WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL

Traffic Committee Meeting Agenda





WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL 2020

9.15 AM

LEVEL 10, ROOM 2

PURPOSE OF MEETING

The City of Wollongong Traffic Committee is not a Committee of Wollongong City Council however a Technical Committee of Transport for NSW (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 the TfNSW (previously RMS) 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 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, Transport for NSW, 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 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.



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1 STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- 1.1 Welcome
- 1.2 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."

- 1.3 Declarations of Interest
- 1.4 Apologies
- 1.5 Confirmation of Minutes Arising from Previous Minutes

Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting Held on 11 March 2020

1.6 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

2 GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 WOONONA Princes Highway - WARD 1

Princes Highway – Extend No Stopping Restrictions

BACKGROUND

Woonona Public School has asked that sight lines to the signals at the Gray Street/Princes Highway Intersection be improved for south bound traffic. The south bound approach is on a steep uphill gradient, parked vehicles within 50 m of the signals may obstruct a driver's view of the signals. Sight lines can be improved by removing 3 parking spaces on the eastern side of the Highway by installing No Stopping restrictions between the northern driveway to 481-485 Princes Highway Woonona and the existing No Stopping sign.

The business at this address has access for its customers at the rear from Gordon Street and does not rely on parking on the Highway where it is proposed to extend the restrictions. A traffic signals ahead warning sign may also assist on the south bound approach on the Highway, approximately 100 m from Gray Street.

CONSULTATION

No consultation required.

PROPOSAL

The No Stopping restrictions on the eastern side of the Princes Highway at the Gray Street intersection Woonona, to be extended from the existing No Stopping sign to the northern driveway to 481-485 Princes Highway Woonona.

2.2 WOLLONGONG Rawson Street – WARD 2

Rawson Street - No Parking Emergency Vehicles Excepted

BACKGROUND

The building on the southern side of Rawson Street is nearing completion and the agents for the developer have requested that Council consider installing a section of No Parking to provide for emergency vehicles. It is understood that the ground floor of the development will have commercial tenants and that the medical centre proposed for one of the units has requested a space on the street for ambulance vehicles. This area is covered by timed ticket parking and the new building changes the street considerably and therefore it is worthwhile to reassess the parking restrictions in the area.

The 17.5 metres proposed for the No Parking area is probably longer than necessary and a length of 12 metres is likely to be more appropriate. The restrictions would then read No Parking – Emergency Vehicles Excepted. As this area has been subject to a full-time road closure during construction the developer will be required to replace all the parking restrictions including the No Parking restrictions being proposed here.

CONSULTATION

No further consultation required.

PROPOSAL

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The developer be required to install 12 metres of No Parking restrictions – Emergency Vehicles Excepted on the southern side of Rawson Street at the eastern end of the property at no. 3.

2.3 WOLLONGONG Northfields Avenue – WARD 2

Northfields Avenue - No Stopping - Buses Excepted

BACKGROUND

The bus operators for both route services and the University of Wollongong Shuttle services have requested additional lay-over areas be provided close to the bus interchange at the western end of Northfields Avenue. Bus drivers need to be within walking distance of lunch and toilet facilities, so it has not been possible to establish a lay-over area in other nearby streets.

At a site meeting the area on the southern side of Northfields Avenue and immediately west of the bus interchange was identified as a suitable lay-over area. It is currently signposted No Stopping however providing buses park well to the left there is sufficient room for a normal traffic lane. Furthermore, buses parked at this location don't obstruct the angled parking on the northern side of Northfields Avenue.

CONSULTATION

Consultation has been conducted with bus operators and the University of Wollongong.

PROPOSAL

The existing No Stopping restrictions on the southern side of Northfields Avenue immediately west of the bus interchange be replaced with No Stopping – Buses Excepted for a length of 45 metres after the standard No Stopping for the roundabout.

2.4 WOLLONGONG Porter Street - WARD 1

Porter Street – No Stopping Restrictions at Par Meadows School

BACKGROUND

The main driveway to Para Meadows School was re-built at the end of 2013 and resulted in a combined entry/entrance driveway. The driveway is the minimum width of 6 metres and doesn't cater adequately for the minibuses used to transport children. A width of 8 metres would make it a more satisfactory driveway.

Further, when the driveway was constructed, it created a single parking space between the private driveway of the adjoining property and the School driveway. Sight distances can be affected depending on the size of vehicles parked at that space. Although the preferred solution is for Para Meadows to widen the driveway, Council is proposing No Stopping restrictions across the driveway due to ongoing concerns for the safety of the school traffic using the driveway.

