

1. DRAFT Action Plan (2026-2030)



These actions have been developed to guide the development of the Whitehorse transport network over the next four years. These actions are strategic, achievable, measurable and time based.

These actions are rated upon their impact-cost grouping to deliver the most meaningful transport benefit to Council for the lowest price.

The review and feedback from the previous action plan will influence the next action plan to ensure our actions are linked to the most current circumstances. The feedback received from the consultation will influence the final Action Plan 2026-2030.

Table 1 Whitehorse Integrated Transport Strategy – DRAFT four-year action plan

ID	Focus Area	Major challenge	Location	Action Description	Impact-Cost	Responsible Authority
1	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Box Hill	Construct the bicycle upgrades at Thurston St/Brougham St roundabout, Box Hill	Medium impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
2	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Burwood East	Install bike lanes on Mahoneys Road, Burwood East, between Hawthorn Rd and Burwood Highway.	Low impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
3	Walking	Pedestrian amenity and safety	Box Hill	Construct Stage 1 of the Nelson Road pedestrian safety improvements in Box Hill (new pedestrian zebra crossing).	High impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
4	Walking and Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Nunawading	Detailed Design for a shared user path along Rooks Road, Nunawading to connect the Pipe Track with the Box Hill to Ringwood Shared User Path.	High impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
5	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Nunawading	Detailed Design for a cycling connection between the Box Hill to Ringwood Shared User Path and Whitehorse Road, via the 'Harvey Norman' laneway.	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council

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6	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Burwood East & Vermont South	Detailed Design of the Burwood Hwy Cycling Corridor Project between Burwood and Vermont South. Prioritise the project into separate construction stages.	Low impact - Moderate Cost	Whitehorse City Council & Victorian Government
7	Policy	Motor vehicles and parking	LGA wide	Develop the Whitehorse Car Sharing Policy to encourage reduced private vehicle ownership in major activity centres	Low impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
8	Road Network and Safety	Motor vehicles and parking	Box Hill	As part of the Box Hill Parking Review, undertake a review of loading zones in the Box Hill MAC.	Low impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
9	Walking	Pedestrian amenity and safety	Box Hill	Construct Stage 2 of the Nelson Road pedestrian safety improvements in Box Hill (intersection upgrades at Nelson Road and Arnold Street).	High impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
10	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	LGA wide	Develop a Cycling Action Plan, which will identify, investigate and prioritise future cycling projects, including: -connections between existing shared user paths for recreation, walking, and cycling. -routes to key destinations across the municipality linking open spaces, busy activity centres, schools, train stations, sporting fields and community facilities.	High Impact - Moderate Cost	Whitehorse City Council

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11	Walking and Cycling	Barriers to safe riding Pedestrian amenity and safety	Local streets	Investigate and develop a concept design for a trial traffic treatment on an existing Easy Ride Route (NS2, Nelson Road, between Severn and Shannon) that prioritises bike riders and pedestrians to calm traffic and lower vehicle speeds.	High Impact - Moderate Cost	Whitehorse City Council
12	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Box Hill & Mitcham	Complete detailed design of Whitehorse Road Cycling Projects, including Linsley Street/Dorking Road (Box Hill), Rooks Road/Dunlavin Road (Nunawading) and Edward St (Mitcham)	Medium impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
13	Walking and Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Nunawading	Construct a shared user path along Rooks Road, Nunawading to connect the Pipe Track with the Box Hill to Ringwood Shared User Path.	High impact - High cost	Whitehorse City Council
14	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Nunawading	Construct a cycling connection between the Box Hill to Ringwood Shared User Path and Whitehorse Road, via the 'Harvey Norman' laneway.	High Impact - Moderate Cost	Whitehorse City Council & Victorian Government
15	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Burwood East & Vermont South	Construct Stage 1 of the Burwood Hwy Cycling Corridor Project between Burwood and Vermont South.	Low impact - High Cost	Whitehorse City Council & Victorian Government

