

WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL

Traffic Committee Minutes of Meeting



11 November 2020



MINUTES

CITY OF WOLLONGONG TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

at 9.00 am

11 November 2020

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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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	
Lindsay Dunstan - Chair	Wollongong City Council
Rob Gaudiosi (Teams 9.00 am – 10.20 am)	Wollongong City Council
Ellen Dreghorn	Wollongong City Council
Mel Lausz – Road Safety Officer	Wollongong City Council
Amit Chowdhury	Wollongong City Council
Les Dion (Teams 9.00 am – 9.49 am)	Dion's Bus Service
Jayd Marsh (Teams 9.00 am – 10.20 am)	Transport for NSW
John Burns (Teams 9.00 am – 10.20 am)	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 the Chairperson Lindsay Dunstan.

1.3 Declarations of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.4 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted by Stephen Burrige and Senior Constable Andrew Cotton. Jon Granland was noted as absent.

1.5 Confirmation of Minutes

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee confirmed the previous minutes as an accurate record.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2 GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 BERKELEY Lane Way off Kelly Street – Ward 3

Lane Way off Kelly Street– No Parking restrictions

BACKGROUND

Concerns have been raised by the residents at 572 Northcliffe Drive, Berkeley regarding the difficulty in entering and exiting their driveway, abutting Kelly Street Lane Way. This Lane Way is a one-way narrow street and approximately 5m wide. Cars are regularly parked along the northern side of the lane way due to proximity to local businesses, shops and bakery. Some cars park directly opposite to the driveway of this property. As a result, residents of the property find it difficult to enter and exit out of the driveway. A 12m length of No Parking restrictions along the northern side of the laneway towards east and directly opposite to the driveway will help safe vehicular movements at the driveway of this property.

CONSULTATION

No consultation required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Install 12m of No Parking restrictions along the northern side of Kelly Street Lane Way towards east, directly opposite to driveway of the property at 572 Northcliffe Drive, Berkeley.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.2 THIRROUL Arthur Street – Ward 1

Arthur Street – Keep Clear Pavement Marking

BACKGROUND

Thirroul Fire Station have requested keep clear pavement marking at Arthur Street over their driveway. The officer in charge has also asked for a keep clear pavement marking on Lawrence Hargrave Drive at the intersection because weekend traffic tends to queue across Arthur Street.

The fire brigade officer in charge asked that the intersection at Arthur Street and Lawrence Hargrave Drive have a keep clear pavement marking. Council has agreed to make a formal request to Transport for NSW.

CONSULTATION

No further consultation required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Painting of Keep Clear signage on pavement across the Thirroul Fire Station driveway at Arthur Street.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.3 WOLLONGONG McKenzie and Hilltop Avenues – Ward 2

McKenzie and Hilltop Avenues – No Stopping restrictions

BACKGROUND

The T-intersection at McKenzie Avenue and Hilltop Avenue, Wollongong currently does not have double barrier lines in Hilltop Avenue on the approach to McKenzie Avenue. The road width is narrow and double barrier lines with No Stopping restrictions to match the length of lines will assist in keeping the intersection clear of parked vehicles.

CONSULTATION

No consultation is required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Install 15m of double barrier lines in Hilltop Avenue from the stop-line together with No Stopping restrictions to match the length of double barrier lines by way of unbroken yellow lines.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.4 EAST CORRIMAL Park Road – Ward 1

Park Road between Railway and Rothery Street – Line-marking

BACKGROUND

Concerns have been raised by local community regarding increased traffic volume and speed in this road. The road is approximately 10m wide and average traffic volumes are 2255 vehicles per day during the weekdays. The 85% speed is 56 kph which is above the posted speed limit of 50 kph. Double barrier centrelines along with edge lines will act as a deterrent for increased traffic volume and the speed in this road.

CONSULTATION

No consultation is required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Install double barrier centrelines along with edge lines for 2.8 m wide travel lanes in Park Road between Railway and Rothery Street.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.5 WOONONA Woodland Avenue – Ward 1

Woodland Avenue – Proposed No Stopping and Timed Bus Zone sign

BACKGROUND

A resident has contacted Council regarding the eastbound afternoon school bus blocking the intersection of Lilly Pilly Circuit and Woodland Avenue. The bus operator has confirmed that a 20m bus zone on the eastern side of Lilly Pilly Circuit would assist with the issue.

