WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL

Traffic Committee Minutes of Meeting







MINUTES

CITY OF WOLLONGONG TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

at 9.15 am

13 July 2021

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the powers delegated to Council by the Road Transport Act 2013 and the Roads Act 1993, as outlined in TfNSW (previously RMS) document 'A guide to the Delegation to Councils for the Regulation of Traffic – including the operation of Traffic Committees':

- 1 The remaining Recommendations of the City of Wollongong Traffic Committee (excluding all Temporary Road Closures which require adoption by full Council), be adopted.
- 2 Appropriate persons and Departments be advised of Council's decisions.

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Greg Doyle	General Manager	27 July 2021



Wollongong City Council

Infrastructure, Strategy and Planning Division Transport and Stormwater

The City of Wollongong Traffic Committee is not a Committee of Wollongong City Council however a Technical Committee of Transport for New South Wales (TfNSW). The Committee operates under the authority conferred to Council by TfNSW under the Transport Administration Act 1988. Council has resolved to manage the Traffic Committee under a Charter which sets out the membership, timelines for the preparation of the Agenda and the distribution of Minutes, in accordance with TfNSW document 'A guide to the delegation to councils for the regulation of traffic' (including the operation of Traffic Committees.)

Council has been delegated certain powers, from TfNSW, with regard to traffic matters upon its local roads. A condition of this delegation is that Council must consider the Traffic Committee recommendations.

There are four permanent members of the Traffic Committee, each of whom has a single vote only.

- The members are representatives of the NSW Police Force, Transport for New South Wales, the Local State Member of Parliament (for the location of the issue to be voted upon), and a representative of Wollongong City Council.
- If TfNSW or NSW Police Force disagrees with any Traffic Committee recommendation, or Council's
 resolution on any Traffic Committee recommendation, that member may lodge an appeal with the
 Regional Traffic Committee for determination. The appeal must be lodged in writing within 14 days of
 Council's resolution. Any action relative to any issue under appeal must cease until the matter is
 determined. The Regional Traffic Committee is chaired by an independent chairperson and
 submissions and representations are welcomed from all interested parties.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Council can only resolve that:

- 1 The Traffic Committee recommendation be adopted.
- 2 The Traffic Committee recommendation not be adopted.
- 3 The Traffic Committee reconsider this issue.



PRESENT	
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Senior Constable David Adams	NSW Police (Wollongong)
John Granland	Premier Illawarra
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Andy Gaudiosi	Roads and Maritime Services
John Burns	Representing the Member for Keira and Member for Wollongong



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1 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

1.1 Welcome

1.2 Acknowledgement of Country

An Acknowledgement of Country was presented by Amit Chowdhury.

1.3 Declarations of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.4 Apologies

An apology was received and accepted by Trish McClure.

1.5 Confirmation of Minutes

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee confirmed the previous minutes as an accurate record.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.6 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

There was no business arising from the previous meeting.

2 GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 CLIFTON, Clifton School Parade – Ward 1

Clifton School Parade, Clifton - No Stopping Restrictions

BACKGROUND

Clifton School Parade is utilised heavily by tourists on the weekend to access the Seacliff Bridge, as there is a small carpark available. The result is that Clifton School Parade has vehicles parked on both sides and the road is reduced to one lane. Recent video footage shows that there is queuing back to Lawrence Hargrave Drive and many drivers are attempting to perform U-turns within Clifton School Parade and on Lawrence Hargrave Drive.

CONSULTATION

No consultation is required as there are limited residents or businesses within proximity of the changes.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Install No Stopping restrictions on the northern side of Clifton School Parade, from the carpark entry to Lawrence Hargrave Drive.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.2 THIRROUL, Hamilton Road - Ward 1

Hamilton Road and Corbett Avenue, Thirroul – Double Barrier Lines and No Stopping Lines

BACKGROUND

Hamilton Road and Corbett Avenue, Thirroul, intersect each other, with Corbett Avenue having to give way. Council has received a request from a member of the public to review illegal parking activity at this intersection and



requested Council to act on this. Council officers have agreed to installing 10m of double barrier lines on either side of Corbett Avenue and No Stopping lines to improve parking compliance.

