

# **Community Engagement Feedback Report**

Proposed New Footpaths 2020/21

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### 1. Project Overview

New Footpath requests have been received by local residents for various streets and reserves across the City. In response to those requests, staff inspected each location and determined that a path could be installed, dependent on consultation outcomes in the following streets:

- Gleneagles Court, Seaton
- Musgrave Avenue, Welland
- Reserve Parade, Findon
- Grady Way, Grange

## 2. Community Engagement Approach

Consultation for three proposed paths was undertaken over a minimum required time of 21 days (3-week period) and was open for comment between 6 February 2020 to 2 March 2020. Consultation for Grady Way in Grange was undertaken by phone and home visits.

We provided the opportunity for feedback through:

- 1. Online Survey
- 2. Direct hard copy feedback forms (Appendix A)

The engagement was communicated through the following channels:

- Direct Mail Consultation material including; a feedback form, coloured brochure and map showing the
  extent of the proposed path; directly mailed to affected households/businesses identified in the
  consultation area for each path.
- Door knocking

#### 3. Consultation Feedback

A summary of consultation feedback for each path is set out below.

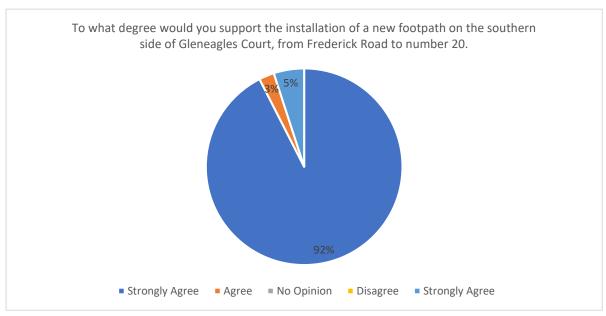
#### 3.1 Gleneagles Court, Seaton

We identified that a 1.5-metre-wide footpath would be possible on the southern side of Gleneagles Court from Frederick Road to number 20.



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We consulted with 123 affected stakeholders and sought feedback on the proposed new footpath. 40 people participated and provided feedback to our survey.



|                | Responses (%) | Responses (n) |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Strongly Agree | 92%           | 37            |
| Agree          | 5%            | 1             |
| No opinion     | 0%            | 0             |
| Disagree       | 0%            | 0             |
| Strongly Agree | 3%            | 2             |

#### Comments made in relation to the proposal (verbatim)

Better safe all-weather surface to walk on, as this is a boundary for a Retirement Village it will assist residents who use walkers etc.

Very necessary for the many residents in that area who are on walkers. They need to be able to get to the bus stops without walking along the road

I live on Gleneagles Court and I use a walker as do a lot of residents along here. It is very hard to use a walker on the lawn, so we have to walk on the road which is dangerous. A footpath to Frederick Road would be a great help and much safer

very hard for older people, some with walkers to walk on the lawn to Frederick Road. More dangerous to have to cross the road to footpath on the other side

I am now particularly disable and to walk along Gleneagles Council I have to use my walker to walk along the road. I would still have to use my walker to use to get along same road, but I would be safe with a new footpath

The footpath will enable pedestrian and wheelchair access for local residents to Frederick Road from Gleneagles Court

I live in the Carlsfield Village. I use that Court to walk to shops, train, bus. Many of our residents are semi-mobile, [use] frames, walking aid etc. This would be great for them is flat area plus safety aspect

It will assist residents to walk with walkers etc. rather than on roadway

Due to having to walk on road and residents also having to walk on road with walkers

This project will help people like ourselves with limited mobility to gain a little more freedom and safety

I enjoy walking around my community but avoid Gleneagles Court because walking on the road is dangerous and walking on the lawns is also dangerous because it's not a firm stable surface.

As I approach corner on (South side), I've had close calls with my walker on traffic entering on the south side, Gleneagles Court, cutting the corner. As for my age, I must walk, where I walk, with my head down, at times with walker.

due to living in the retirement village, majority of residence are over 70. A footpath is a necessity due to heavy traffic in the area. A flat surface to walk on, not lawn

As a resident who would benefit from the installation of the footpath, it would make walking to the bus and the letterbox much safer. It would mean not having to cross the road to get to the northern side footpath and then back across at Frederick Road end where there is increased traffic and more likelihood of being hit by a car coming around the corner

we have already got a footpath on the other side of the road, so there no need for another one, and the old footpath need upgrading.

