

ITEM 17

CITY OF WOLLONGONG TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 13 JUNE 2023

The City of Wollongong Traffic Committee Meeting was held on 13 June 2023. The recommendations of items listed in Sections 3, 4.3 to 4.4 and 5 of the Traffic committee Minutes, relating to temporary road closures, are referred to Council for consideration. Temporary road closures, in accordance with the Regulation of public works or events by independent parties, must be considered by council. Road closures are not considered under delegated authority to the General Manager.

The items in Section 2 and 4.1 – 4.2 of the Local Traffic Committee Minutes are endorsed under Delegated Authority of the General Manager and do not require referral to Council. Items that appear in Sections 2 and 4.1 - 4.2 of previous Wollongong Traffic Committee will form part of the published minutes.

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the delegated authority to Council, the Minutes and Recommendations of the Wollongong Traffic Committee held on 13 June 2023 in relation to Regulation of Traffic as outlined within this report, be adopted.

REPORT AUTHORISATIONS

Report of: Jeremy Morgan, Manager Infrastructure, Strategy + Planning

Authorised by: Joanne Page, Director Infrastructure + Works

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BACKGROUND

1. BELLAMBI, BELLAMBI LANE – WARD 1 – KEIRA ELECTORATE - CLOSURE OF BELLAMBI LANE BETWEEN BROMPTON ROAD AND FRANCIS STREET

Under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992, Transport for NSW (TfNSW) has an obligation to provide accessible public transport in 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).

Work was carried out on 14 May 2023, and it is proposed to close Bellambi Lane between Brompton Road and Francis Street to allow for the completion of this work from 4am Saturday, 7 October 2023 to 4am Monday, 9 October 2023 as this date coincides with track work possession.

PROPOSAL

The road closures be approved subject to the submitted Traffic Control Plans, [Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures](#) and community consultation (letterbox drop, VMS and standard media notification) be undertaken at least two weeks prior to closure.

CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

The community are familiar with Transport for NSW work in the area and are receiving monthly project updates. This scope will be notified in the 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).

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

BACKGROUND

2. WOLLONGONG, CROWN STREET AND QUEENS PARADE – WARD 2 – WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE - TOWER CRANE INSTALLATION

Build High is managing a project on 40 Crown Street Wollongong and has requested a road closure for the installation of a tower crane from Queens Parade Wollongong. The road will be closed between Crown Street and the extent of their site, fronting Queens Parade. There will be intermittent stops close to the traffic lights on Crown Street, approximately one stop per hour for 6-7 hours for semitrailers to reverse into the site. Semitrailer drivers will reverse from Crown Street into the site and drive out forward north along Queens Parade. The proposed date is 6 July 2023 with a backup date of 13 July 2023, from 6am to 6pm. Pedestrians will be directed safely around the site by traffic control.

A Road Occupancy application has already been submitted to Council's Construction Compliance Team who will provide final approval in accordance with Section 138 of the Roads Act.

PROPOSAL

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

Additional Recommendations:

- One way and no entry signs are to be covered whilst contra-flow is in operation.
- VMS Boards must be operating at least 7 days prior to the closure.
- Bus operators to be consulted (Premier and Dions).

CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Build High have advised they will provide a letter drop and individually speak with each adjoining business.

BACKGROUND

3. WOLLONGONG, VICTORIA STREET AND KEIRA LANE – WARD 2 – WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE – CRANE LIFT

Stop Slow Traffic Control has requested a road closure for the purpose of a crane lift for the replacement of air conditioning units in Keira Lane. The proposed dates are 27 June 2023 and 29 June 2023 with backup dates of 28 June 2023 and 30 June 2023. Onsite Traffic Controllers are to assist with vehicle and pedestrian movements around the work area. The laneway is to be coned off and a detour implemented for motorists.

The lane way will be closed from Victoria Street to the halfway point, with access via Smith Street for pedestrians and parking. Only the units of the building where works are being carried out will be affected. The pedestrian travel path will not be interrupted; the only time people will be stopped is if the crane has a load suspended in the air.

A Road Occupancy application has already been submitted to Council's Construction Compliance Team who will provide final approval in accordance with Section 138 of the Roads Act.

PROPOSAL

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

CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

It has been made clear that consultation must occur at least 7 days prior to the working taking place irrespective of whether an approval has already granted. In this case the approval letter will be provided the day the work is taking place.

Stop Slow must contact the surrounding residents and businesses with adequate notice. They have confirmed that they will do this.

BACKGROUND

4. DAPTO, BONG BONG ROAD – WARD 3 – SHELLHARBOUR ELECTORATE - CLOSURE OF BONG BONG ROAD BETWEEN STATION STREET AND HAMILTON STREET

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).

Approval has been granted 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.

Additional dates are now requested to allow completion of this work on from 4:00am Saturday 2 December – 4:00am Monday 4 December 2023.

PROPOSAL

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

CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

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).

BACKGROUND

5. KEMBLA GRANGE, PRINCES HIGHWAY AND NORTHCLIFFE DRIVE – WARD 3 – WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE - CARAVAN AND CAMPING EXPO

Traffic Logistics have made an application to regulate traffic on the Princes Highway Kemplla Grange for the purposes of facilitating the Illawarra Caravan Expo at Kemplla Grange Racecourse. The event is to take place from the 7 July 2023 to 9 July 2023 and is expected to attract 11,000 attendees. The event will start at 8am and finish at 3.30pm each day.

In terms of access to the event the following arrangements have been made to ensure the safety of patrons:

- Illawarra Turf Club has been liaising with Sydney trains to request stops at the event although the track work is scheduled during the event dates.
- Parking will be the infill inside Illawarra turf club racecourse as per site layout map.
- The overflow parking will be Fred Finch Park (Wollongong Council has already been made aware of this by a representative from Illawarra EXPO).
- Any pedestrians travelling from the trains will cross at the traffic signals which will still be operations at the intersection of Princess Highway and West Dapto Road.
- Traffic controllers will guide pedestrians to using signalised crossings. In the event of mass exits from Illawarra Turf club there will be intermittent stops so patrons can leave the venue. This would be intermittent only.

PROPOSAL

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

CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

The applicant has already applied for a Road Occupancy Licence through Transport for NSW which has been approved. The Illawarra Turf Club has been liaising with Sydney trains to request stops at the event although track work is scheduled during the event dates. They have also raised the issue of pedestrian safety and trains to ensure this is managed effectively.

BACKGROUND

6. WOLLONGONG, MARINE DRIVE – WARD 2 – WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE - BLESSING OF THE BIKES

Council's Events team have received an application for the Blessing of the Bikes event which is proposed to occur on Sunday 9th July 2023 at Lang Park and attract up to 500 bikes. The event will start at 9am and finish at 2pm. Motorbike riders will display their bikes and then be blessed with holy water for

good luck when riding on the roads. The event has support from the NSW Police. There will be two traffic controllers at the entry and exit point and no proposed road closures.

The event is to raise awareness for both road safety and organ donation. Funds raised will go to Zaidee's Rainbow Foundation.

PROPOSAL

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

Additional Recommendations:

- VMS installed at least 7 days leading up to the event notifying of carpark closure and event.
- Letterbox drop to adjacent residents and surrounding businesses at least 2-weeks prior to event.

CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Letterbox drop to nearby residents and surrounding businesses at least two (2) weeks prior to event.

