

MINUTES

NORTHERN BEACHES COUNCIL LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

held in the Flannel Flower Room, Civic Centre, Dee Why on

TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER 2022

Minutes of a meeting of the Northern Beaches Council Local Traffic Committee

held on Tuesday 6 December 2022

in the Flannel Flower Room, Civic Centre, Dee Why

Commencing at 10.00 am

ATTENDANCE:

Voting Members

Chair –Northern Beaches Council - Councillor
Member for Pittwater Mr R Stokes MP Representative
Member for Davidson Mr J O’Dea MP Representative
Member for Wakehurst Mr B Hazzard MP Representative
Member for Manly Mr J Griffin MP Representative
Transport for NSW
Northern Beaches Police Command, Dee Why
Northern Beaches Police Command, Dee Why

Mr Jose Menano-Pires
Mr Andrew Johnston
Mr Phil Corbett
Mr Toby Williams
Ms Adele Heasman
Mr Peter Carruthers
Sergeant Andrew Geraghty
Senior Constable Adam Castelden

Non-Voting Members

Keolis Downer Northern Beaches Bus Operations
ComfortDelgro Company (ex Forest Coach Lines)
Manly Warringah Cabs Cooperative Society Ltd
Cycling Representative

Mr James Makasiale
Mr Robert Bicakcian
TBC
Vacant

Officers

Director Transport and Assets
Executive Manager - Transport and Civil Infrastructure
Manager – Transport Network
Traffic Engineering Coordinator
Traffic Engineer
Traffic Engineer
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Traffic Engineer
Traffic Officer
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Traffic Officer
Road Safety Officer
Strategic Transport Coordinator
Traffic Engineering Trainee
Traffic Engineering Intern
Manager - Rangers
Coordinator - Rangers
Specialist Administration Officer

Mr Jorde Frangoples
Mr Craig Sawyer
Mr Phil Devon
Mr James Brocklebank
Mr Ricky Kwok
Mr Velsamy Sankaran
Mr Scipio Tam
Ms Leila Kazemnezhad
Mr Luke Nickson
Mr Brian Duong
Ms Jackline Shahho
Mr Alex Yuen
Mr Chinmaya Gupta
Ms Robynann Dixon
Ms Michelle Carter
Mr Nicholas Murace
Mr Michael Kennedy
Mr Paul Crossan
Mr Michael Davey
Ms Caty Pilley

Visitors

Nil

1.0 APOLOGIES

Nil

2.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

2.1 MINUTES OF NORTHERN BEACHES COUNCIL LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE HELD 8 NOVEMBER 2022

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Northern Beaches Council Local Traffic Committee held 8 November 2022, copies of which were previously circulated to all members, are hereby confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

2.2 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

3.0 REPORTS TO PROCEED TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL

Nil

4.0 REPORTS FOR APPROVAL BY COUNCIL DELEGATION

4.1 POUND AVENUE, FRENCHS FOREST - PART TIME NO STOPPING

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Phil Devon advised there was an incident at the school recently that has raised the issue of pedestrian safety in this area. At present, it is unsafe for school children to walk out of the school driveway where the visibility is poor for oncoming traffic.

Sgt Andrew Geraghty advised that the Police will assist in monitoring this school bus stop area, to ensure the new sign will be adhered to by motorists.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Introduction of a No Stopping restriction applying 8am-9am and 2:30pm-3:30pm School Days and extending for a length of 6m on either side of the school's Pound Avenue driveway access.

Committee Decision – Approved

4.2 POUND AVENUE, FRENCHS FOREST - PART TIME BUS ZONE

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

As per Item 4.1 – re: part time No Parking, Phil Devon advised there was an incident at the school recently that has raised the issue of pedestrian safety in this area. At present, it is unsafe for school children to walk out of the school driveway where the visibility is poor for oncoming traffic.

