

WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL

# Local Traffic Forum Minutes

26 August 2025



## MINUTES

## CITY OF WOLLONGONG LOCAL TRAFFIC FORUM

at 9.15 am

### 26 August 2025

#### 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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**TUESDAY 26 AUGUST 2025**  
9.15 AM

## PURPOSE OF MEETING

**The City of Wollongong Traffic Committee** was previously required under the *2011 Delegation to Councils* and the *(2023) Temporary Delegation to Councils No.2*. The City of Wollongong Traffic Committee was not a Committee of Wollongong City Council however a Technical Committee of Transport for NSW (TfNSW). The Committee previously operated under the authority conferred to Council by TfNSW under the Transport Administration Act 1988.

Council historically 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 (previously RMS) document 'A guide to the delegation to councils for the regulation of traffic' (including the operation of Traffic Committees).

### Legislative Update:

The *2011 Delegation to Councils* and the *(2023) Temporary Delegation to Councils No.2* has been revoked and replaced by the *(2025) Authorisation and Delegation Instrument*. Wollongong City Council is currently transitioning from the former Local Traffic Committee framework to the newly established **Local Transport Forum (LTF)**, in line with the 2025 Authorisation and Delegation Instrument issued by Transport for NSW. The LTF is an advisory body designed to support Council as the decision-maker for traffic and transport matters on unclassified and regional roads. It facilitates collaboration between Council, Transport for NSW, NSW Police, and local Members of Parliament, offering technical advice and coordination without formal voting or decision-making powers.

While Council is actively adopting this new delegation model, it is acknowledged that existing templates, processes, and documentation may take time to fully align with the updated structure. During this transitional period, Council will continue to operate with elements of the previous system where necessary, while progressively integrating the principles and practices of the Local Transport Forum.

<b>PRESENT</b>	
<b>Tyson Perry - Chair</b>	<b>Wollongong City Council</b>
<b>Jerah Fox</b>	<b>Wollongong City Council</b>
<b>Glenda Fewings</b>	<b>Wollongong City Council</b>
<b>Ariann Fernie</b>	<b>Transport for NSW</b>
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<b>Senior Constable Vanessa Menzies</b>	<b>NSW Police</b>
<b>Jarrold Thompson</b>	<b>Premier Illawarra</b>
<b>Melissa Garcia</b>	<b>Dion's Bus Service</b>
<b>Julius Villanueva</b>	<b>Transit Systems</b>
<b>John Burns</b>	<b>Representing the Member for Keira and Member for Wollongong</b>

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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 Dharawal Country, the land on which we meet, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and those emerging. We also extend our respects to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people"*

### 1.3 Declarations of Interest

NIL Declarations of Interest were received.

### 1.4 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

There was no business arising.

## 2 REGULATION OF TRAFFIC ITEMS

### 2.1 WOLLONGONG TO BELLAMBI, Various Streets - Ward 1 and 2 – Keira and Wollongong Electorates – World Triathlon Finals 2025 (Class1)

#### BACKGROUND

The 2025 World Triathlon Championship Finals will be held in Wollongong from Wednesday, 15 October 2025 to Sunday, 19 October 2025. The event will feature 4,000 of the top international and age group triathletes from 70+ nations compete. It is one of the top sporting events in the world and is watched by more than 22 million viewers around the globe.

The Championship Finals is comprised of 16 race categories over four days:

1. Age-Group Standard Distance Championship
2. U23 Men Championship
3. U23 Women Championship
4. Age-Group Sprint Distance Championship
5. Junior Men Championship
6. Para Triathlon Championship
7. Junior & U23 Mixed Relay Championship
8. Women PRO T100
9. Men PRO T100
10. Rock N Run Festival Wollongong
11. Para Triathlon Mixed Relay Championship
12. Age-Group Mixed Relay Championship
13. Elite Women Championship Final
14. Elite Men Championship Final
15. Junior Women Championship
16. Age-Group Standard Aquabike Championship

#### Road Closures

Road closures are proposed between 15 October 2025 and 20 October 2025, inclusive. Road impacts and timing of closures vary depending on the event and will be staged throughout the day and will include 'Bump-in' and 'Bump-out' road closures. The event footprint largely extends from Crown Street, Wollongong (south) to Rothery Street, Bellambi (north). Further information regarding the races is available online at <https://wollongongtriathlon.com/event-schedule>.