BACKGROUND

7. WOLLONGONG, MT KEIRA ROAD AND HARRY GRAHAM DRIVE – WARD 2 – MONTHLY CYCLE RACING

The Illawarra Cycle Club (ICC) has liaised with the Wollongong Motorcycle Club to request a change to upcoming race dates to reduce the impact of the road closure as the clubs have events held on the same day. The proposed new dates are as follows (all other dates will remain the same):

1. 8 July 2023 move to 29 July 2023
2. 12 August 2023 move to 19 August 2023
3. 9 September 2023 move to 16 September 2023

The current approved event schedule is:

- 11 February 2023
- 11 March 2023
- 8 April 2023
- 13 May 2023
- 10 June 2023
- 8 July 2023
- 12 August 2023
- 9 September 2023
- 14 October 2023
- 11 November 2023
- 9 December 2023

The ICC has proposed road closures on Mount Keira Road and Harry Graham Drive, Mount Keira, to permit a monthly series of Club road races, to be held on the second Saturday of each month. Approval is requested for the road closure of the section of Mount Keira Road between Clive Bissell Drive and Picton Road, and on Harry Graham Drive between Mount Keira Road and Fire Trail 15B (near the non-operational coal conveyor at O'Brien's Drift).

The closures are to take effect between the hours of 1.00pm to 5.00pm. The club is planning to use days when the Mount Kembla Motorcycle facility will not have regular events. Residents and other landowners will be able to access their properties via Cordeaux Road and Harry Graham Drive at Mount Kembla

during the closures. For through drivers, the alternate route will be via Mount Ousley Road, Clive Bissell Drive and Mount Keira Road east of Clive Bissell Drive.

PROPOSAL

The proposed road closures of Harry Graham Drive and Mount Keira Road be approved subject to the submitted Traffic Control Plans and [Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures](#).

CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

1. Council has informed NSW Police and TfNSW of the proposed changes by ICC.
2. Consultation with the affected parts of the community is a condition of approval for this event.
3. The ICC must seek approval from NSW Police and liaise with all affected residents relating to the new dates.

