

**NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL****REPORT OF 539<sup>th</sup> TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**

**SUBJECT: PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE AT MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 200 MILLER STREET, NORTH SYDNEY, ON FRIDAY, 30 APRIL 2021 AT 10.00AM.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Gibson in the Chair, Councillor Keen.

**Staff:** Michaela Kemp, Manager Traffic and Transport Operations  
Duncan Mitchell, Director Engineering and Property Services  
Iman Mohammedi, Traffic & Transport Engineer  
Elisabet Skogback, Team Leader Parking Services  
Josh Jongma, Governance Co-ordinator (minutes)  
Maria Coyne, Traffic Operations Officer

**Members:** Veronique Marchandau representing Felicity Wilson, Member for North Shore  
Sgt Ryan Edwards, North Shore Police  
Garvin Rutherford representing Gladys Berejiklian, Member for Willoughby  
Bikram Singh, Transport for New South Wales (online)

**Non-Voting Members:** Egwin Herbert, STA  
Lisa Forrest, Senior Electorate Officer representing Felicity Wilson, Member for North Shore

**Visitors:** Greg Hurst, Resident  
Felicity O'Brien, Resident  
Bernard Smith, Resident

**Apologies:** Nil

At the commencement of business (10.04 am) Councillors present were:  
Councillor Gibson in the Chair, Councillor Keen.

**38. Minutes**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 March 2021, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Garvin Rutherford

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 March 2021, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

**MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD****39. (4.3.1) The Boulevardde Cammeray**

Report of Manager Traffic and Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp  
Attached is a list of recommendations made for minor traffic investigations.

**Recommending:**

1. **THAT** Council raises no objection to the installation of safety mirrors behind the Council fence, adjacent to the driveway of 28 The Boulevardde, Cammeray subject to the full cost and future maintenance of the mirrors be borne by the property owner(s).
2. **THAT** a written statement shall be provided by the property owner(s) to accept full responsibilities for the use of the safety mirrors and any cost associated with the provision and future maintenance of the mirrors prior to installation.

Mr Hurst addressed the committee on this item.

The Motion was moved by Cr Gibson and seconded by Garvin Rutherford,

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** Council raises no objection to the installation of safety mirrors behind the Council fence, adjacent to the driveway of 28 The Boulevardde, Cammeray subject to the full cost and future maintenance of the mirrors be borne by the property owner(s).
2. **THAT** a written statement shall be provided by the property owner(s) to accept full responsibilities for the use of the safety mirrors and any cost associated with the provision and future maintenance of the mirrors prior to installation.

**40. (5.4) Standing Item – Blues Point Road – Vehicle Noise & Traffic Issues**

Report of Manager Traffic & Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp  
At the Traffic Committee meeting on 19 March 2021, it was recommended that the matter of vehicle noise and traffic issues in Blues Point Road, McMahons Point be kept as a standing item at the Traffic Committee meetings.

A report was considered at the Traffic Committee meeting on 5 February 2021 where it was recommended, and Council subsequently resolved at its meeting on 22 February 2021 (in-part):

1. **THAT** Council consults with the affected community with regard to the speed cushion traffic calming scheme for Blues Point Road between Princes Street and Blues Point Reserve as shown in the attached plans.
2. **THAT** Council request police enforcement of excessive noise from vehicles, illegal parking and street racing as raised by local residents, particularly on Friday and Saturday evenings between 9pm and 4am.
3. **THAT** Council request TfNSW install a speed camera in Blues Point Road between East Crescent Street and Blues Point Reserve.
4. **THAT** the traffic calming proposal be included in any funding applications for the McMahons Point (Blues Point Road) Public Domain Upgrade Masterplan and vice versa.

*6 THAT the Committee give in principle approval for CCTV on Blues Point Road and report to next Traffic Committee on how these measures can proceed.*

**Update April 2021:**

It is anticipated that the community consultation on the traffic calming (Resolution 1) will commence in late April 2020.

submission was made via the Safer Roads NSW website for a speed camera on Blues Point Road.

