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## To the Premier of South Australia, Steven Marshall, and Minister for Transport, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, Stephan Knoll

On the **inaugural UN declared World Bicycle Day 2018 riders** in Adelaide came together to celebrate. It was a wonderful day riding city streets traffic free, with many kids loving the experience.

On the day riders were quick to sign a petition calling for **greater funding for cycling infrastructure** which we pass to you on their behalf and ask you to submit to Parliament. Over
800 passionate riders across Adelaide have signed the petition.

As businesses contributing to the **SA Bike Economy** and organisations that encourage riding for its many benefits, we write to support these riders and the intent of their petition.

#### Supported by:

Over 50 businesses involved in the SA Bike Economy.

Over 7000 Bike SA and Bicycle Institute members.

21 organisations promoting health, environment, and effective transport policy.

















































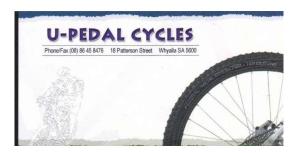












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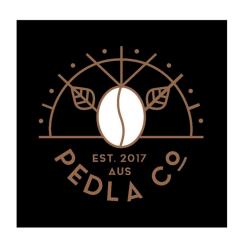






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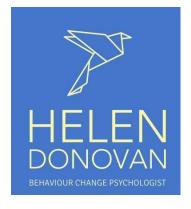
















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## **Organisational supporters**











Marion and Holdfast Bay Bicycle User Group











### **Organisational supporters**

Flinders Cycles

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Adelaide Bicycle User Group (BUG)

Active Transport Adelaide

**Burnside BUG** 

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Mitcham BUG

North Terrace Precinct BUG

Norwood, Payneham and St Peters BUG

Prospect BUG

Salisbury BUG

West Torrens BUG

Cycle park-n-ride advocacy group







#### **Our vision for South Australia**

Increase funding for cycling infrastructure to encourage every-day riding

Create healthy, active, peopleoriented towns and cities with strong local economies Grow industry sectors that support this vision including the Bicycle Economy



#### Why is more funding needed?

- South Australia allocates less than 1% of the state transport budget to cycling infrastructure and has no State Bicycle plan (the previous plan expired in 2010).
- The United Nations recommends Governments dedicate 20% of transport funding to active transport to encourage more people to walk and cycle.
- There is a global cycling boom Cities around the world are investing in congestion busting cycle networks including: London, New York, Paris, Seville, Auckland, Sydney, Melbourne, and Manchester (\$500 million).
- Limited infrastructure investment in SA has restricted growth in cycling participation and restricted growth in the SA Bike Economy. People are interested in riding but are concerned about safety.
- Despite this, the <u>SA Bike Economy</u> continues to innovate and diversify but future growth relies on customers having a safe network to ride. Imagine the industry potential with 10% bicycle mode share?
- SA's congestion is worsening, carbon emissions increasing, and health spending rising.
- It is a strong investment:

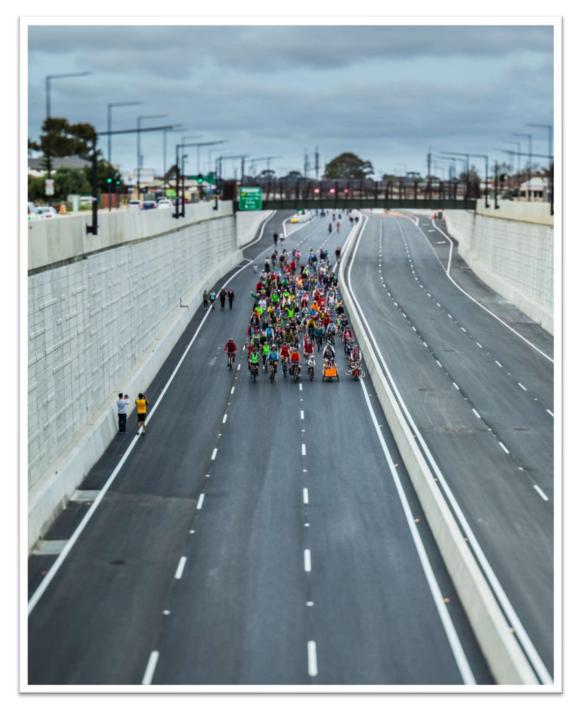
"If you care about the bottom line, and budgets and taxes, then you should care about urban biking, because it's a money saver" (1)



## Why is more funding needed?

Cycling is an efficient way to travel and our city is growing.

