

7.4. Traffic Committee Minutes - 15 October 2021

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Traffic Committee Minutes - 15 October 2021 [7.4.1 - 16 pages]

PURPOSE:

Council is required to consider the Minutes of this Committee under the Code of Meeting Practice.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report presents the recommendations of the last meeting of the Traffic Committee held on 15 October 2021 for Council adoption. The minutes are attached for information.

The full reports to the Traffic Committee can be viewed at https://www.northsydney.nsw.gov.au/Council_Meetings/Meetings/Committees/Traffic_Committee/2021/15_October_2021

Please note that where the recommendations below are unclear in the minutes, additional information has been provided in brackets for clarity.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The financial implications are considered in the individual reports to the Traffic Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the information regarding Delegated Authority items be received. (5.1)
2. **THAT** Council does not proceed with the raised pedestrian crossing (at Humphrey Place, Burton Street, Kirribilli) in light of the traffic calming effects of the new Burton Street Plaza and taking into consideration residents' concerns regarding loss of parking. (5.2)
3. **THAT** Council look for and promptly apply for funding this financial year for an alternate project (to the raised pedestrian crossing project at Humphrey Place, Burton Street) under the Federal Government Stimulus Road Safety Program (School Zone Infrastructure). (5.2)
4. **THAT** Council proceed with the installation of an additional parking spot on the southern side of Willoughby Street, west of Elamang Avenue. (5.2)
5. **THAT** the current restrictions (to parking) on the northern side of Burton Street remain. (5.2)
6. **THAT** Council thank members of the community that participated in the survey (on the Burton Street Crossing project). (5.2)

- 7. THAT** Council does not proceed to replace approximately 3 metres of 2 Hour parking with motor bike parking on the southern side of Kirribilli Avenue between No.65 to No.69. (5.3)
- 8. THAT** Council continue to monitor the traffic flow in Thrupp Street between Aubin Street and Kurraba Road and that the matter be brought back to the February Traffic Committee meeting. (5.4)
- 9. THAT** Council proceed with community consultation on the proposed pedestrian refuge and kerb buildouts on the western side of Holt Avenue at the intersection of Spofforth Street. (5.5)
- 10. THAT** Council approve the proposed pedestrian refuge and kerb-buildouts in Florence Street at Spofforth Street as per the attached plan ([to the Traffic Committee report](#)) with the following amendments, and detailed design and timing of construction dependent on cost estimate, availability of funding from the LATM Traffic Facilities budget and project priorities within the LATM Actions:
- i) the existing Bus Stop 209052 to be retained (net gain of one parking space only)
 - ii) a Stop sign to be incorporated on Florence Street at Spofforth Street. (5.5)
- 11. THAT** Council notes the comments made by the Holt Street residents and incorporate a garden bed into the kerb extension (in Florence Street at Spofforth Street). (5.5)
- 12. THAT** the cancellation of the 27 November 2021 Traffic Committee meeting be noted. (5.6)
- 13. THAT** Council authorise the General Manager or his delegate to vote on behalf of Council in the event that an urgent traffic issue arises over the caretaker period and holiday break, noting that a delegation email would be sent to the NSW Police, Transport for NSW and the local State Member for approval, as well as the Mayor to be notified for information and a report on the issue arising would also be referred to the first Traffic Committee meeting of the new year. (5.6)
- 14. THAT** the proposed North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting dates for 2022 be adopted. (5.7)
- 15. THAT** the information concerning Standing Item - Pedestrian Safety be received. (6.1)
- 16. THAT** the information concerning the Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade project be received. (6.2)
- 17. THAT** the information concerning Sydney Metro City & South-West Construction Update be received. (6.3)
- 18. THAT** the updates concerning Standing Item - Blues Point Road – Vehicle Noise & Traffic Issues be received. (6.4)
- 19. THAT** Council proceed with CCTV monitoring immediately after Blues Point Road is reopened. (6.4)
- 20. THAT** the information concerning the Abandoned Vehicles and Unattended Boat Trailers Processed Report be received. (6.5)
- 21. THAT** Council traffic Engineers investigate traffic and pedestrian safety in the vicinity of Cammeray Public School with particular focus on Amherst Street and Miller Street and Palmer and Miller Streets. (8.1)
- 22. THAT** Council's Road Safety Officer meet with the (Cammeray Public) school. (8.1)
- 23. THAT** the report (on the pedestrian safety at Cammeray Public School) be brought back to the February Traffic Committee meeting. (8.1)
- 24. THAT** Council staff urgently investigate and install signage on the corner of Grosvenor Lane and Ben Boy Road to discourage through traffic. (8.3)

