

Minutes of Meeting of Local Traffic Committee Meeting

Held electronically in June 2020

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY BY CHAIRPERSON

I acknowledge the Gadigal and Wangal people of the Eora nation on whose country we are meeting today, and their elders past and present.

COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

Clr Victor Macri	Councillor – Midjuburi-Marrickville Ward (Chair)
Bill Holliday	Representative for Jamie Parker MP, Member for Balmain
Chris Woods	Representative for Ron Hoenig MP, Member for Heffron
Cathy Peters	Representative for Jenny Leong MP, Member for Newtown
Maryanne Duggan	Representative for Jodi McKay MP, Member for Strathfield
SC Tony Kenny	NSW Police – Inner West Police Area Command
Sgt Trudy Crowther	NSW Police – Burwood Police Area Command
Tanmila Samin Islam	Transport for NSW (TfNSW)

NON VOTING MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Clr Marghanita da Cruz	Councillor – Gulgadya-Leichhardt Ward (Alternative Chair)
Manod Wickramasinghe	IWC's Traffic and Transport Planning Manager
Adrian Prichard	Transit Systems – Inner West Bus Services
Colin Jones	Inner West Bicycle Coalition
Christina Ip	IWC's Business Administration Officer

VISITORS

Nil.

APOLOGIES:

SC Stephen Flanagan	NSW Police – Leichhardt Police Area Command
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DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held in May 2020 were confirmed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION OF MINUTES

The Local Traffic Committee recommendations of its meeting held in May 2020 were adopted at Council's meeting held on 26 May 2020.

EMAIL CONFIRMATION OF OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:

The representative for NSW Police – Inner West supported the Officer's recommendations for the items in their PAC.

The Transit Systems representative supported all the Officer's recommendations.

**LTC0620 Item 1 Croydon Road, Croydon - Bus priority infrastructure program
Parramatta Road intersection improvements
(Gulgadya-Leichhart Ward/ Strathfield Electorate/ Burwood PAC)**

SUMMARY

Transport for NSW (TfNSW) proposes to undertake improvements to the intersection of Parramatta Road, Arlington Street and Croydon Road to help improve turning paths and reduce conflict and congestion for buses and general traffic at this intersection. The proposal would also improve intersection capacity and efficiency, particularly on Croydon Road on the approach to the intersection, so vehicles can make better use of the lanes at the intersection.

Under this program, Bus stops either side of Croydon Road, just south of Parramatta Road, and Bus stops either side of Croydon Road at Australia Street will be amalgamated from 4 down to 2 stops. Lane and centreline marking will be extended in Croydon Road from Parramatta Road up to West Street and existing part-time 'No Stopping' restriction operational times will be extended.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT support be given for the following changes in Croydon Road, Croydon, in line with the RMS plan 2019/000987 as shown in Attachment 2.:

1. The Bus Stop (ID 213235) on the western side of Croydon Road, 30 metres south of Parramatta Road, be removed and the area be replaced with 'No Stopping' restrictions;
2. The Bus Stop (ID 213234) on the western side of Croydon Road, opposite Australia Street, be removed;
3. The Bus Stop (ID 213236) on the eastern side of Croydon Road, 65 metres south of Parramatta Road, be removed and the area be reassigned with 'No Parking' restrictions;
4. The Bus Stop (ID 213237) on the eastern side of Croydon Road, just north of Australia Street, be removed;
5. A 10 metre 'No Stopping' zone be installed on the eastern corner side of Croydon Road, north of Australia Street;
6. That a new 24m 'Bus zone' and 10m statutory 'No Stopping' be provided on the western side of Croydon Road, just south of Dalmar Street;
7. That a new 18.5m 'Bus zone' and 10m statutory 'No Stopping' zone be provided on the eastern side of Croydon Road, just south of Sunbeam Avenue;
8. The pedestrian (arm) crossing to the signals at the intersection of Croydon Road and Parramatta Road be widened, re-surfaced and re-line marked;
9. The part-time 'No Stopping' on the western side of Croydon Road, between Dalmar Street and Sophia Lane, be extended to operate in time from '6.30am-9.30am., 3.30pm-6.30pm M-F' to '6.00am-6.00pm M-F'; and
10. The existing lane marking (L1) and (BB) centerlines in Croydon Road be extended from Parramatta Road towards West Street.

