

**Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting  
Held on 19 April 2022 at Ashfield Service Centre**

**Meeting commenced at 11.05AM**

**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**

Manod Wickramasinghe	IWC's Traffic and Transport Planning Manager (Chair)
Bill Holliday	Representative for Jamie Parker MP, Member for Balmain
Graeme McKay	Representative for Jo Haylen MP, Member for Summer Hill
Solon Ghosh	Transport for NSW (TfNSW)
Sgt Charles Buttrose	NSW Police – Leichhardt Police Area Command
SC Germaine Grant	NSW Police – Burwood Police Area Command
SC Sam Tohme	NSW Police – Burwood Police Area Command

**NON VOTING MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Colin Jones	Inner West Bicycle Coalition (IWBC)
Boris Muha	IWC's Engineer – Traffic and Parking Services
Christina Ip	IWC's Business Administration Officer

**VISITORS**

Nil.

**APOLOGIES:**

Mayor Darcy Byrne	Councillor – Baludarri-Balmain Ward
Cr Justine Langford	Councillor – Midjuburi-Marrickville Ward
Colin Hesse	Representative for Jenny Leong MP, Member for Newtown
Cathy Peters	Representative for Jenny Leong MP, Member for Newtown
Sgt Anthony Kenny	NSW Police – Inner West Police Area Command

**DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:**

Mr McKay declared a significant, non-pecuniary interest in Item 4 - Bland Street, Haberfield - Proposed Raised Pedestrian Crossing, as he lives in the consultation area and made a submission. Mr McKay will abstain from voting on behalf of the Member for Summer Hill.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 21 March 2022 were confirmed.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION OF MINUTES**

The Local Traffic Committee recommendations of its meeting on 21 March 2022 were adopted at Council's meeting on 12 April and moved additionally that Council conduct further

investigation of the expansion of the RPS in the Taverners Hill Precinct bounded by Hawthorne Canal, Parramatta Road, Elswick Street, Myrtle Street, Lords Road and Lambert Park and Leichhardt Marketplace Precinct bounded by Foster Street, Lords Road, Elswick Street and Regent Street.

**LTC0422(1) Item 1 Llewellyn Street, Marrickville - Removal of concrete median island (Midjuburi-Marrickville Ward/Newtown Electorate/Inner West PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

Council has received a request to provide safer connections for cyclists from the newly completed Regional Route 7 cycleway on Longport Street to Smith Street and Grosvenor Crescent, as well as the future Greenway. In the short term it is proposed to install shared paths along Smith Street and Grosvenor Crescent to improve cyclist safety in the area.

It is recommended that the signage plan for the proposed shared paths be approved.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That the concrete median island in Llewellyn Street, immediately east of Black Street be removed and the chevron linemarking be extended approximately 0.5m towards the intersection with Black Street, Marrickville.

**DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**That the concrete median island in Llewellyn Street, immediately east of Black Street be removed and the chevron linemarking be extended approximately 0.5m towards the intersection with Black Street, Marrickville.**

**For motion: Unanimous**

**LTC0422(1) Item 2 Victoria Street, Seaview Street and Prospect Road, Summer Hill- External roadwork facilities- Development extension to Trinity Grammar School (Application SSD-10371) (Djarrawunang-Ashfield Ward/Summer Hill Electorate/Ashfield PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

The Independent Planning Commission for the NSW Government Department of Planning, Industry and Environment, has approved a development expansion of the Trinity Grammar School, Summer Hill to cater for gradual increase of student numbers from 1500 to 2100 and staff from 277 to 321.

This report deals with the development proposal to provide new or up-graded surrounding external road traffic facilities to improve traffic and pedestrian safety in the area.

**Officer's Recommendation**

That:

APPROVAL be granted for the following proposed external road traffic facilities in association with the extended development of the Trinity Grammar School, Summer Hill, to improve traffic and pedestrian safety around the school:

- a. Raise the existing (at road level) crossing in Prospect Road outside the Trinity Grammar School with associated signs and line marking as shown per plan CI-EW-400-011 in ATTACHMENT 1 subject to removal of the hump warning signage;
- b. Replace the existing narrow central median with a wide pedestrian refuge at the intersection of Prospect Road and Old Canterbury Road with associated physical corner adjustments and signs and line marking as shown per plan CI-EW-400-001 in ATTACHMENT 2;
- c. Replace (upgrade) the existing pedestrian refuge in Victoria Street, just north of Harland Street to a combined pedestrian and bicycle crossing with associated signs and line marking as shown per plan CI-EW-400-021 in ATTACHMENT 6 subject to removal of the hump warning signage; and
- d. Provide 'No Stopping' across the new driveway to the school maintenance building in Seaview Street as shown per plan CI-EW-400-041 in ATTACHMENT 9.

