

**MINUTES OF TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD**  
**FEBRUARY 14, 2000**

**Present:** Cr. White Chairman  
Cr. Fekete, Deputy Mayor  
D. Horne, R.T.A.  
Snr.Con.S Roberts, NSW Police  
T. Freestone, Director, Works & Services  
C. Johnson, Traffic Engineer  
R. McLean, Busways  
W. Simmons, Busabout  
M. Leighton, Narellan Chamber of Commerce  
W. Sharpe, Camden Chamber of Commerce

**Apologies:** Cr. McFadden, M Boyd and John Hillman

**The meeting commenced at 10.00 am.**

**Rec. No.**

**1. Business Arising from the Committee's Last Report Dated November 22, 1999.**

Report to Council meeting December 13, 1999 - Resolution 080/00.

**Item 11 Oxley Street, Camden. Existing Loading Zone** (File 2524)

The Camden Chamber representative advised that she has received complaints regarding the times of the Loading Zone. The Traffic Engineer advised that he too has received similar complaints and that correspondence is to be sent to council with a counter proposal for a Loading Zone in this area.

The committee felt that it would be appropriate to defer the action to highlight the existing facility as per TC87/99 recommendation of November 22, 1999 Traffic Committee meeting. It was also felt that Council undertake to again canvas the views of the merchants with respect to the Loading Zone facility.

**TC 1/2000 Recommended:** *That Council note the information.*

**Item 18 Camden Valley Way at Catherine Fields Road** (File 3288)

The Committee was advised that correspondence was received from the RTA responding to a request to consider left turn arrows on Camden Valley Way at Catherine Fields Road.

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The committee was advised that the provision of left turn roadmarking arrows would make the current passing manoeuvre illegal. This would affect intersection capacity and compromise safety.

**TC 2/2000** ***Recommended:*** *That Council note the information.*

**Item 20 Camden Valley Way at Park Road, Leppington** (File 3288)

The RTA representative advised that due to the low pedestrian movements in this area, it would be difficult to justify any pedestrian facility at this stage.

The Busabout representative indicated that the absence of an adequate bus pull-off area contributed to the problem.

**TC 3/2000** ***Recommended*** *That*

- (i) *the RTA be requested to evaluate the need to provide an adequate bus pull-off area on Camden Valley Way at Park Road, Leppington.*
- (ii) *the RTA liaise with Busabout Bus Company regarding (i) above.*

**SCHEDULE ONE ITEMS (Main Business)**

**(A) New Items**

**2 Traffic Committee Dates for 2000** (File 1220)

Since Council were presented with Traffic Committee dates, a number of changes have occurred due to Public Holidays falling on Mondays. The following revised list was submitted for the committee to note:

<b>Traffic Committee Dates</b>	<b>Council Meeting Dates</b>
February 14	February 28
March 13	March 27
April 10	April 26
May 8	May 22
June 13	June 26
July 10	July 24
August 14	August 28
September 11	September 25
October 9	October 23
November 13	November 27

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**TC 4/2000** **Recommended:** *That Council note the information.*

**3**                   **Raby Road, Catherine Field** (File 1466)  
Council as part of its construction program proposes to provide an additional traffic lane (west bound) along Raby Road between Camden Valley Way and the entrance to the Lakeside Golf Course. Council was successful in obtaining a grant from the RTA for the works which will also be providing minor intersection improvements at Camden Valley Way. Lakeside Golf Course has been consulted and no objections have been raised.

**TC 5/2000** **Recommended:** *That Council note the works to be undertaken on Raby Road between Camden Valley Way and Lakeside Golf Course.*

**4**                   **Holdsworth Drive** (File 3526)  
Council at its meeting of 27 July 1998 considered an item regarding traffic accidents that occurred on Holdsworth Drive, Narellan Vale between Elm Place and Plane Tree Drive. Council resolved that:

- (i) Guard rail be erected as a short term measure to protect the safety of residents.
- (ii) The writer be advised of this approved action.
- (iii) The Traffic Engineer investigate the on-site issues of speeding traffic options to resolve these issues, consult the residents, and report the results to the Traffic Committee for recommendation to Council for actions.

Traffic data collected on Holdsworth Drive between Morshead Road and Plane Tree Drive indicated vehicle volumes in the order of 4030 v.p.d. and 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds of 62 km/hr. Similar data collected in the same period approximately 200m west of Plane Tree Drive recorded vehicle volumes of 3746 v.p.d. with 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds of 70 km/hr. A design has been prepared containing a treatment to discourage speeds by way of slow points (kerb blisters) and linemarking as a package between properties No. 87 and No. 115. The treatment will also provide for a section of missing footpath and the provision of additional street lighting.

