

WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL

Traffic Committee Minutes of Meeting

11 August 2023



MINUTES

CITY OF WOLLONGONG TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

11 August 2023 Electronic Meeting

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the powers delegated to Council by the Road Transport Act 2013 and the Roads Act 1993:

- 1 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.
- 2 Appropriate persons and Departments be advised of Council's decisions.

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Jo Page	Director – Infrastructure and Works	20 August 2023
Name	Title	Date
Greg Doyle	General Manager	29 August 2023

The City of Wollongong Traffic Committee is not a Committee of Wollongong City Council however a Technical Committee of Transport for New South Wales (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 document 'A guide to the delegation to councils for the regulation of traffic' (including the operation of Traffic Committees.)

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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 New South Wales, 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.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

The General Manager can only resolve that:

1 The Traffic Committee recommendation be adopted.

2 The Traffic Committee recommendation not be adopted.

3 The Traffic Committee reconsider this issue.

PRESENT	
Rob Gaudiosi - Chair	Wollongong City Council
Tyson Perry	Wollongong City Council
Glenda Fewings	Wollongong City Council
Justin Miles	Transport for NSW
Vanessa Menzies	NSW Police
John Granland	Premier Illawarra
Stephen Burridge	Busabout
Les Dion	Dion's Bus Service
John Burns	Representing the Member for Keira and Member for Wollongong

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1 GENERAL BUSINESS

1.1 FAIRY MEADOW, McGrath Street – Ward 2 – Keira Electorate – Proposed Sign Install

BACKGROUND

Council has been notified of increased congestion and road safety concerns on McGrath Street, Fairy Meadow following the opening of the Guzman Y Gomez at the corner of Princes Highway and McGrath Street, Fairy Meadow. To assist with road safety and congestion in the area, Council is proposing an extension of the No Stopping restrictions and the installation of new Bus Zone signs. All proposed changes are illustrated in the attached plan with the renewal of faded Bus Zone signs also proposed nearby.

CONSULTATION

Consultation was undertaken for the Bus Zone sign installations only in March 2023 with one impacted business being concerned about impacts to on-street parking. The Bus Zone at this location will not impact parking at this business and once the proposal was explained, they were satisfied the proposal was fair. Additional consultation was undertaken more recently for the proposed No Stopping changes however no responses were received.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

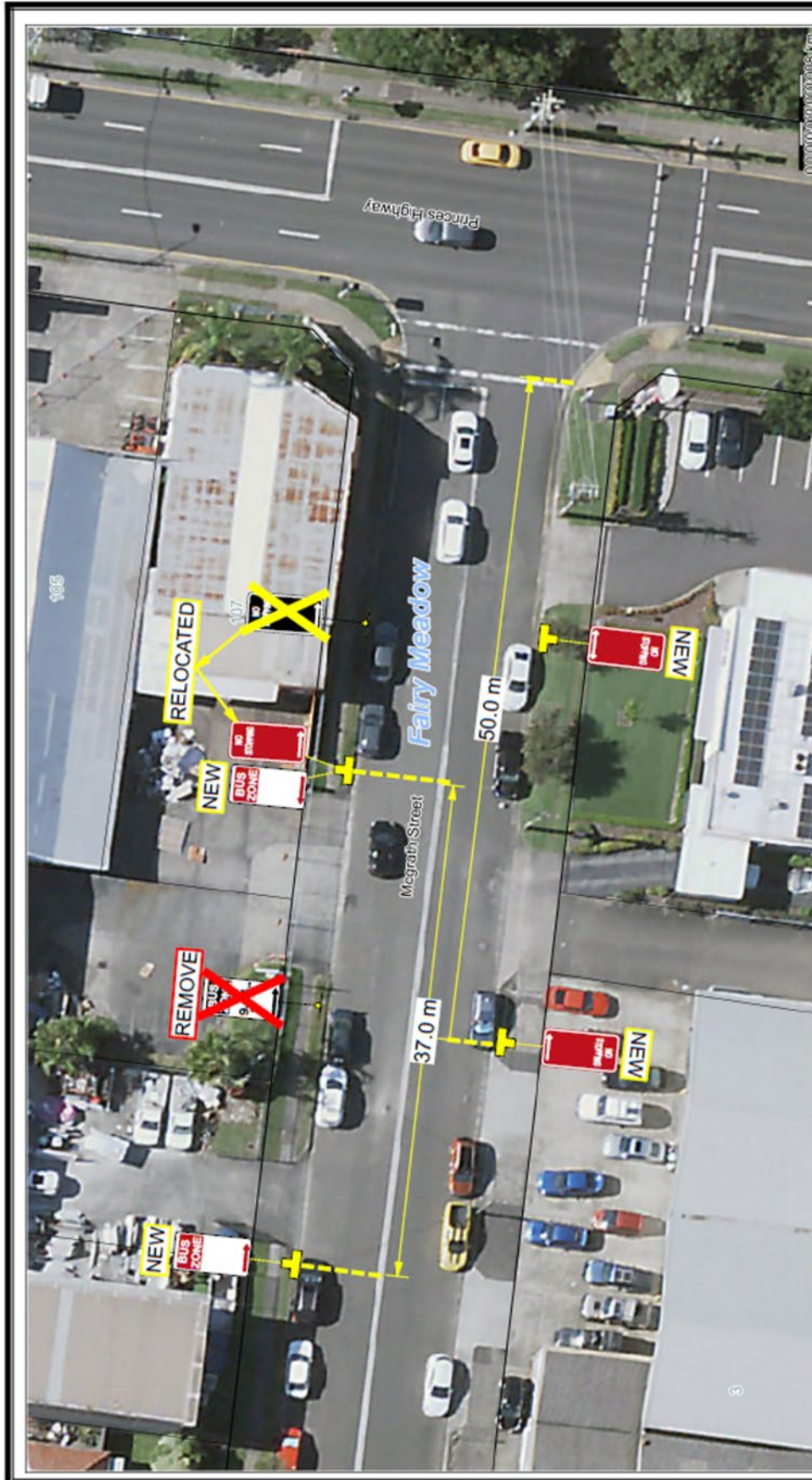
The Traffic Committee endorse the attached plan subject to the following:

- The timed Bus Zone (R) sign which is marked as "Remove" is changed to full time Bus Zone (L+R) to assist with compliance.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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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



Signage Plan			
Bus Zone Relocation			
Date	8/08/23	Street	Mcgrath Street
Scale	1:400	Suburb	Fairy Meadow
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2 REGULATION OF TRAFFIC

2.1 WOLLONGONG, Marine Drive and Endeavour Drive – Ward 2 – Wollongong Electorate – Ride Wollongong Festival (Race on Road/Class 2)

BACKGROUND

Ride Wollongong is proposed to occur 23 Saturday September 2023 and 24 Sunday September 2023 at Lang Park and Flagstaff Hill Wollongong. The event is a community cycling event to celebrate the first-year anniversary of the 2022 UCI world road cycling champion ships, along with the UCI Bike City status Wollongong city now boasts. Estimated daily attendance is 3500 riders spread over free community events and races, along with free activations built on community engagement.

The road closures will be from Flagstaff Hill on Saturday 23 September 2023 and additionally Marine Drive on Sunday 24 September 2023. The methods of accessing the event will include car, walking and public transport. Ride Wollongong's Festival of Cycling is a free community ride celebrating the legacy of the 2022 UCI Road World Championships, the Festival of Cycling has something for everyone to enjoy, in the beautiful City of Wollongong.

