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## **NEW CYCLIST AND PEDESTRIAN PATH TO LINK NORTH RYDE AND GLADESVILLE**

The City of Ryde has commenced construction on a new cyclist and pedestrian path that will provide an uninterrupted connection between North Ryde and Gladesville.

Once completed, the five kilometre cyclist and pedestrian path will run along Pittwater Road, and stretch between Victoria Road and Epping Road.

The funding for the \$10 million project will be partly funded by the City of Ryde and dependent on continued grant funding from Transport for NSW.

It follows the completion of a separate cyclist and pedestrian path on Epping Road, between Herring Road and Balaclava Road in Macquarie Park.

City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Jerome Laxale, said the project was part of Council's commitment to expand the bicycle network across the City.

"This project is one of the biggest transport projects undertaken by the City of Ryde and will add to our ever-expanding cycle network," Cllr Laxale said.

"By making it easier for people to walk and cycle, Council is not only providing more opportunities for residents to live a fit and active lifestyle, but we are also reducing congestion on our roads."

The initial works involve the construction of a one kilometre section on Pittwater Road, between Rene Street and High Street in East Ryde. This section will provide safer cyclist and pedestrian access to the Field of Mars Reserve.

Works will also shortly commence on the section of the new cyclists and pedestrian path between Bronhill Avenue and Epping Road.

Meanwhile, Council will complete the detailed design for sections from Victoria Road to High Street and Rene Street to Bronhill Avenue this financial year.

The planning and development of the new cyclist and pedestrian path has been done in consultation with the non-profit community-based Bike North User Group, environmental organisations and local residents.

During construction, traffic control measures will be in place along Pittwater Road to allow works to be undertaken safely. These control measures will be implemented outside of peak hours to minimise disruption to traffic.

Construction of the cyclist and pedestrian path is expected to be completed in the next three years.

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