25. THAT Council investigate ways to improve pedestrian safety on the corner of Grosvenor Lane and Young Street. (8.3)

26. THAT Pedestrian safety be a major design consideration in the permanent closure of Young Street. (8.3)

27. THAT consideration be given to further pedestrian safety in Grosvenor Lane and Young Street. (8.3)

LINK TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

The relationship with the Community Strategic Plan is as follows:

2. Our Built Infrastructure

- 2.1 Infrastructure and assets meet community needs
- 2.2 Vibrant centres, public domain, villages and streetscapes
- 2.3 Sustainable transport is encouraged
- 2.4 Improved traffic and parking management

3. Our Future Planning

- 3.5 North Sydney is regulatory compliant

5. Our Civic Leadership

- 5.1 Council leads the strategic direction of North Sydney
- 5.2 Council is well governed and customer focused

BACKGROUND

Section 5.3.2 of the RMS *Delegation to Council for the Regulation of Traffic* states that: *All proposals recommended by the LTC must still be formally approved by the elected Council (or their sub-delegate), subject to certain limitations.*

CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS

Community engagement is not required.

DETAIL

In accordance with Council's past practice, this report presents the recommendations of the last meeting of the Traffic Committee held on 15 October 2021 for Council adoption. The minutes are attached for information.



Minutes

The Minutes of the **Traffic Committee** held at the Council Chambers, 200 Miller Street, North Sydney at 10:00 AM on Friday 15 October 2021 are as follows:



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PRESENT

Councillor Gibson in the Chair, Councillor Keen.

Members

Sgt Ryan Edwards, North Shore Police

Garvin Rutherford representing Gladys Berejiklian, Member for Willoughby

Lisa Forrest representing Felicity Wilson, Member for North Shore
Galen Nethery, Transport for New South Wales

Staff

Duncan Mitchell, Director Engineering and Property Services

Michaela Kemp, Manager Traffic and Transport Operations

Mark Richardson, Manager Ranger and Parking Services

Josh Jongma, Governance Co-ordinator

Peita Rose, Governance Officer (minutes)

Non-Voting

Members

Egwin Herbert, STA

Apologies David Osborne, Transport for New South Wales

1. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 September 2021, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

The Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Garvin Rutherford.

Voting was unanimous

Resolved to Recommend:

1.THAT The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 3 September 2021, copies of which had been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

2. Disclosures of Interest

Nil.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Nil.

4. Matters Arising from Council Resolutions

Nil

5. Items for Consideration

5.1. Traffic Delegations

AUTHOR: Maria Coyne, Traffic Operations Officer

To report to the Committee matters given approval under delegated authority to the Traffic & Transport Operations Manager.

Attached is a list of projects given approval under delegated authority to the Traffic & Transport Operations Manager. Approval was given subject to concurrence of Transport for NSW, the NSW Police and the local State Members.

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the information regarding Delegated Authority items be received.

The Recommendation was moved by Garvin Rutherford and seconded by Councillor Gibson.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT the information regarding Delegated Authority items be received.

5.2. Burton Street, Kirribilli - Raised Pedestrian Crossing - Survey Results

AUTHOR: Report of Traffic & Transport Engineer, Iman Mohammadi

Upgrade the existing pedestrian crossing on Burton Street at Humphrey Place, Kirribilli.