On Saturday 23 September 2023, Endeavour Drive will be closed from 9am to 5pm and on Sunday 24 September 2023, Marine Drive and Endeavour Drive will be closed from 7am to 5pm:

A link to the current event schedule is provided: [Event Schedule | RIDE WOLLONGONG](#)

CONSULTATION

- The event organiser has consulted with NSW Police to discuss the upcoming event as part of the TMP implementation.
- The event organiser has discussed key issues raised by bus operators regarding the event including the closure of the bus terminus and providing toilet facilities. In response a plan has been created which includes relocation of the bus terminus to Harbour Street and Crown Street as per the attached TGS plans (to offset the bus parking lost at the terminus) - See final pages of the TGS plans.
- The applicant has confirmed there will be toilet facilities provided for the bus layover for both days at either the church or on Lang Park (as close as possible to the layovers). This will be subject to separate Council approval.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION:

Transport for NSW representative raised the following concerns with the proposal:

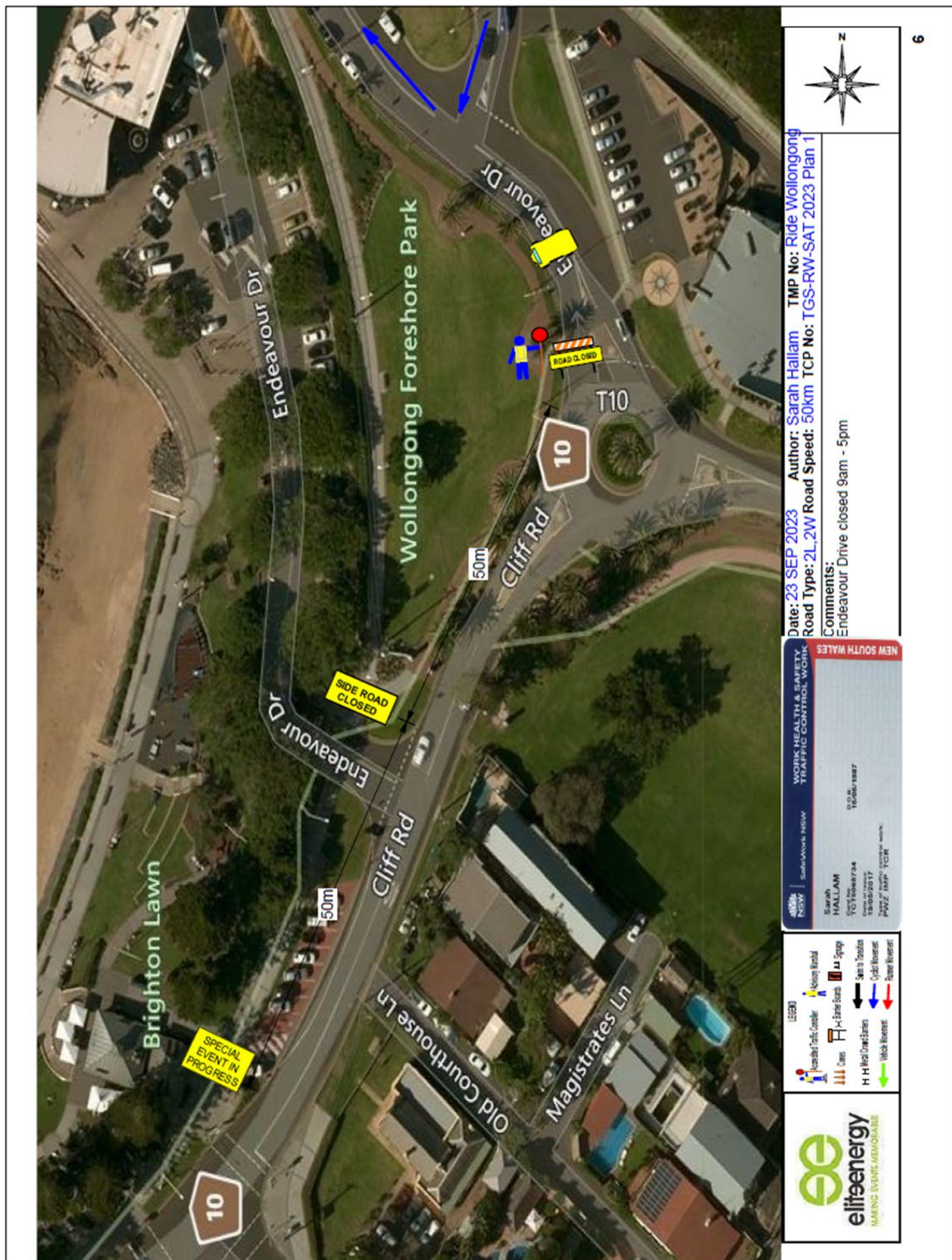
- The proposed traffic management of the surrounding local roads creates a situation where vehicles can exit the harbour and surrounding car park but not enter. Several commercial businesses operate out of the harbour including commercial fishing vessels, a café, slipway, and fishing charter boat. The harbour is a popular weekend spot for recreational kayaking and swimming. The car park is one of the closest available to the event. Some people will likely ignore the current one-way arrangement to access parking in this area. This creates a potential conflict between pedestrians and vehicles (it is currently a shared zone). A summary of the consultation with the affected business is missing from the traffic committee agenda. I have included a copy of the relevant Transport for NSW contacts as Transport manages the harbour which is on Crown Land.
- The Wollongong foreshore area has a high parking demand. It is not uncommon for cars to park overnight in the car parks that are proposed to be closed. Trapped vehicles on road or in car parks will need to be addressed. This is based on previous experience with similar closures with UCI event in 2022. It is recommended that the event organiser work with NSW Police on a strategy to minimise the risk of parked vehicles being present on event days.
- The Wollongong bus layover is critical to the operation of most buses in the Wollongong region. It is noted that the event organiser is working with the operators to minimise disruption to the public transport network.

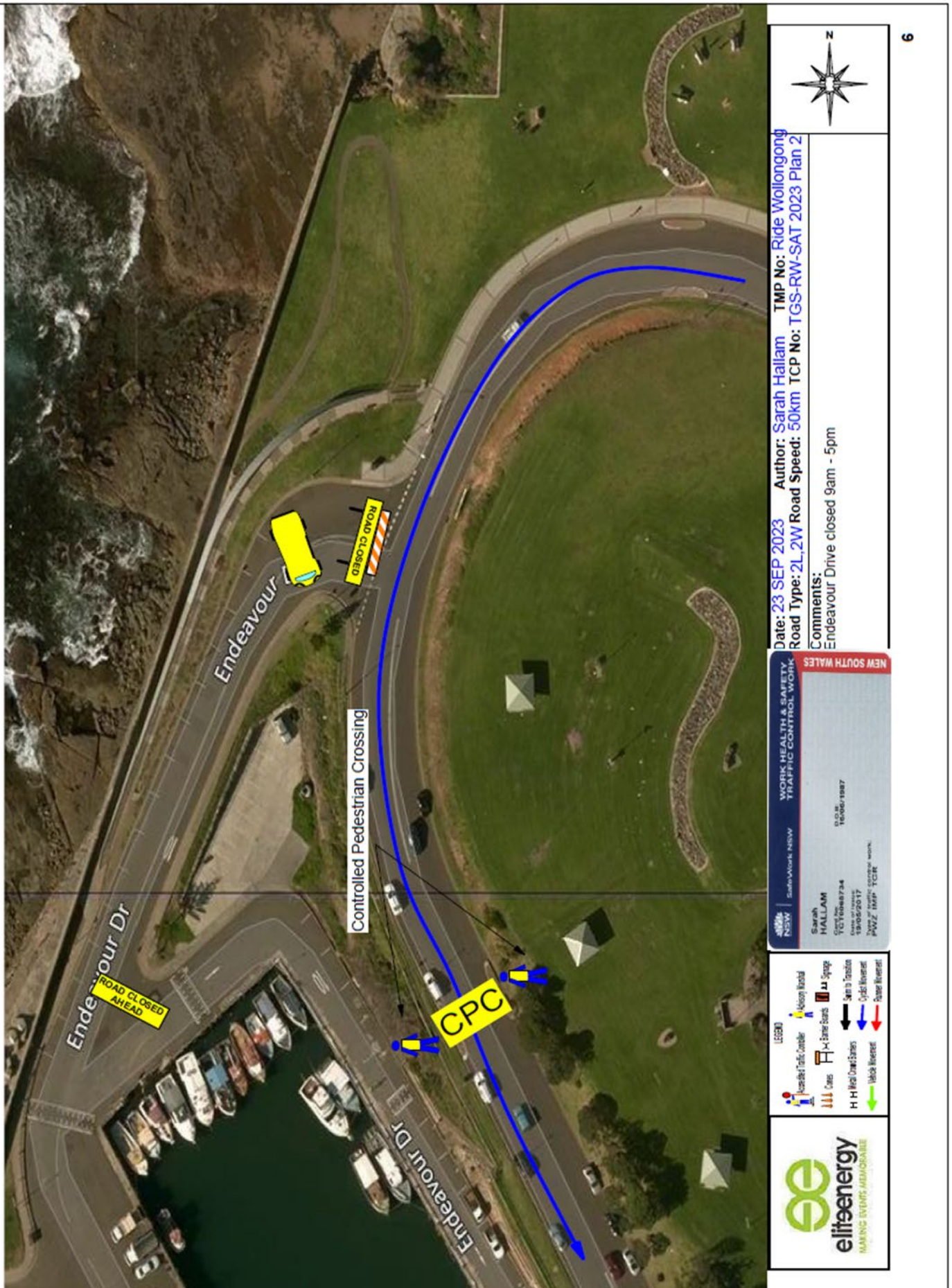
Noting the above, the Traffic Committee recommends that the event (including the Traffic Guidance Schemes and Traffic Management Plans) be approved subject to:

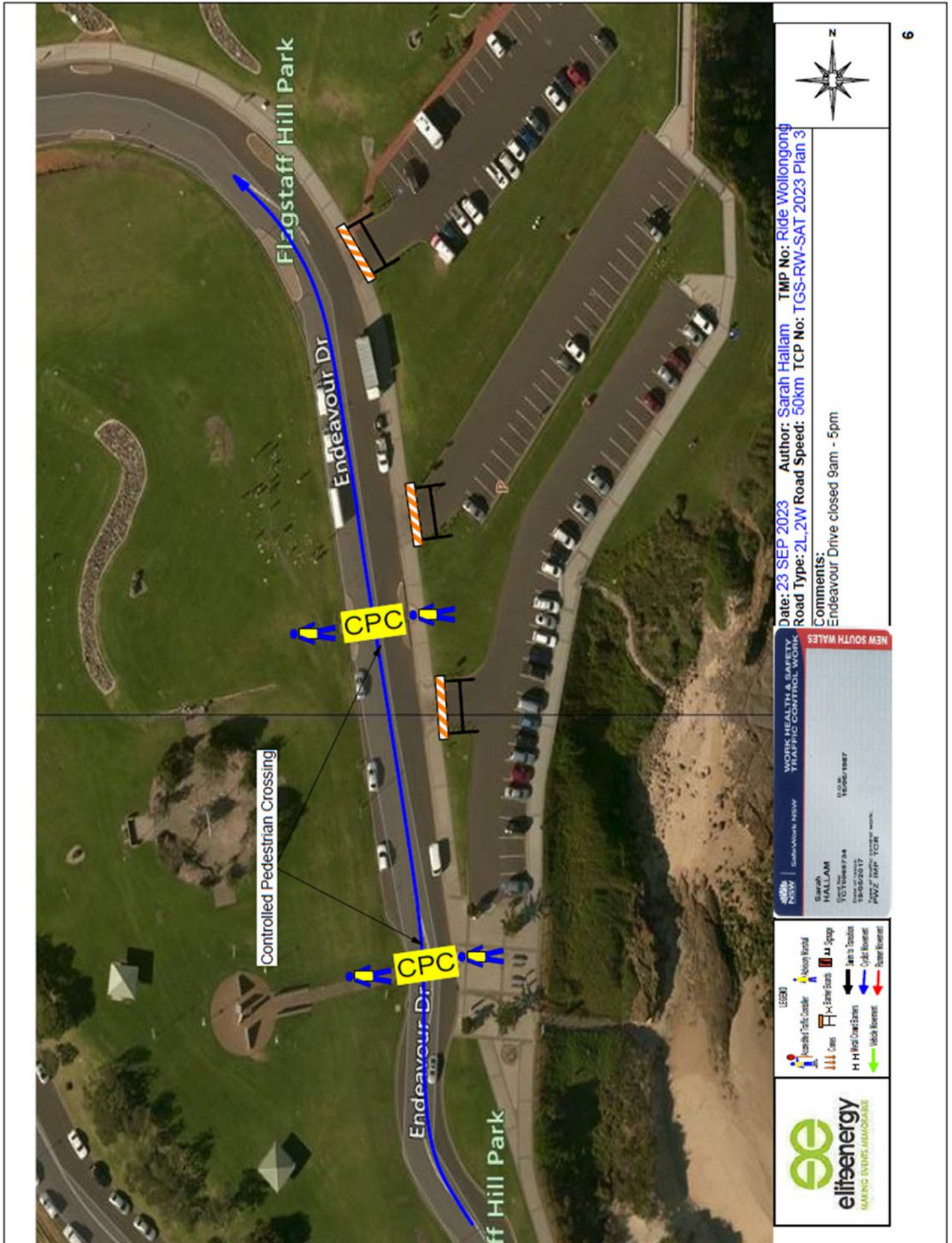
1. [Council's Standard Conditions for Road Closures](#).
2. The proposed Traffic Guidance Scheme (TGS) including the management of access to the harbour via lower Endeavour Drive (currently one-way shared zone).
3. The Special Event Parking signs illustrating the temporary bus layover zones (identified on page 22 of the Traffic Committee Agenda) being erected 7 days prior to the event. Signs must show the event dates and times the restrictions apply to and ensure buses are exempt from restrictions.
4. Additional Special Event Parking sign being added to the "Bus Zone 4x spots" location on page 22 of the Traffic Committee Agenda noting that this location is not currently a bus zone. This location will be for buses to pick-up and drop-off passengers as part of their route servicing.
5. Additional event parking signage being installed in critical locations for the event. These include on-street parking areas/entrances to parking areas which will be closed/occupied for the event.

6. Council's Compliance & Regulation team being notified through Council's Transport Team representatives once all special event parking signs have been installed.
7. The Event Organiser working with the Church, Events Team and Bus Operators to organise toilet facilities for the bus drivers during the event times.
8. Resolution with bus companies on temporary bus layover arrangements.
9. The TGS and TMP being revised (updated date and versions) to reflect all Traffic Committee recommendations. Revised TGS and TMP plans must be re-submitted to Council's Transport and Events teams prior to the event.
10. The proposed road closure near the roundabout of Cliff Road/Endeavour Drive on page 14 of the Traffic Committee Agenda) being relocated closer to the entrance to lower Endeavour Drive. This is to improve driver safety by reducing the need for drivers to perform U-turns. Driver will instead be able to utilise the Endeavour Drive carpark area to turn around.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY







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Date: 23 SEP 2023 Author: Sarah Hallam TMP No: Ride Wollongong
Road Type: 2L,2W Road Speed: 50km TCP No: TGS-RW-SAT 2023 Plan 4

