

## **TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**



**23 JANUARY 2019**

**WEDNESDAY 23 JANUARY 2019**

9.15 AM

LEVEL 9 FUNCTION ROOM

## PURPOSE OF MEETING

**The City of Wollongong Traffic Committee** is not a Committee of Wollongong City Council however a Technical Committee of the Roads & Maritime Services (RMS). The Committee operates under the authority conferred to Council by the RMS 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 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 the RMS, 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, the Roads & Maritime Services, 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 RMS 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 14/11/2018

### 1.6 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

## 2 GENERAL BUSINESS

### 2.1 Bulli - WARD 1

George Avenue – Removal of No Parking Restriction

#### BACKGROUND

Council installed No Parking Restrictions at the point where George Avenue becomes narrow as a result of complaints from the community. A Work Zone was subsequently installed to permit a new home to be constructed on the frontage of the restricted area and even though the Work Zone was occupied by construction vehicles there have been no complaints from the community. In these circumstances the parking restrictions are no longer required.

#### CONSULTATION

The removal of the parking restrictions has been discussed with the adjoining owner.

#### PROPOSAL

Remove the No Parking Restrictions at the mid-block point at George Avenue (northern side).

## 2.2 Corrimal - WARD 1

Princes Highway – Additional Parking Restrictions at commercial properties from number 429-433.

### BACKGROUND

The two commercial properties at this location have wide driveways which are covered by timed parking restrictions. Council rangers have reported numerous requests to address vehicles parked illegally across the driveways and have recommended that no parking restrictions be installed across the driveways to assist in maintaining access

### CONSULTATION

This proposal has been discussed with the business owners at 429-433 Princes Highway.

### PROPOSAL

Install no parking restrictions between the existing timed parking across the driveways for 429-433 Princes Highway, Corrimal.

## 2.3 North Wollongong - WARD 1

Virginia Street – Removal of Redundant Bus Zone.

### BACKGROUND

During 2017 Transport for NSW and Premier Illawarra agreed to remove the Bus Zone adjacent to the unit complex at 17-21 Virginia Street, North Wollongong. Unfortunately Council was only advised of the decision in December 2018 and it is now necessary to endorse the removal of this Bus Zone.

### CONSULTATION

The residents at 17-21 Virginia Street negotiated the removal of the Bus Zone with Transport for NSW directly.

### PROPOSAL

The Bus Zone at 17-21 Virginia Street, North Wollongong be removed and replaced with unrestricted parking.

## 2.4 Wollongong - WARD 1

Urunga Parade, Dudley, Sperry, Hillcrest and Matthews Streets - Restricted Parking Area (Park In Bays).

### BACKGROUND

In the vicinity of Wollongong Hospital residents frequently encounter vehicles parked partly across their residential driveways. A restricted parking area (Park In Bays) to cover the parallel parking in the above streets has been circulated to residents where there were few objections. Council now proposes to install the restricted parking in accordance with the plan circulated to residents.

### CONSULTATION

This proposal has been circulated to residents well in advance of the matter coming to Traffic Committee.

### PROPOSAL

To install the Restricted Parking Area (Park In Bays) in Urunga Parade, Dudley, Sperry, Hillcrest and Matthews Streets in accordance with the plan circulated to residents. (Plan 6291\_C01\_A)

## 2.5 Wollongong - WARD 1

Rosemont Street – Relocation of No Stopping Sign.

### BACKGROUND

On the eastern side of Rosemont Street immediately to the south of Urunga Parade Council's rangers have identified a short parking space between the No Stopping Restrictions and the nearest driveway. The No Stopping Restrictions extend 14 metres from the corner and it is proposed to reduce this length to 11 metres so that a usable car parking space can be created adjacent to the driveway.

### CONSULTATION

No consultation is required for this item.

### PROPOSAL

Relocate the existing No Stopping Sign on the eastern side of Rosemont Street a distance of 3 metres to the north.

## 2.6 Wollongong - WARD 1

Church Street – 15 minute parking.

### BACKGROUND

The Pre-school at 144 Church Street, Wollongong has limited parking on site and the increased parking demand in the area has made it more difficult for parents to bring their children into the centre. Although the property frontage to Church Street is short a 15 minute parking area adjacent to the centre will assist with pick-up and drop-off of children.

### CONSULTATION

No consultation is required for this item.

