



Minutes

The Minutes of the **Traffic Committee** will be held at the Council Chambers, 200 Miller Street, North Sydney at 10:00 AM on Friday, 13 October 2023 are as follows:



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Councillor Baker in the Chair,

Staff: Eoin Cunningham, Manager Traffic and Transport Operations
Iman Mohammadi, Traffic and Transport Engineer
Brin Baskaran, Traffic and Transport Engineer
Bec Thomas, Road Safety Co-ordinator
Brad Calleia, Specialist Regulatory Compliance Co-ordinator Ranger and Parking Services
Narelle Lamond, Traffic Operations Officer (remote)
Peita Rose, Governance Officer (minutes)

Members: Garvin Rutherford, representative for Tim James Member for Willoughby
Sgt Edwards, NSW Police
David Osborne, TfNSW (remote)
Morry Ghosn, TfNSW (remote)

**Non-Voting
Members:** Nil

Apologies: Lisa Forrest, representative for Felicity Wilson Member for North Shore.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am.

1. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 June 2023, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

Moved by Mr Rutherford and seconded by Sgt Edwards.

2. Disclosures of Interest

Nil.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Nil.

4. Matters Arising from Council Resolutions

Nil.

5. Items for Consideration

5.1. Permanent Burton Street Road Closure

AUTHOR: Diana Mejia, Project Manager

This report seeks endorsement for the permanent closure of Burton Street between Broughton Street and Humphrey Place in Kirribilli. This closure is proposed to facilitate the construction of a permanent public plaza.

- In February 2021, Council adopted the Kirribilli Village Centre Masterplan. The masterplan identified the construction of a public plaza on Burton Street between Broughton Street and Humphrey Place. Council trialled the implementation of the plaza on Burton Street for six months.
- On 26 April 2022, the outcome of the trial and associated community consultation were reported to Council, resulting in the endorsement of the permanent transformation of Burton Street into a public plaza.
- Approval for the trial closure was obtained under the TfNSW Special Covid-19 traffic regulation delegation to Councils - Section 115 of the Roads Act 1993 for temporary pedestrian and bicycle works.
- On 13 February 2023, following additional community consultation, Council resolved to adopt concept design (Option 1C) and proceed with detailed design and construction of Burton Street Plaza.
- In compliance with NSW ROADS ACT 1993 - SECT 116, a public notice to declare the permanent road closure of Burton Street was published on the Mosman Daily Thursday 27 July 2023. The feedback period ended at 5pm on Thursday 24 August 2023, and no submissions were received.

The project is currently funded in the Kirribilli and McMahons Point Village Centres Upgrade.

Recommending:

1. THAT Traffic Committee endorse the permanent closure of Burton Street, between Humphrey Place and Broughton Street in Kirribilli, for the construction of public pedestrian plaza.

The Motion was moved by Garvin Rutherford and seconded by Sgt Ryan Edwards.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT Traffic Committee endorse the permanent closure of Burton Street, between Humphrey Place and Broughton Street in Kirribilli, for the construction of public pedestrian plaza.

5.2. Murdoch Street, Cremorne – Children’s Crossing

AUTHOR: Report of Traffic & Transport Engineer, Brinthaban Baskaran

Council has received a request from Redland Junior School, Cremorne to convert the existing raised pedestrian crossing on Murdoch Street to a Children’s Crossing. As part of the

installation of a Children's Crossing, stop lines and No Stopping restrictions are required to be provided to align with the relevant Technical Directions.

The proposed crossing works will increase the pedestrian safety, visibility between approaching drivers and crossing pedestrians and helps to reduce vehicle speeds.

- Council has received a request from Redland Junior School, Cremorne to convert the existing raised pedestrian crossing on Murdoch Street to a Children's Crossing. The change requires additional No Stopping restrictions and results in the loss of one parking space.
- In July and August 2023, community consultation was undertaken with 256 letters circulated to the community. There were six responses with four letters of support and two opposed.
- Given that the proposal will increase pedestrian safety, visibility between approaching drivers and crossing pedestrians and helps to reduce vehicle speeds, it is recommended that the proposal be endorsed.

