

# DRAFT Greater Snug Walkability Action Plan

## Objective

Take community-initiated action to improve the walkability of greater Snug including as identified in the Menzies Institute *Greater Snug Walkability report*.

## Advocacy

**Public Meeting.** Once the new council has settled in, call a public meeting at our next AGM and see if we can ramp up the advocacy efforts. Menzies Institute researchers have offered to assist. Snug School Association will help to get the word out and develop an action plan and campaign.

**Snug Primary School.** Continue the conversation with the Snug School Association and are waiting for the 'right moment' to launch a more serious walkability campaign for 'greater' Snug. Clear, safe paths to Snug Primary School from the south on *both sides* of the Channel Highway would greatly improve the wellbeing of the children and parents in these neighbourhoods including Lower Snug, Coningham and Sunsail Street.

**Kingborough Council.** Develop and implement a *Walkability Improvement Plan* for greater Snug. In the interim please attend to the priority physical changes identified below.

Other than that, it's small steps – we have already started advocating for the following:

1. Council to ensure the road **upgrade for Davies Road** includes pedestrian/cycling paths.
2. State Growth to **reduce speed limits** through Snug (50 kph) and Lower Snug (60 kph).
3. Council's Safety Cttee the fixing of **broken pedestrian link** on western side of highway through Snug.
4. Council to build the **Snug to Lower Snug shared pathway**.

## Summary of priority physical changes we want from Council

1. **Build a footpath** from Sunsail Court to Snug School along the western side of the Highway.
2. **Link Snug to Lower Snug** along the Channel Highway including [*\$40k feasibility study done 2021*]
  - a. **Pedestrian bridge** over the Snug Rivulet (south of Snug on the Channel Highway)(Diagram 1)
  - b. **Extend the existing shared pathway** through Snug township southwards to the end of Lower Snug.
3. **Upgrade Davies Road** from the Channel Highway to the public footway on Needlewood Road with a pedestrian/cycle path. Make the junction with Channel Hwy safe for pedestrian and cyclists.
4. **Make nature strip walkable** in all weathers along eastern side of Channel Hwy between Davies Road and Old Station Road. Links to Snug and safer access to bus stop for our children.
5. **Build a walkway/cycleway along the sea wall** stretch of Old Station Road to connect to the Coningham foreshore track network or transform it into a shared zone for walkers, cyclists *and* cars.
6. **Upgrade dangerous sharp, blind corners** along Davies Road, Old Station Road and Coningham Road so that pedestrians and cyclists can move safely along these roads. This could be by providing separate paths alongside the corners.
7. ...
8. ...

## Action Plan Team

**Coordinator:** ??

**Team members:** ??

## Community Direct Action

1. Clear the **nature strip at the Davies Road/Channel Hwy** intersection (done) and install signage to encourage public use.
2. Implement CALSCA's **signage plan** (currently under development) to encourage use of public access ways that are currently 'hidden' – e.g. Bush Lane to Davies Road/Channel Hwy public land.
3. Develop an '**active transport**' map (walking, cycling, mobility scooters, running, eScooters, etc.) for greater Snug residents?
4. ...

## Grants and funding

### Healthy Tasmania Grants

- Step Forward grants: Step Forward grants are up to \$5,000 for a wide range of activities and equipment that support health and wellbeing. They could be for training, posters, brochures or equipment needed for services and programs.
- Healthy Focus grants: Healthy Focus grants support action on Healthy Tasmania focus areas: priority populations, health literacy, mental health and wellbeing, active living, eating well, smoke-free communities, reducing alcohol harm, and climate change and health.

Diagram 1 Shared pathway access through Snug then southwards to Lower Snug (and beyond...)