Phil Devon advised that the bus stop at the school is only active during school hours and this recommendation will reinforce parents and school children not to park there during school bus peak pick-up and drop-off times.

Sgt Andrew Geraghty advised the Police will assist in monitoring this school bus stop area to ensure the new sign will be adhered to by motorists.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Introduction of a 30m length of Bus Zone on the south side of Pound Avenue at the bus stop located in front of No.59 Pound Avenue. The Bus Zone to apply 7am to 9am and 2:30pm to 4:30pm School Days.

Committee Decision – Approved

4.3 BOWER STREET, MANLY - SUMMER PARKING RESTRICTIONS

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Adele Heasman requested information in regard to the management of parking in Bower Street during the Summer period and noted the summary of data collected last Summer. She commented that it would be advantageous to obtain more data this Summer, after which a more permanent solution to the parking issue can be put in place.

Phil Devon mentioned that some residents wish to have the Summer parking restrictions all year-round.

Phil Devon advised that last Summer, he was on site with a Council field crew to monitor the parking during the peak periods around Christmas Day and New Year's Day, and had implemented additional temporary barricading and No Parking restrictions to prevent parking and keep traffic flowing. He will be organising the same this year. VMS signs and barricades will also be erected in the area to inform motorists of the traffic and parking restrictions.

James Brocklebank advised that residents had been notified of the Summer restrictions and he had had some resident feedback both for and against more stringent restrictions. He agreed that further reporting following this year's Christmas/New Year period was required.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the installation of the following restrictions on the north side of Bower Street between 1 December 2022 & 31 January 2023:

- A. No Parking (10:00am to 4:00pm Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays) between No's 44- 52.
- B. No Parking (10:00am to 4:00pm Saturday, Sunday and Public Holidays) between No's 80-86.

Committee Decision – Approved

4.4 ALEXANDER STREET, MANLY - RELOCATION OF NO STOPPING AND 2P SIGNS

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Adele Heasman enquired whether there was any room to reduce the length of the No Stopping zone to prevent loss of a car space.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised this request will not be a viable option, as this is a tight corner and moving the No Stopping sign would result in less than the statutory 10m of No Stopping on approach to the intersection.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Relocation of the existing No Stopping (L) sign and 2P (R) sign on the southern side of Alexander Street by a distance of approximately 4m in a westerly direction.

Committee Decision – Approved**4.5 SEABEACH AVENUE, MONA VALE - NO PARKING****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Clr Jose Menano-Pires enquired why we are recommending No Parking restrictions at this location in Seabeach Avenue.

Phil Devon advised that due to the proximity of the driveway to Barrenjoey Road, there is a potential for head-on accidents to occur involving traffic turning at speed off Barrenjoey Road colliding with residents exiting the driveway at the Seniors Housing Development. He confirmed that residents have been complaining about this unsafe area of road.

Luke Nickson advised that there is a boat trailer constantly parked adjacent to the driveway which creates sight line issues.

Sgt Geraghty advised that police could investigate whether this trailer is registered.

Andrew Johnston supports the Committee's recommendation.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Installation of 'No Parking' restrictions along the southern side of Seabeach Avenue, Mona Vale as shown in the attachment *Seabeach Avenue, Mona Vale – Plan*.

Committee Decision – Approved**4.6 WATTLE ROAD, BROOKVALE - TIMED PARKING****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Clr Jose Menano-Pires enquired whether this proposal was part of the overall plan for parking and traffic management in the Brookvale Industrial Area consistent with other recently introduced restrictions. Phil Devon confirmed this to be the case.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Introduction of Eight Hour Timed Parking (8P 8am-6pm Everyday) on the northern side of Wattle Road, from the existing (2P 8:30am- 6:00pm MON-FRI) outside No.42-46 from the intersection Mitchell Road & Wattle Road to the intersection of Wattle Road & Ada Avenue, Brookvale.
- B. Installation of Eight Hour Timed Parking (8P 8am-6pm Everyday) on the northern side of Wattle Road, from the intersection Ada Avenue & Wattle Road to the intersection of Wattle Road & Ethel Avenue, Brookvale.
- C. Eight Hour Timed Parking (8P 8am-6pm Everyday) on the northern side of Wattle Road, from the intersection Ethel Avenue & Wattle Road to the intersection of Wattle Road & Harbord Road, Brookvale. A concept plan was enclosed with the consultation letter.

