

WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL

Traffic Committee Agenda

11 April 2023



TUESDAY 11 APRIL 2023
9.15 AM

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 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, regarding traffic matters upon its local roads. A condition of this delegation is that the General Manager will approve the minutes under delegated authority.

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 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.

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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 present here today."

1.3 Declarations of Interest

1.4 Apologies

1.5 Confirmation of Minutes Arising from Previous Minutes

1.6 Business Arising from Previous Meeting

- Request from Les Dion to review parking restrictions on Light Drive Woonona is still being investigated. The different options are being reviewed and an updated will be provided soon.
- Request from Les Dion for Bus Zone's on Blackall Street is currently being reviewed.

2 GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 WOLLONGONG, Fox Avenue – Ward 2 – No Stopping Restrictions

BACKGROUND

Council has been requested by the community to install signage to address parking of vehicles on the Fox Avenue road reserve east of Kenny Street. This section of asphalt road pavement is approximately 3.8m wide and was built to enable safe manoeuvring to and from three property driveways. Running in parallel directly beside it is a concrete shared path, separated from the asphalt pavement, by timber bollards. The parking of vehicles on this road pavement results in either blocked access to properties or unsafe movements impacting driver and shared path user safety. Council rangers have advised that they have attended the site on multiple occasions and advised offending drivers that parking is not allowed on this section of Fox Avenue.

The provision of No Stopping signs and yellow line for the section of Fox Avenue east of Kenny Street will make drivers more aware that parking of vehicles in this space is not permitted as well as support Council rangers in undertaking enforcement.

CONSULTATION

Notification to be provided to adjacent properties.

PROPOSAL

The Traffic Committee approve the No Stopping signs and yellow line for the section of Fox Avenue east of Kenny Street.

2.2 WOLLONGONG, Mangerton Rd – Ward 2 – Installation of Bus Zone Signs

BACKGROUND

Council's Transport team has received reports of ongoing safety issues for commuters using bus stop 2500209, at George Parker Reserve due to cars parking too close to the bus stop. To address the concerns raised, Council is

proposing the installation of 'Bus Zone' signage to complement the new Bus Stop B-Pole on Mangerton Road, Wollongong.

CONSULTATION

A notification letter was sent in February with no response recorded.

PROPOSAL

The Traffic Committee endorse the installation of the Bus Zone signage 20m prior and 10m after the Bus Stop B-Pole on Mangerton Road in Wollongong in accordance with the attached plan.

2.3 WOLLONGONG, Crown Street – Ward 2 – Installation of Directional Pavement Marker

BACKGROUND

Council's Transport team received reports of ongoing confusion over the left painted directional arrow on Moore Lane, Wollongong as part of the SASS trial program. To address the concerns raised, Council are proposing the removal of the left painted directional arrow on Moore Lane and the installation of an east point directional arrow directly in front of Moore Lane on Crown Street to re-enforce Crown Street is one way as part of the SASS trial program.

CONSULTATION

No consultation has been carried out; however a notification letter will be sent if proposal is supported within the Local Traffic Committee Meeting.

PROPOSAL

The Traffic Committee endorse the removal of the left painted directional arrow on Moore Lane and the installation of an east point directional arrow directly in front of Moore Lane on Crown Street.

2.4 UNANDERRA, Jenkins Street – Ward 3 – Proposed Parking Restrictions

BACKGROUND

Council has recently been informed of potential road safety and bus access concerns at Jenkins Street on approach to Farmborough Road, Unanderra. The road geometry of Jenkins Street means buses may have difficulties travelling between 57 Jenkins Street and the Farmborough Road intersection. To address the concerns raised, Council is proposing the installation of double barrier lines for 20m on approach to the intersection which will prohibit vehicles from parking on the street on both sides of the road. Following consultation, one response asked for additional parking restrictions than what was proposed highlighting the road safety concerns. Noting the original concerns raised and consultation results, Council has added an additional section of "No Stopping – School Days" on the inner bend of Jenkins Street to further assist with sight distance. An updated notification letter will be sent to impacted residents prior to installation.

CONSULTATION

Consultation letters were sent to impacted residents near the proposed changes.

PROPOSAL

The Traffic Committee endorse the installation of sign and linemarking as shown in the attached plan subject to a letterbox drop to residents notifying of the additional "No Stopping – School Days" restrictions on the northern side of Jenkins Street, Unanderra.

