# NORTHERN BEACHES

# **MINUTES**

# NORTHERN BEACHES COUNCIL LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

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

**TUESDAY 2 MAY 2017** 

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

held on Tuesday 2 May 2017 in the Flannel Flower Room, Civic Centre, Dee Why Commencing at 9.30am

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

#### **Voting Members**

Chair – Deputy General Manager Environment & Mr Ben Taylor Infrastructure – Northern Beaches Council

Member for Pittwater Mr R Stokes MP Representative Mr Andrew Johnston

Roads and Maritime Services Mr Alex Coates

Roads and Maritime Services Mr Raymond Tran

Northern Beaches Police Command, Dee Why Sergeant Nino Jelovic

#### **Non Voting Members**

State Transit Authority, Brookvale Depot Mr James Forsyth

Cycling Representative Mr Owen Dunne

#### **Officers**

Executive Manager Transport & Urban Mr Andy Davies

Manager Traffic Engineering Transport & Urban Mr Paul Davies

Civil Design & Traffic Engineer Mr Ricky Kwok

Senior Traffic Engineer Mr James Brocklebank

Traffic Engineer Mr Sunny Jo

Traffic Officer Mr Shankar Pandey
Ranger Coordinator Mr Luke Nickson
Administration Officer Ms Lisa Monk

#### 1.0 APOLOGIES

Mr Phil Corbett – Member for Davidson Mr J O'Dea MP Representative; Ms Lisa Nagle – Member for Wakehurst Mr B Hazzard MP Representative; Mrs Rezvan Saket – Traffic Engineer;

#### 2.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

## 2.1 MINUTES OF NORTHERN BEACHES COUNCIL LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE HELD 4 APRIL 2017

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Northern Beaches Council Local Traffic Committee held 4 April 2017, 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

Andrew Johnston declared that he has relatives living on Bangalow Avenue, Mona Vale, near Bassett Street, Mona Vale, noted in 4.1.

#### 3.0 REPORTS TO PROCEED TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL

Nil

#### 4.0 REPORTS FOR APPROVAL BY COUNCIL DELEGATION

#### 4.1 BASSETT STREET MONA VALE - PROPOSED 'NO STOPPING' RESTRICTIONS

#### **PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

The Traffic Engineer advised the Committee that a request was received from a local resident for the provision of 'No Stopping' restrictions adjacent to the path connection to Patricia Giles Reserve in Bassett Street, Mona Vale, to improve sight distances for pedestrians when crossing the road at this location.

Vehicles, including large boats and trailers, create visibility issues for pedestrians crossing Bassett Street at the end of the pedestrian path which runs across the eastern side of Patricia Giles Reserve.

The extent of the restrictions was discussed, and it was noted that similar measures have been provided on high traffic roads for principle pedestrian routes crossing the road mid-block.

The Committee concurred with the recommendation.

#### TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Traffic Committee supports the installation of 'No Stopping' restrictions (to be indicated by a solid yellow line) in Bassett Street, 20m north-west of the northern kerb ramp, and 20m southeast of a future kerb ramp to be constructed on the opposite side of the road, to improve visibility and safety for pedestrians crossing Bassett Street at the eastern end of Patricia Giles Reserve.

**Council Decision - Approved** 

# 4.2 HARKEITH STREET, MONA VALE - PROPOSED EXTENSION OF 'NO STOPPING' RESTRICTIONS

#### **PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

The Committee concurred with the recommendation.

#### TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Traffic Committee supports the extension of the existing statutory 10m 'No Stopping' restrictions in Harkeith Street from the intersection with Barrenjoey Road, to the driveway of No.17 Barrenjoey Road, to improve sight distances and overall safety of drivers exiting the driveway, and vehicles turning left into Harkeith Street off Barrenjoey Road.

**Council Decision - Approved** 

## 4.3 CENTRAL ROAD, AVALON BEACH - PROPOSED P5 MINUTE PARKING RESTRICTIONS

#### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

The Committee concurred with the recommendation.

#### TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Traffic Committee supports the provision of P5 minute parking restrictions (8-9.30am and 2.30-4pm School Days) to be installed in the unrestricted section of parallel parking located on the southern side of Central Road opposite the School.

**Council Decision – Approved** 

# 4.4 JOHNSON STREET, FRESHWATER - CONSTRUCTION OF A WOMBAT CROSSING PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

The Traffic Engineer advised of the proposed upgrade of the School Children's Crossing to a Wombat Crossing in Johnson Street, Freshwater, and tabled updated construction plans. The crossing will be repositioned due to an existing power pole and one tree is to be removed. The school has expressed support for the Wombat Crossing.

One submission of objection was received about the loss of parking and noise issues from the use of the Wombat Crossing. A ramp will be added to the crossing to reduce the noise and approximately 10m of unrestricted parking will be reinstated resulting from the smaller No Stopping zones.

The Traffic Committee supported the updated design of the Wombat Crossing

#### TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- A. That the detailed design plan for the construction of the Wombat Crossing in Johnson Street, Freshwater be approved.
- B. That the construction of the Wombat Crossing in Johnson Street, Freshwater, proceed utilising funds allocated to the project under Council's Community Strategic Plan.

