

## What are the project aims?

**The Great Bike Hike** project aims to:

- identify opportunities that help progress the Count Me In 13 priorities and pathways
- enable the creation of new partnerships and initiatives that strengthen the involvement and decision-making capacity of people with disability, their families and carers
- influence the way organisations (government/non-government) conduct business in line with the 'Vision' of Count Me In
- complement, encourage, support and more importantly 'showcase' community initiatives and achievements as outcomes of this project
- create opportunities for communities to raise funds for current and planned projects

## How can you get involved?

Organisers are seeking local people, organisations and community groups between Perth and Broome to be part of this awareness-raising event.

## Community Leaders

In each community **The Great Bike Hike** organisers will support people willing to take the lead role to implement Count Me In principles via this project.

## Community Projects

The ultimate aim of **The Great Bike Hike** project is to support the partnerships that deliver outcomes in line with the Count Me In 13 priority pathways.

## How can I find out more or get involved?

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THE GREAT  
**BIKE HIKE**  
In the spirit of Count Me In

**Perth to Broome**  
**19th August to**  
**15th September 2012**



AN INITIATIVE OF

**Fairholme**

DISABILITY SUPPORT GROUP INC.

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**'THE GREAT BIKE HIKE', an initiative of Fairholme Disability Support Group, is an awareness-raising event designed to support local communities to become welcoming and affirming places for people with disability, mental illness, their families and carers.**

The Great Bike Hike is designed to promote and support the Count Me In: Disability Future Directions principles, priorities and pathways.

Organisers are looking for local community-based programs or initiatives to become part of this epic adventure.

Below: The Great Bike Hike cyclist Mark Le Flohic.



## What is

### Count Me In: Disability Future Directions?

Count Me In: Disability Future Directions was launched by the Premier in December 2009 and is a guide for all West Australians (politicians, disability organisations, mainstream agencies, businesses and communities) when responding to the needs of people with disability.

It identifies three focus areas and 13 priority pathways to shape a good future for people with disability, their families, carers and for all West Australians.

At the heart of Count Me In lies the vision to create a society where "All people live in welcoming communities that facilitate citizenship, friendship, mutual support and a fair go for everyone".

**The Great Bike Hike** will link participating communities from Perth to Broome, supporting them to champion the Count Me In vision for the overall benefit of each community.



## How will

### The Great Bike Hike work?

During August and September 2012, a team of cyclists including Paralympians will ride from Perth to Broome, stopping at communities to promote the message for Count Me In: Disability Future Directions.

Each stopover will provide an opportunity to acknowledge some of the inspiring initiatives (current and proposed) that help to create welcoming and affirming communities for people with disability, mental illness, their families and carers.

### The Route:

