



WAIKATO REGIONAL CYCLING EDUCATION PLAN

With Waikato's unique and often leading position across all forms of cycling and with significant investment in cycle trails, the region is in the perfect position to increase Bikes in Schools and cycling skills delivery opportunities.

While Sport Waikato is the lead for the delivery of the plan, it is a dedicated partnership involving the Waikato Regional Council, local councils, New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA), Cycling New Zealand and the Home of Cycling.

The Waikato Regional Cycling Education Plan is a coordinated and collaborative approach to improve cycle safety and education, as well as increase the number of Bikes in Schools projects available throughout the region.

VISION:

The Waikato region community has the opportunity to safely ride a bike

GOAL:

To coordinate regional delivery of Bikes in Schools and cycle skills training and education in the Waikato region.

PROJECT PLAN

20
BIKES

in Schools
projects by
end of 2021

ALL
WAIKATO
REGIONAL

districts
engaging
in cycling
education by
end of 2021

70% OF
WAIKATO
SCHOOLS

engaging in
cycle skills
training by
end of 2024

BIKES IN SCHOOLS

Bikes in Schools is a national initiative of the Bike On New Zealand Charitable Trust with a vision to create regular and equal access to a bike and bike tracks within school for all New Zealand children.

Working with proactive schools, supportive funders and engaged partners, Bikes in Schools helps enable even more New Zealand children to experience the benefits of regularly riding a bike at school.

BIKES IN SCHOOLS PACKAGE:

- **Fleet of new bikes in various sizes**
- **Bike helmets**
- **Bike track/s**
- **Bike storage facilities**
- **All equipment including storage is owned and maintained by the school and remains on the school grounds**
- **Link to Skills Training introduction to basic riding and safety skills (BikeReady)**

The documented outcomes of all this bike riding by the students are simple – increased health, fitness, skills, safety, confidence and self-esteem.

“PUTTING BIKES IN SCHOOLS, PARTICULARLY SCHOOLS WHERE KIDS MAY NOT HAVE BIKES AT HOME, AND TEACHING THEM TO RIDE HAS GOT TO BE ONE OF THE BEST THINGS WE CAN DO FOR THE NEXT GENERATION.”

- Hon Julie Anne Genter
Associate Minister of Transport

BIKEREADY

Cycle Skills Training

BikeReady is New Zealand's national cycling education system. The NZ Transport Agency (NZTA), ACC and local government have partnered in the development of BikeReady, in collaboration with a range of cross-government agencies.

BikeReady expands on the best of current training and cycle skills initiatives from around the country, including the very successful Bikes in Schools model.

BikeReady will enable cycle education to reach more people, helping them learn more and improve the overall quality of their learning, providing more cycle skills training that meets the needs of school students and adult learners, so they continue to gain life-long cycling skills and enjoyment.

It will also enable teachers and students to extend learning around contexts of bike riding and sharing the road while ensuring all cycling education aligns with best practice standards and guidelines and evaluating achievements and challenges to continuously improve BikeReady over time.

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