Gerry Wood, the Independent Member for Nelson, says the Government promised in 2006 that they would build a bicycle path from Palmerston to Howard Springs along the old NAH rail corridor in the current term of office.

Gerry says that as we are now nearly in the last year of this parliamentary term and there is no money in the budget for this project one can only presume that the promise to build the bicycle path has been broken.

Gerry says he and other bicycle users have been calling for the cycle path to be built for over 10 years yet nothing has happened. Perhaps rural people don’t count when it comes to being provided with services similar to those north of the Berrimah Line.

He says that the Government’s should be making an effort to encourage commuters to look at alternate means of transport in light of the spiralling fuel prices which are certainly affecting rural residents.

The Government seemed to have found money for a cycle path along Wishart Road but no money for rural people. Perhaps it is more about the politics of the electorate rather than the needs of the community!

_Cessi foro gallinarum sed surgo_