Council has received Federal Government Stimulus Road Safety Program (School Zone Infrastructure) funding, to upgrade the existing pedestrian crossing on Burton Street at Humphrey Place, Kirribilli. The proposal is to raise the pedestrian crossing to footpath level and install kerb extensions on both sides of the pedestrian crossing to increase visibility of approaching drivers, slow down traffic and reduce the crossing distance. The proposal will result in the loss of one parking space on the southern side of Burton Street as shown on the attached plan to comply with TfNSW safety requirements.

The loss of parking will be offset by providing an additional on-street parking space on south side of Willoughby Street, west of Elamang Ave.

In addition, St Aloysius College has requested Council to provide additional pick up/drop off spaces in Burton Street and extend the drop off hours from 7am during school times. Council is proposing to:

- change the drop off (No Parking) time to commence at 7am (currently 8am) on the southern side of Burton Street;
- change the “1/2 Hour Parking” commence at 9am (currently 8.30am) on the northern side of Burton Street and;
- install new drop-off “No Parking 7am-9am, 2:30pm-4pm Mon-Fri” on the northern side of Burton Street.

Community consultation took place from 23 July until 29 August 2021. The consultation period was extended to 5 September 2021. The outcomes of the community consultation are attached.

The cost for this project is estimated to be \$150,000 which can be funded by Federal Government Stimulus Road Safety Program (School Zone Infrastructure) funding 2021/2022.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. THAT** Council proceeds with the upgrade of the existing pedestrian crossing to footpath level on Burton Street at Humphrey Place, Kirribilli and install kerb extensions on both sides of the pedestrian crossing to increase visibility of approaching drivers, slow down traffic and reduce the crossing distance as per the attached plan as part of the 2021/22 Federal Government Stimulus Road Safety Program (School Zone Infrastructure).
- 2. THAT** the “4P 8.30am-midnight Mon-Sun Permit Holders Excepted Area 3 (R)” and “No Stopping (L)” signs on the southern side of Willoughby Street, west of Elamang Avenue be relocated approximately 5.5 metres east (reduce No Stopping distance from 24.5m to 19m from Elamang Avenue) to offset the loss of one parking space in Burton Street.
- 3. THAT** Council retain existing parking restriction on the northern side of Burton Street.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Lisa Forrest

- 1. THAT** Council does not proceed with the raised pedestrian crossing in light of the traffic calming effects of the new Burton Street Plaza and taking into consideration residents’ concerns regarding loss of parking.
- 2. THAT** Council look for and promptly apply for funding this financial year for an alternate project under the Federal Government Stimulus Road Safety Program (School Zone Infrastructure).
- 3. THAT** Council proceed with the installation of an additional parking spot on the southern side of Willoughby Street, west of Elamang Avenue.
- 4. THAT** the current parking restrictions on the northern side of Burton Street remain.
- 5. THAT** Council thank members of the community that participated in the survey.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

- 1. THAT** Council does not proceed with the raised pedestrian crossing in light of the traffic calming effects of the new Burton Street Plaza and taking into consideration residents’ concerns regarding loss of parking.

2. **THAT** Council look for and promptly apply for funding this financial year for an alternate project under the Federal Government Stimulus Road Safety Program (School Zone Infrastructure).
3. **THAT** Council proceed with the installation of an additional parking spot on the southern side of Willoughby Street, west of Elamang Avenue.
4. **THAT** the current parking restrictions on the northern side of Burton Street remain.
5. **THAT** Council thank members of the community that participated in the survey.

5.3. 65 Kirribilli Avenue, Kirribilli - Install new motor bike parking space

AUTHOR: Lizzie Cheng, Traffic & Transport Engineer

To convert an existing on-street parking space on the southern side of Kirribilli Ave, Kirribilli to a motor bike parking space.

Council staff have identified an on-street parking concern near 65 Kirribilli Avenue, Kirribilli regarding damage to the jacaranda tree which overhangs the on-street parking space.

The overhang tree branch presents a hazard to the parked vehicles that are higher than the branch. It is recommended that to install a motor bike parking space adjacent to the tree.

