

Part B

Strategic planning for walking

Part B of *Easy Steps* contains guidelines and concepts to assist council planners and their consultants to develop effective walking plans for their local areas.

Strategic planning is essential for providing sustained increases in walking. Setting targets and developing the social and physical environment to support attainment of these targets require a 'whole of council' approach.

Part B of *Easy Steps* also includes discussion and advice on how councils can align their current policies, corporate obligations and practices to achieve higher levels of walking within the community. It addresses issues such as:

- ▶ the benefits of walking for both the community and council
- ▶ ways in which several areas of council can work together to encourage walking
- ▶ the importance of developing walking strategies and plans to achieve desired outcomes
- ▶ the vital role community partnerships play in delivering sustainable walking outcomes
- ▶ ideas and guidelines on how to secure funding for the pedestrian plans and programs being developed.

