

NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL

REPORT OF 516th TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE AT MEETING HELD IN THE SUPPER ROOM AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NORTH SYDNEY, ON FRIDAY, 4 MAY 2018 AT 10.00AM.

PRESENT

Councillor Jilly Gibson in the Chair, Councillor Jessica Keen.

Staff: Duncan Mitchell, Director Engineering and Property Services
Michaela Kemp, Manager Traffic and Transport Operations
Lindsay Menday, Sustainable Transport Project Co-ordinator
Nathan Wu, Traffic and Transport Engineer
Iman Mohammadi, Traffic and Transport Engineer
Mark Richardson, Manager Ranger & Parking Services
Peita Rose, Governance Officer (Minutes)

Members: Marilyn Mackenzie representing Felicity Wilson, Member for North Shore
Sgt Ryan Edwards, NSW Police
Cameron McIntyre, RMS
Peter Carruthers, RMS

Non-voting

Members: Egwin Herbert, Sydney Buses

Visitors: Lyn Moore, Pedestrian Council Australia
Nic Temple, Manager -Vibe Hotel
David Brain, Project Manager - Cromwell Property
Julia Wakeling, Resident
Adrian Randy, Resident
E Talbott, Resident
Tristan Parry, Resident
Kay Stammers, Resident
Steve Wellman, Resident
M De Solom, Resident
Stuart King, FDC Constructions
Shane Cevinini, FDC Constructions
Andrew Morse, Parking & Traffic Consultants
Lee Thomson, Bloompark Consulting

Apologies were received from Garvin Rutherford, representing Gladys Berejiklian, Member for Willoughby.

At the commencement of business (10.00am) Councillors present were:
Councillor Jilly Gibson in the Chair, Councillor Jessica Keen.

23. Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Friday 23 March 2018, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

The Motion was moved by Cameron McIntyre and seconded by Councillor Gibson.

Voting was unanimous.

MATTERS BROUGHT FORWARD

24. (4.2.1) Pacific Highway, North Sydney, 100 Miller Street, North Sydney

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 proposed removal of existing parking spaces in Pacific Highway to accommodate drop off/pickup area for the Hotel is not supported by Council.

Mr David Brain, Project Manager - Cromwell Property Group and Nic Temple - Manager Vibe Hotel addressed the Committee.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Marilyn Mackenzie,

1. THAT two parking spaces outside the Vibe Hotel on Pacific Highway, closest to the laneway be made 'No Parking'.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT two parking spaces outside the Vibe Hotel on Pacific Highway, closest to the laneway be made 'No Parking'.

25. (4.3.1) East Lane, North Sydney

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

Recommending:

1. THAT Council reviews the One Way proposal for East Lane in 12 months' time once the two developments are complete and traffic generated by these developments can be measured.

2. THAT the existing kerb alignment at the corner of Eden Street and Eden Lane be retained for protection of the substation and the parked vehicles in the No Parking zone.

Ms Julia Wakeling and Mr Adrian Randy addressed the Committee.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Cameron McIntyre,

1. **THAT** a site visit be scheduled for next week with concerned residents, staff and councillors.
2. **THAT** Council Rangers attend as soon as possible to enforce illegal parking in the lane.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. **THAT** a site visit be scheduled for next week with concerned residents, staff and councillors.
2. **THAT** Council Rangers attend as soon as possible to enforce illegal parking in the lane.

26. (4.4) Rangers Road, Cremorne – Resident Parking Survey Results

Report of Traffic & Transport Engineer, Nathan Wu

At the 3698th Council Meeting on 4 December 2017, the following was adopted:

“THAT Council survey the residents of Rangers Road and surrounding streets with regard to the introduction of 2-hour parking restrictions Residents Exempt.”

A survey regarding the above proposal was sent out on 19 February 2018 to 669 residents and property owners. The survey was also published online. The residents were given until 20 March 2018 to respond. A total of 102 responses were received. This represents a response rate of 15.2%.

The answers received from the residents and property owners are summarised in the report. Recommended changes to the parking restrictions are also detailed in the report.