Committee Decision – Approved**4.7 WINBOURNE ROAD BROOKVALE, LAGOON STREET CARPARK NARRABEEN & OCEAN STREET, NARRABEEN - ELECTRIC VEHICLE PARKING****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised this recommendation has a high level of support.

James Makasiale mentioned that one of the Electric Vehicle parking bays (on Winbourne Road) may be is an issue during the morning school peak times, however, it is not an issue in the afternoon.

Luke Nickson advised that buses use the existing restrictions during from 6.30am - 9.30 am and 3.30pm - 6.30pm which is the busiest period.

It was also acknowledged that the charging bays had to be sited adjacent to existing sub-stations, as was the case of the Winbourne Avenue space, which did not impinge on the timed No Parking Restriction.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised that we can always monitor this, if necessary.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Conversion of the existing timed parking area to 'No Parking Electric Vehicles Excepted Only While Charging'. The proposed parking bay measures approximately 11m between the driveway of No.85-89 and the entrance driveway of Winbourne Road Carpark on Winbourne Road, Brookvale
- B. Conversion of two parking bays in Lagoon Street carpark to 'No Parking Electric Vehicles Excepted Only While Charging'. Signs to be installed in the first parking bay in the middle row of the carpark, near the entrance and a 'hatching' in the last parking bay prior to the exit of Lagoon Street Carpark, Lagoon Street, Narrabeen.

- C. Conversion of the existing unrestricted parking area on Ocean Street, Narrabeen to 'No Parking Electric Vehicles Excepted Only While Charging'. The 'No Parking Electric Vehicles Excepted Only While Charging' proposed parking bay measures approximately 6.5m in length and is located outside the existing Ausgrid infrastructure, opposite the rear of No.1238-1246 Pittwater Road, on the eastern side of Ocean Street, Narrabeen.

Committee Decision – Approved**4.8 RADIO AVENUE, BALGOWLAH HEIGHTS - DIVIDING BARRIER LINES****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Phil Devon advised that the residents have been notified of this recommendation. He also explained that this intersection has become a safety issue for pedestrians, as motorists are unable to see the children crossing Radio Avenue when travelling to and from school on either side of Ernest Street.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires enquired why two dividing barrier lines have been recommended, and not yellow lines.

Phil Devon advised that yellow lines could also be added to reinforce the 3m parking rule adjacent to the barrier lines.

Robynann Dixon advised that she could organise an education talk on School Safety.

Adele Heasman advised that Radio Avenue is narrow in this section of road, and it is very busy during school hours. She feels it is unfair that 2 car spaces are lost south of the intersection and that she would be unable to support the recommendation as it stands.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires is hesitant to put barrier lines on only one side.

Adele Heasman requested the Traffic Engineers consider shortening the barrier lines, ie.: take 10m off the length, to minimise loss of parking.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised that this may not be feasible and suggested 20m of lines to the north of the intersection and 10m to the south.

Phil Devon advised that he will organise school safety to be monitored in Radio Avenue.

Adele Heasman supports the amended recommendation.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Installation of dividing barrier lines approximately 20m in length in Radio Avenue to the north of the intersection with Ernest Street, Balgowlah Heights.
- B. Installation of dividing barrier lines approximately 10m in length in Radio Avenue to the south of the intersection with Ernest Street, Balgowlah Heights.

