

WALKING, CYCLING AND MOBILITY REFERENCE GROUP



3 December 2019

TUESDAY, 3 DECEMBER 2019

5 PM, LEVEL 9 FUNCTION ROOM

PURPOSE OF MEETING

The Walking, Cycling and Mobility Reference Group provides advice to Council on the preparation and implementation of bicycle, pedestrian and disability access policies and strategic plans in the City of Wollongong.

MEMBERS

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| David Brown - Chair | Councillor Delegate |
| Mithra Cox | Councillor Delegate |
| Mike Dowd | Council Officer (Infrastructure Strategy & Planning) |
| Tracy Venaglia | Coordinator Community Development & Social Planning |
| Phil Latz | Representing bicycle users |
| Jon Lindley | Representing bicycle users |
| Edward Birt | Representing Pedestrians |
| Chye Toole-Anstey | Representing Pedestrians |
| Brian Gardner | Access Needs of People with a Disability |
| Fiona Myers | Access Needs of People with a Disability |
| Beth Robrahn | Families with Children Representative |
| Trish McBride | Access Needs for Seniors Representative |

INVITED

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| Walter Galvan | Senior Traffic Engineer |
| Rob Gaudiosi | Traffic Engineer |
| Gemma Farrell | PA to Manager Infrastructure Strategy + Planning |
| Justin Miles | Senior Traffic Engineer |
| David Wilson | Traffic & Transport Unit Leader |

1. STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

“I would like to pay my respect and acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Land on which we meet, and pay my respect to Elders past, present and future. I would also like to extend my respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people present here today.”

1.2 Apologies

1.3 Disclosures of Interests

1.4 Endorsement of 15 October 2019 Meeting Minutes

2. ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 Council to provide an update on footpaths for Huxley Parks, Horsley.

Council officers have inspected this site and an update will be provided at the next meeting.

2.2 Bus Stop Audit and Car Park Audit to be finalised and provided to the group.

A finalised bus stop audit report has been sent to the group; the completed car park audit will also be provided to members as soon its available.

2.3 WCC to arrange four drop-in sessions to discuss our cycling strategy with the community.

Council staff arranged workshops to engage with the community regarding cycling in Wollongong LGA. These workshops were held at various locations. All Reference Group Members were contacted and encouraged to join.

3. DISCUSSION FOLLOWING PRESENTATION BY JON LINDLEY AT OCTOBER MEETING

At the October 2019 meeting Jon Lindley provided the group with an informative presentation on crossing facilities near Mount Saint Thomas Primary School. Jon cited some interesting bench mark work which has been done around Australia which promotes healthy living and safe movement of children.

Requested Group Feedback

- 20 minutes allocated for the group to discuss presentation, research and provide feedback.
- Council to investigate programs discussed by Jon that government agencies implemented successfully elsewhere.

4. DISABILITY INCLUSION ACTION PLAN (DIAP)

The Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) guides Council in meeting its obligations under the NSW Disability Inclusion Act 2014. It provides the strategic framework that sets out the actions Council will deliver to support people with a disability to participate fully in the community. Council's first DIAP (2016-2020) is coming to an end and Council Officers are currently undertaking a review and engagement process, to create a refreshed DIAP for the 2020-2025 period.

Between July to October 2019 people with a disability, their families, carers and friends were invited to share their experiences of accessing Council services, facilities, activities and information as part of a community survey and/or workshops.

A representative of the Community Development and Social Planning Team will present recurring themes of the engagement and the areas the community see as a priority going forward.

Requested Group Feedback

We are seeking feedback and ideas on a way forward in addressing the relevant themes of the engagement.

5. UPDATE ON DRAFT INFRASTRUCTURE DELIVERY PROGRAM (IDP) 2020/2021 - 2023/2024

In our last meeting we discussed how we we're changing the way we nominate projects for our Infrastructure Delivery Plan (IDP). We also identified several opportunities with big data that could assist us in making more informed decisions.

This presentation will discuss the improvements and initiatives that Council has implemented when prioritising current projects and provides examples.

