WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL

# Traffic Committee Minutes of Meeting







# MINUTES CITY OF WOLLONGONG TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

at 9.15 am

# 8 October 2024

#### RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the powers delegated to Council by the Road Transport Act 2013 and the Roads Act 1993:

- 1 Council has been delegated certain powers, from TfNSW, regarding traffic matters upon its local roads. A condition of this delegation is that the General Manager will approve the minutes under delegated authority.
- 2 Appropriate persons and Departments be advised of Council's decisions.

Author's Name	Author's Title	Date	
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Name	Title	Date	
Greg Doyle	General Manager	10 October 2024	



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.)

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#### 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, that member may lodge an appeal with the Regional Traffic Committee for determination. The appeal must be lodged in writing within 14 days of the Minutes being published on the Council's website. 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:**

The General Manager 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		
Jackson Lenham - Chair	Wollongong City Council	
Jerah Fox	Wollongong City Council	
Lisa Campbell	Wollongong City Council	
Simon Shalala	NSW Police District Inspector – Professional Standards	
Jon Granland	Premier Illawarra	
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 Lisa Campbell.

#### 1.3 Declarations of Interest

Nil declarations of interest were received.

#### 1.4 Apologies

Emma Cavalier

Mel Jones \* TfNSW have provided written comments, these comments have been incorporated into the Committee's recommendations where required.

Jarrod Thompson Robert Cummins David Moncrief Julius Villanueva Les Dion Senior Constable Vanessa Menzies

#### 1.5 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

There was no business arising from the previous meeting.

#### 1.6 New Business

December Traffic Committee Update: A new Traffic Committee date is proposed Tuesday 3 December 2024.



### 2 REGULATION OF TRAFFIC

#### 2.1 WOLLONGONG, Market Street – Ward 2 - Wollongong Electorate – 2024 NYE Market Street Block Party

#### BACKGROUND

The Illawarra Hotel is proposing a full-road closure of Market Street, Wollongong between Keira Street and Richardson Street for a New Years Eve (NYE) Block Party. The Block party offers alfresco entertainment that would not otherwise be offered to the Wollongong Community over the NYE period.

The closure, which will commence from 6am on 31 December 2024 and reopen at 6am on 1 January 2025, proposes a detour via Keira Lane for eastbound traffic whilst retaining the full footpath width on the southern side of Keira Street for pedestrian amenity. The closed area will be extensively illuminated.

This same closure was in place in 2023 with no negative community feedback recorded for the closure or event. Furthermore, the organisers will be having a silent disco in the area to reduce noise imposition to the surrounding neighbours.

This closure is in relation to a DA consent dated November 2022 and will be held annually over the New Years Eve (NYE) period until 1 January 2027

#### CONSULTATION

- All necessary local emergency services and transport operators will be notified in the lead-up to the event to ensure that they are fully aware of road access and detours. This includes Wollongong LAC, Wollongong Fire, Dion Buses, Illawarra Taxis, and Wollongong Ambulance.
- The community will be notified through multiple channels of the road closure, including Facebook, Instagram, radio, and print.
- All residents within a 50m radius of the event will be offered free tickets. They will also be provided with a direct number to call in case of any issues. Furthermore, staff will patrol this area during and after the event to ensure there is no disturbance to the good order of the neighbourhood.

