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Your submission for this review:

I would like Council to put in a footpath along Firman Drive at Diggers Beach. Although this street gets a considerable amount of traffic, especially during holiday time, it is poorly lit and does not provide a safe walking track. I regularly exercise in the early morning before work, it is impossible to run or walk along the grassed footpaths due to the protruding roots of trees and over the last months, it has been too muddy and wet. When I take our 2 grandchildren for a walk to the beach, I can't push a pram or stroller on the grassed footpaths which means I have to walk on the side of the road with a pram and a 3 year old. It is so unsafe because cars speed along that street. Now that tourism is picking up again, there are constantly lots of cars parked on Firman drive near Anuka which means I have to push a stroller on the outer side of cars. We are paying quite high rates in this area compared to some areas of Coffs Harbour, but we have virtually no footpaths which means no safe places for walking with kids even though there are a number of young families who live out here. In the past I have actually fallen and dislocated my shoulder due to the poor pavement provided by council. It is a health and safety issue in Diggers Beach area and i am asking you to seriously plan for this.