DISCUSSION

The representative for the Member for Strathfield and the Burwood PAC representative requested that a right turn arrow, to assist movements from Croydon Road into Parramatta Road (city bound), be reconsidered by TfNSW to relieve congestion and prioritise city bound bus movements. Officers will forward this request to the TfNSW project manager for consideration.

Clr da Cruz asked Officers to comment on a request from the community that was referred to Council to consider line marking at Dalmer Street, Bay Street and Croydon Road to help prevent blocking of these intersections. Council Officers stated that “Do not queue across intersection” markings have typically not been supported by TfNSW except where it is perceived as an emergency access point (e.g. Fire Brigade, Police stations). It is noted that congestion at this location on Croydon Road is normally contained between Parramatta Road and Dalmar Street and this proposal seeks to reduce that congestion and hence reduce the frequency of the intersection being obstructed.

In response to a request from the community, Clr da Cruz asked if more measures could be implemented to encourage westbound drivers to stop behind the linemarking at traffic signals on Parramatta Road. Council Officers advised that appropriate linemarking setbacks and complementary traffic signal setbacks are generally the most appropriate way to alter motorist behaviour; however, they will seek advice from TfNSW regarding alternative strategies.

Clr da Cruz requested that TfNSW fund a safe pedestrian crossing point (pedestrian refuge or pedestrian (zebra) crossing) adjacent to the relocated bus stops, noting the walking distance to the signalised crossing of Croydon Road at Paramatta Road has increased to 150-200m due to this project. Council Officers will request the TfNSW project manager investigate this matter.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer’s recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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- 4. The Bus Stop (ID 213237) on the eastern side of Croydon Road, just north of Australia Street, be removed;**
- 5. A 10 metre ‘No Stopping’ zone be installed on the eastern corner side of Croydon Road, north of Australia Street;**
- 6. That a new 24m ‘Bus zone’ and 10m statutory ‘No Stopping’ be provided on the western side of Croydon Road, just south of Dalmar Street;**

7. That a new 18.5m 'Bus zone' and 10m statutory 'No Stopping' zone be provided on the eastern side of Croydon Road, just south of Sunbeam Avenue;
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10. The existing lane marking (L1) and (BB) centerlines in Croydon Road be extended from Parramatta Road towards West Street.

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0620 Item 2 Smidmore Street, Marrickville – Marrickville Metro Expansion Works – Temporary Full Road Closure for an 18 Hour Overnight Period – To Install a Pedestrian Bridge (Midjuburi – Marrickville Ward / Newtown Electorate / Inner West PAC)

SUMMARY

Council has received an application from MLA Transport Planning (MLATP) for approval of a temporary full road closure of Smidmore Street, between Edinburgh Road and Murray Street, Marrickville for a period of 18 hours in order to install the pedestrian bridge connecting the existing and new Centres at Marrickville Metro.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the proposed temporary full road closure of Smidmore Street , between Edinburgh Road and Murray Street, Marrickville for a period of 18 hours from 3:00pm on Wednesday, 1 July 2020 to 9:00am Thursday, 2 July 2020 (contingency period 2 weeks start date from Sunday 5 July 2020 – to 19 July 2020) be approved for the purpose of installing the pedestrian bridge connecting the existing and new Centres at Marrickville Metro subject to, but not limited to, the following conditions:

1. A Road Occupancy License be obtained by the applicant from the Transport Management Centre;
2. All affected residents and businesses, including the NSW Police Area Commander, Fire & Rescue NSW and the NSW Ambulance Services be notified in writing, by the applicant, of the proposed temporary full road closure at least 7 days in advance of the closure with the applicant making reasonable provision for stakeholders;
3. The occupation of the road carriageway must not occur until the road has been physically closed; and
4. Written concurrence being provided from Sydney Metro TSE Group to Council.

DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the proposed temporary full road closure of Smidmore Street , between Edinburgh Road and Murray Street, Marrickville for a period of 18 hours from 3:00pm on Wednesday, 1 July 2020 to 9:00am Thursday, 2 July 2020 (contingency period 2 weeks start date from Sunday 5 July 2020 – to 19 July 2020) be approved for the purpose of installing the pedestrian bridge connecting the existing and new Centres at Marrickville Metro subject to, but not limited to, the following conditions:

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- 3. The occupation of the road carriageway must not occur until the road has been physically closed; and**
- 4. Written concurrence being provided from Sydney Metro TSE Group to Council.**

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0620 Item 3 Smidmore Street, Marrickville – Marrickville Metro Expansion Works – Temporary Full Road Closure for a Two Week Period – To Undertake Road Upgrade Works (Midjuburi – Marrickville Ward / Newtown Electorate / Inner West PAC)

SUMMARY

Council has received an application from MLA Transport Planning (MLATP) for approval of a temporary full road closure of Smidmore Street, between Murray Street and Marrickville Metro Dock 5 Access Driveway for a period of two weeks for the purpose of road works.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the proposed temporary full road closure of Smidmore Street, between Murray Street and Marrickville Metro Dock 5 Access Driveway for a period of two weeks starting from Sunday, 12 July to Sunday, 26 July 2020 (contingency period Monday 27 July to Monday 10 August 2020) be approved for the purpose of road works subject to, but not limited to, the following conditions:

- 1. A Road Occupancy License be obtained by the applicant from the Transport Management Centre;**
- 2. All affected residents and businesses, including the NSW Police Area Commander, Fire & Rescue NSW and the NSW Ambulance Services be notified in writing, by the applicant, of the proposed temporary full road closure at least 7 days in advance of the closure with the applicant making reasonable provision for stakeholders;**
- 3. The occupation of the road carriageway must not occur until the road has been physically closed; and**

4. Written concurrence being provided from Sydney Metro TSE Group to Council.

DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the proposed temporary full road closure of Smidmore Street, between Murray Street and Marrickville Metro Dock 5 Access Driveway for a period of two weeks starting from Sunday, 12 July to Sunday, 26 July 2020 (contingency period Monday 27 July to Monday 10 August 2020) be approved for the purpose of road works subject to, but not limited to, the following conditions:

1. **A Road Occupancy License be obtained by the applicant from the Transport Management Centre;**
2. **All affected residents and businesses, including the NSW Police Area Commander, Fire & Rescue NSW and the NSW Ambulance Services be notified in writing, by the applicant, of the proposed temporary full road closure at least 7 days in advance of the closure with the applicant making reasonable provision for stakeholders;**
3. **The occupation of the road carriageway must not occur until the road has been physically closed; and**
4. **Written concurrence being provided from Sydney Metro TSE Group to Council.**

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0620 Item 4 Campbell Street, St Peters - (New M5 Local Roads) Proposed Parking Restrictions in angle parking car park (Midjuburi - Marrickville Ward/ Heffron Electorate/ Inner West PAC)

SUMMARY

With the completion of the New M5 local roadworks in St Peters and the handover of the landscaped verges and on-street and off-street carparking spaces along Campbell Street, St Peters, Council has explored options to manage the new 26 space off-street angle parking in Campbell Street between Florence Street and St Peters Street, to best benefit the community and potential users. Local businesses and residents were consulted regarding what suitable timed-parking restrictions ought to be in place.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the following restrictions be approved for the new 26 space off-street angle parking spaces adjacent to Campbell Street between Florence Street and St Peters Street;

1. Installation of '4P 6.00am – 6.00pm' zone along the 12 angle parking spaces from the western end;
2. Installation of 'P30 8.00am – 9.30am, 2.30pm – 4.00pm school days' & '4P 9.30am-2.30pm school days, 6.00am – 6.00pm other days' along the 12 angle parking spaces from the eastern end, excluding the mobility parking spaces; and

3. Installation of 'Mobility Parking Only' along the 2 disabled angle parking spaces from the eastern end.

DISCUSSION

The representative for the Member for Heffron requested that these restrictions be implemented as a matter of urgency to assist return to school arrangements.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the following restrictions be approved for the new 26 space off-street angle parking spaces adjacent to Campbell Street between Florence Street and St Peters Street;

1. Installation of '4P 6.00am – 6.00pm' zone along the 12 angle parking spaces from the western end;
2. Installation of 'P30 8.00am – 9.30am, 2.30pm – 4.00pm school days' & '4P 9.30am-2.30pm school days, 6.00am – 6.00pm other days' along the 12 angle parking spaces from the eastern end, excluding the mobility parking spaces; and
3. Installation of 'Mobility Parking Only' along the 2 disabled angle parking spaces from the eastern end.