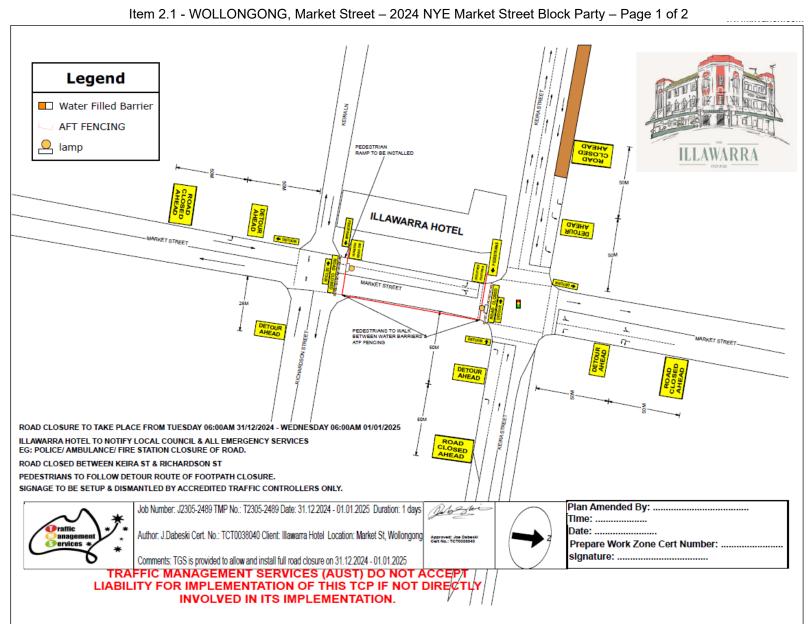
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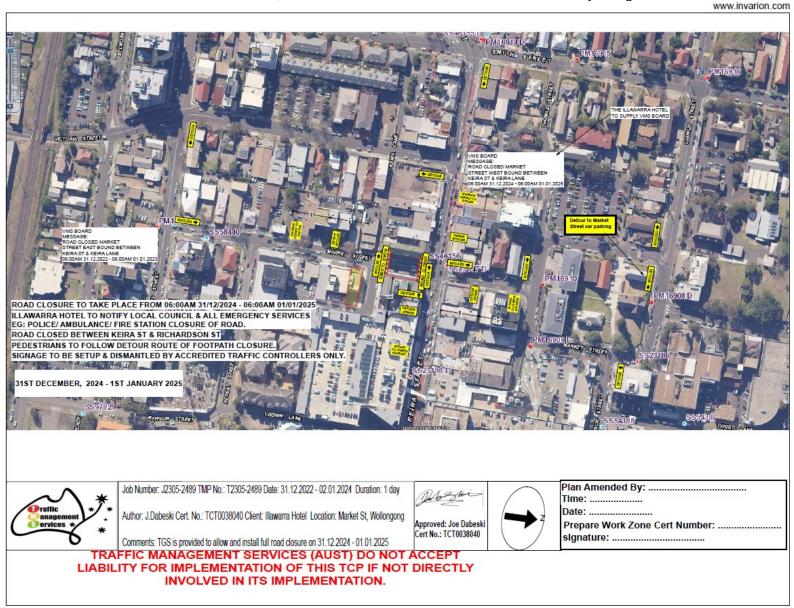
- 1. Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures.
- 2. Consultation with Premier Illawarra and Dions regarding the impact and potential rerouting of bus servicing prior to each event date.
- 3. Consultation with NSW Police and approval prior to each event date.
- 4. Obtaining a Road Occupancy License (ROL) with TfNSW prior to each event date.
- 5. The applicant reporting back to Council (council@wollongong.nsw.gov.au) by 30 September 2025 (prior to a NYE event) for officers to review the road closure and historic feedback for the event.
- 6. Additional "Road Closure Ahead" advance warning signs being placed at Regent Street intersection to provide additional advanced warning to motorists.
- 7. VMS being installed 1 week prior for eastbound traffic on Market Street for warning to motorists on event leadup. Location of VMS boards to be confirmed with Council.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY









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#### 2.2 COLEDALE, Tuckerman Lane – Ward 1 - Heathcote Electorate – Installation of a Pool

#### BACKGROUND

Stop Slow Traffic Control of behalf of the owner of 6 Young Street has applied to close a section of Tuckerman Lane. The reason for this is due the narrowness of the street - the crane footprint will occupy most of the road, therefore a closure and detour are proposed.

It is proposed to close Tuckerman Lane from Young Street to Cowell Lane on Thursday 31 October 2024 weather permitting, with a backup date 1 November 2024. The closure timing is proposed from 9am till 2pm to ensure it occurs outside school hours.

#### CONSULTATION

- There will be a letter box drop out to all neighbours advising of the closure and allowances to get local traffic into either side.
- The applicant has informed Council that the owner has knocked on all 4 doors and spoken with everyone and there were no issues, they will also provide a reminder with a contact person.

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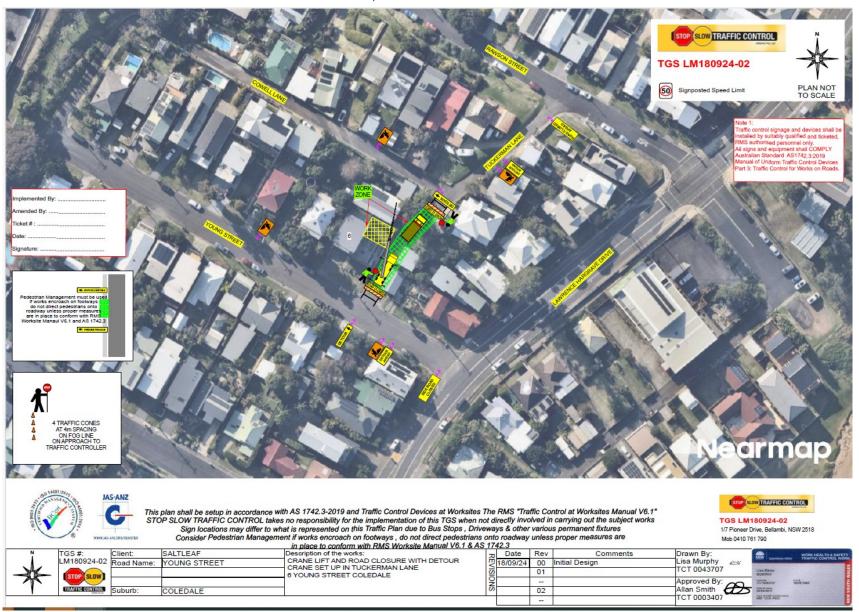
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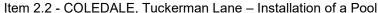
1. <u>Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures</u>.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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#### 2.3 BULLI, Owen Street – Ward 1 – Keira Electorate - Street Christmas Party (Class 3)