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16	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Blackburn	Investigate and complete detailed designs to provide a safer cycling connection on Laburnum Street, Blackburn, as part of the Box Hill to Ringwood Strategic Cycling Corridor.	High Impact - Moderate Cost	Whitehorse City Council
17	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Activity Centres	Investigate and install more bicycle parking rails/hoops across Whitehorse, including activity centres, community facilities and major destinations.	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
18	Equal access for everyone	Pedestrian amenity and safety	Activity Centres	Develop a program to prioritise footpath and pedestrian ramp upgrades to improve walkability and safety. Incorporate these upgrades into the existing footpath renewal program, where possible.	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
19	Vibrant Neighbourhoods	Pedestrian amenity and safety	Activity Centres	Undertake a "Movement and Place assessment" and a "Healthy Streets assessment" for one (1) Major Activity Centre to guide future improvement programs.	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
20	Road Network and Safety	Motor vehicles and parking	Activity Centres	Develop an Education Awareness Program to address the rise in e-bike food delivery services to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists in activity centres.	Low impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council

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21	Road Network and Safety	Motor vehicles and parking	Local streets	Reduce speed limits on local roads to improve road safety for all road users (including pedestrians and cyclists), including: - 30km/h speed limit around three (3) schools (in local roads only). - 40km/h speed limit along three (3) high pedestrian areas (in local roads only). - 40km/h speed limits on three (3) Easy Ride Routes - 30km/h speed limits on Council local roads without footpaths on both sides of the road in Blackburn	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
22	Policy	Motor vehicles and parking	LGA wide	Develop a Traffic Management Policy to guide and prioritise the installation of traffic treatments in local roads. This policy will also include temporary traffic management for non-Council events such as Christmas Lights, Halloween and Neighbourhood Street Parties.	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
23	Road Network and Safety	Motor vehicles and parking	LGA wide	Adopt the Safe System Approach (i.e. the four pillars of safer people, safer vehicles, safer speeds and safer roads) and Healthy Streets Assessments into road and streetscape design to improve road safety and amenity for all road users.	Medium impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
24	Policy	Motor vehicles and parking	Activity Centres	Develop a community Electric Vehicle Charging Policy that guides the implementation of EV charging stations in activity centres, Council facilities and kerbside chargers linked to existing power poles.	Low impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council

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25	Road Network and Safety	Land use and public realm	Activity Centres	Provide convenient drop-off and pick-up areas for ride-share (i.e. Uber and taxi) and food delivery services	Medium impact - High cost	Whitehorse City Council
26	Road Network and Safety	Motor vehicles and parking	Activity Centres	Investigate strategies to encourage drivers to park in Council's off-street car parks, such as Watts St and Harrow St. Options could include parking wayfinding signs and reviewing pricing of on-street vs off-street parking.	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
27	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Burwood East and Vermont South	Construct Stage 2 of the Burwood Hwy Cycling Corridor Project between Burwood and Vermont South.	Low impact - High Cost	Whitehorse City Council & Victorian Government
28	Walking	Pedestrian amenity and safety	Box Hill	Construct Stage 3 of the Nelson Road pedestrian safety improvements in Box Hill (roundabout upgrades at Nelson Road and Thames Street).	High impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
29	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Box Hill	Develop options and concept designs for a safe and accessible cycling network within the Box Hill Metropolitan Activity Centre, as identified in the Box Hill MAC Integrated Transport Strategy. Evaluate options and prioritise into separate stages for future implementation.	High impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
30	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	LGA wide	Review Council's existing Easy Ride Route network and develop a capital works program to provide a safer and more comfortable cycling environment.	Medium impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council

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31	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Box Hill & Mitcham	Commence construction of Whitehorse Road Cycling Projects, including Linsley Street/Dorking Road (Box Hill), Rooks Road/Dunlavin Road (Nunawading) and Edward St (Mitcham)	Medium impact - High cost	Whitehorse City Council & Victorian Government
32	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Local streets	Complete Detailed Design and Delivery for a trial traffic treatment on Easy Ride Route NS2 (Nelson Road, between Severn and Shannon) that prioritises bike riders and pedestrians to calm traffic and lower vehicle speeds.	High impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
33	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Box Hill	Investigate a cycling connection between the Gardiners Creek Trail and the Box Hill to Ringwood Trail via Middleborough Road	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
34	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Blackburn	Construct traffic treatments on Laburnum Street, Blackburn, to provide a safer cycling connection as part of the Box Hill to Ringwood Strategic Cycling Corridor, as identified in Action 16	High impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
35	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Activity Centres	Investigate and install more bicycle parking rails/hoops across Whitehorse, including activity centres, community facilities and major destinations.	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
36	Vibrant neighbourhoods	Motor vehicles and parking	Activity Centres	Following on from the "Movement and Place assessment" and a "Healthy Streets assessment" for a Major Activity Centre, complete detailed design of the priority recommendations.	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council