Comments:
Endeavour Drive closed 9am - 5pm

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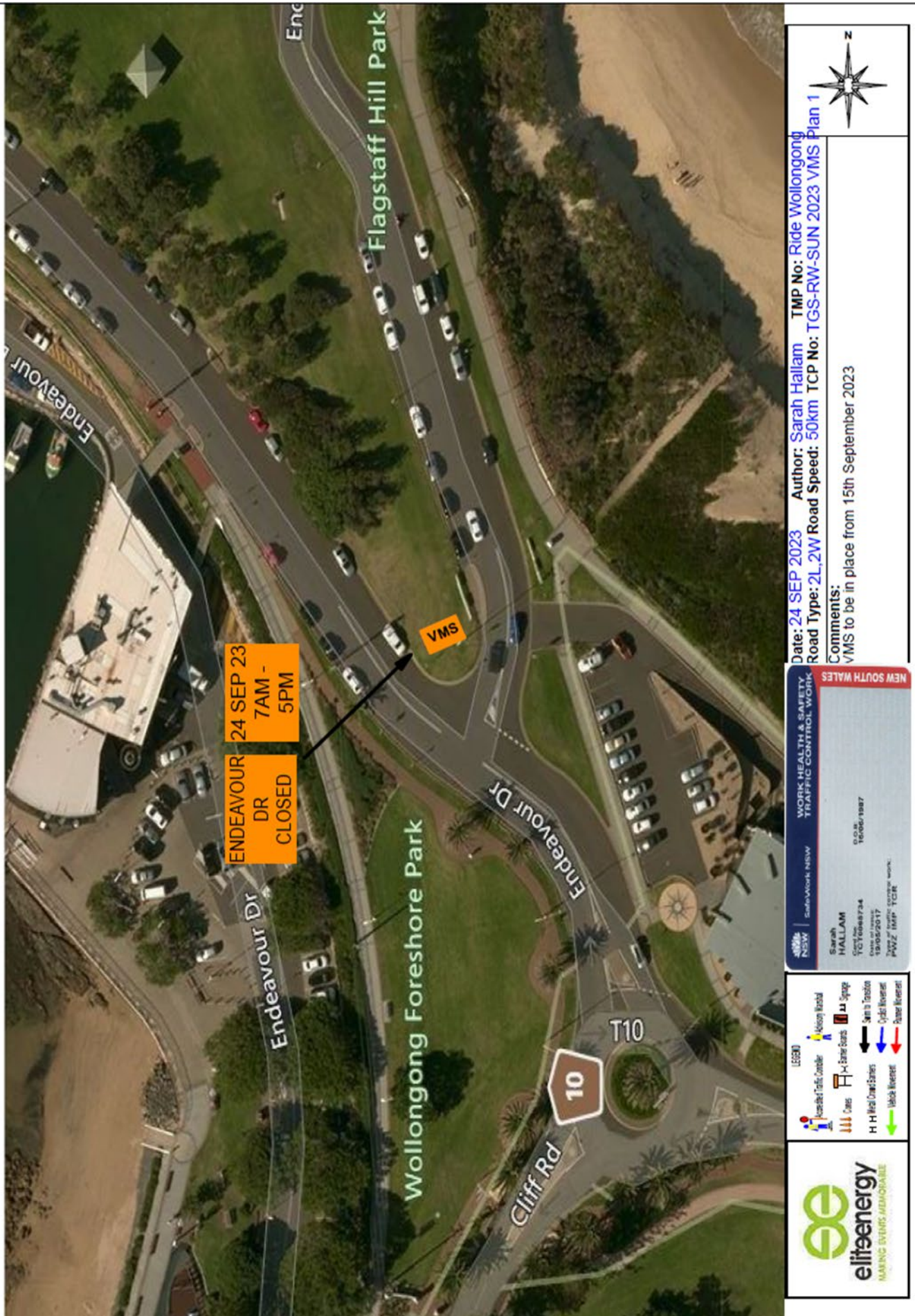
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	Cones		Staircase
	Westbound Stairs		South Transition
	Vehicle Movement		Cyclist Movement
			Pedestrian Movement

