

Strategic Cycleway Corridors

Eastern Harbour City Overview

Program Update
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Acknowledgement of Country

Transport for NSW acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which we work and live. We pay our respects to Elders past and present and celebrate the diversity of Aboriginal people and their ongoing cultures and connections to the lands and waters of NSW.



Our vision

The NSW Government vision is to provide a safe and connected cycleway network across Greater Sydney to enable more people to safely ride their bicycle as part of their everyday travel.

The Strategic Cycleway Corridor program provides the foundation for establishing safe and convenient cross-city cycleway connections that better connect centres, precincts, and places, and enables councils to progressively expand local bike networks.

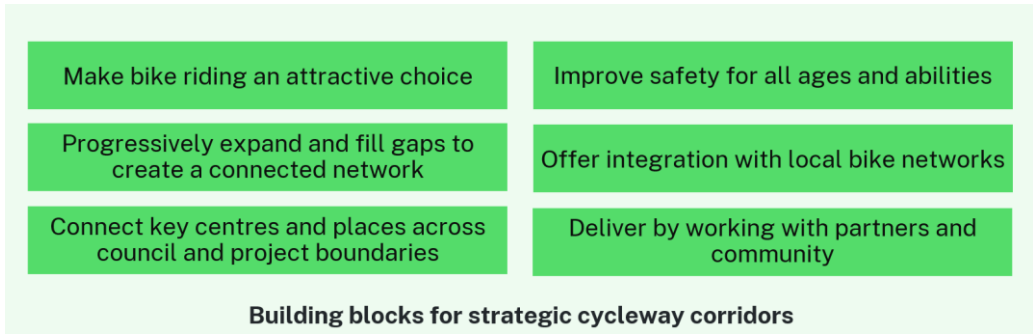
The program is focused on the Eastern Harbour City initially and will grow over time to the other metropolitan cities across NSW.

Our challenges and opportunities

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2 million daily car trips in Sydney are less than 2km	6 million daily car trips in Sydney are less than 5km	Safe, direct and connected cycleways are attractive options for 70% of people	Alternatives to short car trips help manage congestion and support net zero targets
Approximately 50% of students are driven to school	Congestion is increasing and estimated to cost more than \$15bn a year by 2031	Riding can be a fast and healthy way of travelling for short trips	Increasing riding opportunities enables people to be more active
Lack of physical activity in adults is a growing concern	Safety and a lack of suitable connections is a barrier to riding	Majority of school students live within a 20-minute ride to school	Supporting the recent shift in more people choosing to ride

Eastern Harbour City strategic cycleway corridors

This program identifies the strategic cycleway network for the Eastern Harbour City and will identify how each corridor should be prioritised. The primary focus is to provide safe cycleways for people of all ages and abilities and better connect centres, precincts, and places. The network was built around six building blocks.



Improving the network

To improve the network and enable more people to ride, this program will apply the design guidance in Transport for NSW’s Cycleway Design Toolbox.

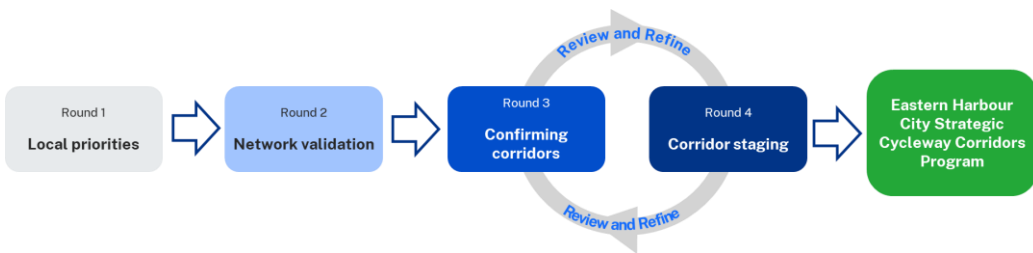


The design of each corridor will consider a range of factors and the infrastructure response will be based on its local setting.