2.5 UNANDERRA, Rickard Rd – Ward 3 – Proposed Parking Restrictions

BACKGROUND

Council has recently been informed of access concerns for waste vehicles, emergency services and other larger vehicles at 51 Rickard Road, Unanderra. To address the concerns raised, Council is proposing the installation of two 'No Stopping' signs either side of the access to assist with vehicle manoeuvring. This proposed change will result in the removal of two on-street parking spaces.

Whilst parking restrictions across private access points are generally not supported, the recent reports of emergency, waste and removalists having difficulties (as well as swept paths confirming clear access issues), Council has made an exception in this case.

CONSULTATION

Consultation letters were sent to impacted residents near the proposed changes. Thirteen (13) responses were received, all of which support the proposal. One response requested parking restrictions for both sides of the street however this was not supported due to impacts to parking provision in the area.

PROPOSAL





The Traffic Committee endorse the installation of No Stopping parking restrictions as shown in the attached plan

Item 2.1 – WOLLONGONG, Fox Avenue – No Stopping Restrictions

All line marking to be installed in accordance with Transport for NSW Delineation Guidelines
All signage to be installed in accordance with AS1742.2

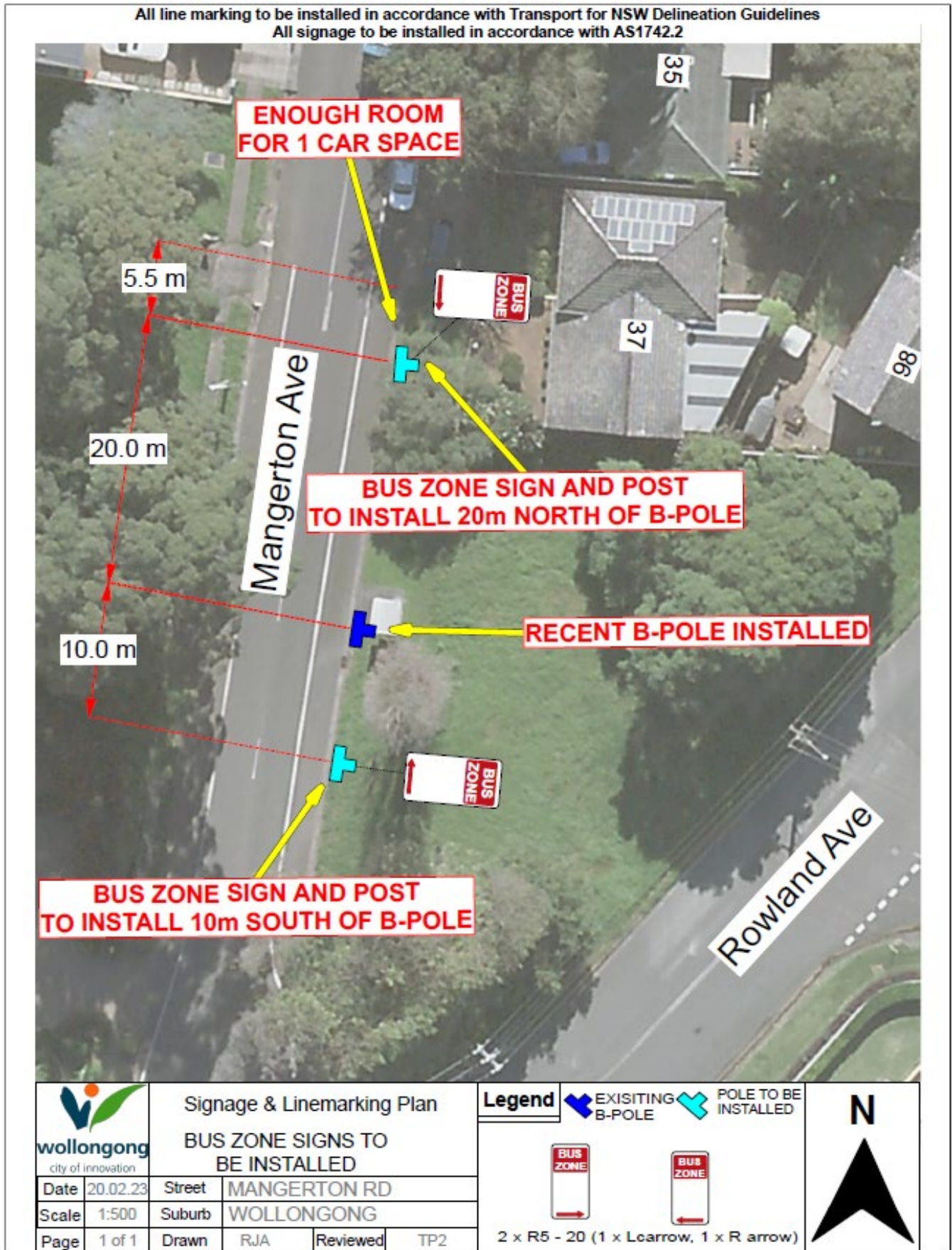


Legend

-  Existing Sign Pole
-  Proposed Sign Pole
-  No Stopping Sign
-  Yellow No Stopping Line

		Signage & Linemarking Plan			
		No Stopping Fox Avenue			
Date	17/03/23	Street	Fox Avenue		
Scale	1:500	Suburb	Wollongong		
Page	1 of 1	Drawn	WG	Reviewed	N/A

Item 2.2 – WOLLONGONG, Mangerton Road – Bus Zone Signage



Item 2.3 – WOLLONGONG, Crown Street – Installation of Directional Pavement Marker



Item 2.4 - UNANDERRA, Jenkins Street – Proposed Parking Restrictions

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All signage to be installed in accordance with AS1742.2



No Stopping
(r5-400)
8:00AM-9:30AM
2:30PM-4:00PM
SCHOOL DAYS

Give-Way Line (TB & TB1)



Dividing Barrier Line (BB)



Existing Sign Pole



Proposed Sign Pole



Legend



Give-Way
(r1-2)

Linemarking Plan
Give-Way and BB Line Install

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Date	27/03/23	Street	Jenkins Street
Scale	1:500	Suburb	Unanderra
Page	1 of 1	Drawn	T.Perry
		Reviewed	N/A