### PROPOSAL

Install a 15 minute parking area on the frontage to 144 Church Street, Wollongong to be timed 7.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday.

## 2.7 Cringila - WARD 3

Gorrell Street – 15 minute parking.

### BACKGROUND

The Childcare Centre at 1 Gorrell Street, Cringila was established prior to the requirement for on-site parking and the centre finds that parents are competing for parking spaces with the nearby community centre. It is proposed to install 15 minute parking across the frontage to the Childcare Centre and along a 12 metre length of the side boundary of 30 Lake Avenue. The owner of the adjoining property has been advised and to date no objections have been received.

### CONSULTATION

Consultation has been carried out with the adjoining property owner.

### PROPOSAL

Install a 15 minute parking area across the frontage to 1 Gorrell Street, Cringila to be extended a further 12 metres on the side boundary to 30 Lake Avenue. The 15 minute parking area is to be timed 7.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday.

### **3 REGULATION OF TRAFFIC**

#### **3.1 Wollongong - WARD 1**

Crown Street, Marine Drive, Endeavour Drive and Cliff Road - Kembla Joggers – Road Closures for Fitness 5 and Kerry McCann 10 Running Event

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Kembla Joggers have proposed two events for Sunday 24 March 2019 which involve the closure of Crown Street (east of Harbour Street), Marine Drive, Endeavour Drive and Cliff Road between Harbour Street and Marine Drive. The closures take effect between 8.00am and 11.00am on the day. The Fitness 5 Event will start and finish on Crown Street adjacent to Parkside Avenue and the course extends to a turning point in Stuart Park. The Kerry McCann 10 Running Event also starts and finishes in Crown Street however the turning point is the car park at Fairy Meadow Beach.

Once participants in both events reach the shared path opposite Harbour Street (Wollongong Harbour) the course follows the shared path to the turning points and further road closures beyond Harbour Street are not required. The submitted traffic management plans do not include any vehicle mitigation and it is appropriate for the applicant to be asked to make an assessment of the risks and include any necessary vehicle mitigation details in a revised plan.

The organisers have arranged for buses to access the Marine Drive Terminus during the event when the roadways are sufficiently clear of participants. Similarly, residents of Parkside Avenue will be permitted vehicle access when safe to do so.

#### **CONSULTATION**

Consultation with residents of Parkside Avenue and Cliff Road, and business operators in the vicinity of Wollongong Harbour and Flagstaff Hill is a requirement of approval for this item.

#### **PROPOSAL**

The Road Closure of Crown Street, Marine Drive, Endeavour Drive and Cliff Road be approved subject to a revised plan including vehicle mitigation and Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures. See Greater Fitness 5 and PeopleCare Kerry McCann 10 Map and Traffic Control Plan for Run Wollongong 2019.

### **4 DESIGN MATTERS**

#### **4.1 Wombarra - WARD 1**

Reef Avenue - Disabled Parking Space.

#### **BACKGROUND**

As part of the car park formalisation work at the Wombarra Rock Pool Council has proposed a Disabled Parking Space.

#### **CONSULTATION**

Consultation is a requirement of the design process.

#### **PROPOSAL**

Plan 6482\_SK02\_1 be approved.

#### 4.2 Thirroul - WARD 1

Lawrence Hargrave Drive - Footpath Works.

##### BACKGROUND

Council has prepared plans for civil works in Lawrence Hargrave Drive, Thirroul from George to Phillip Street. The work involves the relocation of a Stop Sign.

##### CONSULTATION

Consultation is a requirement of the design process.

##### PROPOSAL

Plan 6506\_SK02\_1 be approved.

#### 4.3 Wollongong - WARD 1

Kembla and Stewart Streets – Traffic Signals

##### BACKGROUND

Council prepared plans some time ago for the installation of Traffic Signals at Kembla and Stewart Streets, Wollongong. The Traffic Signal Design has been approved and extensive consultation has been undertaken as part of the design process. The plans are being reviewed by the Traffic Committee as there is a need to adjust the proposed No Stopping Restrictions on this intersection.

##### CONSULTATION

Consultation is a requirement of the design process

##### PROPOSAL

Plan 5368\_C01\_3 be approved.

#### 4.4 Figtree - WARD 2

Branch Avenue - Subdivision Sign Post Plan.