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37	Road network and safety	Motor vehicles and parking	Local streets	Reduce speed limits on local roads to improve road safety for all road users (including pedestrians and cyclists), including: - 30km/h speed limit around five (5) schools (in local roads only). - 40km/h speed limits three (3) high pedestrian areas (in local roads only). - 40km/h speed limits on the three (3) Easy Ride Routes - 30km/h speed limits on Council local roads without footpaths on both sides of the road in Mitcham	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
38	Road network and safety	Motor vehicles and parking	LGA wide	Develop a Car Parking Policy to manage on-street and off-street car parking and facilitate consistent decision making to parking changes.	Low impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
39	Road network and safety	Motor vehicles and parking	Activity Centres	Deliver parking wayfinding signage to encourage drivers to park in Council's off-street car parks, such as Watts St and Harrow St.	Low impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
40	Road network and safety	Motor vehicles and parking	LGA wide	Deliver road safety improvements in accordance with the new Traffic Management Policy, as per Action 22	High Impact - Moderate Cost	Whitehorse City Council
41	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	LGA wide	Deliver the Easy Ride Route Capital Works Program (year 1 of 10) to provide a safer and more comfortable cycling environment, as identified in Action 30.	Medium impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council

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42	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Box Hill	Detailed design of Stage 1 of the Box Hill cycling network projects, as identified in Action 29.	High impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
43	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Box Hill	Investigate a cycling connection between the Bushy Creek Trail and the Box Hill to Ringwood Trail via Dorking Road	Medium impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council
44	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Activity Centres	Install more bicycle parking rails/hoops across Whitehorse, including activity centres, community facilities and major destinations.	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
45	Overall			Review progress on the WITS Action Plan over the past 4 years and develop a new Action Plan for the next four years, in line with an updated Integrated Council Plan.	Medium impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
46	Vibrant neighbourhoods	Motor vehicles and parking	Activity Centres	Construct the improvements identified in the "Movement and Place assessment" and a "Healthy Streets assessment" at the Major Activity Centre.	Medium impact - Moderate cost	Whitehorse City Council

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47	Road network and safety	Motor vehicles and parking	Local streets	Reduce speed limits on local roads to improve road safety for all road users (including pedestrians and cyclists), including: - 30km/h speed limit around five (5) schools (in local roads only). - 40km/h speed limits three (3) high pedestrian areas (in local roads only). - 40km/h speed limits on the remaining two (2) Easy Ride Routes - 30km/h speed limits on Council local roads without footpaths on both sides of the road in other suburbs	High impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
48	Road network and safety	Motor vehicles and parking	LGA wide	Deliver road safety improvements in accordance with the new Traffic Management Policy, as per Action 22.	High Impact - Moderate Cost	Whitehorse City Council
49	Walking and Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	LGA wide	Continue to support Council's educational walking and cycling programs (especially for schools) to promote and enhance positive travel behaviours in the community, including the safe use of shared user paths.	Low impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council
50	Road network and safety	Motor vehicles and parking	LGA wide	Continue to support Council's road safety education programs to support safe travel behaviours and the Safe System approach.	Low impact - Low cost	Whitehorse City Council

Table 2 Whitehorse Integrated Transport Strategy - Advocacy actions

ID	Focus Area	Major challenge	Location	Action Description	Impact	Responsible Authority
A1	Equal access for everyone	Pedestrian amenity and safety	Box Hill, Burwood	Advocate to the Victorian Government for enhanced walking and cycling outcomes as part of major transport projects (including North East Link and Suburban Rail Loop), ensuring the delivery of high quality, consistent and comfortable path surfaces, along with supporting amenities such as drinking fountains and seating.	Moderate impact	Victorian Government
A2	Public Transport	Public transport integration	Box Hill	Advocate to the Victorian Government to upgrade the Box Hill bus interchange and provide safe and accessible connections to Box Hill railway station and the future SRL station	Moderate impact	Victorian Government
A3	Road network and safety	Land use and public realm	LGA wide	Advocate and Collaborate with the Victorian Government for improvements to the arterial road network to minimise the traffic impacts on local roads due to North East Link.	Low impact	Victorian Government
A4	Public transport	Land use and public realm	LGA wide	Advocate and Collaborate with the Victorian Government to reconfigure Station Street, Box Hill to add dedicated bus lanes and wider footpaths, as identified in Box Hill MAC Integrated Transport Strategy.	Moderate impact	Victorian Government

