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Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: Proposed shared path on the Giovanni Brunetti Bridge**

The Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (SSROC) is an association of sixteen municipal and city councils. SSROC provides a forum for the exchange of ideas between our member councils, and an interface between governments, other councils and key bodies on issues of common interest. Together, our member Councils cover a population of over 1.6 million, or one third of the population of Sydney.

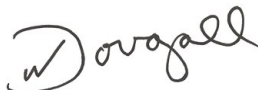
Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed shared path on the Giovanni Brunetti Bridge and Marsh Street, Mascot/Arncliffe. SSROC is supportive of active travel and infrastructure that will facilitate it. We strongly recommend that the details of the proposed shared path and its links to the bike routes on either side should be developed with the active involvement of council experts in this field, particularly from Rockdale City Council in which Marsh Street is located.

The proposal that cyclists would cross Marsh Street at the traffic lights near Flora Street to access the bridge does not appear to be a very safe suggestion, since the proposed bike path is on the southern side of Marsh Street, and these lights are some distance from the bridge itself. A better suggestion might be to extend the bike path on the southern side under the western approach to the bridge to connect to the new shared path.

There are a number of safety concerns for cyclists and pedestrians on Marsh Street: the construction of the new shared path could create an opportunity to begin to address these. Certainly the broader safety issues need to be taken into account in designing the shared path and links, to ensure that future plans for safer active transport are not adversely affected by the new path.

If you would like to discuss this issue further, or to contact our regional Transport Working Group, please do not hesitate to contact me or Program Manager, Helen Sloan, on 9330 6455.

Yours faithfully



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