AGENDA
CITY OF WOLLONGONG TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

TO BE HELD AT 9.15AM ON WEDNESDAY 13 APRIL 2016 IN
COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, LEVEL 10 ROOMS 2 & 3

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the powers delegated to Council by the Road Transport Act 2013 and the Roads Act 1993, as outlined in the 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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The City of Wollongong Traffic Committee is not a Committee of Wollongong City Council however a Technical Committee of the Roads & Maritime Services (RMS). The Committee operates under the authority conferred to Council by the RMS under the Transport Administration Act 1988.

Council has been delegated certain powers, from the RMS, with regard to traffic matters upon its local roads. A condition of this delegation is that Council must take into account 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, the Roads & Maritime Services, the Local State Member of Parliament (for the location of the issue to be voted upon), and a representative of Wollongong City Council.

- If the RMS 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 recommend that:

1. The Traffic Committee recommendation be adopted.
2. The Traffic Committee recommendation not be adopted.
3. The Traffic Committee reconsider this issue.
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

“We pay our respects to and acknowledge the traditional custodians of the Land on which we meet, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and future. We also extend our respects to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people present here today.”

APOLOGIES

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 9 MARCH 2016

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

GENERAL BUSINESS

1 OTFORD
Otford Road – Warning Signs “Road Ahead Unsuitable for vehicles longer than 13 m”

Background
Council carried out a traffic survey on Otford Road Otford in December 2015 which identified a long vehicle using the road and the narrow restricted bridge. According to the assessment of swept paths the bridge over the railway is only suitable for vehicles up to 12.5 m (school bus) in length. It is appropriate for warning signs to be placed at the Helensburgh end of Otford Road and at the intersection with Lady Wakehurst Drive at Stanwell Tops.

Proposal
Install warning signs to read “Road ahead unsuitable for vehicles longer than 13 meters” at the intersection at Lady Wakehurst Drive Stanwell Tops and the intersection of Otford Road and Walker Street Helensburgh

2 AUSTINMER
Little Austinmer Lane one way signage

Background
Council has received a request to improve the signage in the one way lane leading from Little Austinmer beach to Lawrence Hargrave Drive. Pavement arrows and a one way sign at the intersection with Yuraga Avenue and Little Austinmer Lane should assist in ensuring drivers travelling in the correct direction.

Proposal
Install:  
   a) A one way sign at the entrance to Little Austinmer Lane, and a matching pavement arrow.
   b) Two pavement arrows leading to Lawrence Hargrave Drive at the Western end of Little Austinmer Lane.

3 THIRROUL
Henley Road and Redman Avenue install No Stopping restrictions.

Background
Residents have recently asked Council to consider installing No Stopping Restrictions opposite Redman Avenue Thirroul because the distances between driveways are short and that available kerb space is further separated by a new kerb ramp. Vehicles which park in this area tend to block a driveway or the pedestrian ramp.

Proposal
Install No Stopping restrictions in Henley Road opposite Redman Avenue.

4 BULLI
Trinity Row No Stopping restrictions

Background
The section of Trinity Row between Aroy Street and Ursula Road has double lines and a narrow kerbside southbound lane, where parking is not permitted at the kerb. During busy weekends there are reports of large numbers of vehicles parking illegal so that the southbound traffic is required to cross the double lines to pass through the area. Additional No Stopping restrictions in this area may help discourage drivers from parking illegally
Proposal
Install No Parking restrictions between Ursula Road and Alroy Street on the eastern side of Trinity Row.

5 NORTH WOLLONGONG
Railway Crescent – Proposed No Stopping Restrictions.

Background
Council has been asked to consider installing No Stopping Restrictions around the internal curve in Railway Crescent where the distances between driveways is less than 4 meters and therefore not possible to park vehicles legally. This has been a constant source of requests for Rangers to assist and No Stopping restrictions should make the available parking in this area a little clearer.

Proposal
Install No Stopping restrictions around the internal curve of Railway Crescent, at the rear of 32 Porter Street.