CONSULTATION

Consult with residents who have direct frontage connected to the proposed bus zone.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Install 10 m of No Stopping restrictions in both streets at the intersection of Woodlands Avenue and Lilly Pilly Circuit, and east of Lilly Pilly Circuit, followed by 20 m of Bus Zone to be timed 2.30 pm to 4 pm School Days only.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.6 FIGTREE O'Briens Road – Ward 2

O'Briens Road – Lane Line and Edge-lines

BACKGROUND

There are no separation lines or edge lines on the northern side of O'Briens Road Figtree between Murray Park Road and the Princes Highway, although until 2006 edge lines were in place between No. 8B O'Briens Road and Murray Park Road. A resident has asked that separation lane lines be installed between No. 8B O'Brien's Road and the Highway to improve traffic flows in the morning peak hours.

The northern side of the road is wide enough for two lanes to be marked and it would formalise the approach lanes. At present the absence of this line marking can be confusing as drivers occupy the middle of the carriageway. It may also be appropriate to install No Parking restrictions timed 7am to 9am Monday to Friday, between the existing No Stopping sign just west of Ryan Lane and the driveway to No. 8B O'Briens Road.

During discussion Council agreed not to consider additional parking restrictions on O'Briens Road at this time.

CONSULTATION

Residents to be advised prior to the signs being installed for the parking restrictions.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Install:

- Edge lines on the northern side of O'Briens Road between No. 8B O'Briens Road and the roundabout at Murray Park Road.
- a separation lane line to define two travel lanes on the northern side of O'Briens Road between No. 8B O'Briens Road and the Princes Highway.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.7 NORTH WOLLONGONG Bourke Street – Ward 2

Bourke Street – Removal of time restriction from Bus zone

BACKGROUND

The Bus Operator has requested that the time restriction be removed from the Bus Zone on Bourke Street east of Kembla Street. They have confirmed that this stop has been used outside of these times for servicing not only the Novatel but also the North Beach precinct more broadly for charter or special event vehicles.

CONSULTATION

No consultation is required as Novatel already have off street parking.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Remove the timed restrictions 6 am to 9 pm from the Gong Shuttle Bus Zone on the northern side of Bourke Street on the approach to Cliff Road North Wollongong.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3 REGULATION OF TRAFFIC

3.1 WOLLONGONG Stewart, Harbour and Burelli Streets – Orthodox Easter – Ward 2

Stewart, Harbour and Burelli Streets – Orthodox Easter Processions on Friday 30 April 2021

BACKGROUND

On behalf of both the Macedonian and Greek Orthodox Communities in Stewart Street, Wollongong, the Macedonian Church has requested permission for road closures of Stewart, Harbour and Burelli Streets for the purpose of the traditional Orthodox Easter Processions. The road closures will take effect from 8:00pm to 10:00pm on Friday 30 April 2021. The traffic management plans show suitable vehicle mitigation to protect attendees from out of control vehicles. However, the plans need to state clearly that the maximum gap between vehicles and between the vehicles between the adjoining fence/building lines should be 1.2 metres.

The Macedonian Church procession will occupy Stewart, Harbour and Burelli Streets, but will be confined to the footpath on Corrimal Street as it returns to the Church. Following completion of the first procession, the Greek Orthodox Church will process on the same route and use the same traffic management company. For the duration of the closure all bus services will need to divert via Crown and Corrimal Streets.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is required as part of the approval.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed Regulation of Traffic on Stewart, Harbour and Burelli Streets from 8:00pm to 10:00pm on Friday 30 April 2021 for the Macedonian and Greek Orthodox Churches be approved subject to the submitted Traffic Management Plans being amended to include a note that gaps around the vehicles be no more than 1.2m at the point of road closure, and [Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures](#). It is recommended that attendees be required to abide by the [COVID19 Health Orders](#) which apply at the time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 WOLLONGONG Stewart Street to Wollongong Boat Harbour – VODICI – Ward 2

Stewart Street to Wollongong Boat Harbour – Saving the Cross Procession Road Closures - Sunday 19 January 2021

BACKGROUND

On behalf of the Macedonian Orthodox Community in Stewart Street, Wollongong, the Macedonian Church has requested permission for road closures of Stewart Street, Marine Drive and Cliff Road for the purpose of the traditional Orthodox Saving the Cross Procession. The road closures will take effect from 11:30am until 12:00pm on Sunday 19 January 2021. The closures on Marine Drive and Cliff Road will be short in order to allow the procession to cross these streets. The procession will occupy Stewart Street outside the Church but will proceed on the shared paths from Harbour Street to Belmore Basin.

