

Verge Gardens & Active Transport

What would it be like if we transformed the streets of Banyo with council-planted street trees supported by resident-planted native verge gardens, making them cooler, walkable, biodiverse habitat corridors connecting larger green spaces and other local destinations?

What would it look like? What would it feel and smell like? What would it change? Whose lives would it change?

This Pilot Project aims to find out, and along the way test and refine a model for others to follow.

3:00 Discussion: What have verge gardens got to do with active transport

3:45 Brief update on the project

3:50 Afternoon Tea

4:20 Q&A, general discussion

Verge Gardens and Active Transport

People approach issues about streets and verge gardens in many different ways depending on their background and professions



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Community Development



Transport planners



Urban Food growing

Guerilla Gardeners



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Pollinator and habitat corridors



Walkability as equity



Walking for health



Cycling advocates



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Environmentalists



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“Save Our Big Backyard” campaign for biodiversity



Nundah Community Enterprises Co-operative



Regenerate our streets

Where are we going?

Shaded, cool, interesting, safe, walkable streets

How do we get there?

Individuals > groups > collaboration

1. shadylanes.com.au – courses, zoom: “ask me anything”, network, post stories
2. connect on socials
3. Banyo: second Sunday meetings, fourth Sunday casual coffee
4. Don't just talk – do it!