



AGENDA

A meeting of the **Sustainable Transport Reference Group** will be held on Cammeraygal Land at the Ros Crichton Pavilion Council Chambers, 200 Miller Street, North Sydney at 5:30 PM on Tuesday 5 September 2023.
The agenda is as follows.

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GENERAL MANAGER



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1. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 16 May 2023, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

2. Disclosures of Interest

3. Committee Reports

3.1. Sustainable Transport Project Updates

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| AUTHOR | Max White, Sustainable Transport Project Coordinator |
| ENDORSED BY | Gary Parsons, Director Open Space and Infrastructure |
| ATTACHMENTS | 1. ATNR Submission Letter [3.1.1 - 4 pages] |
| CSP LINK | 2. Our Built Infrastructure 2.3 Prioritise sustainable and active transport |

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on Sustainable Transport Projects at North Sydney Council.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

- Young and Grosvenor Street Intersection
- West Street Cycling, Walking and Streetscape Upgrades, Stage 1.
- West Street Cycling, Walking and Streetscape Upgrades, Stage 2.
- Route 3 - Active Transport pedestrian/cycleway program.
- Get NSW Active Grants.
- Bike Facilities
- Bike repair and maintenance courses
- Increasing Pedestrian Capacity at Neutral Bay B-Line Stop
- Transport for NSW – Active Transport Network Review.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the report be received.

Background

This report provides an update on current sustainable transport projects completed since the last reference group meeting.

Report

| Project | Detail |
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| Young and Grosvenor Street Intersection | <p>Proposed design for the Young and Grosvenor Street Intersection were publicly exhibited from Tuesday 4 July to Monday 14 August. Council undertook a range of consultation activities, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 5 X pop-ups• 1 X webinar• 1 X walkthrough <p>The proposed design will be taken to traffic committee for technical advice. If endorsed the proposal will be submitted to a Council Meeting for approval.</p> |
| West Street Stage 1 | <p>West Street Stage 1 was officially opened in July. The upgrades have delivered 100 metres of cycleway of Priority Route 1 Sydney Harbour Bridge to Cammeray, additional trees, public domain upgrades, pedestrian/cyclist crossing, foot path widening and additional garden plantings.</p> |
| West Street Stage 2 | <p>The final concept designs are nearing completion and consultation is planned for late 2023.</p> |
| Route 3 – Kirribilli to Mosman | <p>Previously exhibited designs are currently under review to consider community concerns.</p> |
| Get NSW Active Grants | <p>Council has been successful in securing two grants from the Get NSW Active program. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$135,000 to refresh of the North Sydney Integrated Cycling Strategy 2014• \$73,700 for the construction of a continuous footpath treatment at the intersection of Park Avenue and Military Road. |
| Bike Facilities | <p>Additional bike facilities have been installed at the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Corner of Merlin Street and Falcon Street• Bike pump at the Sydney Harbour Bridge steps• Bike pump at the Ridge Street and West Street intersection |



Image 1. Merlin Street and Falcon Street Bike Racks



Image 2. Bike pump intersection Ridge Street and West Street

Increasing Pedestrian Capacity at Neutral Bay B-Line Stop

Council staff received feedback from the community regarding footpath clutter and capacity at the Neutral Bay B-Line stop (south side of Military Road). An assessment of the location was conducted, and action was taken to improve pedestrian footpath capacity.

A bin, bike rack and 2 X planters were relocated to nearby locations (within 50 metres) to relieve pressure at a pinch point for pedestrians.

Bike repair and maintenance courses

Council will provide funding for 16 Bike Repair services and 7 bike maintenance workshops for the 23/24 FY. This is approximately double the number of programs delivered in the 22/23 FY.

These will be delivered at the Northside Produce Markets and the Kirribilli Markets.

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| <p>Warringah Freeway Upgrade, Active Transport Network Review</p> | <p>Council staff have been meeting with Transport for NSW/Warringah Freeway Upgrade project team for the Active Transport Network Review. This review is a condition of consent for the Warringah Freeway Upgrade project.</p> <p>Council staff prepared a submission to the Warringah Freeway Upgrade, Active Transport Network Review (attachment A) public exhibition. The submission made several short-, medium- and long-term walking and cycling upgrades that could be implemented to minimise the negative impact the Warringah Freeway Upgrade has had on active transport.</p> |
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Consultation requirements

Community engagement is not required.

Financial/Resource Implications

There are no direct financial implications required for consideration as part of this report.

4. General Business

1. Louis Thevenin would like to discuss the following:

- Wherever at all possible, the phasing out of button-activated pedestrian crossing phasing in North Sydney in favour of systematic pedestrian crossing phasing, as currently exists in Sydney CBD.
- Any provision in the Warringah Freeway Upgrade for cyclist access to the freeway south of the Amherst St Cammeray exit.
- Any details of gradient-manageable cyclist access to Neutral Bay via the Ridge St overpass.
- Any plans on the Pacific Highway north of the Middlemiss St underpass for a cycle lane to North Sydney.

2. Tony Stanley would like to discuss the following:

- Updated NSW Speed Zoning Standard and how the new 30km/h classification will be applied in North Sydney.
- Pacific Hwy shared path impact from WFU works.
- Oversized SUVs in North Sydney.

3. Carolyn New would like to discuss the following:

- Access routes to metro stations

With the opening of metro envisaged in 2024, with large bike parking compounds at Crows Nest and Victoria Square Stations, what consideration (by Council together with or without Metro) has been given to access routes to those compounds (and their promotion) beyond the short access from immediate adjacent streets. A radius of at least 2km needs to be considered (preferably 5km) and that will require working with adjacent councils.

5. Closure