CONSULTATION

No consultation is required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Install:

- 10m of double barrier line in Corbett Avenue either side of the Hamilton Road intersection
- Continuous yellow No Stopping line on all corners of the intersection that extend for 10m

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.3 WOLLONGONG Waters Place - Ward 2

9-15 Railway Parade, Wollongong - Installation of Right Turn sign

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BACKGROUND

The owner of the Skye Tower building at 9-15 Railway Parade requested Council to install a "Right Turn Only" sign outside the exit gate of the building. Waters Place is approximately 3.5m wide and a one-way street. It is reasonable to install a "right turn only" sign, facing the exit gate which will direct the residents to turn safely & reducing the risk of a collision.

CONSULTATION

No consultation is required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Provide a one-way sign and pavement arrows in Waters Place -include one pavement arrow is opposite the exit driveway of the "Skye Tower" Building.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.4 BELLAMBI Intersection of Pioneer Road and Owen Park Road – Ward 1

Intersection of Pioneer Road and Owen Park Road, Bellambi - Installation of No Stopping restriction

BACKGROUND

Concerns have been raised by a resident regarding vehicles parking too close to this intersection. As a result, vehicle drivers on Owen Park Road are having difficulty turning right/left into Pioneer Road. No Stopping restrictions at this intersection will prevent vehicles parking close to this intersection.

CONSULTATION

No consultation is required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Install 10m of No Stopping restriction by way of lines and signs.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.5 FAIRY MEADOW Daisy Street - Ward 2

Daisy Street, Fairy Meadow – Installation of edge lines and warning signs

BACKGROUND

A resident expressed concerns about the traffic situation in Daisy Street. Daisy Street is nearly 12m wide and a local street. The west bound vehicles from Elliotts Road tend to travel along this street as a detour in order to avoid the traffic lights at Princes Highway. Due to this, traffic has increased along this road and 85% of vehicles travel at a speed greater than the 50km/h speed limit. There are several scrapes of tyre marks at the kerb on the bend. Installation of an edge line will have some lane narrowing effect and will help restrict the vehicular speed as well as inhibit the vehicles going out of the lane.



CONSULTATION

No consultation is required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Install edge lines on both sides at 3.5m distance from the centre of Daisy Street.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PORT KEMBLA Wentworth Street - Ward 3

Wentworth Street, Port Kembla – Mail Zone Modification Outside the Australia Post at 63 Wentworth Street

BACKGROUND

Australia Post in Wentworth Street, Port Kembla, requested Council to alter the existing parking restriction at this Mail Zone. Currently, this Mail Zone allows timed parking for other road users outside the Mail Zone hours. Due to change in working hours, Australia Post vehicles are unable to find parking spaces outside this Australia Post outlet. As a result, Australia Post requested Council to update the Mail Zone for their exclusive use.

CONSULTATION

No consultation is required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Remove timed parking for other road users and replace timed Mail Zone with untimed Mail Zone (Mon-Fri) at 63 Wentworth Street, just outside the Australia Post office.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.7 FIGTREE O'Briens Road - Ward 2

O'Briens Road, Figtree – No Stopping restriction and Bus Zone signage on O'Briens Road between Murray Park Road and Princes Highway

BACKGROUND

Concerns have been raised by a resident regarding parked vehicles on the east bound kerb side lane of O'Briens Road between the existing bus stop (outside property number 6) and existing No Stopping sign (outside property number 2). Additional traffic from this lane moves into the adjacent exclusive right turn approach lane, which results in a long queue of vehicles from Murray Park Road to Princes Highway intersections. In order to resolve this issue, Council would like to propose a "No Stopping" restriction during morning peak hours between the existing bus stop and existing No Stopping sign. Additionally, Council would like to replace the existing bus stop sign with a standard 30m long bus zone. Both these arrangements will create ~ 135m length of east bound kerbside lane without any parked vehicles during morning peak time. Consequently, it will help reduce the associated queuing and delay at this intersection.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is required with affected residents.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Provide "No Stopping" restriction timed as "6.30AM to 9.30AM (MON-FRI)" on the east bound kerb side travel lane of O'Briens Road between house no 2 and 6. Replace existing bus stop sign (outside house no 6) with "Bus Zone" signage for a 30m length to accommodate one standard bus.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.8 HELENSBURGH Cemetery Road – Ward 1