CONSULTATION

No further consultation is required.

PROPOSAL

Install No Stopping restrictions across the Para Meadows entry/exit driveway to Porter Street and extending across the two private driveways either side of the School.

2.5 WEST WOLLONGONG Mount Keira Road - WARD 1

Mount Keira Road - Adjust Existing School Bus Zone for Edmund Rice College

BACKGROUND

Council and TfNSW staff meet with staff of the College to discuss limited sight distances for students using the kerb blister crossing at the entrance to the College on Mount Keira Road. The bus Zone accommodates 5 buses in the mornings and afternoons, and due to a number of residents' driveways along the Zone it is longer than required.

When buses stop from the western end of the Zone, the bus closest to the College entrance reduces sight distances to vehicles approaching on Mount Keira Road. The Bus Zone can be shortened by relocating the western post and sign 12 metres to the east. It is hoped drivers will be encouraged to fill from the eastern end of the Zone and not stop in the extended No Stopping area between the College driveway and the start of the Bus Zone.

CONSULTATION

No additional consultation is required.

PROPOSAL

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The Edmund Rice College Bus Zone be adjusted by relocating the western most post and sign 12 metres to the east and extending the No Stopping restrictions between the Bus Zone and the College driveway.

3 **REGULATION OF TRAFFIC**

3.1 AVONDALE Avondale Road - WARD 3

Princes Highway – Avondale Road Level Crossing Road Closures 29 May to 1 June 2020

BACKGROUND

Sydney Trains have proposed a closure of the Avondale Road level crossing for the weekend 29 May to 1 June 2020 to take advantage of the next scheduled closure of the South Coast Line. A weekend closure will have the least impact on bus services and there is adequate time for bus services to be re-routed. The traffic control plans submitted include acceptable detour arrangements. Detailed plans to be tabled at the meeting.

CONSULTATION

Consultation with effected residents and bus services is a condition of approval for the applicant.

PROPOSAL

The submitted traffic management plans be approved for the road closure from 9pm on Friday 29 May until 5am on Monday 1 June 2020.

4 DESIGN MATTERS

4.1 WONGAWILLI The Vale - WARD 3

The Vale (New Subdivision off Smiths Lane) Wongawilli – Stage 1 Signs and Lines Plan

BACKGROUND

The developer for the first stage of the Vale residential subdivision has submitted plans for the signs and lines to be installed on the first section of their street network.

CONSULTATION

No consultation required.

PROPOSAL

Plans C2100 and C2101 be approved.

4.2 BELLAMBI Bellambi Lane – WARD 1

Bellambi Lane - Signage and Line-marking

BACKGROUND

The developer of the property on the northern side of Bellambi Lane adjacent to the Gladstone Street junction has proposed to construct a short length of roadway on the undeveloped road reserve to the east of Gladstone Street. This will allow better access to the new development on that site. It is proposed to install a stop sign and double barrier lines at the Gladstone Street junction.

CONSULTATION

No consultation required.

PROPOSAL

Plan C0500 be approved.



4.3 PORT KEMBLA Allan Street- WARD 3

Allan Street, from Military Road to Military Lane - Proposed Signage/linemarking

BACKGROUND

As part of the construction of new kerb & gutter and upgrade existing carpark in Allan Street between Military Road and Military Lane, Port Kembla Council is proposing signage/linemarking and mobility parking spaces.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is a requirement of the design process.