The cost of the signs can be funded from Council's signs and lines budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Council replace approximately 3 metres of 2 Hour parking with motor bike parking on the southern side of Kirribilli Avenue between No.65 to No.69 as shown on the attached plan.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Lisa Forrest,

1. **THAT** Council does not proceed to replace approximately 3 metres of 2 Hour parking with motor bike parking on the southern side of Kirribilli Avenue between No.65 to No.69 .

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. **THAT** Council does not proceed to replace approximately 3 metres of 2 Hour parking with motor bike parking on the southern side of Kirribilli Avenue between No.65 to No.69 .

5.4. Thrupp Street, Neutral Bay – between Aubin Street and Kurraba Road

AUTHOR: Nathan Wu, Traffic & Transport Engineer

Investigate traffic and parking issues in Thrupp Street between Aubin Street and Kurraba Road.

The matter concerning a request to covert Thrupp Street between Aubin Street and Kurraba Road to one-way has been investigated on a number of occasions. Most recently, the matter was considered at the traffic committee meeting on 11 June 2021 where the following recommendation was made:

1. **THAT** the recommendations made for minor traffic investigations be received.

2. THAT Council acknowledge the site meeting that occurred in Thrupp Street on the 3 May 2021, the attendance of residents and the concerns raised at the traffic meeting on the 11 June 2021.

3. THAT a report be brought back to the Traffic Committee as soon as possible on the issues and possible solutions for Thrupp Street, whether Council should introduce restricted parking and that parking be allocated for residents only.

4. THAT Ms Bournazos be thanked for attending the meeting and raising these issues.

At the site meeting held on 3 May 2021, the residents presented stated the road was closed on occasions due to construction works during the traffic count period between 21 May -27 May. Therefore, an additional traffic count was undertaken in Thrupp Street from 2 June – 8 June.

A further analysis of the traffic count results has been undertaken with excluding the days where partial or full road closure occurred in the vicinity of Thrupp Street that might affect the traffic flow conditions. The results of the analysis are attached in this report.

Based on the recorded traffic speeds and volumes, it can be concluded that the traffic conditions in Thrupp Street are not considered problematic. Furthermore, based on the consistent volume of traffic flow in both directions, it is difficult to justify for the need to convert the street to one-way.

Additionally, Council has received representations from the residents in Thrupp Street regarding difficulty in finding parking in the area due to the spaces being taken up by construction staff and vehicles parked on the road all day because of the current lockdown restrictions.

Since Council is unable to increase the supply of on-street parking, the only equitable way to manage the parking in the area and give residents and visitors fair access to the resource, is to place time restrictions on the available parking spaces.

Therefore, a resident survey is being prepared and will be distributed the residents in Thrupp Street and the surrounding streets as soon as practical to determine their views on the installation of parking restrictions.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council does not support the one-way or road closure proposal at the lower end of Thrupp Street between Kurraba Road and Aubin Street.

2. THAT a report be brought back to the Traffic Committee regarding the results of the community consultation on the installation of parking restrictions in Thrupp Street.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Lisa Forrest,

1. THAT Council continue to monitor the traffic flow in Thrupp Street between Aubin Street and Kurraba Road and that the matter be bought back to the February Traffic Committee meeting.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT Council continue to monitor the traffic flow in Thrupp Street between Aubin Street and Kurraba Road and that the matter be brought back to the February Traffic Committee meeting.

5.5. Spofforth Street, Cremorne – Proposed Intersection Upgrades at Holt Avenue and Florence Street

AUTHOR: Nathan Wu, Traffic & Transport Engineer

Investigate the viability of a pedestrian refuge on the North Sydney Council/western side of Holt Avenue at the intersection of Spofforth Street with costings and the suitability of the refuge.

The results of community consultation regarding the proposed intersection upgrades along Spofforth Street was considered at the Traffic Committee meeting on 11 June 2021 where the following recommendation was adopted:

- 1. THAT** this matter be deferred until a report be brought back to the Traffic Committee as soon as possible on the viability of a pedestrian refuge on the North Sydney Council/western side of Holt Avenue at the intersection of Spofforth Street with costings and the suitability of the refuge .
- 2. THAT** Council request our State Member, Felicity Wilson liaise with the Chairperson of the Mosman Traffic Committee and resolve this long term for the benefit of the community.
- 3. THAT** that Council acknowledge Ms Clarke for attending the meeting with this issue.