Recommending:

1. **THAT** the existing parking arrangement in Rangers Road between Murdoch Street and Spofforth Street be retained.
2. **THAT** Council installs ‘Motorbike Only’ signs on the small kerb space between the driveways of 56 and 58 Rangers Road.

Ms Kay Stammers, Mr Tristan Parry and Ms Elizabeth Turbott addressed the Committee.

A letter was tabled concerning the intersection of Rangers Road and Murdoch Street which the Manager Traffic & Transport Operations handed to the RMS representative for consideration. Council’s Manager Traffic & Transport Operations also advised there is an existing Council resolution to investigate traffic management around Redlands School which is in hand.

The Motion was moved by Sgt Ryan Edwards and seconded by Cameron McIntyre.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. **THAT** the existing parking arrangement in Rangers Road between Murdoch Street and Spofforth Street be retained.
2. **THAT** Council installs ‘Motorbike Only’ signs on the small kerb space between the driveways of 56 and 58 Rangers Road.

27. **(6.1) Shore School Physical Education Centre - Construction Traffic Management Plan and Work Zone**

Report of Manager Traffic & Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp

Council has received a Construction Traffic Management Plan prepared by Parking and Traffic Consultants dated 7 March 2018 for development at 1 Blue Street, North Sydney (Shore School (State Significant Development Consent SSD 7507)).

The approved development involves the construction of Shore School Physical Education Centre (SPEC) and comprises the following works:

Extension of Bishops Gate Car Park (accessed from Union Street);

Construction of Pool Hall & PDHPE Classrooms;

Carpark, gymnasium, weights, sports halls and Christian studies classrooms;

Upgrade to existing library.

Condition B24 & B25 of the development consent states:

Construction Traffic and Pedestrian Management Plan

B24. Prior to the commencement of works on the Subject Site, a Traffic and a) a) Pedestrian Management Plan (TMP) prepared by a suitably qualified person must be submitted to the Certifying Authority for approval. The TMP must be prepared in consultation with the Council and RMS.

b) The TMP must address, but not be limited to, the following matters:

i) ingress and egress of vehicles to the Subject Site, including Swept path analysis;

ii) impacts on cyclists and pedestrians and bus services;

iii) cumulative construction impacts of projects;

iv) loading and unloading, including construction works zones;

v) predicted traffic volumes, types and haulage routes;

vi) pedestrian and traffic management methods;

vii) construction hours and program;

viii) cumulative construction impacts of surrounding construction projects and coordination of activities to manage and minimise road network impacts; and

ix) details of impacts identified, duration and proposed mitigation measures.

c) Any alterations to the public road, involving traffic and parking arrangements, must be referred to and approved by the relevant traffic committee.

*d) The Applicant must submit a copy of the approved **TMP** to the Department and to the Council, prior to the commencement of works.*

*B25. The **TMP** (as revised from time to time) must be implemented by the Applicant for the duration of the construction works.*

The conditions of development consent require the CTMP to be prepared in consultation with Council and RMS. The CTMP itself does not require approval by the North Sydney Traffic Committee, however the Work Zones and removal of parking (as a result of the proposed truck sizes, and changes to the School kiss and drop operations) requires approval of the North Sydney Traffic Committee.

Recommending:

1. THAT the Traffic Committee notes the traffic aspects of the Construction Traffic Management Plan prepared by Parking and Traffic Consultants dated 7 March 2018 for development at 1 Blue Street, North Sydney (Shore School) (State Significant Development Consent SSD 7507).