The bus operators requested that the parade not cross Marine Drive to Lang Park until a point past the bus terminus so that the terminus will remain accessible during the parade.

The traffic management plans show suitable vehicle mitigation to protect attendees from out of control vehicles. However, the closures are shown as half the road at a time which does not provide security for the parade. When amended plans are received, they need to reflect a full road closure at the crossing point where the maximum gap between vehicles and between the vehicles and the boundary/fence line is 1.2m.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is required as part of the approval.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed Regulation of Traffic on Stewart Street to Wollongong Boat Harbour from 11:30 am until 12:00 pm on Sunday 19 January 2021 be approved subject to the Traffic Management Plans being amended to include a note that gaps around the vehicles be no more than 1.2m at the point of road closure, the crossing point on Marine Drive to be past the bus terminus and [Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures](#). It is recommended that attendees be required to abide by the [COVID19 Health Orders](#) which apply at the time.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4 DESIGN MATTERS

4.1 WOLLONGONG Gipps and Edwards Streets – Ward 2

Gipps and Edward Streets – Kerb blister crossings

BACKGROUND

As part of the View Street footpath project Council is proposing to install two new blister crossings. One at Gipps Street near Smiths Hill High School and one at Edward Street.

The Transport for NSW representative requested that each crossing point have adequate street lighting as the area is used for parking throughout the day.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is a requirement of the design process.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Plan 6713 _SK01 be approved subject to adequate street lighting being provided.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.2 HORSLEY Greenview Subdivision Stages 4A & 4B – Ward 3

Off Shone Avenue and east of West Dapto Road – Proposed Signage/line marking

BACKGROUND

The developer has submitted the proposed signs and lines plans for the next stage of the land subdivision off Shone Avenue and east of West Dapto Road Horsley, for Council approval.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is a requirement of the design process.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Plans ISC00105-20 1-3 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.3 CRINGILLA Lake Avenue – Ward 3

Lake Avenue – Kerb blisters

BACKGROUND

Council proposes to install kerb blisters to create a narrowing effect on Lake Avenue, Cringila. Installation of the blisters will reduce vehicle speeds prior to entering the reverse curves in both directions, providing a safety benefit for this section of the road and adjacent intersections.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is a requirement of the design process.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Plan 6857_C02 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5 INFORMAL ITEM

