

**Minutes of Local Traffic Committee Meeting
Held on 18 July 2022 at Ashfield Service Centre**

Meeting commenced at 11.00AM

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

Mayor Darcy Bryne	Councillor – Baludarri-Balmain Ward (Chair)
Bill Holliday	Representative for Jamie Parker MP, Member for Balmain
Graeme McKay	Representative for Jo Haylen MP, Member for Summer Hill
Paul Kelaita	Representative for Jason Yat-Sen Li MP, Member for Strathfield
Van Le	Transport for NSW (TfNSW)

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Cr Justine Langford	Councillor – Midjuburi-Marrickville Ward (Alternate Chair)
Colin Jones	Inner West Bicycle Coalition (IWBC)
Sunny Jo	IWC's Acting Traffic and Transport Services Manager
George Tsaprounis	IWC's Coordinator Traffic Engineering Services (South)
David Yu	IWC's Acting Coordinator Traffic Engineering Services (North)
Mirushan Sivanesan	IWC's Student Traffic Engineer
Christina Ip	IWC's Business Administration Officer

VISITORS

Marc Denis	Item 4 - Resident
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APOLOGIES:

Sgt Charles Buttrose	NSW Police – Leichhardt Police Area Command
SC Anthony Kenny	NSW Police – Inner West Police Area Command
Chris Woods	Representative for Ron Hoenig MP, Member for Heffron
Colin Hesse	Representative for Jenny Leong MP, Member for Newtown
Adrian Pritchard	Transit Systems

DISCLOSURES OF INTERESTS:

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Local Traffic Committee meeting held on 20 June 2022 were confirmed, with an amendment to include the below comment in the discussion of Item 3 - Elswick Street North, Charles Street, William Street, Leichhardt - Proposed traffic calming, angled parking and pedestrian facilities:

The representative for the Member for Summer Hill suggested that the unnamed laneway between Falls Street and Elswick Street North be made one-way northbound.

MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL'S RESOLUTION OF MINUTES

The Local Traffic Committee recommendations of its meeting on 20 June 2022 are awaiting adoption.

LTC0722(1) Item 1 Dulwich Hill Station Precinct Public Domain Improvements Amendments - Location of traffic calming entry thresholds (Midjuburi – Marrickville Ward/Summer Hill Electorate/Inner West PAC)

SUMMARY

Cardno was commissioned for the traffic and transport assessment and the detailed design of the Dulwich Hill Station Precinct Public Domain Improvements (DHSPDI). Council adopted the Master Plan for Dulwich Hill Station Precinct at its 13 August 2019 meeting. The Dulwich Hill Station Public Domain Master Plan provides the Dulwich Hill community with a plan to transform the streets and public spaces around the station into a pedestrian oriented village.

Dulwich Hill Station Precinct Public Domain Improvement works were initially planned to be delivered in two stages. Relevant documentation for Stage 1 works were submitted and approved by the Local Traffic Committee in July, 2020. Stage 1 works involved:

- A raised, signalised intersection at Wardell Road / Dudley Street;
- Footpath treatments and tree plantings on the southern side of Dudley Street; and
- A kerb extension on the southern side of Dudley Street at the intersection with Wardell Road.

An assessment for Stage 2 works were submitted and approved by the Local Traffic Committee in February, 2022. Stage 2 works involved:

- Raised entry thresholds at the north and south of Wardell Road and south west of Ewart Street;
- Upgrading the existing threshold at Ewart St East, to IWC standards;
- Tree plantings, garden beds and a rain garden; and
- New Bluestone Pavers for footpaths.

This assessment is for an amendment to parts of the Stage 2 works. In discussion with TfNSW, the two proposed thresholds at Wardell Road South and Ewart Street West have been relocated. The raised thresholds at Ewart Street west and Wardell Road south were originally located approximately 30m west and 20m south of the Ewart Street / Wardell Road intersection respectively. Both thresholds have now been shifted to approximately 80m away from the intersection. This is likely to increase safety by providing additional length for drivers to reduce and maintain lower speed (i.e. 40km/h) while entering and exiting a signalised intersection.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT: the relocation of the proposed raised thresholds on Wardell Road to a position approximately 80m away from the Ewart Street/Wardell Road intersection be APPROVED as amendments to Stage 2 design of the Dulwich Hill Station Precinct Public Domain Improvement works.

