



## MINUTES

The Minutes of the **Sustainable Transport Reference Group Meeting** held in the Ros Crichton Pavilion, 200 Miller Street, North Sydney on Tuesday 5 March 2024.



## PRESENT

Councillor Welch in the Chair. Councillors Baker and Lamb.

**Staff:** Marcelo Occhiuzzi, Director Community, Planning and Environment  
Gary Parsons, Director Open Space and Infrastructure  
Max White, Sustainable Transport Project Co-ordinator  
Peita Rose, Governance Officer (Minutes)

**Members:** Yaffa Gould, Community Member  
Jillian Christie, Milson Precinct  
Tony Stanley, Community Member  
Carolyn New, Bike North  
Russ Webber, North Shore Bicycle Group  
Louis Thevenin, Community Member

**Apologies:** Luke Ryves, Community Member

### 1. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 5 December 2023, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

Moved by Tony Stanley and seconded by Carolyn New.

### 2. Disclosures of Interest

Nil.

### **3. Committee Reports**

#### **3.1. Sustainable Transport Project Updates**

**AUTHOR** Max White, Sustainable Transport Project Coordinator

**PURPOSE:**

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

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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 2.
- Route 5 – Bent Street to Rangers Road.
- Get NSW Active Grants.
- Bike Parking.
- Transport for NSW – Active Transport Network Review.
- Bike Strategy and Action Plan.
- EV Charging Roadmap.
- Bike repair and maintenance workshops.
- Integrated Transport Study.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. THAT** the report be received.

The Motion was moved by Tony Stanley and seconded by Carolyn New.

Voting was unanimous.

**Resolved to recommend:**

- 1. THAT** the report be received.

### **4. General Business**

1. Discussion was held on the following items from Tony Stanley:

- **EV Charging substation capacity**

Mr Stanley requested that substation capacity be included in Council's upcoming EV Charging Roadmap investigation works.

- **Beach Trolleys, Woolworths Crows Nest**

Mr Stanley requested that Council discuss with Woolworths at Crows Nest the use of foldable beach trolleys and that they encourage people to use them, as well as a place they can be stored while shopping. This will encourage people to leave cars at home and still be able to transport large amounts of shopping.

2. Discussion was held on the following items from Louis Thevenin:

- **Email list for Bike Repair and Maintenance Workshops**

Mr Thevenin requested Council look at creating an email list to advise those that aren't active on social media for the dates of when the Bike Repair and Maintenance workshops are being held.

This will be referred to the Service Unit Manager, Customer and Communications.

- **Pedestrian Push Button**

Mr Thevenin asked where 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 is up to.

Council's Sustainable Transport Project Co-ordinator advised that he hadn't heard back from Transport for NSW and that he and the Mayor had both written to them.

- **Bike Path along the Pacific Highway north of Middlemiss Street**

Mr Thevenin asked about the progress of the Pacific Highway north of Middlemiss Street underpass for a cycle lane to North Sydney.

Council's Sustainable Transport Project Co-ordinator advised that this is part of the Active Transport Network Review with the Warringah Freeway Upgrade, and Council only has an advocacy role.

The Mayor advised she has been writing to TfNSW regularly about this issue and will again.

3. Discussion was held on the following item from Jillian Christie:

- **Pedestrian lights crossing over Broughton Street at Burton Street with the Y intersection of Ennis Road**

Ms Christie suggested widening the whole crossing for the width of Burton Street from Woolworths' north side to the Morgan's/Chatime on the south side of Burton street.

4. Discussion was held on the following item from Russell Webber:

- **Reduced Speed of 30Km/h in Residential Areas**

Mr Webber asked if Council has a policy on trying to reduce speed in residential areas to 30km/h.

The Mayor advised that it's difficult to get RMS to approve this as Council has tried in Cammeray and elsewhere.

Council's Director Open Space and Infrastructure advised Transport for NSW have brought in so many requirements that cars will be driving at 30km/h before the signs are even put up.

**Resignation – Mr John Meadows**

John Meadows tendered his resignation from the group, and the Reference Group thanked John for his long standing service over the years.

**4. Closed:**

The meeting closed at 6.15pm.