

Camden Council Minutes

Local Traffic Committee 17 May 2016

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LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

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PRESENT

Voting members:

Cr. Peter Sidgreaves Chairperson

Cr. Debby Dewbery Representative for Chris Patterson MP Kaye Russell Roads and Maritime Services (RMS)

SC Mick Tanner NSW Police

Non-voting members:

Stephen Burridge Busabout

Council's Officers in attendance:

Dick Webb Manager Infrastructure Planning

Louise Moran Senior Traffic Engineer

Sophak Eng Traffic Engineer

Tom Allen Team Leader – Traffic & Transport Alyssa Galliford Administration Support Officer

APOLOGIES

Adriana Care Narellan Chamber of Commerce

Chris Moule Picton Buslines / Camden Wollondilly Cabs

Joe Oliveri Interline

Michelle Kramer Community & Road Safety Officer

Renee Galinaitis Team Leader Rangers

THE MEETING COMMENCED AT 9.30AM

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held 16 February 2016, copies of which have been circulated, be confirmed and adopted.

LTC01 Business Arising From The Committee's Last Report

SYNOPSIS

The Local Traffic Committee report dated 16 February 2016 was presented to the Council meeting of 22 March 2016. Council adopted the Local Traffic Committee's recommendations without amendment.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the adoption by Council of the Committee's report dated 16 February 2016 be noted.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the adoption by Council of the Committee's report dated 16 February 2016 be noted.

MATTERS OUTSTANDING

LTC02 Status Of Local Traffic Committee Recommendations And Actions

SYNOPSIS

To provide an update of outstanding actions from the last Traffic Committee meeting.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Team Leader Traffic noted that all recommendations from the last Local Traffic Committee meeting are completed or underway including construction of two pedestrian refuge islands. Signage and line marking is still to be completed for these facilities.

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

The status report on outstanding Local Traffic Committee recommendations and actions be noted.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The status report on outstanding Local Traffic Committee recommendations and actions be noted.

SIGNS, LINES & DEVICES

LTC03 River Road, Elderslie - Proposed Part-Time No Stopping Restrictions

SYNOPSIS

Following a request from Busabout for the installation of No Stopping restrictions on River Road, an investigation has been undertaken which has confirmed that, in the morning, with vehicles parked on both sides of River Road, it is difficult for school buses to negotiate a right turn from Macarthur Road into River Road and continue along River Road.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Team Leader Traffic provided background of this report, and highlighted the narrowness of River Road, Elderslie. Consultation was undertaken with feedback being incorporated into a second round of consultation. The revised proposal included reduced hours of No Stopping with an extension of the No Stopping area on the Southern side of River Road. Feedback received was positive with the only negative feedback concerning the physical appearance of signage. Team Leader Traffic noted that all signage will be installed in line with Australian Standards. Representative for Busabout agreed that the extended No Stopping will make it safer for buses to negotiate the road.

Representative for State MP queried if the No Stopping should apply in the afternoon. Representative for Busabout replied that this route is not utilised in the afternoon. If the bus route should change in future, consideration could be given to amending the signage.

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

The Local Traffic Committee recommends that Council support:

- installation of 125 metres of No Stopping restrictions (R5-400) from "8:30am 9:30am, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY" on the Southern side of River Road, from Macarthur Road to property boundary No. 14 & 16; and
- 35 metres of No Stopping restrictions (R5-400) on the Northern side of River Road from the driveway of No. 85 Macarthur Road.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Local Traffic Committee recommends that Council support:

- installation of 125 metres of No Stopping restrictions (R5-400) from "8:30am – 9:30am, SCHOOL DAYS ONLY" on the Southern side of River Road, from Macarthur Road to property boundary No. 14 & 16; and
- 35 metres of No Stopping restrictions (R5-400) on the Northern side of River Road from the driveway of No. 85 Macarthur Road.

LTC04 Hilder Street, Elderslie - Drop Off And Pick Up Area At Elderslie High School

SYNOPSIS

Assessment is periodically undertaken of the traffic facilities around schools as part of the School Safety Program and taking on board concerns raised by the community. Council officers have reviewed the existing parking restrictions and traffic facilities on Hilder Street in proximity to the Elderslie High School and noted that the facilities are not being optimally utilised, exacerbated by new development in the vicinity.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Team Leader Traffic highlighted that Elderslie is a developing residential area and Council has been working closely with the school community to facilitate safe use of the road for all users.