Item 2.5 - UNANDERRA, Rickard Rd – Proposed Parking Restrictions

All line marking to be installed in accordance with Transport for NSW Delineation Guidelines
All signage to be installed in accordance with AS1742.2



Install 2x No Stopping signs with offset distance from access 'wing' as shown

		Proposed Sign Install		Legend Proposed Pole No Stopping (R5-400)	
Date	7/03/23	Street	Rickard Road		
Scale	1:250	Suburb	Unanderra		
Page	1 of 1	Drawn	T.Perry	Reviewed	N/A

3 REGULATION OF TRAFFIC

3.1 BELLAMBI, Bellambi Lane – Ward 1 – Closure of Bellambi Lane between Brompton Road and Francis Street

BACKGROUND

Under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992, Transport for NSW (TfNSW) has the obligation to provide accessible public transport to all of NSW by meeting the requirements of the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002 (DSAPT). Given the flange gap in pedestrian rail level crossings, many do not meet the requirements of DSAPT.

Bellambi Station has been identified for an accessibility upgrade as it does not currently meet the key requirements of the Commonwealth Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (DDA) and DSAPT.

TfNSW have identified a product, veloSTRAIL, which reduces the pedestrian rail level crossing flange and Bellambi Station has been selected for installation of a veloSTRAIL panel in the level crossing as part of the Transport Access Program (TAP).

It is proposed to close Bellambi Lane between Brompton Road and Francis Street to allow for the installation of the veloSTRAIL panel, at the following times/dates:

- 4am Saturday 13 May 2023 – 10pm Sunday 14 May 2023
- 4am Saturday 1 July 2023 – 10pm Sunday 2 July 2023

CONSULTATION

The community are familiar with TAP work in the area and are receiving monthly project updates from TfNSW. This scope will be notified for in the April community notification.

The contractor (Transport for Tomorrow) undertaking the works for TfNSW will work with Transport for NSW to notify internal departments + Council and Sydney Trains (including possession replacement bus services).

Transport for Tomorrow will contact Bellambi Lane Café and Bunnings directly, as a courtesy, however access to their venue will not be impacted.

PROPOSAL

The road closures be approved subject to the submitted Traffic Control Plans and [Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures](#).