Requested Group Feedback

Provide feedback on the changes that have been made to the Infrastructure Delivery Assessment process in terms of how projects are being reprioritised.

6. CITY CENTRE ACCESS AND MOVEMENT STRATEGY

Council engaged Gehl Architects in 2014 to assist in the development of a city centre planning document that would set a new Vision for the City. The resulting document endorsed by Council in 2016 *A City for People* provides a vision for a “people orientated, sustainable and liveable city.....a thriving and unique regional city, delivering a diverse economy and offering a high quality lifestyle..... nationally recognised as a liveable city and is the place where people want to live, learn, work and play.

It is now time to develop a sustainable transport plan that will support the vision set out in *A City for People* and address key recommendations of associated Council projects that seek to adjust the City Centre planning controls and processes to align with the vision set out in *A City for People*. This plan, dubbed *Access and Movement for People*, will address walking, cycling, accessibility, public transport, motor vehicle traffic and car parking.

A presentation will be provided at the reference group meeting on the context, scope, timing and engagement stages of the project.

Requested Group Feedback

For our initial engagement phase we are asking the community to tell us their experiences travelling in and around Wollongong City Centre and what their needs are for travelling through or staying in its streets.

7. CYCLE STRATEGY UPDATE

Council has been engaging with the community to seek feedback on the City’s new Cycling Strategy. As part of this engagement process Council have carried out several drop-in sessions at North Wollongong, Bulli Beach and near Port Kembla Pool. The Reference Group has also been involved in workshops to provide valuable feedback for the strategy.

Council has received several electronic surveys (Approx. 200+) from members for the community. A link to the survey is provided below which closes 9 December 2019. A comprehensive summary of the feedback from the surveys and the drop-in sessions will be provided at the Walking Cycling Mobility Reference Group meeting.

Requested Group Feedback

Please submit any further feedback via the link below:

<https://www.haveyoursaywollongong.com.au/help-shape-the-wollongong-cycling-strategy>

8. DRAFT WALKING CYCLING MOBILITY MEETING PROGRAM FOR 2020

Reference group members are encouraged to provide ideas for future agenda items next year. Items that will be included in next year’s program include:

- Council’s Cycling Strategy
- Infrastructure Delivery Program (IDP)
- Keiraville Gwynneville Study
- Lake Illawarra Cycling Plan
- Towradgi Creek Corridor

Requested Group Feedback

Please send through any ideas for reference group ideas next years, including any ideas for improvement.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Council will provide an update on its new Code of Conduct.
- Replacement the groups Cycling Representative and the process involved.

10. 2020 DRAFT MEETING SCHEDULE (AND 2019 FORWARD PLANNER)

The proposed Walking Cycling Mobility Reference Group meeting dates for 2020 are provided below:

- Tuesday 4 February 2020
- Tuesday 7 April 2020

- Tuesday 2 June 2020
- Tuesday 4 August 2020
- Tuesday 13 October 2020
- Tuesday 8 December 2020

The 2019 Forward planner is provided below.

| 5 FEBRUARY | 2 APRIL | 5 JUNE | 6 AUGUST | 15 OCTOBER | 3 DECEMBER |
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| Meet & Greet, and Introduction | Delivery Program Review | Accessibility Audits for Bus Stops | Bike Plan Review Part 2 | Infrastructure Delivery Program Update | Update on the IDP Process and Projects (20/21) |
| Brief outline of Council's key documents | Bike Plan Review | Environmental Strategy Review | Accessible Car Park Audit | Bike Plan Update | Access and Movement Engagement |
| Major Programs for review in 2019 | Helensburgh Town Centre Plan | Briometrix Mapping | Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) | Lake Illawarra Shared Path Masterplan | Cycle Strategy Update |
| | Foreshore Access and Movement | | | Grand Pacific Walk | Draft Program for 2020 |
| | | | | Pedestrian Crossing Facilities | DIAP update |

11. CLOSE MEETING

Thank you to everyone for attending and providing valuable feedback that challenges us to be better. We look forward to seeing you all next year.