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GET ON YOUR BIKE and head down to The Station to have your say about the draft design of the riverfront bike park.

Young people instigated the possibility of building a riverfront bike park at the back of Sturt Reserve, to cater for local youth with a passion for off road cycling that would complement the existing Murray Bridge Skate Park.

A consultation session will be held at The Station, 3 Railway Terrace, on 10 December 2022 between 12 and 2 pm with the view to engaging local youth, residents, families and the general community in the Preliminary Concept Plan in the next step of a multi-staged collaborative consultation process.

The Bike Park project was initiated when the Rural City of Murray Bridge Council was approached by local youth, through the Youth Action Committee, specifically asking for a formalised bike park for non-motorised bike riders at Sturt Reserve.

Mayor Wayne Thorley, said "Council supports the creation of a family friendly, safe, recreation space for beginners and intermediate bike riders, involving extensive landscaping in an attractive and accessible riverfront location."

"Our consultants heard from young people, BMX and MTB riders of all ages, local residents, playground and park users and the broader Murray Bridge community," he said.

"We are listening to our young people and this project is a chance for them to have a real say in shaping the premier riverfront recreation precinct we are building at Sturt Reserve, to give them a voice and ensure we are catering for their needs.

"The great ideas received were used to inform the Preliminary Concept Plan."

The location of the proposed bike park was determined by consultation with local residents and the broader community earlier this year. It will be in a location bounded by Jaensch Road and Sturt Reserve Road on Sturt Reserve, aligning with the Sturt Reserve Master Plan.

Council has engaged consultants The Trail Collective to undertake development of the Preliminary Concept Plan. Members of the public are also able to have their say between 10 December and 10 January by completing an online survey at: www.thetrailcollective.com.au/haveyoursay

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