

Healthy Streets Design Check Training



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BACKGROUND

This training programme has been developed for urban designers and traffic engineers. The course takes participants step by step through how to use the Healthy Streets Design Check to accurately assess street designs against the 10 Healthy Streets Indicators and develop designs that maximise the Healthy Streets score.

This training will be delivered as 1 full-day face to face workshop in Perth on Friday August 4th 2023 and a follow up session online on a date that suit the course participants.

This training is aimed at practitioners with Foundation level training in Healthy Streets to build their specialist skills in design.

The Healthy Streets Design Check

The Healthy Streets Design Check is one in a suite of tools for implementing and evaluating the Healthy Streets Approach.

This tool has been developed with and for designers and engineers to score existing and proposed street lay-outs against the Healthy Streets Indicators.

This tool can be applied to any street or design. It can be used throughout the design process including; to develop project specification; to audit or raise designers' performance; to evaluate project impact; and to communicate design quality.

The Healthy Streets Design Check for Australia has been developed specifically for the Australian context with Australian practitioners.



This training course has been developed for practitioners in Australia to become skilled at using this tool with accuracy and confidence throughout the design process.

On completion of this training Foundation Level Practitioners will be considered competent at quality assuring Design Checks completed by other designers.

COURSE SUMMARY

The course is delivered as a full-day face to face workshop on August 4th 2023 with a homework activity and follow up sessions online at the convenience of the participants. This structure has proven effective at building the skills and confidence of practitioners.

There is a maximum capacity for 18 participants on the course to ensure everyone is actively involved throughout.

Participation in all parts of the course is mandatory for achieving Healthy Streets Designer accreditation.

The course is \$1200 AUD per participant. To book a place email training@healthystreets.com

Workshop sessions

Sessions are delivered by Lucy Saunders, who leads the development of all the Healthy Streets tools. She has trained practitioners in Australia and Europe on how to apply the Healthy Streets Design Check.

Participants will need to be present for the full day of Friday August 4th 2023 at the training venue in central Perth for session no.s 1-4. They will need good internet connectivity and a functioning camera and microphone to participate in the online follow-up session. This session will be delivered on Zoom at times that suit the participants.

Homework task

To ensure participants have developed the skills in using the Design Check each will need to submit a completed Healthy Streets Check for review as their homework.

COURSE PROGRAMME

Preparation

Participants are expected to familiarise themselves with the functionality of the Design Check tool before attending the course. This includes reading the 'about' and 'help' tab contents.

Sessions 1-4 will be in person over 1 day.

Session 1

The course starts with a quiz for participants to refresh their knowledge of the key Healthy Streets principles that they learned in their Foundation Training.

The session then introduces the tool: how it works, who should use it, when to use it, the strengths and limitations and how it fits in the wider suite of Healthy Streets tools.

Session 2

This session takes participants step by step through how to measure each metric. This includes discussion about common measurement mistakes and tips on how to assess each metric.

Lunch break

Session 3

In this session all participants go out on street to use the Healthy Streets Design Check to score the street.

Session 4

In this session the on-street checks are reviewed. Each metric is reviewed in detail to demonstrate how it should have been measured and discuss errors in measurement and presentation. This is followed by a discussion about challenges in using the tool

Homework

All participants complete the Design Check on a street of their choice. For this they will need to visit their chosen street for visual inspection and have basic traffic volume and speed estimates.

Participants submit their completed Checks plus any questions that have arisen during completion of this task.

Lucy will send each participant a personalised feedback on their completion of the tool and responses to questions they have raised.

Session 5

This 2 hour online session is in 2 parts.

The first part is led by the participants who each present the Check they completed and respond to queries and challenge from their peers.

This session helps participants to practice presenting and defending their work in a friendly setting.

The second part of the session is a discussion of frequently asked questions, problem solving and handling challenge. This helps participants feel confident in using the tool and quality assuring Checks that have been completed by others.



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