5.1 TOWRADGI Towradgi Road – Ward 1

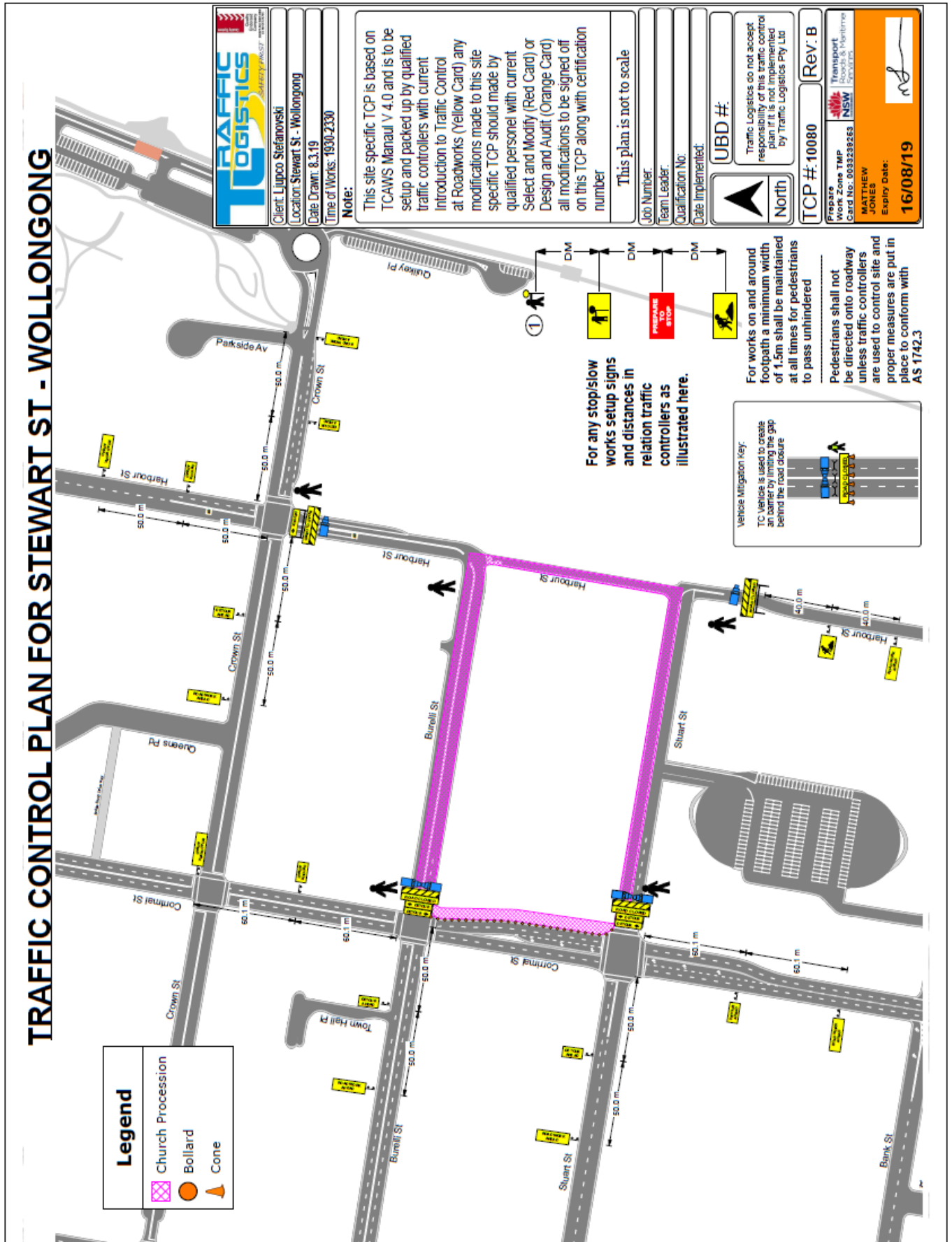
Towradgi Road – Traffic Calming, Intersection Improvements