Council staff are investigating temporary CCTV options for Blues Point Road and will provide a further report to the Traffic Committee in due course.

**Recommending:**

**1. THAT** the updates concerning Standing Item - Blues Point Road - Vehicle Noise & Traffic Issues be received.

Ms O'Brien addressed the committee on this item.

There was discussion about the need for linemarking of the 4 angle parking bays, more lighting in the same vicinity, clearer and more effective signage such as bigger signs and less signs. A suggestion was made that 'No Parking' or 'No Stopping' markings be installed on the asphalt in front of the 4 angle parking spaces – this would be investigated if the bay linemarking is ineffective.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Veronique Marchandeanu

**1. THAT** the updates concerning Standing Item - Blues Point Road - Vehicle Noise & Traffic Issues be received.

**2. THAT** line marking be reinstated urgently to clearly delineate the 4 angle parking spots at the end of Blues Point Road.

**3. THAT** urgent investigation be undertaken to improve the lighting in the same vicinity at the end of Blues Point Road.

**4. THAT** signage at the end of Blues Point Road be reviewed with the aim to make it clearer and more effective.

**5. THAT** in response to residents concerns, Council fast-track the implementation of the 40KM/hr HPAAs initiatives to ensure traffic speed and calming on Blues Point Road can be addressed.

Voting was unanimous.

**Resolved to Recommend:**

**1. THAT** the updates concerning Standing Item - Blues Point Road - Vehicle Noise & Traffic Issues be received.

**2. THAT** line marking be reinstated urgently to clearly delineate the 4 angle parking spots at the end of Blues Point Road.

**3. THAT** urgent investigation be undertaken to improve the lighting in the same vicinity at the end of Blues Point Road.

**4. THAT** signage at the end of Blues point Road be reviewed with the aim to make it clearer and more effective.

**5. THAT** in response to residents concerns, Council fast-track the implementation of the 40KM/hr HPAAs initiatives to ensure traffic speed and calming on Blues Point Road can be addressed.

**41. (4.2) Minor Parking Restrictions**

Report of Manager Traffic and Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp  
Attached is a list of recommendations made for changes in the parking restrictions.

**Recommending:**

1. **THAT** the recommendations made for changes in the parking restrictions be received.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Veronique Marchandau

1. **THAT** in principle support be given to increasing the parking time limits in Princes Street, McMahons Point from 30 minutes to 1 hour.

2. **THAT** Council promptly conduct a survey of the intention to change the parking restrictions in Princes Street, McMahons Point.

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** in principle support be given to increasing the parking time limits in Princes Street, McMahons Point from 30 minutes to 1 hour.

2. **THAT** Council promptly conduct a survey of the intention to change the parking restrictions in Princes Street, McMahons Point.

42. A Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Ryan Edwards

1. **THAT** the recommendations made for changes in the parking restrictions be received.

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** the recommendations made for changes in the parking restrictions be received.

43. **(7.4) Grosvenor Lane Traffic**

A discussion was had on traffic concerns in the area of Grosvenor Lane at the intersection with Young Street. It was requested that Council staff look at options for pavement markings and signage improvements for Grosvenor Lane at Young Street. The Mayor requested road safety banners be installed on the banner poles in Grosvenor Lane.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Garvin Rutherford

1. **THAT** “end shared zone” signage in Grosvenor Lane be moved closer to Young Street and add “give way to pedestrian” signage.

2. **THAT** Council Staff review the current signage and options for increased safety measures.

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** “end shared zone” signage in Grosvenor Lane be moved closer to Young Street and add “give way to pedestrian” signage.

2. **THAT** Council Staff review the current signage and options for increased safety measures.

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**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION****44. (4.1) Delegated Authority**

Report of Manager Traffic and Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp

Attached is a list of projects given approval under delegated authority to the Traffic & Transport Operations Manager. Approval was given subject to concurrence of Transport for NSW, the NSW Police, and the local State Members.

**Recommending:**

1. **THAT** the information regarding Delegated Authority items be received.