DISCUSSION

The representative for the Member for Summer Hill stated that a resident was concerned that relocating the pedestrian crossing on Wardell Road would mean it would be closer to the existing crossing near Ness Street. Council Officers stated that the proposal is to relocate the raised thresholds from the previously approved design. These facilities are meant to reduce the speed of traffic on approach to the traffic signals at the intersection of Wardell Road and Ewart Street where pedestrian crossing facilities are already provided.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT: the relocation of the proposed raised thresholds on Wardell Road to a position approximately 80m away from the Ewart Street/Wardell Road intersection be APPROVED as amendments to Stage 2 design of the Dulwich Hill Station Precinct Public Domain Improvement works.

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0722(1) Item 2 Bayley Street, Marrickville, Cavendish Street, Stanmore And Fotheringham Street, Enmore - Dedicated Car Share Parking Restrictions (Summer Hill Electorate / Inner West PAC)

SUMMARY

A request has been received from a GoGet Car Share representative for the installation of three (3) on-street dedicated 'Car Share' parking spaces for existing floating car share vehicles around the Inner West. Due to community feedback and opposition to two locations only one nominated car share space is recommended for installation.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the following 'No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted' restrictions be approved:

1. A 5.4m restriction in the first parking space on the southern side of Bayley Street, Marrickville west of the driveway at No.32 adjacent to Tom Kenny Reserve.

DISCUSSION

Clr Langford asked if there were opportunities to create more car share spaces in other locations such as the parking area around Dulwich Hill Station after it is upgraded. Council Officers advised that there are existing car share spaces near Dulwich Hill Station and Council can consider applications from car share operators for other locations.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the following 'No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted' restrictions be approved:

1. A 5.4m restriction in the first parking space on the southern side of Bayley Street, Marrickville west of the driveway at No.32 adjacent to Tom Kenny

Reserve.

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0722(1) Item 3 Murrell Street, Ashfield- Traffic and parking changes (Djarrawunang-Ashfield Ward/Summer Hill Electorate/Burwood PAC)**SUMMARY**

Council has received numerous concerns from the Ashfield Public School community and the Good-start Early Learning Child Care Centre regarding traffic safety in Murrell Street, Ashfield.

This report deals with the main concern of congestion in the street with parked vehicles obstructing traffic flow and the build -up of traffic in Murrell Street due to vehicles waiting long periods to turn right onto Liverpool Road during school drop- off and pick up times.

The school and Child Care Centre has requested that parking to the western side of the street be either removed or wholly limited to park outside of morning and afternoon school drop-off and pick -up times.

Rather than above, it is recommended that parking be reconfigured and limited in time to certain areas on the western side of the street to improve traffic flow and minimise the impact on the loss or limitation of parking in the area for the residential and business community.

No Right Turn during school zone hours for traffic coming out of Murrell Street into Liverpool Road is proposed subject to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) approval.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT:

1. The following parking changes be approved:
 - (a) The (4) parking spaces on the western side of Murrell Street, Ashfield outside the side of 183 Liverpool Road be changed to read "No Stopping 8.30am - 9.30am, 2.30pm-3.30pm School days" and "2P 9.30am-2.30pm., 3.30pm-6.00pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted AREA 1",
 - (b) 'No Stopping' be signposted across:
 - (i) the combined driveways of 183 Liverpool Road and David's Lane,
 - (ii) driveway to 2-4 Murrell Street,
 - (iii) driveway to 10-12 Murrell Street & side service driveway to 1A Orchard Crescent, and
2. Council forwards a Traffic Management Plan to Transport for NSW to consider and approve 'No Right Turn 8.00am-9.30am., 2.30pm-4.00pm School Days' for traffic out of Murrell Street into Liverpool Road.