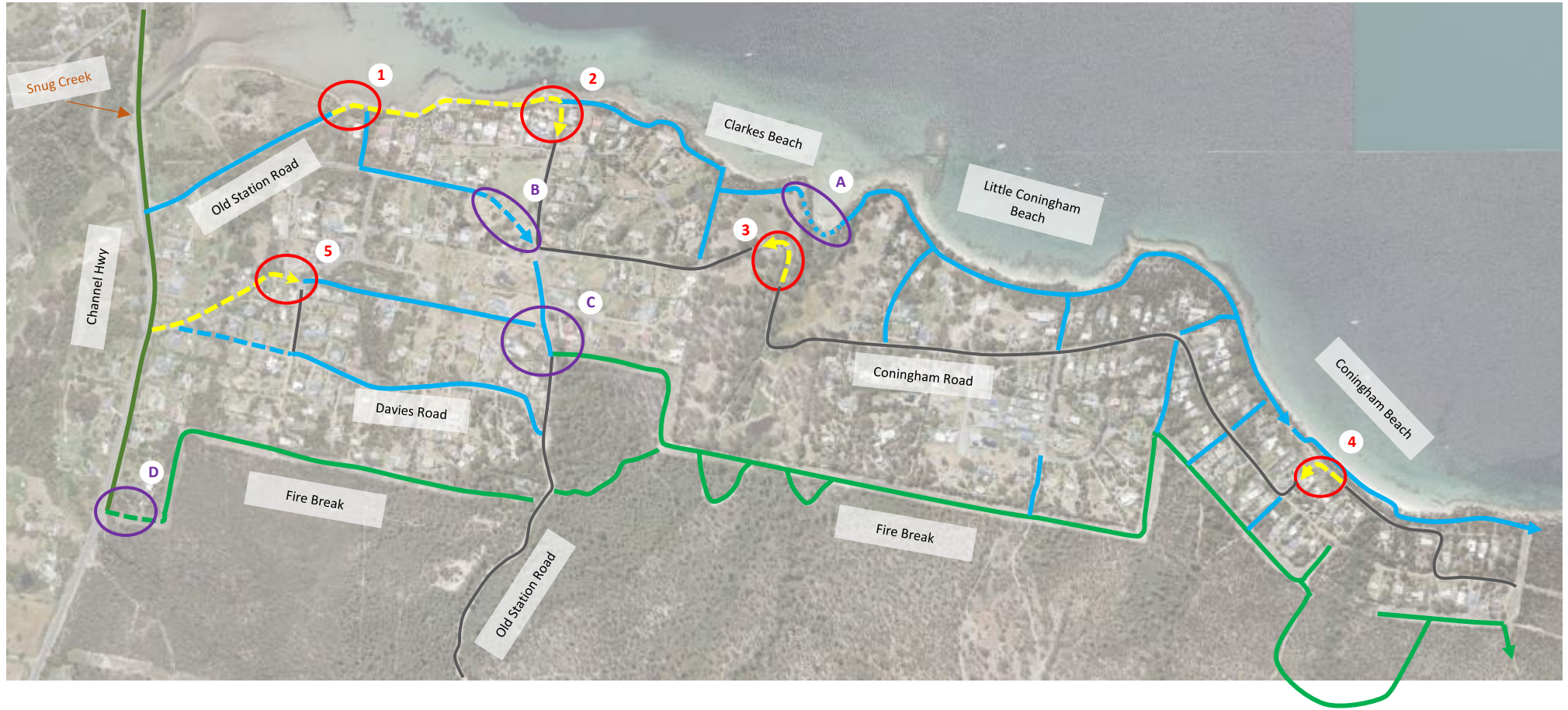
~2.5 km (north is up)

Light blue lines are access ways through Snug

Green line is the priority shared pathway segment for connecting Snug to Lower Snug and Coningham



**Diagram 2 Access bottlenecks in and out of Lower Snug and Coningham**



**Blue lines** indicate safer routes, some of which need maintenance work

**Blue broken lines** indicate *possible* routes, some of which are on private land or Crown Land

**Yellow broken lines** indicate unsafe walking or cycling on the roads; this is mostly due to poor visibility around narrow, sharp corners. The arrows indicate the least safe direction of travel.

**Red circles** highlight unsafe road corners

**Purple circles** highlight other issues associated with access (private land, no safe or obvious track, unsuitable surface, lack of steps, fencing across Crown Land etc.)

**Green lines** indicate the safe tracks and fire break in the Coningham Nature Recreation Area

**Dark Green** is the proposed shared pathway from Snug