The closure of Bellambi Lane be approved subject to the submitted Traffic Control Plans and Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures. VMS units to be installed at least 2 weeks prior to closure on all approaches to raise community awareness.

3.2 WOLLONGONG, Burelli Street – Ward 2 – Removal of Air Conditioning Units by Crane

BACKGROUND

Stop Slow Traffic Control are responsible for the regulation of traffic and have proposed a road detour on to Simpson Place Wollongong to allow the removal of old air conditioners located on the top of 54-60 Burelli Street, Wollongong.

Work is proposed to occur on Wednesday 17 May 2023 with backup dates of 24 May 2023 and 31 May 2023. The work will occur between the hours of 8.00pm to 5.00am. The work was originally proposed for Friday however due to the greater likelihood of pedestrian presence in the area, a weekday was requested.

CONSULTATION

A letterbox drop has occurred with the one business affected – Napoli Pizza. Their request has been met through an 8.00pm start as it is after Napoli Pizza's dinner rush.

PROPOSAL

The road closures be approved subject to the submitted Traffic Control Plans and [Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures](#).

3.3 WOLLONGONG, Belmore Street – Ward 2 – Closure Between Railway Parade and Victoria Street

BACKGROUND

Three construction companies working on large projects in Belmore Street have previously approached Council to close Belmore Street between Railway Parade and Victoria Street. The reason for closure is to reduce the risk to the general public created by having three construction sites in close proximity. Local access is still allowed for residents, businesses, and their visitors by way of traffic control.

The current road closure will continue until 19 April 2023. The applicant has requested an additional 6 months to 19 October 2023. It is noted that SafeWork Australia have inspected the site on several occasions and have advised that they do not support vehicular or pedestrian access through the closed section of road, due to safety concerns given the large amount of moving plant including forklifts, manitoux, cranes, concrete pumps etc. TQM have advised that they anticipate their frontage works will be completed in around 3 months' time, at which point they will be able to allow for one lane of vehicular access under traffic control and pedestrian access along the new footpath area.

CONSULTATION

The applicant must contact surrounding residences and businesses again to notify them of the extension. Council can revoke this approval if fair and reasonable consultation has not occurred.

It is noted that H Parsons Funerals have requested the road be re-opened given the length of time it has been closed. It is understood that this is the only complaint that has been received in relation to the road closure. In order to comply with SafeWork Australia direction, Council recommends that the closure extension approval be granted subject to local access being made available for vehicles and pedestrians once the TQM development frontage works are complete (advice has been received that this will be approx. 3 months' time).

PROPOSAL

The proposed six month extension until 19 October 2023 of the road closure between 28 Belmore Street and Railway Parade, Wollongong, be approved subject to the submitted Traffic Control Plans and [Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures](#).

The applicant is to submit updated TGS plans that allow for local vehicular and pedestrian access through the closed section of road under traffic control when the TQM development frontage works are complete.

3.4 DAPTO, Bong Bong Road – Ward 3 – Closure of Bong Bong Road between Station Street and Hamilton Street

BACKGROUND

Under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992, Transport for NSW (TfNSW) has the obligation to provide accessible public transport to all of NSW by meeting the requirements of the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002 (DSAPT). Given the flange gap in pedestrian rail level crossings, many do not meet the requirements of DSAPT.

Dapto Station has been identified for an accessibility upgrade as it does not currently meet the key requirements of the Commonwealth Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (DDA) and DSAPT.

TfNSW have identified a product, veloSTRAIL, which reduces the pedestrian rail level crossing flange and Dapto Station has been selected for installation of a veloSTRAIL panel in the level crossing as part of the Transport Access Program (TAP).

It is proposed to close Bong Bong Road between Station Street and Hamilton Street to allow for the installation of the veloSTRAIL panel, at the following times/dates:

- Possession 1 - WE49 Sat 3rd June 2023 – Sun 4th June 2023
- Possession 2 - WE11 4am Sat 9th September 2023 – 10pm Sun 10th September 2023 – If required due to weather

CONSULTATION

The community are familiar with TAP work in the area and are receiving monthly project updates from TfNSW.

This scope will be notified in the April community notification.

The contractor (Transport for Tomorrow) will work with Transport for NSW to notify internal departments + Council and Sydney Trains (including possession replacement bus services).

