

Subject: RTDM Plan Submissions and Regional Road Safety Plan Submission on Behalf of Cycle Aware Wellington

Submitted by email only

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Cycle Aware Wellington
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Dear Joe Hewitt,

Please accept our submissions on the above plans. We wish to make an oral presentation to support these submissions

You may be familiar with Cycle Aware Wellington(CAW):

CAW's Vision:

Cycling is used as a means of transport by most people for some trips each month.

CAW's Objectives:

- 80% of people cycle for some trips each month by 2020
- 20% of all trips are by cycle by 2020
- 90% of those who cycle are satisfied with their cycling experience by 2020
- Rates of fatality and injury for cycling are below that for cars (currently 5 per 100 million km) by 2020
- Cycling is perceived as positive by 90% of the general population by 2020

We enjoy sharing a positive relationship with Greater Wellington Regional Council and look forward to continued cooperation.

Yours sincerely

Stuart Edwards
for Cycle Aware Wellington

Regional Traffic Demand Management Plan - Cycle Aware Wellington Submission

Cycle Aware Wellington support the overall intent of the TDM plan we make the following submissions:

Travel Awareness

We complement the initiative of the Cycling and Walking Journey Planner, and the ongoing support of the Bikewise Challenge.

Workplace and Business Travel Toolbox

We wish to see the inclusion of Cycle Friendly Employer initiatives.

Road Network Efficiency

We wish to ensure that new roads or road redevelopments are assessed and altered to provide a safer more convenient cycling experience.

Parking management

We support the review of parking management policies at local authorities and would like the scope to include consideration of the impact of streetside parking on cyclists travelling on arterial routes/corridors.

We would like parking policies to remove angle parking wherever possible, change angle to 45 degrees to the kerb, or change to 'reverse in' angle parking.

Install more cycle parking!

Other Actions

We support other actions proposed to benefit cyclists in the TDM.

Regional Road Safety Plan - Cycle Aware Wellington Submission

General comments

We hold concerns that Action "Improve Walking and Cycling Safety" is a stand alone item. We are pleased that cycling is recognised however, we advocate a change to ensure all new or improved roads are required to include adequate provision for cyclists and walkers (where appropriate) to enjoy a safe and efficient user experience. Additionally we would like to see GW

- Set up internal audit procedures to ensure all roading projects give adequate consideration to cyclists' needs and to ensure opportunities for improvements for cyclists are identified, and existing facilities are not degraded.
- Adopt a cycling strategy
- Think big!; promote the Wellington region as the cycling capital; aim to displace Christchurch

We would like to see the RLTS 2007-2016 of "Fewer than 75 cyclists injured in the region per annum", reviewed to read "75% fewer cyclists injured in the region per annum"

Review enforcement Practices

We wish to see emphasis on implementing and enforcement of the 1.5metre passing rule (for vehicles passing cyclists).