

Cities and countries around the world are responding to the climate emergency by re-thinking what they fund and don't fund. Scotland and Stockholm have committed around 20% of their transport budgets to walking and cycling. Beijing has ambitions to be the next Netherlands and is building a significant cycling network. Amsterdam has embraced the donut economy where they're aiming to provide for a sufficient life for their citizens but does not go beyond the planetary boundaries. And Wales has committed not to build new roads if they don't meet its Paris compliant carbon budget. It's time for Australia and New Zealand to reduce our road spending, stop expanding our suburbs, and instead focus on infill development and investing in walking, cycling and public transport. This presentation looks at the why, where and how we could pursue this agenda.