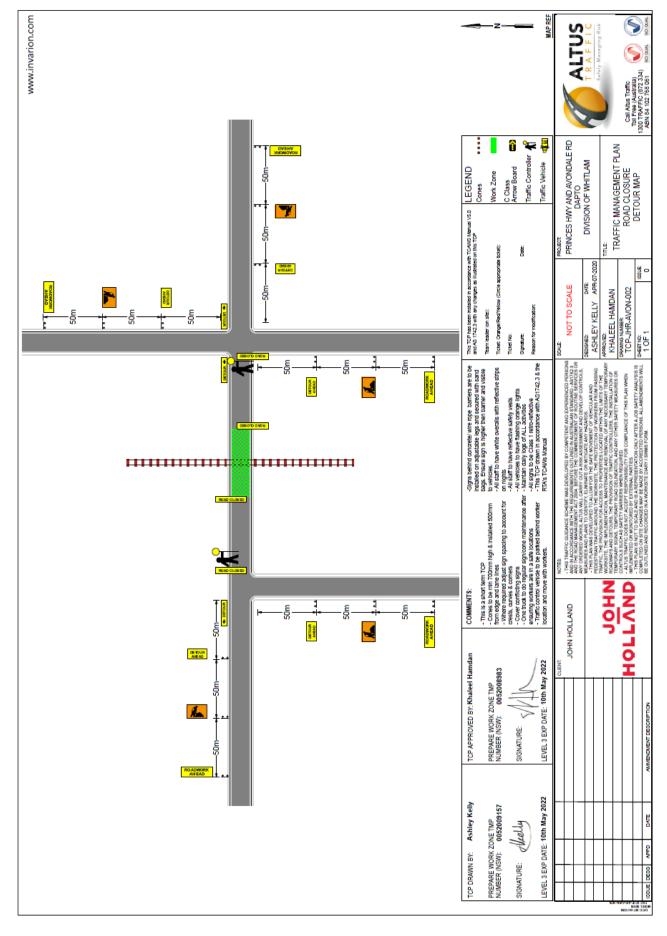
PROPOSAL

Plan 6622_C01 be approved.

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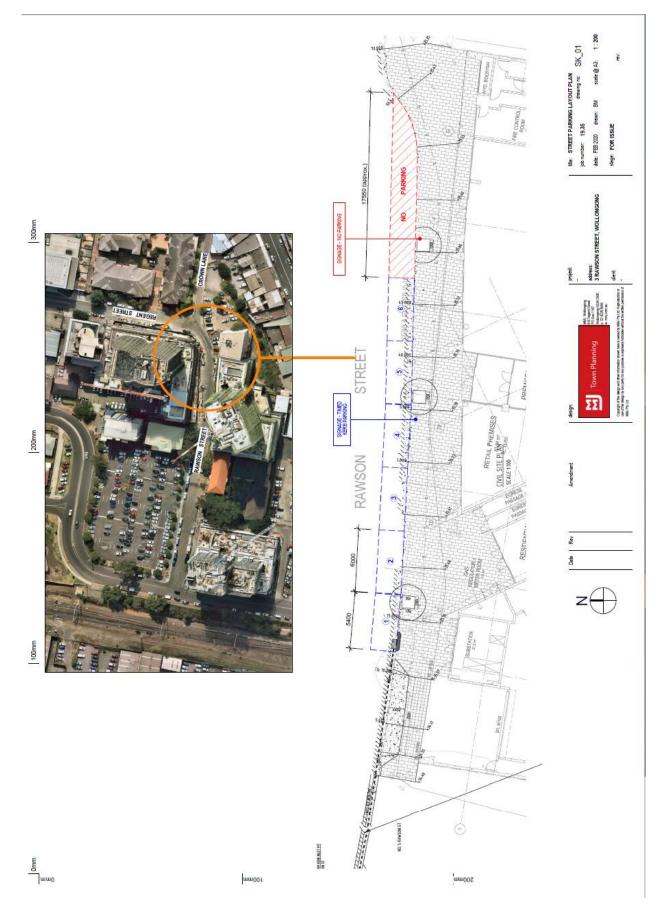
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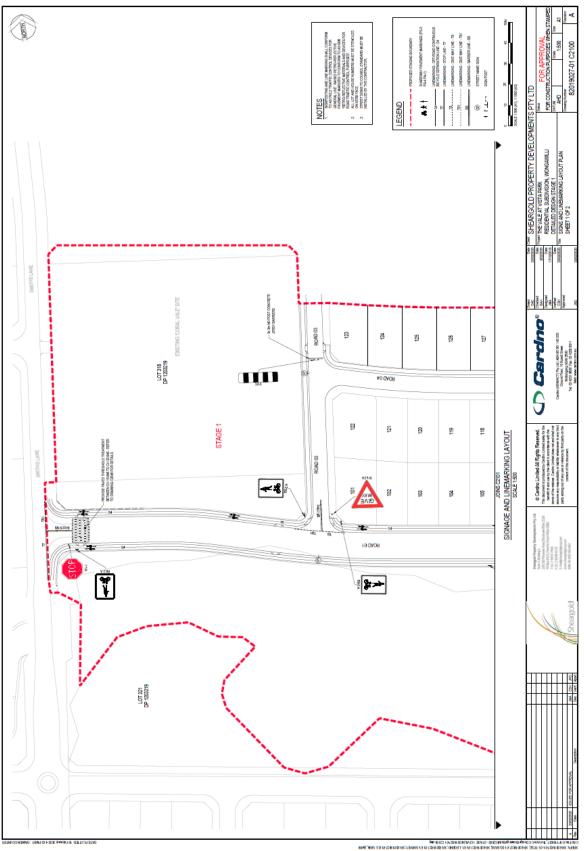