Cemetery Road, Helensburgh – No Stopping restriction on northern side of Cemetery Road near Frew Avenue intersection

BACKGROUND



Concerns have been raised by a member of the community regarding inadequate sight distance due to parked vehicles on the northern side of Cemetery Road, near the bend, directly opposite Frew Avenue. Cemetery Road is a two-way road of varying width (ranging from approximately 5m to 7m) with a double centre line. Due to proximity of several businesses, most cars are parked along the northern side of this road between Boswell Street and Frew Avenue. As a result, east bound vehicles find it difficult to negotiate the bend due to obstruction of their sight lines. No Stopping restrictions for a length of 35m towards the west from the western edge of Helensburgh Business Park driveway will improve sight lines for east bound vehicles.

CONSULTATION

Whilst it is noted that parking along the north side of the road at this location is already illegal due to the proximity of the double centrelines, consultation with Helensburgh Business Park will be undertaken as part of the formalisation of these restrictions.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Provide No Stopping restriction by way of signs and continuous yellow line for a length of 35m, towards north from the northern edge of Helensburgh Business Park driveway.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.9 CORRIMAL Corrimal Pool Carpark – Ward 1

Corrimal Pool Carpark, Corrimal - No Entry - Authorised Vehicles Excepted at Pool Gate Entrance

BACKGROUND

Council's Traffic staff have been contacted by the pool supervisor at Corrimal pool to assist in addressing an issue at the back gate, where staff store chemicals used for the pool. The gate is often blocked by drivers who are unable to find a car parking space, creating issues for staff at the pool. It has been advised that No Parking signs and No Entry - Authorised Vehicles Excepted be installed on approach to the gate entry where the existing "No Parking" road marking is located.

CONSULTATION

Consultation was undertaken with key Corrimal Pool staff who endorsed the proposal.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Install:

- No Parking signs to cover the area within the designated No Parking zone which is already marked on the ground
- Install two No Entry Signs either side of the No Parking road marking and include a supplementary plate, Authorised Vehicles Excepted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.10 KEMBLA GRANGE Paynes Road - Ward 3

Paynes Road, Kembla Grange - New Centreline

BACKGROUND

Council received a customer request from a resident citing visibility and parking concerns on the curve of Paynes Road, just west of Stewards Drive. The resident expressed concern that vehicles parking on the inside of the curve were reducing visibility and lane widths.

Council is therefore proposing to install a double barrier centreline from the intersection of Paynes Road and Stewards Drive west to the end of the existing kerb and gutter, in order to formalise the travel lanes and restrict parking on the northern side. It is prohibited to park within 3m of an unbroken centreline, with the aim of increasing visibility and safety.

CONSULTATION

No consultation is required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION



Install a double barrier centreline and continuous line from intersection of Paynes Road and Stewards Drive west to the end of the existing kerb and gutter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3 REGULATION OF TRAFFIC

3.1 WARRAWONG Greene Street – Ward 3

Greene Street, Warrawong - NAIDOC week

BACKGROUND

Council is coordinating an event during NAIDOC week which involves a closure of Greene Street, Warrawong. The event was originally scheduled to take place on Tuesday 6 July 2021 between 8.00am and 2.00pm. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the proposed new arrangement is for the event to take place on Thursday 23 September 2021.

The event involves activities and stalls on the roadway between Bent Street and the one-way lane leading to Cowper Street. As the closure is less than one block long, it is being treated as a street party for the purposes of processing the closure application, where a separate traffic management plan is not required.

CONSULTATION

It is a condition of approval that the applicant consult with residents and businesses who may be affected by the road closure.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

The closure of Greene Street between Bent Street and the one-way lane leading to Cowper Street be approved subject to <u>Council's Standard Conditions for Street Parties</u>. The closure will take affect from 8.00am to 2.00pm on 23 September 2021.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 WOLLONGONG Station Street - Ward 2

Station Street, Wollongong – Buses Replacing Trains for Railway Line Closure

BACKGROUND

Sydney Trains has contacted Council for a rolling road closure of Station Street outside Wollongong Train Station when buses replace trains.

CONSULTATION

No consultation is required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

The proposed road closure is approved subject to the provided Traffic Control Plan and <u>Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures</u>. The approval will be valid for 1 year.

