

# Swansea Cycle Tours

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Regarding:

**Meredith River Pedestrian/Cycling Bridge.**

Swansea Cycle Tours and Bike hire have been in operation for 4 -5 years now, operating out of Swansea. We conduct off road cycle tours through vineyard properties north of Swansea. The Highway is busy, particularly in the tourist season.

One of our cycle tours goes to Melshell Oyster Shack, along Dolphin Sands Road. To commence the tour, we drive customers to the Swan River Road boat ramp area to commence the tour. If the Meredith River Pedestrian/Cycling Bridge was built, we could start tours from Swansea and make it more attractive for the cyclists.

We also operate Self Directed Cycle Tours and Bike Hire. The Bridge would be invaluable for our customers as there are very few safe trails and tracks to cycle on in this area. Many tourists want to cycle to Melshell Oyster Shack and along Dolphin Sands Road to the mouth of the Swan River. To do this they have to cycle on the Tasman Highway to Swan River Road.

This is dangerous for cyclists. The Highway is busy with large vehicles, motor homes, caravans and trailers carrying boats. There is no verge available on many parts of the highway and no cycling lanes available for safe cycling.

We thoroughly support this project as it will create a valuable tourist asset for the local community and visitors to Swansea and the East Coast.

Sally Fletcher.