### **DISCUSSION**

The TfNSW representative requested that the proposed pram ramp on Prospect Road, at Old Canterbury Road, be widened to match the width of the gap between the refuges. The representative also requested advanced warning signage on both sides of Old Canterbury Road approaching the Prospect Road pedestrian crossing. The Committee members agreed to these changes.

The TfNSW representative and Council will discuss offline potentially adding cyclist signage.

Council's consultant will liaise with TfNSW to relocate the static school zone signage on Victoria Street.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT:**

**APPROVAL be granted for the following proposed external road traffic facilities in association with the extended development of the Trinity Grammar School, Summer Hill, to improve traffic and pedestrian safety around the school:**

- a. **Raise the existing (at road level) crossing in Prospect Road outside the Trinity Grammar School with associated signs and line marking as shown per plan CI-EW-400-011 in ATTACHMENT 1 subject to removal of the hump warning signage;**
- b. **Replace the existing narrow central median with a wide pedestrian refuge at the intersection of Prospect Road and Old Canterbury Road with associated physical corner adjustments and signs and line marking as shown per plan CI-EW-400-001 in ATTACHMENT 2, subject to the pram ramp modifications and minor signage modifications supported by the Committee;**
- c. **Replace (upgrade) the existing pedestrian refuge in Victoria Street, just north of Harland Street to a combined pedestrian and bicycle crossing with associated signs and line marking as shown per plan CI-EW-400-021 in ATTACHMENT 6 subject to removal of the hump warning signage; and**
- d. **Provide 'No Stopping' across the new driveway to the school maintenance building in Seaview Street as shown per plan CI-EW-400-041 in ATTACHMENT 9.**

**For motion:** Unanimous

**LTC0422(1) Item 3 Sydney Steet Party - Lackey Street/Smith Street, Summer Hill and Norton Street, Leichhardt (Djarrawunang - Ashfield and Gulgadya - Leichhardt Wards/Summer Hill and Balmain Electorates/Burwood and Leichhardt PACs)**

**SUMMARY**

The proposed events, Sydney Street Parties – Summer Hill and Leichhardt, are street parties' that form part of The Sydney Street Party Series that will deliver on the NSW Government's commitment to CBDs revitalisation as outlined in the COVID 19 Economic Recovery Strategy.

To facilitate the **Sydney Street Party – Summer Hill**, it is proposed to undertake a full road closure of Lackey Street (between Carlton Crescent and Smith Street) and Smith Street (Hardie Avenue and Nowranie Street), Summer Hill from 8.00am to 10.00pm on Saturday, 11 June 2022.

To facilitate the **Sydney Street Party – Leichhardt**, it is proposed to implement a full road closure of Norton Street, between Allen Street and Marion Street, Leichhardt from 8.00am to 10.00pm on Sunday, 12 June 2022.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT:

1. The proposed temporary road closure of Lackey Street (between Carlton Crescent and Smith Street) and Smith Street (between Hardie Avenue and Nowranie Street), from 8.00am and 10.00pm on Saturday, 11 June 2022 for the Sydney Street Party – Summer Hill be supported, subject to the event organiser seeking consent from TfNSW and Transit Systems;
2. The proposed temporary road closure of Norton Street, Leichhardt (between Allen Street and Marion Street) from 8.00am to 10.00pm on Sunday 12 June 2022 Sydney Street Party – Leichhardt be supported, subject to the event organiser seeking consent from TfNSW and Transit Systems;
3. All affected residents and businesses, including the NSW Police Local Area Commander, Fire & Rescue NSW and the NSW Ambulance Services be notified in writing, by the event organiser, of the proposed temporary road closures at least 2 weeks in advance of the closure with the applicant making reasonable provision for stakeholders;
4. The occupation of the road carriageway must not occur until the road has been physically closed, and
5. A 4 metre wide emergency service access must be maintained through the closed road areas during the course of the event;
6. The revised TMP's and TGS's for both events be adhered to.

**DISCUSSION**

Council Officers have received updated TMPs and will send them to TfNSW.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT:**

1. The proposed temporary road closure of Lackey Street (between Carlton Crescent and Smith Street) and Smith Street (between Hardie Avenue and Nowranie Street), from 8.00am and 10.00pm on Saturday, 11 June 2022 for the Sydney Street Party –Summer Hill be supported, subject to the event organiser seeking consent from TfNSW and Transit Systems;
2. The proposed temporary road closure of Norton Street, Leichhardt (between Allen Street and Marion Street) from 8.00am to 10.00pm on Sunday 12 June 2022 Sydney Street Party – Leichhardt be supported, subject to the event organiser seeking consent from TfNSW and Transit Systems;
3. All affected residents and businesses, including the NSW Police Local Area Commander, Fire & Rescue NSW and the NSW Ambulance Services be notified in writing, by the event organiser, of the proposed temporary road closures at least 2 weeks in advance of the closure with the applicant making reasonable provision for stakeholders;
4. The occupation of the road carriageway must not occur until the road has been physically closed, and
5. A 4 metre wide emergency service access must be maintained through the closed road areas during the course of the event;
6. The revised TMP's and TGS's for both events be adhered to.