#### BACKGROUND

Council has received a request from residents in Owen Street for a street party to be held on Saturday 7 December 2024 from 2pm to 4pm. The street party has taken place many times in the past (including last year) without any issue and has previously been approved by the Traffic Committee. The request is for a full road closure of Owen Street between Franklin Avenue and Waterloo Street, Bulli. Diversion of traffic around the closure is expected to have minimal inconvenience upon drivers.

#### CONSULTATION

Residents in the affected area have indicated their support of the road closure via signed consent, which was submitted with the Application for Road Closure.

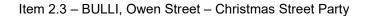
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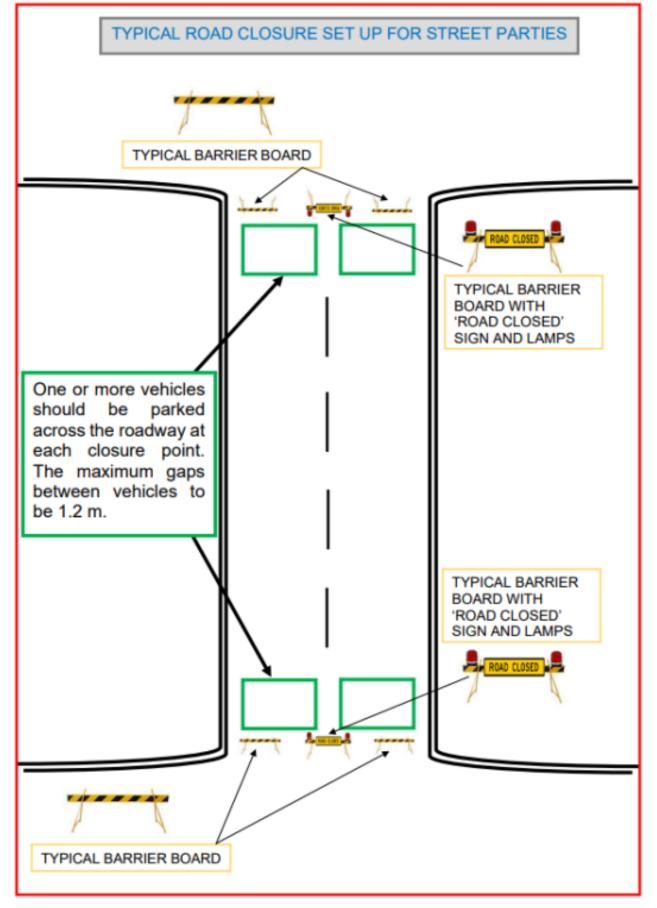
The Traffic Guidance Scheme and/or Traffic Management Plan be approved subject to:

- 1. Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures.
- 2. Street Parties. Refer to "Typical Road Closure Setup for a Street Party".
- 3. Within the footprint of the road closure, there are to be no vehicle movements during the closure any vehicles movements are to take place prior/post the closure.
- 4. There is to be a nominated (non-intoxicated) person who will be available to move the posted "hostile mitigation" vehicles to ensure access for emergency vehicles.
- 5. The applicant is responsible to ensure these measures are put in place safety with someone supervising the works with traffic control qualification.
- 6. Agreement with residents who have not signed the consent form.

## CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY









# **3 UPDATE TO PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ITEMS**

#### 3.1 WOLLONGONG, Dudley Street – Ward 2 - Wollongong Electorate – Installation of Tower Crane

#### BACKGROUND

At the Local Traffic Committee meeting of 11 June 2024, the following tower crane installation road closure was approved:

TDK Corporation has made an application for a road closure on Dudley Street Wollongong from Urunga Parade to Sperry Street for the installation of a tower crane outside 6-8 Dudley Street Wollongong. The proposed date is Wednesday, 28 August 2024 with backup dates of 21 August 2024, 4 September 2024, and 11 September 2024. The closure period will be from 6.30am to 5pm to allow for setup in the morning. A soft road closure will be set up at Dudley Street/Sperry Street and Dudley Street/Urunga Parade. Pedestrians will be detoured around the mobile crane setup under the supervision of traffic control as per the plan. Local Traffic will still be managed between Sperry Street and Urunga Parade by traffic control who will be assisting residents/visitors/businesses to access the street.

Proposed New Date: As the works were not completed on the above dates, an additional date of 1 November 2024 has been requested by TDK Corporation. A backup date is Friday 6, 13 and 21 November 2024 has been requested.