DISCUSSION

The representative for the Member for Summer Hill stated that Cllr Mark Drury was concerned with the number of parents who use Murrell Street and make U-turns in the street when picking up and dropping off their children to school, and asked if there was an alternative option for these parents. Council Officers stated that the proposal aims to address congestion whilst maintaining as much parking as possible for parents and residents. The proposal also includes the banning of the right turn out of Murrell Street during the peak drop

off and pick up times for the school to assist in the improvement of traffic flow. The proposed parking and traffic measures will be reviewed by Council 6-12 months after implementation and further changes can be made if issues persist.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

1. The following parking changes be approved:
 - (a) The (4) parking spaces on the western side of Murrell Street, Ashfield outside the side of 183 Liverpool Road be changed to read "No Stopping 8.30am - 9.30am, 2.30pm-3.30pm School days" and "2P 9.30am-2.30pm., 3.30pm-6.00pm Mon-Fri Permit Holders Excepted AREA 1",
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2. Council forwards a Traffic Management Plan to Transport for NSW to consider and approve 'No Right Turn 8.00am-9.30am., 2.30pm-4.00pm School Days' for traffic out of Murrell Street into Liverpool Road.

For motion: Unanimous

LTC0722(1) Item 4 Railway Street, Croydon-Proposed 'No Parking' opposite driveway (Gulgadya-Leichhardt Ward/Strathfield Electorate/ Ashfield PAC)

SUMMARY

Concerns have been raised by the owner of 12 Hordern Parade, Croydon with parked vehicles obstructing vehicular ingress and egress to the rear of his garage in Railway Street. To alleviate the problem, a small length of sign posted 'No Parking' supplemented with road markings is proposed in Railway Street opposite the rear garage to 12 Hordern Parade, Croydon.

Officer's Recommendation

That a length of approximately 4.0 metres of 'No Parking' be assigned outside No.9 Railway Street, Croydon, supplemented with bay line and No Parking markings as shown in ATTACHMENTS 1C.

DISCUSSION

Public speaker: Marc Denis entered at 11.10am.

Mr Denis supported the proposed 'No Parking' zone as it would provide sufficient access space to his garage.

(Mr Denis left at 11.12am)

The representative for the Member for Strathfield asked whether any objections were received for the amended proposal. Council Officers confirmed that objections were only received for the initial proposal and no objections were received for the amended proposal.

The Committee members agreed with the Officer's recommendation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That a length of approximately 4.0 metres of 'No Parking' be assigned outside No.9 Railway Street, Croydon, supplemented with bay line and No Parking markings as shown in ATTACHMENTS 1C.

For motion: Unanimous

General Business

LTC0722 Item 5 Pedestrian crossings on Darling Street, Balmain

The representative for the Member for Balmain stated that a resident raised concerns with safety at the pedestrian crossings adjacent to Gladstone Park. The resident and her son who attends Balmain Public School have been hit by a car and a cyclist on separate occasions while at the crossings. The resident stated that the crossing had a school crossing supervisor prior to COVID lockdowns and requested a supervisor be reinstated at the crossing. TfNSW will investigate why the school crossing supervisor was withdrawn at the crossing and report back to the Committee. The TfNSW representative also advised that the school can apply for a new school crossing supervisor.

LTC0722 Item 6 Pram ramps for Orchard Crescent, Ashfield

The IWBC representative requested urgent installation of pram ramps on Orchard Crescent, Ashfield to improve access for pedestrians and cyclists. Council Officers will check whether Orchard Crescent was part of any recommendations from the Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan study and report back to the Committee.

LTC0722 Item 7 Livingstone Road, Marrickville bike path

Cr Langford raised safety concerns with the Livingstone Road bike path that is still under construction. Cr Langford stated that it was unclear whether the new section of bike path was open as there was no signage or information provided regarding timelines. Cyclists and pedestrians have been observed using the path. Council Officers will find out when the bike path opens and report back to the Committee. Cr Langford was also advised she could contact the Acting Director Infrastructure to seek an answer prior to the next Committee meeting.

LTC0722 Item 8 Filming applications occupying footpaths and cycle paths

The IWBC representative raised concerns with film crews occupying footpaths and cycle paths and restricting access. This has occurred in Smith Street and Lackey Street, Summer Hill and Livingstone Road, Marrickville. Council Officers advised that provisions for pedestrian access and safety should be included in an applicant's traffic control plan and it is part of the conditions when a filming application is approved. Council Officers may need to speak to the applicant to check if the permitted occupancy was warranted. Council Officers

were requested to table the relevant section of the filming application relating to pedestrian access and safety at a subsequent meeting for the Committee's review.

Meeting closed at 11.29am.