



## Inner South Canberra Community Council

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### **ISCCC SUBMISSION IN RESPONSE TO ACT DESIGN GUIDE:**

#### **Best practices for urban intersections and other active travel infrastructure**

The Inner South Canberra Community Council (ISCCC), representing residents' groups in the inner south, is pleased to provide comment on the Design Guide: 'Best practices for urban intersections and other active travel infrastructure in the ACT' (the Design Guide).

The ISCCC is generally supportive of the Design Guide and agrees with the approach to making our streets safer and more accessible for all users. We can provide comments and suggestions addressing specific conditions in the inner South if the Design Guide is implemented.

Being an area of older suburbs, the inner south has many footpaths which are narrow, no longer fit for purpose and have deteriorated over time. Further attention to repairing and widening these paths and providing improvements to crossings, or adding suitable crossing arrangements where none currently exist, could make the streets safer and more accessible.

The paths and intersections should be reviewed with all relevant stakeholders to ensure they connect key locations such as shops and schools, are coherent with current and future use patterns, be separated from road traffic, and provided with appropriate priority at road crossings.

The ISCCC would be happy to work with Transport Canberra and City Services in identifying areas for improvement and working on solutions to improve access and safety for our residents.

Education activities will be essential in preparing for, and rolling out, changes to intersection designs.

A compliance program regarding 'right-of-way' rules should be developed and enforced to ensure new arrangements are being complied with.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Design Guide and we look forward to working with TCCS to further promote and encourage its implementation.

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Chair

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