#### **Council Decision - Approved**

## 4.5 MOORAMBA ROAD, DEE WHY - CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR 5 MOORAMBA ROAD

#### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

The Traffic Engineer advised that the applicant has not provided essential information as outlined in the body of the report and in its current form the Construction Traffic Management Plan should not be approved. It was recommended that the Manager Traffic Engineering be delegated to approve the Construction Traffic Management Plan subject to the correct information being received from the applicant.

#### TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Manager Traffic Engineering be delegated to approve the Construction Traffic Management Plan subject to the correct information being received from the applicant.

**Council Decision – Approved (subject to conditions)** 

#### 4.6 REQUEST FOR WORKS ZONE

#### **PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

The Committee concurred with the recommendation.

#### TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the delegated approval of works zones as described above in the agenda item be noted.

**Council Decision - Approved** 

## 4.7 OAKS AVENUE, AVON ROAD AND HOWARD AVENUE, DEE WHY - REQUEST TO HOLD A RELIGIOUS PROCESSION

#### **PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

The Committee concurred with the recommendation.

#### TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- A. That the Traffic Committee raises no objections to the street procession on traffic grounds subject to the event being undertaken under Police control and the applicant complying with Police directions.
- B. That the Traffic Committee supports the event for the next five years, and that the item not be required to be reported back to the Traffic Committee during this period unless there are any significant changes to the event.

#### **Council Decision - Approved**

#### 4.8 CENTRAL AVENUE, MANLY - NO TRUCKS

#### **PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF**

The Senior Traffic Engineer advised that there is no room on Central Avenue for trucks over 6.4m in length to manoeuvre and shop awnings and building facades are being damaged. It is recommended that a restriction be put in place to reduce the number of trucks using Central Avenue. Larger trucks needing to make deliveries in the street would still be permitted to have access but only if they could not access their destination by any other means. The RMS Representative stated that RMS approval is required as the proposal is changing how traffic uses the road and a TMP is to be supplied to the RMS for review.

The Committee concurred with the recommendation.

#### TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That a No Trucks restriction applying to vehicles over 6.4m in length be applied on Central Avenue south of Raglan Street subject to approval of a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) by the RMS.

**Council Decision – Approved** 

#### 5.0 MATTERS FOR NOTATION

#### 5.1 ENFORCEMENT OF CONDITIONS FOR EVENTS

During a recent RMS approved event a resident was inconvenienced due to road closures. RMS Event notification signage is generic and only states that an event will be held on a specific date. Council are not currently advised by event holders if residents have been notified or if the conditions of running an event are met. Residents can be notified by letters, VMS, Manly Daily and Council website. Council to review event approval procedures and request RMS do the same.

#### **Noted by Traffic Committee**

# 5.2 ADDITIONAL PARKING SPACES FOR POLICE OFFICERS AT WHISTLER STREET, MANLY, AND DAVID AVENUE, DEE WHY.

The NSW Police has requested two additional parking spaces on Whistler Street, Manly, at the rear of the Manly Police Station. These spaces are currently 5 minute parking zones. They have also requested additional parking on St. David Avenue, Dee Why. These locations are needed to meet a new demand for Police parking as a result of staff relocation from the Frenchs Forest Station. The spaces are ideally located for the Police as they are in close proximity to the Police Stations and will reduce Police reaction time, maintain officer safety, and allow for the monitoring of police vehicles against malicious damage. The additional Police parking would however reduce the availability of parking in high demand commercial areas for the general public and the local community will need to be consulted prior to approval with a report to be brought back to a later meeting of the Traffic Committee.

#### **Noted by Traffic Committee**

#### 5.3 BELGRAVE STREET AND SYDNEY ROAD, MANLY - WORK ZONE

Developers have requested a Work Zone on Belgrave Street, Manly, together with a relocation of a Bus Lane, relocation of a traffic signal pole and interruption to the operation of a Bus Lane and B-signal. Given the impact on the operation of the Bus Lane and B-signal, and the proximity of the proposed Work Zone to a signalised intersection on a State Road, RMS raised initial concerns. Committee members briefly discussed other options including approval of short term Stand Plant Permits and siting the Work Zone on the footpath on the northern side of Sydney Road. None of the options were considered ideal and it was proposed that further consideration by RMS, STA and Council was required before bringing a report back to the Traffic Committee.

#### **Noted by Traffic Committee**

# 5.4 B-LINE PROJECT - PROPOSED CHANGES TO PEDESTRIAN ROUTES - WARRINGAH MALL. BROOKVALE

The Traffic Engineer tabled plans for the temporary footpath diversions in the Warringah Mall area to enable the construction of the Northern Beaches B-Line project.

The Committee noted the proposed closure of the footpath for the Work Zone on the corner of Pittwater Road and Cross Street, and the impact on existing pedestrian routes.

RMS representative recommended that a risk assessment be provided for the redirected pedestrian routes to ensure that suitable measures (including notifications and signage at key locations such as bus stops) are in place for pedestrian access and safety.

**Noted by Traffic Committee** 

The meeting concluded at 10:45am