



MINUTES

TRANSPORT AND TRAVEL STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP

held in the Council Chambers, Manly Town Hall on

THURSDAY 23 MAY 2019

**Minutes of the Transport and Travel
Strategic Reference Group
held on Thursday 23 May 2019
in the Council Chambers, Manly Town Hall
Commencing at 6:00pm**

ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members

Cr Sarah Grattan (Chair)	
Mayor Michael Regan	
Cr Kylie Ferguson	
Andrew Chivers	
Wendy Dunnet	Newport Residents Association
John Hawkins	Bicycle NSW
Tessa Knox-Grant	Transport for NSW
Keith Povah	

Council Officer Contacts

Craig Sawyer	Executive Manager Transport & Civil Infrastructure
Philip Devon	Manager, Transport Network
Michelle Carter	Active Travel Officer
Robynann Dixon	Road Safety Officer
Karen Menzies	Road Safety Officer
Sherryn McPherson	Governance Officer

1.0 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Amon, Jorde Frangoples, Graeme Laughton, Susan Watson, Mary Whalan, Emma Tonkin, Richard Saunders, Victor Konijn, Craig Smith and Fiona Christianson.

2.0 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary conflicts of interest.

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

3.1 MINUTES OF TRANSPORT AND TRAVEL STRATEGIC REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD 21 FEBRUARY 2019

John Hawkins / Kylie Ferguson

That the Minutes of the Transport and Travel Strategic Reference Group meeting held 21 February 2019, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

4.0 UPDATE ON ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

ITEM NO.	MEETING DATE / ITEM	ACTION	DUE DATE	OUTCOME / COMMENTS
4.1	21 February 2019 Update on the Parking Discussion Paper	Transport Network Team to start the community engagement in April on better management of parking issues and provide the group with engagement results.	Nov 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community engagement and stakeholder meetings are in progress. There will be five workshops scheduled in Manly. The Resident Parking Scheme will be reported back to Council in August 2019. The outcome will be presented to the group in November 2019.
4.2	21 February 2019 Update on the Bike Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the proposed cycling network mapping. Review the content of the Bike Plan document. Assist in further development of the plan once the initial consultation period closes. Transport and Travel Strategic Reference Group to receive an update on the final draft Bike Plan. 	Aug 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outcomes of the review will be circulated to members separately. An update on the final draft Bike Plan was presented at the 23 May 2019 meeting. The outcome will be presented to the group in August 2019.

5.0 AGENDA ITEMS

5.1 NORTHERN BEACHES COUNCIL ROAD SAFETY PLAN

K Menzies presented the Bike Safety Plan. A copy of the presentation is attached to the minutes at Attachment 1.

The group discussed the following:

- Infrastructure and education.
- Policy change at state level around engineering and bike safety.
- People being accountable with the expectation people will make mistakes.
- State strategic oversight.

5.2 ACTIVE TO SCHOOLS/SAFER SCHOOLS PROGRAM UPDATE

R Dixon provided an update to the group on this item. A copy of the presentation provided to the group is at Attachment 2 of the minutes.

The group discussed the following:

- How much education do we need to provide as a result of the rangers fining people? Rangers will be playing a large part in promoting the Safety Scheme and educating the community on why they are being fined.
- 40km speed limit, is there any more appetite to reduce the speed limits any further? This may be reviewed by the state in the future however achieving the 40km speed limit has been a big achievement.
- Creating a platform for schools to communicate and share their in-house programs for safety.
- Statistics showing improvement for safety projects that have been implemented and how we can measure what schools are doing better with particular initiatives.
- A Road Safety Summit for schools to be incorporated into the Active Travel Project.
- Can Council assist in promoting the Kids and Traffic organisation by Macquarie University? The Kids and Traffic organisation assist with road safety guidelines which was released in May 2019. Council is no longer permitted to present at childcare centres, kindergartens and schools. However, Council can work with principals and Parents and Citizens (P & C) to assist with sharing information and creation of flyers/promotional materials.

ACTION

That the Transport and Travel Strategic Reference Group encourages Council to organise a Road Safety Summit targeting schools within the area as a form of educating, networking, sharing safety initiatives to improve safety in the area.

5.3 STRATEGIC PROJECTS UPDATE

P Devon provided an update to the group on this item. A copy of the presentation provided to the group is at Attachment 3.