Required for seniors walking safely

Residents of the village. I find it difficult to walk on the lawn and I find it particularly difficult. Thank you

This footpath will provide residents of Carlsfield retirement village with safe access (i.e. off the roadway) along Gleneagles court

Hazard elderly are subject to traffic

for aged people to have to walk on a road is terrifying, or anyone come to that. Having a Retirement Centre on the boundary it should have been done years ago.

Safety for people with some sort of handicap/age when walking or which there a few in this village!! Prefer no verge - new footpath right up to kerb!

This will really help people om all our village as a beginning to going all around our village. We all need to feel very safe on all out footpaths.

Make it easier for people to walk on a concrete path than on lawn, also safer as people are inclined to walk on the road, particularly in winter when grass is quite wet

Many of our residents use walkers, walking sticks etc. and it is very dangerous as they have to walk along the road, Gleneagles Court, to access Frederick Road

As a resident of Carlsfield, I frequently use this area and rugged footpath. A new footpath would be most welcome as well as an upgrade for Seaton

We have people with walking aids and to walk on grass is very hard. In winter we get wet feet or have to walk on road which can be dangerous, some are hard of hearing and would not always hear if a car is coming

Elderly using this side of footpath could easily fall over

I use a walker and it's easier for me to walk on the outside path than walk through the village. If I want to visit my friend in Eagles Court - I don't like walking on the road - a footpath would be great.

The path makes absolute sense. Walking onto Gleneagles from the south side means either walking over the uneven grass or crossing over and then crossing Bunker Court. Whilst that's ok for us, for older residents, of which there are a lot in the street, this is less than ideal. If the path runs up to number 20 as proposed that would cover all of the care home, without interfering with the gardens of number 20 onwards

My husband uses a walking frame and sometimes I do, and we find it quite dangerous with traffic speeding around the corner and travelling up Gleneagles Court (sometimes cutting the corner)

There is nowhere to walk, except on the road. Many of us are dependent on wheelers or similar, so it is very difficult to get along the pathway

As the community manager I initiated the contact with Council after a number of residents on the northern half of our village expressed strong concerns about the lack of a footpath on the southern side of Gleneagles Court, as well as the safety concerns by having to cross to the northern side footpath for a level walk way.

For the safety of resident

Will not have to cross over road, Gleneagles Court and Frederick Road, to get to park to walk my dog. Can walk further up road when new path is installed.

I occasionally walk through this area; the grass is not very even

I would just feel safer instead of having to cross the street twice and also easier for the walker

This new footpath will greatly benefit the community as the footpath on the opposite side is poorly maintained and uneven which prevents the ease of access for those who need the aid of wheelchairs, mobility walkers or scooters.

It would be appreciated by the elderly

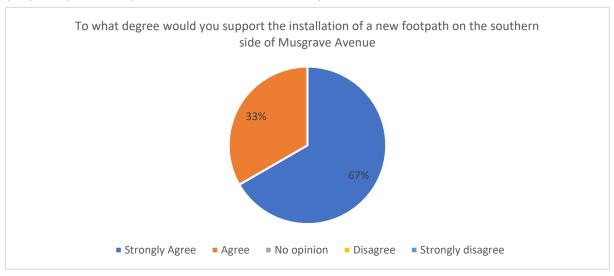
Give needed access to units with gophers or wheelchairs

#### 3.2 Musgrave Avenue, Welland

We identified that a 1.5 metre wide footpath would be possible on the northern side of Musgrave Avenue from Welland Avenue to the no through road.



We consulted with 37 affected stakeholders and sought feedback on the proposed new footpath. Three (3) people participated and provided feedback to our survey.



|                | Responses (%) | Responses (n) |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Strongly Agree | 67%           | 2             |
| Agree          | 33%           | 1             |
| No opinion     | 0%            | 0             |
| Disagree       | 0%            | 0             |
| Strongly Agree | 0%            | 0             |

Comments made in relation to the proposal (verbatim)

The location of the path is appropriate and very much needed - currently it is just dirt and grass, making access difficult. It will make the area neater and allow easy access to an area that can be difficult to walk/navigate.

So many people walk along this strip, I feel sorry for the parents with prams and young toddlers on their small bikes as there is no footpaths.

