# **Transport**Fact Sheet



### **Public transport**

Good access to public transport is an important feature of a sustainable community. Public transport reduces the need to travel by car, and improves the mobility of the vulnerable segments of the population such as disabled people, older persons, children, young people, and those who may be unable to afford to buy and/or run a car.

Public transport access is a tool to improve social inclusion and community wellbeing.

Better public transport access is also associated with reduced car travel, which can in turn help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and support public health through increased walking and physical activity.



of residential properties are within 400 m of public transport.



of employed people use public transport to travel to work.

### Walkability

Safe, accessible, desirable and interesting walking routes for people of all abilities is an enabler and an indicator of communities that want to be known as liveable. Walkability needs to be planned for and maintained.



residential properties are within 100 m of a footpath

### **Active Transport**



of employed people use active transport (walk or cycle) to get to work.



of residential properties are within 500 m of a bike path.



of residents in the 2020 Nillumbik Community Survey said they or a family member had used on or off bike paths. The proportion of residents using on or off bike paths has been declining over the last five years, with a significant drop in usage in 2020.

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## Transport in the future: what we can expect

A changing population and living and working conditions will mean more trips in the future. This will mean there will be more people moving around accessing jobs and services.

Reducing reliance on cars and increasing public transport options within the Shire will have a positive impact on air quality and climate change.

### Transport in the future: what can we do?

Continue to advocate for improved public transport.

Prioritise the missing links in Nillumbik's continuous footpath network, with the inclusion of transport hubs.

If you would like to attend a community pop-up or virtual information session please go to participate.nillumbik.vic.gov. au/our-future for more information.

#### Source

Nillumbik 2040: Towards a Community Vision for Nillumbik Background Paper (2020)
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