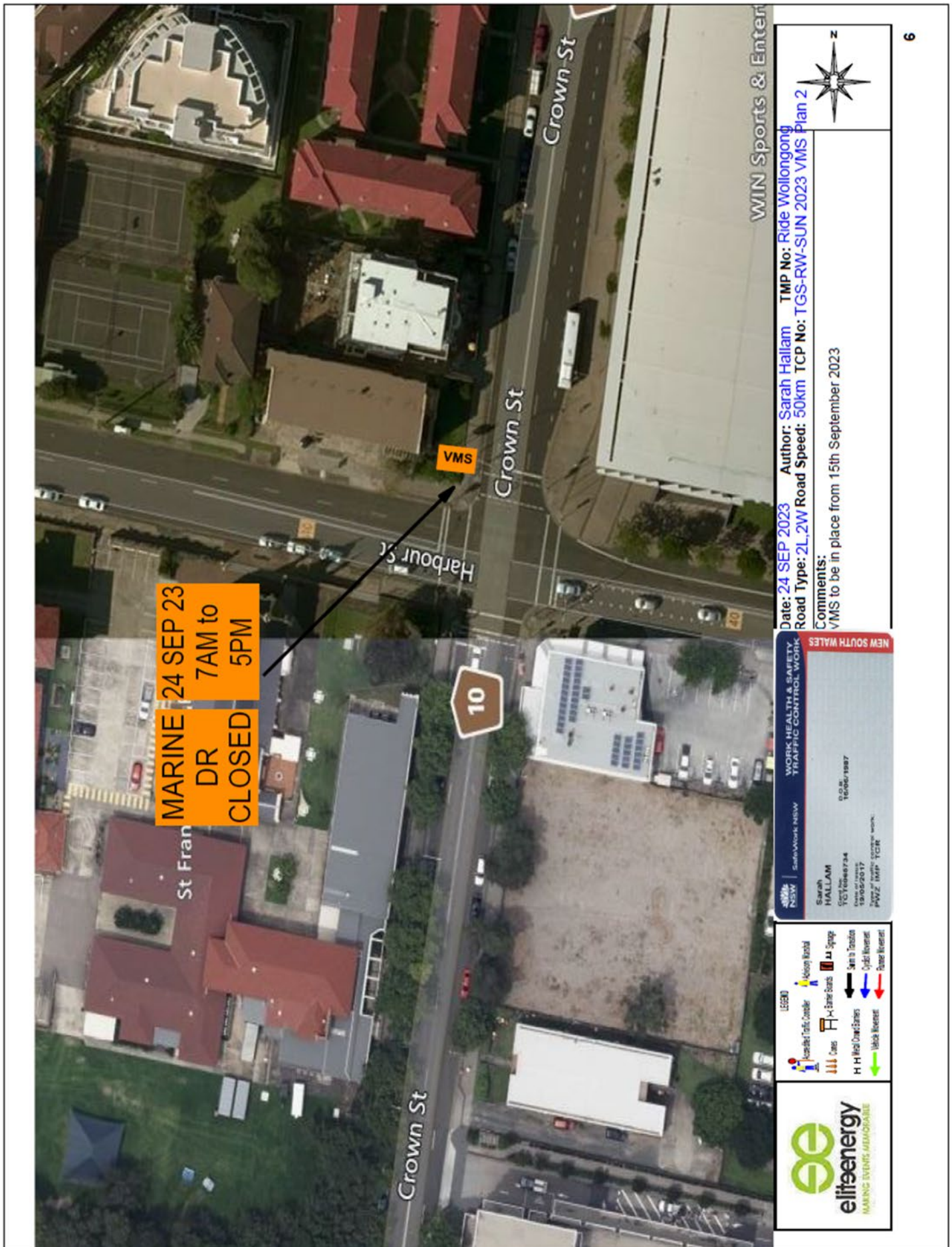


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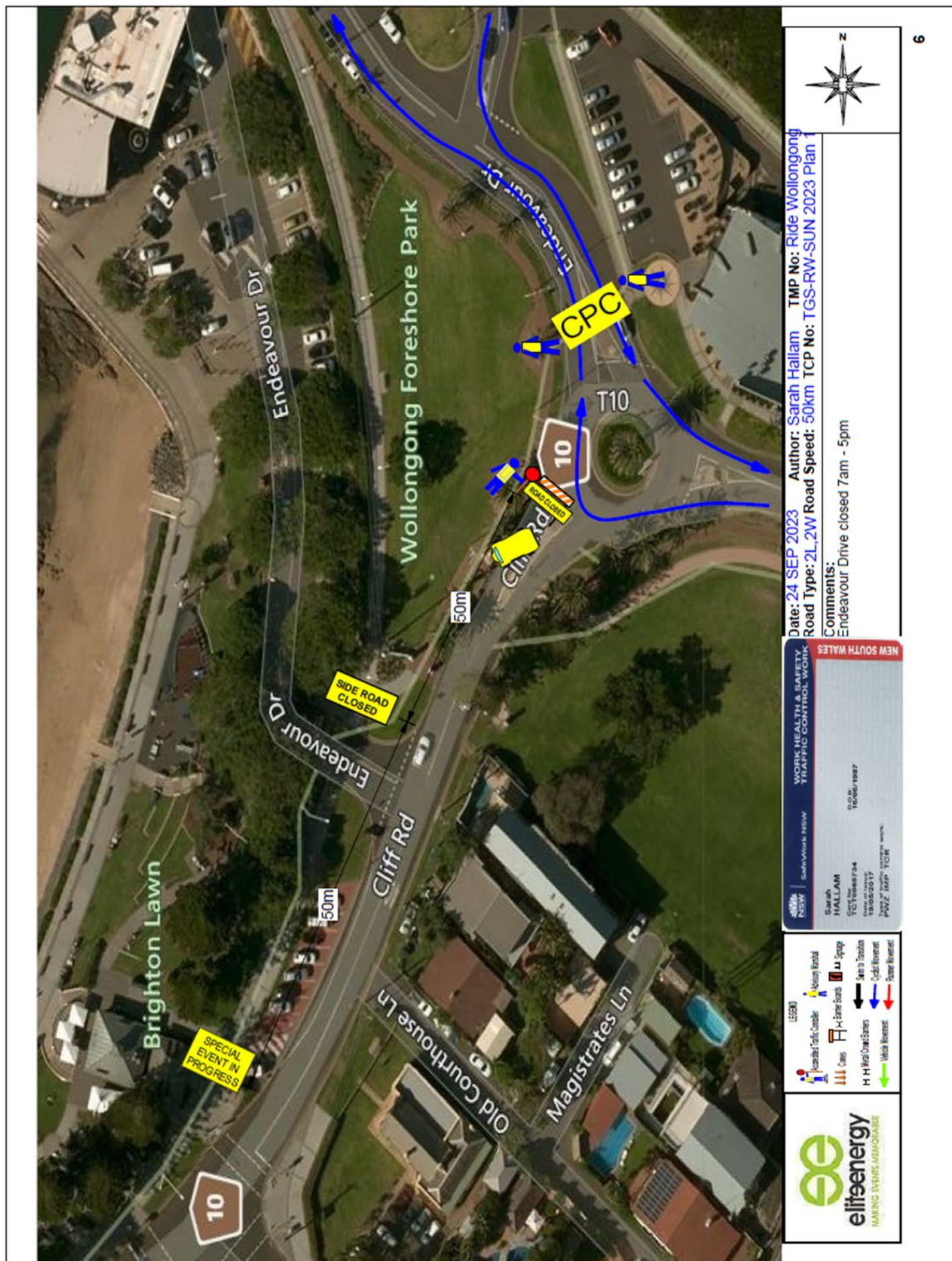


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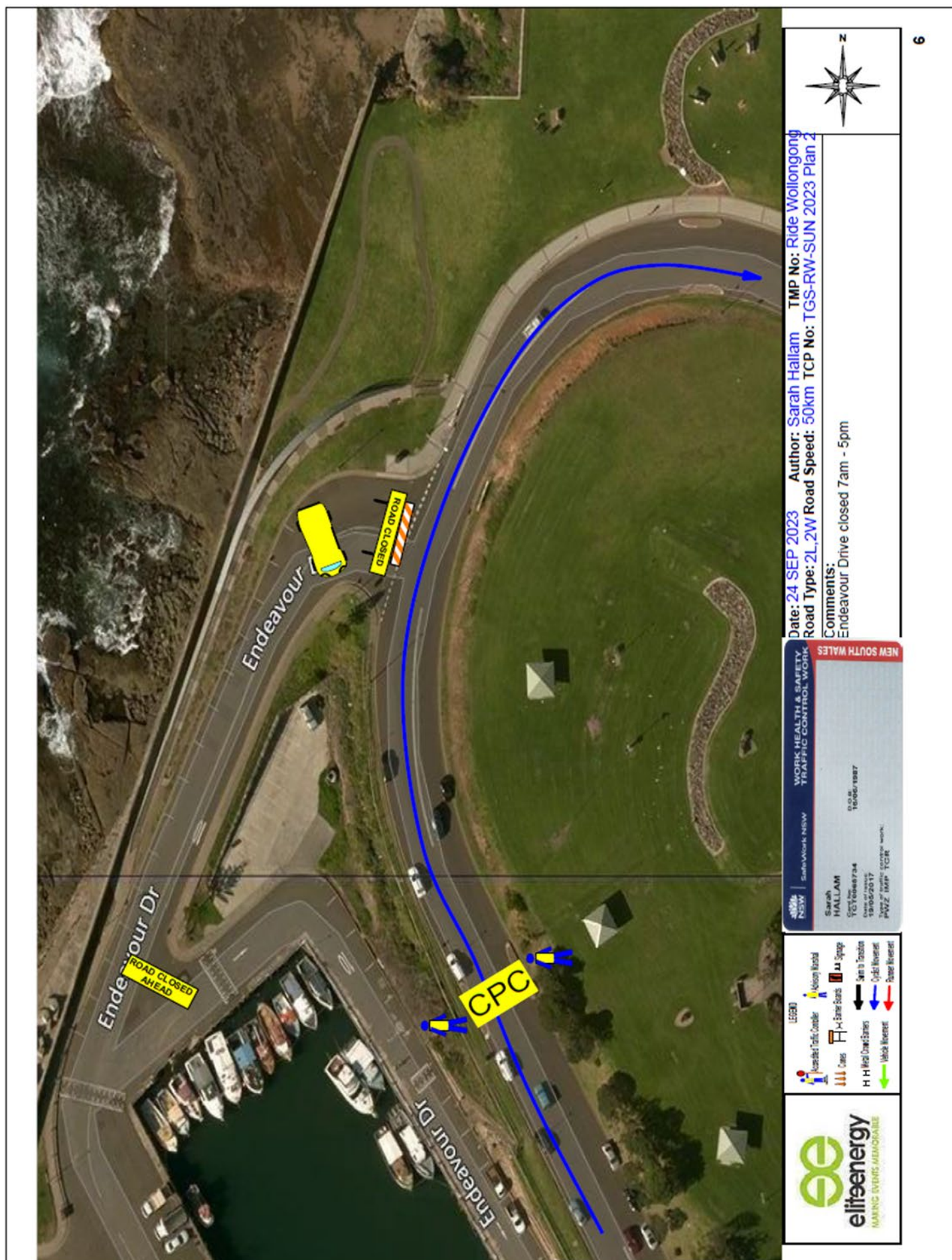