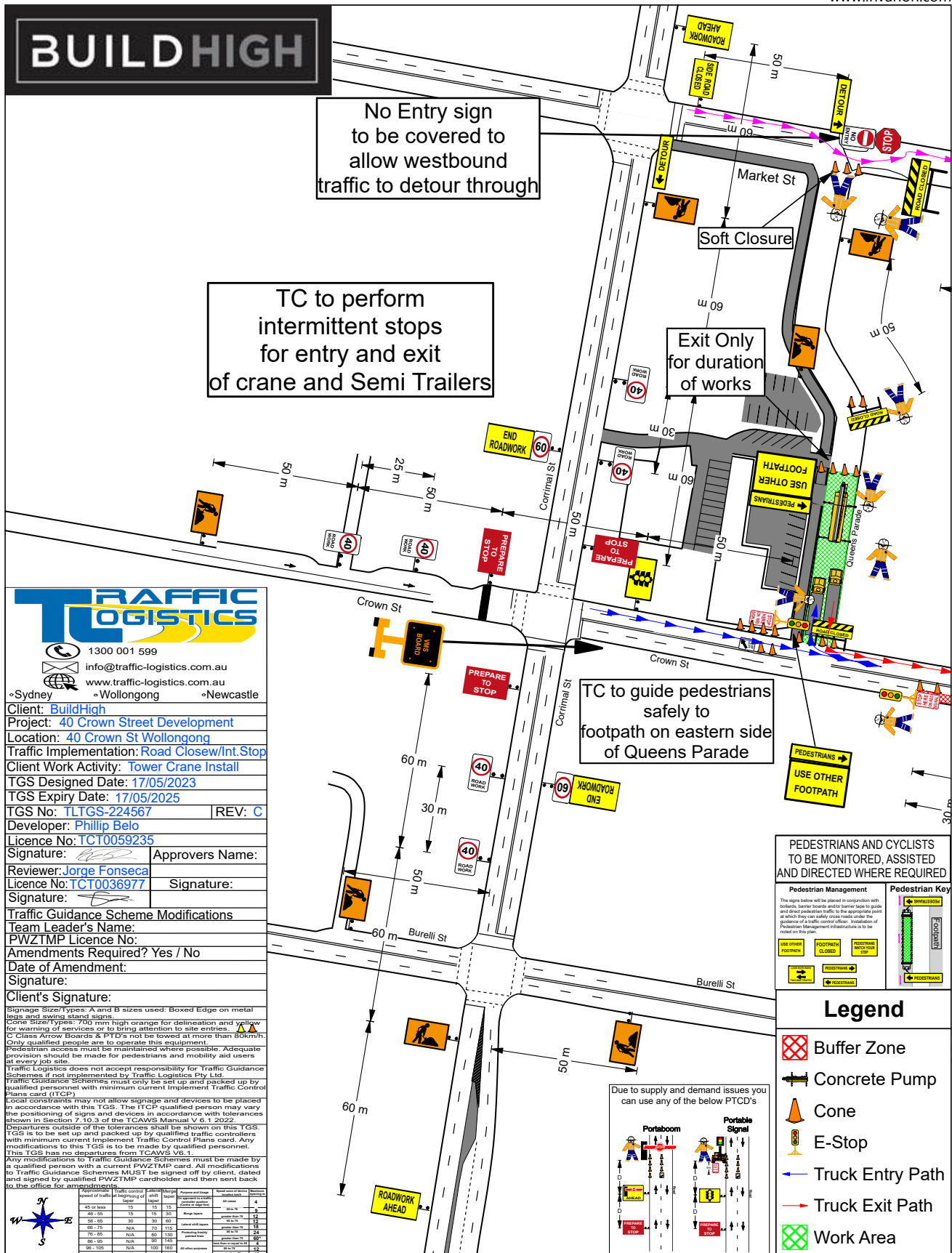
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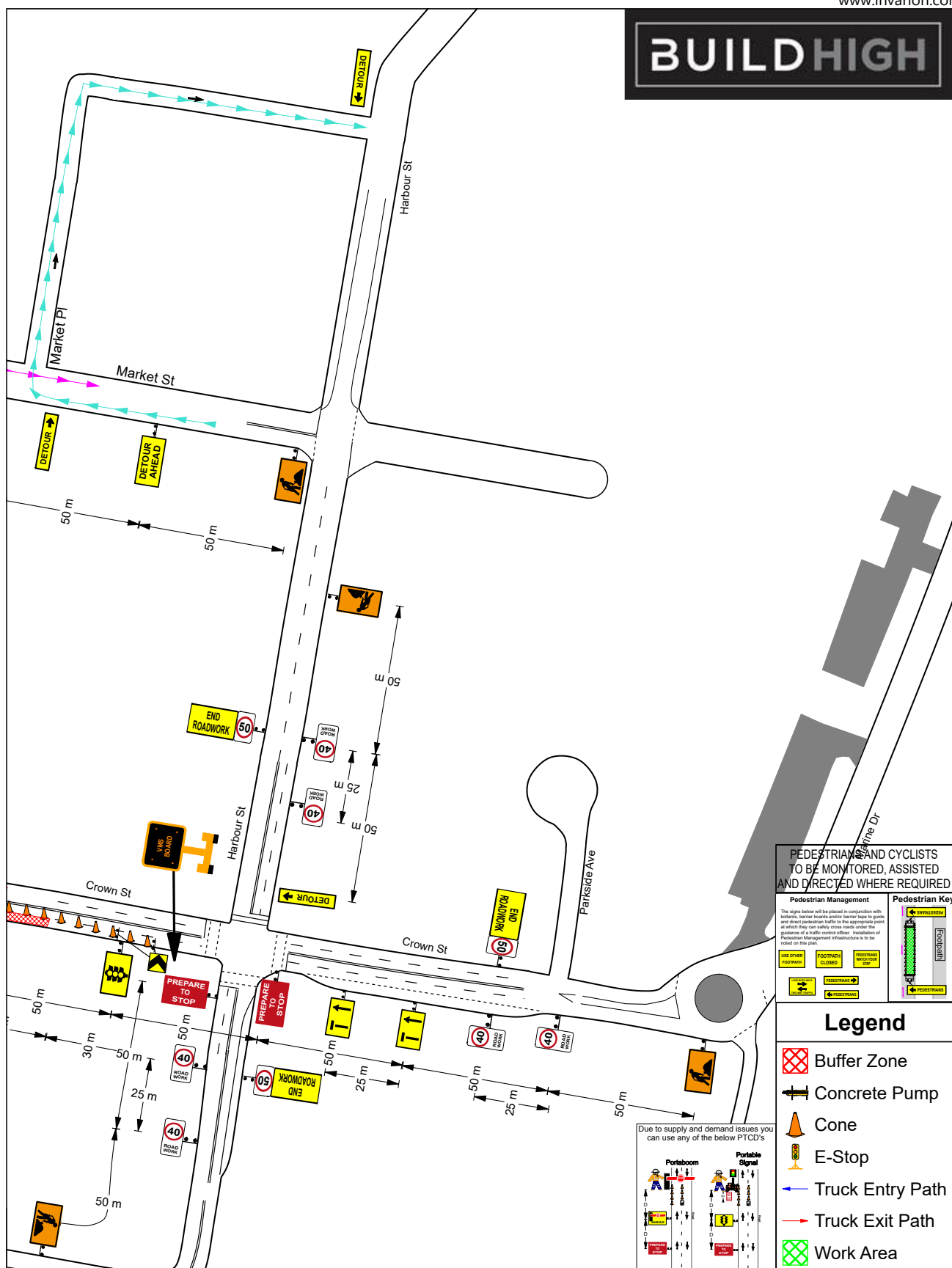
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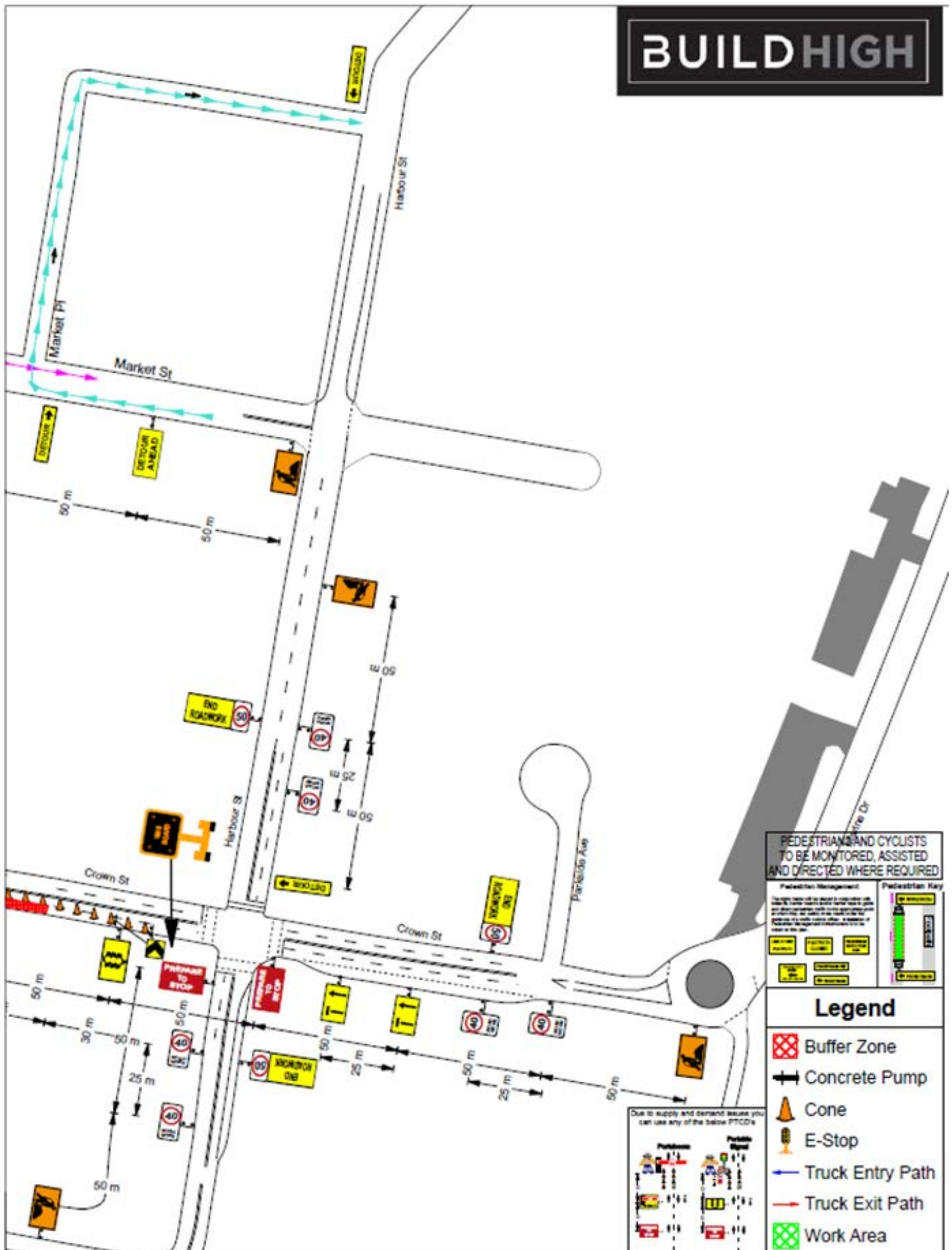
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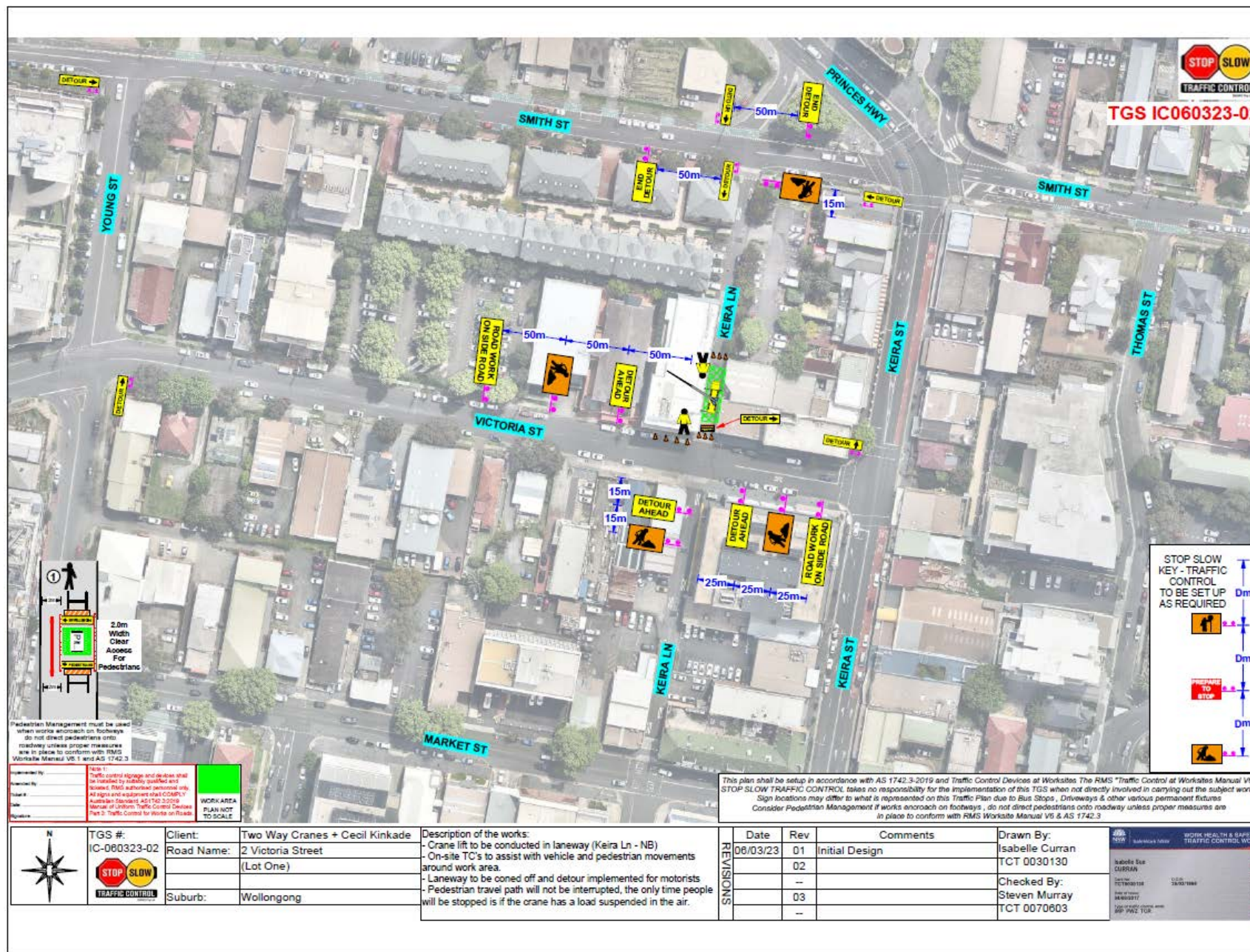