Accordingly, an investigation into the viability of a pedestrian refuge on the western side of Holt Avenue at the intersection of Spofforth Street has been undertaken.

It is proposed that a pedestrian refuge island be installed on Holt Avenue at and nearest the intersection of Spofforth Street with kerb extensions be installed on the southern side of Holt Avenue to further reduce the crossing distance and minimise parking loss.

The pedestrian refuge proposal will result in a loss of minimum 2 parking spaces on the northern side of Holt Avenue to meet the mandatory sight distance requirement in accordance with TfNSW technical direction.

The cost for the implementation of the pedestrian refuge with kerb extensions is estimated to be \$90,000.

Alternatively, the original kerb buildouts option at the intersection of Holt Avenue and Spofforth Street that was placed on community consultation incorporating a concrete median on the centre of road provides some level of sheltering for pedestrians while reducing the crossing distance to minimum.

The safety of the intersection could be further enhanced with the optional raised threshold similar to the existing treatment on the eastern side of Holt Avenue at the intersection of Spofforth Street. The proposal will not result in any parking loss.

The cost estimate for the original kerb buildouts option is approximately \$93,000.

As discussed in the report of 11 June Traffic Committee, the proposal for Spofforth Street and Florence Street is wholly within the North Sydney Council area. While issues at this intersection were not as prevalent in community representations as Holt Avenue and Rangers Road, there is nonetheless strong community support for the proposal and it is recommended

that Council proceed with the works. The concept plan achieves a net gain of one parking space with the bus stop retained.

The cost estimate for this proposal is approximately \$80,000.

The cost estimate for the implementation of the pedestrian refuge with kerb extensions on the western side of Holt Avenue at the intersection of Spofforth Street is approximately \$90,000.

The cost estimate for the original kerb buildouts option without pedestrian refuge is approximately \$93,000.

North Sydney Council has submitted both options to the 2022-23 Federal Blackspot program for funding.

The cost estimate for the proposed pedestrian refuge and kerb-buildouts in Florence Street at Spofforth Street is approximately \$80,000.

If funding from the 2022-23 Federal Blackspot program is unsuccessful, it is expected that the above proposals be sourced from North Sydney Council LATM Traffic Facilities Budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT Council proceed with community consultation on the proposed pedestrian refuge and kerb buildouts on the western side of Holt Avenue at the intersection of Spofforth Street.

2. THAT Council approve the proposed pedestrian refuge and kerb-buildouts in Florence Street at Spofforth Street as per the attached plan with the following amendments, and detailed design and timing of construction dependent on cost estimate, availability of funding from the LATM Traffic Facilities budget and project priorities within the LATM Actions:

- i) the existing Bus Stop 209052 to be retained (net gain of one parking space only)
- ii) a Stop sign to be incorporated on Florence Street at Spofforth Street.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Sgt Ryan Edwards,

1. THAT Council proceed with community consultation on the proposed pedestrian refuge and kerb buildouts on the western side of Holt Avenue at the intersection of Spofforth Street.

2. THAT Council approve the proposed pedestrian refuge and kerb-buildouts in Florence Street at Spofforth Street as per the attached plan with the following amendments, and detailed design and timing of construction dependent on cost estimate, availability of funding from the LATM Traffic Facilities budget and project priorities within the LATM Actions:

- i) the existing Bus Stop 209052 to be retained (net gain of one parking space only)
- ii) a Stop sign to be incorporated on Florence Street at Spofforth Street.

3. THAT Council notes the comments made by the Holt Street residents and incorporate a garden bed into the kerb extension.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT Council proceed with community consultation on the proposed pedestrian refuge and kerb buildouts on the western side of Holt Avenue at the intersection of Spofforth Street.

