

WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL

# Traffic Committee Minutes of Meeting

21 October 2020



## MINUTES

## CITY OF WOLLONGONG TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

at 9.15 am

21 October 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.

Author's Name	Author's Title	Date
Lindsay Dunstan	Senior Traffic Engineer	4 November 2020
David Wilson	Traffic and Transport Unit Leader	5 November 2020
Peter Nunn	Transport and Stormwater Services – Manager	5 November 2020
Andrew Heaven	Infrastructure Strategy and Planning – Manager (Acting)	5 November 2020
Andrew Carfield	Director – Infrastructure and Works	5 November 2020
Name	Title	Date
Greg Doyle	General Manager	6 November 2020

## **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.**

In line with NSW Health guidelines about COVID-19, we've made some changes to the way we're engaging the community, to keep our staff and people in our community safe. Instead of having face-to-face conversations with people meetings are currently being conducted via video, audio and by electronic communication.

PRESENT	
Lindsay Dunstan - Chair	Wollongong City Council
Rob Gaudiosi (via Teams)	Wollongong City Council
Ellen Dreghorn	Wollongong City Council
David Wilson	Wollongong City Council
Amit Chowdhury (via Teams)	Wollongong City Council
Senior Constable Andrew Cotton	NSW Police
Jon Granland (teleconference)	Premier Illawarra (9.25am - 10.05am)
Matthew White (via Teams)	Transport for NSW (9.25am - 10.05am)

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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 John Burns, Les Dion, Stephen Burrridge and Mel Lausz.

### 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 WOLLONGONG Stuart Park – Ward 2

Stuart Park – No Stopping

#### **BACKGROUND**

In the off street car park on the corner of Cliff Road and George Hanley Drive, Council has constructed a new footpath with bollards along the northern edge. It has always been illegal for vehicles to park outside a marked bay however, previously drivers who parked with one set of wheels on the kerb on that northern edge did not obstruct parking within the bays. The bollards prevent parking with any of the vehicle on the kerb and therefore when vehicles park illegally the vehicles parked within the adjoining bays have insufficient room to leave safely.

Council's regulation and enforcement staff have requested no stopping restrictions on the northern side of this car park in order to discourage parking with a significant increase in fines compared to the current no parking restriction.

#### **CONSULTATION**

No consultation required.

#### **COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:**

Install No Stopping restrictions by way of continuous yellow lines along the northern kerb of the car park at the corner of Cliff Road and George Hanley Drive, Wollongong.

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 2.2 BULLI Ursula Road – Ward 1

### Waniora Public School – Parking Restrictions

#### BACKGROUND

Waniora Public School's Principal has asked Council to consider installing an additional 35m (six car lengths) of No Parking restrictions on the Ursula Road frontage to the School. There is a short section of No Parking at present between the bus zone and the children's crossing.

A new section of No Parking is requested from the end of the children's crossing No Stopping restrictions for a distance of 35m to the west, over an area not currently restricted. It is hoped parents will be encouraged to use the new area as a drop off and pick up zone, and ensure vehicles only stop long enough to move the children into and out a parent's car.

Parents who wish to arrive early and wait for their children will be encouraged to park elsewhere and walk towards the school gates to collect children.

#### CONSULTATION

The school community have been consulted about the proposed changes.

#### COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Install a section of No Parking restrictions, timed 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4pm on School Days, in Ursula Road on the Waniora Public School frontage, from the end of the existing crossing point No Stopping restrictions and extending 35m to the west.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 2.3 BULLI Ursula Road – Ward 1

### Bulli High School – Parking Restrictions

#### BACKGROUND

The Principal of Bulli High School has asked Council to consider altering part of the existing School Bus Zone to be timed for school times. All of the Bus Zone is timed 7am to 4pm on School Days which was originally intended to accommodate sports and excursion buses during the day, as well as the normal school bus services.

The School has asked that space for three buses (50m) be retained as a Bus Zone 7am to 4pm on school days and that the remainder be timed for 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4pm on school days.

#### CONSULTATION

No further consultation is necessary.

#### COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Retain as school Bus Zone 7am to 4pm on school days, a section from the start of the No Parking restrictions on Ursula Road and extending 50m to the east, and time the remainder of the school Bus Zone towards the eastern boundary of Bulli High School as Bus Zone 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4pm on school days.

#### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 3 REGULATION OF TRAFFIC

#### 3.1 WEST WOLLONGONG Lexburn Avenue – Ward 2

Lexburn Avenue Street Christmas Party – Road Closure Saturday 12 December 2020

##### BACKGROUND

The community of residents in Lexburn Avenue have applied for a Street Christmas party for 12 December 2020. The road closure at end of Lexburn Avenue will take effect from 5pm until 11pm on the day. The application came complete with signatures of affected residents giving consent to the event. This event has been held in previous years and has established good relations with the community in the area.

The police representative requested that the applicant be advised of the on-line assistance available to applicants in preparing a [COVID19 Safety Plan](#) for the event. The [link provided here](#) relates to outdoor music events however in the categories available on NSW Government website this is the closest to a street party.

