

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA 1

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LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY 2 OCTOBER 2018

10.00am

MEETING AGENDA – PRECIS SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

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Item No: LTC1018 Item 22

Subject: Australia Street, Eliza Street, Lennox Street & Mary Street, Newtown – Temporary Full Road Closures For Newtown Festival On Sunday 11 November 2018 (Stanmore Ward/Newtown Electorate/Newtown LAC)

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SUMMARY

A Section 96 (2) application had been received from the Newtown Neighbourhood Centre in relation to modifying conditions in holding the annual 'Newtown Festival' for the remaining 2 years assented, Sunday 12 November 2017 and Sunday 11 November 2018. The applicant has requested the temporary full road closures, between the hours of 5.00am to 8.00pm, of Australia Street (between Lennox Street and Alton Lane), Eliza Street, Lennox Street (between Australia Street and the exit of Lennox Street car park) and Mary Street, Newtown.

It is recommended that Council support to the temporary road closures for the last of the assented years on Sunday 11 November 2018 between the hours of 5.00am to 8.00pm; apply to the RMS for consent to close the subject roads, subject to the event being advertised, a Traffic Management Plan be submitted to the RMS for approval and advice of the proposed event being forwarded to the appropriate authorities, including the Transport Management Centre.

Comments of the Local Traffic Committee will be referred to Council's Development Assessment Section for consideration in determining the Section 96 Application.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

1. The proposed temporary full road closures of Australia Street (between Lennox Street and Alton Lane), Eliza Street, Lennox Street (between Australia Street and the exit driveway of Lennox Street car park) and Mary Street, Newtown on Sunday 11 November 2018, between 5.00am to 8.00pm, for the holding of the 39th annual 'Newtown Festival' (Class 2 event under the RMS Special Events Guide), be APPROVED subject to the applicant complying with the following conditions:
 - a) The temporary road closure be advertised in the local newspaper providing 28 days' notice for submissions;
 - b) A Traffic Management Plan be submitted to the Roads and Maritime Services for consideration and approval; and a Road Occupancy License application be submitted to the Transport Management Centre;
 - c) Notice of the proposed event be forwarded to the N.S.W. Police, State Transit Authority, Newtown Local Area Commander, the NSW Fire Brigades and the NSW Ambulance Services;
 - d) Advance notifications signs for the event be strategically installed at least two (2) weeks prior to the event;
 - e) "No Stopping - Special Event" signs be affixed over all existing timed parking restriction signs within the sections of streets to be closed on the afternoon of the day prior to the event;
 - f) A 4-metre wide emergency vehicle access must be maintained through the closed road areas during the course of the event;
 - g) The applicant is to consult with all affected residents and/or businesses in

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- the area in writing and to conduct a letter box drop of surrounding properties at least two weeks prior to event; and
- h) Adequate vehicular traffic control shall be provided for the protection and convenience of pedestrians and motorists including appropriate signage and flagging. Workers shall be specially designated for this role (and carry appropriate certificates), as necessary to comply with this condition. This is to be carried out in accordance with the Australian Standard AS 1742.3 - Traffic Control Devices for works on roads.

2. The Festival Director, Newtown Neighbourhood Centre be advised in terms of this report and that all costs for advertising the event and implementation of the road closures are to be borne by the applicant; and
 3. The applicant be advised that an annual application needs to be submitted to Council for the temporary road closures associated with the festival.
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BACKGROUND

The 'Newtown Festival' is a free community event which has been held for the last 39 years and attracts thousands of attendees every year. In recent years, the Festival attracted around 90,000 people throughout the day with a maximum of 20,000 at any given time.

This annual event is held mainly in the grounds of the Camperdown Memorial Rest Park. In previous years, Lennox Street, Mary Street, Eliza Street and Federation Road, Newtown were temporarily closed to through traffic for the duration of the festival.

In 2015, a Development Application (DA 201500078) was submitted to Council by the Newtown Neighbourhood Centre to hold the annual 'Newtown Festival' for the next 4 years, on Sunday 8 November 2015, Sunday 13 November 2016, Sunday 12 November 2017 and Sunday 11 November 2018. The applicant requested the temporary road closure of Lennox Street, Mary Street, Eliza Street and Federation Road, Newtown.