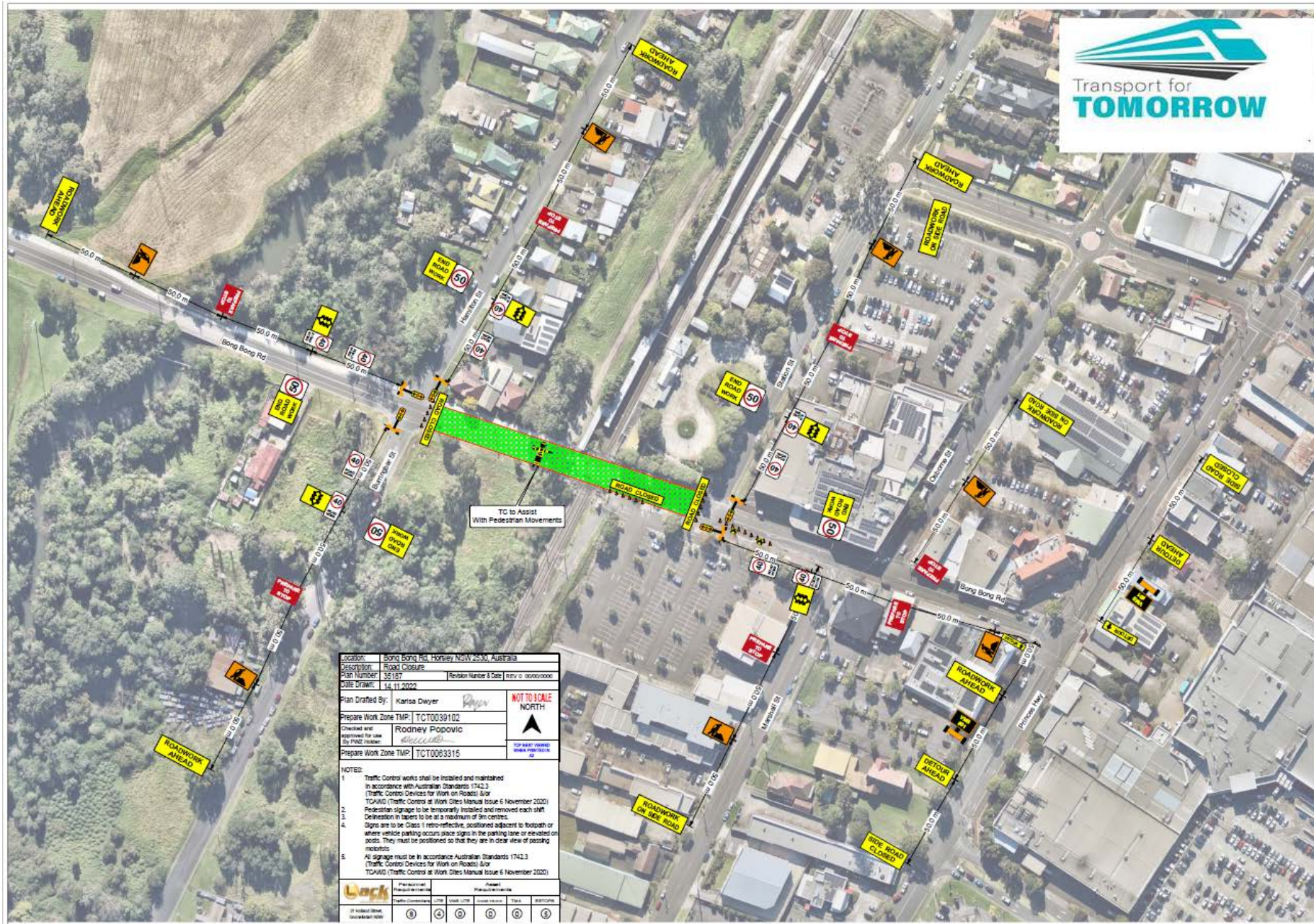


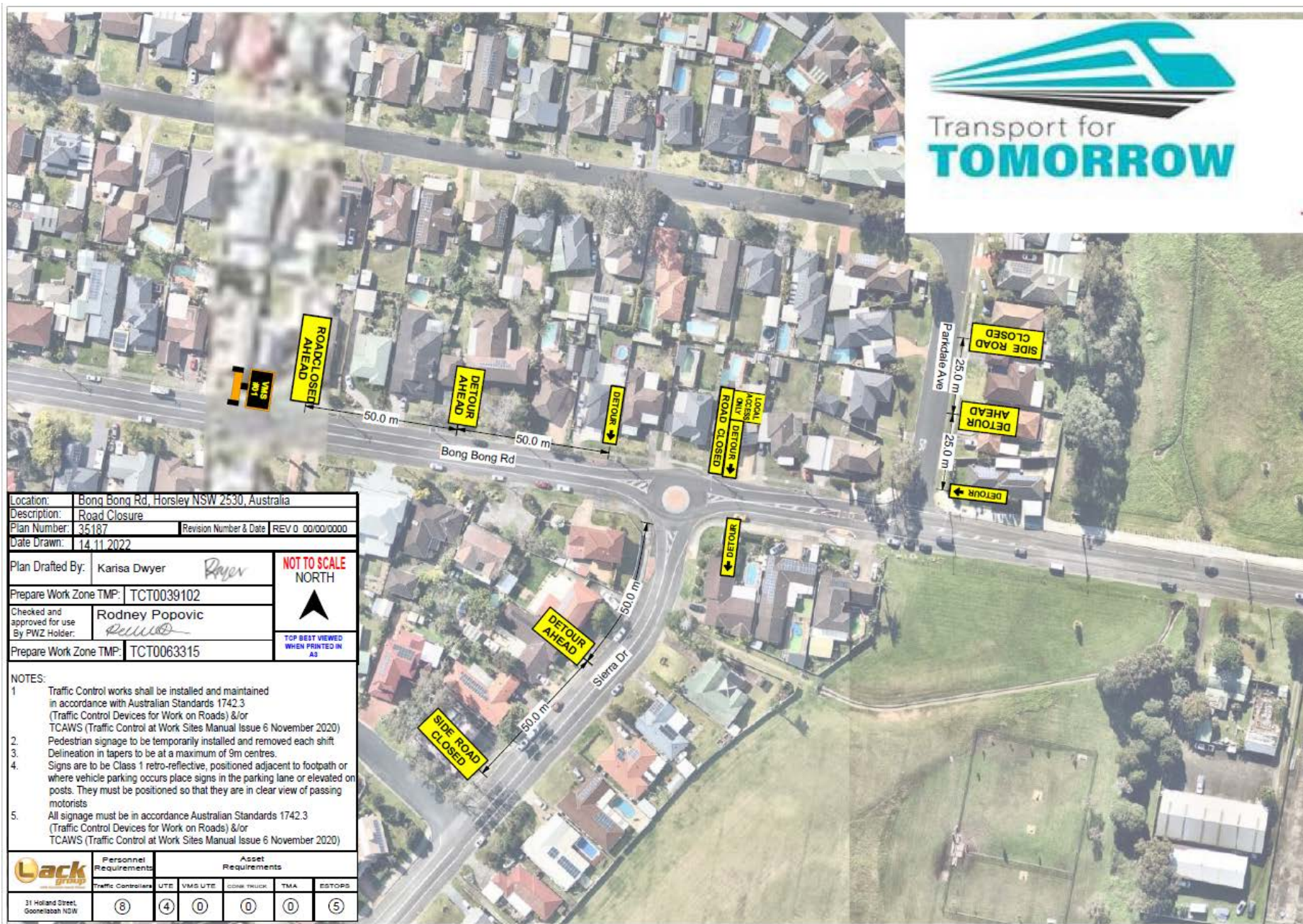




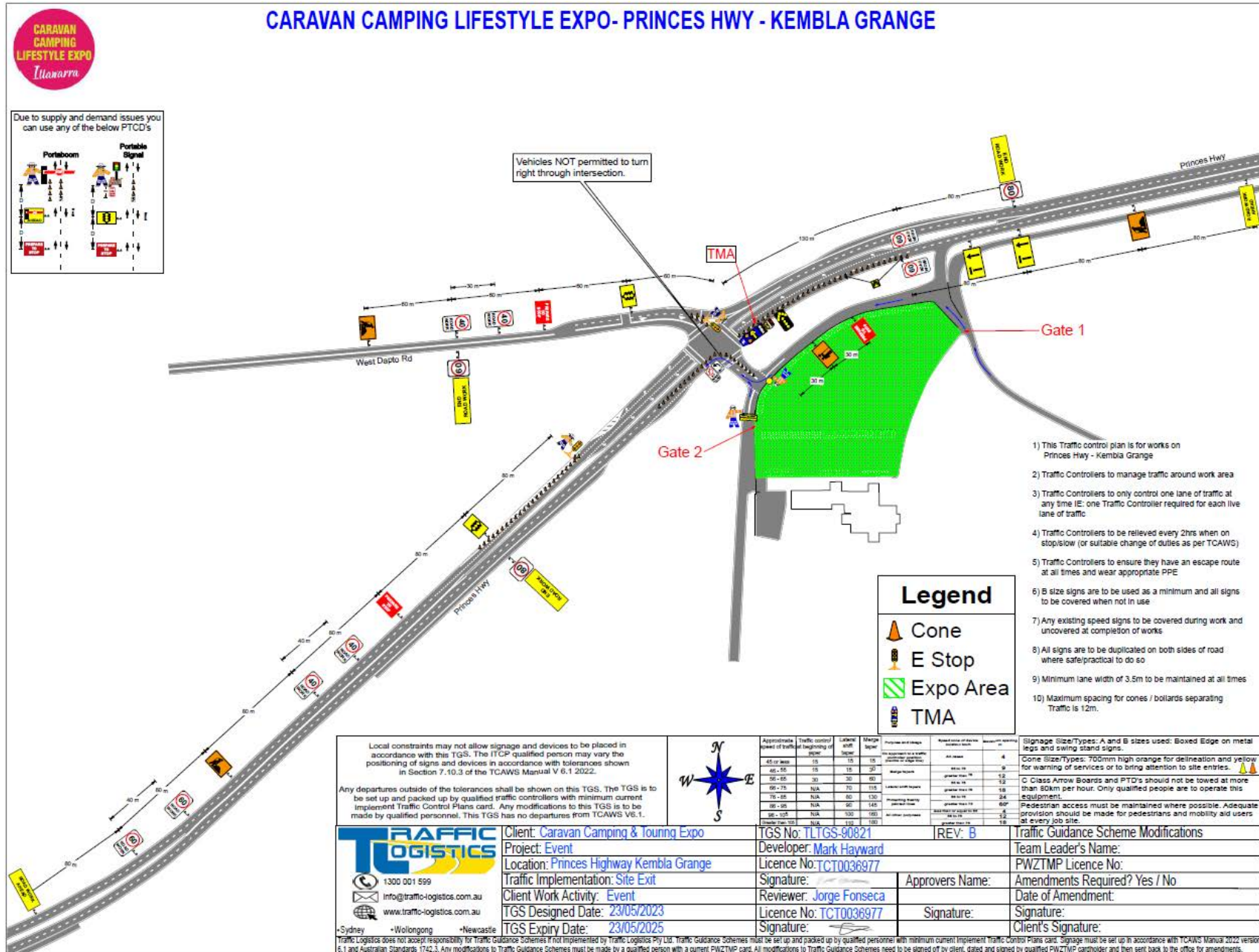


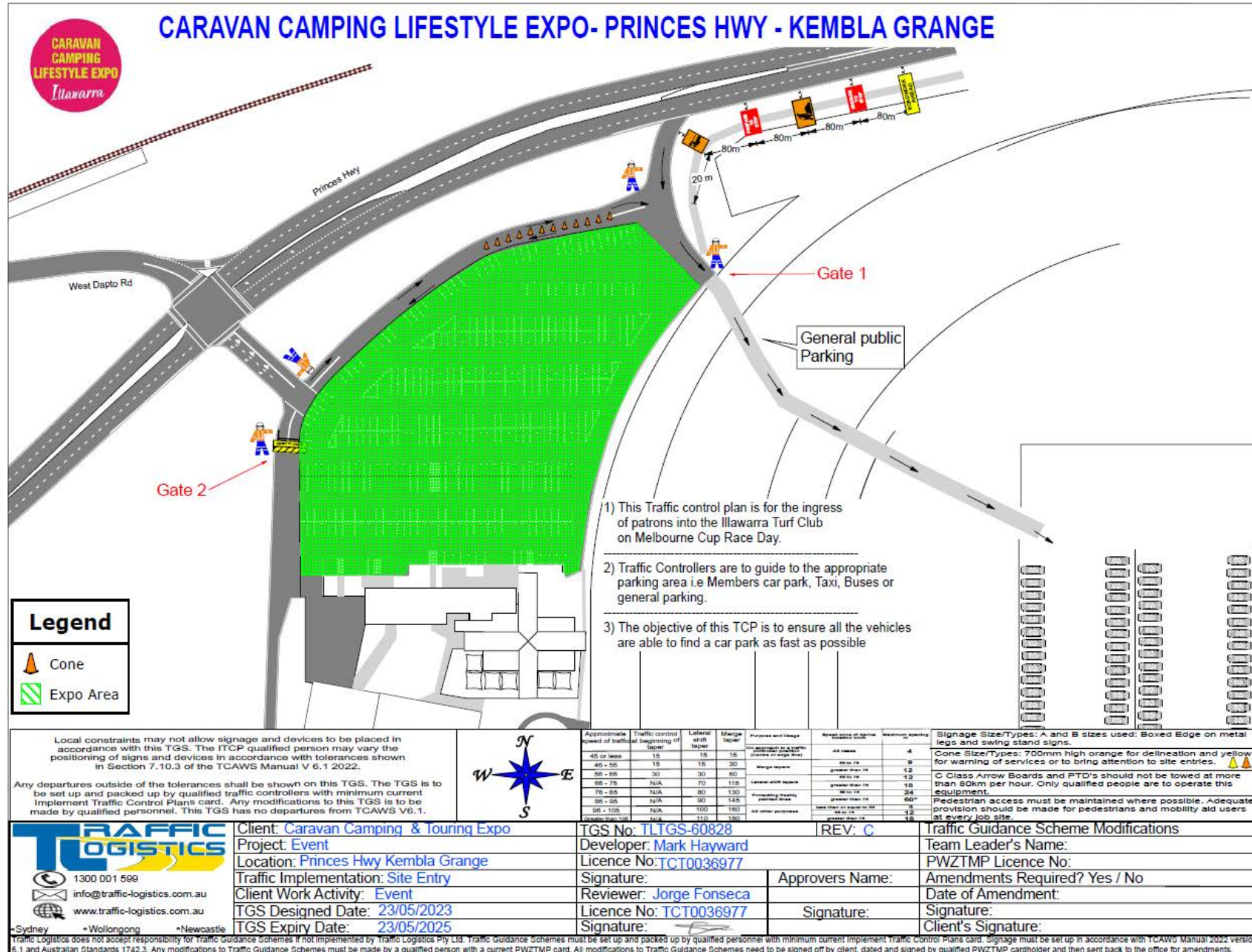