The start line for the on road component for each race is on Cliff Road, Wollongong. The competitors will travel north and loop back around for the required number of laps. All races will finish on Marine Drive near the corner of Crown Street, Wollongong.

Road Closures will commence implementation at the time outlined within the 'Road Closure Timing Schedule', with traffic controllers and implementation crews setting up relevant signage and barriers. The implementation of all Traffic Guidance Schemes, the management of risk in accordance with the Traffic Management Plan, and accountability for the road closures will be the responsibility of the Event Organiser and Altus (Traffic Management Company). During the road closures, there is to be no vehicular access entering or exiting the course, other than the controlled escorts.

Variable Message Signs (VMS) boards will be set up at key decision point locations to alert the travelling public. VMS will be set up 2 weeks prior to the event.

#### Parking

Kerbside parking is not allowed along the course during the event period. Special Event Clearways (SEC)/Tow-away areas will be implemented by Transport for NSW (TfNSW) at key locations to ensure the course is clear of vehicles during race times. TfNSW will be managing the SEC signs and developing an associated Towing Plan.

Carparks which are directly impacted by the road closures will be closed to the public prior to closures to prevent the vehicles being 'stuck' until the roads reopen. Signage will be implemented 1 week prior to closure notifying of this. Signage will include details of the closures (time and date) and have restricted access. Carpark closures will commence implementation at the time outlined within the 'Road Closure Timing Schedule'.

#### Pedestrians

Pedestrian access will be retained throughout the event period but restricted during the times triathletes and vehicles are on each segment of the course. Highly impacted residents have been encouraged to use active transport alternatives, relocate vehicles within walking distance outside the course on a day-to-day basis, and consider re-planning activities where possible. Residents will have access to the 'Traffic Overlay Plan', which will be made live in the coming weeks, via the Event Website to assist and limit the impact of residents within the high impact areas.

Pedestrian fencing (crowd control barriers) will be installed along various locations throughout the course to manage pedestrian movements and to define the course routes. Pedestrian movements throughout all courses will be maintained at all times via pre-determined pedestrian crossing locations. All crossing points will be managed by event marshals.

## CONSULTATION

- The Traffic Management Plan (TMP) has been prepared by Altus after thorough consultation with all key stakeholders including state agencies (such as Office of Sport, Department of Education, Destination NSW, NSW Police Service, TfNSW and Local Government). All Agency meetings have been held for the past year with these key stakeholders (since September 2024).
- Local public transport operators, along with TfNSW public transport specialists, have also been consulted over the past year to discuss the impact of public transport, bus layover locations and service rescheduling.
- All residents of the Wollongong Local Government Area (LGA) will receive correspondence regarding the event via a flyer letterbox notification drop. This correspondence will be tailored with additional information regarding access and restrictions for specific “zones/precincts” across the event footprint. Refer to the Community Engagement Plan and Traffic Overlay Plan.
- Highly impacted residents will receive specific notification and communication relating to the access times for these specific areas. These specific notifications will be triggered once the Local Transport Forum approval has occurred, and all road closure times are made public on the event website.
- All businesses on the course and surrounding closure areas have been notified via specific in person meetings and business email send outs advising the business of the restricted access on the days of the event by Wollongong City Council. In person meetings have been conducted with the businesses deemed to be more impacted in key areas such as Stuart Park, Wollongong Harbour, North Wollongong and City Beach locations.
- Monthly newsletters have been sent out to businesses since December 2024.
- Affected businesses have been advised to park their vehicles on nearby local roads not impacted by the road closures. Trip planning assistance will be provided if required.
- Consultation with key schools impacted by the event (and during the HSC) has been ongoing since late 2024. This includes ongoing conversations with the Principals at St Mary’s and Corrimal High School. The access requirements for the school were considered when the Event Organiser started developing the Traffic Plans.
- Further consultation and engagement are being undertaken by the Event Organiser with directly impacted business representatives, as required. Refer to the 2025 World Triathlon Championship Finals ‘Community Engagement Plan’ for business engagement schedules.
- Refer to the 2025 World Triathlon Championship Finals ‘Community Engagement Plan’ for the flyer letterbox drop schedule.
- In addition to this Community Engagement Plan, Council has requested the event organiser consider the following groups: Childcare services, Aged Care Providers, NDIS Providers, Churches, commercial waste services, Neuron Scooters, recreational businesses using parks and Wollongong Harbour for training (such as paddle boarders etc), taxis, airport transfers and limousine services.
- Corflute information signs will be installed on the Blue Mile and foreshore from September 2025. There will be QR codes on the website so regular cycleway/footpath users are informed of the event.
- There is consultation currently occurring with the Win Sports and Entertainment Centre (WSEC) regarding the impact to WSEC access and also the usage of Stewart Street East car park for event logistics.
- Thorough consultation is occurring with all Wollongong Harbour businesses as identified by the Harbour Stakeholder Working Group including boat users, fishing charters, restaurants, cafes, recreational sporting groups.
- VMS Boards to be activated 2 weeks out of the event.