PROPOSAL

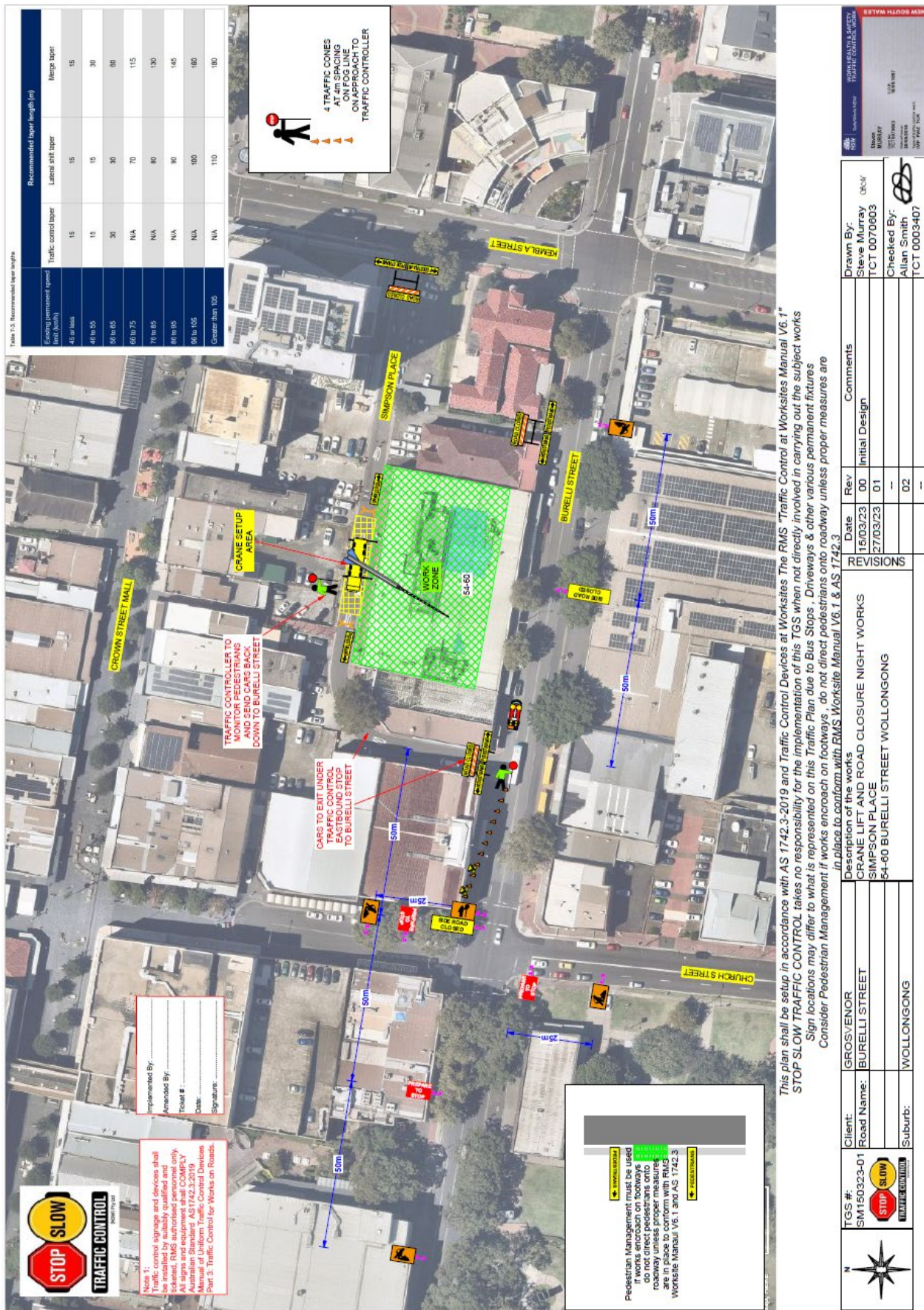
- The closure of Bong Bong Road between Station Street and Hamilton Street be approved subject to the submitted Traffic Control Plans and Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures. VMS units to be installed at least 2 weeks prior to closure on all approaches to raise community awareness.