2. THAT Council approve the proposed pedestrian refuge and kerb-buildouts in Florence Street at Spofforth Street as per the attached plan with the following amendments, and

detailed design and timing of construction dependent on cost estimate, availability of funding from the LATM Traffic Facilities budget and project priorities within the LATM Actions:

- i) the existing Bus Stop 209052 to be retained (net gain of one parking space only)
- ii) a Stop sign to be incorporated on Florence Street at Spofforth Street.

3. THAT Council notes the comments made by the Holt Street residents and incorporate a garden bed into the kerb extension.

5.6. Interim Traffic Committee Arrangements Over the Caretaker Period and the Seasonal Break

AUTHOR: Maria Coyne, Traffic Operations Officer

To report to the Committee how traffic matters will be handled during the period Council is in caretaker mode and over the seasonal break.

The caretaker period commences on 5 November 2021, before the Council elections on 4 December 2021. The last Traffic Committee meeting for 2021 is scheduled for 27 November 2021. Given that this meeting falls within the caretaker period and is very close to the Council election date, it is recommended that the 27 November 2021 Traffic Committee meeting is cancelled. In this case, the last Traffic Committee meeting for 2021 will be 15 October 2021 and the next meeting is not scheduled until February 2022.

In the event that an urgent traffic issue should arise over this period it is recommended that the General Manager or his delegate be authorised to vote on behalf of Council and a delegation email be sent to the NSW Police, Transport for NSW and the local State Member for their approval. Any matters considered during this period will be included in a report to the first Traffic Committee meeting of 2022.

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. THAT** the cancellation of the 27 November 2021 Traffic Committee meeting be noted.
- 2. THAT** Council authorise the General Manager or his delegate to vote on behalf of Council in the event that an urgent traffic issue arises over the caretaker period and holiday break, noting that a delegation email would be sent to the NSW Police, Transport for NSW and the local State Member for approval, as well as the Mayor to be notified for information and a report on the issue arising would also be referred to the first Traffic Committee meeting of the new year.

The Motion was moved Councillor Keen and seconded by Garvin Rutherford.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

- 1. THAT** the cancellation of the 27 November 2021 Traffic Committee meeting be noted.
- 2. THAT** Council authorise the General Manager or his delegate to vote on behalf of Council in the event that an urgent traffic issue arises over the caretaker period and holiday break, noting that a delegation email would be sent to the NSW Police, Transport for NSW and the local State Member for approval, as well as the Mayor to be notified for information and a

report on the issue arising would also be referred to the first Traffic Committee meeting of the new year.

5.7. Traffic Committee Meeting Dates for 2022

UTHOR: Maria Coyne, Traffic Operations Officer

To provide to the Traffic Committee the proposed dates for the meeting in 2022. The meetings of North Sydney Traffic Committee (NSTC) for 2022 are proposed to commence on 4 February 2022 and then to be held every sixth Friday after that. The scheduled NSTC meeting dates including the Agenda closing dates are shown on the table below. All Traffic Committee minutes/recommendations have to be approved by Council. At the time of writing this report the Council meeting dates for 2022 had not been set therefore the minutes/recommendation will be reported to the first available Council meeting after the Traffic Committee minutes have been finalised.

The Traffic Committee meetings will be held in the Council Chambers at 10.00am.

| NORTH SYDNEY TRAFFIC COMMITTEE 2022 | |
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| Traffic Committee Agenda Closing Date | Traffic Committee Meeting Dates |
| 10 January 2022 | 4 February 2022 |
| 21 February 2022 | 18 March 2022 |
| 4 April 2022 | 29 April 2022 |
| 16 May 2022 | 10 June 2022 |
| 27 June 2022 | 22 July 2022 |
| 8 August 2022 | 2 September 2022 |
| 19 September 2022 | 14 October 2022 |
| 24 October 2022 | 18 November 2022 |

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** the proposed North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting dates for 2022 be adopted.

The Recommendation was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Garvin Rutherford.