## PROPOSAL

The proposed Road Closures from Wednesday, 15 October 2025 to Monday, 20 October 2025 be approved subject to:

- 1 [Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures.](#)
- 2 The Event Organiser and Altus (Traffic Management Company) appropriately managing:
  - a. Event Risks associated with the road closure.
  - b. The management and implementation of all Traffic Guidance Schemes (TGS).
  - c. The management of event risks generally and ensure the Traffic Management Plan (TMP) and Traffic Guidance Schemes (TGS) identifies and controls all risks as far as reasonably practicable.
  - d. The implementation of road closures and associated prescribed traffic control devices.
- 3 Consultation with NSW Police regarding Hostile Vehicle Mitigation (HVM) and subsequent endorsement of proposed plans.
- 4 All regulatory signage installed for the event complying with Australian Standards and Transport for NSW sign guidelines. The use of paper, plastic, or other non-compliant materials is strictly prohibited. Event Organisers are responsible for ensuring that all signage used is of best practice quality - meaning it is durable, clearly legible, and enforceable under NSW Road Rules.
- 5 Event Organisers being accountable for the correct installation of all signage prior to the event and must ensure that, upon conclusion of the event, all signs are reinstated to their original position and condition - or improved.
- 6 The Traffic Guidance Schemes (TGS) being updated to reflect recent changes to traffic management. Plans must be finalised as soon as possible to address concerns raised by key stakeholders including Wollongong City Council’s Transport Team and Transport for NSW representatives.







- 7 The Traffic Management Plans (TMP) being updated to incorporate (or provide references to other key documents therein) key information on risk management practices. This information, if not already provided, is to include but must not be restricted to:
  - a. Emergency Access Plan demonstrating where and how emergency services can access and egress through and around the event. This Plan is to be endorsed by Emergency Service stakeholders.
  - b. Spectator Movement Safety Plan (includes Pedestrians and Cyclists) providing details on managing movements around (and through) the event safely.
  - c. Access and egress arrangements for the community directly impacted by the road closures. This must include risk management options to mitigate this community from traversing the course (barriers etc) during races. Access levels of residents (limited/restricted) must be confirmed in written form and visual mapping.
  - d. A Community Consultation/Engagement Plan with key dates detailing *Who* is being notified/consulted, *When* they are being notified and consulted, and *What* information is being provided. This plan is to be provided to Wollongong City Council's Events Team and communicated to key stakeholders to ensure communication consistency is maintained.
  - e. Parking Management Plans including details of how parked vehicles will be managed in carparks not covered under Special Events Clearways. Plans to also include maps of precincts where residents will be able to leave their property during the event and where residents will not be able to leave during the event.
  - f. Detour maps being provided for each road closure day. Plan to show all detour signs and detours which will be implemented.
  - g. Traffic control monitoring of the detour into Puckey's Avenue for southbound traffic being detoured from Squires Way to Puckey Avenue is also required.
  - h. Special Event Clearway (SEC) Plans being approved by TfNSW. This is to include agreement between TfNSW, Council and the Event Organiser for suitable locations for towed vehicles to be transported to.
  - i. VMS messaging and timing for each message board. This includes the messaging prior to the event and the messaging on the event day. VMS boards to be installed 2 weeks prior to the event, minimum. Other VMS related conditions include:
    - i. Installation of VMS board for the Princes Highway southbound (north of Elliotts Road).
    - ii. Considering a VMS board on approach on Corrimal Street for northbound drivers on approach Campbell Street.
    - iii. VMS on Elliotts Road for eastbound traffic should be located on the western side of Storey Street.
    - iv. VMS on Towradgi Road for eastbound traffic should be located on the western side of Carters Lane.
    - v. Considering installation of a VMS board for northbound motorists on Cliff Road.
- 8 Event Organiser obtaining suitable Road Occupancy License (ROL) approvals from Transport for NSW. This includes road closures/impacts on State Roads and signalised intersections.
- 9 Consultation with University of Wollongong (UOW) for approval of Puckey Avenue use, noting it is a privately owned road.
- 10 Considering a speed reduction on Bourke Street to 40km/h and providing a section within the TMP on "Proposed Speed Limit Reductions" as part of the risk assessment.
- 11 Considering Pick up/Drop Off locations for those with accessibility issues.
- 12 Event Organiser to place 1x additional Traffic Controller at T-intersection of Virginia and Bourke Streets (Plan 6-1). This is to manage access for buses and local traffic (i.e. move cones/barriers out of the way).
- 13 Event organiser consulting with Bus Companies regarding managing bus stop impacts outside bowling club on Rothery Street (Plan 14A). Delineation cones currently block bus access to the stop, and the Event Organiser must consider (and manage) how buses will pick-up and drop-off passengers here.
- 14 The event organiser ensuring aftercare and traffic management linked to any road closures impacting Cliff Road (between Georges Place and Harbour Street) is managed closely. This is noting that this location proposes some degree of road closure **from 6am, 15 October 2025 until 4pm, 20 October 2025**. Careful consultation with residents/businesses is required as well as ensuring local traffic access is effectively managed (as proposed) throughout this period.