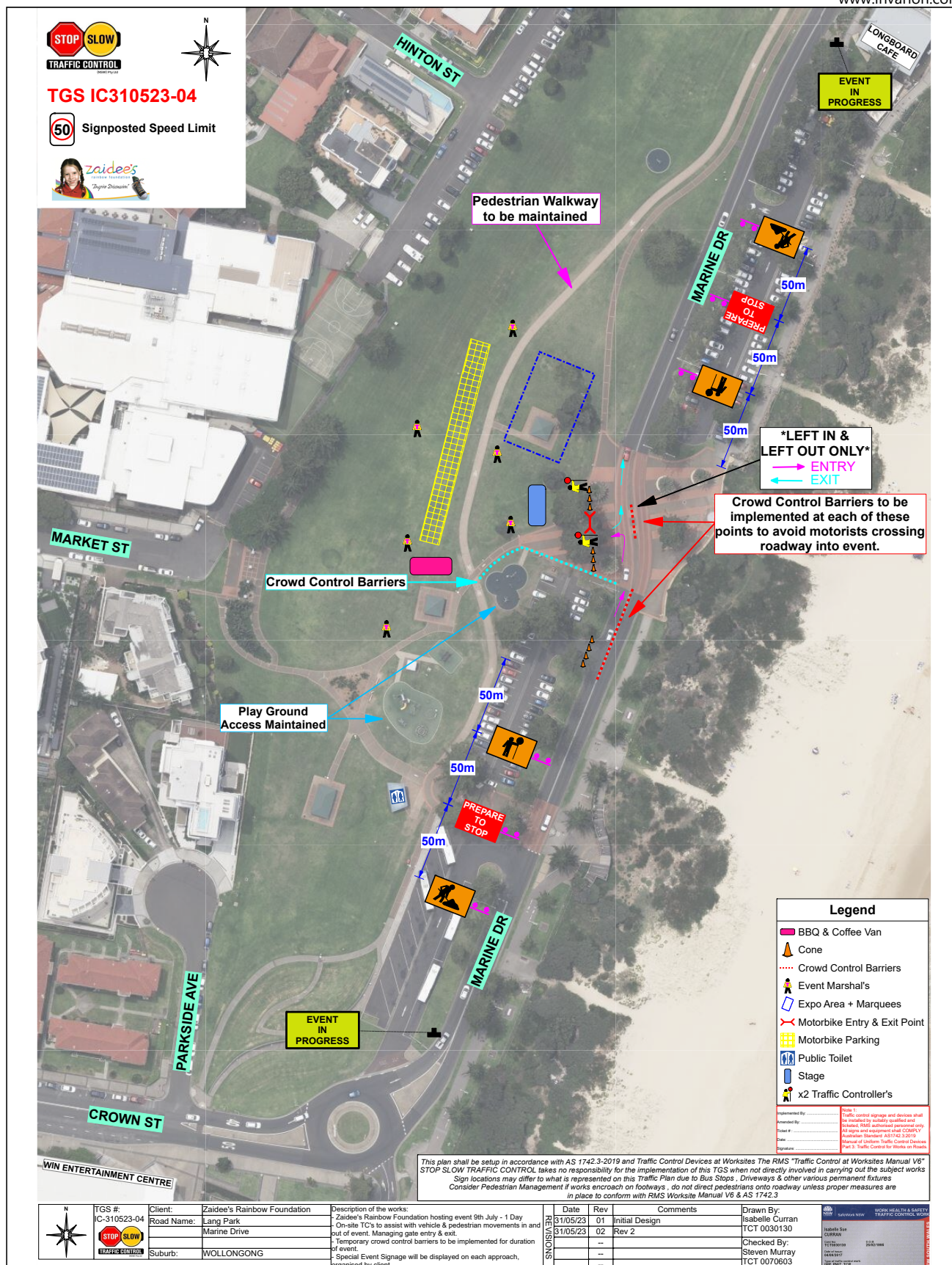








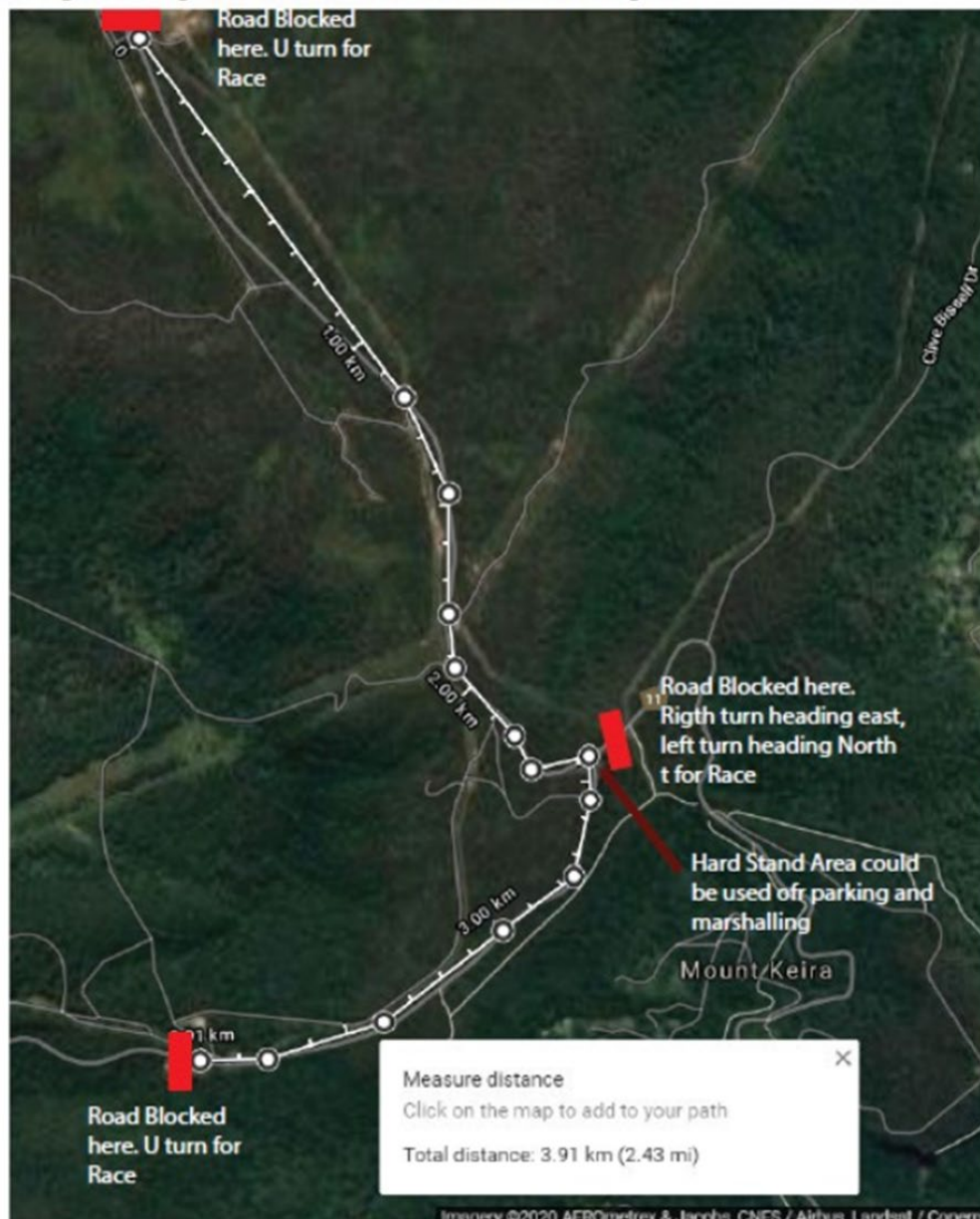




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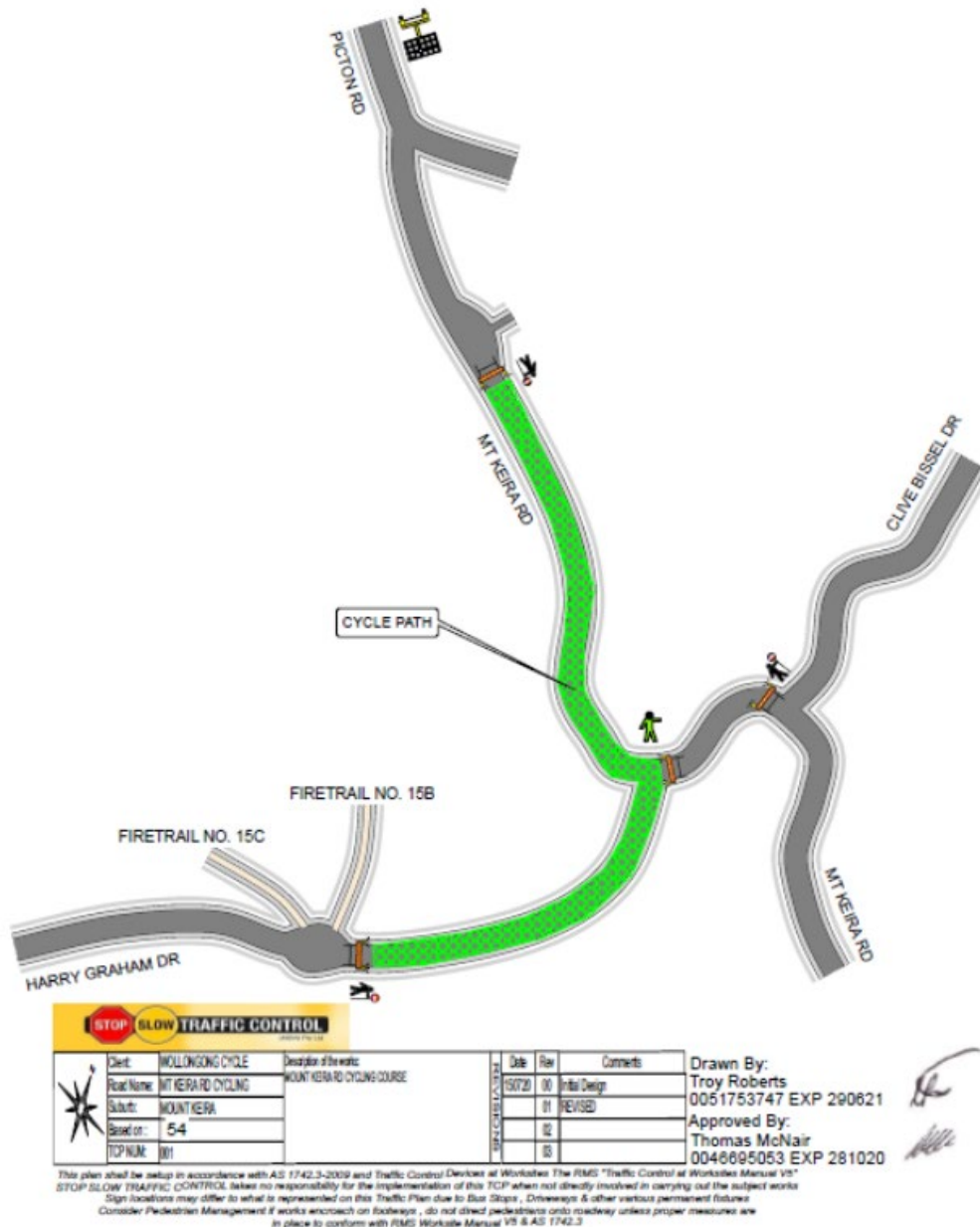
