

NORTH SYDNEY COUNCIL

REPORT OF 523rd TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: PROCEEDINGS OF COMMITTEE AT MEETING HELD IN THE SUPPER ROOM AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, NORTH SYDNEY, ON FRIDAY, 22 MARCH 2019 AT 10.00AM

PRESENT

Councillor Keen in the Chair, Councillor Gibson.

Staff: Duncan Mitchell, Director Engineering and Property Services
Michaela Kemp, Manager Traffic and Transport Operations
Mark Richardson, Manager Ranger and Parking Services
Nathan Wu, Traffic and Transport Engineer
Nigel Turner, Senior Strategic Transport Planner
Peita Rose, Governance Officer (Minutes)

Members: Garvin Rutherford, representing Gladys Berejiklian, Member for Willoughby
Veronique Marchandau representing Felicity Wilson, Member for North Shore
Wayne Sonter, NSW Police
Nina Fard, RMS

Non-Voting Members: Egwin Herbert, STA

Visitors: Ms Verlander - Resident
Mr Short - Resident
Mr Moore - Resident

Apologies were received from Ryan Edwards, NSW Police

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

7. Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 8 February 2019, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

The Motion was moved by Mr Rutherford and seconded by Ms Marchandau.

Voting was unanimous.

8. (4.1) Military Road/Spofforth Street Intersection (19/014)

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.

Mr Short addressed the Committee.

A Motion was moved by Mr Rutherford and seconded by Ms Marchandau,

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

2. THAT the Mayor write to the Minister with copies to be sent to the Premier, Member for North Shore and The Centre for Road Safety requesting that a red light camera be placed on the intersection of Military Road and Spofforth Street and markings be placed on the road to discourage vehicles queuing across the pedestrian crossings.

Resolved to Recommend:

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Voting was unanimous.

9. (4.4) Spruson Street, Neutral Bay – Resident Parking Survey Results

Report of Traffic & Transport Engineer, Nathan Wu

A survey regarding parking arrangements in Spruson Street was sent out on the 17 January 2019 to 319 residents and property owners. The survey was also available online. The residents were given until 18 February 2019 to respond. A total of 87 responses were received. This represents a response rate of 27.3%. This is a relatively good response rate for traffic related surveys.

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 three (3) unrestricted parking spaces on the western side of Spruson Street between Holdsworth Road and Phillips Street be changed to “**No Parking**”.

2. THAT the existing parking arrangement in Spruson Street between property No. 50 and 68 be retained.

3. THAT the existing unrestricted parking spaces in Spruson Street between Holdsworth Road and Colindia Avenue be changed to ‘2 Hour 8:30am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 30’

4. THAT half of the existing unrestricted parking spaces in Phillips Street between Spruson Street and Ben Boyd Road be changed to ‘2 Hour 8:30am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 30 and 31’ as shown on the attached plan.

5. THAT the existing to ‘2 Hour 8:30am-6pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted Area 31’ restrictions in Phillips Street between Phillips Lane and Ben Boyd Road be changed to include Area 30 & Area 31 permits.

6. THAT the affected residents be notified prior to the implementation of the parking changes.

Ms Verlander addressed the Committee and presented a petition with 35 signatures.

The Motion was moved by Ms Marchandean and seconded by Councillor Keen.

Resolved to Recommend:

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2. **THAT** the existing parking arrangement in Spruson Street between property No. 50 and 68 be retained.
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6. **THAT** the affected residents be notified prior to the implementation of the parking changes.

Voting was unanimous.

The Mayor arrived at 10.17am and assumed the Chair.

10. (4.2.1) Parraween Street

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.
2. **THAT** the Director Engineering & Property Services negotiate compensation from Transport for NSW for the loss of meter revenue from 6 on-street parking spaces on Parraween Street as a result of direct flow-on effects of parking losses on Military Road associated with the B-Line project.
3. **THAT** Council consult with local residents and businesses with regard to parking changes on Parraween Street at the rear of 330-338 Military Road (Meter ID 5948) to convert 6 spaces of “2 Hour Meter 8.30am-6pm Mon-Fri 8.30am-12.30pm Sat Permit Holders Excepted Area 27” to 11.4 metres of “**Loading Zone 6am-6pm Mon-Fri 8.30am-12.30pm Sat**” and four (4) spaces of “**1 Hour Parking 8.30am-6pm Mon-Fri 8.30am-12.30pm Sat**”; and the parking changes be approved under delegated authority to the Traffic Engineer, subject to majority support.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Ms Marchandean.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. **THAT** the recommendations made for changes in the parking restrictions be adopted.
2. **THAT** the Director Engineering & Property Services negotiate compensation from Transport for NSW for the loss of meter revenue from 6 on-street parking spaces on Parraween Street as a result of direct flow-on effects of parking losses on Military Road associated with the B-Line project.
3. **THAT** Council consult with local residents and businesses with regard to parking changes on Parraween Street at the rear of 330-338 Military Road (Meter ID 5948) to convert 6 spaces of “2 Hour Meter 8.30am-6pm Mon-Fri 8.30am-12.30pm Sat Permit Holders Excepted Area 27” to 11.4 metres of “**Loading Zone 6am-6pm Mon-Fri**”