Council, under the "3 x 3 Council Determined Program 1999/2000" was successful in obtaining a grant from the RTA for \$39,000 for this project and must be spent in the financial year otherwise the funds will lapse.

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Residents in the immediate vicinity have been letterbox dropped advising of the project and submissions invited up to Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2000.

**TC 6/2000** **Recommended:** *That*

- (i) *the proposed Traffic Management treatment on Holdsworth Drive bend between Plane Tree Drive and Elm Place, Narellan be approved;*
- (ii) *the proposal be advertised to the wider community.*
- (iii) *Council accept the \$39,000 grant for the project from the RTA and note its expenditure prior to the end of the financial year.*

**5** **Cawdor Road and Barsden Street, Camden** (File 3481 & 3909)

Council, as part of its construction program proposes to install a passing lane in Cawdor Road at Barsden Street. The project is expected to enhance safety generally especially by maintaining free traffic flow when vehicles are stationary waiting to turn right into Barsden Street.

**TC 7/2000** **Recommended:** *That Council approve the provision of a passing lane in Cawdor Road at Barsden Street, Camden.*

**6** **Camden Golf Club – Golden Jubilee Weekend 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> March 2000** (File 3288)

Council is in receipt of an application from Camden Golf Club to open the gates on the Camden Valley Way access to traffic as part of the Golden Jubilee celebrations on 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> March 2000.

The Police also have received the application and have requested that the item be listed for discussion due to safety concerns.

Mr Deryck Linden, Chief Executive of the Camden Golf Club addressed the committee and advised that the request to have the gates open was for Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March only and in the daylight hours of 9.30am – 3.00pm (5.5 hours). He also advised that Police Golf Members would be available to control entry into the site by way of 'left in' only and no egress onto Camden Valley Way. Egress would be via Lodges Road.

**TC 8/2000** **Recommended:** *That*

- (i) *Council approve the temporary opening of the Camden Golf Club access at Camden Valley Way on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2000 between 9.30am – 3.00pm subject to the Police being available to control the access.*

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(ii) *Access at Camden Valley Way be restricted to left in only with egress via Lodges Road.*

**7**            **50 km/hr Speed Limit Throughout Camden** (File 684)  
Council has recently been advised by the RTA that the installation of the 50km/hr signage is scheduled for February 21, 2000. They have also advised that full page advertising in the local papers and a mail drop to all residents is to occur prior to signage installation.

**TC 9/2000**    **Recommended:** *That*

- (i)        *Council note the information.*
- (i)        *Council undertake a review of speed limits in Camden LGA after the 50 km/hr signage is implemented..*

**8**            **Argyle Street – Request for 50 km/hr Speed Limit** (File 1947)  
The Police and the RTA have forwarded a request by a resident of Camden for the provision of a 50 km/hr speed limit along Argyle Street, Camden.

The Committee discussed the issue of Argyle Street being speed zoned at 50 km/hr together with intersection control throughout and pedestrian movement throughout. The committee felt that conditions could be reviewed after the 50 km/hr signage is implemented.

**TC10/2000**    **Recommended:** *That pedestrian and vehicular conditions together with the request to have Argyle Street speed zoned 50 km/hr be reviewed after the 50 km/hr signage is implemented throughout Camden Local Government Area.*

**9**            **The Northern Road at Carrington Road, Bringelly** (File 595)  
Council at its 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1999 meeting endorsed the recommendations of the Local Traffic Committee to:

Request the Roads and Traffic Authority to consider the implementation of a buffer 80km/hr speed zone and the possibility of No Right Turn restrictions in the peak times at Carrington Road and Robinson Road.

The Roads and Traffic Authority has now recently replied to Council advising that the 80km/hr limit will be provided and that the No Right Turn restriction will be supported provided suitable community consultation is undertaken.

**TC11/2000**    **Recommended:** *That*

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- (i) Council note the Roads and Traffic Authority's advise that it proposes to lower the speed limit from 100km/hr to 80km/hr on The Northern Road between Bringelly and Harrington Park;
- (ii) Council consult with the residents of Carrington Road and Robinson Road regarding the installation of No Right Turn restriction into their streets from The Northern Road in the A.M. and P.M. peak times.
- (iii) the No Right Turn restrictions exempt buses.

