

Greenvale to Attwood Shared Path Project



Below is a summary of your feedback and how it will be incorporated into the next phase of the project.

Community comment	Project consideration
No lighting, tree planting, drinking fountains or seating	The land on which the shared path is being built is owned by Melbourne Water and contains significant underground water supply pipes and associated infrastructure. Unfortunately, in this location Melbourne Water does not permit the installation of lighting, drinking fountains, seating, or tree planting.
Dirt bikes / Trail bikes / Motorbikes	Preventing motorbikes from accessing public open space is an ongoing challenge, as many of the deterrents, such as barriers, extra gates or fences can also prevent or reduce access for many other park and trail users. Council and Melbourne Water are meeting soon to examine the gaps in the perimeter fencing between Melbourne Water and private land, with a view to installing fencing to remove some of the motorbike access points.
Concerns about privacy	The new shared path will be located on public land that has been accessible to the community for many years. Unfortunately, due to the underground water supply infrastructure, trees to screen backyards cannot be planted along the perimeter of the Melbourne Water land.
Impact during construction on neighbouring residents	Residents adjacent to the shared path may unfortunately experience some machinery noise during construction. We currently anticipate construction to commence in February 2023, and it is expected to take 3-4 months, dependent on weather and any other unexpected issues. Construction notices will be delivered to adjacent residents prior to commencement of works. Traffic management will be in place near the entry/exit points to support safe movement of construction vehicles.
Dogs off leash issues	Signage and path markings will be installed as part of the project to remind dog owners that the shared path is an on-leash area.

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Make the path wider	The shared path will be three (3) metres wide. The permit issued by Melbourne Water for the shared path specifies its width and location to avoid impacts on underground pipes and it cannot be wider than three metres.
Dog poo bags and bins	Council will further discuss options for installing dog poo bag dispensers and bins with Melbourne Water. If permitted these will only be able to be installed adjacent to the entry/exit points of the shared path.
Include a drinking fountain/water bottle filler	Whilst there are underground water pipes where the shared path is being built, these are not the type of pipes to supply water for drinking fountains and bottle fillers.
It will be quicker walking than driving down Mickleham Road	Possibly! There are significant roadworks commencing in Mickleham Road soon, so alternate modes of transport could be the way to go.
More options for travelling and exercise with kids	We agree! We hope the shared path will encourage more people to walk, cycle, explore their local area and connect to other trails.
Will the track be open during construction?	For safety reasons there will be no community access during the construction period. Construction vehicles and Melbourne Water maintenance crews will be permitted only.