A Local Traffic Committee report was prepared and submitted to the meeting on 9 April 2015. Council agreed to the temporary road closures on Sunday 8 November 2015 subject to conditions which were similar to those of previous years. An application has now been received for the temporary road closures for the 2018 Newtown Festival.

In addition, an application has also been received under Section 96 (2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act to modify Determination No.201500078 dated 15 July 2015 to no longer use a portion of Federation Road. Therefore, Federation Road will no longer be temporarily closed during the event however, part of this new application will include the temporary road closure of Australia Street, between Lennox Street and Alton Lane, to provide additional pedestrian safety during the event. Newtown Police have been advised of this proposal and support the additional road closure. It should be noted that the emergency access from Australia Street to King Street will remain open at all times for the Newtown Police Station and Newtown Fire Station.

The application is required to be referred to the Local Traffic Committee for consideration under State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

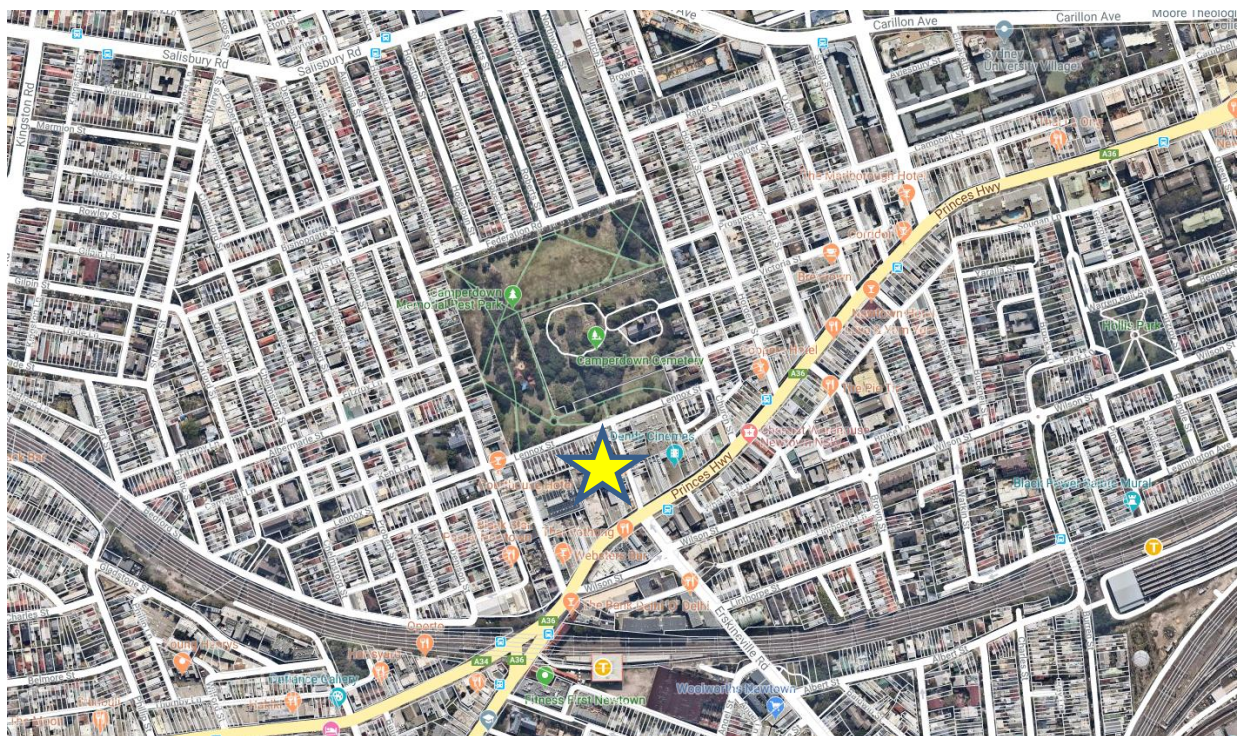
Nil.

