

**NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL**

**REPORT OF 521<sup>st</sup> TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**

**SUBJECT: PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE AT MEETING HELD IN THE SUPPER ROOM AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NORTH SYDNEY, ON FRIDAY, 23 NOVEMBER 2018 AT 10.00AM.**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Gibson in the Chair, Councillor Keen.

**Staff:** Duncan Mitchell, Director Engineering and Property Services  
Michaela Kemp, Manager Traffic and Transport Operations  
Mark Richardson, Manager Ranger and Parking Services  
Iman Mohammadi, Traffic and Transport Engineer  
Lindsay Menday, Sustainable Transport Project Co-ordinator  
Maria Coyne, Traffic Operations Officer  
Ian Curry, Manager Governance & Committee Services (Minutes)

**Members:** Garvin Rutherford, representing Gladys Berejiklian, Member for Willoughby  
Lisa Forrest representing Felicity Wilson, Member for North Shore  
Sgt Ryan Edwards, NSW Police  
Cameron McIntyre, Nina Fard, Peter Carruthers – RMS

**Non-Voting Members:** Patrick Wu, STA

At the commencement of business (10.06am) Councillors present were:  
Nil

Duncan Mitchell, Director Engineering and Property Services advised that the Mayor would arrive shortly and had asked that the meeting begin.

**84. Minutes**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 October 2018, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

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

Voting was unanimous.

The Mayor arrived at the meeting at 10.06 am and assumed the Chair

**85. (4.2) Bannerman Street and Murdoch Street, Roundabout Amendments**

Report of Sustainable Transport Projects Coordinator, Lindsay Menday

At its meeting of 27 August 2018, Council resolved with respect to the roundabout intersection between Bannerman Street and Murdoch Street:

*THAT Council acknowledges the concerns of the community and resolves to reduce the size of the roundabout and reinstate planting in the centre of the roundabout in the form of a flowering tree.*

*THAT a report be submitted to the Traffic Committee outlining a proposed design that meets the above requirements.*

Attached to this report is a proposed design for the roundabout in accordance with the resolution. The amendments proposed comprise a reduction to the roundabout centre, the addition of a tree, and paving to the roundabout centre to improve visual amenity. The proposed changes to the roundabout circle will increase the ease of vehicle manoeuvrability through the intersection.

Council further resolved with respect to a pedestrian crossing to the immediate west of the intersection:

*THAT the existing pedestrian crossing over Bannerman Street at the intersection with Murdoch Street be relocated or reconstructed as a raised crossing subject to further community consultation and Traffic Committee approval.*

Investigations into alternative locations identified that relocating the crossing will require the removal of car parking spaces and likely reduce the usage of the crossing as it will increase the distance that people need to walk. As such, it is recommended that the crossing be retained in the current location as raised to encourage slower vehicle speeds and increase pedestrian visibility.

It is recommended that Traffic Committee endorse the proposed changes to the roundabout circle, and the raising of the existing pedestrian crossing, for construction.

**Recommending:**

**1. THAT** the amendments to the roundabout intersection between Bannerman Street and Murdoch Street as shown on the attached plans – Drawing 2633.BM - be constructed.

**2. THAT** subject to the outcomes of community consultation, the existing pedestrian crossing over Bannerman Street to the west of the intersection with Murdoch Street, be reconstructed as a raised pedestrian crossing – Drawing 2633.BM.

Councillor Keen arrived at the meeting at 10.10am

Ms Carolyn New and Ms K Paki address the Committee

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

**Resolved to Recommend:**

**1.THAT** Council commence consultation on traffic calming measures in Bannerman Street and Murdoch Street and prepare a preliminary design for consideration by the February Traffic Committee meeting.

**2.THAT** Council investigate the location of the bus stop on Murdoch Street to improve access for buses.

**3. THAT** the amendments to the roundabout intersection between Bannerman Street and Murdoch Street as shown on the attached plans – Drawing 2633.BM - be constructed.

**4 THAT** Council consult the community on the two options for reconstruction of a raised pedestrian crossing over Bannerman Street to the west of the intersection with Murdoch Street – either in the current location (Drawing 2633.BM or relocated further to the west (Drawing 2633.BM.PC.001).

Voting was unanimous.