**For motion:** Unanimous

**LTC0422(1) Item 4 Bland Street, Haberfield - Proposed Raised Pedestrian Crossing (Gulgadya-Leichhardt Ward/Summer Hill Electorate/Burwood PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

An amended design plan is proposed for the pedestrian crossing upgrade in Bland Street, Haberfield near Denman Avenue. The change include adjustments to the height of the proposed device and ramp grade to address the noise issues raised by nearby residents.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT the attached detailed design plan (Design Plan No.10181-A) for the proposed installation of a new raised pedestrian crossing at Bland Street, Haberfield near Denman Avenue be approved.

**DISCUSSION**

Mr McKay, speaking as a local resident, stated that he had raised concerns with the noise that would be generated from traffic going through the proposed raised pedestrian crossing. In response to this concern, Council Officers have proposed reducing the size of the hump and added a concrete apron to minimise asphalt subsiding which in turn will reduce noise levels.

Mr McKay abstained from voting on behalf of the Member for Summer Hill.

The Member for Summer Hill, Jo Haylen MP, emailed her support for the Officer's recommendation.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the attached detailed design plan (Design Plan No.10181-A) for the proposed installation of a new raised pedestrian crossing at Bland Street, Haberfield near Denman Avenue be approved.**

**For motion: Unanimous**

### **LTC0422(1) Item 5 6-8 Parsons Street, Rozelle - Lines and Signage Plan (Baludarri-Balmain/ Balmain Electorate/ Leichhardt PAC)**

#### **SUMMARY**

The developer for 6-8 Parsons Street, Rozelle (Bunnings) has submitted a linemarking and signage plan to be approved as part of the development consent.

#### **Officer's Recommendation**

That:

1. A 'No Stopping' zone to be installed across the development's driveway (loading dock and car park) extending 5.4m east of the car park driveway for driver visibility entering/exiting the development as per attached plans.
2. Retain a 10.8m section of unrestricted parking, and 10m statutory 'No Stopping' zone as per existing in Parsons Street between the development driveway and Mullens Street intersection.
3. The 'No Stopping' zone along the Mullens Street boundary of No.6-8 Parsons Street, Rozelle be formalised by signposting.
4. Relocate an existing 'No Stopping 3pm-7pm Mon-Fri (left arrow)' sign (currently located approximately 17m east of No.28 Robert Street) to the west by approximately 2m to allow tree planting pit.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That:

1. **A 'No Stopping' zone to be installed across the development's driveway (loading dock and car park) extending 5.4m east of the car park driveway for driver visibility entering/exiting the development as per attached plans.**
2. **Retain a 10.8m section of unrestricted parking, and 10m statutory 'No Stopping' zone as per existing in Parsons Street between the development driveway and Mullens Street intersection.**
3. **The 'No Stopping' zone along the Mullens Street boundary of No.6-8 Parsons Street, Rozelle be formalised by signposting.**
4. **Relocate an existing 'No Stopping 3pm-7pm Mon-Fri (left arrow)' sign (currently located approximately 17m east of No.28 Robert Street) to the west by approximately 2m to allow tree planting pit.**

**For motion: Unanimous**

**LTC0422(1) Item 6 Unnamed Lane, Leichhardt (opposite rear garage of 100 James Street) - Proposed No Parking Zone (Gulgadya-Leichhardt Ward/Balmain Electorate/Leichhardt PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

Council has received concerns regarding parked vehicles obstructing access to off-street parking in the unnamed lane (rear of No. 100 James Street), Leichhardt.

**Officer's Recommendation**

THAT a 3.7m 'No Parking' zone be installed on the western side of Unnamed Lane between two driveways and opposite rear boundary of No. 100 James Street, Leichhardt.

**DISCUSSION**

The representative for the Member for Balmain agreed with the resident's submission suggesting that a review be undertaken on parking in the entire laneway. Council Officers advised that 'No Parking' zones in laneways are typically considered on an ad hoc basis as it is resource intensive to implement extended 'No Parking' zones across the entire length of laneway due to the various ways residents park in the laneways.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT a 3.7m 'No Parking' zone be installed on the western side of Unnamed Lane between two driveways and opposite rear boundary of No. 100 James Street, Leichhardt.**

**For motion:** Unanimous

**LTC0422(1) Item 7 Frederick Street at John Street, Ashfield - Pedestrian fatality (Gulgadya-Leichhardt Ward/Boundary of Strathfield and Summer Hill Electorates/Ashfield PAC)**

**SUMMARY**

Council has received numerous community concerns and a petition with 1605 signatures requesting that traffic signals be installed at the intersection of Frederick Street and John Street, Ashfield, following a pedestrian fatality that occurred on Sunday 13 March 2022 at an existing marked foot-crossing in Frederick Street just west of the above intersection.