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Voting was unanimous.

11. (4.3.1) Abbott Lane

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.
2. **THAT** the building management of 53 Palmer Street (a.k.a. 520 Miller St), Cammeray advises all its occupants to beware of the situation and only use delivery trucks that could accommodate the at-grade loading dock within the property.
3. **THAT** Council installs a painted island on the eastern side of Abbott Lane fronting the building at 53 Palmer Street (a.k.a. 520 Miller St), Cammeray at the expense of the owner(s) of this building.
4. **THAT** Council investigate whether a bollard can be installed on the footpath (which is private property) that may prevent trucks striking the building.

A Motion was moved by Mr Rutherford and seconded by Ms Marchandau.

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Voting was unanimous.

12. (4.5) Resident Parking Area 30 - Neutral Bay West – Parking Restrictions Review

Report of Traffic Operations Officer, Maria Coyne

At the North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting held on 4 May 2018, the Traffic Committee considered the survey results of a community consultation for Resident Parking Area 30 – Neutral Bay West. At the meeting the following recommendations were made and subsequently adopted by Council:

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 new signs were installed on 14 August 2018. Therefore, the new signage is now due for review.

Recommending:

1. **THAT** the information concerning the six-month review of parking changes in Resident Parking Area 30 - Neutral Bay West be received.

2. **THAT** the parking restrictions installed in Resident Parking Area 30 - Neutral Bay West on 14 August 2018 remain.

3. **THAT** it be noted that additional parking changes proposed for Spruson Street and Phillips Street, Neutral Bay are dealt with separately through Item 4.4 of the 523rd Traffic Committee meeting.

4. **THAT** it be noted that additional trial parking changes proposed for Montpelier Street, Neutral Bay to address trailer parking are dealt with separately through Item 4.6 of the 523rd Traffic Committee meeting.

The Motion was moved by Ms Marchandau and seconded by Ms Fard.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. **THAT** the information concerning the six-month review of parking changes in Resident Parking Area 30 - Neutral Bay West be received.

2. **THAT** the parking restrictions installed in Resident Parking Area 30 - Neutral Bay West on 14 August 2018 remain.

3. **THAT** it be noted that additional parking changes proposed for Spruson Street and Phillips Street, Neutral Bay are dealt with separately through Item 4.4 of the 523rd Traffic Committee meeting.

4. **THAT** it be noted that additional trial parking changes proposed for Montpelier Street, Neutral Bay to address trailer parking are dealt with separately through Item 4.6 of the 523rd Traffic Committee meeting.

Voting was unanimous.

13. (4.6) Tunks Park, Montpelier Street, Fifth Avenue, Montague Street - Proposed Trailer Restrictions Trial – No Parking Motor Vehicles Excepted

Report of Manager Traffic & Transport Operations, Michaela Kemp

Each year Council receives a significant number of complaints from residents claiming that boat trailers, trailers and advertising trailers are causing parking, road safety, residential and visual amenity issues.

In recent years, and after extensive lobbying from Councils, including North Sydney Council, the NSW State Government introduced a number of measures to partially address these issues. However, Council continues to receive regular complaints about long term parking of trailers including box trailers, tradesman trailers, and boat trailers in residential streets and adjacent to parks, making it difficult for residents and visitors to find parking.

To address these issues, it is proposed to trial the implementation of “No Parking - Motor Vehicles Excepted” in existing unrestricted parking zones in the following streets where Council receives the most complaints about trailer parking:

Montpelier Street, Neutral Bay.

Fifth Avenue and Montague Street, Cremorne.

Brothers Avenue, Tunks Park, Cammeray.