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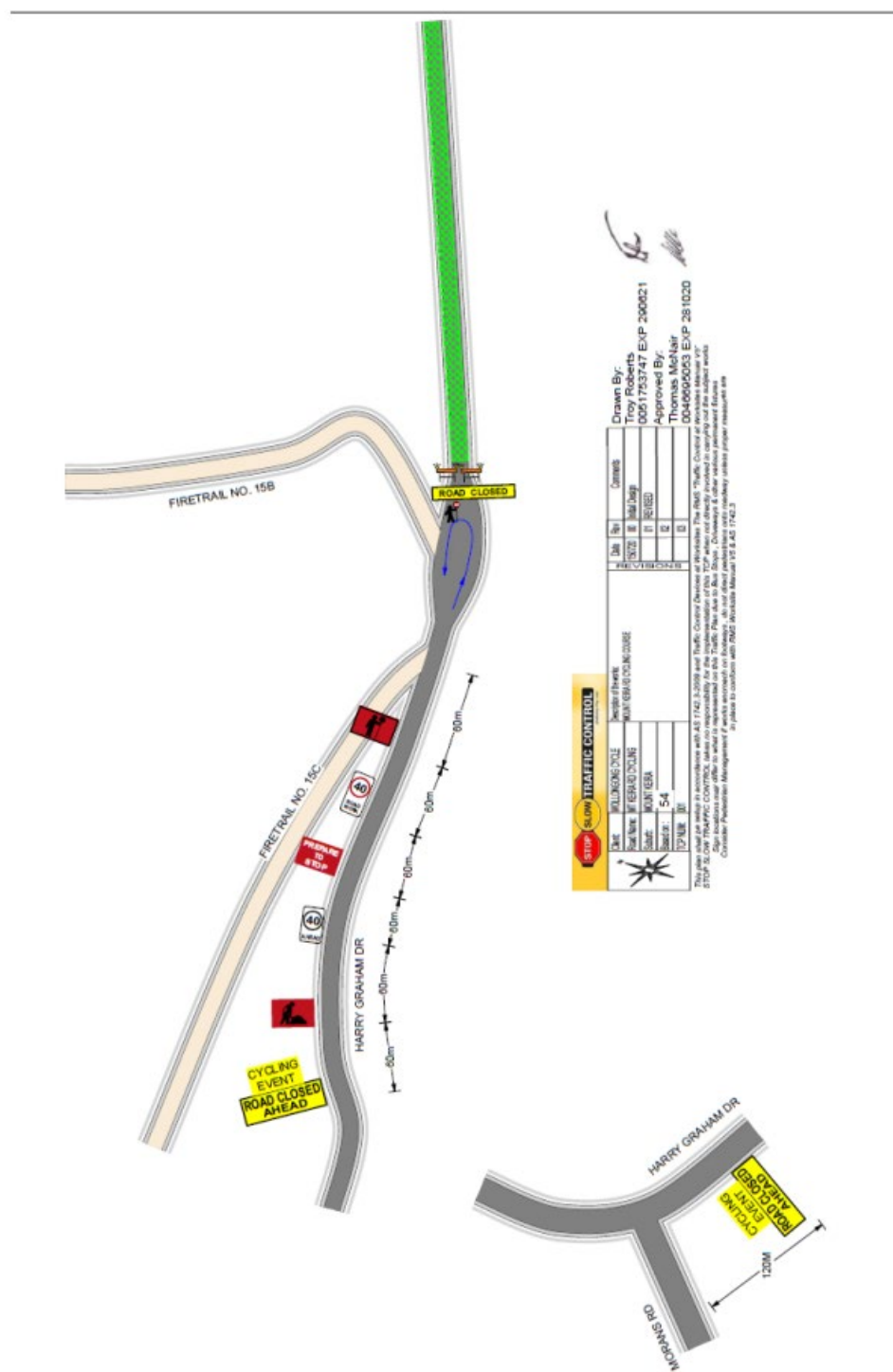
Approximately 3km Course on Mt Keira Rd Starting about 500m from Picton Rd heading east to Harry Graham Drive and turning Right. Heading south for about 1.4km U turn at former coal loader at top of hill (Mt Kembla Drift) and heading back along the same course. U Turn before Picton Rd again.