The space needed to transport 130 people by bike, including kids, dogs and freight.



Critical Mass Photo Shoot 2018

Adelaide, South Road lowered motorway. Photo: Tim Loft

### 2-step practical approach to encourage cycling

To encourage everyday riding for transport we call on the Government of SA to:

- **1. Collaborate to develop a new State Bicycle Plan**: map out a comprehensive, functional, safe and connected cycle network; a network for anyone (8 80 years) and any trip.
- 2. Increase the percentage of the state transport budget allocated to cycling infrastructure: allocate 5% per year to implement a new State Bicycle Plan. Is this a good investment? Recent research shows for every \$1 spent on bicycle infrastructure there is an \$11 return in health and environmental benefits (without considering congestion costs) leading the researchers to conclude "when a concerted investment is made in active travel in a city, there is likely to be a measurable, positive return on investment." (2)



Riders share their thoughts: what's needed to make it better to ride in Adelaide?

https://youtu.be/3kofly3xwOQ

World Bike Day video 2018



# A photo portfolio of contrasting cycle routes. What do riders experience?

Thank you to all the SA riders who provided pictures

**#1 Highlights: SA infrastructure riders love!** 

World Bike Day 2018
Riders celebrate cycling
infrastructure that keeps them
safe and gets them on the bike
more often!
They kindly ask for more please
Park Terrace underpass



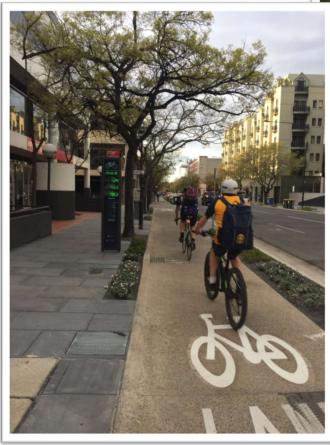


The Mount Gambier rail trail! The best way to get to the skate park.



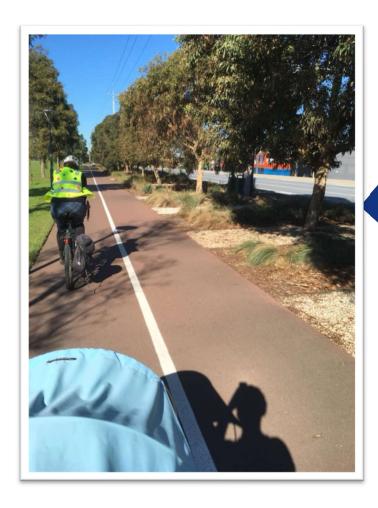
So relaxing! On busy city streets humans, families and dogs all love separated infrastructure.

Frome Bikeway V1





Frome
Bikeway V2
On the way
to school.



Happy times! Port Rd separated bikeway. Travelling traffic free away from trucks and 60km/h traffic.

Using Greenways.
Connecting local streets and new trails with signage, lighting, safe road crossings and safe road speeds make for happy riders. Outer Harbor Greenway. Easy and irresistible ②





The little things can make a BIG difference. Making great local streets!





Lighting the way for safe day and night riding. Big thumbs up!

Left anyone?

Overcoming road barriers:

A new bridge or underpass is something to celebrate.

Quiet, pleasant, fast and fabulous. Park Terrace underpass.



The bridge makes it easy to ride instead of drive.

Getting over South Road is safer and easier and one less car on the road. Mike Turtur Bikeway. Jim

Using the bridge under Greenhill Rd/Anzac Highway, enables me to get to the city easily. Sally. Also safe for kids.



No bridge? Still liking bike lights, especially with no waiting in the middle for a second light. Kid friendly.

