

## **WARRINGAH FREEWAY NOISE WALL ACTION GROUP UPDATE 10 – Nov 2017**

It is 7 years since our Public Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2010 with North Sydney Council, RMS and our State Member

### **PROGRESS TO DATE**

- **Six sections of Noise Walls have been completed by Roads & Maritime Services (RMS) - Merlin St Neutral Bay, and 5 streets in Cammeray - Sexton Place, Tarella Place, West St, Massey St & Metcalfe St Cammeray**  
Noise walls have significantly reduced the impact of freeway traffic noise levels; most residents are very pleased with results and thank RMS for their action  
Full details of these noise walls are detailed in previous updates to residents
- One more sections of noise wall is now progressing – with design or consultation - Jenkins/Armstrong Streets Cammeray – details below
- A further 2 areas are still to be evaluated by RMS – Chandos St & Morden/Bellevue Sts - detailed below

**NOTE - All indicative actions and timing by RMS are conditional on (1) feasibility & design for construction of noise walls, (2) ongoing funding by NSW Government & RMS and (3) final agreement by all residents in each NCA**

**NOISE CATCHMENT AREAS (NCA)** referred to below are detailed in Council website – website details below

### **NOISE CATCHMENT AREA - NCA 3 – MORDEN & BELLEVUE STREETS**

RMS engaged a consultant to review proposed noise wall location and to advise on feasibility and construction issues. Residents in Morden St were notified that noise walls are proposed in 2019/20. However this project has now been deferred until details of the Western Harbour Tunnel & Beaches Link project are released.

### **NCA 5B – JENKINS & ARMSTRONG STREETS**

RMS propose to construct a noise wall to fill in the fence gap along the Freeway at the corner of Jenkins and Armstrong Streets – noise wall 35 meters long and approx. 2 meters high. RMS has met with residents on site and also conducted an information drop in session for residents over the past 12 months

Residents are NOT agreeable at this stage and are seeking a higher longer wall.

A feasibility study is now complete on two noise walls, one along the Warringah Freeway viaduct and the other along the exit ramp. RMS is reviewing the feasibility report and will be conducting community consultation.

### **NCA 11 – CHANDOS ST, MATTHEWS ST, JENKINS LANE, MATTHEWS LANE CROWS NEST**

RMS engaged a consultant to evaluate and provide advice on feasibility and reasonable noise treatment options. Indicative timing is 2020-21 year subject to funding.

### **WHAT ACTION CAN RESIDENTS TAKE?**

#### **IF YOUR AREA & NCA IS LISTED FOR ACTION**

- Ensure every noise affected property in your area is registered on RMS Noise Abatement Program (NAP) – ensure each resident receives a letter from RMS confirming detailed registration
- Suggest residents agree on their requirements and then agree on resident representatives for their area and maintain regular contact with RMS NAP officers to ensure plans are progressed

#### **IF YOUR AREA IS NOT LISTED FOR ACTION**

- Ensure every noise affected property in your area is registered on NAP with RMS – ensure each resident receives a letter from RMS confirming detailed registration
- Make representations to RMS individually and collectively to promote your case for noise abatement under NAP

**OTHER NOISE AFFECTED LOCATIONS ALONG WARRINGAH FREEWAY – including area south of Military Rd & Falcon St and suburbs of North Sydney & Kirribilli**

Affected residents should register on NAP and write to Minister for Roads, Maritime & Freight - The Hon Melinda Pavey  
**Note re Multi-level buildings - Generally noise walls will not be built for multi-level buildings. The treatment method is noise treatment .**

**INFORMATION & CONTACTS**

- North Sydney Council website [www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au](http://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au) (**Projects – State Govt Projects – Warringah Freeway Noise walls**) for details of action and meetings with RMS and Council (with Minutes) over the last 7+ years of our campaign
- Roads & Maritime Services (RMS) tel 131782 Mr Joseph Fanous or website [www.rms.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au) (**Environment – Noise – NAP**) Even if you do not technically qualify, RMS will record your details and this should result in advice to you of noise abatement proposals for your street.

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