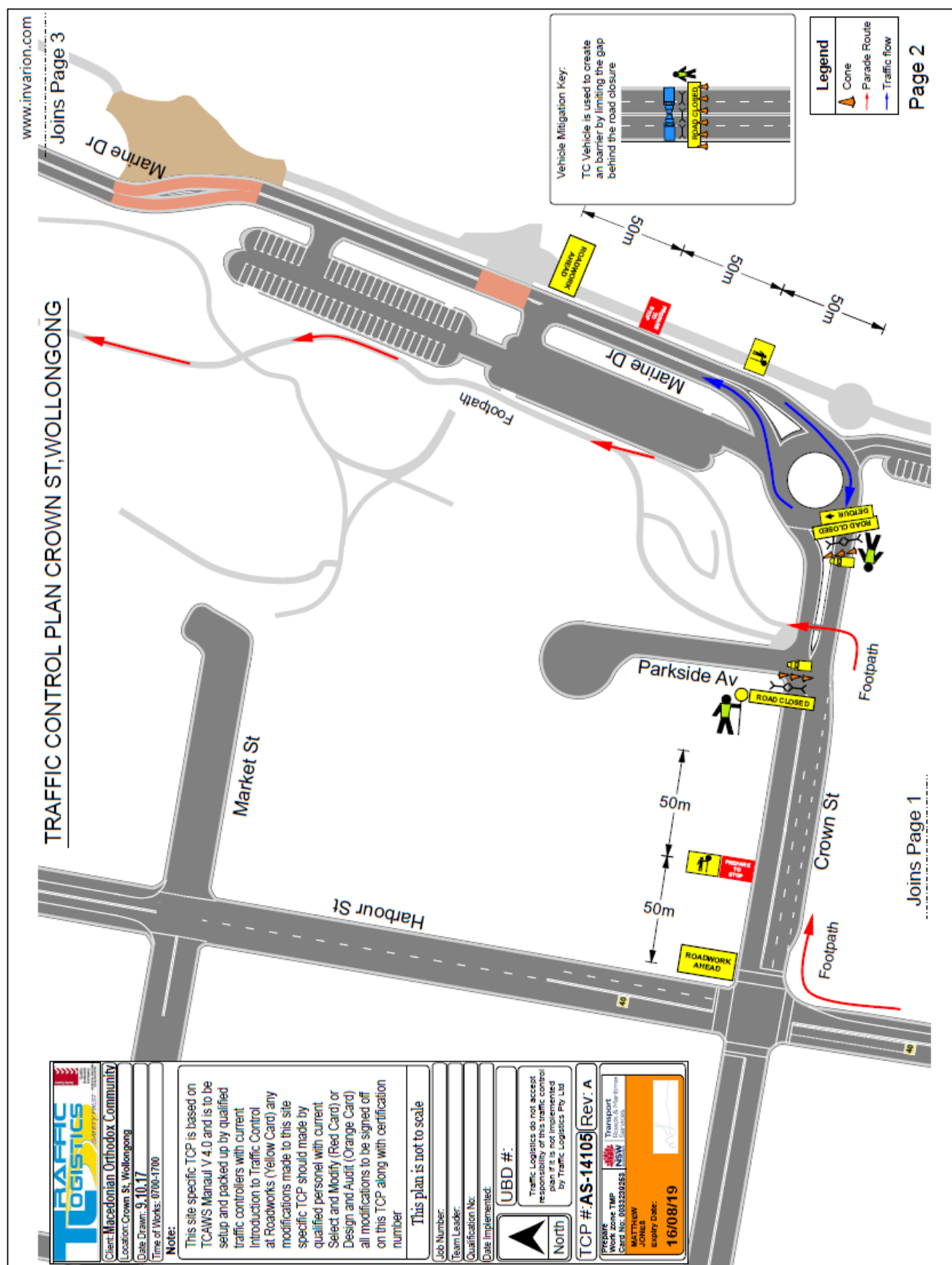
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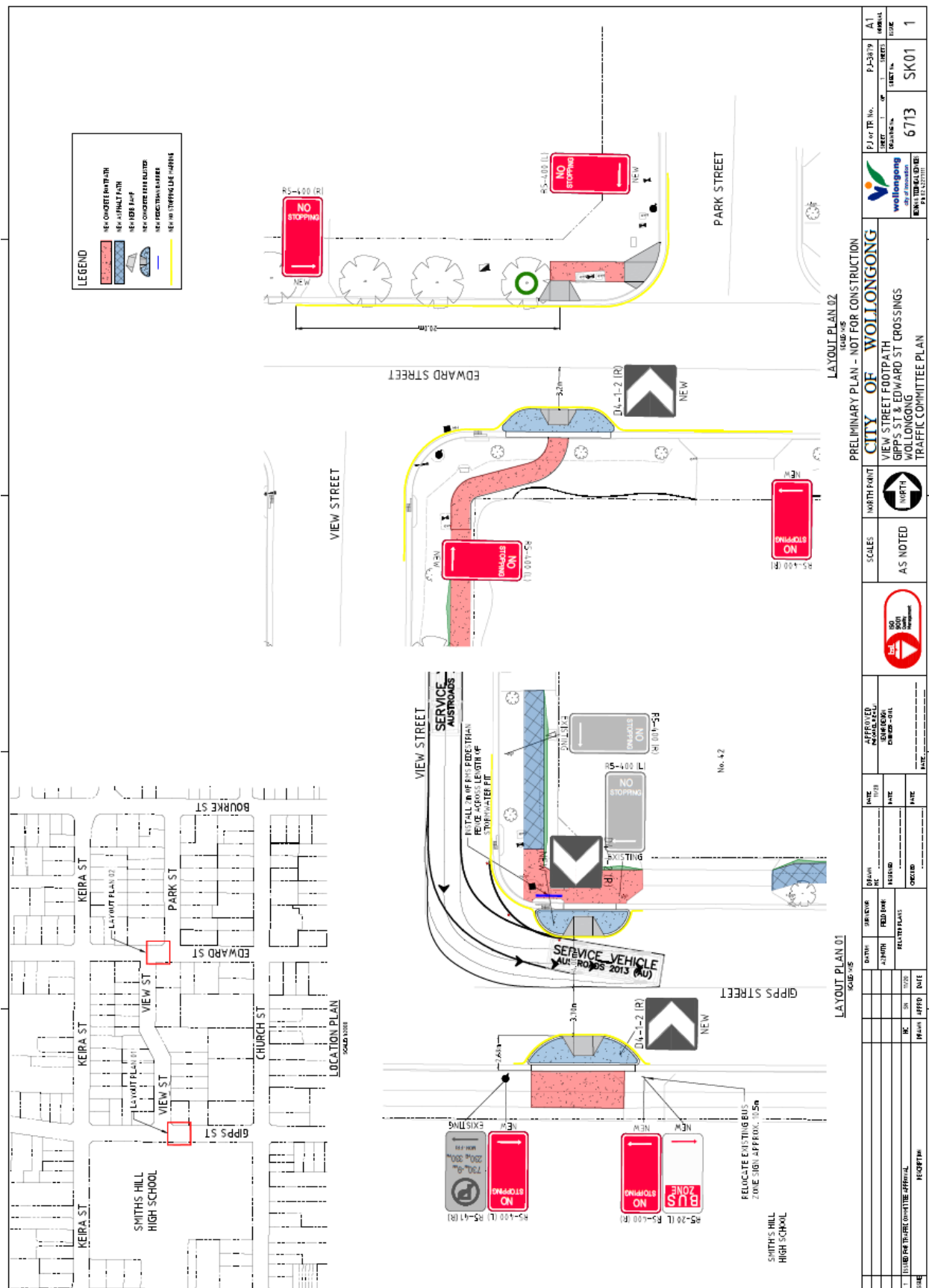
The Towradgi Road project was discussed and will be reported back after further investigations, consultation and design have been completed.