Committee Decision – Approved

4.9 MANLY VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL CAR PARK - GIBBS STREET AT SUNSHINE STREET, MANLY VALE**PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Phil Devon advised that we are putting in lines and markings to remind drivers exiting the car park that they need to stop for pedestrians.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. The re-marking of the Stop Line and add a "STOP" stencil at the egress point of the carpark.

Committee Decision – Approved**4.10 UNNAMED LANEWAY OFF KEMPBRIDGE AVENUE, SEAFORTH - NO STOPPING RESTRICTIONS****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Phil Devon advised the recommendation will assist delivery drivers to access the back of the shops while loading/unloading goods, which will make the laneway safer.

Sgt Geraghty enquired whether Council could investigate having this laneway named.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

- A. That the Traffic Committee supports the introduction of No Stopping Unbroken Yellow Kerb Lines on the northern and southern side of the unnamed lane off Kempbridge Avenue, Seaforth.

Committee Decision – Approved**4.11 MOORE LANE, FRESHWATER - INSTALLATION OF NO-STOPPING SIGNS****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Phil Devon advised that Council is providing one space back as the No Stopping either side of the lane is only 6m in length, rather than the statutory 10m. This is however, an improvement on the existing situation where drivers park right up the edge of the lane.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires noted there is not a lot of traffic in this street but that the recommendation will make this area safer.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Installation of No Stopping restriction signs on Moore Lane and Moore Street outside No.21 and No.23 Moore Road, Freshwater.

Committee Decision – Approved**4.12 FOREST ROAD, WARRIEWOOD – PARKING MODIFICATIONS****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised that Council has received many complaints about this issue.

Phil Devon advised that we need to deal with the school morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up times, as parents are parking in the roundabout and the turning circle during the morning.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised that residents who live in the nearby townhouses have complained that there are too many parents and students parking in this turning circle, causing traffic congestion and safety issues.

James Makasiale advised that buses find it difficult to turn in the turning circle and roundabout due to the parking activity.

Phil Devon mentioned that parked trailers are also causing parking issues here and we therefore, need to get the traffic circulating by providing barrier lines which will make it easier for buses to manoeuvre and use the traffic lanes.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised that the Recommendation C is incorrect and needs to be amended to reflect the correct recommendation, as per the attached Plan in the Agenda item– i.e.: we need to move the 2 Minute drop-off time limit on the north side of Forest Road.

Recommendation C should be worded:

- C. Installation of 65m of ‘P, 2 MINUTE; DROP OFF AND PICK UP AREA; 8 AM-9:30 AM, 2:30 PM-4 PM; SCHOOL DAYS’ on the north side of Forest Road.**

Phil Devon advised that the some of the trees may also need to be taken out to reduce this traffic congestion.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires requested this area be monitored for 6 months in regard to safety issues and requested Phil Devon to address the Local Traffic Committee with the results.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Installation 45m length of ‘No Parking Motor Vehicles Excepted’ on the south side of Forest Road.

- B. Removal of 18m length of existing 'No Stopping' on the north side of Forest Road.
- C. Installation of 65m of 'P, 2 MINUTE; DROP OFF AND PICK UP AREA; 8 AM-9:30 AM, 2:30 PM-4 PM; SCHOOL DAYS' on the north side of Forest Road.
- D. Installation of 57m length of 'No Parking Motor Vehicles Excepted' on the north side of Forest Road.
- E. Installation of a 125m 'Dividing Barrier (BB) Lines (two-way)' at the centre of the road.
- F. Installation of a 125m length and 2.3m wide 'Edge Line E1' on the north side of Forest Road.
- G. Construction of a footpath (complying with Council's Standards) in consultation with Mater Maria Catholic College, in between the western edge of the vehicular crossing of the College and property 2.

Committee Decision – Approved**4.13 AVALON PARADE, AVALON - RIGHT TURN PREVENTION INTERSECTION TREATMENT****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Phil Devon advised this is a Development Application condition of a 7-Unit Development., where the Developer has Seniors Housing approval through the Land and Environment Court.

