

Media Release

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Turtleway Bridges replacement demonstrates smart asset management

Gladstone Regional Council has completed the replacement of two pedestrian bridges situated along the Turtleway Cycle Path within Boyne Island and Tannum Sands.

Forming part of Council's extensive 2024/25 Capital Works program and funded by the Australian Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program, the Turtleway Bridges Replacement project involved the replacement of footbridges with new DDA compliant structures.

Gladstone Region Councillor Karen Davis said works occurred in stages to minimise disruptions to the popular walking and cycling path.

"Contractors commenced work to replace the Stirling Park footbridge at Boyne Island in February and had that work completed – and the bridge reopened – by mid-May, before focussing their efforts on the Canoe Point footbridge at Tannum Sands," Councillor Davis said.

"The Canoe Point footbridge was then reopened to the public on Thursday 10 July.

"The new bridges are designed to provide increased longevity and reduce long term maintenance costs through the incorporation of sustainable construction materials.

"It's great to see both bridges back in action given the popularity of the 18km Turtleway Cycle Path and its linkage to recreation facilities and parks in the Boyne Island and Tannum Sands area."

The Turtleway Bridges Replacement project is proudly funded by the Australian Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program - Phase 4.

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