

MINUTES

ACTIVE TRANSPORT REFERENCE GROUP 5PM ON TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER 2016



PRESENT	
Councillor Ann Martin	Wollongong City Council
Councillor Jill Merrin	Wollongong City Council
Councillor George Takacs	Wollongong City Council
Mike Dowd	Wollongong City Council
Lachlan Anderson	Pedestrian Community Representative
Werner Steyer	Illawarra Bicycle User Group
Phil Latz	Bicycle Community Representative

IN ATTENDANCE	
Peter Nunn	Wollongong City Council
Naomi Reid	Wollongong City Council
Megan Lowe	Wollongong City Council

1. APOLOGIES – Apologies were received and accepted on behalf of Walter Galvan. Councillor Bede Crasnich was not in attendance
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Nil
3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4 OCTOBER 2016.

Recommendation: The minutes of the meeting held on 4 October 2016 be confirmed as a true and accurate record

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

NIL

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM 1 – SUMMER CYCLING WORKSHOPS

Naomi Reid provided an update on Council's free cycling workshops delivered to date including the very positive feedback from attendees in relation to the session content and instruction. Although feedback from attendees has been very positive, the number of attendees at each session has been less than desirable. Suggestions from the group were sought on additional promotional activities that could boost attendee numbers. The following suggestions were provided by group members:

- A4 promotional display panels of flyer content on ground level of Council's Admin building (next to bench seats)
- Media release
- Promotional emails to community organisations
- Promotional emails to Service Clubs
- Placement on the school holidays activity list on Council's website
- Provide flyers to bike shops and request their placement on family and children's bikes for Xmas

Group members gave positive feedback in relation to favourable media articles on the workshops including an Illawarra Mercury Weekender feature on the workshop. The group also encouraged Council teams not to be

dissuaded by low attendance as the workshops are still very well received by community evidenced by commendations given in workshop feedback forms.

ITEM 2 – REGIONAL NETWORK CYCLEWAY LINEMARKING

Peter Nunn gave an overview of the design work undertaken by Council linemarking of the existing regional cycleway network in the city. Phil Latz suggested that the linemarking should comply with Austroads Guide to Road Design Part 6A. Werner Steyer, Phil Latz and Lachlan Anderson requested a design plan set to provide feedback.

ITEM 3 – CLIFF ROAD WORKS FOR TRAMWAY CLOSURE

Council's proposal for the temporary changes to Cliff Road during the tramway work was tabled. The temporary changes includes the installation of bicycle symbols and additional speed cushions along Cliff Road between Bourke Street and Belmore Basin as well as cyclist dismount signage on the eastern side footpath. It was noted that the proposal is being sent to community members for feedback.

The group requested that results of the consultation feedback be presented at the next group meeting. Phil Latz suggested that bicycle counters can be installed to provide ongoing data on numbers of cyclists at this critical location on the network. The group expressed concern that Council is proceeding with an option that is less than ideal for cyclists.

ITEM 4 – ACTIVE TRANSPORT REFERENCE GROUP 2017 MEETING DATES

The following set of potential dates for the 2017 group meetings was tabled and agreed to by the group:

- Tuesday 7 February
- Tuesday 4 April
- Tuesday 6 June
- Tuesday 1 August
- Tuesday 3 October
- Tuesday 5 December

OTHER BUSINESS

Jill Merrin requested that Council information prepared in response to her two notices of motion regarding compliance of kerb ramps and driveways with regarding to pedestrian access be circulated to group members.

Group members requested advice on whether Council is actively pursuing the introduction of car share programs in Wollongong. Peter Nunn indicated that Council is ready to assist in the provision of dedicated on street car share spaces should Go Get or another prominent car share company approach Council in this regard.

The current design plan set for the tramway path renewal was discussed. The use of non-level banding across the pathway was not supported by the group. Concern was expressed over the potential of slipping on the exposed aggregate surface. No objection was raised to the use of a honed concrete surface.

Minutes to be confirmed at the next meeting to be held at 5pm on **Tuesday 14 March 2016**.

ACTION SUMMARY

No.	Meeting Date	Action	Officer	Status
13	21.11.13	Traffic Unit to investigate development related mechanisms for the next DCP review where private developments make parking available to the general public outside trading hours	WG	To proceed as part on next DCP review
44	4.10.16	Active Transport Reference Group to be included in community engagement for all transport infrastructure projects	ML	To be completed