Phil Devon advised that historically, traffic calming in this area of Avalon hasn't worked and the intention of this recommendation is to stop vehicles turning left and right when exiting, which will assist the buses, noting there is an island located there to stop traffic.

James Makasiale has no problems with the proposal for the buses.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised he is happy with this recommendation as we are trying to make this area safe for everyone, however, we may receive complaints from residents.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Introduction of a Left In/Left Out restriction on traffic entering and exiting the Seniors Housing Development at No.84 Avalon Parade.
- B. Introduction of separate in and out driveways and adjustment to the existing pedestrian refuge to incorporate a narrow finger median designed to physically prevent right turns to and from the development.

Committee Decision – Approved

4.14 ADAMS STREET. FRENCHS FOREST - NO STOPPING RESTRICTIONS**PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Clr Jose Menano-Pires noted that there are too many signs in this area.

Phil Devon advised that the recommended signs are only replacing the existing signs and residents of the existing properties will be able to park here outside of morning peak periods.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Removal of existing 'No Parking' restrictions on the northern side of Adams Street, Frenchs Forest
- B. Extension of 'No Stopping' restrictions from Property No.28 Adam Street to property No.30 Adam Street Frenchs Forest.
- C. Removal of existing 'No Parking 6 am – 9am' restrictions on Adam Street.
- D. Installation of 'No Stopping 6am – 9am' restriction from the western side of the driveway at No.30 Adams Street to northern side of the driveway at property No.76 Prince Charles Road.
- E. Installation of 'No Stopping' Unbroken Yellow Line from the northern side of the driveway at property No.76 Prince Charles Road to the southern side of the driveway at property No.78 Prince Charles Road.

Committee Decision – Approved**4.15 THE CIRCLE, NARRAWEENA - PAINTED TRAFFIC ISLAND****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Phil Devon advised that this forms part of the 160X enhancement program, which is one of the Active Transport improvements assisting pedestrians and cyclists access public transport.

James Makasiale advised that buses will not have any issues with this recommendation.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Proposed line marked traffic island, pram ramps and bike route linemarking works at the intersection of The Circle and Oceana Street.

Committee Decision – Approved

4.16 FRANKSON PLACE, MONA VALE - TIMED PARKING**PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Sgt Geraghty enquired why we are erecting signs here, as these signs will only create problems leading to drivers finding a car space somewhere else.

Phil Devon advised that the signs should stop people parking their cars, trailers or caravans in locations that hinders access to residential premises. Employees/mechanics/trades people employed by local businesses have parking off-street at their places of work.

Andrew Johnston has no issues with the recommendation.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Introduction of a 4P Timed parking restriction applying 7am to 5pm Mon-Fri on both sides of Frankson Place. The restrictions to extend:
- on the western side from the termination point of the existing dividing line on the Frankson Place frontage of No.76 Bassett Street on Frankson Place, north to the southern side of the driveway serving No.14 Mount Pleasant Avenue.
 - on the eastern side of Frankson Place, beginning from the southern side of the driveway outside No.8 to the existing No Parking outside Pavich Reserve. Re-apply the restriction from the No Parking to the completion of the existing dividing line outside No.74 Bassett Street on Frankson Place, Mona Vale.

Committee Decision – Approved**4.17 ADDISCOMBE ROAD, MANLY VALE – SHARED PATH AND PEDESTRIAN CROSSING****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Adele Heasman advised this is a huge development and she has not received any negative feedback and no issues have been reported for this area.

Adele Heasman noted the points raised in consultation had been taken up in the design.

Phil Devon advised it is only a short section of road, however, it provides a much-improved outcome for pedestrian and cyclists' access.

Phil Devon noted that in the island at Addiscombe Road and Kenneth Road will make the intersection safer as U-turns will be prohibited.