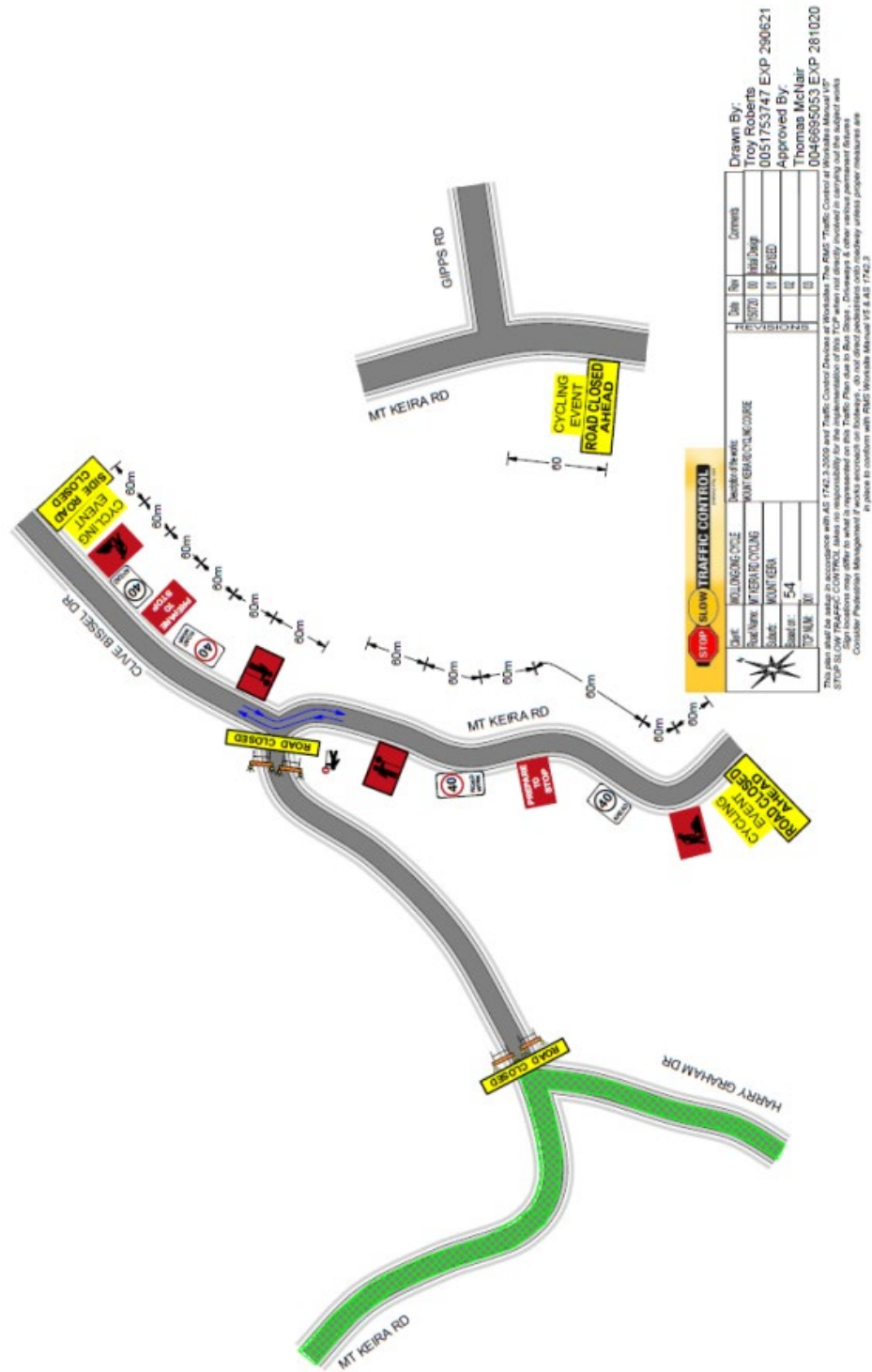
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Mt Keira Racing Course





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