Charlotte Street improvement works complete

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Improvement works to the Charlotte Street pathway across Two Mile Creek have been completed, providing enhanced connectivity and safety to Cooktown's walking and biking community.

The project included construction of a 23m long, 4m wide bridge across Two Mile Creek, major earthworks and drainage to achieve a suitable gradient for the 3m wide path and footings for the composite fibre bridge.

Delivered under budget, the path provides a link from the existing Charlotte Street path to the cemetery and racecourse, safe crossing over Two Mile Creek and a safe pedestrian crossing point on Charlotte Street at the busy Racecourse Road intersection.

"Charlotte Street is a major access road into Cooktown, and the bridge and shared path will greatly improve pedestrian and cycle safety," said Cook Shire Mayor, Mr Peter Scott.

Member for Cook Cynthia Lui said 50 per cent of the project was funded by the Department of Transport and Main Roads Cycle Network Local Government Grants program. "This project is the result of local and state governments working together to deliver safer facilities for bike riders and walkers," Ms Lui said. "Programs like our Cycle Network Local Government Grants program deliver valuable outcomes to local communities by enabling important infrastructure to improve safety and connectivity, especially during these challenging times.

"We know that on average, every dollar the Palaszczuk Government invests in bike-riding infrastructure returns nearly five dollars in economic benefit to Queenslanders through reduced traffic congestion and lower transport costs. That's why we're investing more than $15.5 million in funding to local governments across Queensland to deliver new high-priority bike networks between 2019-20 and 2020-21."

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