**10**            **Queen Street, Narellan** (File 3117)

Council has received correspondence from Mr Dennis Whelan, resident of Queen Street regarding the need to provide centre line markings to keep motorists on the correct side of the carriageway. Mr Whelan advises that he regularly is confronted with head-on situations and asks that linemarkings be installed.

An inspection of the site indicates there is a lengthy continuous bend in Queen Street between Peppercorn Avenue and Aubert Street. The width of the road is 11m and bitumen sealed from kerb to kerb.

A recent motorcycle fatality did occur in the area.

**TC12/2000** **Recommended:** *That*

- (i) *broken white centre linemarkings be provided in Queen Street between Hillview Street and Aubert Street, Narellan.*
- (ii) *the residents of Queen Street directly affected by advised of the proposed linemarkings.*

**11**            **Leppington Cycling Club** (File 1696)

Council recently approved the 2000 Leppington Cycle Club events under Delegated Authority (1.2.2000). These events have in the past been conducted on a Saturday and the organisers have now requested that Council give consideration to conducting the events on Sundays instead of Saturdays.

Council has for a number of years approved the events and have not received any adverse complaints for the past 5 years.

Traffic volumes are considered to be lower on Sundays and this is expected to enhance the application.

**TC13/2000** **Recommended:** *That Council approve the Leppington Cycle Club events to be held on Sundays commencing in April 2000 and concluding in November 2000.*

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**(C) Permanent Items**

- 12            Local Bike Plan Implementation**  
Camden to Narellan Bike Route currently constructed to Curry Reserve

**TC14/2000 Recommended:** *That Council note the information.*

**13            Black Spot Identification/Evaluation/Treatment**

No action.

**14            Local Behavioural Campaigns**

No action.

**15            RTA Road Safety Projects - Status Report**

No Project active at this stage.

**16            Fatal Accident Reports**

Nil

**TC15/2000 Recommended:** *That Council note the information.*

**SCHEDULE TWO ITEMS (Delegated Authority Items for Ratification)**

**17            New Items**

2000/1	Leppington Cycle Club 2000 Events	Approved 1.2.2000
2000/2	Main Street, Mount Annan Resheet Traffic Control Plan and painted median	Approved 4.2.2000
2000/3	Larkin Place, Camden "Neutral Ground" Skate Day and Youth Celebration (20.2.00)	Approved 24.1.2000

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**LATE/GENERAL BUSINESS**

**18**            **Camden Valley Way** (File 3288)  
The Committee was requested to re-evaluate the existing No Parking restriction on Camden Valley Way between The Northern Road and Camden Views Drive both sides. The request was to consider No Stopping restrictions.

**TC16/2000** **Recommended:** *That Council review the signage on Camden Valley Way both sides between The Northern Road and Camden Views Drive, Narellan.*

**19**            **Cobbitty Road** (File 708)  
The Narellan Chamber of Commerce representative asked whether a Pedestrian Warden could be provided at the new pedestrian crossing. He also advised that illegal parking had occurred which caused safety concerns.

**TC17/2000** **Recommended:** *That*

- (i)    *the RTA be requested to investigate the need for a pedestrian warden outside Cobbitty Primary School on Cobbitty Road, Cobbitty.*
- (ii)   *The Police be requested to provide periodic surveillance.*

**20**            **Camden Valley Way** (File 3288)  
The Narellan Chamber of Commerce representative asked whether the RTA could investigate the need to improve capacity on Camden Valley Way between The Northern Road and Narellan Road due to the volume of traffic and delays experienced during peak times.

**TC18/2000** **Recommended:** *That the RTA be requested to investigate conditions on Camden Valley Way between he Northern Road and Narellan with the view to improve capacity and reduce vehicle delays.*

**21**            **Old Hume Highway** (File 817)  
The Traffic Engineer presented a request from Camden House Retirement Village for a sign to warn motorists that vehicles are entering Camden House from both directions on Old Hume Highway.

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The Committee was advised that the entrance to Camden House is opposite Ironbark Avenue which is controlled by a "Sea Gull" treatment and that a review of the present operations needs to be undertaken.

**TC19/2000** **Recommended:** *That Council and Police Officers inspect the site prior to implementation of any improvements to the site.*

**22**           **Alamein Avenue**(File 3991)

The Committee requested that a status report be provided regarding the proposal to have traffic signals at Alamein Avenue/Exchange Parade and Narellan Road intersection.

**TC20/2000** **Recommended:** *That the RTA be requested to provide a status report regarding the proposal to install traffic signals at Alamein Avenue/ Exchange Parade and Narellan Road intersection.*

**Meeting Closed: 11.30 a.m.**

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