**86. (6.1) DA 214/17 – 149 West Street, Crows Nest – Operational Transport Management Plan**

Report of Traffic & Transport Engineer, Iman Mohammadi

At its meeting of 8 November 2017, the Sydney North Planning Panel, as the consent authority, approved SNPP Reference No. 2017SNH058 – North Sydney, Development Application No. 214/17 to change the use from Crows Nest TAFE to Cammeraygal High School Senior Campus, including refurbishment of existing building, construction of multi-purpose hall, outdoor covered area, cut and fill, ESD upgrades with solar panels, removal of 60 car spaces and new security fencing at 149 West Street, Crows Nest. It is estimated that school will have around 60 staff and 600 students once the new works are completed.

Condition G7 and G8 of Development Consent for Development Application No. 214/17, 149 West Street, Crows Nest state:

***Operational Transport Management Plan***

*G7. An operational Transport Management Plan for delivery and garbage vehicles, and large vehicles (coaches) for the proposed on-site tandem parking for staff vehicles, and for the operation of the on-site pick-up/ drop-off zone and to address pedestrian access and safety for staff and students walking to the site, shall be prepared and submitted to Council for approval by Council's Traffic Committee prior to the occupation of the school. No buses are to either enter or exit the school grounds before 10:30am or after 2:30pm daily.*

*(Reason: To ensure vehicular and pedestrian safety)*

***Parking Sign-Posting***

*G8. Application shall be made to North Sydney Local Traffic Committee for approval of the following parking signage and extension of the Bus Zone in West Street or Ernest Street. All approved signage shall be installed at the cost of the developer prior to occupation of the school.*

*"No Parking 7:30am-10:30am and 2:30pm-4:30pm School Days Only" signage for the parking spaces contained in the "kiss and drop" zone on West Street or Ernest Street.*

*"¼ Hour Parking 7:30am-9:30am and 2:30pm-4:30pm Monday-Friday, 2 Hour Parking 9:30am-2:30pm Monday-Friday" signage for 6 of the 90-degree angle parking spaces on the eastern side of West Street or southern side of Ernest Street.*

*Parking for buses is to be on Ernest Street between the hours of 7:30am to 10:30am. No pick up/drop off is to occur within the school during this time.*

*Parking for buses between the hours of 10:30am to 2:30pm can occur within the site and exit via Rodborough Avenue.*

*Parking for buses is to be on Ernest Street between the hours of 2:30pm to 4:30pm. No pick up/drop off is to occur within the school during this time.*

*Provision of parking restriction signage to the remaining parking spaces in West Street or Ernest Street as required by the Committee.*

*(Reason: To provide for adequate parking and bus access to the school)*

Council has received an Operational Transport Management Plan (OTMP) dated September 2018 (Version 1.1), prepared by Traffix on behalf of Cammeraygal High School. Council's Traffic & Transport Engineer has reviewed the OTMP and raised concerns in relation to loss of On-Street Parking spaces in Ernest Street, West Street and Rodborough Street.

The submitted Operational Traffic Management Plan proposes the following changes to the On-Street parking to facilitate On-Street drop off and pick up during school operating hours:

Ernest St, South side:

Converting 14.5m of unrestricted parking to "No Parking 7:30am-10:30am and 2:30 Pm to 4:30pm, Authorised Vehicles Expected, School days Only" to facilitate a drop off/pick up zone for school buses. This includes shortening the existing "No Stopping, 6am-10am Mon-Fri" by 1 metre.

West St, East side:

Converting 16.5m of unrestricted parking to “No Parking 7:30am-10:30am and 2:30 Pm to 4:30pm, School days Only”

Converting 13.5m of Unrestricted parking to “No Parking 7:30am-10:30am and 2:30 Pm to 4:30pm, School days Only”

Rodborough Ave, West side:

Converting 15.3m of “2P 8:30am – 6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 19” to “1/4P, 7:30am-9:30am, 2:30 pm to 4:30pm, and “2P, 9:30am-2:30pm Mon-Fri”.

It should be noted that the consent conditions were imposed by Sydney North planning Panel. Council’s Traffic Engineer recommendation during the DA stage was that all drop-off and pick-up activities occur onsite.

### **Discussion**

The proposed parking changes in West Street, Ernest Street and Rodborough Street will have direct impact on the on-street parking that is used by the surrounding residents. This proposal will impact on a total 11 parking spaces in the morning and afternoon.