The group discussed the following:

- Improvement to transport from Northern Beaches to Chatswood.
- Frenches Forest Structure Plan; will this utilise a combined transport system as a priority and include hydrogen buses and electric buses? New transportation systems. This will be incorporated into the structure plan with the Hospital with additional services from/to Dee Why, Chatswood and Mona Vale.
- Drones - revolves around legislation. Requires a policy. Government with trial at Homebush - safety issue - working well before it is released - Interacting with public vehicles - looking at controlled environments to manage the interface.
- Movement of people. The road network can do a number of things, movement of people is the movement of people, not cars. Focusing on people and goods frees up the status quo on a more strategic view, for example, making more footpaths and bike lanes to move people in a different way.
- Improvements of walkway infrastructure to bus stops. The walkway infrastructure requires improvements to support orphaned bus stops and shelters. Council has created mapping against local bus stops which will be reviewed under the strategic view of the transport network not footpath network.
- Lighting on footpaths - Council is investigating the implementation of illuminating one side of footpaths and retaining trees on the other. New LED luminaires will be utilised to provide better lighting. Solar lighting is also being investigated however it is extremely expensive. The local government area would require approximately 9500 light bulbs which could save up to 70% on electricity as we are reducing from 250w to 70w.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

ITEM NO.	MEETING DATE / REPORT TITLE	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	DUE DATE
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5.1	23 May 2019 Active to Schools / Safer Schools Program update	That the Transport and Travel Strategic Reference Group encourages Council to organise a Road Safety Summit targeting schools within the area as a form of educating, networking, sharing safety initiatives to improve safety in the area.	R Dixon	TBA

The meeting concluded at 7:15pm

This is the final page of the Minutes comprising 6 pages numbered 1 to 6 of the Transport and Travel Strategic Reference Group meeting held on Thursday 23 May 2019 and confirmed on Thursday 22 August 2019.

Road Safety Plan

Karen Menzies and Robynann Dixon
Council Road Safety Officers



Where does the Road Safety Plan fit in?



Safe System Framework

- Aim to get towards zero death & serious injuries
- Based on 4 pillars of the safe system approach
 - Safe roads
 - Safe speeds
 - Safe vehicles
 - Safe people



Main objectives

- Promote, encourage and raise community awareness that road safety is a shared responsibility and that the choices that people make and their behaviours can impact others on the road network.
- Identify factors of the safe system framework that council can support directly to improve road safety



Benefits to the community

- Provide the community with a road safety plan framework that will outline and prioritise road safety programs and services needed in the area.
- Educate road users and raise community awareness that road safety is a shared responsibility.



Thank you!

Any questions email:
roadsafety @northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au



Active to Schools/ Safer Schools

Robynann Dixon and Karen Menzies
Council Road Safety Officers



1. Active to Schools

- **Goal:** increase active transport for school aged / young people
- **Completed:** survey schools on perception of safety around schools
- **To Do:** stakeholder workshops

2. Safer Schools

- **Goal:** improve pedestrian safety around the 80 local schools
- **Concerns:**
 - Traffic and parking congestion near schools at drop off and pick up times
 - safety risk for children
 - Preference for driving children to school
 - adds to congestion



Safer Schools - actions

- **Ongoing**
 - prioritise and review pedestrian safety at the 80 local schools
- **Completed**
 - various education campaigns and infrastructure improvements



Education campaigns, signs, flyers

- Campaigns: Walk/ ride safely to school
- Flyers: parking around schools
- Signs and banners: Slow down, park safely, Go 40



Infrastructure improvements completed

Improvements

- Pedestrian crossings
- Speed cushions prior to crossings
- Improved footpaths
- Pedestrian fencing
- Kerb blisters

Schools

- Balgowlah Heights
- Balgowlah Boys
- St Mary's Manly
- Wheeler Heights



Thank you!

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ATTACHMENT 3

Northern Beaches Transport
Strategy – Transport Plans under
development



Update on progress to date



Adopted Plan

- WALK was adopted by Council at the April meeting.
- Included with this was the draft delivery schedule and priority list

What's Next

- Parking Plan – Discussion paper late June
- Bike Plan – Draft to go to July Meeting
- Road Safety Plan – Draft to go to July Meeting
- Public Transport Plan – late 2019
- Road Network Plan – early 2020
- Freight Plan – early 2020



