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WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL



MINUTES CITY OF WOLLONGONG TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

at 9.15 am

22 February 2022

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.

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Nathan McBriarty	Traffic and Transport Unit Leader	3 March 2022
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Name	Title	Date
Greg Doyle	General Manager	14 March 2022



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	
Rob Gaudiosi	Wollongong City Council
Andrew Byers	Wollongong City Council
Nathan McBriarty (Chair)	Wollongong City Council
Richard Adams	Wollongong City Council
Adrian Vaquera	Wollongong City Council
Robyn Dorman	Wollongong City Council
Senior Constable David Adams	NSW Police
Justin Miles	Transport for NSW
Donna Binns	Transport for NSW
Stephen Burridge	Busabout
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 Robyn Dorman.

1.3 Declarations of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.4 Apologies

An apology was received and accepted by John Granland and Les Dion.

1.5 Confirmation of Minutes

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee confirmed the previous minutes as an accurate record.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.6 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

There was no business arising from the previous meeting.

2 GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 HELENSBURGH, Old Station Road – Ward 1 – No Parking Restrictions

BACKGROUND

The local bus operator has contacted Council regarding traffic conditions on Old Station Road, Helensburgh from the driveway of 20 Old Station Road to the intersection with The Crescent. Old Station Road is a local bus route which is used by the route 15 service.

The bus operator servicing the area has noted that there have been some near miss collisions between buses and other road users. The issue was raised as Old Station Road is 7.5m wide in this section with constrained sight distance. Most of the properties along this section have dual access on The Crescent.

Recently, due to the construction of a new property which only has a frontage on Old Station Road, there has been an increase in parked vehicles on this section, reducing the amount of road space available.

It is proposed to install No Parking signs on both sides of the road on this section.

CONSULTATION

Consult with all residents fronting Old Station Road between 20 Old Station Road and The Crescent, Helensburgh.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Install No Parking restrictions on both sides of the road between 20 Old Station Road and The Crescent.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2.2 AVONDALE, Intersection of Avondale Road and Huntley Road – Ward 3 – Intersection Improvements BACKGROUND



A resident has raised concerns regarding the lack of legibility of this intersection for westbound motorists on Huntley Road. The historic rural road intersection layout has a separated one-way southbound approach and northbound left slip lane. Consequently, some motorists turning right from Huntley Road into Avondale Road are entering the one-way southbound section of road by mistake, causing obvious safety concerns.

Whilst Council will investigate potential realignment of the intersection, some simple line marking, and signage improvements will help increase road user safety at this intersection in the short term. The installation of dual left/right turn pavement arrows for the southbound approach on Avondale Road plus a No Entry sign on the eastern side of the intersection for Huntley Road traffic will alert drivers who may mistakenly attempt to turn right from Huntley Road at this location.

Other accompanying improvements are also planned, including re-marking edge lines and replacing a missing Stop sign.

CONSULTATION

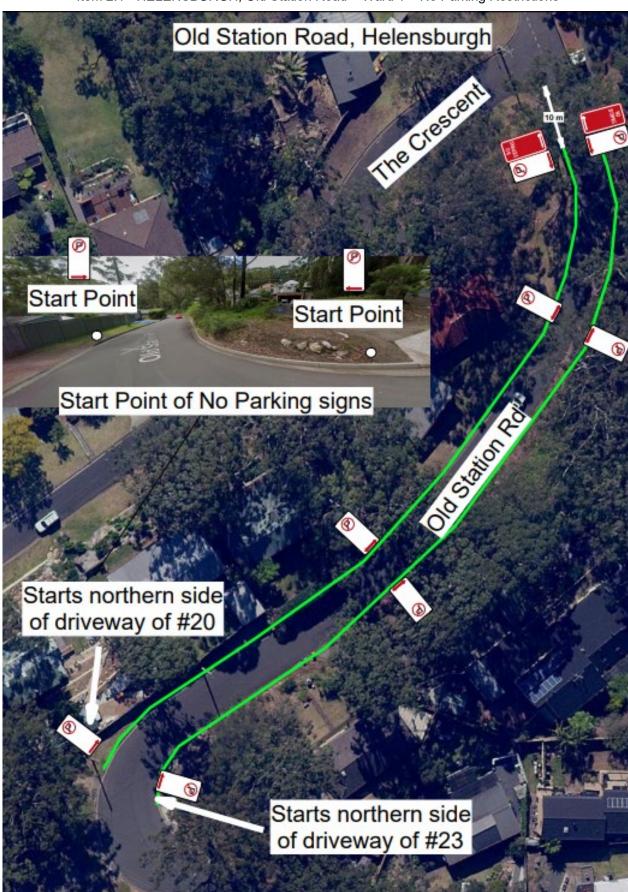
No consultation is required as the proposed treatments are reinforcing existing road rules and improving road safety at this location.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Install dual left/right pavement arrows for the southbound approach on Avondale Road and install No Entry sign facing Huntley Road on the eastern side of the intersection.

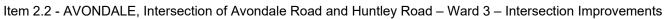
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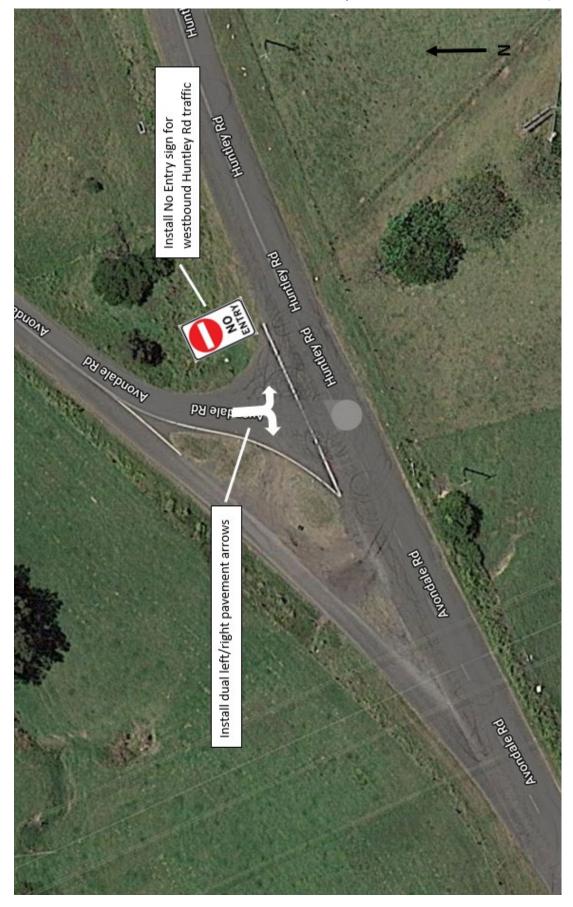




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3 **REGULATION OF TRAFFIC**

3.1 WOLLONGONG, WIN Stadium – Ward 1 – Major Events Schedule for 2022

BACKGROUND

The venue Manager at the WIN Sports and Entertainment Centres has asked Council for approval for the regulation of traffic with reference to Major Events being held at WIN Sports and Entertainment Centre in 2022. WIN Stadium Events are as follows:

NRLW Triple Header – Sunday 6 March 2022 Nitro Circus Live – Friday 11 March, with contingency date of Monday 14 March 2022 STGI Dragons v Cronulla Sharks – Thursday 24 March 2022 STGI Dragons v Newcastle Knights – Sunday 17 April 2022 STGI Dragons v Wests Tigers – Sunday 1 May 2022 STGI Dragons v South Sydney Rabbitohs – Thursday 16 June 2022 STGI Dragons v Canberra Raiders – Sunday 3 July 2022 STG Dragons v Gold Coast Titans – Sunday 21 August 2022

The temporary road closures include the southbound lanes of Harbour Street between Crown and Burelli Streets and full road closure of Harbour Street from Burelli to Stewart Street.