Local partnerships

The program and the effective staged development of corridors is contingent on the ongoing collaboration between Transport for NSW, local councils, and bike groups. Transport for NSW is working in partnership with 19 councils and five bike groups across four rounds of engagement.



Communities will be consulted as each corridor is developed ensuring local needs and outcomes are considered.

Strategic Cycleway Corridor network map

30 strategic cycleway corridors have been identified for the Eastern Harbour City, making up approximately 250 km of network (as indicated in the map). The corridors will connect key centres and major points of interest. Exact routes will be subject to detailed design and collaboration with councils and the community.

Extensions to corridors will also be considered to connect riders to recreational activity hubs including major parklands and beaches.



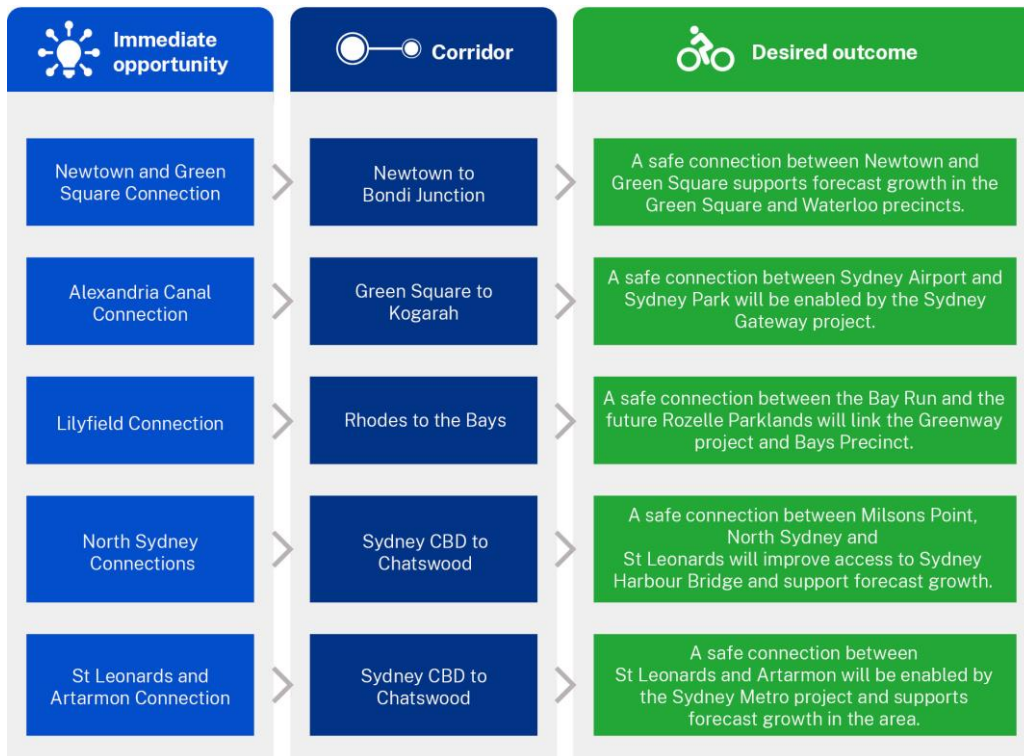
A fully connected network will be achieved by the progressive expansion of **strategic corridors** that go beyond local government boundaries, and by the delivery of **local bike networks**.

Some connections between centres, precincts and places are already established. Progressing connections which fill gaps in the network are priorities in the initial phase. This will help fast-track the development of our connected network and make riding an attractive option for everyday trips.

Immediate opportunities

Corridors will be developed in sections to progressively expand the connected network.

Five connections within the strategic network are seen as immediate opportunities to progress as they will fill important gaps in the network. Progressing these connections will help fast-track the forming of our connected network and enable more people to ride safely for everyday trips. The immediate opportunities are detailed below.



Transport for NSW will continue to work with councils and partners to progress these immediate opportunities as well as expanding the program to include other corridors within the strategic network.

Transport for NSW will continue to support councils to deliver and expand local bike networks through planning guidance and funding support under the Get NSW Active program. This local network planning framework complements this program by feeding into strategic corridors.



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