Representative for State MP noted that a private hospital is being constructed in the vicinity of the school and agreed that parking stress is experienced in this area during school times, with drivers double parking. Further, it has been observed that Netball patrons utilise the grassed verge area to the north of Elderslie High School for Saturday games parking. The proposed No Stopping restrictions would not affect parking availability for this.

Council's Senior Traffic Engineer noted that a Development Application has been lodged for a private hospital at the corner of Hilder Street and the access road to the sporting complex. Once completed, this facility will provide a total of 110 onsite parking spaces.

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

The Local Traffic Committee recommends that Council, in Hilder Street, Elderslie, in the vicinity of Elderslie High School, approves:

- i. installation of 53 metres of No Parking restriction (R5-40) with Kiss and Ride Area supplementary plates (R9-302), between from 8am to 9:30am and 2.30pm to 4pm, School Days, on the west side, south of the zebra crossing; and
- ii. installation of 34 metres of No Stopping restriction (R5-400) on the west side, south of the No Parking restriction.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Local Traffic Committee recommends that Council, in Hilder Street, Elderslie, in the vicinity of Elderslie High School, approves:

- installation of 53 metres of No Parking restriction (R5-40) with Kiss and Ride Area supplementary plates (R9-302), between from 8am to 9:30am and 2.30pm to 4pm, School Days, on the west side, south of the zebra crossing; and
- ii. installation of 34 metres of No Stopping restriction (R5-400) on the west side, south of the No Parking restriction.

LTC05 Higgins Avenue, Elderslie - Proposed No Stopping Restrictions

SYNOPSIS

On the western side of Higgins Avenue, opposite Thornton Lane, there is capacity for three cars to park where the kerb has been extended and it has been advised that cars are often parked at this location by people picking up and dropping off children at the Centre. This has resulted in a safety concern as Higgins Avenue is seven metres wide at this location. The issue is exacerbated by the proximity to the intersections with Thornton Lane and Folkes Street.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Council's Team Leader Traffic noted that proposed No Stopping will apply to the area adjacent to Elderslie Early Learning Centre on the bend of Folkes Street where it is not feasible to park.

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

The Local Traffic Committee recommends that Council approves on Higgins Avenue, Elderslie, the installation of No Stopping signage "R5-400" on the western side from the entry driveway to the Early Learning Centre southwards to a point 10 metres around corner of Folkes Street / Higgins Avenue intersection.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Local Traffic Committee recommends that Council, on Higgins Avenue, Elderslie, approves the installation of No Stopping signage "R5-400" on the western side from the entry driveway to the Early Learning Centre southwards to a point 10 metres around corner of Folkes Street / Higgins Avenue intersection.

LTC06 John Street, Camden - Confirmation Of Splitter Island And Kerb Geometry

SYNOPSIS

Council is undertaking infrastructure improvements in Argyle Street, Camden. The purpose of this report is to provide clarification on the dimension of some devices identified in drawings previously presented to the Local Traffic Committee.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Council's Team Leader Traffic highlighted that the geometry of the Argyle Street / John Street roundabout central island is not being changed as a result of the Camden Town Centre Enhancement works, but replacement splitter islands are wider and set back further from the roundabout. There are kerb extensions on the John Street approaches to the roundabout, allowing for 7.5 metres of No Stopping on the southern side and 10 metres on the northern side.

Further discussion on complementary works to make the existing bus stop on John Street disability compliant is likely to involve replacement of shelters with a similar style in the interim. Council's Manager Infrastructure Planning mentioned that funds have been allocated from Council for detailed planning and DCP review, of which a review of the public domain design is an element. This process will inform Council of the community's preferences for the design of new street furniture such as bus shelters. Council is currently in the process of engaging a consultant to manage this process.

Team Leader Traffic noted that the draw-in for buses to the bus stop in front of the Presbyterian Church is not optimal. Representative for Busways agreed that this location is difficult to negotiate without impeding drivers in the roadway. Team Leader Traffic noted that Council is also investigating options to improve this situation.