##### BACKGROUND

A developer has submitted plans for the regulation of traffic on the new street servicing a small subdivision off Branch Avenue, Figtree.

##### CONSULTATION

No consultation was required for this Agenda item

##### PROPOSAL

The submitted plan 2016010-002 1025 (Revision 3) be approved.



#### 4.5 Coniston - WARD 2

Bridge Street – Pedestrian Refuge Crossing.

##### BACKGROUND

Council is proposing to replace the existing Zebra Crossing in Bridge Street, Coniston (between Tate Street and Old Spring Road). The new Pedestrian Refuge Crossing will restrict the carriageway to a single lane in each direction and will provide a better crossing point than a Zebra Crossing. It should also have a traffic calming effect.

The existing crossing has not been used consistently and is located on a wide carriageway, with the result that drivers have tended not to stop for pedestrians. There has also been a risk that a vehicle stopped for a pedestrian may be overtaken by another vehicle, due to the wide carriageway.

##### CONSULTATION

Consultation is a requirement of the design process.

##### PROPOSAL

Plan 6419\_C062\_2 be approved.

#### 4.6 Warrawong - WARD 3

Inner Crescent - Traffic Island Modification

##### BACKGROUND

Council has prepared plans to reconfigure the Traffic Islands at Inner Crescent and Cowper Streets, Warrawong. The new arrangements provide for a refuge crossing point for pedestrians and bring the traffic lanes of Inner Crescent to meet Cowper Street at right angles.

##### CONSULTATION

Consultation is a requirement of the design process

##### PROPOSAL

Plan 6489\_SKO1\_1 be approved.

## Standard Conditions for Road Closures

### **Standard Conditions for Road Closures**

#### *For Special Events and Work Related activities Within Council Road Reserves.*

Following approval by Wollongong City Council, road closures are subject to the additional Council conditions:

1. **The Applicant must complete the Council form 'Application to Open and Occupy or Underbore a Roadway or Footpath' (Refer to Checklist below – relates to Section 138 of the Roads Act.)**
2. **NSW Police Approval:** The Applicant must obtain written approval from NSW Police, where required under the Roads Act.
3. **If the Road Closure is within 100m of any traffic control signals or on a 'State Classified Road' the Applicant must obtain a Road Occupancy Licence (ROL) from NSW Roads & Maritime Services (RMS).**
4. **The Applicant must advise all affected residents and business owners within the closure area of the date/s and times for the closure, at least 7 days prior to the intended date of works.**
5. **The Applicant must advise Emergency Services: Ambulance, Fire Brigade and Police, Taxi and Bus Companies of the closure dates and times in writing, 7 days prior to the intended date of works. The Applicant must endeavour to minimise the impact on bus services during the closure.**
6. **Traffic Management Plan:** The closure must be set up in accordance with the approved Traffic Management Plan (TMP) prepared by an appropriately qualified traffic controller; a copy of whose qualifications must be included with the submitted TMP.
7. **Traffic Management Plan Setup:** The Traffic Management Plan must be set up by appropriately qualified traffic control persons or the NSW Police.
8. **Access to properties affected by the road closure must be maintained where possible. Where direct access cannot be achieved, an alternative arrangement must be agreed to by both the applicant and the affected person/s.**
9. **Public Notice Advertisement:** The Applicant must advertise the road closure in the Public Notices section of the local paper, detailing closure date/s and times at least 7 days prior to the closure.
10. **Public Liability Policy:** The Applicant must provide Council with a copy of their current insurance policy to a value of no less than \$20 million dollars to cover Wollongong City Council from any claims arising from the closure.

**Checklist:**

- Completed Council Form:**

*'Application to Open and Occupy or Underbore a Roadway or Footpath'.*

**Required information as shown below MUST be attached:**

- A copy of the letter from the Traffic Committee authorising the closure
- The Traffic Management Plan (TMP)
- The Road Occupancy Licence (ROL) *if required*
- Written approval from NSW Police
- Public Liability Insurance

**Applications may be lodged in the Customer Service Centre located on the Ground Floor of Council's Administration Building, 41 Burelli Street Wollongong between 8.30am and 5pm Monday to Friday.**

Plan – Greater Fitness 5 and PeopleCare Kerry McCann 10 Map  
Sunday 24 March 2019



Traffic Control Plan for Run Wollongong 2019