#### CONSULTATION

- Consultation is underway with the Renal Centre whose driveway is located within the closure zone; they are being
  informed that access is maintained at all times.
- The applicant will provide 14 days' notice will be given to all residents and businesses. Access to residents and businesses will be maintained at all times and no driveway will be obstructed.
- The entrance to the larger carpark to the south of the site is to remain unobstructed.

## COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Traffic Guidance Scheme and/or Traffic Management Plan be approved subject to:

- 1. <u>Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures</u>.
- 2. Application for Section 138 (RO) be submitted to the Construction Compliance Team The Applicant must notify the Construction Compliance and obtain a S138 approval before proceeding.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

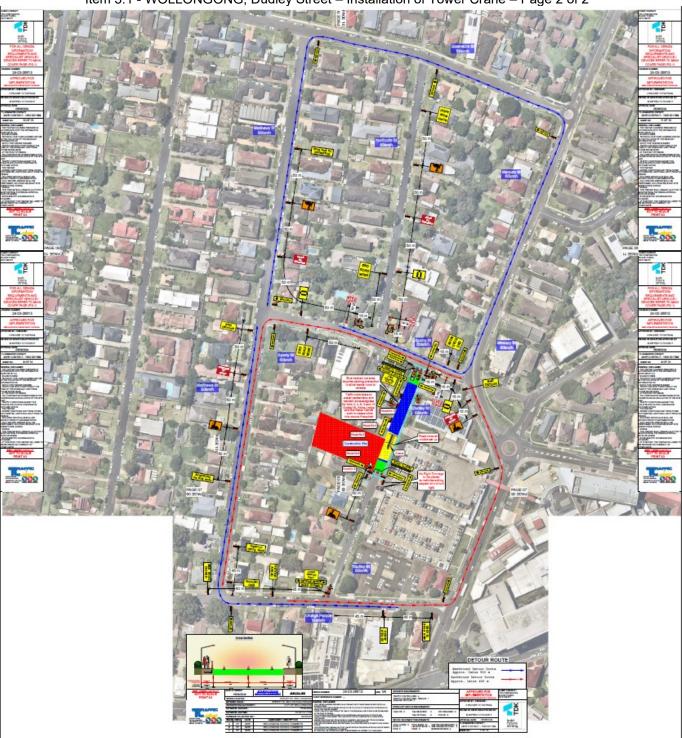




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#### 3.2 CORDEAUX HEIGHTS, Kallara Link – Ward 2 – Keira Electorate - Crane lift for Pool Installation

### BACKGROUND

At the Local Traffic Committee meeting of 12 March 2024, the following road closure for a pool installation was approved:

Stop Slow Traffic Control have applied for a road closure on Kallara Link, Cordeaux Heights for a pool installation as the crane footprint will take up the roadway. The works are proposed for Monday, 15 April 2024 with a backup date of Tuesday, 16 April 2024, the closure times will be 9am to 2pm. Tolleno Crane Hire are undertaking crane lift works requiring full road closure at Kallara Link, Cordeaux Heights. Road closure and detour implemented for duration work process. Resident access will be maintained for those who live on Kallara Link. The Team Leader will monitor pedestrian activity and ensure they can safely walk past the site.

Proposed New Date: As the works were not completed on the above dates, an additional date of 24 October 2024 has been requested by Stop Slow Traffic Control. A backup date is Friday 25 October 2024. The timing has not changed.

#### CONSULTATION

A letter box drop out to all neighbours advising of the closure and Traffic Control will make allowances to allow local traffic to enter/exit either side of the roadwork.

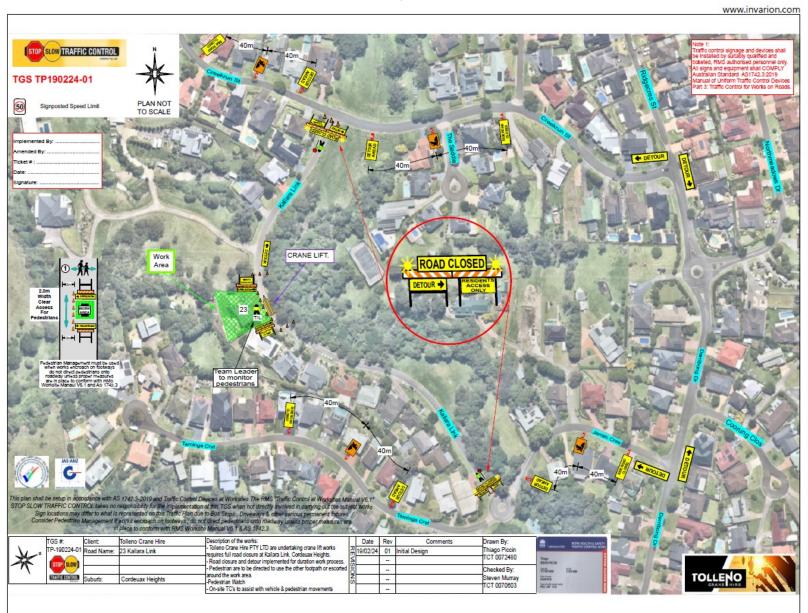
#### COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Traffic Guidance Scheme and/or Traffic Management Plan be approved subject to:

- 1. Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures.
- 2. Consultation with all residents of Kallara Link at least 14 days prior to the closure with key details provided including contact details from Stop Slow Traffic Control.
- 3. Clear and safe pedestrian access is to be maintained and managed, it is the responsibility of the applicant (Stop Slow) to manage all pedestrians around the construction site. This may include students and other vulnerable road users.
- 4. Application for Section 138 (RO) be submitted to the Construction Compliance Team The Applicant must notify the Construction Compliance and obtain a S138 approval before proceeding.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY





#### Item 3.2 – CORDEAUX HEIGHTS, Kallara Link – Installation of Pool



# 4 NOTIFICATION UNDER TEMPORARY DELEGATIONS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

# 4.1 DAPTO, Billabong Avenue – Ward 3 – Shellharbour Electorate – Disabled Parking Removal

#### BACKGROUND

Council has received requests from the local community regarding the Disabled Parking zone to the front of 25 Billabong Avenue, Dapto. It has been requested to remove the zone since it is no longer required, being that the resident who lived there has unfortunately passed.

It is proposed to remove the Disabled Parking signs as shown in the attached Signage Plan. The change will free up approximately one (1) on-street car parking space with untimed restrictions.

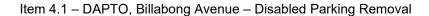
#### CONSULTATION

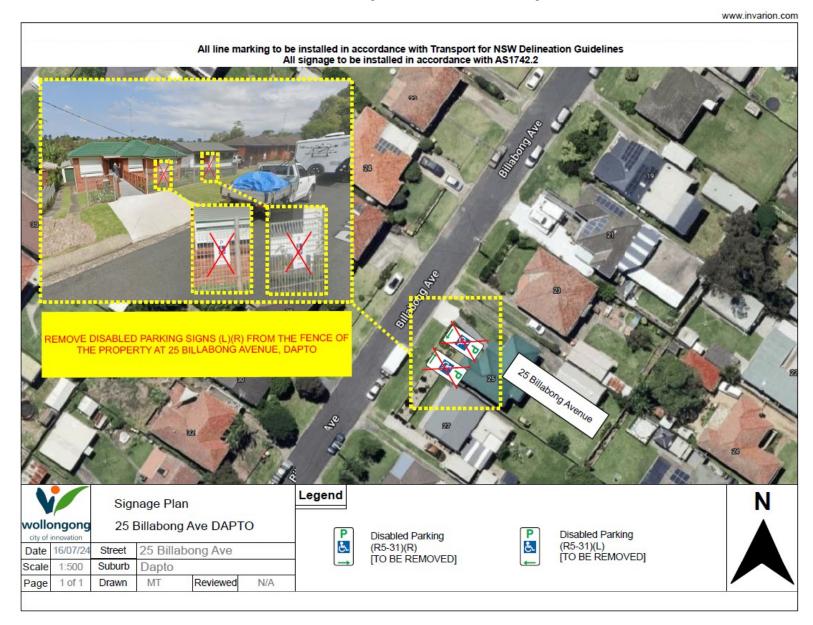
Consultation has taken place via mailbox drop to the and local residents/owners. The feedback was supportive of the changes.

### COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

#### The Committee note the approved plan/s.









# 4.2 BELLAMBI, Edyth Street – Ward 1 – Keira Electorate – Timed No Parking Zone

### BACKGROUND

Council has reviewed the traffic conditions at Edyth Street, Bellambi. Waste collection difficulties is experienced in this road due to the narrow width and parked vehicles at the end of the t-turning bay causing waste vehicles to reverse in an unsafe manner. Parking restrictions were requested for the turning bay to address safety concerns and waste collection difficulties. There is an existing (non-regulatory) sign advising residents not to park during waste collection time, but this is not complied with, resulting in waste collection difficulties.

Regulatory warning signs to enforce parking restriction is supported.

It is proposed to install timed No Parking Zone (from 6AM-10AM WED) at the t-tuning bay at the end of Edyth Street, Bellambi to enable garbage trucks to turn safely, and provide ample space to collect bins at this site.

#### CONSULTATION

Consultation has occurred prior to the local traffic committee. Council received (1) response objecting to the proposal.

Council will proceed with the proposal.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee note the approved plan/s.







#### 4.3 THIRROUL, Sea Foam Avenue – Ward 1 – Heathcote Electorate – Timed No Parking Zone

### BACKGROUND

Council has reviewed the traffic conditions at Sea Foam Avenue Thirroul. Waste collection difficulties are experienced on this road due to the narrow width and parked vehicles at the end of the cul-de-sac causing waste vehicles to reverse in an unsafe manner. Parking restrictions were requested for the cul-de-sac to address safety concerns and waste collection difficulties.