James Makasiale advised that this road is too tight for buses to turn left into Addiscombe Road and they may not be able to access this road. Phil Devon advised that the refuge may need to be shifted to the east to give buses more room. This will be checked prior to the plans being issued for quotes.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires requested the Traffic Engineers to keep in touch with the bus company before finalising the work.

Adele Heasman approves of the recommendation.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports:

- A. The installation of combined Raised Pedestrian and Cyclist Crossing on Kenneth Road and Median Island and Slow Point on Addiscombe Road, Manly Vale as shown in the attachment "*Addiscombe Road, Manly Vale – Concept Plan and Addiscombe Road, Manly Vale – Signage Plan*".
- B. Detailed designs for the proposal be prepared and provided to TfNSW for review prior to the implementation of the devices.

Committee Decision – Approved

4.18 SIR THOMAS MITCHELL DRIVE, DAVIDSON - PEDESTRIAN REFUGE

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Clr Jose Menano-Pires noted this area is in front of MacFarlane Reserve, on the corner of Broughton Street, Davidson.

Phil Corbett advised that the pedestrian refuge has been put in at a bus stop and read out the points and the recommendation for monitoring for 6 months.

Phil Corbett is concerned about children who may run out from behind a bus and requested the bus stop be moved, to make the area safer for pedestrians and motorists.

Phil Devon advised that the footpath plan which preceded construction of the refuge, was not returned to the Transport team for review prior to construction. He noted the footpath links to the school.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires suggested to keep the pedestrian refuge and move the bus stop.

Phil Devon advised that the recommendation should now be amended and minuted to reflect that the Traffic Committee notes there was an issue with the pedestrian refuge that has been installed, which has now been rectified by moving the bus stop approximately 40m north of its existing location. This will provide adequate length for buses to safely access the bus stop while maintaining sightlines to the refuge.

James Makasiale has no issues with this.

Phil Devon will notify Forest Buses of this change.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Retention of the pedestrian refuge in its as constructed location with the proposed Bus Zone signage changed to No Stopping and linemarking as detailed on the plan implemented.
- B. A 30m length of Bus Zone be introduced to the north of the No Stopping zone and the existing hardstand and all associated bus stop infrastructure removed and relocated to the head of the new Bus Zone.
- C. A length of footpath be introduced linking the new hardstand area with the pedestrian refuge pram ramp

Committee Decision – Approved**5.0 MATTERS FOR NOTATION****5.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ROAD SAFETY PROGRAM UPDATE****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the achievements of the Local Government Road Safety Program be noted by the Northern Beaches Local Traffic Committee for the period between December 2021 and November 2022.

Committee Decision – Approved**5.2 NORTHERN BEACHES COUNCIL LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DATES FOR 2023****PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the proposed Northern Beaches Council Local Traffic Committee meeting dates for 2023 be adopted.

Committee Decision – Approved

5.3 OUT OF SESSIONS APPROVAL - OLD BARRENJOEY ROAD, AVALON BEACH - DIVIDING LINES

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Sgt Geraghty advised he had received an email about the recent changes in this area, however, he noted that drivers are ignoring the STOP sign.

Sgt Geraghty requests Council erect better signage to make this area safer for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.

Phil Devon advised this project has commenced; however, it will not be completed until end January 2023 and that the concerns being raised by residents will be addressed by the completed project.

James Makasiale advised that the bus stop was moved north following the last meeting and intersection adjustments made to allow buses more space to manoeuvre.

Phil Devon advised these issues will be addressed and will be actioned by end January.

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee supports the:

- A. Movement of the existing dividing barrier lines approximately 1.7m west of the existing position to create a 3.2m traffic lane between No.61 Old Barrenjoey Road and the intersection of Old Barrenjoey and Barrenjoey Road, Avalon Beach.
- B. Removal of approximately 2.4m of the existing kerb on the northern side of the intersection of Old Barrenjoey and Barrenjoey Road, outside No.65 Old Barrenjoey Road, Avalon Beach.