2. THAT subject to no objection from the Traffic Committee members, the following Work Zones as described in this CTMP are approved under delegated authority of Council's Traffic Engineer, with the conditions outlined in this report, pending lodgement of a Work zone application and payment of all applicable fees:

- a) William Street, North Sydney – up to 47.3 metres (8 spaces) of “½ P Meter 8.30am to 6.00pm Mon-Fri; 1P Meter 6.00pm to Midnight Mon-Fri, 8.30am to Midnight Sat-Sun Permit Holders Excepted Area 6” on the western side of William Street north of Hunter Crescent are changed to “Work Zone 7.00am to 6.00pm Mon-Fri and 8.00am to 1.00pm Sat; 1P 6.00pm to Midnight Mon-Fri; 1.00pm-Midnight Sat-Sun Permit Holders Excepted Area 6” for an initial period of 70 weeks
- b) Hunter Crescent, North Sydney – 22 metres (3 spaces) of “1 P 8.30am to 6.00pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 6” on the northern side of Hunter Crescent be changed to “Work Zone 7.00am to 6.00pm Mon-Fri and 8.00am to 1.00pm Sat” for an initial period of 12 weeks.
- c) William Street, North Sydney – 12 metres (2 spaces) of “½ P Meter 8.30am to 6.00pm Mon-Fri; 1P Meter 6.00pm to Midnight Mon-Fri, 8.30am to Midnight Sat-Sun Permit Holders Excepted Area 6” outside HNo. 2 William Street be changed to “No Stopping 7.00am to 6.00pm Mon-Fri and 8.00am to 1.00pm Sat; 1P 6.00pm to Midnight Mon-Fri, 1.00pm-Midnight Sat-Sun Permit Holders Excepted Area 6” for an initial period of 70 weeks.

3. THAT the proposal concerning changes to parking in Edward Street between Mount Street and the cul-de-sac due to temporary changes to drop-off and pick-up operations throughout the duration of construction be noted, and this matter be dealt with under delegated authority to the Manager Traffic & Transport Operations, following the resident consultation period and review of the feedback received during that period.

Mr Lee Thomson and Mr Stuart King addressed the Committee.

The RMS and Police stated that truck and dog movements would not be supported during peak periods. Council’s Manager Traffic & Transport Operations noted that Condition 7 of the conditions of approval would address this requirement.

The Motion was moved by Cameron McIntyre and seconded by Marilyn Mackenzie.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT the Traffic Committee notes the traffic aspects of the Construction Traffic Management Plan prepared by Parking and Traffic Consultants dated 7 March 2018 for development at 1 Blue Street, North Sydney (Shore School) (State Significant Development Consent SSD 7507).

2. THAT subject to no objection from the Traffic Committee members, the following Work Zones as described in this CTMP are approved under delegated authority of Council’s Traffic Engineer, with the conditions outlined in this report, pending lodgement of a Work zone application and payment of all applicable fees:

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3. THAT the proposal concerning changes to parking in Edward Street between Mount Street and the cul-de-sac due to temporary changes to drop-off and pick-up operations throughout the duration of construction be noted, and this matter be dealt with under delegated authority to the Manager Traffic & Transport Operations, following the resident consultation period and review of the feedback received during that period.

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(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 Roads and Maritime Services, the NSW Police and the local State Members.

Recommending:

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

The Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Marilyn Mackenzie.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

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

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(4.2) Minor Parking Investigations

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 adopted.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Marilyn Mackenzie.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

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

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(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 adopted.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Cameron McIntyre

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

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

31. **(4.5) Area 30 Neutral Bay – Resident Parking Survey Results**

Report of Traffic Operations Officer, Maria Coyne

A parking survey for the western side of Neutral Bay Parking Area 30 was sent out on the 21 March 2018 to 793 residents, and to Neutral Precinct. Residents were given until the 13 April 2018 to respond. A total of 121 responses were received. This represents a response rate of 15.26%, which is above the average response rate of 10 to 12% for parking surveys.

The answers received from the residents for the Neutral Bay Parking Area 30 survey are summarised in the report. Recommended changes to the parking restrictions in the Neutral Bay Parking Area 30 are also attached.

Recommending:

1. **THAT** Council adopt the attached parking restriction recommendations for the western side of Neutral Bay Parking Area 30.

2. **THAT** Council notify the residents before installing the parking restriction changes.

3. **THAT** the new parking restrictions be reviewed six (6) months after the date of installation.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Sgt Ryan Edwards.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. **THAT** Council adopt the attached parking restriction recommendations for the western side of Neutral Bay Parking Area 30.