(Porter/Greenhill)





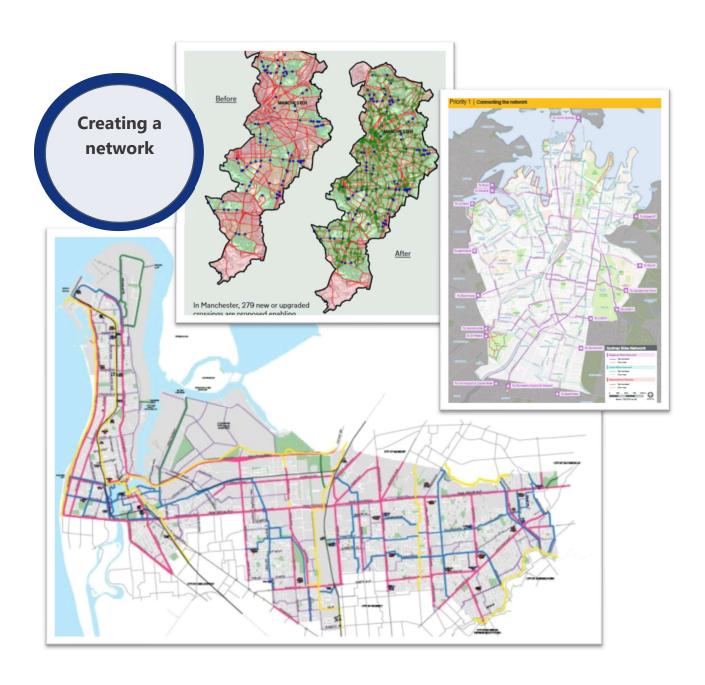
A bike refuge was created where the bike way crosses
Henley Beach Road. A friend's daughter had almost been hit by a car with the former inadequate refuge.
After some talking and a grant application, voila! David





## These have been some shining lights of great infrastructure in SA.

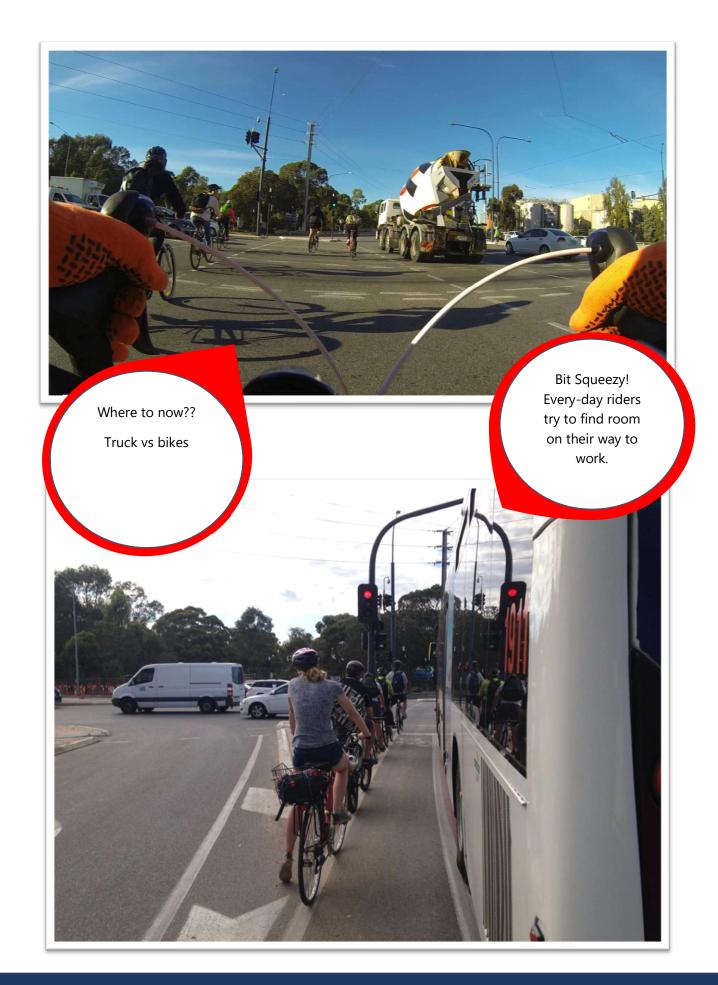
With more investment, and a comprehensive network plan, SA could create something great for bicycles.

