

The Hon. Andrew Constance, MP
GPO Box 5341
Sydney NSW 2001

30 November 2020

Dear Minister,

Re Bridge Road Glebe Pop Up Cycleway

The Glebe Society supports safe cycleways. This includes cycleways in and out of the Glebe community and those in our area.

Our most recent Management Committee meeting discussed the Bridge Road pop up cycle way and our support for cycling broadly. We are concerned that the cycleway is not safe. There are many spots where the cycleway ends suddenly with no indication or advice as to where the cyclist is to go. There are also spots where there is extremely poor visibility for cars turning from side streets.

The cycleway needs to be safe for cyclists, vehicle drivers and pedestrians. Local residents need access to essential services such as health care, meals on wheels, disability services and provision needs to be made for this.

We request the State Department provide for a detailed response to the expert Bridge Road cycleway independent safety audit commissioned by local residents provided to your organisation. We seek a detailed response at the level of each specific finding in the report; not a generalised overview. We also ask for information as to when the local and state government post construction safety audit will be complete and if it will be provided to the Glebe Society.

We understand and support the State Government's principled position of wanting to find ways to create routes in and out of the city for cyclists as an alternative to road vehicle traffic. We suggest that a restoration of the Glebe Island Bridge offers an extraordinary opportunity in this regard.

Yours sincerely

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The Glebe Society