



MINUTES

The Minutes of the **Sustainable Transport Reference Group Meeting** held in the Ros Crichton Pavilion, 200 Miller Street, North Sydney on Tuesday 16 May 2023.



PRESENT

Councillor Welch in the Chair and Councillor Baker and Beregi.

Staff: Eoin Cunningham, Manager Traffic and Transport Operations
Max White, Sustainable Transport Project Co-ordinator
Peita Rose, Governance Officer (Minutes)

Members: Russ Webber, North Shore Bicycle Group
Yaffa Gould, Resident
Jon Cook, Euroka Precinct
Jillian Christie, Milson Precinct
Carolyn New, Bicycle NSW
Tony Stanley, Resident
John Meadows, Resident

Apologies: Therese Manns - General Manager,
Louis Thevenin - Resident
Rick Miller- Resident

1. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 7 March 2023, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

Moved by Councillor Baker and seconded by Jillian Christie.

2. Disclosures of Interest

Nil.

3. Committee Reports

3.1. Sustainable Transport Project Updates

AUTHOR Max White, Sustainable Transport Project Coordinator

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on Sustainable Transport Projects at North Sydney Council.

This report contains an update on current Traffic and Transport Operations projects related to sustainable transport. The projects include:

- Young Street Cycling, Walking and Streetscape Upgrades.
- West Street Cycling, Walking and Streetscape Upgrades, Stage 1.
- West Street Cycling, Walking and Streetscape Upgrades, Stage 2.
- Route 3 - Active Transport pedestrian/cycleway program.
- Sustainable Transport Reference Group letter to TfNSW.
- Get NSW Active Grants.

- Car Share.
- Bike Parking.
- Draft Mosman Walking and Bike Strategy – North Sydney Council Submission.
- Transport for NSW – Active Transport Network Review.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the report be received.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Baker and seconded by Councillor Bourke.

1. THAT the report be received.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. THAT the report be received.

4. General Business

1. Tony Stanley presented to the Reference Group on the following:

- Target dramatic reduction in number of Nth Sydney school children who are driven to school.

Safe Streets to School

<https://safe-streets-to-school.org/>

Trials of 30km/h in local streets immediately around schools.

<https://30please.org/>

- Improved bike parking around Ted Mac Civic Park

A Motion was moved by Tony Stanley and seconded by Yaffa Gould,

1. THAT council investigate a trial of 30kph speed limits focusing on school routes being West Street where the stage 2 cycleway will be once finished as well as Broughton Street from McDougall Street, and to rapidly expand 30kph zones to cover all residential streets.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

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2. Louis Thevenin was unable to attend the meeting to speak to these items:

- Wherever at all possible, the phasing out of button-activated pedestrian crossing phasing in North Sydney in favour of systematic pedestrian crossing phasing, as currently exists in Sydney CBD.
- Any provision in the Warringah Freeway Upgrade for cyclist access to the freeway south of the Amherst St Cammeray exit.
- Any details of gradient-manageable cyclist access to Neutral Bay via the Ridge St overpass.
- Any plans on the Pacific Highway north of the Middlemiss St underpass for a cycle lane to North Sydney.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Baker and seconded by John Meadows,

1. THAT the items that were to be discussed by Louis Thevenin be deferred to the next meeting of the Sustainable Transport Reference Group.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

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Slow down Traffic around school – Centre Line

Jillian Christie suggested slowing down traffic and instead of big 4wds driving along the centre of the road at 60kph, if there was a broken centre line down each of the streets in which schools are in.

A Motion was moved by Jillian Christie and seconded by Councillor Baker

1. THAT the Committee request that Transport for NSW review the streets in which schools are situated which have a broken centre line and that the highest speed limits on the school streets are 40kph – 50kph.

Resolved to recommend:

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Improving Walking Facilities for Kids going to and from school

Russell suggested that Council make intersections at rights angles as this would make them a lot safer.

A Motion was moved by Russ Webber and seconded by Carolyn New.

1. THAT Council consider making intersections at right angles.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to recommend:

1. THAT Council consider making intersections at right angles.

5. Closure

The meeting closed at 8:30pm.