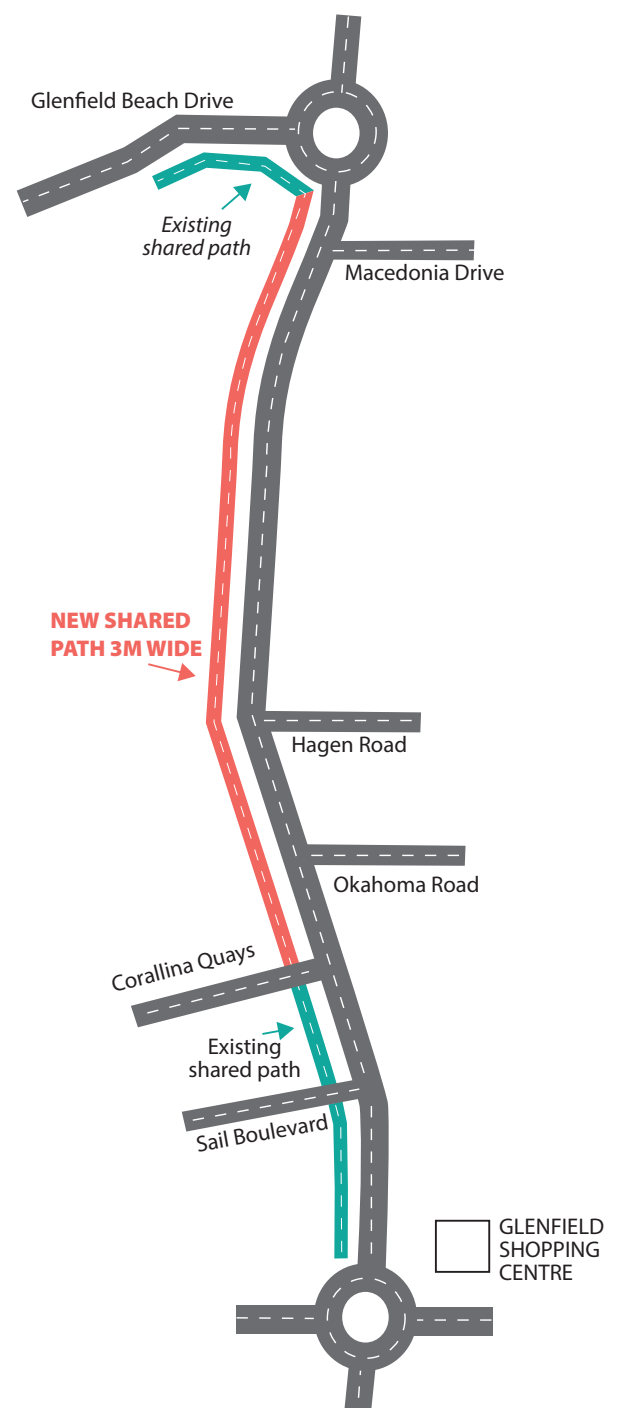
The \$4.24 million Geraldton Cycling Network Expansion Project is 100 per cent State Government funded and a key McGowan Government election commitment. The project will expand the City's Cycling Network by 8.3kms through the delivery of the Chapman Road Shared Path from Sunset Beach to Drummond Cove and a shared path from Cape Burney to Tarcoola Beach.

