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Creating an iconic pathway on the Huon River

A shared pathway from Huonville to Franklin along the Huon River Foreshore is one of our priority projects and could become an iconic drawcard for the Huon Valley.

The walking, cycling and kayaking trail would make our beautiful river more accessible and could attract a large number of visitors to the area.

Mayor Bec Enders said Council had appointed environment engineering consultancy Pitt and Sherry to carry out a feasibility study into the project.

“There is a boat on the river surveying the foreshore already trying to work out the best path for the pathway to take,” Cr Enders said.

“This could be an exciting development and we are looking forward to seeing what the consultants have to say when they finish their study.

“While the prospect of a direct pathway between Huonville and Franklin is attractive, we need to make sure it’s a worthwhile project. That’s what this study is for.

“Pitt and Sherry will identify where the pathway should go, consult with key stakeholders and report back with their estimated costs for design and construction.”

Pitt and Sherry have considerable experience in similar projects having worked on the Northwest Coastal Pathway, the Snug to Margate shared cycle path, Glenorchy’s innercity cycleway extension and a number of others.

The study is currently underway and is expected to take 12 weeks in total.

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