It is proposed to install timed No Parking Zone from 6am to 10:30 am Thursday on the cul-de-sac at Sea Foam Avenue Thirroul to enable garbage trucks to turn safely.

#### CONSULTATION

Consultation has occurred prior to the Local Traffic Committee. Council received (1) response supporting the proposal, as well as support of the waste collection contractor.

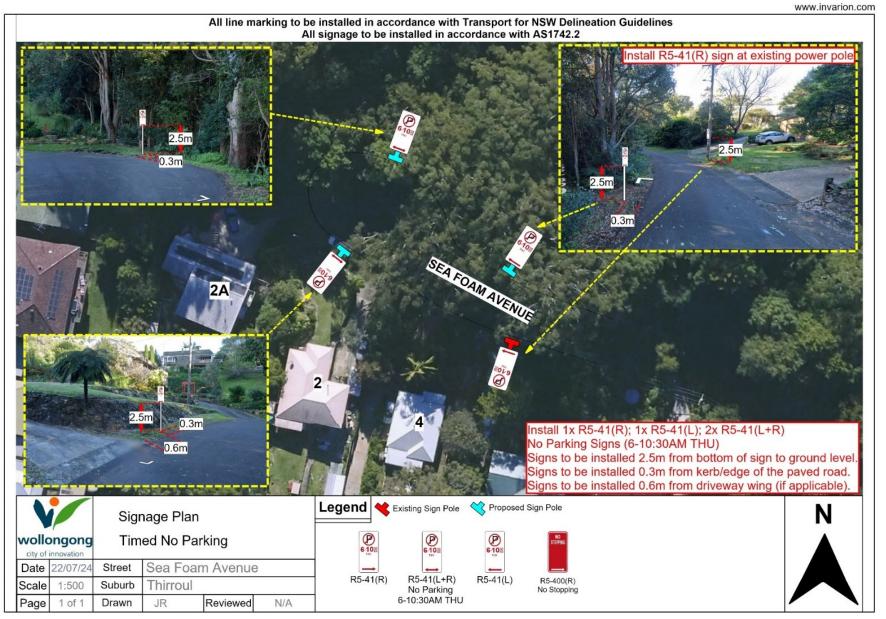
Council will proceed with the proposal.

#### COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee note the approved plan/s.



# Item 4.3 - THIRROUL, Sea Foam Avenue - Timed No Parking Zone





# 4.4 WOLLONGONG, Burelli and Crown Street - Ward 2 - Wollongong Electorate - Timed Disability Parking Zones

#### BACKGROUND

Council has reviewed the traffic conditions at Burelli and Crown Streets near Corrinal Street, Wollongong. The area has several popular destinations, retail and hospitality businesses which all generate high parking demand. Council has received requests to increase availability of accessible parking in the arts precinct where mobility permit holders have raised concerns about a general lack of free spaces in designated on street accessible parking spaces.

To address this concern, it is proposed to convert two existing untimed Disability Parking Zones at Burelli Street and Crown Street to timed 4-hour Disability Parking (as per attached plan) to increase parking turnover, providing access to more users over the course of a day.

#### CONSULTATION

Consultation has occurred prior to the Local Traffic Committee, including Merrigong Theatre Company and Council Compliance and Regulation Team. Council received (1) response (from Merrigong) objecting to the original 3-hr timed proposal.

Council updated the proposal to 4-hr parking (which was endorsed by Merrigong) and will proceed with the proposal.

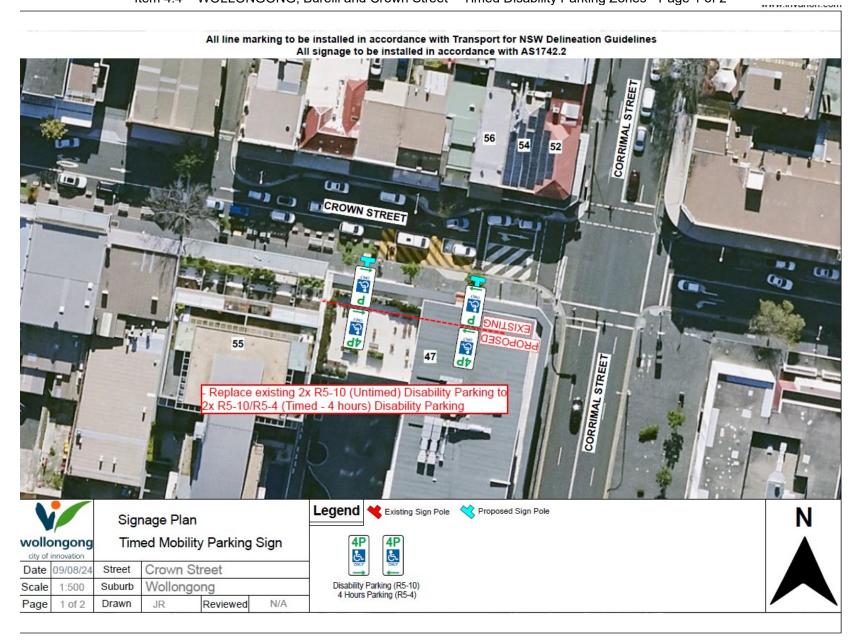
#### COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee note the approved plan/s.