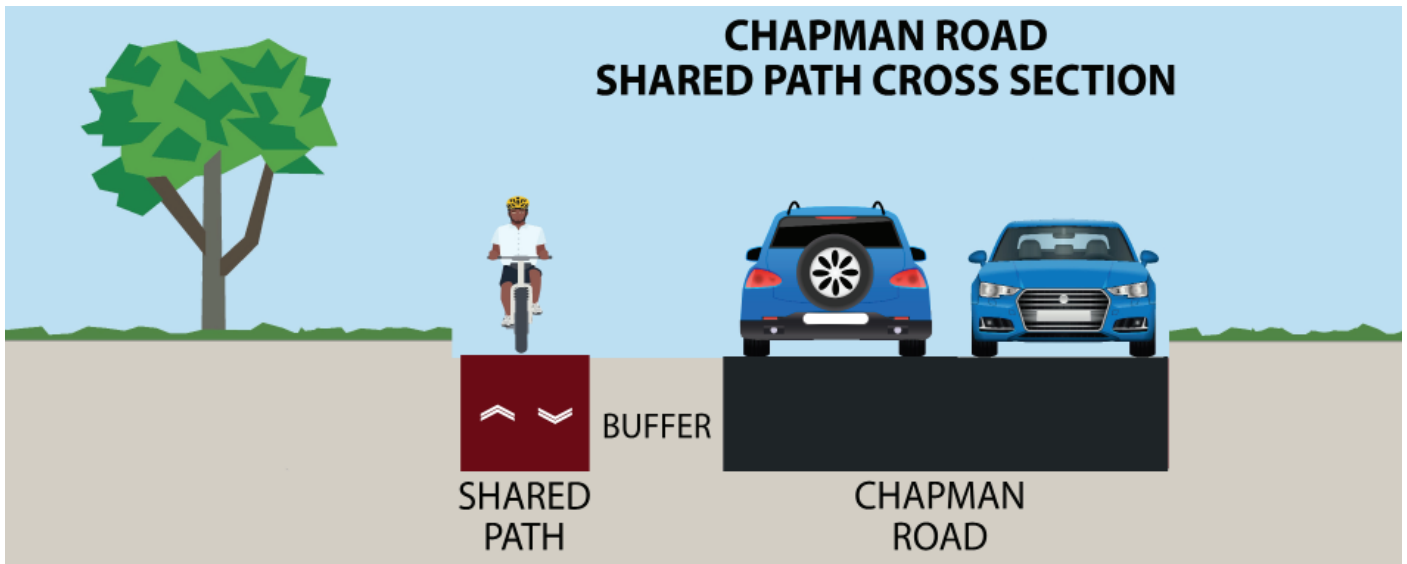
When will the paths be built?

Construction on the Glenfield Beach Drive Shared Path is scheduled to begin before the end of the 2021/22 Financial Year.

The Chapman Road Shared Path is currently being designed and is scheduled for construction in 2022/2023. A feasibility study for the Cape Burney to Tarcoola Beach Shared Path is currently underway. Once completed, design of the path can begin. A timeline for the construction of the path will be determined after the design is complete.

Chapman Road Shared Path Location/Alignment





Will the shared paths be constructed along the beaches?

No, the Geraldton Coastal Hazard Risk Management Adaptation Plan does not recommend building any infrastructure near the coast that would be impacted by coastal erosion. Building a path further inland from the beach is also not possible as the City does not own, or manage, some of the bushland blocks located between Sunset Beach and Drummond Cove and between Tarcoola Beach and Cape Burney.

Where exactly will the shared paths be constructed?

The 2.5m wide and 380m long Glenfield Beach Drive Shared Path will be built predominantly on the south side of the road.

The 3m wide and 3.5km long Chapman Road Shared Path will be built along the west side of Chapman Road. Both of these paths will be separated from the road by a buffer strip.

The alignment of the Cape Burney to Tarcoola Beach Shared Path has not yet been determined. The exact location will be determined following the completion of the feasibility study.

Why were these locations chosen?

Connectivity and continuity are key factors in determining the location of shared paths.

The Glenfield Beach Drive Shared Path will connect the existing path located on the west side of the Chapman Road roundabout with the existing footpath at the Hillview Drive roundabout.

The Chapman Road Shared Path will directly connect the path at the Glenfield Beach Drive roundabout to the recently completed shared path at Corallina Quays in Sunset Beach. It will also directly connect into the future Glenfield Activity Centre.

These two paths also provide the potential to showcase some of the area’s natural landscapes while also forming an important recreational asset for the community. They will enable residents the opportunity to ride or walk to school, work or the local shops, and provide visitors to the region with a new option to explore the City safely.

Will construction of the shared paths impact traffic on Glenfield Beach Drive and Chapman Road?

There may be some short term disruptions to traffic during the construction period. The City will endeavour to keep disruptions to a minimum when and where possible.

Will trees and vegetation along the road be impacted by the construction of the shared paths?

Yes, some trees and vegetation may need to be removed to ensure an adequate buffer zone between the shared path and Chapman Road is maintained.

How can I stay informed about these projects?

Contact the City by calling 9956 6945 or email janellk@cgg.wa.gov.au