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Dear Michael

REQUEST FOR BICYCLE ACCESS ALONG SAXA ROAD

This letter is in response to your email (see attached) to Council dated 22 October 2024. You have requested Council to consider granting bicycle access along a section of Saxa Road.

The proposed cycle route you have nominated traverses Saxa Road from the Mitchell Highway to Bodangora Road intersection. Saxa Road is currently closed to through traffic for the purposes of road and bridge construction works on Saxa Road at Mitchell Creek. This temporary road closure is active until approximately April 2025.

During this formal road closure period local traffic, including both light and heavy vehicles, are permitted to travel on Saxa Road for the purpose of accessing local property destinations where no other access is available. There may also be construction related traffic travelling on Saxa Road during the periods of your proposed cycle days.

It is noted your proposed cycle route remains well clear of Councils road and bridge construction site at Mitchell Creek, where the road is physically closed to traffic. From a road construction safety perspective, the proposed cycle route presents a lower level of safety risk to your cyclists.

Any decision taken to cycle on Saxa Road is at the cyclists risk, and cyclists are encouraged to undertake their own risk assessment to identify, assess, and mitigate potential road safety hazards if they choose to cycle on Saxa Road.

Yours faithfully

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