

16 December 2020

The Lord Mayor of Sydney, Clover Moore City of Sydney 483 George Street Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Lord Mayor

Re: Permanent cycleways in Erskineville and Alexandria

I am writing in relation to the City's proposal to construct permanent cycleways, shared paths and upgraded crossings in Erskineville and Alexandria.

The pop-up cycleways have been hugely successful, and very much appreciated by our community, particularly more vulnerable riders who would not otherwise feel confident to brave the traffic on major roads such as Henderson Rd. Connecting the missing links is so important to allow the network to function as a whole.

During the pandemic we have seen a huge increase in the desire of people to use active transport, and for people living in Erskineville, Alexandria and Newtown - as well as those who pass through these neighbourhoods - it is now a short and easy ride into the city. Having separated cycleways makes this a safe, pleasant and convenient journey. Similarly, having cycleways linking to Sydney Park means that people can enjoy the parkland without needing a car to get there, taking pressure off local roads and car parks.

In my capacity as the Member for Newtown, our office has received positive feedback from the community, telling us that they feel safer on the new cycleways.

Many thanks for your leadership to transform Sydney to a cycling friendly city, we look forward to continuing to work with you collaboratively in the service of our inner city communities.

Yours sincerely,

Jenny Leong MP

Member for Newtown