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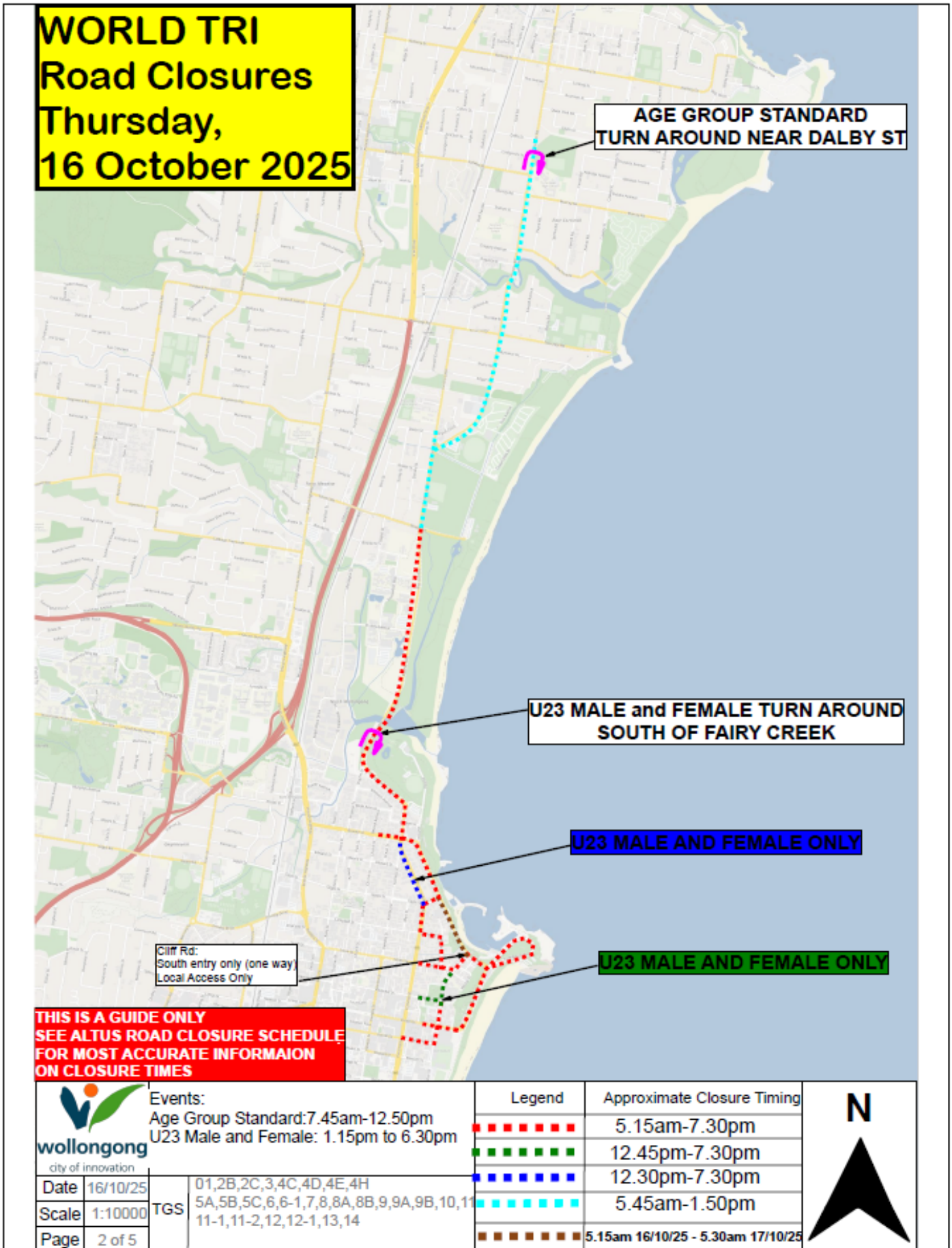
# WORLD TRI Road Closures Wednesday, 15 October 2025