The applicant will need approval from Transport for NSW, as the closure affects traffic signals.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4 DESIGN MATTERS

4.1 HELENSBURGH Junction Street - Ward 1

Junction Street between High Street and Park Street, Helensburgh - Proposed Footpath

BACKGROUND

The proposed footpath is the missing link between existing footpaths and Helensburgh Primary School. The construction of the 1.5m wide footpath on the eastern side of Junction Street will require the existing school zone signage and road marking to be shifted approximately 10m to the south (away from the school).

CONSULTATION



Consultation has been completed.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Plan PJ-4069 – 6902_C10_3 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.2 CORRIMAL Town Centre - Ward 1

Princes Highway, Corrimal - Pedestrian Mid-Block Signal Crossing

BACKGROUND

Wollongong City Council would like to install a signalised pedestrian crossing and associated kerb extensions in Princes Highway, at approximately 21m south of Russell Street, Corrimal, due to high pedestrian demand. Currently there are only kerb extensions at this location, however, the high pedestrian crossing demand (including vulnerable pedestrians) and traffic volume impacts pedestrian accessibility and safety. In alignment with the State Government's Movement & Place Framework, the provision of a safer, formalised pedestrian crossing facility achieves an improved balance between the 'movement' function of the road and the 'place' aspect of the town centre.

The crossing is adjacent to the Wilga Street precinct, which is identified as a key future growth precinct in the Corrimal Town Centre Mater Plan and is likely to increase future pedestrian demand. A traffic study and modelling investigating a number of options and combinations of crossing points along this section of the Princes Highway has been completed. This study recommended that in order to best cater for current and future traffic and land use growth, the signalised mid-block treatment is the preferred option. Subsequent discussions with Transport for NSW indicated their support for this approach.

The proposal includes:

- New traffic signals and associated infrastructure
- Construction of kerb extensions and kerb ramps
- Signage and line marking
- Construction of pedestrian refuge island in Russell Street at intersection with Princes Highway

The new crossing results in a net loss of 21m of kerbside parking, or just over 3 spaces. However, it is noted that the adjacent shops on the west side of the highway have rear parking off Bertram Lane and Corrimal Park Mall (east side of highway) also has rear customer parking accessed off Wilga Street. The proposed design retains the mature tree at the western side of the highway, immediately south of Russell Street. Increased footpath area due to the new kerb extensions could also be used to facilitate possible expansion of the existing outdoor eating area. The longer kerb extensions will also help reduce vehicle speeds at this busy section of the town centre. The proposal will require relocation of the existing Australia Post box and mail zone on the west side of the highway.

A pedestrian refuge island is proposed to be constructed in Russell Street as part of the works, which will formalise the existing 'left-in/left-out' arrangement at the intersection with Princes Highway, as well as improve safety for the north-south pedestrian crossing movement.

Transport for NSW – "The proposal will maintain efficiency of the bus transport corridor."

CONSULTATION

TfNSW has already agreed to the installation of this signalised pedestrian crossing. Council's design section will be undertaking specific community and stakeholder consultation in the coming months for this proposal in conjunction with Council's Engagement Team.

The final detailed design including all signs and line marking to be forwarded to Transport for NSW for approval.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Drawing 6813_SK5_2 be approved, subject to consideration of feedback received through community consultation CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



5 DEVELOPMENT MATTERS

5.1 WONGAWILLI - The Vale Subdivision - Ward 3

Wongawilli – The Vale Subdivision – Stages 2 & 3 – DA-2017/715 – CS-2021/3

BACKGROUND

As a requirement of the development consent for DA-2017/715, the developer is required to submit a signs and lines plan for Council approval.

The subdivision is located east of Smiths Lane and connection made through the existing Roy Sheargold Avenue. The plan to be approved is for stages 2 and 3 of a larger 5 stage subdivision.

The 74 lot subdivision includes four new roads and the extension of the major collector road, Roy Sheargold Avenue. The proposal also includes a roundabout at the intersection of road 01 and road 02.

The signs and lines plan has been prepared by Cardno.

CONSULTATION

The road design and layout has been prepared and approved as part of the development application assessment. The plans are designed in accordance with AUSTROADS Guide to Road Design, Council's Development Control Plan and Council's Subdivision Policy.