6 NORTH WOLLONGONG
Porter Street replace No Parking with No Stopping restrictions

Background
Council installed No Parking restrictions on the western side of Porter Street opposite the entrance to the bus interchange at North Wollongong Station in order to allow sufficient room for buses to make a turn safely. The No Parking restrictions have been vandalised on a number of occasions and it is now proposed to replace the No Parking area with No Stopping restrictions, including an unbroken yellow line.

Proposal
Install No Stopping restrictions in place of the No Parking signs on the western side of Porter Street a short distance to the north of Railway Crescent.

7 FIGTREE
Koloona Avenue – All traffic left sign

Background
At the intersection of Mark Street and Koloona Avenue Figtree Council installed a central median to prevent right turn manoeuvres into and from Koloona Avenue. The intersection is a short distance below a crest and the centre median has improved traffic safety in this area. Residents have now recorded that some drivers enter and leave Mark street by travelling on the incorrect side of the road. Changes to the median may also be appropriate but in the short term it is proposed to install an All Traffic Left sign in Mark Street on the approach to the intersection.

Proposal
Install an All Traffic Left sign in Mark Street on the approach to Koloona Avenue Figtree.

8 DAPTO
Prince Edward Drive

Background
There have been a number of complaints about speeding in Prince Edward Drive Dapto and Council has received follow up advice requesting that Council install edge lines for the full length of Prince Edward Drive between Kanahooka Road and Unara Road. During site inspections it was also noted that the speed limit signs need to be replaced as the speed limit changes from 60KPH in Kanahooka Road to 50KPH on Prince Edward Drive.

Proposal
Install edge lines on both sides of Prince Edward Drive between Kanahooka Road and Unara Road with the traffic lanes limited to 3.2 meters in width per lane and the remainder as the kerbside lanes.

9 HUNTLEY
Cleveland Road, Daisybank Drive roundabout to Avondale Road 5 Tonne load limit

Background
The section of Cleveland Road between Daisy Bank Drive and Avondale Road has been constructed to suit light traffic only. Since the reconstruction of the railway bridge and the section of Cleveland Road between Dapto High School and Daisy Bank Drive a number of heavy vehicles have begun to use this route to access the Huntley Heritage site. For vehicles travelling south through Dapto the route via Huntley Road is approximately 800 meters
longer, but this is the route designed to accommodate heavy vehicle traffic. In order to preserve Council’s assets from the south western section of Cleveland Road is to propose a 5 tonne load limit. Vehicles with destinations on the road not restricted but through traffic will need to use the highway and Huntley Road route.

Proposal
Install a 5 tonne load limit on Cleveland Road between Daisy Bank Drive and Avondale Road

REGULATION OF TRAFFIC

10 PORT KEMBLA
Illawarra Triathlon Club – Races Dates for 2016/17

Background
The Illawarra Triathlon Club has submitted a new application for the 2016/17 events to be held on Gloucester Boulevard Port Kembla on the following Sundays:


The closures take place between 8.00am – 11.00am on each of the race days and only affect Traffic on Gloucester Boulevard between the car park at MM Beach and Gallipoli Street.

Proposal
The road closures be approved subject to Council standard conditions for road closures and the submitted traffic management plans (attachments 2-7)

DESIGN MATTERS

11 PORT KEMBLA
Gallipoli Street – Port Kembla Surf Club Carpark Design

Background
Council has prepared plans for the car park at Port Kembla surf lifesaving club which includes a number of mobility parking spaces.

Proposal
The Submitted Plan 5696-C14-B be approved (attachment 8)

12 DAPTO
Bong Bong Road – Reed Park

Background
Council has prepared plans for a pedestrian refuge crossing and right turn bay on Bong Bong Road at the entrance to Reed Park car park. The original brief for the pedestrian facility has been expanded to include the right turn bay and in association with these plans Council has arranged with NSW Roads & Maritime Services to have the speed limit reduced from 60kph to 50kph on Bong Bong Road.

