

## Upper Hutt Walking and Cycling Strategy – Newsletter 1

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Upper Hutt City Council (with consultant ViaStrada Ltd) is developing a walking and cycling strategy to support increased use of "active travel" in Upper Hutt. The draft vision is a city where:

### ***People of all ages and abilities choose walking and cycling as part of everyday life***

A working group of about a dozen people has met twice to help formulate the strategy and a further meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 6 July. After that, a draft strategy will be considered by the City Services Committee and is proposed to be released for public consultation in August. The strategy is expected to be finalised in October.

The working group has a number of key stakeholders including the NZ Transport Agency, the defence force, district health board, the regional council, advocacy groups and various council departments.



An internet-based survey run as part of the strategy development process has identified potential projects and gives demographic data of those who currently walk and cycle in Upper Hutt. People are welcome to participate in the survey until 7 July via this link: <http://viastrada.co.nz/upper-hutt-walking-and-cycling-survey>



The strategy will provide a framework for a walking and cycling network plan and associated Implementation Plan identifying projects and programmes for funding over future years, within the context of the council's Long Term Plan (LTP). Projects will include traditional engineering projects (such as the building of new walking and cycling facilities), but also various promotion, education and enforcement programmes.

This newsletter is intended to let interested people know that the strategy is currently being developed and that consultation will

occur in due course. Please forward it to others you know who may be interested.

Questions about the strategy or its development process may be addressed to:

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