Council officers met with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) officers on site to discuss various interim measures to improve traffic and pedestrian safety in the area and Council officers requested that the TfNSW representative consider providing traffic signals at the intersection of Frederick Street and John Street, Ashfield.

Frederick Street is a State Road and any traffic facilities along the State Road, and the general installation or maintenance/operation of signals come under the care, control, and responsibility of the TfNSW. Any changes on a State Road are decided and approved by the TfNSW.

The report below provides background information in relation to this site as well as discussions had between Council and the TfNSW regarding remedial measures to improve

traffic and pedestrian safety in the area. It is recommended that it be received and noted.

### **Officer's Recommendation**

THAT the report be received and noted.

### **DISCUSSION**

Police representatives advised that investigations determined the incident was caused by driver error and the driver has been charged.

TfNSW are undertaking a feasibility study on a number of options to improve pedestrian safety, including relocating the pedestrian crossing, signalling the crossing, reducing the speed limit and banning right turns from John Street where previous crashes have occurred. The study could take several months to complete. The TfNSW representative will keep the Committee updated on progress.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

### **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the report be received and noted.**

**For motion:** Unanimous

### **General Business**

#### **LTC0422 Item 8 Incident at intersection of Norton Street and Holden Street, Ashfield**

Council Officers, on behalf of the Mayor, tabled a letter from the Member for Summer Hill regarding an incident at the signalised intersection of Norton Street and Holden Street, Ashfield, in which two students from the Ashfield Public School were struck by a vehicle.

The TfNSW representative advised that pedestrian protection at the signalised intersection has been nominated for 2022-23 funding. Pedestrian protection would restrict turning movements with a red signal when the pedestrian phase is called. The NSW Police representatives advised that the incident was caused by driver error.

#### **LTC0422 Item 9 Speeding on Lilyfield Road, Lilyfield**

Council Officers, on behalf of the Mayor, tabled resident concerns with speeding on Lilyfield Road near James Street and Francis Street.

The Leichhardt Police representative advised that Highway Patrol monitored traffic speeds in Lilyfield Road in unmarked vehicles numerous times over several weeks and did not observe speeding during those times.

The representative for the Member for Balmain commented that there are also sightline issues with vehicles parking at the corner of the intersections of the Lilyfield Road with the streets between James Street and Maliyawul Street, he also stated that the statutory 10m 'No Stopping' rule is not sufficient at that location.



**LTC0422 Item 10      Update on 30km/h speed zone trial**

The representative for the Member for Balmain asked TfNSW if there was any update on the 30km/h speed zone trial. The TfNSW representative advised that there are no plans to extend the trials in Liverpool and Manly to other areas. Reviews of speed limits for specific locations are typically done on an ad hoc basis.

**LTC0422 Item 11      Updates on Waratah Street and City West Link, Haberfield**

The TfNSW representative provided an update on the G-loop at Waratah Street and City West Link raised at the last meeting. The G-loop will be dismantled and become a T-intersection in late 2022 or early 2023.

The IWBC representative asked for an update on improving pedestrian and cyclist safety at the City West Link crossing near Waratah Road. The TfNSW representative advised that replacing the crossing with a pedestrian bridge is the ultimate solution. TfNSW have received indications from parts of the community that they are not comfortable crossing 29 metres across the City West Link if the current two-stage crossing was converted to a single stage crossing.

**LTC0422 Item 12      Request for cyclists excepted on left turn lane on Ramsay Street, Haberfield**

The representative for the Member for Balmain requested that cyclists be excepted on the left turn only lane on Ramsay Street at Wattle Street to allow cyclists to travel along the left lane through the intersection. The TfNSW representative will investigate this request.

**LTC0422 Item 13      Vehicle sensor on Mary Street, Lilyfield**

The representative for the Member for Balmain asked whether there is a vehicle sensor on the right turn lane for vehicles waiting to turn from Mary Street into Lilyfield Road. The TfNSW representative will check if there is a sensor. The TfNSW representative also advised that if sensors are not functioning, requests for maintenance can be submitted through the TfNSW website.

**LTC0422 Item 14      Parking on Kensington Road at Liverpool Road, Summer Hill**

The IWBC representative reported that vehicles are parking too close to the corner on Kensington Road at Liverpool Road which prevents left turning vehicles from turning when a right turn vehicle is ahead waiting to turn. Council Officer will investigate linemarking and formalising statutory 'No Stopping' on Kensington Road.

Meeting closed at 12.04pm.