



Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Collins Street trial, specifically the cycling facilities.

This feedback builds on the submission made at the one-month consultation period, with the majority of the issues raised in that still a problem for people riding and should be considered when devising options for the street at the end of the trial period.

Since the one-month consultation the trial facilities have been completed along the length of the street.

- The planter box separators look great and are easier for bike riders to see and navigate than the concrete separators.
- The bus-stop boarder section of the road seems to be working well for bike riders, we haven't received any complaints from our members about having to wait too long. We've also noticed that bus passengers seem to be moving to the roadside edge of the boarder when buses arrive, keeping the bike path clear for movement.
- The intersection at Murray and Collins Street has had bike storage boxes painted on Collins Street but these are not deep enough for riders to manoeuvre their bikes into position to turn right onto Murray Street. This movement is popular for people heading to the waterfront or to move east on the shared path rather than stay on the unprotected stretch of Collins Street.
- The other problem at this intersection is the loading zone which effectively blocks anyone using the bike lane when a car is parked there. This loading zone should be moved to the other side of the street or around the corner into Murray Street where there is general parking just metres away.

After a year of operation, the trial design is generally working well for bike riders, except for the issues outlined in our one-month submission.

Unfortunately, the bike lanes on the block between Barrack and Harrington streets are too narrow, even when people are parked correctly. When people are parked incorrectly, which is common, then riders are forced to slow to a crawl because they don't have enough room to react if someone steps into the lane.

We look forward to seeing what design options the council comes up with to bring the cycling facilities up to an improved standard suitable for all ages and abilities.