Voting was unanimous

Resolved to Recommend:

1. **THAT** the proposed North Sydney Traffic Committee meeting dates for 2022 be adopted.

6. Informal Items for Consideration

6.1. Standing Item - Pedestrian Safety

AUTHOR: Michaela Kemp, Manager Traffic & Transport Operations

To provide a report to the Committee on current pedestrian safety matters and projects, and their current status.

At the 530th Traffic Committee meeting on 7 February 2020 it was recommended that pedestrian safety be added to the agenda as a standing item.

A list of current pedestrian safety standing items and their current status is attached.

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the information concerning Standing Item - Pedestrian Safety be received.

The Recommendation was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Garvin Rutherford.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT the information concerning Standing Item - Pedestrian Safety be received.

6.2. Standing Item - Western Harbour Tunnel & Warringah Freeway Upgrade

AUTHOR: Michaela Kemp, Manager Traffic & Transport Operations

The purpose of this report is provide an update on current works and impacts associated with the Transport for NSW Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade project (SSI 8863).

The Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade project SSI 8863 was approved by the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 21 January 2021. The project is being undertaken by Transport for NSW.

Warringah Freeway Upgrade Early Works commenced in April 2021 and impact on a number of Council roads adjacent to and alongside the Warringah Freeway. Transport for NSW has exercised functions of a roads authority under the Roads Act 1993 for those roads.

This report provides a high-level overview of the current work sites and summary of complaints received by Council.

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the information concerning the Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade project be received.

The Recommendation was moved by Sgt Ryan Edwards and seconded by Councillor Keen.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT the information concerning the Western Harbour Tunnel and Warringah Freeway Upgrade project be received.

6.3. Standing Item - Sydney Metro - Project Update

AUTHOR: Michaela Kemp, Manager Traffic & Transport Operations

The purpose of this report is to update the North Sydney Traffic Committee on the current status of the Metro City & South-West (Metro) project and upcoming works affecting local roads.

Updates are also provided on the Sydney Metro website at <https://www.sydneymetro.info/>. Consent for the Metro City & South-West (Metro) project was granted by the Department of Planning and Environment on 9 January 2017. The consent can be viewed in full at www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au.

The project will deliver new railway infrastructure for Sydney, including two new Metro stations within the North Sydney Local Government Area - at Crows Nest and Victoria Cross (North Sydney Centre). Construction commenced in early 2017, with train operations expected to be underway by 2024.

In accordance with the various conditions of consent, a Traffic and Transport Liaison Group (TTLG) has been established to inform traffic and transport measures during construction and operation of the project. The TTLG is chaired by the Sydney Coordination Office (SCO) and comprises representatives from the relevant Road Authorities, which includes North Sydney Council. The TTLG meets monthly and a smaller group of representatives known as the Traffic Control Group (TCG) meets weekly to discuss impending construction-related traffic management matters.

The Construction Traffic Management Plans (CTMPs) must be developed in consultation with the TTLG. TfNSW is the approval authority for the CTMPs, following endorsement by the SCO. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the information concerning Sydney Metro City & South-West Construction Update be received.

The Recommendation was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Lisa Forrest.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT the information concerning Sydney Metro City & South-West Construction Update be received.

6.4. Standing Item - Blues Point Road - Vehicle Noise & Traffic Issues

AUTHOR: Michaela Kemp, Manager Traffic & Transport Operations

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on previous Council resolutions in regard to traffic management in Blues Point Road, McMahons Point.

At the Traffic Committee meeting on 19 March 2021, it was recommended that the matter of vehicle noise and traffic issues in Blues Point Road, McMahons Point be kept as a standing item at the Traffic Committee meetings.

This report provides an update on previous Council resolutions in relation to this matter.

Financial implications will be outlined for any proposed measures prior to the matter being considered by Council for adoption.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the updates concerning Standing Item - Blues Point Road – Vehicle Noise & Traffic Issues be received.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Lisa Forrest,

1. THAT the updates concerning Standing Item - Blues Point Road – Vehicle Noise & Traffic Issues be received.

2. THAT Council proceed with CCTV monitoring immediately after Blues Point Road is reopened.

Voting was unanimous

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT the updates concerning Standing Item - Blues Point Road – Vehicle Noise & Traffic Issues be received.

