

Media release

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Port Phillip launches bike share consultation project

City of Port Phillip residents, workers and visitors are being urged to “suggest a station” to help scope out more bike share scheme sites.

A community engagement project to gain feedback ahead of the possible expansion of the VicRoads’ managed Melbourne Bike Share scheme was launched today by Port Phillip Council.

There are already 13 bike share stations in the municipality and an expansion could result in more stations being introduced across the City.

Mayor Amanda Stevens said this was the first time Council had utilised CrowdSpot, a map-based engagement tool which allows people to pin spots on a digital map where they want new bike share stations. Similar to Facebook and Twitter, participants can also vote and comment on others’ suggestions.

“Sustainable transport is a major priority for the City of Port Phillip. By encouraging residents, commuters and visitors to jump on a bike for short trips, we’re making our city more connected and liveable,” Cr Stevens said.

“We’ve already had excellent feedback about existing stations which are close to tourism icons, including Luna Park, fantastic cafes and restaurants in Acland and Fitzroy Streets, on the foreshore and in Albert Park Village,” she said.

“Expanding the network of bike stations across our City is a great way to help reduce traffic congestion and encourage locals and visitors to enjoy our many attractions.”

To suggest a location, go to <http://haveyoursayatportphillip.net.au/bike-share>

The interactive map is open until the end of April.

The feedback will be used to develop a list of priority stations to be handed to VicRoads if an expansion goes ahead.

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