Providing drop off/pick up zones in west Street, 20m south of Ernest Street’s intersection, could possibly cause traffic congestion in the morning and afternoon peak hours.

The report provides results of an online survey for responses for a 10-day period from 24 March 2017 to 3 April 2017. A sample rate of approximately 56% of students and 100% of staff was collected and completed. The survey included a range of questions that aimed to gain an understanding of average car occupancies and travel modes in the AM and PM peak periods. It can be seen from the survey’s result that the majority of students are using public transport and other modes being 87% and 96% for am and pm respectively. This also applies to the school staff with rates of 53% and 56% for am and pm respectively.

Provision for a pick-up and drop-off area within the site has been made for coaches during school excursions only. This is a total of 15 excursion days per year where it will be left unused for the rest of the year. This area could provide off street drop off/pick up zone during school times.

The report also encourages staff and students to use public transport, walking, cycling and other green travel modes rather than driving to school.

### **Recommending:**

**1. THAT** the traffic aspects of Operational Transport Management Plan (OTMP) dated September 2018 (Version 1.1), prepared by Traffix on behalf of Cammeraygal High School are not approved due to their impact on street parking.

**2. THAT** drop off/pick up area/s are to be accommodated onsite to avoid reliance on street parking.

A proposal was tabled by the Director Engineering & Property Services which included a temporary compromise solution for the planned opening of the school in January 2019.

Mr R Kitchen addressed the Committee

The Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Mr Rutherford.

### **Resolved to Recommend:**

**1.THAT** 5 spaces of “No Parking 8am-9.30am; 2.30pm-4pm School Days” be installed on West Street to the north of the driveway access to Cammeraygal High School (149 West Street).

**2.THAT** the existing 3 spaces of “2 Hour Parking 8.30am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 19” on West Street in front of Cammeraygal High School be relocated to the north, adjacent to 143 Ernest Street.

**3.THAT** a notification be distributed to adjacent residents explaining the changes prior to implementation.

**4.THAT** the Department of Education continue to work with Council on a permanent solution to provide for adequate parking and bus access to the school and the community be consulted on the agreed solution and the matter brought back to the Traffic Committee for approval prior to Final Occupation Certification.

Voting was unanimous.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS

**87. (7.1) Spofforth Street at Rangers Road, Cremorne**

The Mayor met with the Mayor of Mosman and residents to discuss traffic issues in this location.

Mr A Condon and Ms B Potter addressed the Committee

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

**Resolved to Recommend:**

**1.THAT** Council investigate the design for Spofforth Street shopping area including traffic calming, roundabouts, pedestrian access, public domain, landscaping and the current bus routes and location of stops.

**2.THAT** public consultation be undertaken regarding the proposed design.

**3.THAT** the Mayor consult with the Mayor of Mosman regarding cost sharing between the two Councils on this project.

Voting was unanimous.

**88. (7.2) McDougall Street, Kirribilli - Parking**

The Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Ms Forrest.

**Resolved to Recommend:**

**1.THAT** Council conduct a survey of residents for a proposal to introduce angle parking in McDougall Street, Kirribilli.

Voting was unanimous.

**89. (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 Mr McIntyre and seconded by Mr Rutherford.

**Resolved to Recommend:**

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

Voting was unanimous.

90. **(4.2) Bannerman Street and Murdoch Street, Roundabout Amendments**

*(This matter was considered earlier – see Min. No. 85)*

91. **(4.3) North Sydney Parking Area 22 – Survey Results**

Report of Parking Meter Manager, Leonie Wishart

At the Traffic Committee meeting on 28 July 2018 it was recommended and subsequently adopted at the Council meeting on 20 October 2017:

*THAT Council survey residents with regard to installation of additional parking restrictions, including metered parking, in Ridge Street and Walker Street.*

A parking survey for North Sydney Parking Area 22 was distributed to 1385 residents, property owners, businesses and to the Stanton Precinct between 6 and 11 September 2018. The survey was also distributed to Wenona School, The Greens Bowling Club and the businesses within the North Sydney Oval building. The survey was also available online. Residents were given until the 12 October 2018 to respond. A total of 41 responses were received. This represents a response rate of 3.0%. The low response rate may be due to the survey being distributed to an extended area where parking changes may not affect the resident or business. The average response rate is usually 10 to 12% for parking surveys.

The answers received from the residents for the North Sydney Parking Area 22 survey are summarised in the report. Recommended changes to the parking restrictions in the North Sydney Parking Area 22 are also attached.