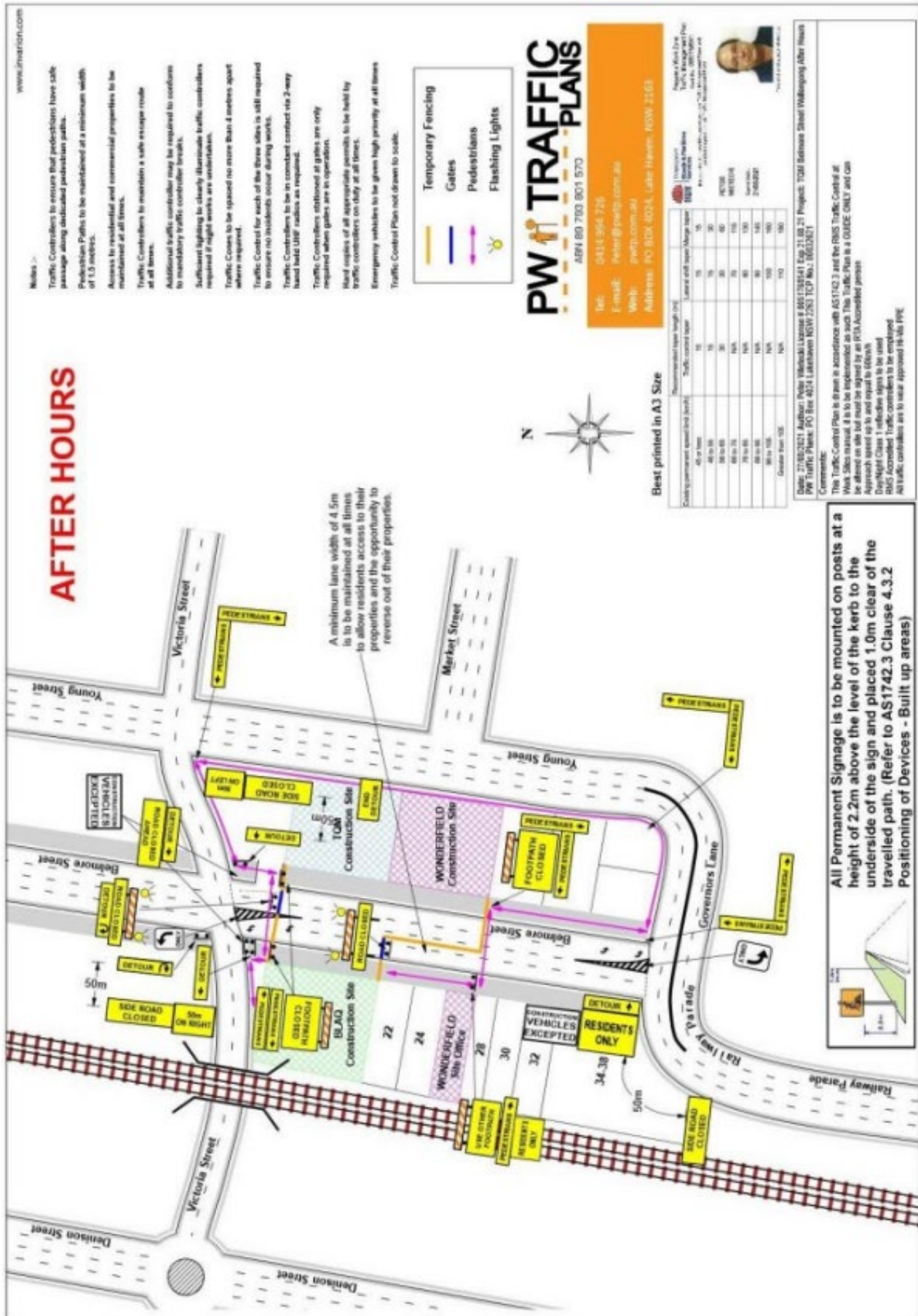
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