Consultation and notification of the development is undertaken during the development application assessment. Consultation is also a requirement of the design process.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Plan 82019027-01 C3090 be approved with the following amendments: No Stopping within roundabout to be added to the plan. Heritage tram line to be noted that it is not a pedestrian crossing and appropriate barrier (plantings or fencing) be investigated to deter pedestrian crossing movements.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6 LATE ITEMS

6.1 BELLAMBI Overflow Carpark – Ward 1

Overflow Carpark, Bellambi - Modified Design

BACKGROUND

The Traffic Committee has already considered this item previously at its meeting of 1 June 2021, however, a number of changes have been made following the feedback received during community consultation.

The following changes were made to the design:

- Speed humps reduced from 6 to 4 and evenly spaced (approx. 50m apart)
- Separate carpark entry/exit with gates (gates subject to REF approval)
- 6 standard car parking spaces and 2 disabled spaces provided
- Inclusion of signage "Do not leave valuables in your vehicle"

CONSULTATION

Consultation has been undertaken as part of the design process.

The 10km/h shared zone needs prior approval for the speed limit change from Transport for NSW.

Police and Transport for NSW were supportive of lighting and CCTV in this design for security reasons design.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

Plan 7022, sheets C00_4 to C04_4 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 MOUNT KEIRA Yates Avenue – Ward 2

Yates Avenue, Mount Keira - Road Closure for Crane Install of Private Swimming Pool



BACKGROUND

Nowra Cranes have applied to close Yates Avenue, Mount Keira, from Shauna Crescent to Mount Keira Road to set up a mobile crane to install a swimming pool at 5 Yates Avenue. The closure will take place from 7.30am to 10.30am on 3 August 2021 (weather dependent), with an alternative date of 4 August 2021.

CONSULTATION

The applicant will need to notify any affected residents by letter box drop.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

The proposed road closure is approved subject to the provided Plan PI120721.1 and <u>Council's Standard Conditions</u> <u>for Road Closures.</u>

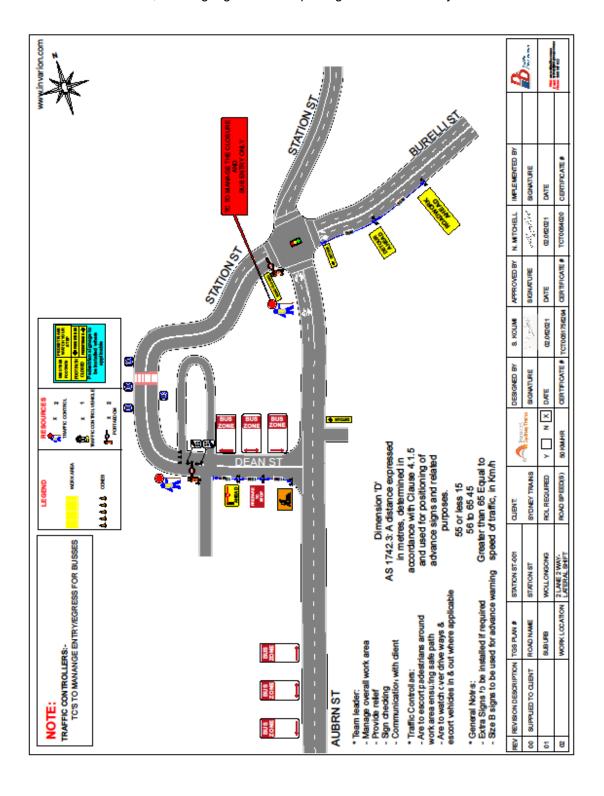
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting closed at 11.13am.

The next meeting of the City of Wollongong Traffic Committee will be held on 10 August at 9.15am.

