



The East Brunswick Shimmy:

- Is a 5.3 km signed on-road bicycle route linking Coburg Activity Centre to the Capital City Trail via Brunswick East;
- Is part of the Principal Bicycle Network;
- Incorporates parts of the Albion Off-Street Route;
- Provides an alternative to riding on Nicholson, Lygon and Holmes Streets, all busy roads with tram lines.

The upgrades primarily involve a series of intersection treatments to ensure beginner cyclists and children can safely cross Brunswick and Glenlyon Roads, Blyth Street and Moreland Road.

Role of the East Brunswick Shimmy in the bicycle network

This supports commuter cycling in the south-east of the municipality and provides an alternative to riding along the Merri Creek Trail.

This route also provides a connection between Bell Street, Coburg, and the Canning Street Route, a popular cycling route through the City of Yarra to the CBD.

Actions to improve the East Brunswick Shimmy

The East Brunswick Shimmy was opened in June 2010.

The provisional works item of a button-operated control to operate pedestrian lights near the intersection of Barrow Street and Moreland Road was not undertaken.

It is recommended that the sum of \$200,000 be reserved to enable this work when the counts of cyclists increase to a viable level. As an alternative, the cycle counts may indicate that a more formalised crossing control at the intersection of Lygon Street and Albion Street is warranted.

Delivering upgrades to the East Brunswick Shimmy

The total cost for the upgrades works along the East Brunswick shimmy is **estimated at \$652,000**.

A list of works is detailed below.

Highest priority projects

Project ID	Project Description	Estimated Cost (\$,000s)	Time scale	Eligible for External Funding?
EB990	Install direction signs on the northern section of the East Brunswick Shimmy along Barrow Street between Rennie and Harding Streets.	1	Short	Unlikely – unless route recognised as part of Principal Bicycle Network
EB991	Install direction signs at intersection of Barrow and Mitchell Streets and the intersection of Mitchell Street and Dunstan Avenue.	1	Short	Unlikely – unless route recognised as part of Principal Bicycle Network

Medium priority projects

Project ID	Project Description	Estimated Cost (\$,000s)	Time scale	Eligible for External Funding?
EB1	Install a cyclist-operated crossing button at the intersection of Barrow Street and Moreland Road to activate the nearby pedestrian operated lights (located between Barrow and DeCarle Streets).	200	Medium	SmartRoads
EB3	Install a cyclist-operated crossing button at the intersection of Stewart Street and Lygon Street to activate the nearby pedestrian operated lights (located between Stewart and Bladen Ave). Change direction signs to re-route Shimmy via Stewart and Stanley Streets.	250	Medium	SmartRoads
EB5	Design and construct a <i>Central Brunswick</i> shimmy using back streets heading north-south located between Brunswick Road, Albion Street, Sydney Road and Lygon Street. The route should also provide the option for cyclists to ride further north using either De Carle or Barrow Streets.	200	Medium	Unlikely – unless route recognised as part of Principal Bicycle Network