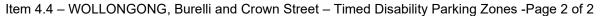


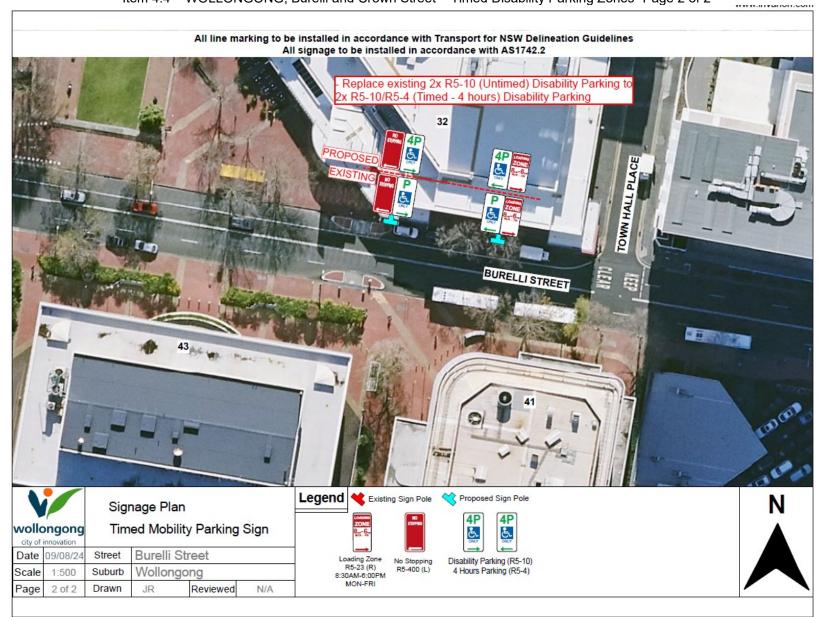


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#### 4.5 AUSTINMER, Moore Lane – Ward 1 – Heathcote Electorate – Timed No Parking Area

### BACKGROUND

Council has reviewed the traffic conditions at Moore Lane, Austinmer. Waste collection difficulties are experienced on this road due to the narrow width and parked vehicles at either side of the laneway, causing drivers to reverse in an unsafe manner and miss waste collection in certain instances. Parking restrictions were requested for the whole laneway to address safety concerns and waste collection difficulties.

It is proposed to install timed No Parking Area from 6am to 9am Thursday (waste collection days) on the entire length of Moore Lane, Austinmer to enable drivers to collect waste bins unimpeded. Existing parking rules are still enforceable outside the proposed No Parking times.

#### CONSULTATION

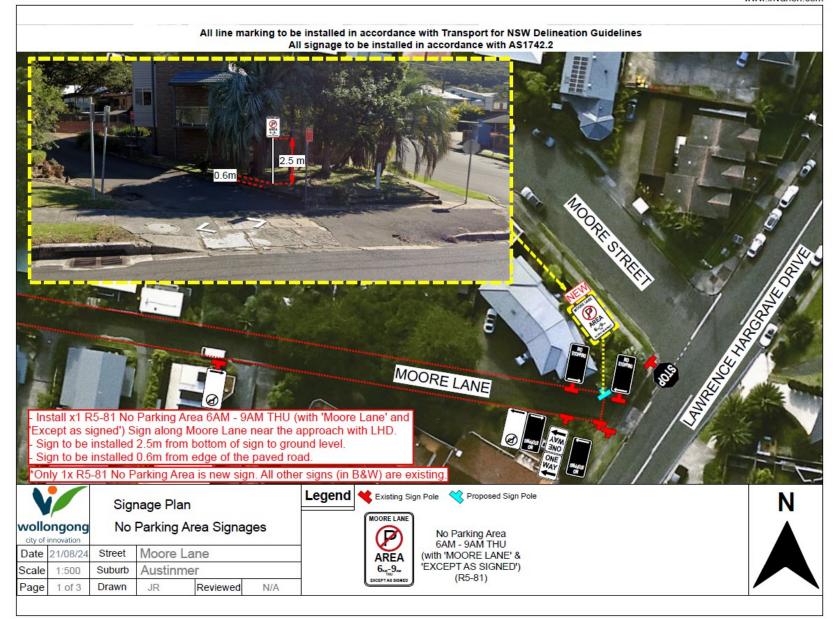
Consultation with the residents and owners of properties along Moore Lane has occurred prior to the Local Traffic Committee. Council received (3) objections and (7) supportive feedback to the proposal. Compliance and Regulation Team, as well as the Waste Collection Contractor are also supportive of the proposal. In summary, majority of feedback are in support. Council will proceed with the proposed changes.

