



## **Sustainable Transport Reference Group**

**Report ST01 – 16 November 2020**

Attachments:  
Nil

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**SUBJECT:** Update on Sustainable Transport Projects

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report contains an update on current Traffic and Transport Operations projects related to sustainable transport.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Funding for these projects are included in the adopted 2020/21 budgets.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**1. THAT** the information on Current Sustainable Transport Projects be received.

**LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN**

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

- Direction: 2. Our Built Infrastructure
- Outcome: 2.3 Sustainable transport is encouraged

**BACKGROUND**

This report provides an update on current sustainable transport projects.

**CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS**

Community engagement is not required.

**SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT**

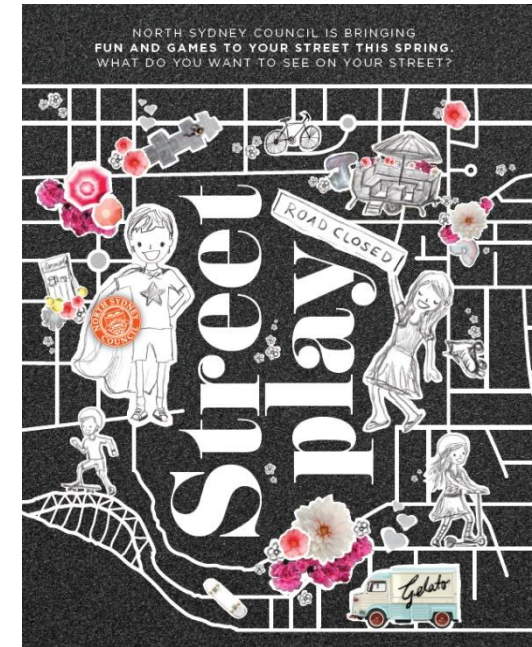
The following table provides a summary of the key sustainability implications:

<b>QBL Pillar</b>	<b>Implications</b>
Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The initiatives/actions discussed will contribute to enhanced environmental quality by reducing the reliance on private vehicles as the primary transport option.</li></ul>
Social	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The initiatives/actions discussed promote transport and mobility options for a diverse range of community members.</li></ul>
Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The initiatives/actions discussed help Council to be a leader in the promotion of sustainable transport.</li></ul>

**DETAIL**

The table below provides an update of current sustainable transport projects.

Street/ Location	Project	Action
Various	Street Play Program	<p>In Spring 2020 Council will hold a pilot ‘Street Play’ program.</p> <p>Participating Streets will be temporarily closed to traffic so they can be ‘opened for people’, providing space for kids to play and the community to enjoy. Council will provide some basic street furniture and games for each day to help create an atmosphere of a ‘park in the street’. The days will also provide an opportunity to use Council’s new parklet.</p> <p>‘Play’ days will be held in the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laycock Street. 8 November 1-5pm</li> <li>• McHatton Street (North Sydney Demonstration School). 13 November 12-2pm</li> <li>• Rosalind Street/Edwin Street, Cammeray. 15 November 1-5pm</li> <li>• Burlington Street, Crows Nest. 22 November 2-6pm</li> <li>• Colin Street, Cammeray. 6 December 1-5pm</li> </ul> <p>These streets were chosen based on community nominations.</p>



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Miller Street and Kirribilli

Streets as Shared Spaces Funding grant

Council successfully applied for \$1,000,000 in grant funding under the Streets as Shared Spaces program to implement trial or 'popup' pedestrianisation and placemaking projects.

The grant will be allocated towards projects in Miller Street, North Sydney, and Burton Street and Bligh Street, Kirribilli.