Proposal
The submitted Plan 5666-C04-1 be approved (Attachment 9)

13 WONGAWILLI
Smiths Lane – New sub Division signs and lines

Background
The developer for the sub division off Smiths Lane Wongawilli has submitted plans detailing the proposed parking and traffic restrictions in the new residential area.

Proposal
The submitted Plan FR110067-008-C1016-B be approved (Attachment 10)
LATE ITEMS

14  TOWN HALL PLACE - WOLLONGONG
Proposed new road alignment and footpath

Background
Council has prepared plans for construction of new road pavement and changed footpath width. The design provides widening of existing 1.3m wide footpath to 4m wide adjacent to IPAC Theatre building. The existing loading zone adjacent to IPAC is proposed to be relocated to the front of IPAC on Burelli Street.

Proposal
The submitted Plan 5590-SK09-1 be approved (Attachment 11)
Standard Conditions for Road Closures

For Special Events and Work Related activities Within Council Road Reserves.

Following approval by Wollongong City Council, road closures are subject to the additional Council conditions:

1. The Applicant must complete the Council form ‘Application to Open and Occupy or Underbore a Roadway or Footpath’ (Refer to Checklist below – relates to Section 138 of the Roads Act.)

2. NSW Police Approval: The Applicant must obtain written approval from NSW Police, where required under the Roads Act.

3. If the Road Closure is within 100m of any traffic control signals or on a ‘State Classified Road’ the Applicant must obtain a Road Occupancy Licence (ROL) from NSW Roads & Maritime Services (RMS).

4. The Applicant must advise all affected residents and business owners within the closure area of the dates and times for the closure, at least 7 days prior to the intended date of works.

5. The Applicant must advise Emergency Services: Ambulance, Fire Brigade and Police, Taxi and Bus Companies of the closure dates and times in writing, 7 days prior to the intended date of works. The Applicant must endeavour to minimise the impact on bus services during the closure.

6. Traffic Management Plan: The closure must be set up in accordance with the approved Traffic Management Plan (TMP) prepared by an appropriately qualified traffic controller; a copy of whose qualifications must be included with the submitted TMP.

7. Traffic Management Plan Setup: The Traffic Management Plan must be set up by appropriately qualified traffic control persons or the NSW Police.

8. Access to properties affected by the road closure must be maintained where possible. Where direct access cannot be achieved, an alternative arrangement must be agreed to by both the applicant and the affected person/s.

9. Public Notice Advertisement: The Applicant must advertise the road closure in the Public Notices section of the local paper, detailing closure date/s and times at least 7 days prior to the closure.

10. Public Liability Policy: The Applicant must provide Council with a copy of their current insurance policy to a value of no less than $20 million dollars to cover Wollongong City Council from any claims arising from the closure.

Checklist:
- Completed Council Form: ‘Application to Open and Occupy or Underbore a Roadway or Footpath’.

Required information as shown below MUST be attached:
- A copy of the letter from the Traffic Committee authorising the closure
- The Traffic Management Plan (TMP)
- The Road Occupancy Licence (ROL) if required
- Written approval from NSW Police
- Public Liability Insurance

Applications may be lodged in the Customer Service Centre located on the Ground Floor of Council’s Administration Building, 41 Burelli Street Wollongong between 8.30am and 5pm Monday to Friday.
Attachment 3 – Illawarra Triathlon Club – Plans 2 of 6

LONG TERM CLOSURE - 2 LANE / 2 WAY
DETOUR ALL TRAFFIC
DETAIL 'B'
LONG TERM CLOSURE - 2 LANE / 2 WAY
DETOUR ALL TRAFFIC
DETAIL 'C'
Attachment 6 – Illawarra Triathlon Club – Plans 5 of 6

**Transition**
- Swim 400m
- Run to transition 600m
- Cycle 14.8km (6 laps)
- Run 3.6km (2 laps)
Cycle + Run Course

Cycle Course on Road
6 laps

Run Course - Footpath
2 laps
3.6km
Attachment 8 – Port Kembla Surf Life Saving Club – Car Park
Attachment 11 – Town Hall Place – Wollongong – Proposed new road alignment and footpath