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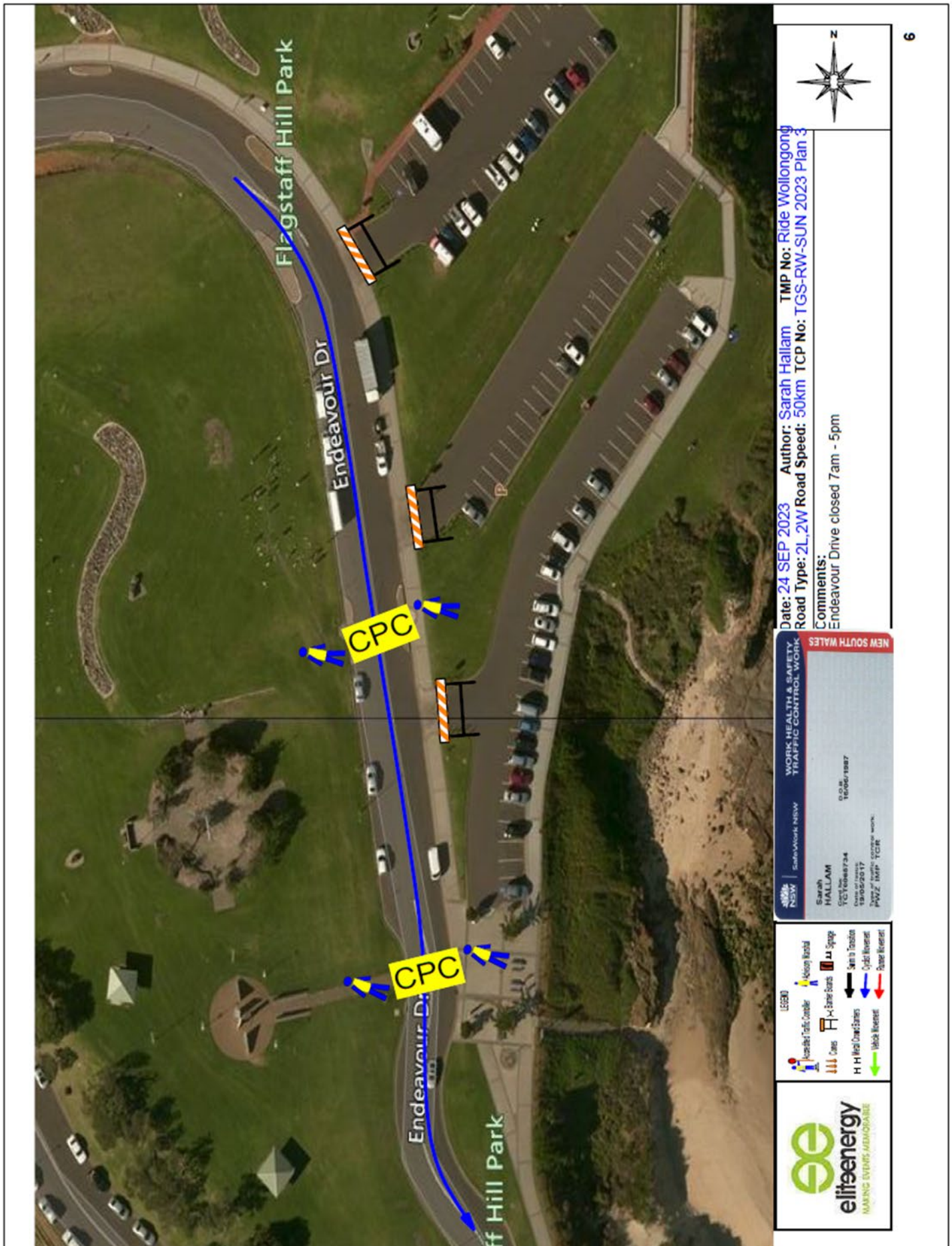