As with previous events at this venue, the regulation of traffic is set out in the TMP's originally approved as part of the development and consent for this facility, based on expected crowd numbers. The scale of traffic management will vary based on forecast attendance and venue configuration. All games will be played using the 10-15,000 scale TMP. Some games will have a lower anticipated attendance and based on a risk assessment; the same plan will be implemented without the 5 x truck mounted attenuators.

CONSULTATION

Consultation with affected residents and businesses is a condition of approval for this road closure.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The road closures be approved subject to <u>Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures</u> and the submitted Traffic Control Plans.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.2 WOLLONGONG Stuart Park – Ward 2 – Fisher Bigger Than A Beach Party Australian Tour

BACKGROUND

Kicks Entertainment Projects PL previously applied to hold Fisher Bigger Than A Beach Party, however the event has been postponed to May 2022 (due to COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings). The venue was also moved to Stuart Park to allow for 2 sqm per person. This event was previously approved by the Traffic Committee at its meeting of 10 August 2021. The event is proposed to take place on Saturday 7 May 2022 with a total capacity of 16,000 people, with two zones of 8,000 people (pending health exemption if required). The expected demographic of the event is 22-30 years old with a 45% male and 55% female split. Gates open at 12pm and close at 9pm.

The event will affect George Hanley Drive and the surrounding roads, with different Traffic Control Plans being implemented throughout the day:

7am - 5pm: TCP01 (no crossing supervisor provided – road open) 5pm - 8.45pm: TCP02 (crossing providing with traffic control – road open) 8.30pm -10.30pm: TCP03 (George Hanley Drive closed) 8.30pm - 10.30pm: TCP04 (George Hanley Drive closed)

In the event COVID-19 restrictions are still in place or are reinstated, the proposed contingency date is Saturday 12 November 2022.

CONSULTATION

It is a condition of approval that the applicant consult with residents and businesses who may be affected by the road closure.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:



 TCP is to be adjusted to remove the Pleasant Avenue detour. The TCP is to include the detour around the closed section of George Hanley Drive to be via Bourke Street and Virginia Street. A revised copy of the TCP is to be sent Council's Traffic unit.

The proposed road closure is approved subject to the provided Traffic Control Plan and <u>Council's Standard</u> <u>Conditions for Road Closures</u>. Applicant to be advised of need for VMS on Kembla Street northbound, in advance of the commencement of the event.

Council's Events team to note that the Mothers' Day Classic will be held on the following day at this location.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3.3 WARRAWONG Mowbray Lane – Ward 2 – Demolition of Buildings

BACKGROUND

Stop Slow Traffic Control have made application for a full road closure of Mowbray Lane to allow for demolition of buildings at the old Nissan car yard site, as one of the buildings is on the property boundary and laneway. The closure will be for the section of laneway from the chemist carpark, north to Turpin Lane. The proposed road closure will take place on Monday 7 March 2022, with a contingency date of Tuesday 8 March 2022, between the hours of 7am to 5pm.

CONSULTATION

It is a condition of approval that the applicant consult with residents and businesses who may be affected by the road closure.

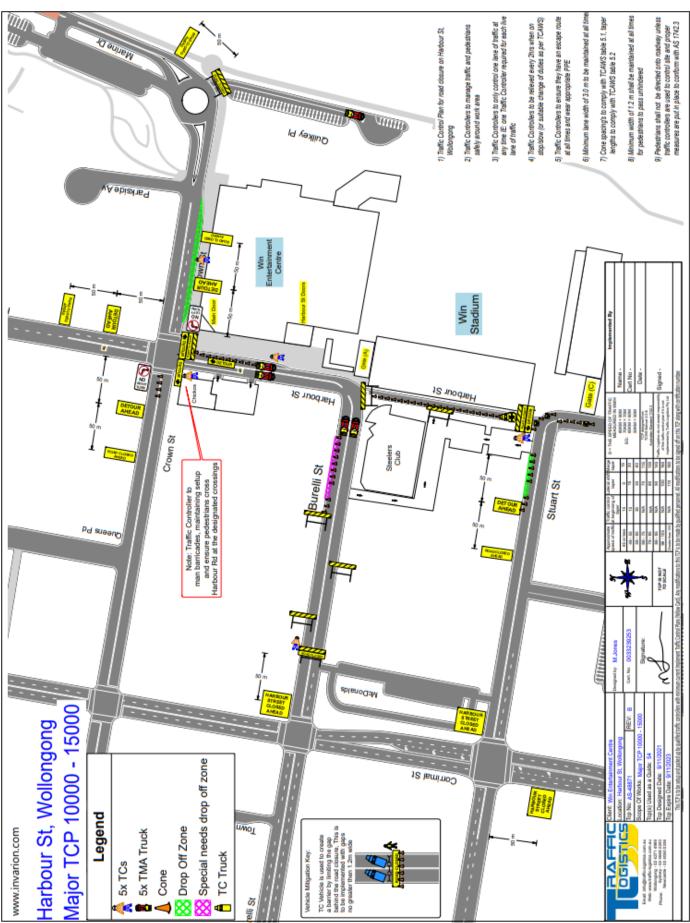
COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The proposed road closure is approved subject to the provided Traffic Control Plan and <u>Council's Standard</u> <u>Conditions for Road Closures</u>.