The cost for this project will be funded from the Traffic and Transport Operation teams 2023/2024 signage budget.

Recommending:

1. THAT the committee endorse the following proposals in Murdoch Street, Cremorne:

- (a) The provision of a Children's Crossing with associated 'Stop' lines across Murdoch Street, 12 metres north of Hampden Avenue; and
- (b) The reallocation of kerb side restrictions on Murdoch Street as follows:
 - i. On the eastern side, between 9.5m and 15m south of the existing pedestrian crossing as "No Stopping";
 - ii. On the eastern side, between 12m and 18m north of the existing pedestrian crossing as "Bus Zone 8am-9am; 2:30pm- 4pm School Days" ;
 - iii. On the eastern side, between 42.4m and 48.4m north of the existing pedestrian crossing on Murdoch Street as "No Parking 8am-9am; 3pm-4pm School Days";
 - iv. On the eastern side, between 62.8m and 68.8m north of the existing pedestrian crossing on Murdoch Street as "2P 8:30am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 29"; and
 - v. On the western side, between 8m and 15m north of the existing pedestrian crossing on Murdoch Street as "No Stopping".

The Motion was moved by Garvin Rutherford and seconded by David Osbourne.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT the committee endorse the following proposals in Murdoch Street, Cremorne:

- (a) The provision of a Children's Crossing with associated 'Stop' lines across Murdoch Street, 12 metres north of Hampden Avenue; and
- (b) The reallocation of kerb side restrictions on Murdoch Street as follows:
 - i. On the eastern side, between 9.5m and 15m south of the existing pedestrian crossing as "No Stopping";
 - ii. On the eastern side, between 12m and 18m north of the existing pedestrian crossing as "Bus Zone 8am-9am; 2:30pm- 4pm School Days" ;

- iii. On the eastern side, between 42.4m and 48.4m north of the existing pedestrian crossing on Murdoch Street as “No Parking 8am-9am; 3pm-4pm School Days”;
- iv. On the eastern side, between 62.8m and 68.8m north of the existing pedestrian crossing on Murdoch Street as “2P 8:30am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 29”; and
- v. On the western side, between 8m and 15m north of the existing pedestrian crossing on Murdoch Street as “No Stopping”.

5.3. Traffic Delegations

AUTHOR: Narelle Lamond, Traffic Operations Officer

To report to the Committee matters endorsed under delegated authority to the Traffic & Transport Operations Manager.

Attached is a list of recommendations endorsed under delegated authority to the Traffic & Transport Operations Manager. Endorsement was obtained for the attached items with concurrence of Transport for NSW, the NSW Police and the local State Members.

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

Recommending:

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

The Motion was moved by Garvin Rutherford and seconded by Sgt Ryan Edwards.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

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

6. Informal Items for Consideration

Nil

7. Local Development Advisory Committee Items for Consideration

Nil

8. General Business

Red Light Camera - Intersection Gerard and MacPherson Street, Cremorne

Garvin Rutherford addressed the committee on the safety of the crossing at the intersection of Gerard and MacPherson Street, Cremorne and requested that a report be brought to the next meeting with regards to safety, and to see what could be done to alleviate the concerns of residents.

Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations advised that Council is currently in discussions with Transport for New South Wales in regard to the intersection at Gerard and MacPherson Street, Cremorne.

A Motion was moved by Garvin Rutherford and seconded by the Mayor,

1. THAT information on the discussion Council is having with Transport for New South Wales in regard to the intersection of Gerard and MacPherson Street, Cremorne be provided to all members of this committee.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. THAT information on the discussion Council is having with Transport for New South Wales in regard to the intersection of Gerard and MacPherson Street, Cremorne be provided to all members of this committee.

David Osbourne representing Transport for New South Wales advised that this is his last meeting on the Traffic Committee.

The Mayor would like to thank David Osbourne for his participation to date, and we look forward to meeting Morry Ghosn the new Senior Project Officer representing Transport for New South.

9. Closure

The meeting closed at 10.10am