

Walking and bike riding project case studies

Project name	Corangamite Shire Economic Stimulus and Support Package
Council	Corangamite Shire Council
Project summary	Footpath expansion projects were delivered as an economic stimulus across five townships creating opportunities for local contractors and / or casual employment and community connectivity benefits.
Outcomes & highlights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides connections to township infrastructure and services as well as recreational walking loops • Waiving of Council's Special Rates and Charges policy • No contributions / cost from abutting and benefiting property owner • Activates local economy in COVID environment
What worked well	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council willingness to adopt waiving of fees to support local community and business
Challenges & constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk of straying from Council policy and setting of future precedent for resident contributions • Contractor availability
Lessons learned	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilising Council's in-house concrete crews and contractors has meant the job has been completed more efficiently and with improved productivity.
Council quote	"These projects and future projects to be delivered under the same Economic Stimulus package were identified in Council's works program. Council acted swiftly to ensure these projects could support local business and benefiting land owners in a COVID environment and ultimately get footpaths delivered enhancing local community connectivity". Brooke Love, Director Works & Services
Timeframe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two projects were delivered in 2019-2020 and three will be completed in 2020-2021
Who was involved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillors, local contractor and council's concrete crew
Contributions & cost (eg jobs created)	Fully funded by council. Total project cost is estimated at \$415,000 with approximately 15% or \$65,000 of landowner contributions waived



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