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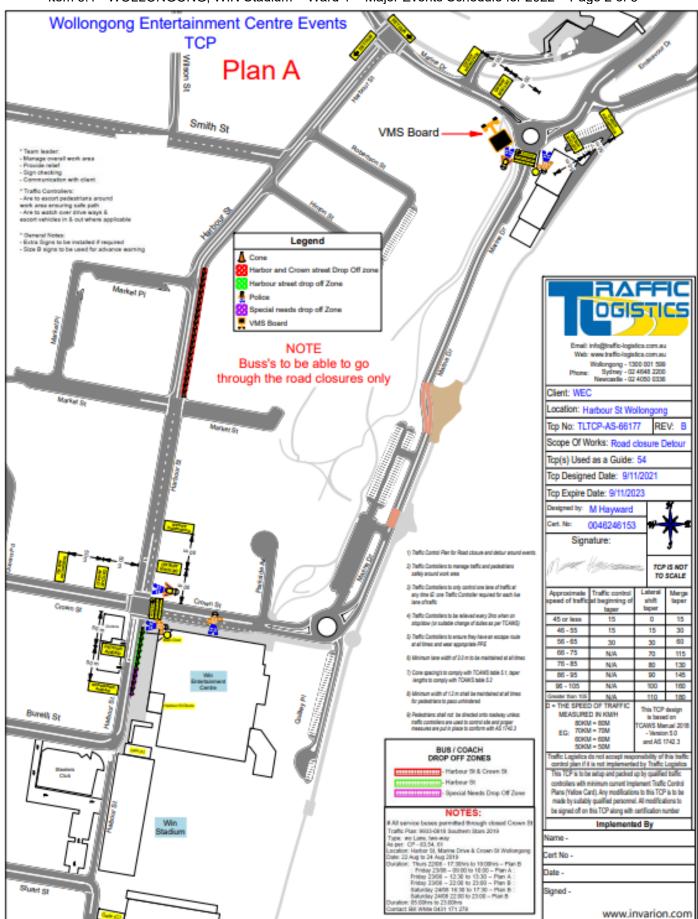
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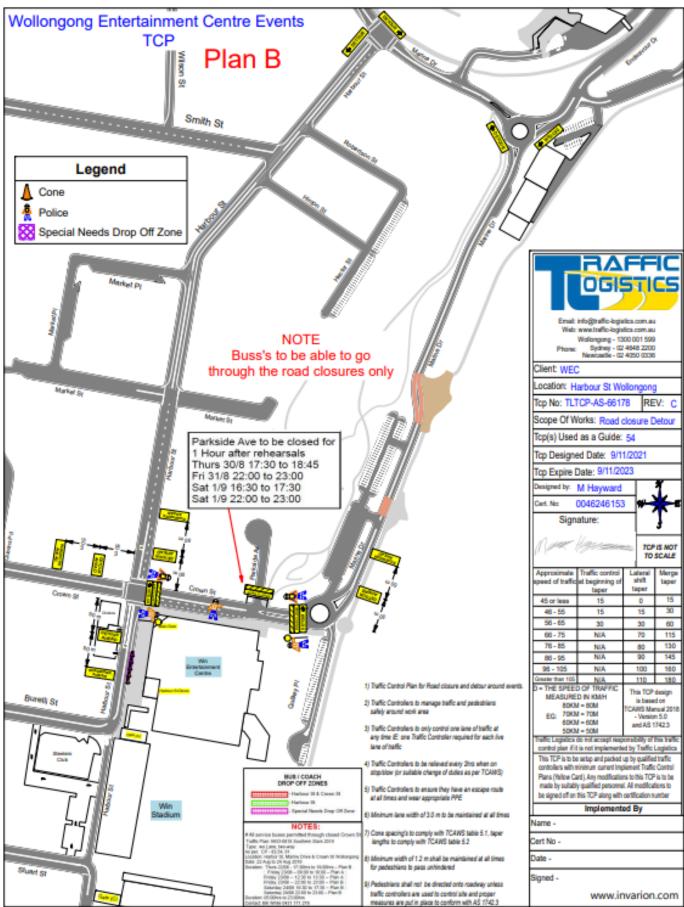
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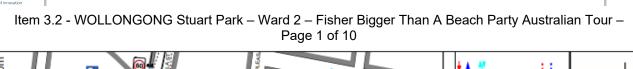
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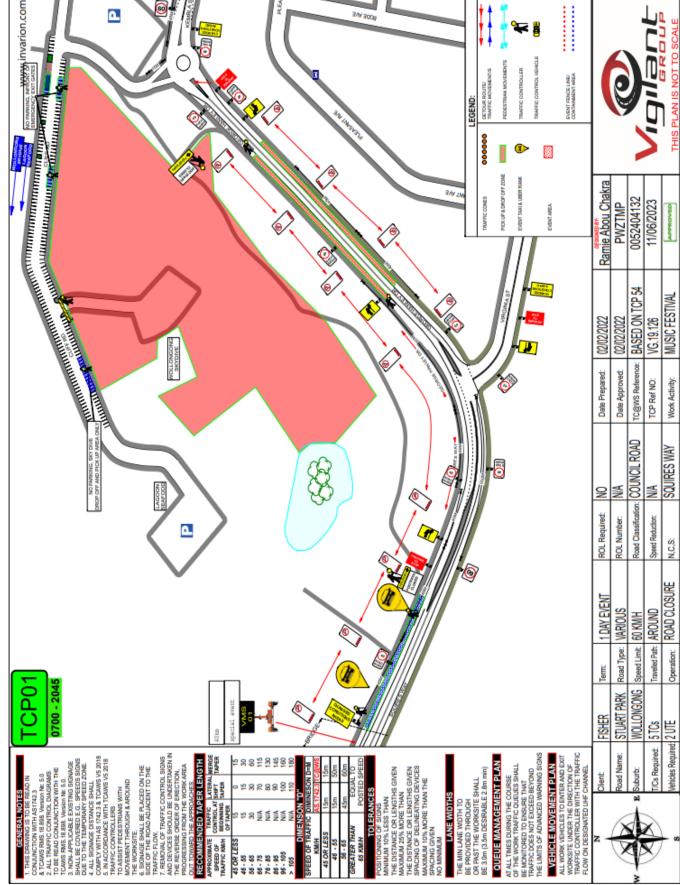
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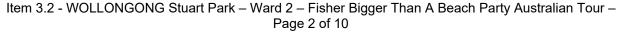
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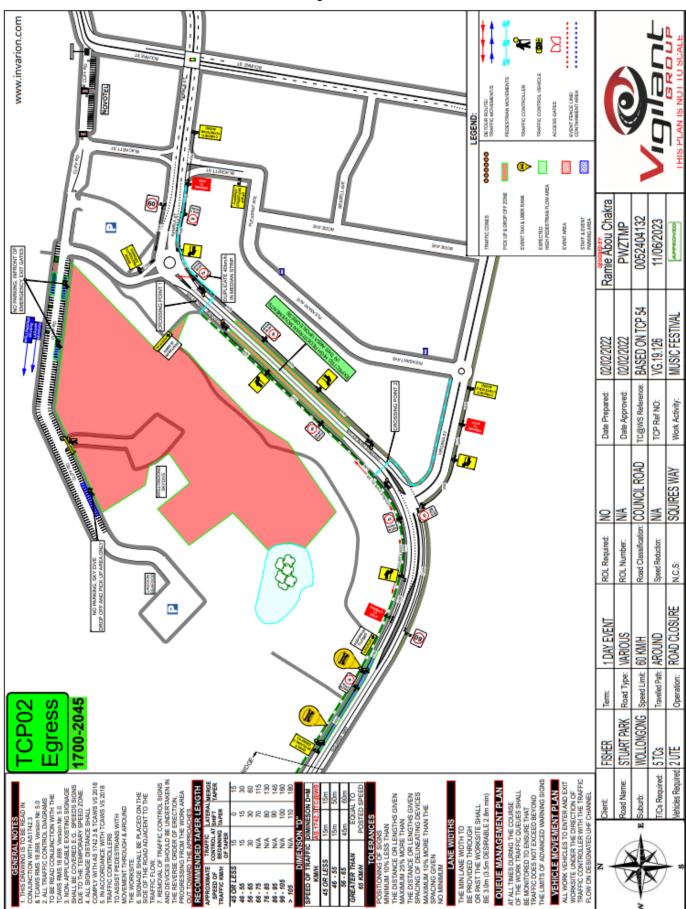