Councillor Keen declared a non-significant and non-pecuniary interest in the matter as a member of the Neutral Bay Public School Council.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Ryan Edwards,

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** the information regarding Delegated Authority items be received.

*Item 4.2 was brought forward in the Agenda (refer to page 19)*

**45. (4.3) Minor Traffic Investigations**

Report of Manager Traffic and Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp

Attached is a list of recommendations made for minor traffic investigations.

**Recommending:**

1. **THAT** the recommendations made for minor traffic investigations be received.

*Item 4.3.1 was brought forward in the Agenda (refer to page 18)*

The Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Garvin Rutherford,

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** the recommendations made for minor traffic investigations be received.

**46. (4.4) Resident Parking Area 12 - Wollstonecraft and Waverton - Parking Restrictions Review**

Report of Parking Facilities Operations Officer, Tram Nguyen

At the North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting held on 22 November 2019, the Traffic Committee considered the survey results of a community consultation for Resident Parking Area 12 - Wollstonecraft and Waverton ([attached](#)). At the meeting, the following recommendations were made and subsequently adopted by Council:

1. **THAT** Council adopt the attached parking restriction recommendations for Crows Nest, Wollstonecraft, and Waverton Parking Area 12.

2. **THAT** Council notify the residents before installing the parking restriction changes in Crows Nest, Wollstonecraft, and Waverton Parking Area 12.

3. **THAT** the new parking restrictions be reviewed six (6) months after the date of installation in Crows Nest, Wollstonecraft, and Waverton Parking Area 12.

Installation of the new signage was delayed due to uncertainty around the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The new signs were subsequently installed in October 2020 and are therefore due for review.

**Recommending:**

1. **THAT** the parking restrictions installed in Resident Parking Area 12 - Wollstonecraft and Waverton in October 2020, remain.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Bikram Singh,

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** the parking restrictions installed in Resident Parking Area 12 - Wollstonecraft and Waverton in October 2020, remain.

47. **(4.5) Resident Parking Area 13 - Wollstonecraft and Crows Nest - Parking Restrictions Review**

Report of Parking Facilities Operations Officer, Tram Nguyen

At the North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting held on 22 November 2019, the Traffic Committee considered the survey results of a community consultation for Resident Parking Area 13 - Wollstonecraft and Crows Nest ([attached](#)). At the meeting the following recommendations were made and subsequently adopted by Council:

1. **THAT** Council adopt the attached parking restriction recommendations for Wollstonecraft and Crows Nest Parking Area 13.
2. **THAT** Council notify the residents before installing the parking restriction changes in Wollstonecraft and Crows Nest Parking Area 13.
3. **THAT** the new parking restrictions be reviewed six (6) months after the date of installation in Wollstonecraft and Crows Nest Parking Area 13.

Installation of the new signage was delayed due to uncertainty around the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The new signs were subsequently installed in October 2020 and are therefore due for review.

**Recommending:**

1. **THAT** the parking restrictions installed in Resident Parking Area 13 - Wollstonecraft and Crows Nest in October 2020, remain.

The Motion was moved by Garvin Rutherford and seconded by Councillor Gibson,

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** the parking restrictions installed in Resident Parking Area 13 - Wollstonecraft and Crows Nest in October 2020, remain.

48. **(4.6) Resident Parking Area 19 – Crows Nest - Parking Restrictions - 6 Month Review**

Report of Traffic and Transport Engineer, Iman Mohammadi

The Traffic Committee at its 529 meeting dated 22 November 2019 considered the survey results of a community consultation for Resident Parking Area 19 - Crows Nest. The following recommendations were made to the Traffic Committee which were subsequently resolved to recommend changes to some of the parking restrictions

1. **THAT** Council adopt the attached parking restriction recommendations for Crows Nest Parking Area 19 (East).
2. **THAT** Council notify the residents before installing the parking restriction changes.