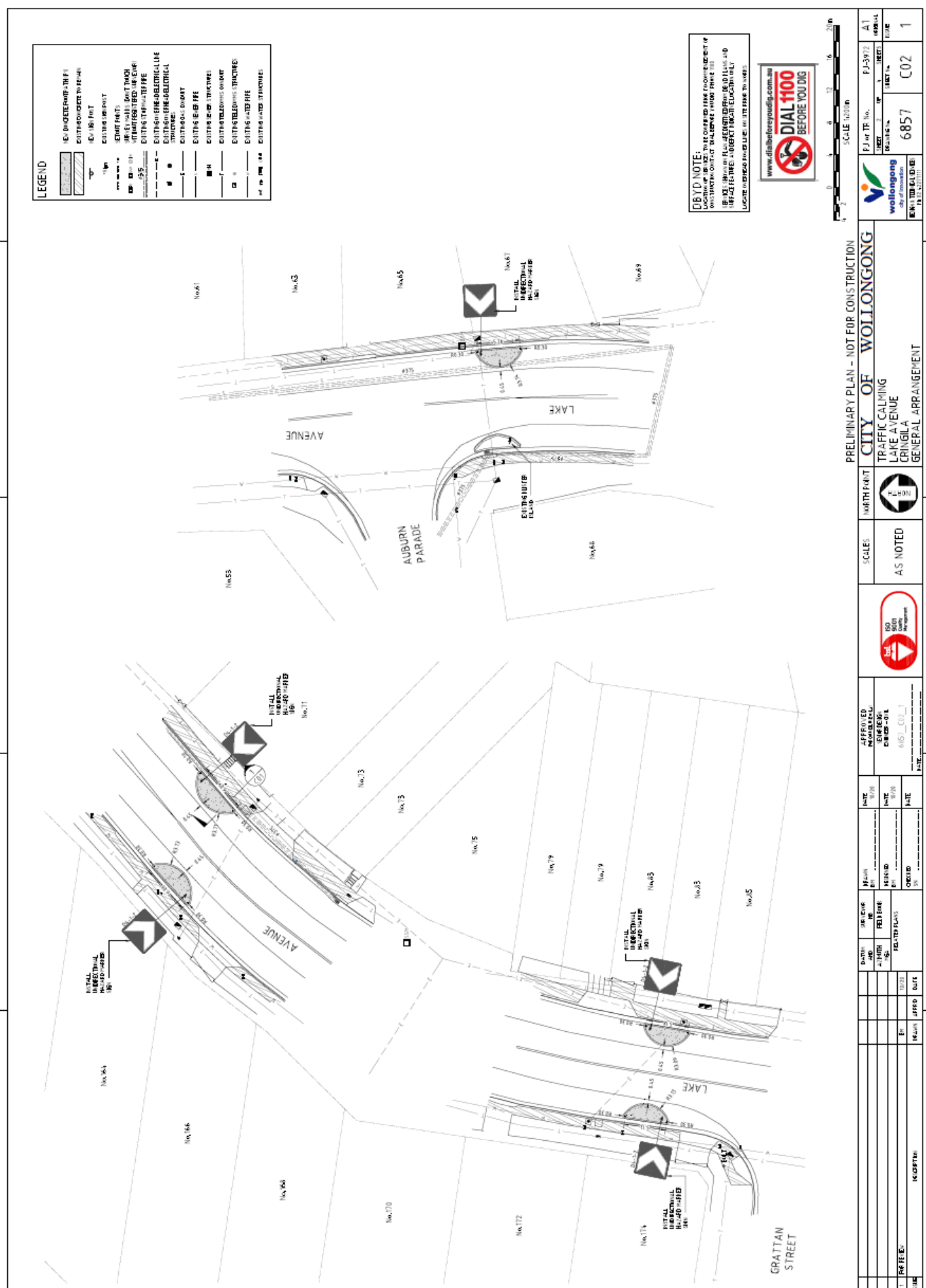
The next meeting of the City of Wollongong Traffic Committee will be held on **Tuesday 19 January 2021 at 9.15 am.**