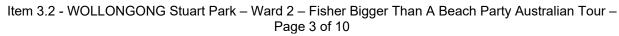


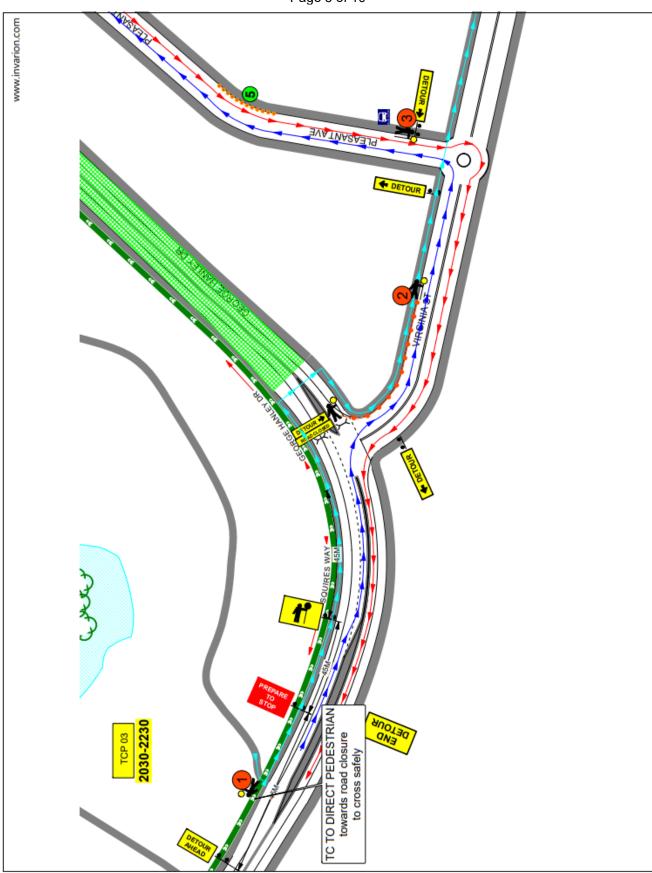




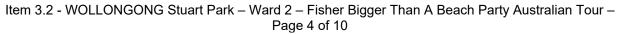


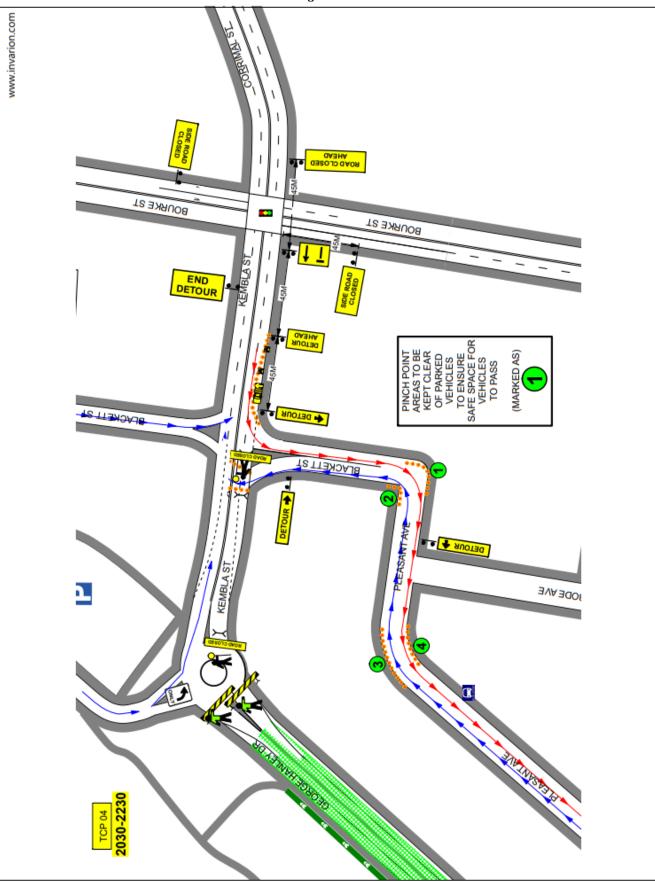






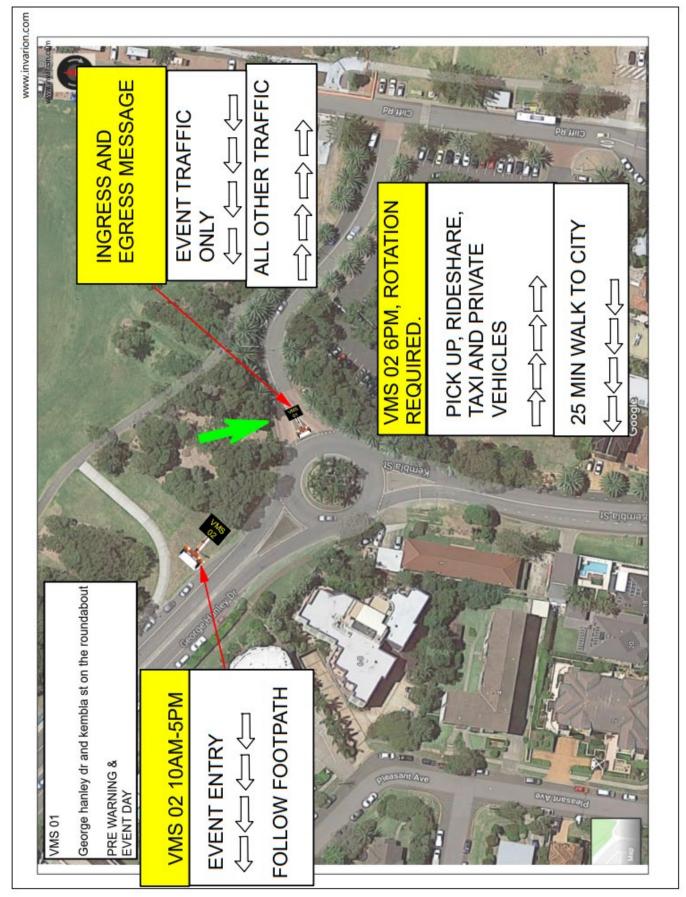




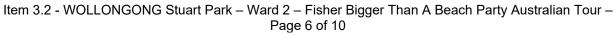


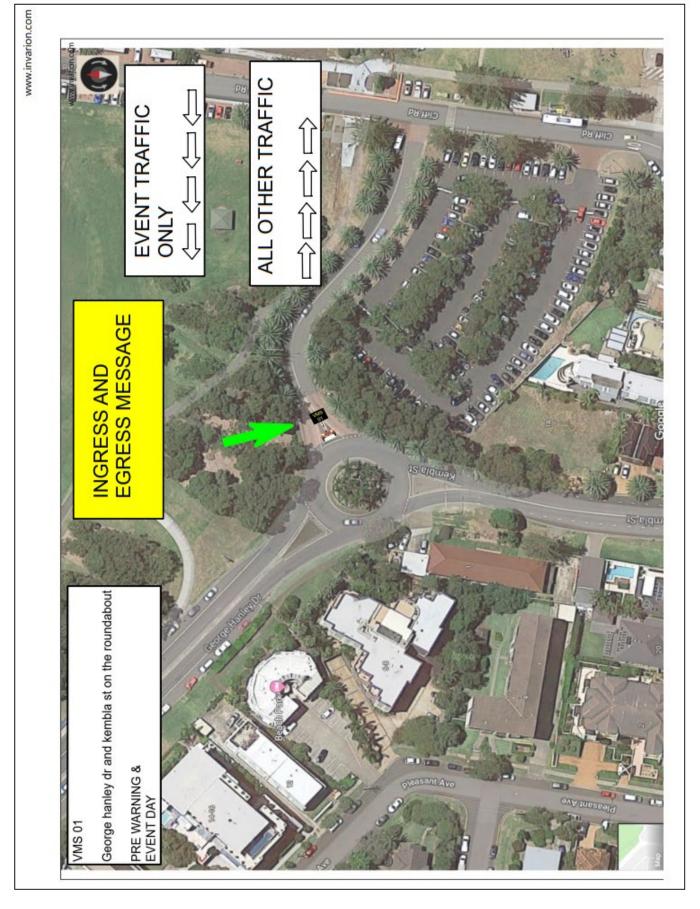