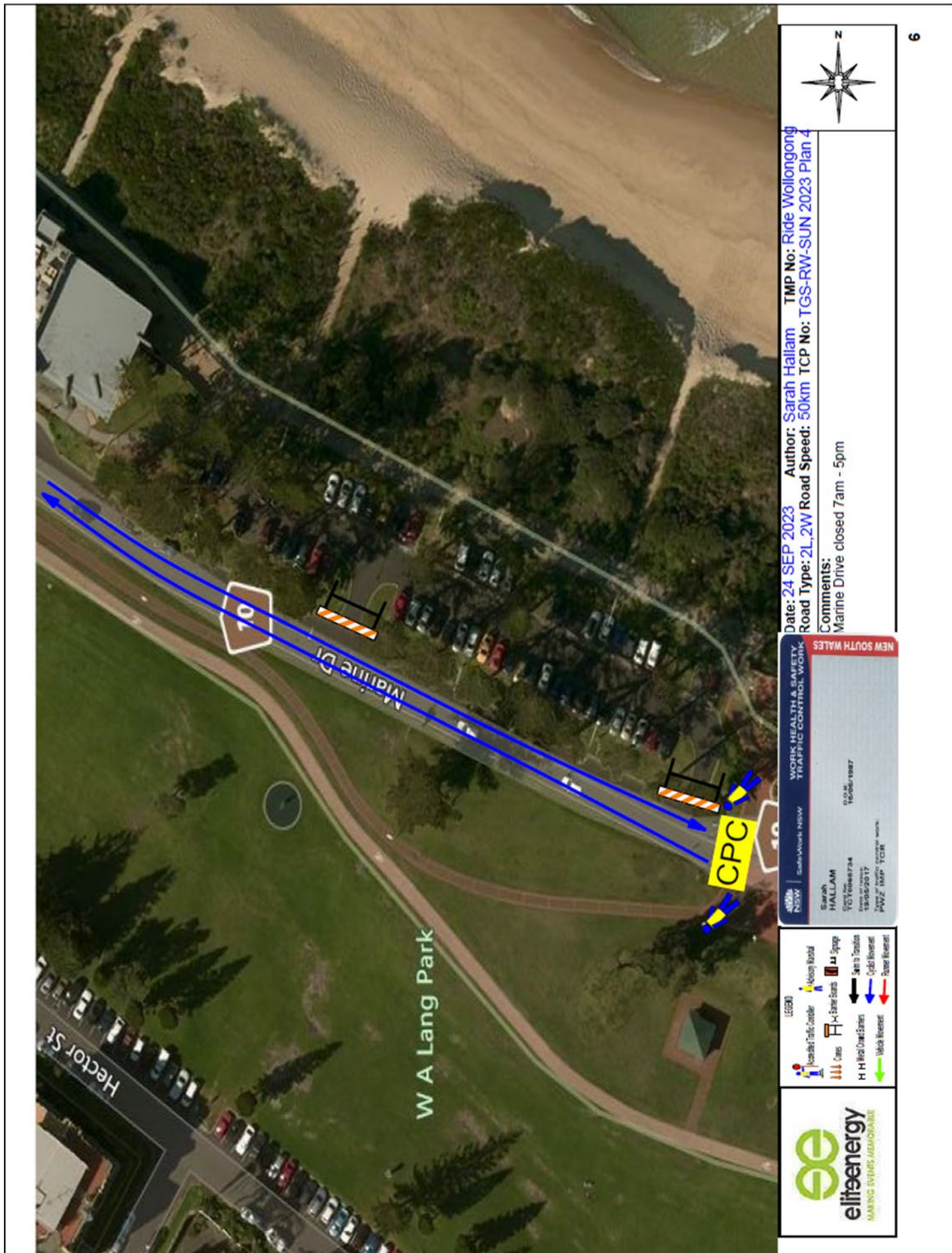
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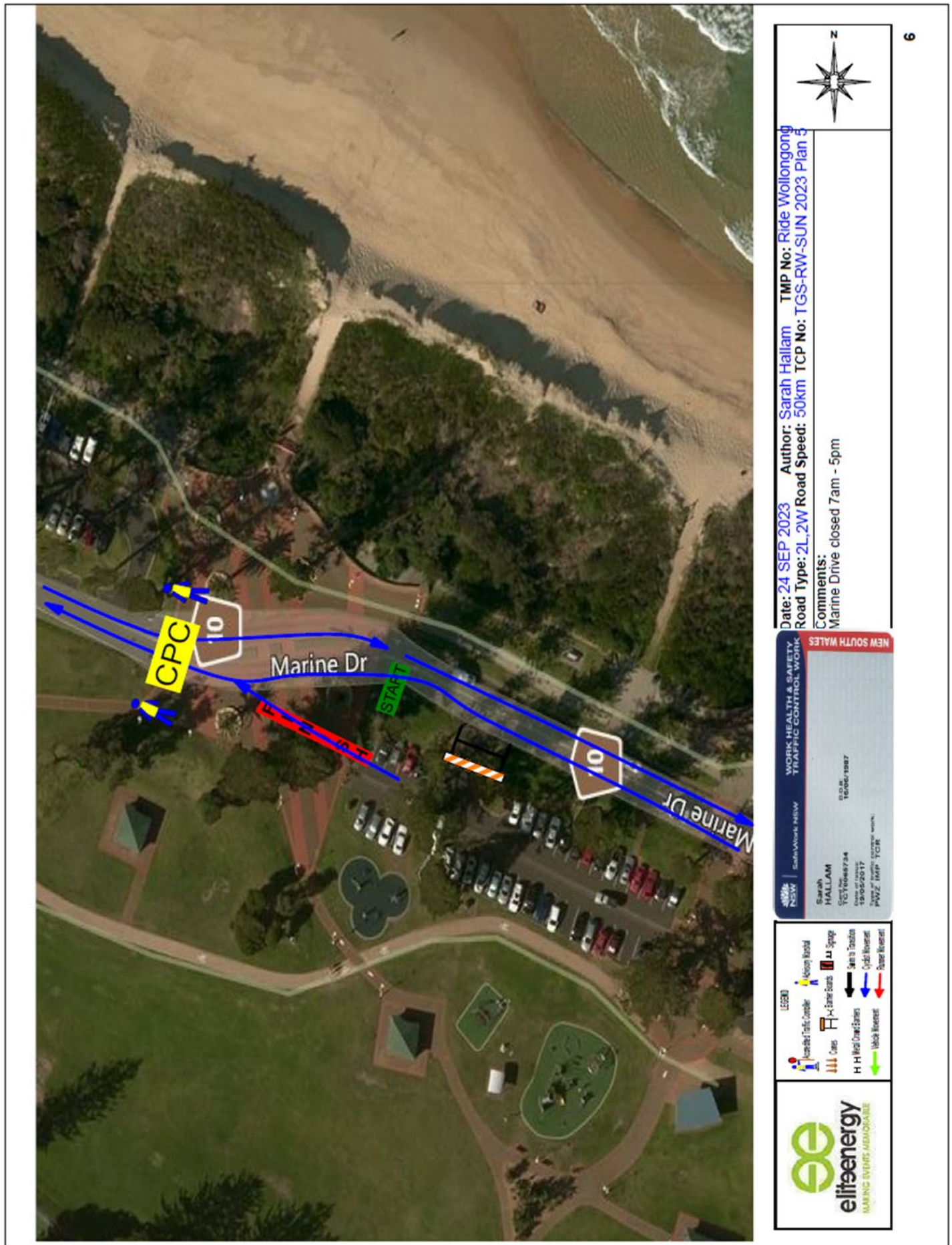
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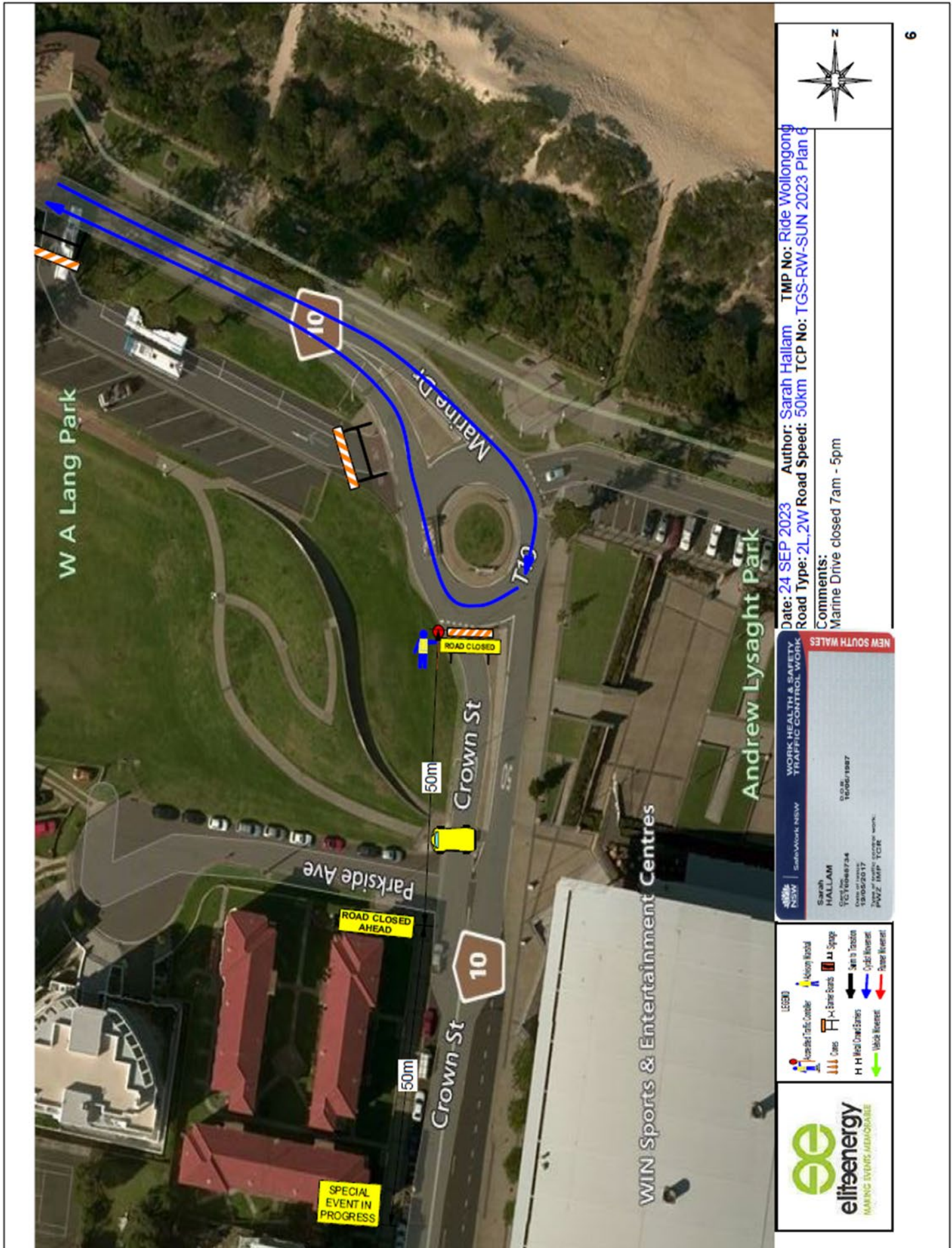
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LEGEND

- Unmarked Traffic Control
- Police Patrol
- Cones
- H H Mark Closed Zones
- Vehicle Movement
- Sign to Transition
- Cyclist Movement
- Partner Movement