Recommending:

1. **THAT** Council implement “No Parking – Motor Vehicles Excepted” in the existing unrestricted parking zones on Montpelier Street, Fifth Avenue, Montague Street and Brothers Avenue (excluding the existing “Vehicles with Trailer Only” spaces) for a

trial period of 3 months and a subsequent report be provided to the traffic committee at the conclusion of the trial period.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Mr Rutherford,

1. THAT Council implement “*No Parking – Motor Vehicles Excepted*” in the existing unrestricted parking zones on Montpelier Street, Fifth Avenue, Montague Street and Brothers Avenue (excluding the existing “Vehicles with Trailer Only” spaces) and the matter be reviewed in 3 months with a subsequent report to be provided to the Traffic Committee.

Resolved to recommend:

1. THAT Council implement “*No Parking – Motor Vehicles Excepted*” in the existing unrestricted parking zones on Montpelier Street, Fifth Avenue, Montague Street and Brothers Avenue (excluding the existing “Vehicles with Trailer Only” spaces) and the matter be reviewed in 3 months with a subsequent report to be provided to the Traffic Committee.

Voting was unanimous.

**LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE ITEMS
FOR CONSIDERATION**

14. (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 12 January 2019 to 1 March 2019.

Year to date (2019), Council had investigated 126 reports of abandoned vehicles.

Year to date (2019), Council processed 14 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 Ms Marchandau and seconded by Sergeant Sonter,

Resolved to Recommend:

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

Voting was unanimous.

GENERAL BUSINESS

15. (7.1) Late Item – Carter Street, Cammeray – Request to remove parking space at 1 Cairo Street

Report of Traffic & Transport Operations Manager, Michaela Kemp

Council has received representations on behalf of the owner of 1 Cairo Street, Cammeray concerning visibility when exiting their driveway onto Carter Street and a request to remove the adjacent parking space to improve visibility.

Recommending:

- 1. THAT** the Traffic Committee resolve to recommend one of the following options:
- a) the parking space on the western side of the driveway at 1 Cairo Street, Cammeray be retained or;
 - b) Council remove the parking space on the western side of the driveway at 1 Cairo Street, Cammeray by relocating the existing No Stopping (R) sign on Carter Street to the eastern side of the driveway, and notify nearby residents prior to implementation

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Mr Rutherford,

- 1. THAT** Council immediately remove the parking space on the western side of the driveway at 1 Cairo Street, Cammeray by relocating the existing No Stopping (R) sign on Carter Street to the eastern side of the driveway, and notify nearby residents prior to implementation, and an additional space be allocated nearby to offset the parking loss.

Resolved to Recommend:

- 1. THAT** Council immediately remove the parking space on the western side of the driveway at 1 Cairo Street, Cammeray by relocating the existing No Stopping (R) sign on Carter Street to the eastern side of the driveway, and notify nearby residents prior to implementation, and an additional space be allocated nearby to offset the parking loss.

Voting was unanimous.

Gerard Street at Macpherson Street, Cremorne - Intersection

Mr Moore attended the meeting and stated that he has been lobbying Council in relation to the Gerard Street at Macpherson Street intersection in Cremorne for more than two decades.

The Committee agreed to make this matter as a standing item so that it stays on the agenda.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Mr Rutherford,

- 1. THAT** Gerard Street/Macpherson Street traffic signals be included as a standing item on future Traffic Committee agendas.

Resolved to recommend:

- 1. THAT** Gerard Street/Macpherson Street traffic signals be included as a standing item on future Traffic Committee agendas.

Voting was unanimous.

Macpherson Street Parking

The Manager, Ranger and Parking Services advised that a resident had contacted him stating a number of intersections in Macpherson Street do not have 'No Stopping' signs or they are less than 10 metres from the intersection.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Ms Marchandau,

1. **THAT** the matter of parking near intersections along Macpherson Street be delegated to the Manager, Traffic and Transport Operations to liaise with the Manager, Ranger and Parking Services to fix as soon as possible.

Resolved to recommend:

1. **THAT** the matter of parking near intersections along Macpherson Street be delegated to the Manager, Traffic and Transport Operations to liaise with the Manager, Ranger and Parking Services to fix as soon as possible.

Voting was unanimous.

Burlington Street

Mr Rutherford stated that Burlington Street is often congested particularly on Saturdays, and this was possibly due to the pedestrian crossing.

The meeting closed at 11.01am.

CHAIRPERSON

GENERAL MANAGER