Council will proceed with the proposal.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee note the approved plan/s.

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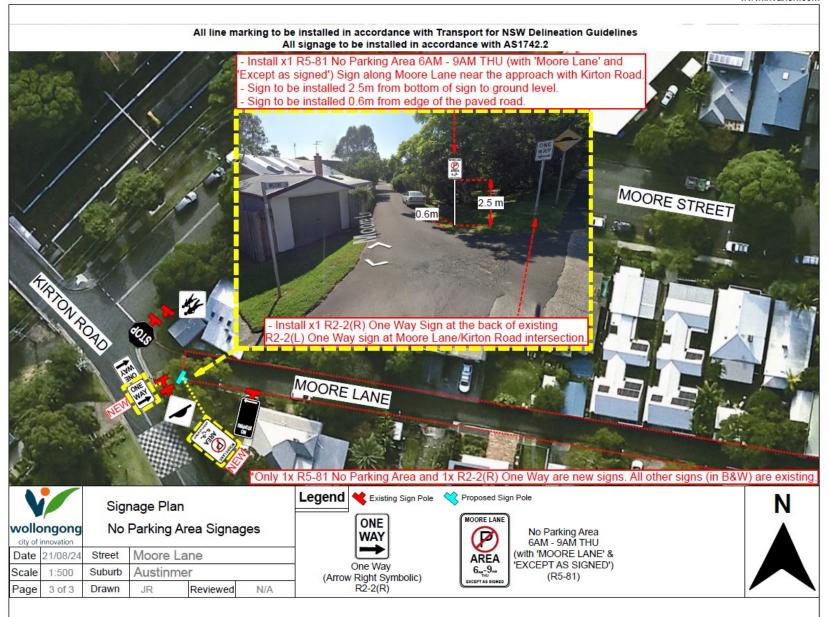


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# 4.6 CONISTON, Old Springhill Road – Ward 2 – Wollongong Electorate – Extend Disability Parking Zone

#### BACKGROUND

Council has reviewed the traffic conditions at Old Spring Hill Road outside of 5 Bridge Street, Coniston. Currently, there is a disabled parking bay capable of storing one vehicle.

It is proposed to move the existing disabled parking bay poles and signs to allow for the storage of two vehicles. The proposed changes will provide additional accessible parking for the community, particularly those accessing services 5 and 7-11 Bridge Street.

#### CONSULTATION

Consultation has occurred prior to the Local Traffic Committee with owners of buildings of 11 and 5 Bridge Street and the business owners of 5 Bridge Street. Feedback was received from 7-11 Bridge Street in support of the change. This was the only feedback received.

Council will proceed with the proposal.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

#### The Committee note the approved plan/s.

### Item 4.6 - CONISTON, Old Springhill Road - Extend Disability Parking Zone







# 5 DOB IN A HOON (SPEED COMPLAINTS)

Items for NSW Police to acknowledge for appropriate monitoring and enforcement action.

STREET	SUBURB	CONCERN	TIMES RAISED THIS YEAR
St Johns Avenue	Mangerton	Loss of control crash at downhill reverse curve reported by resident. Traffic surveys conducted in Jul-Aug 2024 show low level speeding (two- way 85th% = 50km)	1
Intersection of Mt Keira Road and Harry Graham Drive;	Mt Keira / Cordeaux	Hoons doing regular burnouts at this location, combined with anti-social activity and vandalism. Also include Robertson's Lookout Parking at Harry Graham Drive.	3
90-degree bend in Reddalls Rd near War Cemetery	Kembla Grange	Excess speed around bend has resulted in 2 crashes involving heavy vehicles (car carriers).	1
Paynes Rd, west of Stewards Dr	Kembla Grange	Resident concerns with speeding vehicles now that double centreline has been installed around this bend	1
Crown Street and Station Street	Wollongong	Vehicle/bike noise from impacting patients at the private hospital's wellbeing.	1
Cliff Road	North Wollongong	Reported by MP representative at Traffic Committee for September - E-scooter riders creating safety issues by riding on the narrow footpath past the Aqua restaurant.	1
Koloona Avenue and Uralba Street	Figtree	Reported by member of the community. There is an increased number of hoons undertaking burnouts at the intersection, particularly on the uphill section.	1
Franklin Avenue	Bulli	A resident has complained about speeding vehicles in the street suggesting that drivers are not aware of the speed limit. Franklin Avenue and all connecting streets have the default speed limit, so no additional signage is proposed.	1

# Police acknowledged the 'dob in a hoon' items for future monitoring and appropriate action.

The next meeting of the City of Wollongong Traffic Committee will be held on 12 November 2024 at 9:15am.