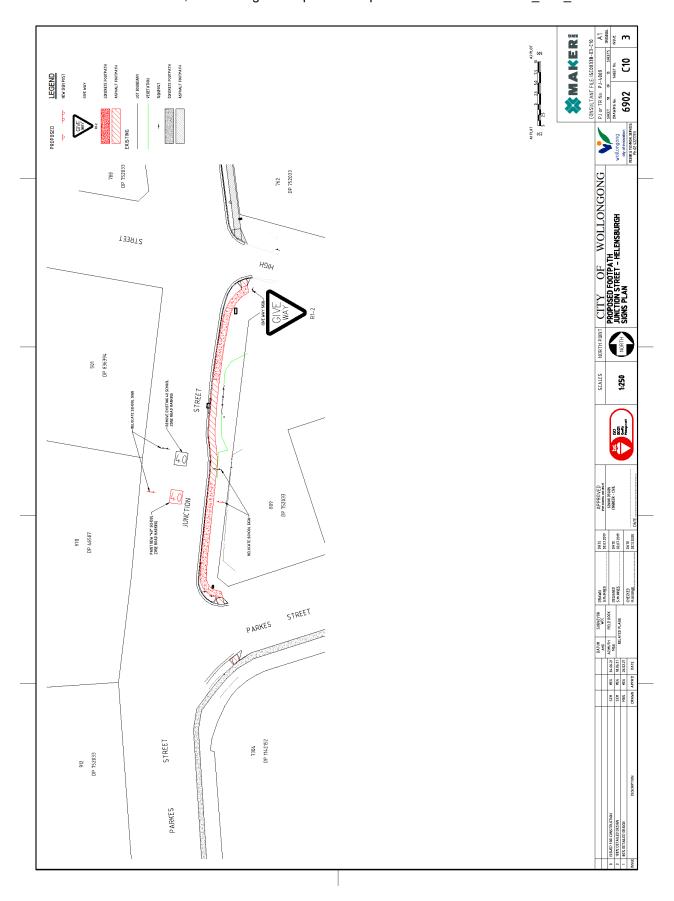


Station Street, Wollongong - Buses Replacing Trains for Railway Line Closure



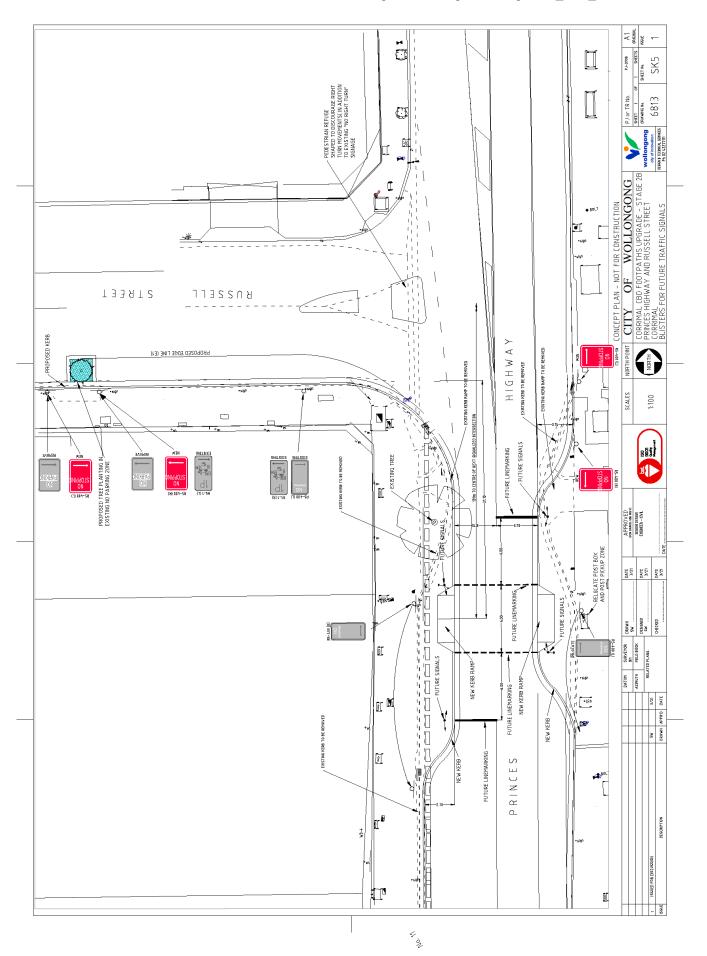


Junction Street, Helensburgh – Proposed Footpath – Plan PJ-4069 - 6902_C10_3



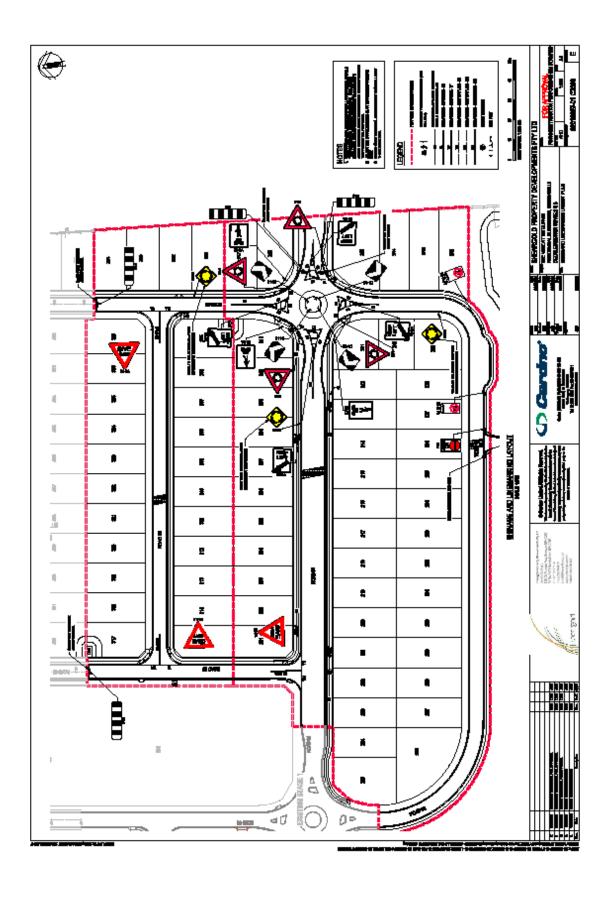


Corrimal Town Centre - Pedestrian Mid-Block Signal Crossing - Drawing 6813_SK5_2