##### CONSULTATION

Consultation with affected residents has been undertaken.

##### COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The road closure of Lexburn Avenue on Saturday 12 December 2020 be approved subject to [Council's Standard Conditions for Street Parties](#), and that attendees be required to abide by the [COVID19 Health Orders](#) which apply at the time.

##### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 4 DESIGN MATTERS

#### 4.1 HELENSBURGH Corner Parkes and Walker Streets – Ward 1

Parkes and Walker Streets – Pedestrian Facility Improvements

##### BACKGROUND

As part of the Helensburgh Town Centre Masterplan Council is proposing to upgrade the roundabout at the Parkes and Walker Streets intersection. Council is also proposing to construct a raised pedestrian crossing on Parkes Street and two new sets of kerb blisters along Parkes Street. The existing crossing point on Parkes Street has proved challenging to residents in that the refuge island is not adequate and the proposed work will improve pedestrian safety significantly.

##### CONSULTATION

Consultation is a requirement of the design process.

##### COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Plan 6631\_SK03 be approved.

##### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



## 4.2 CORRIMAL Town Centre – Ward 1

### Princes Highway – Pedestrian Crossing

#### BACKGROUND

Council proposes to upgrade the pedestrian crossing facilities at the intersection of Princes Highway and Russell Street. A wombat crossing is proposed to provide a safe crossing location for pedestrians and also provide traffic calming through the town centre adding to the road safety benefit. The facility has been modelled and will cause minimal delay to traffic flow.

The volume of traffic currently using the Princes Highway through Corrimal CBD makes it challenging for pedestrians to cross without there being a change in the priority. As there is an alternate route for through traffic it is appropriate to treat the Princes Highway at this location as a high pedestrian area with limited priority for vehicular movements.

The Princes Highway has been identified as a local road and the installation of the crossing would divert the volume of traffic to the arterial roads

