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Dear members of the committee,

Thank you for your work on this.

I would like to strongly encourage you to look into options, as soon as possible, for widening Antill Street, Watson, particularly in North Watson, as I am very concerned about the potential for a fatal accident. The road connects a number of new housing developments to the centre of Canberra, but is narrow (no shoulder), unlit, and does not have consistent footpaths. It also has blind crest hills. The amount of traffic combined with no other place to cycle puts cyclists and motorists at high risk - if a car were to come over the hill to see a cyclist, there could well be a collision either with the cyclist or with another car if there was oncoming traffic. There is plenty of space for a fully separate cycle path, and certainly the population size to warrant it. A cycle path would get great use also, given it would skirt the bottom of Mt Majura.

I'm not sure if this is already being considered, but encourage you to act with haste given the real accident potential.

Thank you for your consideration

Jessica Avalon