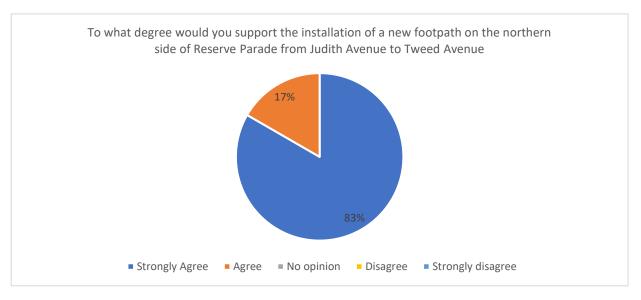
Thank you for consulting the community and being transparent about council developments.

#### 3.3 Reserve Parade, Findon

We identified that a 1.5 metre wide footpath would be possible on the northern side of Reserve Parade from Judith Avenue to Tweed Avenue.



We consulted with 59 affected stakeholders and sought feedback on the proposed new footpath. Six (6) people participated and provided feedback to our survey.



|                | Responses (%) | Responses (n) |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Strongly Agree | 83%           | 5             |
| Agree          | 17%           | 1             |
| No opinion     | 0%            | 0             |
| Disagree       | 0%            | 0             |
| Strongly Agree | 0%            | 0             |

Comments made in relation to the proposal (verbatim)

Glad to see the footpath done after 2 years of waiting

Funding was already allocated 2+ years ago to replace footpath. I had to haft process as boundaries, driveways were changing due to urban infill. Therefore, as construction is nearly complete, it is time to replace.

However. I am in the process of building at 16 Reserve Parade Findon; therefore, I don't want the new footpath for my frontage laid until building is finished. Build will commence within 2-3 months and is expected to be finished within 9 months as per builder's advisement - 2020. I don't want the frontage for my block with new footpath completed as heavy trucks will be in and out of my site at this block and tradies. They will definitely damage, and I am not going to pay to have any damage fixed as I've recommended the more suitable option of waiting until my build is over (hopefully December 2020 or early 2021). Have spoken to Kath Mardon and she is aware of above. She's advised Charles Sturt will be able to hold off laying new path out the front of my block until the build is over.

I strongly agree to the new footpath because it will make the street look nicer and people feel safer to walk on the footpath, without falling down.

Please continue footpath to Findon Road.

It will improve safe pedestrian and cycling; attractive street.

As the Renewal/Housing SA + NBN has impacted the quality and safety of footpath opposite (on south side) my request is that this should also be assessed for replacement or rework. Renewal SA should provide total funding for all impacted footpaths.

#### 3.4 Grady Way, Grange

We identified that a 1.5 metre wide path would be possible on the southern side of Grady Way from Rapson Street to the end.



We consulted with 4 affected stakeholders by door knocking and telephoning owners who don't reside in the properties. Three of the occupiers (including one owner) provided a positive response to the path installation. One property owner we did not provide feedback following our calling card and phone calls.

# 4. Summary

Overall, the consultation identified that residents who responded were all supportive of the installation of a new footpath in all proposed streets.

# 5. Next Steps

A budget bid has been submitted to construct the footpaths in these streets, which is to be confirmed by the Council at the end of June 2020. We will advise all affected residents closer to the time of construction.

Appendix A
Consultation Material



## Proposed New Footpath

Gleneagles Court, Seaton

We would like to advise you that we are responding to requests from local residents to construct a new footpath in Gleneagles Court, Seaton. The proposed path will provide safer and better connectivity to the use of other paths, the local shops and reserve.

Council Officers have inspected the street and determined that a 1.5-metre-wide, concrete footpath be proposed on the southern side of Gleneagles Court from Frederick Road to Number 20. Please refer to the attached map.

If the proposed new path has no significant concerns or objections from residents a request for funding will be submitted for construction in 2020/21 financial year.

Included in this consultation pack is:

- Map of proposed location
- · Feedback Form & envelope
- · Path Guideline and Fact Sheet

To get involved and provide your feedback, you can:

- Complete a survey online at yoursaycharlessturt.com.au
- Complete the feedback form enclosed and return to us using the enclosed reply-paid envelope.

All comments related to this proposal must be received by 9am Monday 2 March 2020.

We will write to you again once the consultation closes to confirm the status of the footpath project based on community feedback

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