



# Delivering Active Transport in Lake Macquarie

Fernleigh Track, Lake Macquarie City Council Cycling and Footpath Strategies

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# Fernleigh Track



## Regional context

- Joint ownership between Newcastle City Council & Lake Macquarie City Council
- Acquisition of 15km disused rail corridor between Adamstown & Belmont
- Implementation plan adopted in 1999
- Construction staged over 10 years, completed in 2011

# Fernleigh Track



## **Aspects of the Track**

- Natural environment, rail heritage, tourism, economic contribution, health & wellbeing, transport.

## **Implementation**

- Staged over 10 years
- Multiple funding sources
- Interpretation strategy



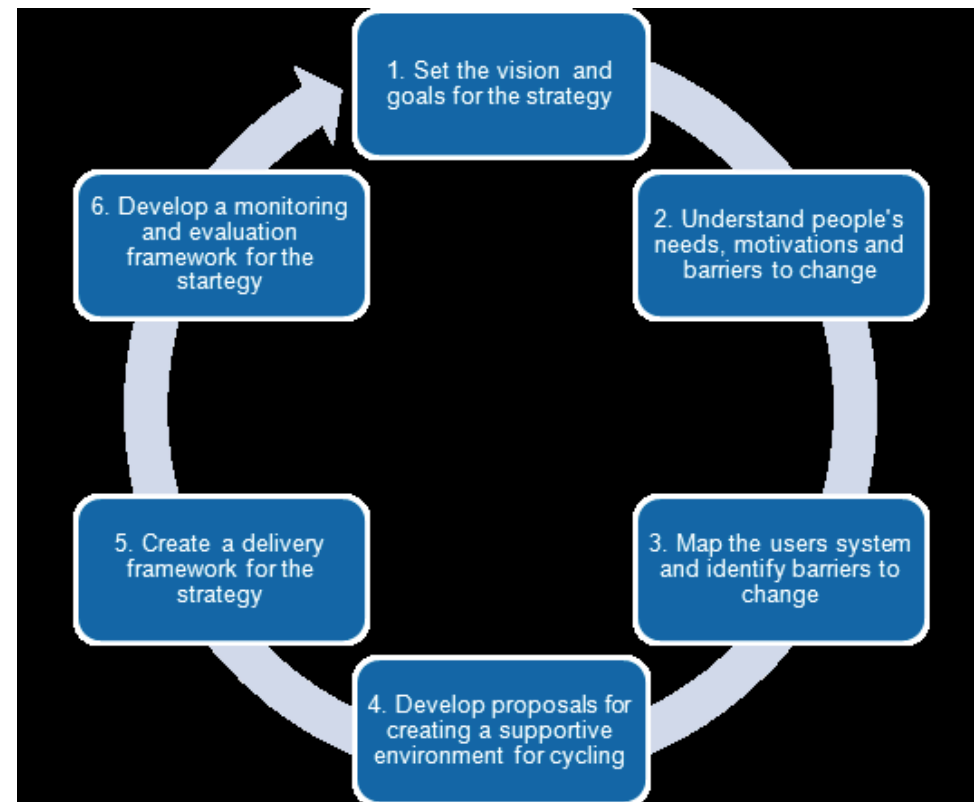
# Cycling Strategy 2011 - 2021



# Cycling Strategy

*Vision is for a stronger and more diverse cycling culture in Lake Macquarie, accessible to all.*

Achieved through the provision of facilities underpinned by a behavioural change model, designed to create a supportive environment for cycling.



# Cycling Strategy



Projects underway:

- Fernleigh track to Blacksmiths
- Speers Point to Glendale
- Bareki bends Eleebana
- Bonnells Bay, Sunshine, Brightwaters

Campaign

- “See the person, not just the bike”



# Footpath Strategy 2013-2013





# Footpath Strategy



*To provide pedestrian facilities in a consistent and sustainable manner, where they provide the most benefit to the community in general, and to enable safe & convenient pedestrian travel.*

## Objectives

- Identify current provisions
- Develop methodology for prioritising future facilities
- Develop a future works program

# Footpath Strategy



## **Guiding Principals**

A range of reference points considered and tested with stakeholder consultation.

## **Prioritisation criteria**

To enable a consistent approach to assessing facilities proposed.

## **Footpath priority register**

Aligning projects identified with resources available.

## **Delivery through capital works program**

Annual targets included in Councils delivery program.