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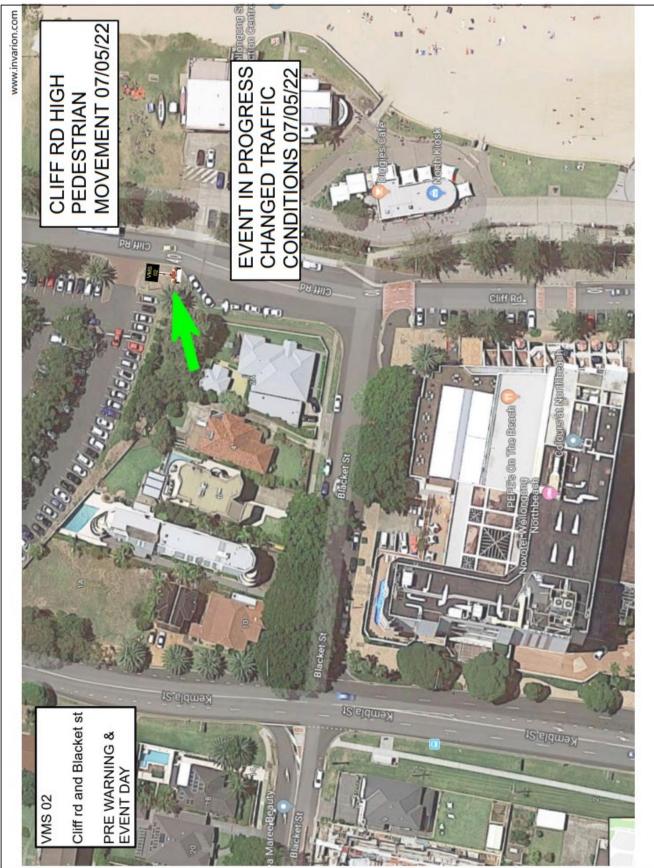






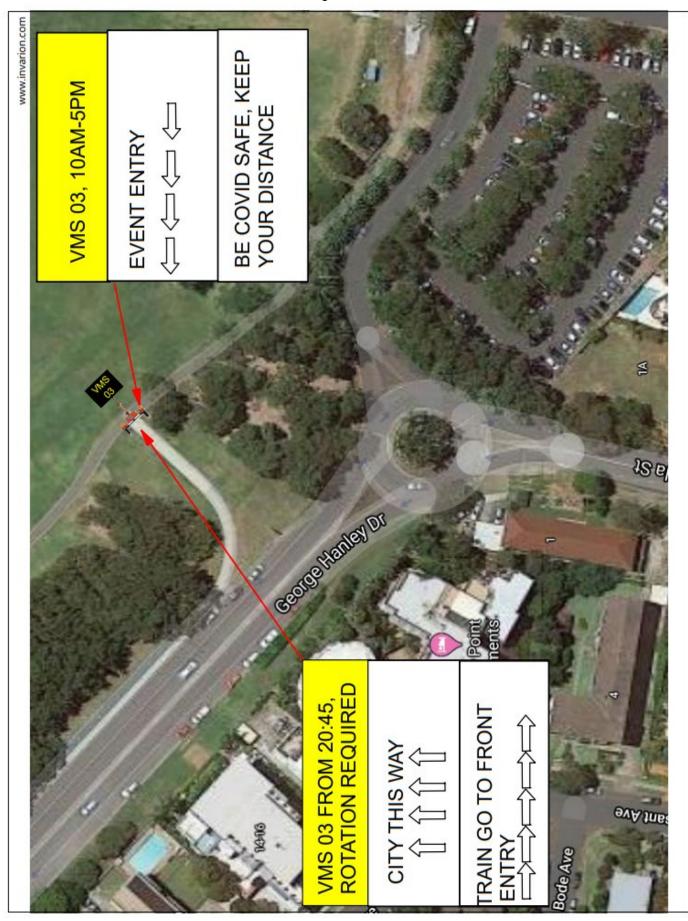


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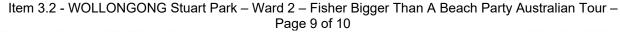


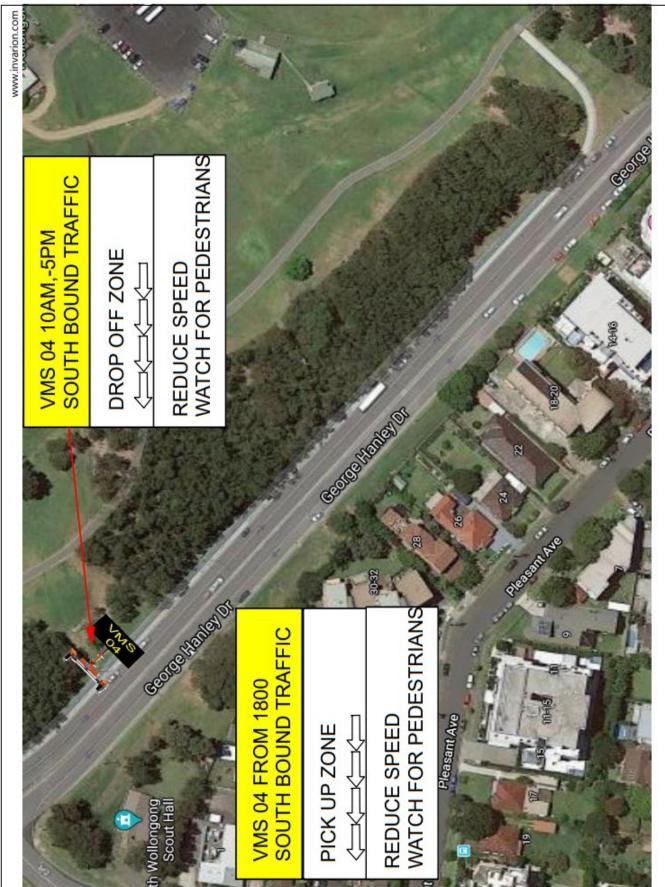


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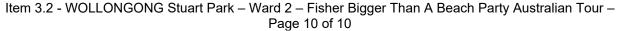