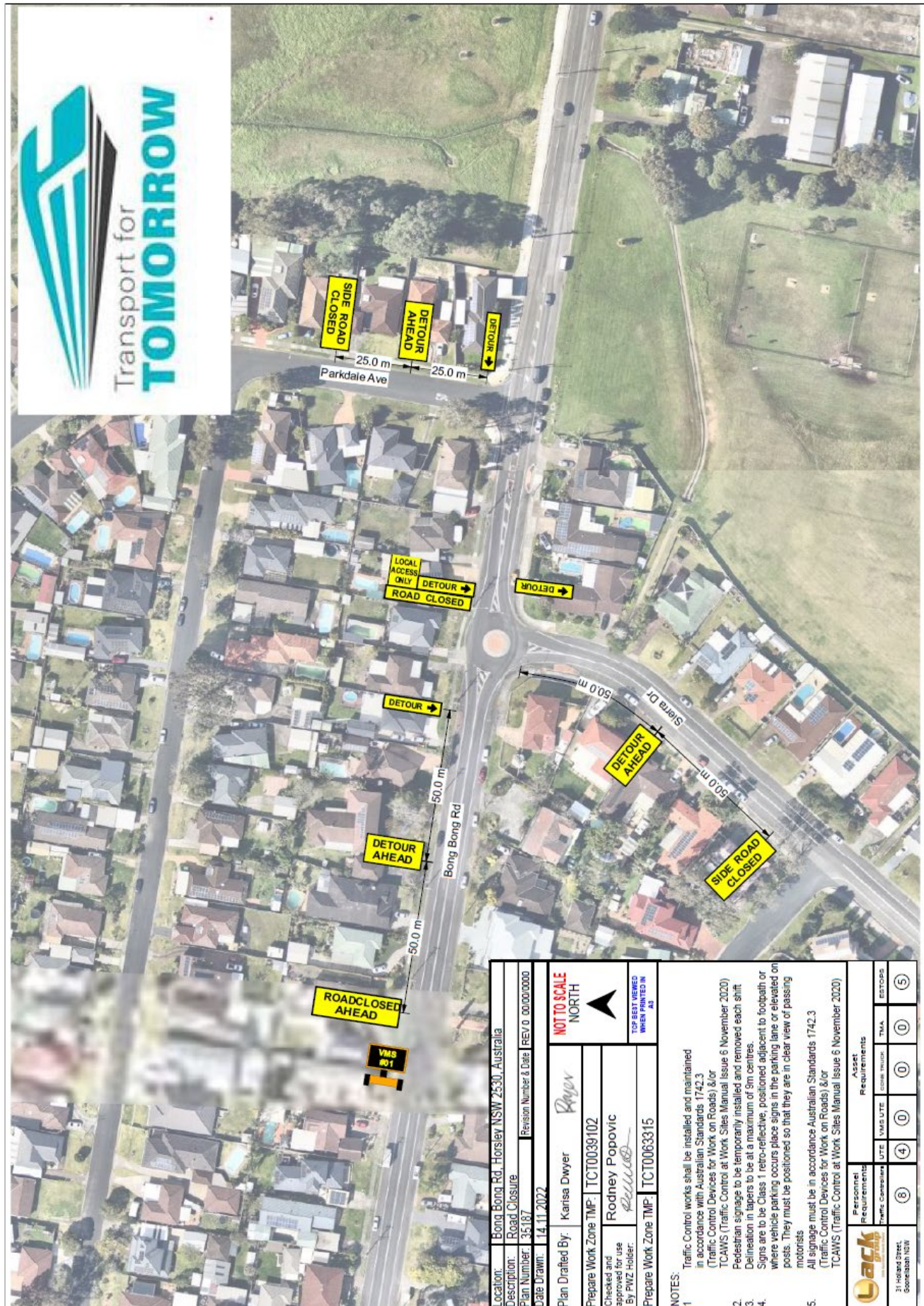