OTHER STAFF COMMENTS

This year's festival will be held on Sunday 11 November 2018 and the following streets will need to be temporarily closed between 5.00am and 8.00pm on the day of the event (Refer to the attached Road Closure Plan):

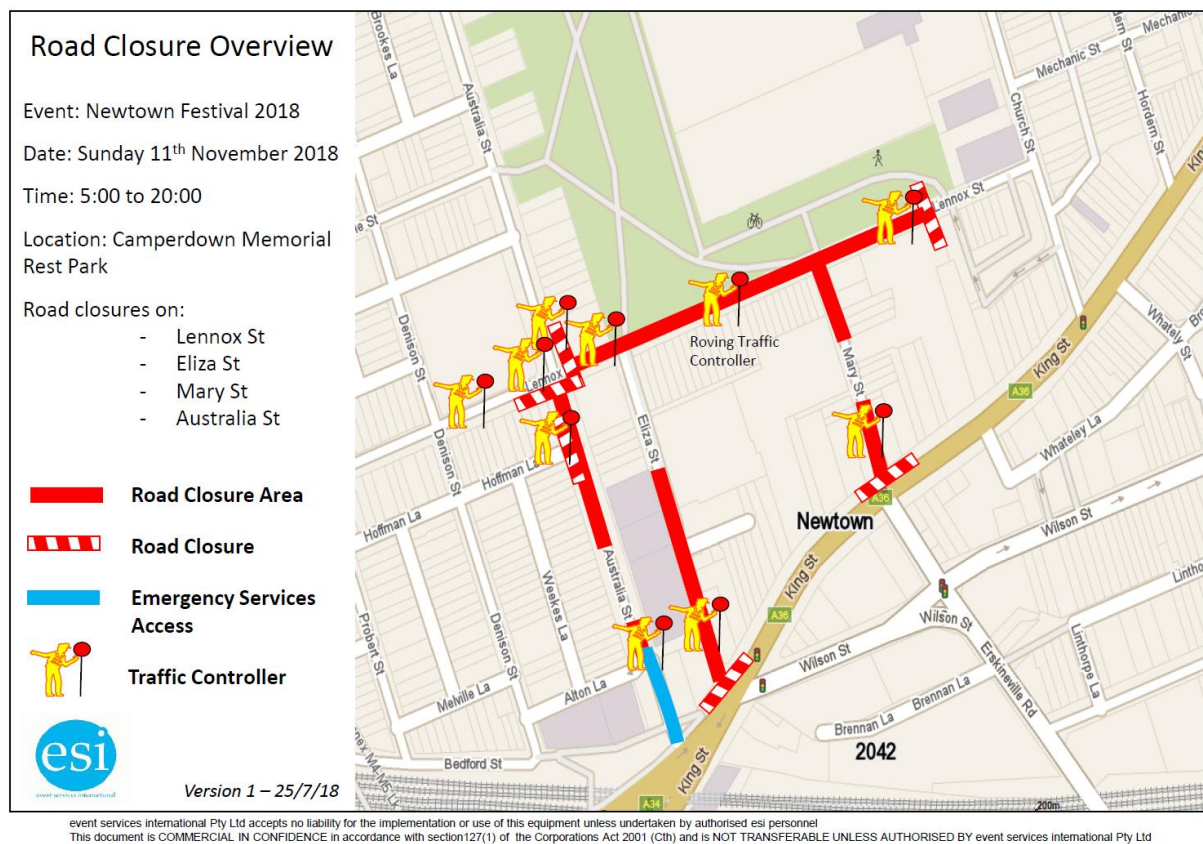
- Australia Street - between Lennox Street and Alton Lane.
- Eliza Street - between King Street and Lennox Street.
- Lennox Street - between Australia Street and the exit driveway of Lennox Street car park.
- Mary Street - between King Street and Lennox Street.

Locality Map – Newtown



Appropriate advance warning signs will be strategically installed at least two (2) weeks prior to the event. Barricades will be used to affect the closures and a 4-metre wide emergency vehicle access will need to be maintained through the area during the course of the festival. Security personnel trained in traffic management will manage traffic into and around the festival to ensure safety and reduce congestion.