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Traffic Committee recommends that Council confirms the splitter island and kerb geometry, and approves the amended signposting, in John Street, Camden, at the intersection with Argyle Street.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Local Traffic Committee recommends that Council confirms the splitter island and kerb geometry, and approves the amended signposting, in John Street, Camden, at the intersection with Argyle Street.

OTHER MATTERS

LTC07 Heavy Vehicle Regulation

SYNOPSIS

Council has been asked to consider allowing access of certain PBS heavy vehicles which meet requirements for existing local road infrastructure. Approval of routes is delegated to Council officers.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Council's Team Leader Traffic noted that heavy vehicle regulations have recently changed and are now under Federal jurisdiction. Existing State legislation has been subsumed into Federal legislation, and a central regulatory authority now operates. Team Leader Traffic discussed the scheme and explained that some heavy vehicles are permitted to carry extra weight and be longer in length subject to approval of telemetry and engineering of the vehicles and trailers.

Council's Manager Infrastructure Planning noted that Council's most highly utilised heavy vehicle route is to the concrete plant in Grahams Hill Road, Narellan. This process should allow for a more efficient process for heavy vehicle access. Further, Manager Infrastructure Planning noted that Gregory Hills Corporate Park is being gazetted for B-Doubles.

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Traffic Committee recommends that Council notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Local Traffic Committee recommends that Council notes the report.

LTC08 Local Behavioural Programs

To advise the Local Traffic Committee of local behavioural campaigns being undertaken to improve road safety and community safety in the Camden Local Government Area.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Council's Team Leader Traffic noted that Council's Community and Road Safety Officer has been actively working in the community and schools to raise awareness. A recent School Safety initiative was conducted at Camden South Public School. Police are providing enforcement during school times, and explanatory corflute signs have been placed temporarily along the school boundary to further assist road users to interpret the rules.

The Chairperson queried whether information is circulated to parents via school newsletters, and Council's Team Leader Traffic confirmed that it is.

Representative for State MP asked if information posters could identify that 'Fines

Apply' to parking offences. Team Leader Traffic took this on notice.

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Local Behavioural Programs report for May 2016.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Local Behavioural Programs report for May 2016.

PERMANENT ITEMS

LTC09 Permanent Items

SYNPOSIS

Permanent items reported on were:

- i. Bike Plan Implementation
- ii. Pedestrian Access Mobility Plan (PAMP)
- iii. Black Spot Identification/Evaluation/Treatment
- iv. Upcoming Major Works/Events

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Council's Manager Infrastructure Planning highlighted that Council has been successful in securing funding for two Black Spot projects for 2016/17 program: Deepfields Road shoulder works and Burragorang Road/Cawdor Road intersection upgrade.

The Representative for State MP queried whether Wollondilly Council had been successful in securing funding for the proposed construction of roundabout at Burragorang Road / Fosters Lane / Mayfarm Road. Team Leader Traffic confirmed that funding had not been identified on the Department website. The Representative for State MP queried whether a reduction of speed limits for Burragorang Road towards Mount Hunter had been approved. Representative for RMS advised that this approval was still being processed by RMS.

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That items (i) to (iv) be noted.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That items (i) to (iv) be noted.

ELECTRONIC MEETING ITEMS

LTC10 Mitchell Street, Camden - Suspension Of On Street Parking Spaces For St Paul's Camden School Fete

SYNOPSIS

St Paul's Camden Catholic Primary School has requesting traffic management measures to facilitate the operation of a school fete to be held on Saturday 14 May 2016. The measures include temporarily placing barriers in parking spaces in Mitchell Street, between John Street and Elizabeth Street and the Larkin Place carpark.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

LTC11 Oxley Street, Camden - Suspension Of On Street Parking Restrictions For Mobile Breast Screen Van

SYNOPSIS

BreastScreen New South Wales has applied to park their mobile breast screen van on the eastern side of Oxley Street, Camden between Camden Civic carpark driveway and Camden Council carpark driveway for approximately four weeks from 30 May 2016 to 24 June 2016.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

LTC12 Argyle Street / Cawdor Road, Camden - Anzac Day 2016 Special Event Traffic Management Plan

