



BETTER BIKE INFRASTRUCTURE

And New Cycling Facilities

Everyone benefits from better, safer bike infrastructure

Canberrans want more travel options. Many of Canberra's car trips are easily doable on a bike. All we need is the right infrastructure to make them quick, safe and easy.

The ACT Greens want Canberra to grow into a city that prioritises sustainable transport - walking, cycling and public transport. This will create a city that is both environmentally friendly and that works better for everyone.

With fast growth and a growing number of cyclists, Canberra is reaching a stage where we can explore new facilities that both support existing cyclists and help encourage new people to cycle for their transport.

In addition to our significant initiatives to build and plan Canberra as the active travel capital, the ACT Greens will invest in the preliminary work needed to develop:

- » A major bicycle hub for the city and other town centres
- » A bike share scheme for Canberra.

> **Bicycle hubs for town centres**

A lack of "end of trip facilities" (such as showers, changerooms, bike storage, etc.) remains a significant obstacle faced by people who are considering commuting to work by active travel - especially by bicycle.

To help address this issue the ACT Greens would commence work to explore options for a Bicycle Hub for Civic and other town centres. A Bicycle Hub is a dedicated, fully staffed building that contains showers,

bicycle storage and potentially other facilities such as bicycle repair, laundry facilities, coffee and other services. An example is provided by Brisbane's successful City2Cycle facility.

As a first step the Greens would commence feasibility study work for the project. In the longer term we would seek to engage private partners in the design, construction and management of any facilities.

> **A bike share scheme for Canberra**

A bike share system allows people to quickly and easily access a bike from a conveniently located bike station, and return it to another bike station. Bike share schemes facilitate active travel, complement public transport, and encourage new people to take up riding.

A bike share scheme is potentially feasible and beneficial to Canberra, particularly with the construction of Stage 1 light rail and a concentration of employment, tourist and residential locations around the City and the Inner North and South.

The Greens would fund a feasibility study to investigate options for commencing a "bike share" scheme in Canberra, initially focused on the Parliamentary Triangle, City, New Acton, ANU and Dickson in collaboration with the National Capital Authority.