Artists Impression, Burton Street, Kirribilli





Artist Impression, Bligh Street, Kirribilli





Artist Impression, Miller Street potential permanent plaza

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<p>Young Street, Neutral Bay</p>	<p>Temporary Plaza</p>	<p>Young Street will be closed to vehicular traffic from 2 November 2020 to March 2021 to allow for the temporary closure and implementation of a new pedestrian plaza. The plaza will respond to community demand for increased open space in Neutral Bay and strengthen walking links to the Neutral Bay Village and public transport.</p> 
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Various	New Parklet	<p>A proportion of the funds provided by the NSW State Government under the Streets as Shared Spaces program have contributed to the purchase of a new 'parklet'. The parklet will be used initially to use as part of the Street Play program, following which it can be used in locations across the LGA to provide place activation and contribute to more walkable streets.</p> <p>Community members are welcome to nominate a location for the parklet.</p>  <p>Similar 'Parklet' used in the City of Sydney</p>
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<p>Albany Street and Oxley Street, St Leonards</p>	<p>New pedestrian crossings</p>	<p>Construction was completed early in 2020 on new pedestrian crossings and associated landscaping and footpath improvements at the intersection between Albany Street and Oxley Street, St Leonards.</p> <p>The works significantly improve pedestrian accessibility between St Leonards and Crows Nest and provide a direct walking link to the forthcoming Metro Station. Council successfully applied to the RMS for a \$110,000 grant to part fund the works.</p> 
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<p>Ridge Street, North Sydney</p>	<p>Pedestrian Network/ Safety Upgrades</p> <p>North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy</p>	<p>Works are complete on Stage 2 of the Ridge Street Active Transport upgrades in the block of Ridge Street between Miller Street and the Warringah Freeway. The works included new footpaths and cycle paths and new garden beds and were 100% funded by Transport for NSW.</p>	 <p>Before</p>	 <p>After</p>
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<p>Ernest Street, Cycle Path</p>	<p>North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy</p>	<p><b>Cycling participation under Social Distancing</b></p> <p>Usage of the Ernest Street cycle path continues to grow significantly. The below graphs provide an overview of monthly usage and trends in overall usage. Notably, numbers jumped rapidly since the implementation of social distance requirements despite a significant drop in commuter travel, indicating that far more local residents and community members are now choosing to cycle around the LGA.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div> <p><b>Ernest Street Cycle Path</b></p> <table border="1"> <caption>Estimated Monthly Usage Data (Total Volume of Usage per Month)</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Month</th> <th>2017</th> <th>2018</th> <th>2019</th> <th>2020</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Jan</td><td>3000</td><td>3300</td><td>3800</td><td>3800</td></tr> <tr><td>Feb</td><td>3000</td><td>3300</td><td>4000</td><td>3800</td></tr> <tr><td>Mar</td><td>3000</td><td>3500</td><td>3800</td><td>3800</td></tr> <tr><td>Apr</td><td>3000</td><td>3500</td><td>3800</td><td>5200</td></tr> <tr><td>May</td><td>3000</td><td>3200</td><td>4100</td><td>4400</td></tr> <tr><td>Jun</td><td>3000</td><td>2100</td><td>2800</td><td>3600</td></tr> <tr><td>Jul</td><td>3000</td><td>3000</td><td>3000</td><td>3400</td></tr> <tr><td>Aug</td><td>3000</td><td>3200</td><td>3200</td><td>3800</td></tr> <tr><td>Sep</td><td>3000</td><td>3000</td><td>3600</td><td>4200</td></tr> <tr><td>Oct</td><td>3000</td><td>3000</td><td>4100</td><td>3000</td></tr> <tr><td>Nov</td><td>3000</td><td>3500</td><td>4000</td><td>3000</td></tr> <tr><td>Dec</td><td>3000</td><td>2900</td><td>3100</td><td>3200</td></tr> </tbody> </table> </div> <div> <p><b>Ernest St Cycle Path - Trend</b></p> <table border="1"> <caption>Estimated Monthly Usage Data (Total Volume of Usage per Month)</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Month</th> <th>Usage</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Sep 2017</td><td>3000</td></tr> <tr><td>Dec 2017</td><td>3000</td></tr> <tr><td>Mar 2018</td><td>3200</td></tr> <tr><td>Jun 2018</td><td>2200</td></tr> <tr><td>Sep 2018</td><td>3000</td></tr> <tr><td>Dec 2018</td><td>3200</td></tr> <tr><td>Mar 2019</td><td>3800</td></tr> <tr><td>Jun 2019</td><td>2800</td></tr> <tr><td>Sep 2019</td><td>3500</td></tr> <tr><td>Dec 2019</td><td>3500</td></tr> <tr><td>Mar 2020</td><td>3800</td></tr> <tr><td>Jun 2020</td><td>5200</td></tr> <tr><td>Sep 2020</td><td>4000</td></tr> </tbody> </table> </div> </div>	Month	2017	2018	2019	2020	Jan	3000	3300	3800	3800	Feb	3000	3300	4000	3800	Mar	3000	3500	3800	3800	Apr	3000	3500	3800	5200	May	3000	3200	4100	4400	Jun	3000	2100	2800	3600	Jul	3000	3000	3000	3400	Aug	3000	3200	3200	3800	Sep	3000	3000	3600	4200	Oct	3000	3000	4100	3000	Nov	3000	3500	4000	3000	Dec	3000	2900	3100	3200	Month	Usage	Sep 2017	3000	Dec 2017	3000	Mar 2018	3200	Jun 2018	2200	Sep 2018	3000	Dec 2018	3200	Mar 2019	3800	Jun 2019	2800	Sep 2019	3500	Dec 2019	3500	Mar 2020	3800	Jun 2020	5200	Sep 2020	4000
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<p>Various</p>	<p>New bike parking rails</p>	<p>Council regularly installs new and upgraded bike parking rails and O-rings (attached to sign stems/poles) as part of streetscape upgrades projects in the North Sydney CBD and village centres.</p> <p>In 2020, 21 new rails and 13 hoops have been installed throughout Neutral Bay and Cremorne, with 3 further to be installed soon.</p>  <p>Bike Parking Rails in Neutral Bay</p>
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