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0620 Item 5 Hartley Street, Rozelle - Proposed Resident Parking Scheme (Baludarri-Balmain Ward/Balmain Electorate/Leichhardt PAC)

SUMMARY

Council has finalised an investigation into a Resident Parking Scheme (RPS) to address issues with long term parking by non-resident vehicles in Hartley Street, Rozelle between Brent Street and Victoria Road.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT a '2P 8am-10pm Mon-Fri, Permit Holders Excepted, Area R1' parking restriction be installed on both side of Hartley Street, on the frontage of residential houses in Hartley Street between Brent Street and Victoria Road, Rozelle.

DISCUSSION

The Committee noted that the Officer's recommendation incorrectly stated that the RPS will operate between 8am and 10pm. The RPS proposal had been consulted to operate between 8am and 6pm to be consistent with adjacent streets. It was agreed that the recommendation be amended accordingly.

Councillor da Cruz asked if visitor permits are available to residents who do not own a car. Council officers confirmed that all eligible properties will be entitled to visitor permits.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT a '2P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri, Permit Holders Excepted, Area R1' parking restriction be installed on both sides of Hartley Street, on the frontage of residential houses in Hartley Street between Brent Street and Victoria Road, Rozelle.

For motion: Unanimous

General Business

LTC0620 Item 6 Road safety around schools in Tempe

The representative for the Member for Heffron tabled a letter requesting for an investigation into changes to improve student safety and access for school buses around the schools in Tempe, in response to a bus colliding with the retaining wall at Tempe Public School on 18 February 2020.

LTC0620 Item 7 Illuminated sign outside Haberfield Rowers Club

The representative for the Member for Balmain asked for an update to the enquiry made at the May 2020 meeting regarding the glare from the Haberfield Rowers Club illuminated sign on the City West Link. Council Officers advised that this matter had been referred to Council's Compliance team and results of their investigation will be provided when available.

LTC0620 Item 8 Road safety at intersection of Stevens Lane and Fotheringham Lane, Marrickville

The representative for the Member for Newtown stated that a resident made representations to the Office of Jenny Leong MP regarding safety at the intersection of Stevens Lane and Fotheringham Lane, Marrickville. The resident stated that drivers aggressively use the laneways as rat runs while residents walk or ride bikes with children. The representative requested that Council investigate providing extra measures to improve safety at this intersection. In addition, Council was requested to review Council's policies on laneways in the LGA with a view to implementing speed restrictions and traffic calming measures on all of them to improve safety for residents.

LTC0620 Item 9 Road safety around Corunna Road, Westbourne Street and Cannon Streets, Stanmore

The representative for the Member for Newtown asked for an update on the investigation into concerns raised by a resident in 2019 regarding vehicles using the back streets of Corunna Road, Westbourne Street and Cannon Streets to avoid Parramatta Road and the lack of pedestrian crossings in these streets. At the time these concerns were raised, Council Officers had indicated that the resident's concerns and request would be considered in the next Local Area Traffic Management Scheme review for Stanmore North – Area 2.

LTC0620 Item 10 Safety at the intersection of Edgware Road, Alice Street and Llewellyn Street, Marrickville

In reference to concerns raised at the February 2020 meeting, the representative for the Member for Newtown asked for a progress update on the investigation to improve safety at the intersection of Edgware Road, Alice Street and Llewellyn Street, Marrickville.

LTC0620 Item 11 Temporary extension of pedestrian and cycling space

The representative for the Member for Newtown has requested information on the areas in Inner West that will be temporarily extended to provide more pedestrian and cycling space as a result of the coronavirus emergency.

This concluded the business of the meeting.