 <b>wollongong</b> city of innovation	Events: Bump-in and Parade of Nations		Legend	Approximate Closure Timing	<b>N</b> 
				4pm-8pm	
				6am 15/10/25 - 5.15am 16/10/25	
Date	15/10/25	TGS	2A and 4B		
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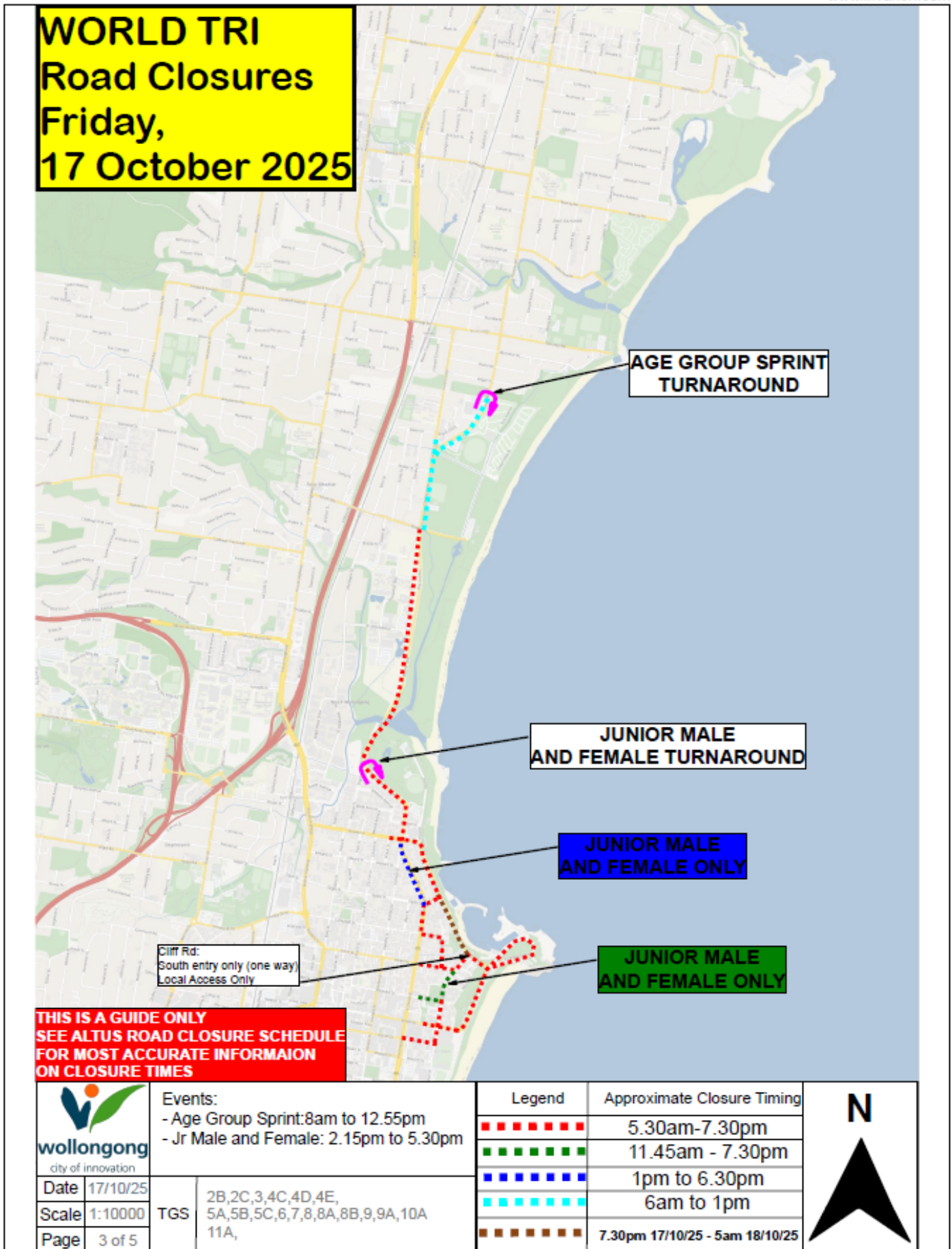
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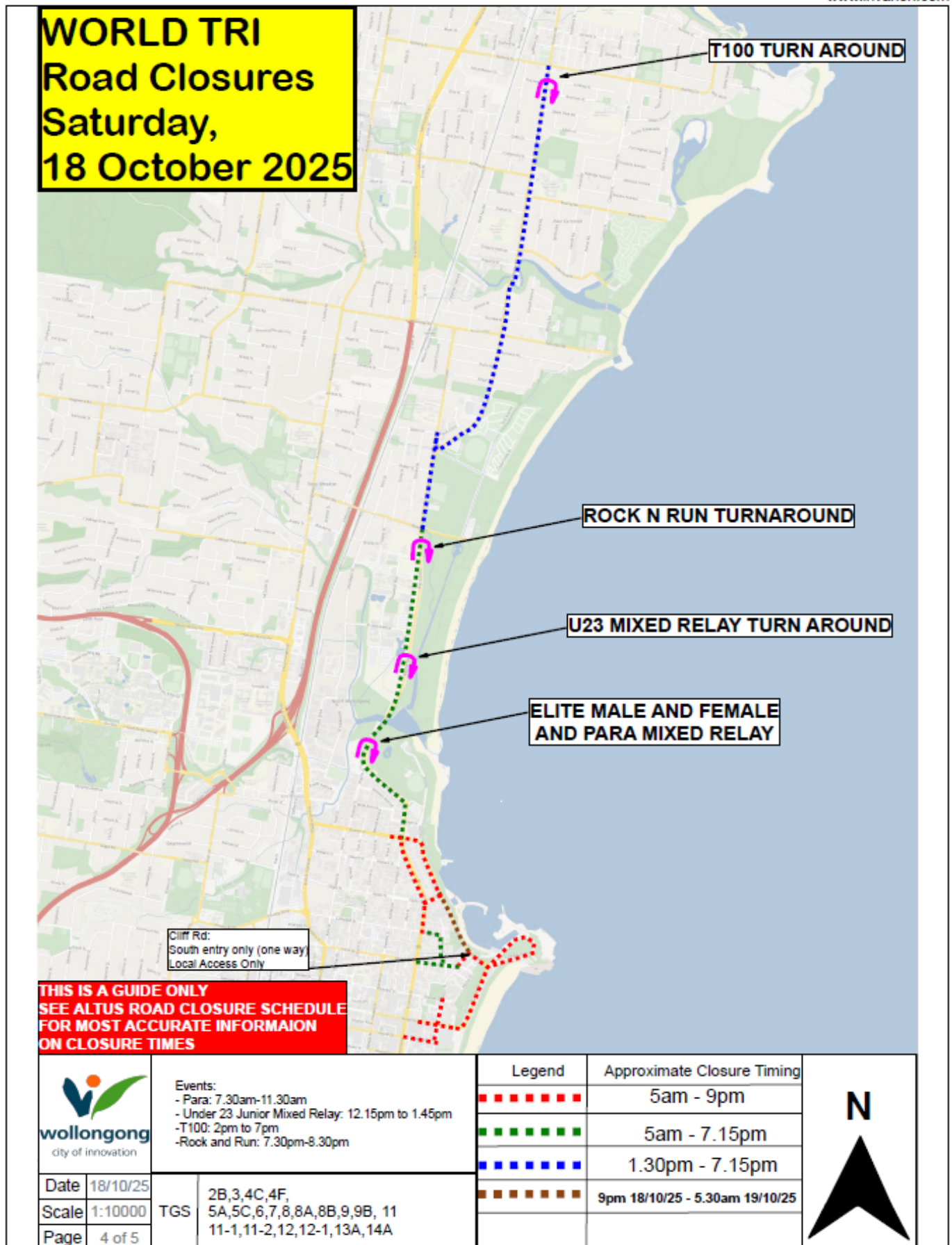