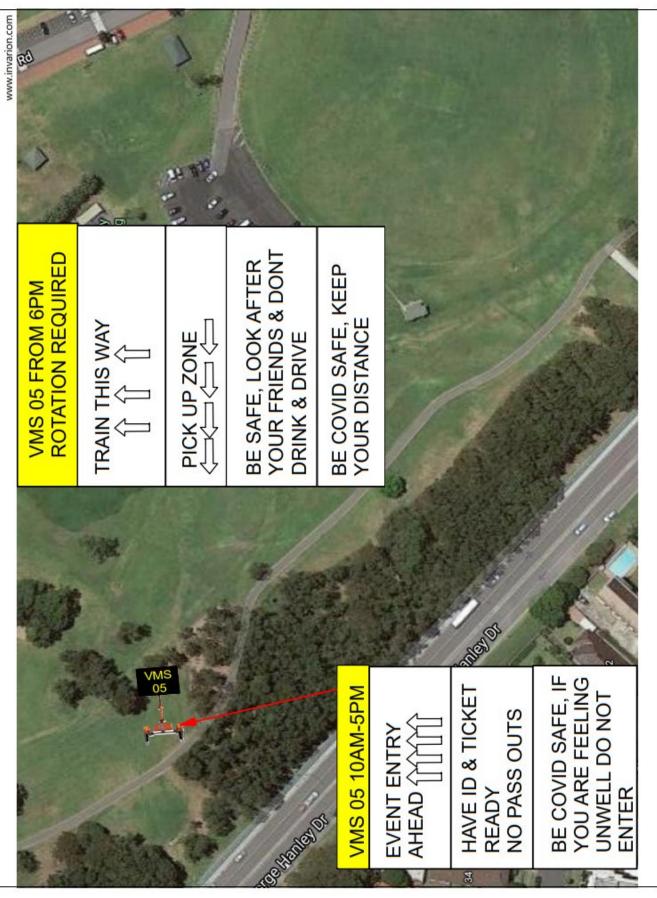




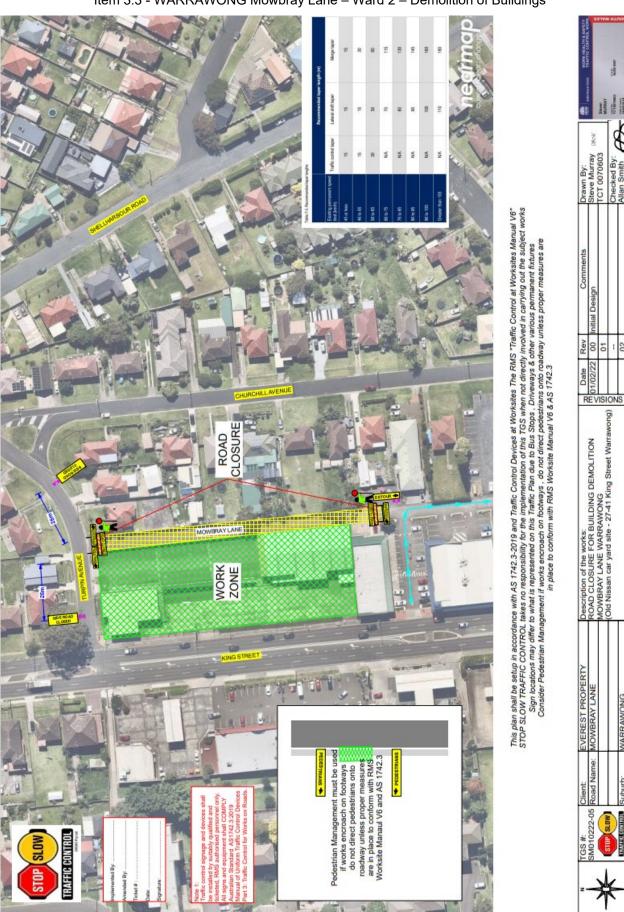












Item 3.3 - WARRAWONG Mowbray Lane - Ward 2 - Demolition of Buildings

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4 DESIGN MATTERS

4.1 FAIRY MEADOW AND NORTH WOLLONGONG, Princes Highway – Ward 1 – Shared Path

BACKGROUND

This project is to formalise and continue the shared user path and associated crossing facilities between North Wollongong Station and Gipps Avenue, Fairy Meadow. The project incorporates the upgrade of signals to shared path lanterns, shared path line marking and associated kerb ramp widening where practical and within reasonable cost.

The Princes Highway and Flinders Street form the Regional and State network linking Wollongong to the wider Illawarra region. This route provides a vital active transport link between Wollongong CBD and Fairy Meadow Village Centre and their associated infrastructure and services. It also provides links to the Innovation Campus, UOW main Campus, Wollongong TAFE and many schools.

The distance is circa 2 km, from Guest Street in Fairy Meadow to the intersection of Station Street and Flinders Street in North Wollongong. This route is a significant missing link in our cycling network and is a very high priority for the community.

CONSULTATION

Consultation will occur after the UCI event.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The attached drawings 6960 be approved.

The design is to consider extending the path to Elliotts Road, to capture the town centre.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.2 WARRAWONG, Minnegang Street – Ward 2 – Pedestrian Refuge Island

BACKGROUND

As part of the Federal and State Stimulus Road Safety Program, Council has received funding to install a pedestrian Refuge Island including kerb ramps in Minnegang Street at the intersection of Cowper Street. This project was focussed on safety around schools, however, will increase safety for all pedestrians who currently have to negotiate the wide (approx. 19m) intersection when crossing Minnegang Street. It will also assist in reducing vehicular entry speeds into Minnegang Street benefitting road safety generally.

CONSULTATION

Consultation with the community has not yet been completed and will include notifying the nearby Warrawong Primary and High Schools of the improved pedestrian safety measures.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

The attached Plan 7126_C01-1 be approved, with the addition of "Look Right" and "Look Left" pavement stencils at the kerb ramps and central splitter island.

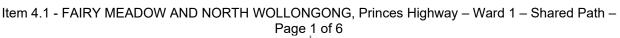
Consideration be given to widening the refuge to accommodate times when large groups of school students use the facility. No Stopping signage to be removed and yellow lines to be added to the proposed. Impact on driveways to be considered as part of any proposed widening adjustment.

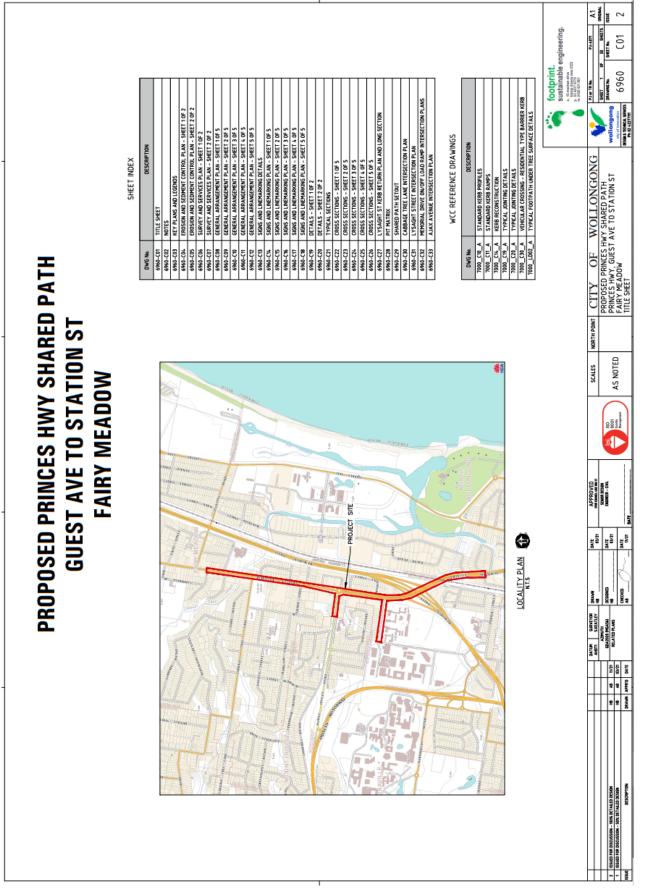
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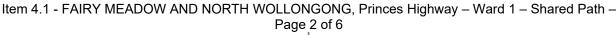