3. *THAT the new parking restrictions be reviewed in three (3) months and again in six (6) months after the date of installation in Crows Nest Parking Area 19.*
4. *THAT Council installs the statutory 10m “No Stopping” restrictions adjacent to the new residential parking zone at the intersections that lack this restriction.*

The detailed report to the Traffic Committee with the outcomes and list of changes can be accessed through the following link - [Report to Traffic Committee 22/11/2019](#). Council delayed implementation of these parking changes while restrictive COVID-19 public health orders were in place. As the public health orders are progressively relaxed and more people return to workplaces, Council recommenced implementation of the adopted parking changes and a notification was distributed to affected properties on 14 October 2020.

Therefore, the new signage is now due for review.

**Recommending:**

1. **THAT** the parking restrictions installed in Resident Parking Area 19 - Crows Nest in October 2020, remain.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Veronique Marchandea,au,

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** the parking restrictions installed in Resident Parking Area 19 - Crows Nest in October 2020, remain.

**49. (4.7) New Car Share Applications - Consultation Outcomes, April 2021**

Report of Sustainable Transport Project Coordinator, Lindsay Menday

Car Share operator ‘Goget’ applied for three (3) new dedicated car share spaces, one in each of Earle Street, Grasmere Road and Gilles Street. This report provides detail of the consultation outcomes on the applications.

The spaces proposed do not conflict with any key technical standards or guidelines, however submissions indicated mixed views within the community and a low total number of supporting submissions. Given that car share service already operates within these areas, the consultation outcomes did not provide a definitive indication of additional need in these areas.

This report recommends that one of the spaces be refused and the other two be deferred pending evidence from the operator that surplus demand exists at the sites proposed.

Communications from Goget during the application process also indicated that a vehicle is already located near the proposed locations in unrestricted parking areas. As community members have not been able to comment on this vehicle placements via the formal consultation process this report recommends that Council write to Goget seeking that these vehicles, and any similar other, be removed pending a formal application and approvals process.

**Recommending:**

1. **THAT** a Car Share space is not installed in Gilles Street given that consultation did not confirm demand within the community.
2. **THAT** the consideration of the new car share spaces in Earle Street and Grasmere Road be deferred pending further evidence (as set out in Attachment 1 of this report) that there is sufficient demand in the locations.
3. **THAT** Council write to Goget seeking removal of any vehicles that are on Council land which have not been endorsed by Council.

The Motion was moved by Garvin Rutherford and seconded by Councillor Gibson,

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** a Car Share space is not installed in Gilles Street given that consultation did not confirm demand within the community.
2. **THAT** the consideration of the new car share spaces in Earle Street and Grasmere Road be deferred pending further evidence (as set out in Attachment 1 of this report) that there is sufficient demand in the locations.
3. **THAT** Council write to Goget seeking removal of any vehicles that are on Council land which have not been endorsed by Council.

**50. (4.8) Change to Traffic Committee meeting dates for 2021**

Report of Manager Traffic & Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp

At its meeting on 27 November 2020 the Traffic Committee made the following recommendation, which was subsequently adopted by Council at its meeting on 22 February 2021:

*1. THAT the proposed North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting dates for 2021 be received, with an amendment that the 3 September meeting be held prior to pre polling for the Local Government elections.*

As pre-polling for the elections starts on Sunday 22 August, the latest date for a rescheduled Committee meeting would be Friday 20 August 2021.

The proposed meeting dates including the amendment is provided in the table below.

NORTH SYDNEY TRAFFIC COMMITTEE 2021	
Traffic Committee Agenda Closing Date	Traffic Committee Meeting Dates
11 January 2021	5 February 2021
22 February 2021	19 March 2021
5 April 2021	30 April 2021
17 May 2021	11 June 2021
28 June 2021	23 July 2021
<del>9 August 2021</del>	<del>3 September 2021</del>
16 July 2021	20 August 2021
20 September 2021	15 October 2021
1 November 2021	26 November 2021

**Recommending:**

1. **THAT** the proposed amended North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting dates for 2021 be received.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Ryan Edwards,

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** the proposed amended North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting dates for 2021 be received.



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**INFORMAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION****51. (5.1) Abandoned Vehicles and Unattended Boat Trailers Processed Report**

Report of Manager Ranger and Parking Services, Mark Richardson

Report of Abandoned Vehicles and Unattended Boat Trailers processed during the reporting period of 27 February 2021 to 9 April 2021.