Plan - Stewart, Harbour and Burelli Streets, Wollongong
Orthodox Easter Processions



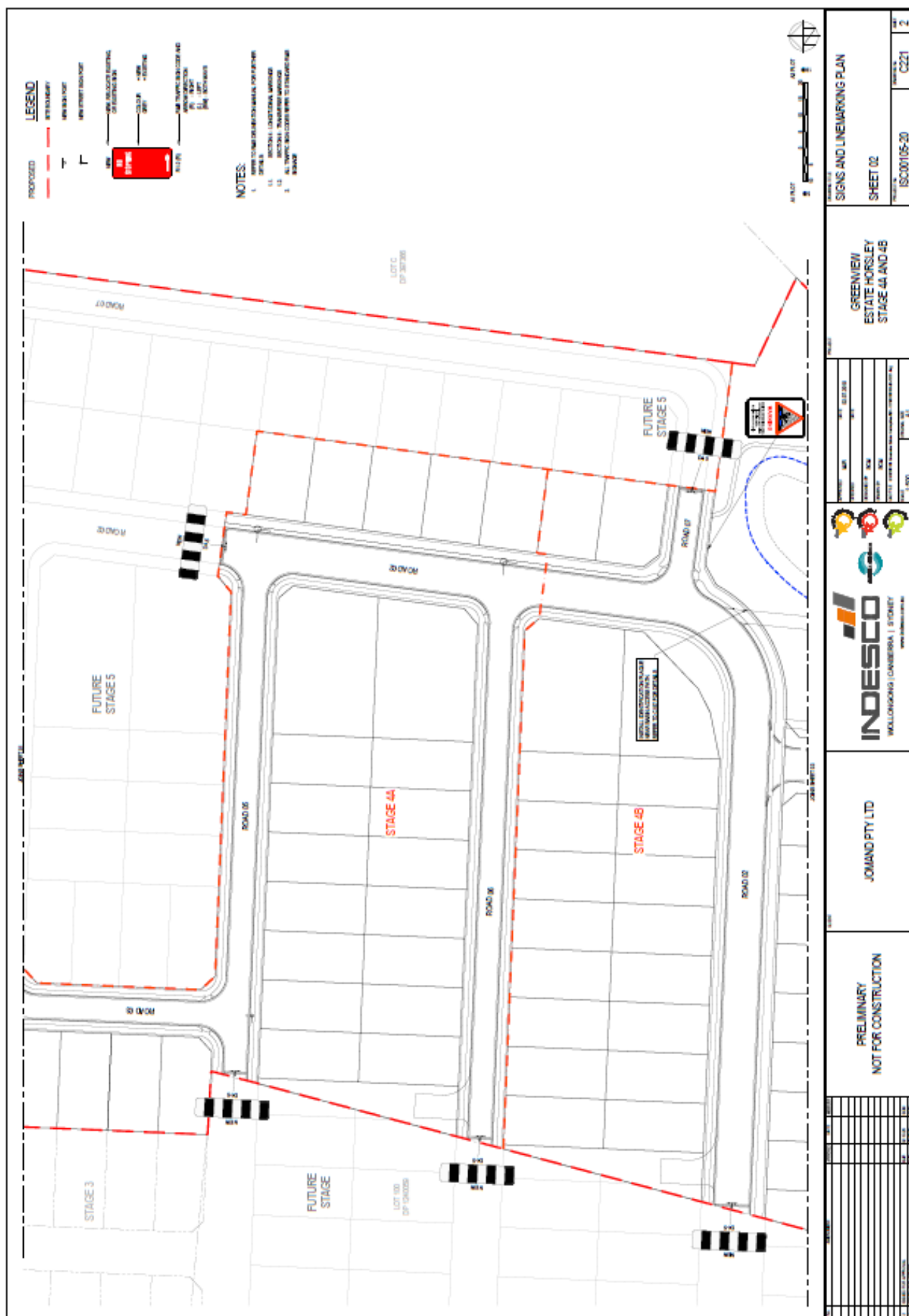


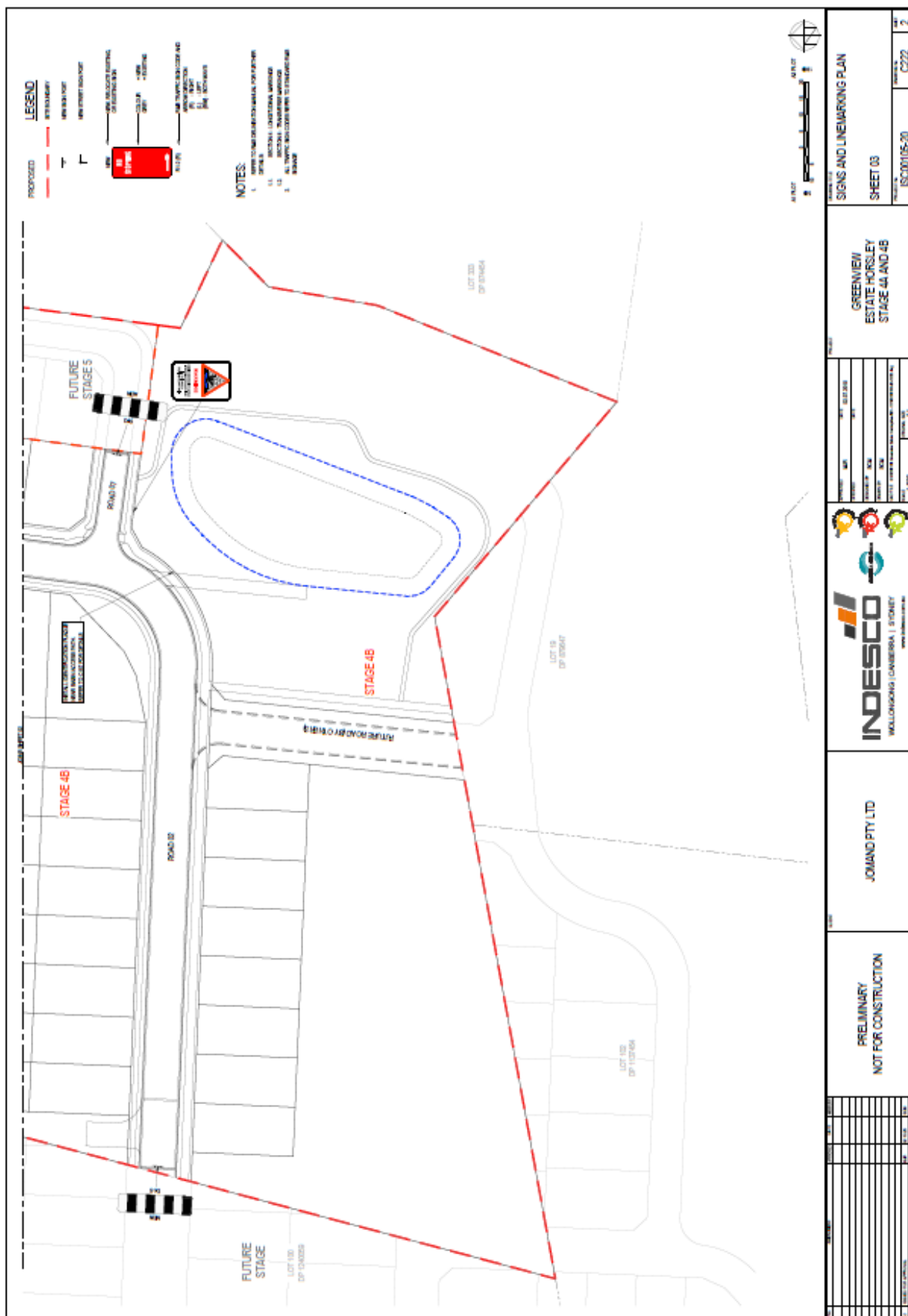




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Greenview Estate Horsley – Stage 4A & 4B
Plan 2 of 3





Plan 6698_SK01_2 - Towradgi Road, Towradgi