2. **THAT** Council notify the residents before installing the parking restriction changes.

3. **THAT** the new parking restrictions be reviewed six (6) months after the date of installation.

32. **(4.6) Young Street Streetscape and Active Transport Upgrades**

Report of Sustainable Transport Projects Coordinator, Lindsay Menday

The *Route 2 Cycleway and Streetscape Improvement Plan* ('the Plan') proposes significant improvements to streetscape quality, landscaping and the walking and cycling network in parts of North Sydney, Neutral Bay and Cremorne. Council resolved to construct works proposed in the Plan at its meeting of July 20, 2015. Around 80% of the project is complete, and the section considered in this report will complement and maximise the usability of works completed to date.

This report seeks Traffic Committee endorsement for:

- Adjustments to the intersections between Young Street and Sutherland Street, Young Street and Belgrave Street, and Young Street and Grosvenor Street, to accommodate pedestrian, cycling and landscaping improvements.
- Separated bi-directional cycle path along the west side of Young Street from Sutherland Street to Grosvenor Street.
- Upgrades to the existing Traffic Control Signals at the intersection between Young Street and Belgrave Street, including the installation of missing pedestrian crossing legs and a dedicated cycle crossing point.
- Associated landscaping and public domain upgrades.

The works will significantly improve the pedestrian and cycling network consistent with community visions set out in the Community Strategic Plan, North Sydney Transport Plan and North Sydney Cycling Strategy. The changes will also offer benefit in terms of general environmental amenity and road safety by affirming a local road setting.

This report recommends that the Traffic Committee endorse the works proposed in Young Street for construction, subject to further approvals required, and the outcomes of further community consultation.

Recommending:

1. **THAT** adjustments proposed to the intersections between Young Street and Sutherland Street; Young Street and Belgrave Street; and Young Street and Grosvenor Street, be constructed subject to funding availability and any additional RMS approvals required.
2. **THAT** separated bi-directional cycle path be constructed on the west side of Young Street between Sutherland Street and Grosvenor Street, subject to funding availability.
3. **THAT** Pedestrian crossings be constructed adjacent to cycle path continuations over Sutherland Street and Grosvenor Street.
4. **THAT** further consultation be conducted with property owners directly fronting the project area (Young Street) and that report summarising feedback received and any design changes in response be brought to Council prior to the commencement of construction.
5. **THAT** Council forward plans for changes to the Traffic Control Signals at the intersection between Belgrave Street and Young Street to the RMS and seek approval for these changes.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Marilyn Mackenzie,

1. **THAT** further consultation be conducted with property owners directly fronting the project area (Young Street) and that report summarising feedback received and any design changes in response be brought to Council prior to the commencement of construction.
2. **THAT** Council forward plans for changes to the Traffic Control Signals at the intersection between Belgrave Street and Young Street to the RMS and seek approval for these changes.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. **THAT** further consultation be conducted with property owners directly fronting the project area (Young Street) and that report summarising feedback received and any design changes in response be brought to Council prior to the commencement of construction.
2. **THAT** Council forward plans for changes to the Traffic Control Signals at the intersection between Belgrave Street and Young Street to the RMS and seek approval for these changes.

33. (4.7) Albany Street and Oxley Street Intersection Upgrade.

Report of Sustainable Transport Projects Coordinator, Lindsay Menday.

Attached are plans for proposed amendments to the intersection between Albany Street and Oxley Street, Crows Nest.

The existing intersection layout provides poor pedestrian access and little formal protection for pedestrians crossing either Albany Street or Oxley Street. This is a significant issue given the intersection falls on a main pedestrian route between areas of retail, commercial and high density residential development, and to a major transport

interchange at St Leonards Station. Demand for pedestrian accessibility will further increase as there are a number of major new trip generating developments to be completed in the immediate vicinity, including the new Crows Nest Metro Station, a major new supermarket development, and further large scale residential and commercial developments.