Locality Map – Temporary Road Closure



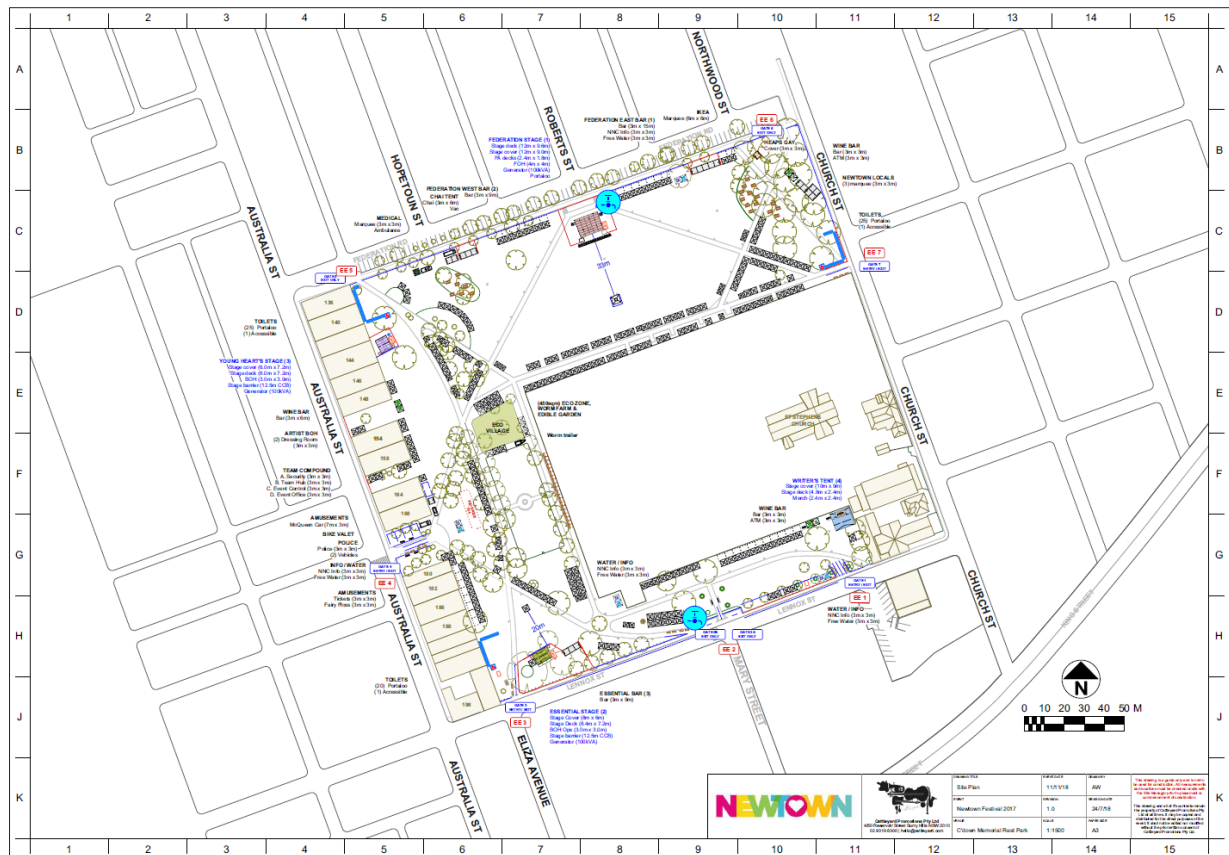
It is noted that the event location is situated near public transport facilities and has operated for numerous years in the past without significant traffic and parking issues, therefore the proposal is considered acceptable.

Section 96 (2) application

In relation to the new Section 96 (2) application it is noted that the applicant has requested to temporarily close Australia Street, between Lennox Street and Alton Lane, to provide additional pedestrian safety during the event (refer to the attached Road Closure Plan). Federation Road will no longer be temporarily closed during the event and there will be no activities undertaken within this section of the roadway. The event will be held entirely within Camperdown Memorial Park. It is noted that the Section 96 (2) submission states that 'emergency access will remain open'.

Parking provision is not mentioned in any of the submitted documents. Closing the four local streets effectively takes away a significant number of on-street parking spaces so any increase demand for parking compounds the inherent lack of parking in the area during event activities. As Federation Road is proposed to be kept open for this year's Festival, the on-street parking will be available to the public as well as the Lennox Street car park.