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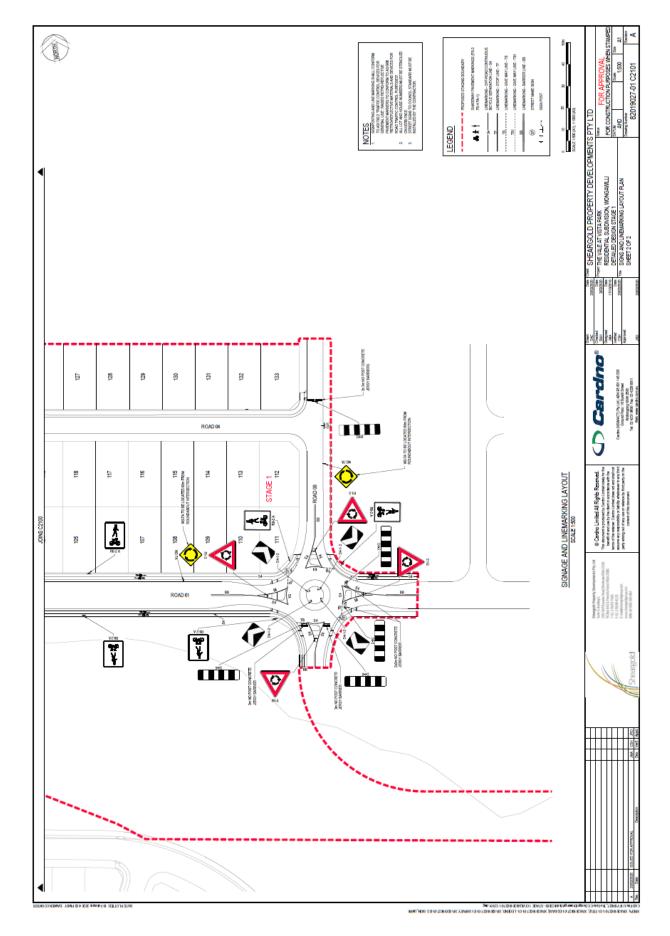


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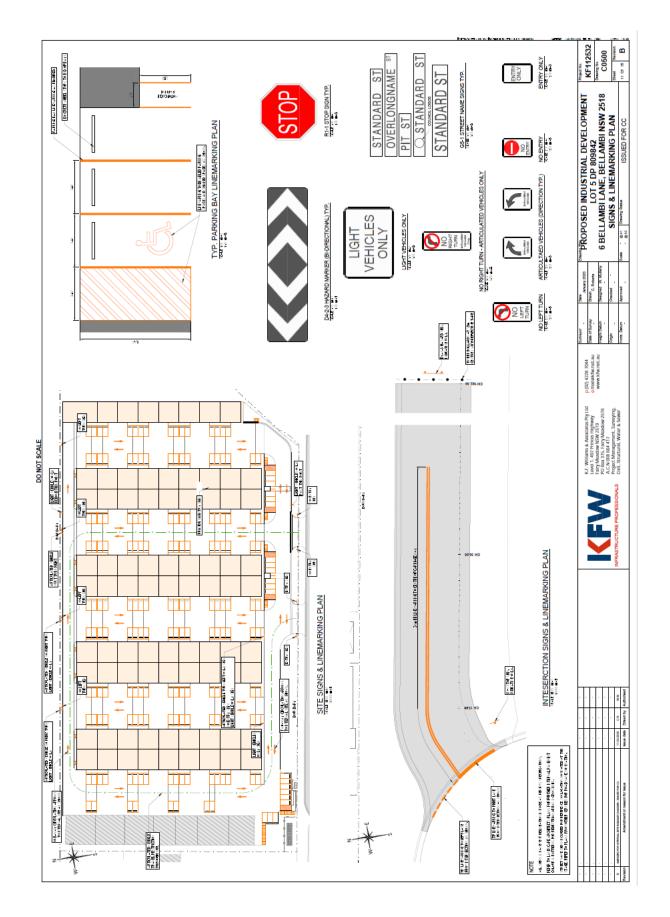


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Plan – Bellambi Lane, Bellambi



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