Committee Decision – Approved

5.4 REQUEST FOR WORKS ZONE

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Approved by exception.

RECOMMENDATION TO TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

That the Traffic Committee notes the delegated approval of Works Zones as described above.

Committee Decision – Approved

6.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 ELANORA HEIGHTS COMMUNITY MARKET – Kalang Road, Elanora Heights

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

James Makasiale had only just been advised that a Community Fair will be held this weekend from the roundabout at Kalang Road/Powderworks Road to the pedestrian crossing near Kalang Road/ St Andrews Gate. He noted that the local bus companies should have been notified of this event earlier in order to re-route local buses to turn into St Andrews Gate while the Market is being held, instead of turning into Kalang Road.

Phil Devon advised he will raise this matter with Council's Community Events staff, so that local bus companies, the Police and emergency services can be made aware of road closures well before community events take place.

6.2 WOODBINE STREET, NORTH BALGOWLAH - Speeding traffic

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Sgt Geraghty advised that Highway Patrol has been sent to Woodbine Street to patrol the speeding traffic.

Phil Devon advised that he is working with TfNSW regarding a reduction of the speed limit in Woodbine Street and surrounding areas, but this will require funding from TfNSW, which we are waiting to receive.

Peter Carruthers advised that funding will be made available as soon as possible.

Phil Devon advised that we will be narrowing the lanes, raising the pedestrian crossing near the roundabout and lowering the speed limit.

Phil Devon advised this will hopefully be finalised by the end of this financial year.

Adele Heasman is happy with this outcome; however, she is concerned about what can be done now to slow down the speeding traffic and make Woodbine Street safer for pedestrians and motorists.

Phil Devon advised that Council needs to investigate contractor availability and suggested a speed activated VMS could be placed in Woodbine Street to slow the speeding vehicles down in the meantime.

6.3 NORMANDY ROAD, ALLAMBIE HEIGHTS – Speeding traffic

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised he had received a complaint from a resident who lives in Normandy Road, advising that the speed limit in his road is only 40km/h although the surrounding area is 50km/h. Normandy Road runs parallel to Allambie Road, where the traffic is heavy, and vehicles tend to speed down Allambie Road.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires asked Peter Carruthers, whether TfNSW was aware of the 40km/h speed limit on Normandy Road and whether it is a legitimate 40km/h zone. However, Peter Carruthers advised he would need to search records to confirm if this was the case, but considered it unlikely that a 40km/h speed limit in isolation would have been approved on this street section.

Phil Devon advised that it is his understanding that the speed limit in this area is 50km/h – not 40km/h. He also advised that we have recently carried out a traffic study and the results showed we do not have any issues with speeding traffic at this location – ie: from the 700 vehicles captured, only 1 vehicle exceeded the speed limit of 50km/h.

Street view images confirmed that a 40km/h sign had been erected, however, it was noted that this sign has not been placed at the intersection where it would normally be expected. Council records have nothing suggesting the street is a 40km/h speed zone.

Peter Carruthers advised he will look at TfNSW's records and get back to Phil Devon as soon as possible to confirm the speed zone status.

Toby Williams is happy for this matter to be investigated by TfNSW.

6.4 HILLCREST AVENUE, MONA VALE – No Parking yellow lines

PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised he has received a complaint from a Hillcrest Avenue resident, who is unable to park in the street after Council put down yellow lines in 2019.

Phil Devon agreed to look into this issue and noted that some residents who are unable to park in front of their home, are parking their vehicles illegally on the footpath.

Clr Jose Menano-Pires advised that the road is too narrow to allow vehicles to park on both sides near intersections or bends, and vehicles tend to speed in this area of the street where it narrows, and noted yellow lines have only been placed on the corners.

Phil Devon agreed to review this matter and report back to the Local Traffic Committee in February 2023.

The meeting concluded at 11:15am

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