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Amy Gillett Bikeway Stage Four to proceed as planned

Federal Member for Mayo, Rebekha Sharkie MP and Adelaide Hills Council Acting Mayor Nathan Daniell are pleased to confirm the funding for Stage 4 of the Amy Gillett Bikeway will proceed as planned.

Ms Sharkie secured \$2.6 million from the previous Federal Government in 2020 for Stage 4 of the Amy Gillett Bikeway, which will stretch from Mount Torrens to Birdwood. The State Government subsequently committed to \$2.6 million.

Council have committed an additional \$500,000 to cover the shortfall in Federal and State Government funding and will also undertake ongoing maintenance of the new stage.

Total funding for the project is \$5.7 million.

This funding commitment ends years of uncertainty about the completion of the Bikeway, which is planned to have 5 stages concluding in Mount Pleasant.

QUOTES ATTRIBUTED TO NATHAN DANIELL

"I'm delighted to see Stage Four finally progressing and we acknowledge the importance of Ms Sharkie's advocacy in helping obtain Federal funding and her continuing collaboration with Council for the benefit of our residents."

"This is an incredibly important and much-loved asset for our community with the added strategic outcome of attracting tourism and providing economic benefit to townships along the way."

"The extension of the Amy Gillett bikeway will also ensure more young children are provided with a safe place to learn to ride without the safety concerns of riding on Adelaide Hills roads."

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"I am so pleased the Adelaide Hills Council has voted to increase its funding contribution towards this valuable project.

It is unfortunate that years of delays have resulted in an increased project budget. This project has endured several changes in Government at a State and Federal level, so I am relieved that despite these challenges it is pushing ahead.

I look forward to traveling the Mount Torrens to Birdwood leg of the Bikeway once completed."

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