



Central Coast Council Candidate Statements

Cheryl Fuller

If elected my priority with regard to making it easier for people to walk and ride is to:

ensure that council footpaths, crossovers and parking areas when created or upgrades comply with all DDA requirements as a minimum. Central Coast has recently adopted its Disability Access Plan developed by a group of people with a variety of lived experiences, and which I was proud to guide as chair. Council have endorsed a similar group as an enduring monitor of council infrastructure work to provide an all access 'lens' to everything we do.

Does my council have a bike plan?

Central Coast have a variety of Plans which consider bike users, but not a specific bike plan. As part of the NW group of councils' developing the shared pathway, access, path width and connectedness is front of mind.

I do support the completion of the Coastal Pathway. I see the following ways that I can work to see its completion:

Having served on the Cradle Coast Authority Board mid planning of the NW shared pathway, and hosted forums on this topic, I am intimate with the work, lobbying and length of time this work has taken. As a cyclist myself, I am very excited about the progress being made to connect the municipalities and concerned about recent statements by the current Mayor of Burnie about a possible lack of commitment to join the links. My commitment is to find a solution to the link between Ulverstone and Penguin along the 'old coast road'.

Thank you to Safer Road for Cyclists for your continuing advocacy for cyclist, mobility aids and shared pathway users.



Casey Hiscutt

My name is Casey Hiscutt and I am standing for council election in the Municipality of Central Coast.

With regard to cycling, scooters, wheelchairs, skateboards and walking, here are my thoughts:

There are obvious important health and social aspects and there is also a growing tourist market for paths such as the coastal pathway. It will be an incredible path to encourage locals and tourists alike to get out and about.

If elected my priority with regard to making it easier for people to walk and ride is to:

- Ensure the continuation of the Coastal pathway and seeing a continued push for its completion.
- Also to ensure our local paths, when renewed, are suitable to all users.
- I would also like to ensure main arterial cycling routes through town are produced.

My Council does not have a bike plan, we currently have a cycling strategy. However, it is very broad with sweeping statements. I think we need to develop a more details strategy on which cycling routes are needed and what benefits we can achieve.

I do support the completion of the Coastal Pathway. I see the following ways that I can work to see its completion: I and the Central Coast are committed to the path ways completion. We have included in our annual plan this year to review the harder sections so that we can develop the best course of action to provide a a way forward. It will happen, it must happen, it is just a matter of how and when.



John Beswick

My name is John Beswick, and I am standing for re-election as a Councillor & for Deputy Mayor in the Central Coast Municipality.

I have been a very passionate supporter of the Coastal Pathway & cycling infrastructure in general.

Having lived near & used the current coastal pathway for many years, I see the daily use it gets from all age's - walking, running, cycling, scooters, wheelchairs & skateboards. The health & wellbeing benefits are immeasurable

The council recently had some extra funding available & I was able to encourage the upgrade of the section behind the Tennis Courts in West Ulverstone which will then link into the new section starting soon from the Apex Caravan Park along past Goat Island to Robertsons Road.

Our next challenge will be from there to Penguin & some strategic thinking will be required to work through that which I am very keen to be part of.

During the last term of Council I have been encouraging linkways to be created from outer areas into the town centres & coastal pathway so it will be easier for people to choose to walk & ride to destinations where possible.

One important part of this is trying to get more bike racks placed in the supermarket carparks & around town for secure storage of your bike or scooter.

I look forward to the day that we can all ride from Wynyard to Latrobe off the main roads with our children & grandchildren