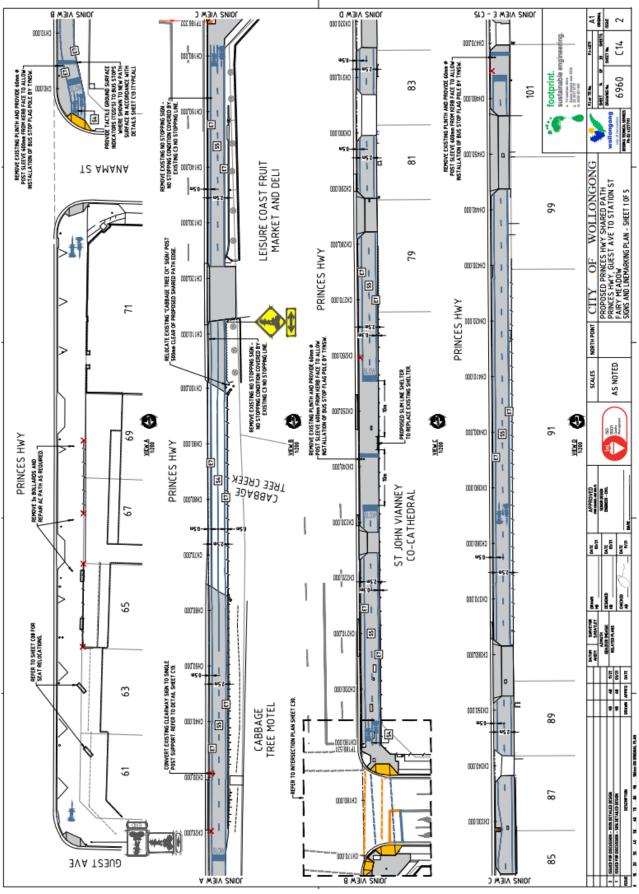
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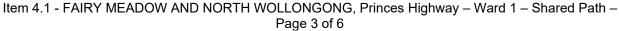
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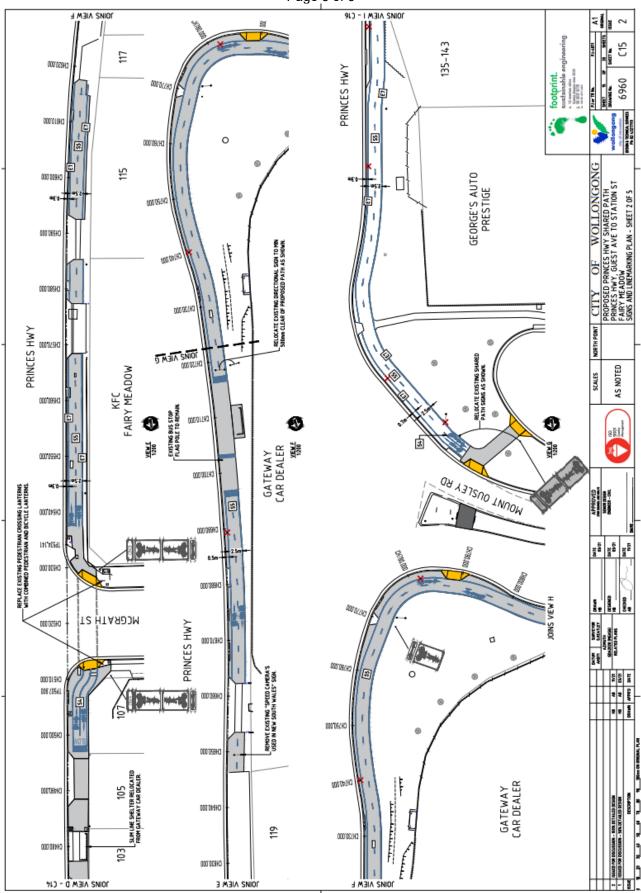