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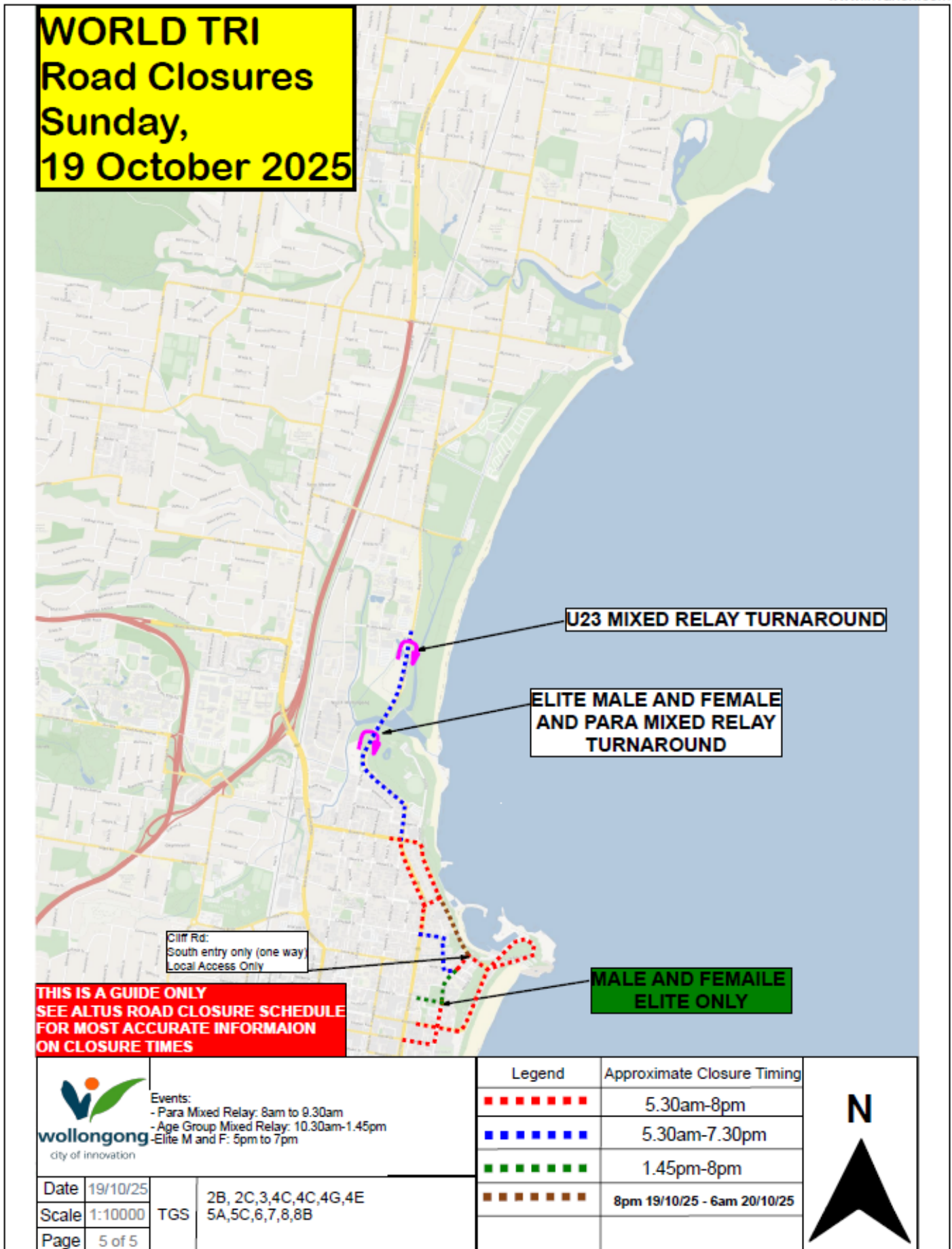
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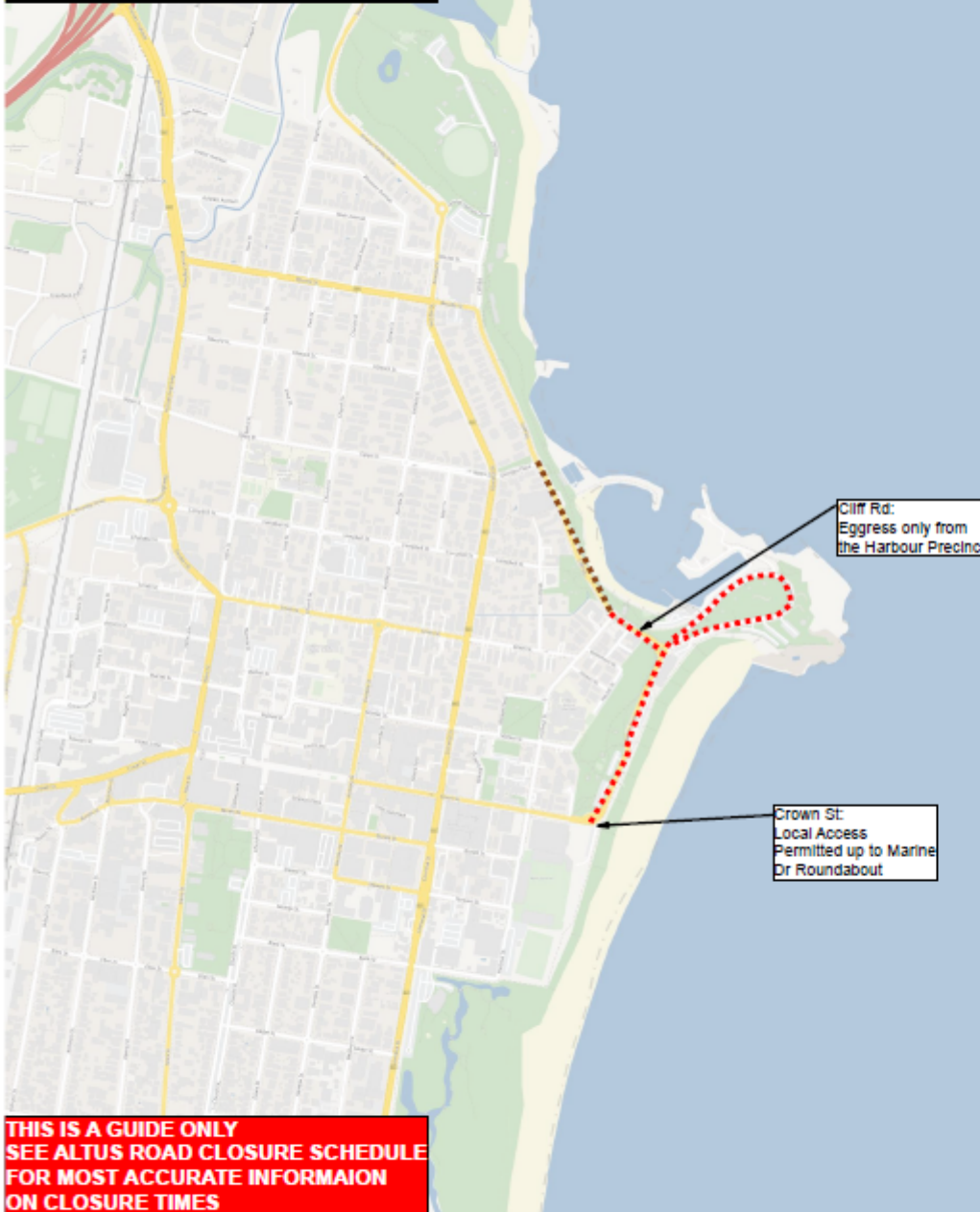







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# WORLD TRI Road Closures Monday, 20 October 2025



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				6am - 4pm	
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