

WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL

Traffic Committee Meeting Agenda

21 October 2020



WEDNESDAY 21 OCTOBER 2020
9.15 AM

LEVEL 10 COMMITTEE 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 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 Council must consider 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 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

Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting Held on 30 September 2020.

1.6 Business Arising

2 GENERAL BUSINESS

2.1 WOLLONGONG Stuart Park – Ward 2

Stuart Park – No Stopping Restrictions

BACKGROUND

In the off street car park on the corner of Cliff Road and George Hanley Drive, Council has constructed a new footpath with bollards along the northern edge. It has always been illegal for vehicles to park outside a marked bay however, previously drivers who parked with one set of wheels on the kerb on that northern edge did not obstruct parking within the bays. The bollards prevent parking with any of the vehicle on the kerb and therefore when vehicles park illegally the vehicles parked within the adjoining bays have insufficient room to leave safely.

Council's regulation and enforcement staff have requested no stopping restrictions on the northern side of this car park in order to discourage parking with a significant increase in fines compared to the current no parking restriction.

CONSULTATION

No consultation required.

PROPOSAL

Install No Stopping restrictions by way of continuous yellow lines along the northern kerb of the car park at the corner of Cliff Road and George Hanley Drive, Wollongong.

2.2 BULLI Ursula Road – Ward 1

Waniora Public School – Parking Restrictions

BACKGROUND

Waniora Public School's Principal has asked Council to consider installing an additional 35m (6 car lengths) of No Parking restrictions on the Ursula Road frontage to the School. There is a short section of No Parking at present between the bus zone and the children's crossing.

A new section of No Parking is requested from the end of the children's crossing No Stopping restrictions for a distance of 35 m to the west, over an area not currently restricted. It is hoped parents will be encouraged to use the new area as a drop off and pick up zone, and ensure vehicles only stop long enough to move the children into and out a parent's car.

Parents who wish to arrive early and wait for their children will be encouraged to park elsewhere and walk towards the school gates to collect children.

CONSULTATION

The school community have been consulted about the proposed changes.

PROPOSAL

Install a section of No Parking restrictions, timed 8 am to 9.30 am and 2.30 pm to 4 pm on School Days, in Ursula Road on the Waniora Public School frontage, from the end of the existing crossing point No Stopping restrictions and extending 35 m to the west.

2.3 BULLI Ursula Road – Ward 1

Bulli High School – Parking Restrictions

BACKGROUND

The Principal of Bulli High School has asked Council to consider altering part of the existing School Bus Zone to be timed for school times. All of the Bus Zone is timed 7 am to 4 pm on School Days which was originally intended to accommodate sports and excursion buses during the day, as well as the normal school bus services.

The School has asked that space for 3 buses (50m) be retained as a Bus Zone 7am to 4pm on school days and that the remainder be timed for 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4pm on school days.

CONSULTATION

No further consultation is necessary.

PROPOSAL

Retain as school Bus Zone 7am to 4pm on school days, a section from the start of the No Parking restrictions on Ursula Road and extending 50 m to the east, and time the remainder of the school Bus Zone towards the eastern boundary of Bulli High School as Bus Zone 8am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4pm on school days.

3 REGULATION OF TRAFFIC

3.1 WEST WOLLONGONG Lexburn Avenue – Ward 2

Lexburn Avenue Street Christmas Party – Road Closures Saturday 12 December 2020

BACKGROUND

The community of residents in Lexburn Avenue have applied for a Street Christmas party for 12 December 2020. The road closure at end of Lexburn Avenue will take effect from 5pm until 11pm on the day. The application came complete with signatures of affected residents giving consent to the event. This event has been held in previous years and has established good relations with the community in the area.

CONSULTATION

Consultation with affected residents has been undertaken.

PROPOSAL

The road closure of Lexburn Avenue on Saturday 12 December 2020 be approved subject to [Council's Standard Conditions for Street Parties](#), and that attendees be required to abide by the Covid 19 Health Orders which apply at the time.

4 DESIGN MATTERS

4.1 HELENSBURGH Corner Parkes and Walker Streets – Ward 1

Parkes and Walker Streets – Pedestrian Facility Improvements

BACKGROUND

As part of the Helensburgh Town Centre Masterplan Council is proposing to upgrade the roundabout at the Parkes and Walker Streets intersection. Council is also proposing to construct a raised pedestrian crossing on Parkes Street and two new sets of kerb blisters along Parkes Street. The existing crossing point on Parkes Street has proved challenging to residents in that the refuge island is not adequate and the proposed work will improve pedestrian safety significantly.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is a requirement of the design process.

PROPOSAL

Plan 6631_SK03 be approved.

4.2 CORRIMAL Town Centre – Ward 1

Princes Highway – Pedestrian Crossing

BACKGROUND

Council proposes to upgrade the pedestrian crossing facilities at the intersection of Princes Highway and Russell Street. A wombat crossing is proposed to provide a safe crossing location for pedestrians and also provide traffic calming through the town centre adding to the road safety benefit. The facility has been modelled and will cause minimal delay to traffic flow.

The volume of traffic currently using the Princes Highway through Corrimal CBD makes it challenging for pedestrians to cross without there being a change in the priority. As there is an alternate route for through traffic it is appropriate to treat the Princes Highway at this location as a high pedestrian area with limited priority for vehicular movements. Plans are expected to be tabled at the meeting.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is part of the design process.

PROPOSAL

Install a wombat pedestrian crossing on the Princes Highway, Corrimal at the intersection at Russell Street.