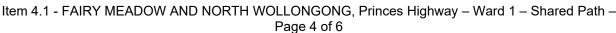


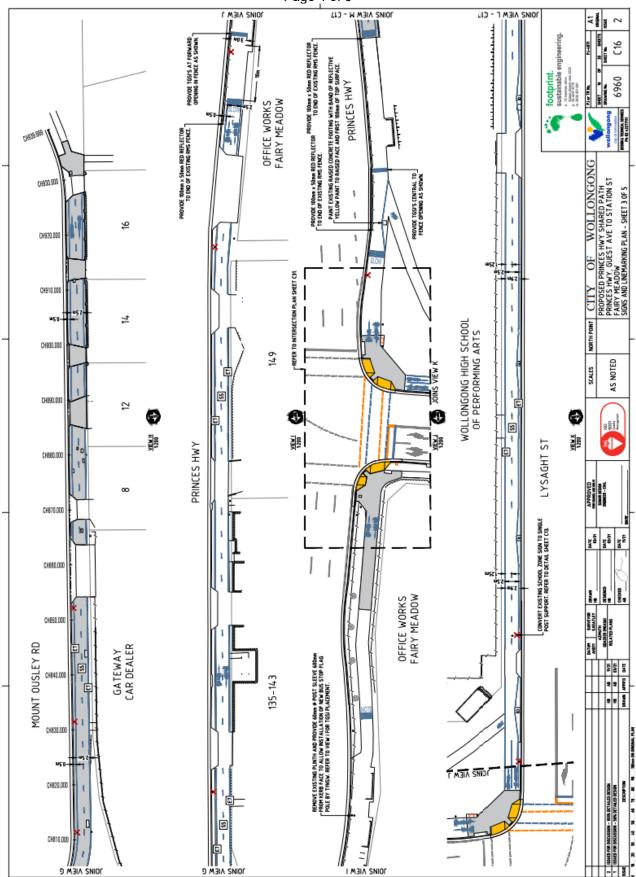




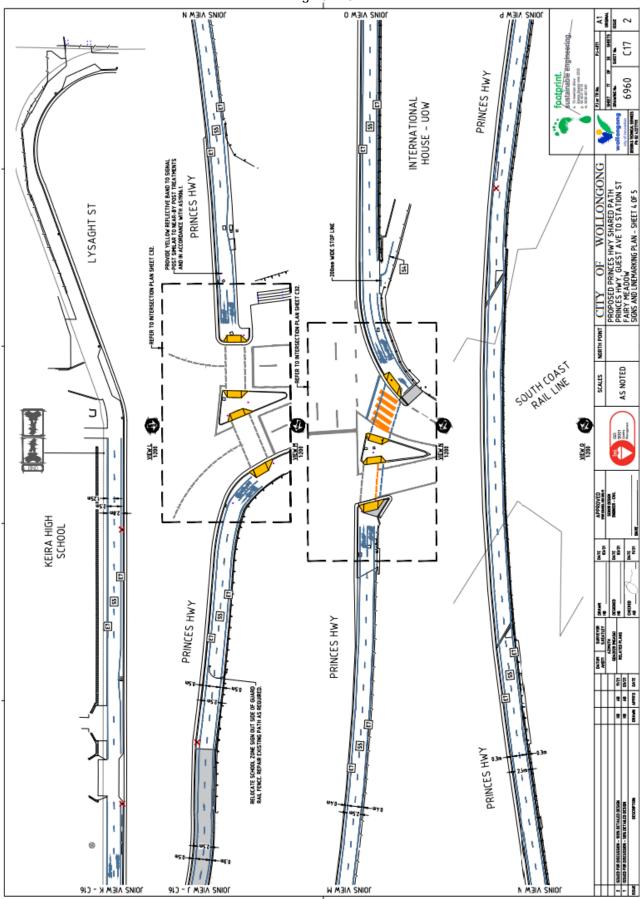


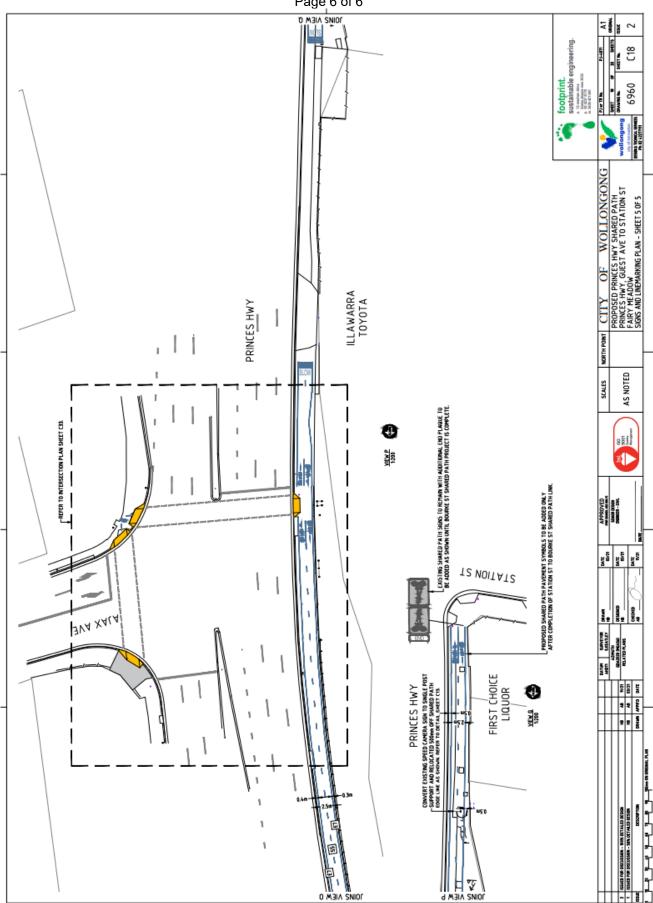










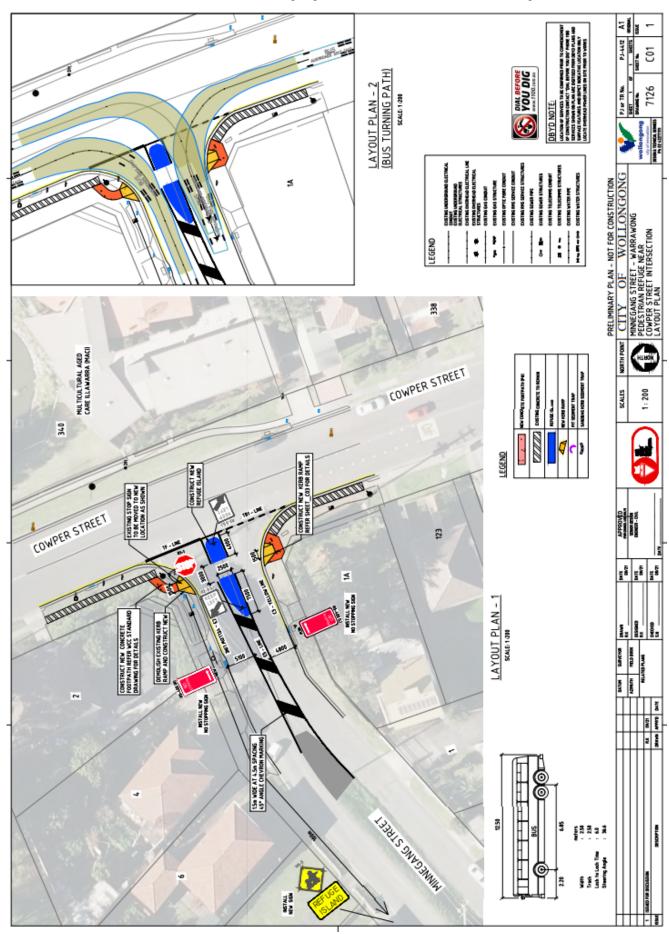


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Item 4.2 - WARRAWONG, Minnegang Street - Ward 2 - Pedestrian Refuge Island





5 DOB IN A HOON (SPEED COMPLAINTS)

STREET	SUBURB	CONCERN
Stewart Street between Corrimal and Harbour Street	WOLLONGONG	CR0107593 – request for noise inhibitors
Ridley Parade	UNANDERRA	CR0105265 – request for speed humps to deter hoon drivers/trail bike riders
Lawrence Hargrave Drive between Bald Hill and Seacliff Bridge	STANWELL PARK / STANWELL TOPS	Request to close Bald Hill carparks with boom gates between dusk and dawn to deter congregating of anti-social drivers

6 LATE ITEM

6.1 WOLLONGONG, Crown Lane – Ward 2 – Outdoor Dining

BACKGROUND

Wollongong Council is committed to supporting local business through COVID 19 economic recovery. One of the initiatives to support the hospitality industry is extended outdoor dining opportunities within our streets. Crown Lane has been identified as a suitable location for extended Outdoor Dining. The impact of closing the lane will have minimal effect to the road network function, with pedestrian safety improved in this high pedestrian area, through the temporary removal of vehicles through the lane. While not all businesses will be able to have outdoor dining due to the slope of the road, all will benefit from improved pedestrian access and amenity to their businesses. Council, with the endorsement of the City of Wollongong Traffic Committee, is proposing a closure of Crown Lane to pilot extended outdoor dining at this location, as it is safe and will have minimal impact to the road network. This pilot closure will be from 24 November 2021 until 28 February 2022. The entire laneway is a No Stopping zone on both sides and therefore parking will not be impacted by the proposed closure. Emergency vehicles will still be able to access the area via Rawson Street and Crown Street, if required. This item was previously reported to the City of Wollongong Traffic Committee as an e-meeting on 1 November 2021 and was supported by the Committee.

Council has received positive feedback from the closure of Crown Lane for extended outdoor dining activities when we went out to consultation to the 500+ surrounding residents. We are seeking the approval of extending the closure for this event and during the UCI World Championships in 2022 (18 September – 25 September). This space will be required during the UCI to accommodate the additional visitors to the city during the event with minimal impact to the network. It has been seen that with the lane closed, efficiency on Crown Street and Keira Street has been achieved which will be a benefit to public transport during the UCI event. The reason we are prosing the dates to be extended past both events (until 4 October) is to ensure consistency for road users by not opening/closing the road a number of times throughout the year. The request for an extension to the road closure has been reported as an e-meeting on 23 February 2022.

Laneways Alive

Council has applied for an Investment NSW Grant to deliver the "Laneways Alive" Festival. This event would be a local, creative, curated place-based festival to celebrate and promote Wollongong's unique and evolving laneway culture and recent status as a global Bike City. Globe and Crown Lanes would come to life through an experiential journey of food, beverage, colour, art, movement, and sound.

The scheduled festival dates are for 28 April to 30 April 2022. However, this timeframe requires flexibility to reflect that while this application has passed the first approval round, Investment NSW is still to determine grant recipients which was originally scheduled to be announced in early February 2022.

CONSULTATION

Council has undertaken a second round of consultation with business owners in the laneway who are working towards developing this lane way with temporary solutions to continue to engage people in this space. One of these initiatives is a Laneways Alive festival which will occur in a Globe and Crown Lanes in late April.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Extend the November Local Traffic Committee recommendation of the Crown Lane closure (vehicle traffic) until 4 October 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The next meeting of the City of Wollongong Traffic Committee will be held on 29 March 2022 at 9:15am.