#### CONSULTATION

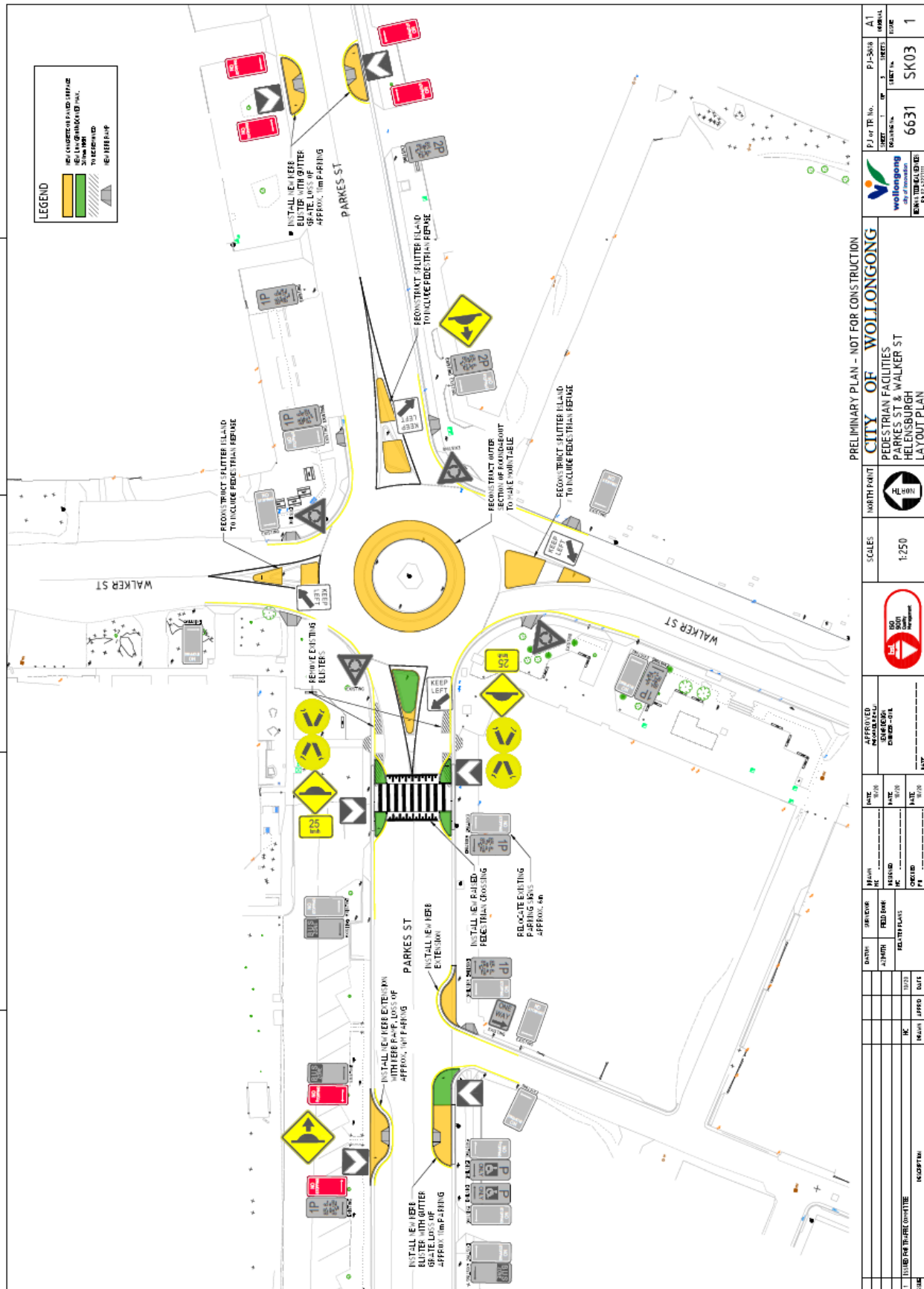
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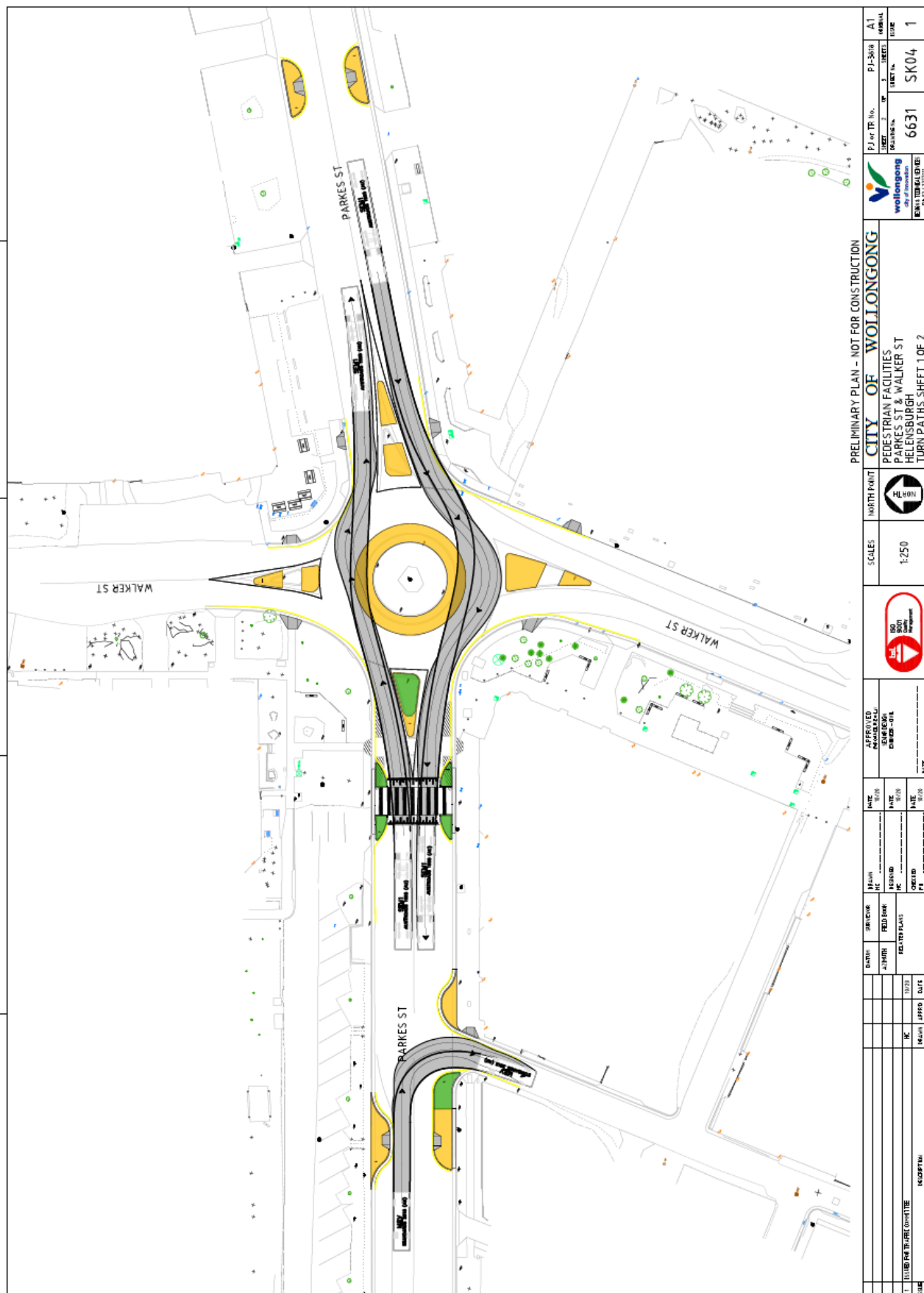
#### **COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:**

Plan 6933\_C01 be approved pending comments from Transport for NSW

#### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The next meeting of the City of Wollongong Traffic Committee will be held on 11 November 2020 at 9.15am.





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Plan 6933\_C01  
Princes Highway, Corrimal