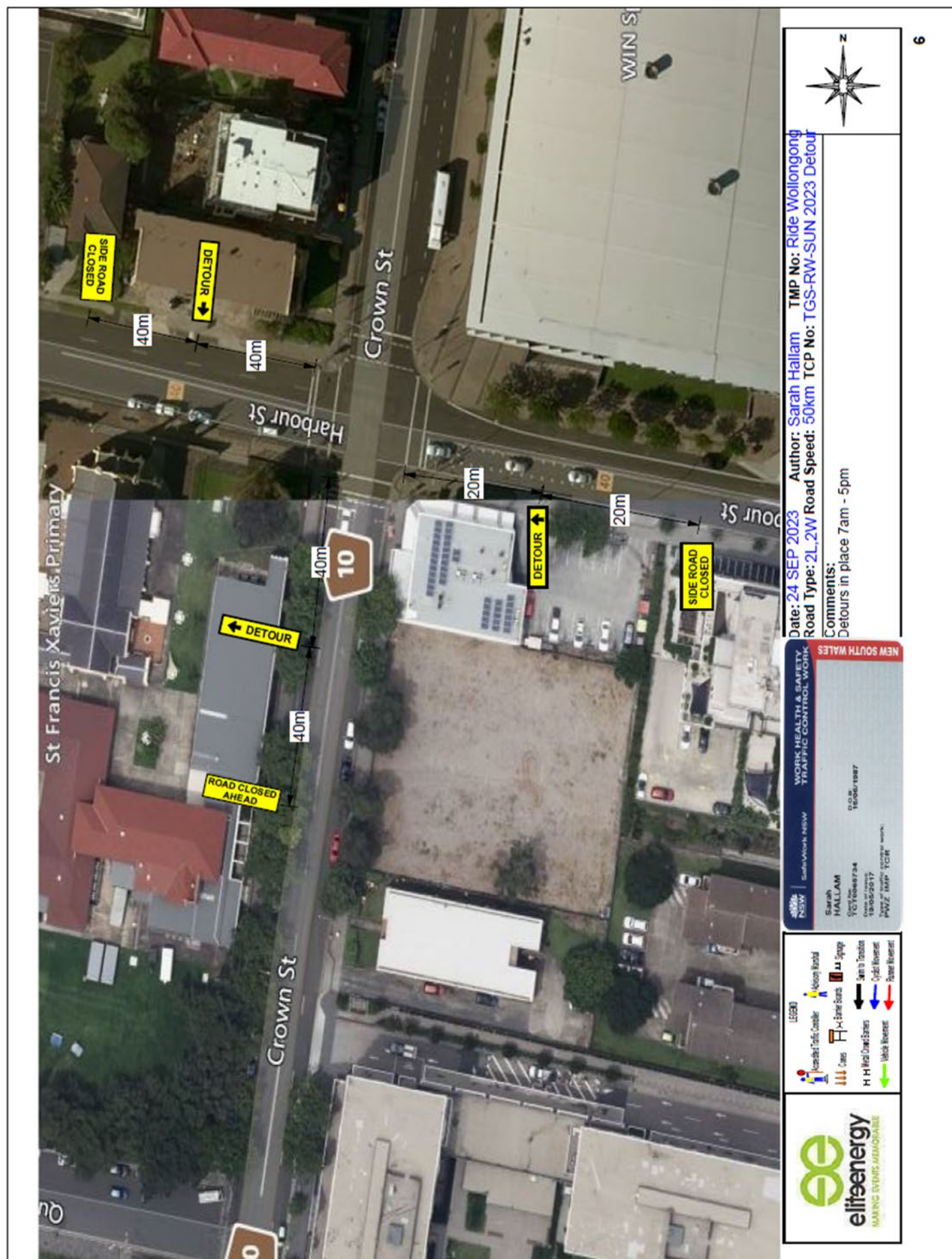
WORK HEALTH & SAFETY. TRAFFIC CONTROL WORK

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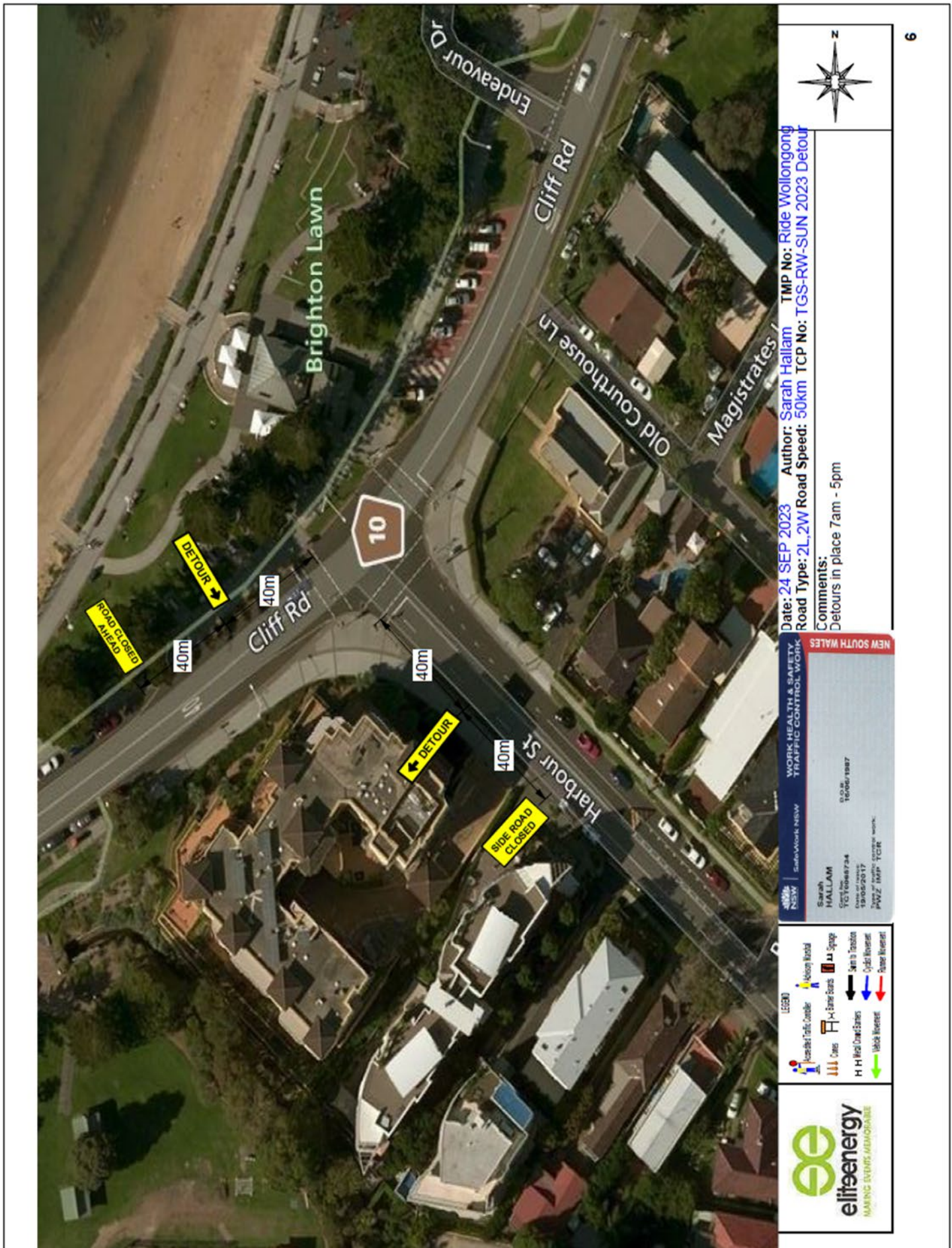
NEW SOUTH WALES

Date: 24 SEP 2023 **Author:** Sarah Hallam **TMP No:** Ride Wollongong
Road Type: 2L_2W **Road Speed:** 50km **TCP No:** TGS-RW-SUN 2023 Plan 6

Comments:
Marine Drive closed 7am - 5pm



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