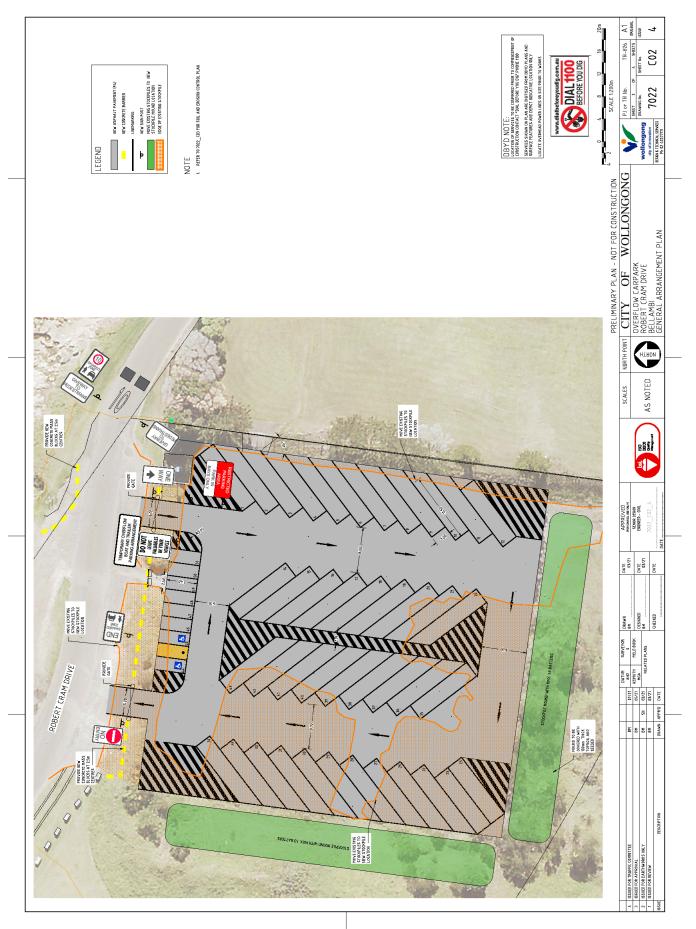


Wongawilli – The Vale Subdivision Stages 2 & 3 – Signs and Lines - Plan 82019027-01 C3090





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Yates Avenue, Mount Keira - Road Closure for Crane Install of Private Swimming Pool - Plan PI120721.1