2. THAT Council proceed with CCTV monitoring immediately after Blues Point Road is reopened.

6.5. Abandoned Vehicles and Unattended Boat Trailers Processed Report

AUTHOR: Yvonne Watt, Infringe and Impound Officer

Provide information to the Traffic Committee.

Report to the Traffic Committee regarding Ranger and Parking Activities relevant to abandoned vehicles and boat trailers.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the information concerning the Abandoned Vehicles and Unattended Boat Trailers Processed Report be received.

The Recommendation was moved by Councillor Keen and seconded by Lisa Forrest.

Voting was unanimous.

Resolved to Recommend:

1. THAT the information concerning the Abandoned Vehicles and Unattended Boat Trailers Processed Report be received.

7. Local Development Advisory Committee Items for Consideration

Nil

8. General Business

8.1 Pedestrian Crossing Amherst Street – Traffic Calming Device

Councillor Gibson noted that provision of a pedestrian crossing on Amherst Street east of Miller Street would improve walkability for students to Cammeray Public School and also provide a traffic calming effect.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Garvin Rutherford

- 1. THAT** Council traffic Engineers investigate traffic and pedestrian safety in the vicinity of Cammeray Public School with particular focus on Amherst Street and Miller Street and Palmer and Miller Streets.
- 2. THAT** Council's Road safety Officer meet with the school.
- 3. THAT** the report be brought back to the February Traffic Committee meeting.

8.2 Alfred Street Loading Zone

Councillor Gibson stated that a small business owner had contacted her about an IGA opening up on Alfred Street and that the height of the loading space included in the development does not allow the IGA trucks to utilise the off-street loading zone..

Councillor Gibson suggested that Council provide a 2-hour loading zone on Alfred Street South from 5am-7am or 6am-8am.

It was requested that Council's Manager Traffic and Transport Operations resolve this under delegation.

8.3 Grosvenor Lane Neutral Bay - Signage

Councillor Gibson raised concerns about increased turning right into Grosvenor Lane from Ben Boyd Road to travel through to the Grosvenor Lane carpark since Young Street was closed and asked if signage could be installed to discourage through traffic.

A Motion was moved by Councillor Gibson and seconded by Garvin Rutherford

- 1. THAT** Council staff urgently investigate and install signage on the corner of Grosvenor Lane and Ben Boy Road to discourage through traffic.
- 2. THAT** Council investigate ways to improve pedestrian safety on the corner of Grosvenor Lane and Young Street.
- 3. THAT** Pedestrian safety be a major design consideration in the permanent closure of Young Street.
- 4. THAT** consideration be given to further pedestrian safety in Grosvenor Lane and Young Street.

8.4 Princes Street Parking

Councillor Gibson requested an update on the proposal to change the parking in Princes Street from ½ Hour to 1 Hour. The Manager Traffic & Transport Operations advised the community engagement concludes on 7 November and subject to no significant objections outcomes and recommendations will be referred to the Traffic Committee under delegated authority. Councillor Gibson requested any changes be implemented as soon as possible.

8.5 Broughton Steet Speed Hump

Councillor Gibson stated that residents have been making inquiries about the speed count on Broughton Street, and that it be noted that Councillor Keen once again raised the issue of reducing the noise on the speed hump and investigating road surface treatment to reduce the noise impact.

The Manager Traffic & Transport Operations advised that traffic count and camera data was received this week and will need to be reviewed and analysed. The 40km/h speed zone signage is scheduled to be installed on 25 October 2021.

Councillor Gibson notes the 40km signage is to be installed in Broughton Street on 25 October 2021 and requests that once the signage is installed, speed enforcements are taken as well as the Police patrol the area and ensure compliance with the new speed limits.

The Manager Traffic and Transport Operations liaise with Police and provide data so that the Police can target speeding enforcement.

9. Closure

The Meeting concluded at 11.26am.