Site Plan – Newtown Festival

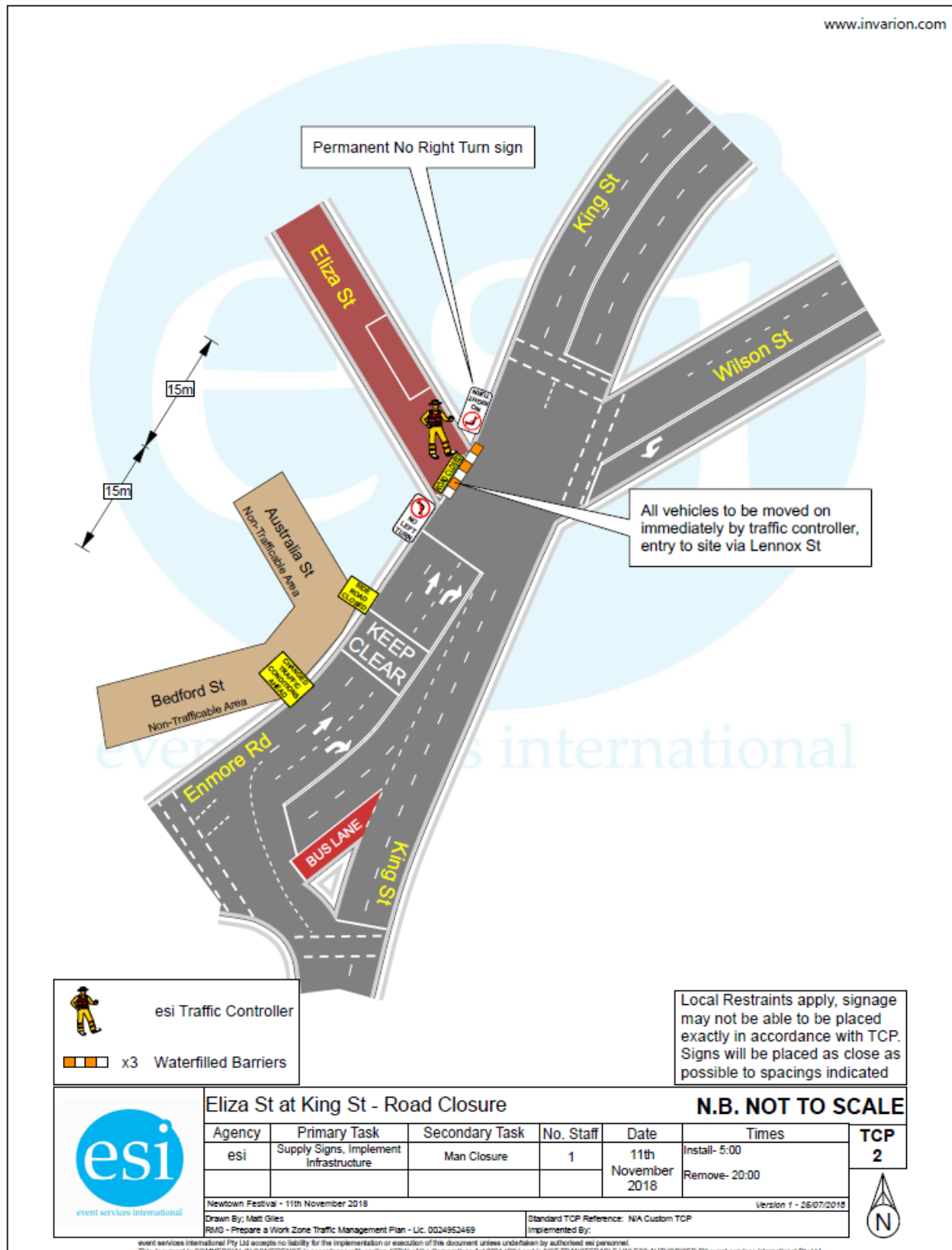


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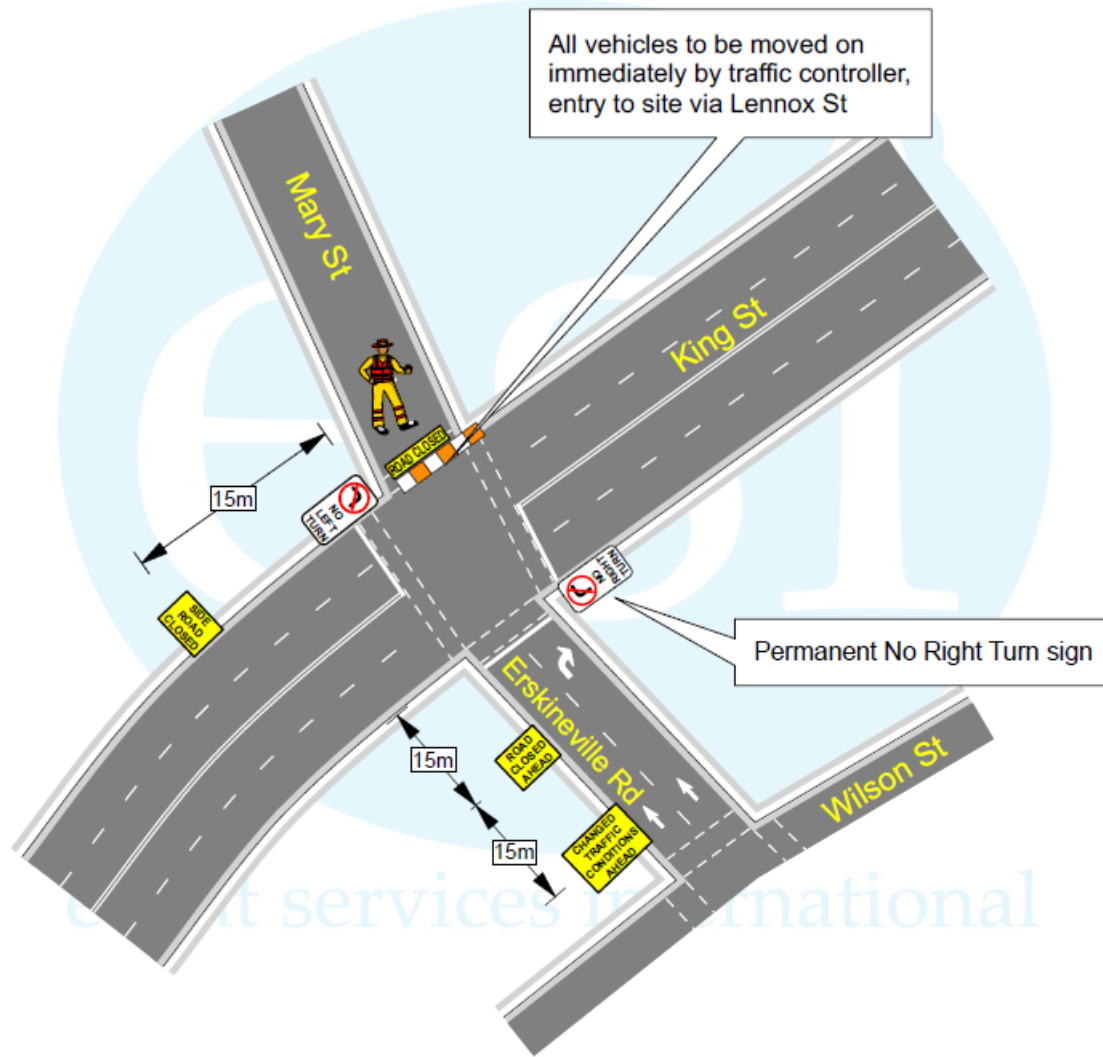
The proposed full-road closures of the event are to be advertised in the local papers for a period of 28 days. Council has done this on behalf of the applicant and the advertising period will commence on 2 October to 30 October 2018. A Traffic Management Plan is to be submitted to the RMS for consideration and approval and a Road Occupancy License application is to be submitted to the Transport Management Centre.

CONCLUSION

It is recommended that Council agree to the temporary road closures on Sunday 11 November 2018; apply to the RMS for consent to close the subject roads, subject to the event being advertised, a Traffic Management Plan be submitted to the RMS for approval and advice of the proposed event being forwarded to the appropriate authorities, including emergency services and the Transport Management Centre.



