



Walking

Connecting our city



WALKING

FUNDING AREA

Community education
and engagement

BUDGET

\$4.5M

TIMEFRAME

2024-29

LOCATION

LGA-wide

STATUS

Proposed

DID YOU KNOW?

A walkable city is a lively city. Those places that are well connected and encourage walking tend to be more lively, fun and engaging places to live and connect with others. Plus people tend to be healthier and happier!

Walking is one of life's simple joys. It's convenient, free and healthy. What if walking around our City was encouraged and made easier?

WHAT IS IT

While there are already lots of footpaths in Randwick City, there remains a strong reliance on motor vehicles for travel. Sometimes there is no other option, but the more opportunities that can be provided to seamlessly link locations with safe and convenient walking paths, the more viable walking becomes as a mode of transport.

A prime example can be found in our Coastal Walkway. Currently it is primarily seen as infrastructure for recreation. But the opportunity exists to link it with other walks to create safe and secure walking experiences, facilities and connections to public transport.

Council's walking projects could include:

- End of trip cycling facilities for walkers (and cyclists)
- Walking volunteers partnership
- First Nations walking trail – in partnership with the La Perouse Aboriginal Land Council
- 'Green Grid' connections and signage – better signage and maps to make walking easier

BENEFITS

There are well documented environmental, financial, health and social benefits of increased walking even if particularly focusing on shorter trips. There are also opportunities in Randwick City as part of the Great Sydney Coastal Walk to provide attractive and well-planned facilities and amenities for the longer distance walker, visitor or tourist.

Sydney's 'green grid' is planning and design promoted by the Government Architect's office of NSW with a focus on creating and linking open and green spaces with options for walking and experiencing nature in close proximity to our homes and cities.

Information current as at October 2023. Project is proposed for funding as part of Council's Environmental Levy Special Rate Variation, which Council is seeking to continue from 2024 to fund important sustainability programs and infrastructure.