Year to date (2021) Council had investigated 97 reports of abandoned vehicles.

Year to date (2021) Council processed 16 reports of unattended boat trailers.

**Recommending:**

**1. THAT** the information concerning the Abandoned Vehicles and Unattended Boat Trailers Processed Report be received.

The Motion was moved by Veronique Marchandean and seconded by Ryan Edwards,

**1. THAT** the information concerning the Abandoned Vehicles and Unattended Boat Trailers Processed Report be received.

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

**1. THAT** the information concerning the Abandoned Vehicles and Unattended Boat Trailers Processed Report be received.

**52. (5.2) Standing Item - Military Road B-Line**

Report of Manager Traffic & Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp

At the Traffic Committee meeting on 3 May 2019 it was agreed to add a standing item for each future traffic committee agenda with regard to B-Line, including matters concerning off-set parking arrangements due to parking losses along Military Road, and general traffic and parking matters that arise.

The table overleaf outlines the status of current traffic and parking matters relating to B-Line.

**Recommending:**

**1. THAT** the information concerning Standing Item - Military Road B-Line be received.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Veronique Marchandean,

**1. THAT** the information concerning Standing Item - Military Road B-Line be received.

**2. THAT** the standing item on pedestrian traffic signals (Item 20/03) be moved within 5.3 Standing Item – Pedestrian Safety and the standing item on Military Road B-Line be removed as a standing item.

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

**1. THAT** the information concerning Standing Item - Military Road B-Line be received.

**2. THAT** the standing item on pedestrian traffic signals (Item 20/03) be moved within 5.3 Standing Item – Pedestrian Safety and the standing item on Military Road B-Line be removed as a standing item.

**53. (5.3) Standing Item – Pedestrian Safety**

Report of Manager Traffic & Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp

At the 530<sup>th</sup> Traffic Committee meeting on 7 February 2020 it was recommended that pedestrian safety be added to the agenda as a standing item.

A list of current pedestrian safety standing items and their current status is attached.

**Recommending:**

**1. THAT** the information concerning Standing Item - Pedestrian Safety be received.

Councillor Keen made a declaration of a non-significant and non-pecuniary interest as a member of the Neutral Bay Public School, Council.

Bikram Singh provided an update on projects by TfNSW that will improve safety in the LGA including proposed fencing at on the triangular island at Military and Falcon Street opposite the Watson Street bus interchange. The other project is the installation of a pedestrian crossing signal on Palmer Street at Miller Street.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson,

**1. THAT** the information concerning Standing Item - Pedestrian Safety be received.

**2. THAT** updates be provided in future reports in the Standing Item – Pedestrian Safety relating to decisions under General Business, including Grosvenor Lane.

**3. THAT** the gaps in the fences on Military Road near Young Street Plaza be closed promptly with appropriate safety fencing.

Voting was unanimous

**Resolved to Recommend:**

**1. THAT** the information concerning Standing Item - Pedestrian Safety be received.

**2. THAT** updates be provided in future reports in the Standing Item – Pedestrian Safety relating to decisions under General Business, including Grosvenor Lane.

**3. THAT** the gaps in the fences on Military Road near Young Street Plaza be closed promptly with appropriate safety fencing.

*Item 5.4 was brought forward in the Agenda (refer to page 20)*

**GENERAL BUSINESS****(7.1) Amherst Street and Miller Street**

This matter has been referred to TfNSW for review.

**(7.2) Merlin Street and Military Road – Do Not Queue Across Intersection**

This matter has been referred to TfNSW for review.

**(7.3) 8 Webb Street**

Veronique Marchandau requested discussion on removing a parking space at 8 Webb Street. It was noted that this should be expedited for safety reasons and ensuring emergency services access.

*Item 7.4 was brought forward in the Agenda (refer to page 20).*

The meeting closed at 10.52pm.

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**CHAIRPERSON**

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**GENERAL MANAGER**