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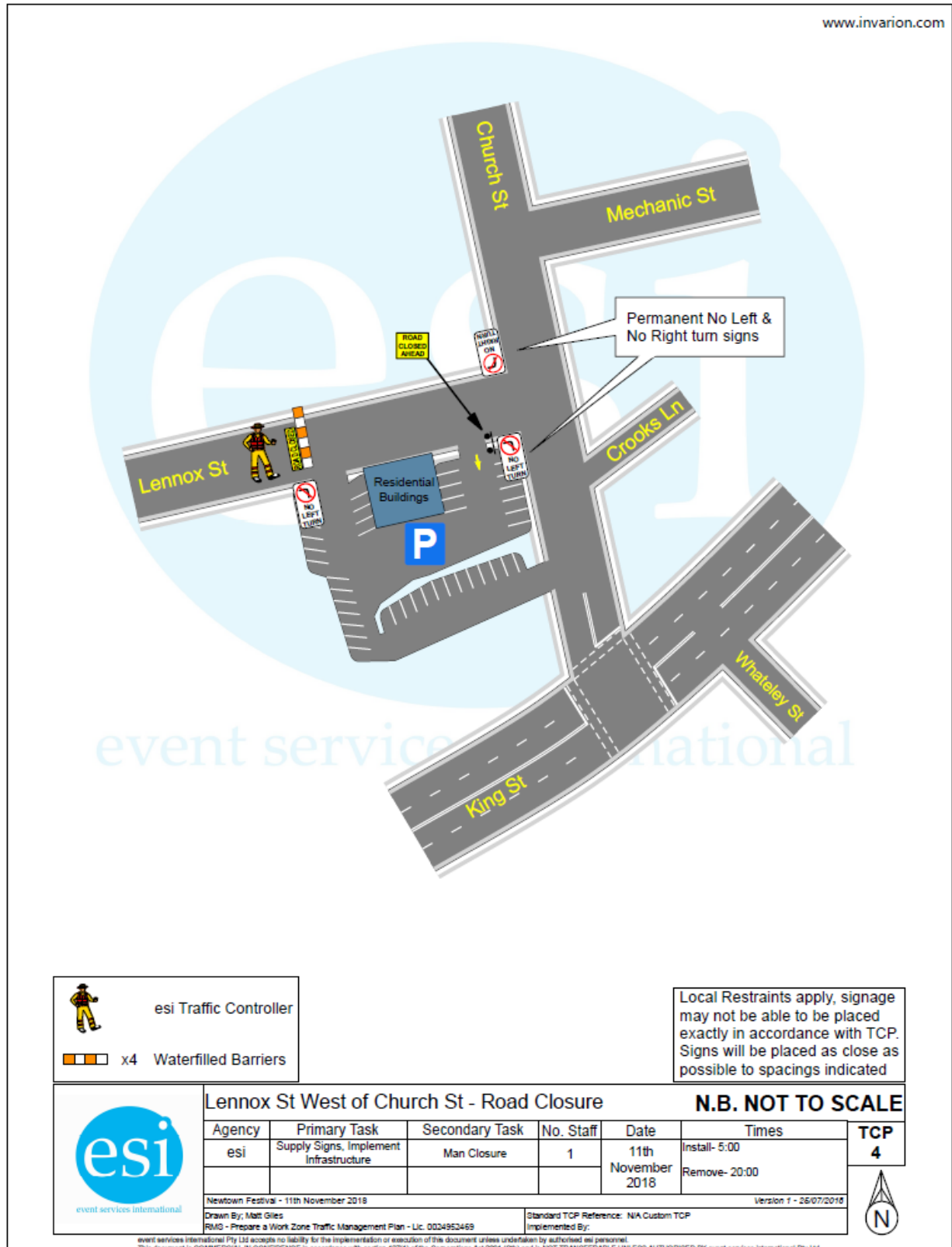
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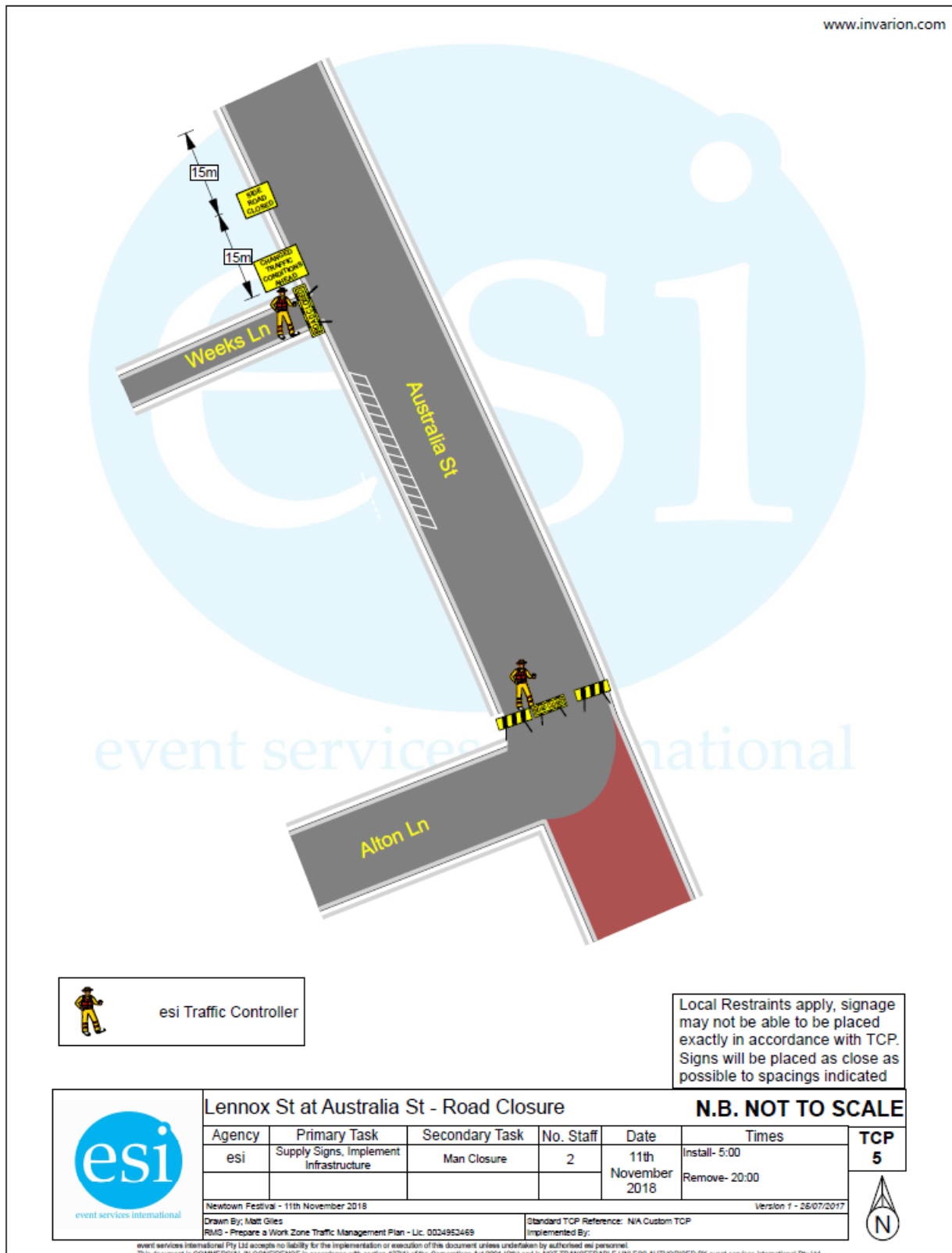
**Mary St at King St - Road Closure****N.B. NOT TO SCALE**

Agency	Primary Task	Secondary Task	No. Staff	Date	Times
esi	Supply Signs, Implement Infrastructure	Man Closure	1	11th November 2018	Install- 5:00 Remove- 20:00
Newtown Festival - 11th November 2018			Version 1 - 26/07/2018		
Drawn By: Matt Giles RMD - Prepare a Work Zone Traffic Management Plan - Lic. 0024952469			Standard TCP Reference: NIA Custom TCP Implemented By:		

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