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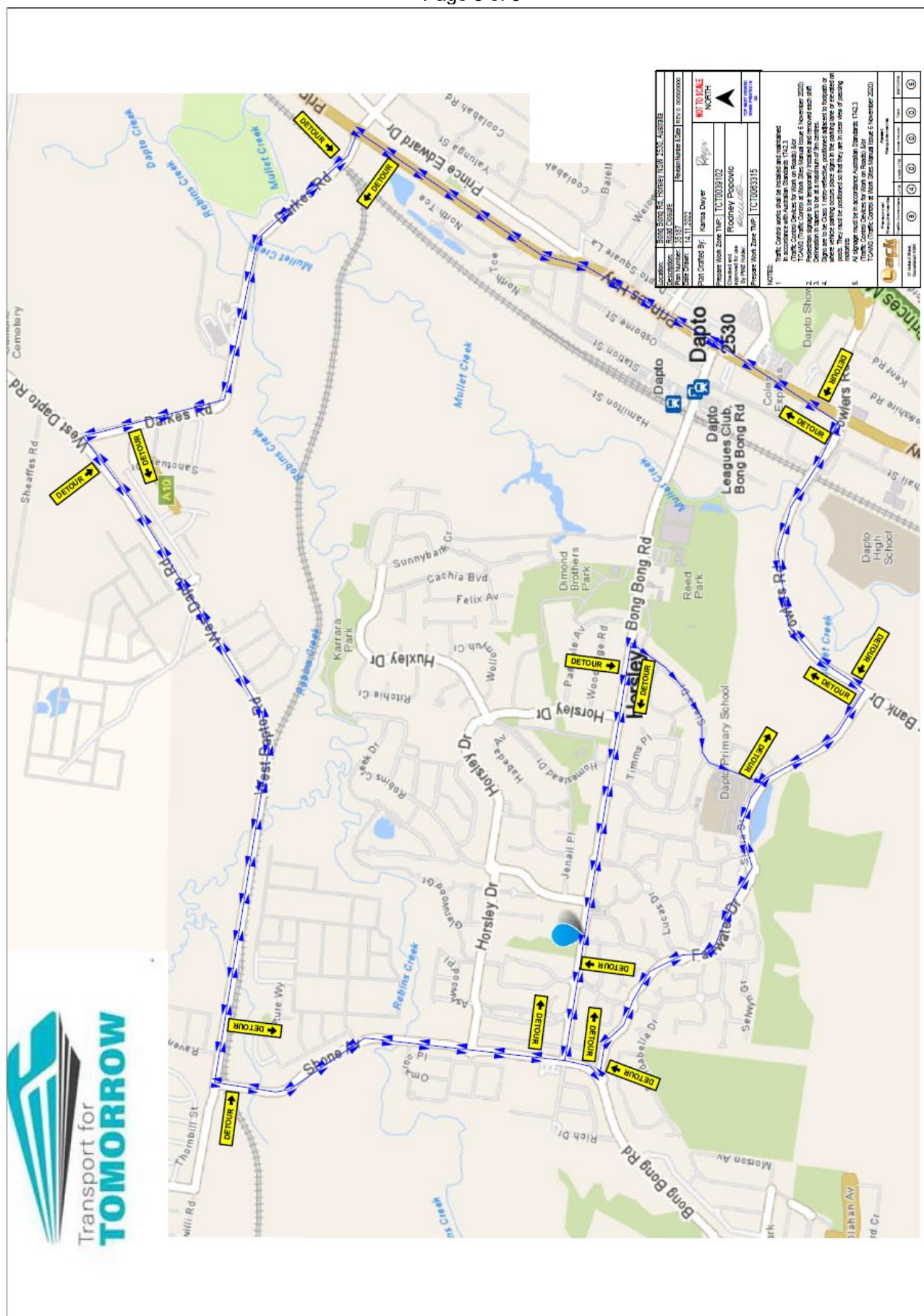


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4 DOB IN A HOON (SPEED COMPLAINTS)

STREET	SUBURB	CONCERN
Mt Keira Road	Mt Keira	Speeding Vehicles - Day and night vehicles 'rip' up and down Mt Keira Rd, with little regard for speed limit or safety. Neighbours are regularly abused by other drivers, only for slowing down to navigate entrance to their driveways.
Brian Street	Balgownie	Speeding Vehicles - Customer has reported they have witnessed a number of near misses and unsafe behaviour from motorists at the intersection of Meadow Street/ Brian Street as well as along Brian Street which could have caused injury or potentially a fatality to pedestrians. On a number of occasions, we have witnessed light vehicles speeding along Meadow Street and Brian Street with many vehicles appearing to be speeding through this intersection to bypass Meadow Street between Balgownie and Tarrawanna).
Farmborough Road	Farmborough Heights	Speeding vehicles, resident concern following rear-end crash. Mainly western section where road is narrow with double centrelines.
Station Street, Unara Road and North Terrace	Dapto	Customer requests regarding vehicles cutting the corner over double centrelines, sharp corner, accident risk.
Fairwater Drive	Dapto	Residents are reporting speeding and drivers crossing onto the wrong side of the road at school drop off and pick up outside Dapto Primary School.