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Dear Cr Cunsolo

SHRINE TO SEA MASTERPLAN, KERFERD ROAD TREATMENT

Thank you for your letter of 1 May 2023, inquiring about the State Government's decision to not include a protected bike lane along Kerferd Road in the draft Shrine to Sea Masterplan.

In reviewing the draft masterplan, the Victorian Government considered a number of issues, including the Department of Transport and Planning's decision to remove temporary Pop-Up Bike Lanes from the City of Port Phillip, and decided that further targeted engagement is required for a safer active transport solution along Kerferd Road. For this reason, the protected bike lane is being separated from the Shrine to Sea masterplan to be considered at a future time.

This decision allows us to streamline the Shrine to Sea project and focus on finalising and delivering many of the design elements in the draft masterplan which have to date received good community consensus. We are focused on preventing any further delay in getting these important improvements on the ground.

The Victorian Government intends to communicate this decision to the wider community in the week commencing Monday 22 May 2023 through publication on the project webpage and by direct email to over 800 stakeholders who have registered interest in the Shrine to Sea project.

Our project team greatly values our strong partnership with City of Port Phillip in this project, and we will continue to work closely with the Council team. If you have any concerns or queries, don't hesitate to be in touch.

Yours sincerely

Rod Anderson

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Regional Manager, Community & Partnerships

18 May, 2023