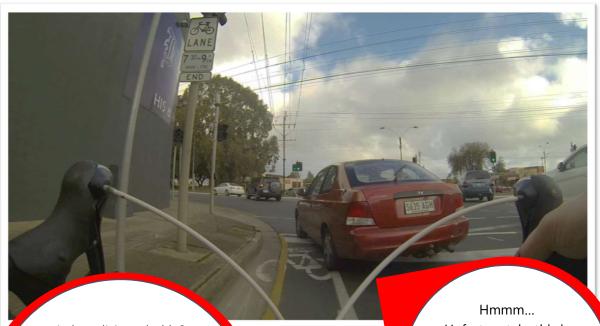


## A portfolio of contrasting cycling routes

### #2 SA cycling infrastructure – the common experience

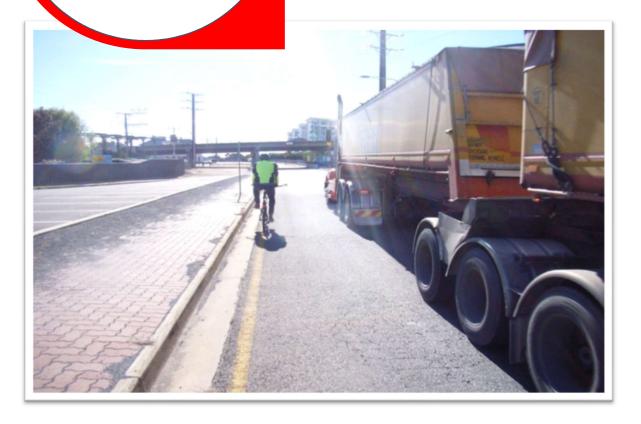






Awkward! A road with 2 primary schools, 2 railway stations, 1 pub and hundreds of residential frontages but no bike facilities (despite frequent heavy traffic and no suitable speed limits). We just want to arrive home safe for dinner with our kids.

Hmmm...
Unfortunately, this is often the best riders can expect. A painted white line is not infrastructure.



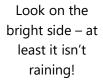
Would this encourage you to ride? So often bike lanes are in car door zones or are car parking for most of the day. This road is 6 lanes wide.

Space is not the problem.





Oops... local engineers treatment for where a bikeway ends. Riders expected to merge? New Marino rocks greenway.





Fishing anyone?
Path under Port
Wakefield Rd at
Mawson Lakes
frequently flooded
but never fixed.

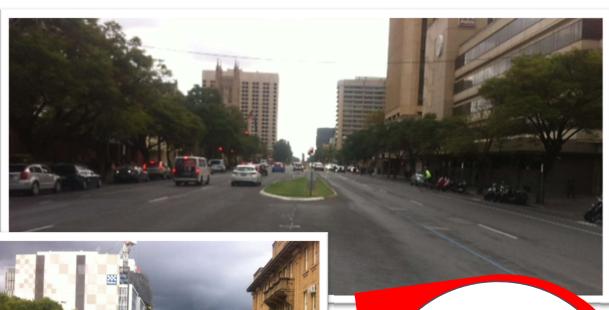




Kids are left to it when the Mt Gambier Rail Trail crosses main roads. Goodluck little ones!

Keen to ride here? SA 2018: A "safety improvement."







When riders ask for better they are often told "there isn't room" but our streets are wide. Does every SA road need two-way traffic and parking on both sides?

Or could we try this? In a narrower street there is room for parking and safe access for cars, pedestrians and bikes.

Creating multi-modal streets for people ©



## The potential is SA great.

















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#### Bicycle planning from around the World

Recent Bike Plans we'd cite as inspiration include the following:

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  - https://assets.ctfassets.net/nv7y93idf4jq/6J11U1IT8kAq2oClSoEGYy/ae9e07dd0974abcfdb3434cdff46ab5b/Beelines.pdf
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   https://cabinet.gld.gov.au/documents/2017/Jul/Cycling/Attachments/Plan.pdf
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