The intersection is identified in the *St Leonards/Crows Nest Planning Study* as a major barrier to pedestrian movement to be addressed as a priority given the current and predicted future demand resulting from planned development in the area. The intersection has also been identified as a significant barrier for people with mobility restrictions, and members of the community have directly requested that pedestrian crossing facilities at the intersection be improved.

The proposed intersection works include:

- revisions to intersection geometry to encourage slower vehicle speeds;
- the installation of raised pedestrian crossings;
- landscaping and public domain works to expand/improve pedestrian areas and affirm a pedestrian friendly local road setting.

The works will improve pedestrian and cycling network accessibility consistent with community visions set out in the Community Strategic Plan, North Sydney Transport Plan and North Sydney Cycling Strategy.

This report recommends that Traffic Committee endorse the propose revisions to the intersection for construction.

Recommending:

1. THAT adjustments proposed to the intersection between Albany Street and Oxley Street, including raised pedestrian crossings, be constructed subject to the outcomes of community consultation and funding availability.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Sgt Ryan Edwards.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT adjustments proposed to the intersection between Albany Street and Oxley Street, including raised pedestrian crossings, be constructed subject to the outcomes of community consultation and funding availability.

INFORMAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

34. (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 3 March 2018 to 13 April 2018.

Year to date (2018), Council had investigated **155** reports of abandoned vehicles.

Year to date (2018), Council processed **20** 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 Councillor Keen and seconded by Marilyn Mackenzie.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

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

35. **(5.2) Sydney Metro City & South-West – Construction Update**

Report of Manager Traffic & Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp

Consent for the Metro City & South-West (Metro) project was granted by the Department of Planning and Environment on 9 January 2017. The consent can be viewed in full at www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au.

The project will deliver new railway infrastructure for Sydney, including two new Metro stations within the North Sydney Local Government Area - at Crows Nest and Victoria Cross (North Sydney Centre). Construction commenced in early 2017, with train operations expected to be underway by 2024.

In accordance with the various conditions of consent, a Traffic and Transport Liaison Group (TTLG) has been established to inform traffic and transport measures during construction and operation of the project. The TTLG is chaired by the Sydney Coordination Office (SCO) and comprises representatives from the relevant Road Authorities, which includes North Sydney Council. The TTLG meets monthly and a smaller group of representatives known as the Traffic Control Group (TCG) meets weekly to discuss impending construction-related traffic management matters.

The Construction Traffic Management Plans (CTMPs) must be developed in consultation with the TTLG. The RMS is the approval authority for the CTMPs, following endorsement by the SCO.

Demolition works are being undertaken by Delta Group. Tunnelling and Station Excavation (TSE) works will be undertaken by John Holland/ CPB/ Ghella Joint Venture (JHCPBG).

The purpose of this report is to update the North Sydney Traffic Committee on the current status of the project and upcoming works affecting local roads.

Updates are also provided on the Sydney Metro website at

<https://www.sydneymetro.info/>

Recommending:

1. **THAT** the information concerning Sydney Metro City & South-West Construction Update be received.

The Motion was moved by Sgt Ryan Edwards and seconded by Councillor Keen.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. **THAT** the information concerning Sydney Metro City & South-West Construction Update be received.

36. **(5.3) Standing Items**

Report of Manager Traffic and Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp

Attached is a list of standing items for the information of the Traffic Committee.

Recommending:

1. **THAT** the information concerning standing items for the Traffic Committee be received and Item 1 be removed from standing items for future Traffic Committee meetings.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Keen second by Marilyn Mackenzie,

1. **THAT** the information concerning standing items for the Traffic Committee be received and Item 1 be removed from standing items for future Traffic Committee meetings.

2. **THAT** the RMS, local member and Premier be formally thanked for their efforts in implementing the school zone.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. **THAT** the information concerning standing items for the Traffic Committee be received and Item 1 be removed from standing items for future Traffic Committee meetings.

2. **THAT** the RMS, local member and Premier be formally thanked for their efforts in implementing the school zone.

The meeting closed at 11.25am.

CHAIRPERSON

GENERAL MANAGER