SYNOPSIS

The Camden RSL Sub Branch has requested that consideration be given to use Camden streets to conduct the annual ANZAC Day dawn service and street march. As per last year's event, the ANZAC Day dawn service will take place in the Bicentennial

Equestrian Park (BEP) on Cawdor Road, Camden opposite Camden RSL Sub Branch.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

LTC13 Catherine Park Drive, Oran Park - Signage, Linemarking And Devices

SYNOPSIS

A Signage and line marking plan has been received by Council for the construction of new roads associated with the development of Catherine Field.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

LTC14 Emerald Hills Boulevard, Leppington - Emerald Hills Estate Stage 1
Subdivision Signage, Linemarking And Devices

SYNOPSIS

A Signage and line marking plan has been received by Council for the construction of new roads associated with the development of Emerald Hills Estate, Stage 1 in the vicinity of Emerald Hills Boulevard (street name subject to confirmation).

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

SYNOPSIS

The Office of the NSW Small Business Commissioner has requested suspension of three angled parking bays which have 1 hour restrictions on the west side of John Street, adjacent to Epicure store in 39 John Street. They wish to park a commercial RV in the spaces from 8.30am to 3.30pm on Monday 9 May 2016.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

LTC16 Macarthur Road, Spring Farm - Signage, Linemarking And Devices Associated With Subdivision Of Spring Farm, Stages 45 And 61.

SYNOPSIS

Signage and line marking plans have been received by Council for the construction of new roads associated with the development of Spring Farm Stage 45 and 61, by Cornish Group, at the southern end of Macarthur Road.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

LTC17 The Hermitage Way, Gledswood Hills - Gregory Hills Corporate Park Stage 4 - Signage, Linemarking And Devices

SYNOPSIS

Signage and line marking plans have been received by Council for the southern extension of The Hermitage Way. This road is a component of Gregory Hills Corporate Park Stage 4 development within the suburb of Gledswood Hills.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

LTC18 Barley Road, Spring Farm - Temporary Bus Zone And No Stopping Restrictions

SYNOPSIS

Council is currently undertaking a reconstruction of Springs Road, Spring Farm between Ettlesdale Road and Barley Road. This work is anticipated to be completed in late May 2016, weather permitting.

As part of a Traffic Management Plan for roadworks, a number of arrangements have been proposed to provide an interim access for a school bus for Spring Farm Public School (to be operated from 26 April 2016).

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

LTC19 Gregory Hills Drive, Gregory Hills - Signage, Linemarking And Devices

SYNOPSIS

Signage and line marking plans have been received by Council for the extension of Gregory Hills as a single carriageway to a new access to St Gregory's College, close to the eastern Local Government Area boundary.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

SYNOPSIS

A signage and line marking plan has been received by Council for construction of new roads associated with the development of Gregory Hills Corporate Park Stage 3.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee members agreed with the Council's Officer's recommendations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the report.

BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

1. Smeaton Grange – Road Closures for Cycle Races

Council's Team Leader Traffic updated on the request received from the Macarthur Collegians Cycling Club in January 2016 for conducting on-road cycling races on periodic Sundays. Representative for NSW Police advised that the club currently has approval to conduct races on Ridge Road in the Wollondilly LGA. Council Officers had attended a meeting in late January 2016 with Club which put forward five potential race locations. Council gave initial feedback and requested the club conduct their own consultation of businesses in the vicinity of two of the proposed sites.

Subsequent to this, Council advised that Dunn Road was considered the only workable site subject to consultation with local businesses. The feedback received from businesses did not support the temporary closure of the respective roads because of their business requirements and the need for access during the times the races would be conducted.

Based on the above feedback Council officers were seeking feedback from the Committee in taking the matter forward. The committee shared concerns raised by Council.

2. Homeworld Display Village (Emerald Hills)

Council's Senior Traffic Engineer circulated a proposed road layout plan for future Homeworld Display Village to be located at Emerald Hills. This plan has been submitted to Council as part of a Development Application for the establishment of a display village for a period of five years.

A number of concerns were raised regarding access to the village and effects on surrounding road network. It was understood that the developer has requested that these roads to be established as public roads. Representative for RMS noted that Traffic Management Plan would not be required to convert a one-way roads to two-way at a later date.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.45AM