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A5	Walking and Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Major arterials	Advocate to the Victorian Government to provide more mid-block crossings on arterial roads for pedestrians and cyclists. Improve cycling access to these crossings by widening footpaths, where possible.	High impact	Victorian Government & Whitehorse City Council
A6	Walking and cycling	Fragmented cycling network	Ringwood Rail corridor	Advocate and collaborate with the Victorian Government to complete the shared user path from Union Station to Heatherdale Station, including a safe and direct option through the centre of Box Hill, and extension to Hawthorn.	High impact	Victorian Government
A7	Cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Railway stations	Advocate to the Victorian Government to provide more secure bicycle parking (Parkiteer cages) at Laburnum and Box Hill Railway Station as a priority. Where existing station bicycle parking is at capacity, new secure bicycle parking should be provided.	High impact	Victorian Government
A8	Walking and cycling	Pedestrian amenity Barriers to safe riding	Box Hill	Advocate to the Victorian Government to construct a bridge over the railway line between Nelson Road and Thurston Street to support active transport connections within Box Hill.	High impact	Victorian Government

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A9	Walking and cycling	Barriers to safe riding	Forest Hill	Advocate to Melbourne Water to complete their underground pipe upgrades along the Mitcham-Syndal pipeline. This will allow for the construction of the Pipe Track shared user path.	High impact	Melbourne Water
A10	Walking and cycling	Fragmented cycling network	Vermont	Advocate to the Victorian Government to provide the missing connection between ngarrak nakorang wilam park and the Dandenong Creek Trail beside Boronia Road, Vermont.	High impact	Victorian Government
A11	Public Transport	Public transport integration	Box Hill	Advocate to the Victorian Government to review the Whitehorse bus network to improve frequency, reliability, span of hours, speed and directness, especially on arterial roads.	High impact	Victorian Government
A12	Public Transport	Public transport integration	Rail corridor	Advocate to the Victorian Government to integrate bus, train and tram timetables to ensure seamless connections between different types of public transport services.	High impact	Victorian Government
A13	Public Transport	Universal equal access	LGA wide	Advocate to the Victorian Government to provide bus priority infrastructure on arterial roads in Whitehorse. These priority treatments should be built along major bus routes and in activity centres.	High impact	Victorian Government

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A14	Public Transport Equal access for everyone	Public transport integration	LGA wide	Advocate to the Victorian Government for upgrades to bus stops and bus shelters to improve accessibility, amenity and comfort.	High impact	Victorian Government
A15	Public Transport	Public transport integration	Box Hill	Advocate to the Victorian Government to create an efficient and user-friendly interchange between the existing Box Hill train station and the future SRL station. This should be a direct, "paid" connection, where users do not need to touch on/off to go between train lines.	High impact	Victorian Government
A16	Public Transport	Universal equal access	LGA wide	Advocate to the Victorian Government to improve connections between public transport services (i.e. bus to tram, bus to bus) to reduce walking distances between services	High impact	Victorian Government
A17	Equal access for everyone	Universal equal access	Tram corridors	Advocate to the Victorian Government to deliver Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (DDA) compliant tram and bus stops at all locations in Whitehorse	High impact	Victorian Government
A18	Equal access for everyone	Public transport integration	Tram corridors	Advocate to the Victorian Government to ensure that low-floor DDA tram stops in Whitehorse receive services from low-floor trams	High impact	Victorian Government

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A19	Public Transport	Public transport integration	LGA wide	Advocate to the Victorian Government and local bus operators to introduce bike racks installed on buses in Whitehorse to provide better coverage and integration with active transport	High impact	Victorian Government
A20	Public Transport	Public transport integration	various	Advocate to the Victorian Government for tram extensions of: Route 70 (Elgar Rd to future Burwood SRL Station) Route 75 (Burwood Highway to Knox City) Route 109 (Whitehorse Road to Middleborough Road)	High impact	Victorian Government
A21	Road network and safety	Motor vehicles and parking	Major arterials	Advocate and collaborate with the Victorian Government to implement safer speed limits on arterial roads around activity centres or areas with high pedestrian and cyclist activity	High impact	Victorian Government