**Recommending:**

1. **THAT** Council adopt the attached parking restriction recommendations for North Sydney Parking Area 22.
2. **THAT** Council notify the residents before installing the parking restriction changes in North Sydney Parking Area 22.
3. **THAT** the new parking restrictions be reviewed six (6) months after the date of installation in North Sydney Parking Area 22.

The Motion was moved by Mr McIntyre and seconded by Ms Forrest.

**Resolved to Recommend:**

1. **THAT** Council adopt the attached parking restriction recommendations for North Sydney Parking Area 22.
2. **THAT** Council notify the residents before installing the parking restriction changes in North Sydney Parking Area 22.
3. **THAT** the new parking restrictions be reviewed six (6) months after the date of installation in North Sydney Parking Area 22.

Voting was unanimous.

**LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE ITEMS  
FOR CONSIDERATION**

**92. (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 29 September 2018 to 2 November 2018.

Year to date (2018) Council had investigated **350** reports of abandoned vehicles.

Year to date (2018) Council processed **78** 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 Mr Rutherford and seconded by Mr McIntyre.

**Resolved to Recommend:**

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

Voting was unanimous.

**93. (5.2) Traffic Committee Meeting Dates for 2019**

Report of Traffic Operations Officer, Maria Coyne

The meetings of North Sydney Traffic Committee (NSTC) for 2019 are proposed to commence on 9 February 2019 and then to be held every sixth Friday after that. The scheduled NSTC meeting dates including the Agenda closing dates are shown on the table below. All Traffic Committee minutes/recommendations have to be approved by Council. At the time of writing this report the Council meeting dates for 2019 had not been set therefore the minutes/recommendation will be reported to the first available Council meeting after the Traffic Committee minutes have been finalised.

The Traffic Committee meetings will be held in the Supper Room in the Council Chambers at 10.00am.

<u>NORTH SYDNEY TRAFFIC COMMITTEE 2019</u>	
Traffic Committee Agenda Closing Date	Traffic Committee Meeting Dates
14 January 2019	8 February 2019
25 February 2019	22 March 2019
8 April 2019	3 May 2019
20 May 2019	14 June 2019
1 July 2019	26 July 2019
12 August 2019	6 September 2019
23 September 2019	18 October 2019
28 October 2019	22 November 2019

**Recommending:**

**1. THAT** the proposed North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting dates for 2019 be adopted.

The Motion was moved by Mr Rutherford and seconded by Sgt Edwards.

**Resolved to Recommend:**

**1. THAT** the proposed North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting dates for 2019 be adopted.

Voting was unanimous.

**94. (5.3) Interim Traffic Committee Arrangements Over the Seasonal Break**

Report of Traffic Operations Officer, Maria Coyne

The last Traffic Committee meeting for 2017 is 23 November 2018 and the next meeting is not until 9 February 2019. In the event that an urgent traffic issue should arise over the holiday break it is recommended that the Traffic and Transport Operations Manager be authorised to vote on behalf of Council and a delegation facsimile be sent to the NSW Police, Roads & Maritime Services and the local State Member for their approval. Any matters considered during this period will be included in a report to the first Traffic Committee meeting of 2019.

**Recommending:**

**1. THAT** Council authorise the Traffic and Transport Operations Manager to vote on behalf of Council in the event that an urgent traffic issue arises over the holiday break, noting that a delegation facsimile would be sent to the NSW Police, Roads & Maritime Services and the local State Member for approval and a report on the issue arising would also be referred to the first Traffic Committee meeting of the new year.

The Motion was moved by Sgt Edwards and seconded by Mr McIntyre.

**Resolved to Recommend:**

**1. THAT** Council authorise the Traffic and Transport Operations Manager to vote on behalf of Council in the event that an urgent traffic issue arises over the holiday break, noting that a delegation facsimile would be sent to the NSW Police, Roads & Maritime Services and the local State Member for approval and a report on the issue arising would also be referred to the first Traffic Committee meeting of the new year.

Voting was unanimous.

### INFORMAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

**95. (6.1) DA 214/17 – 149 West Street, Crows Nest – Operational Transport Management Plan**

*(This matter was considered earlier – see Min. No. 886)*

The meeting closed at 11.20am

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CHAIRPERSON

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GENERAL MANAGER