

PARRAMATTA TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2023

MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE PARRAMATTA TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2023 AT 1.30PM. MEETING HELD IN PERSON AT COUNCIL'S ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 126 CHURCH STREET, PARRAMATTA OR OPTIONAL ATTENDANCE VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

The Parramatta Traffic Committee Chairperson Councillor Noack declared the meeting open at 1:30pm.

PRESENT:	
NAME:	REPRESENTATIVE OF
Paul Noack	Councillor and Chairperson
Henry Green	Councillor
Sarah Thompson	Representative for Geoff Lee MP
Nazli Tzannes	Transport for NSW (TfNSW)
Sergeant Jack Makhoul	Parramatta Police Area Command (PAC)
Michael Perrone	CDC Buses
Pam Kendrick	Representative for the Parramatta Bicycle Committee and Bicycle NSW
Richard Searle	Traffic and Transport Manager, CoPC
Michael Jollon	Transport Planning Manager, CoPC
Mark Crispin	Senior Transport Planner
Melinda Ta	Place Manager
Saniya Sharmeen	Traffic and Transport Team Leader, CoPC
Randil Pohorambage	Traffic and Transport Engineer, CoPC
Zulfiqar Ali	Traffic and Transport Engineer, CoPC
Behzad Saleh	Traffic and Transport Investigations Engineer, CoPC – Minutes Secretary

APOLOGIES:	
NAME:	REPRESENTATIVE OF
Senior Constable Richard Kraay	The Hills Police Area Command (PAC) – No items in PAC
Senior Constable Raymond Yeung	Auburn Police Area Command (PAC)
Sergeant Leonie Abberfield	Ryde Police Area Command (PAC)
Chris Worthington	Rep. for Julia Finn MP State Member for Granville (no items in Electorate)

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 9 NOVEMBER 2022:

That the report of the Parramatta Traffic Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 9 November 2022 be taken as read and confirmed as a true record of the meeting.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Nil.

SECTION A ITEMS:

PURPOSE:

That the Parramatta Traffic Committee consider the below items and recommendations to be referred to the Council meeting on 13 March 2023.

ITEM 2302 A1 GOOD STREET AND ALFRED STREET, GRANVILLE – PROPOSED COMBINED RAISED PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLIST CROSSINGS AT M4 CYCLEWAY

Ward: Rosehill

State Electorate: Parramatta/Granville

Recommendation to Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That Council approve the construction of a new combined raised pedestrian and cyclists crossing with associated signs and linemarking in Good Street, Granville at the M4 Cycleway as shown in Figure 3 of this report.
2. That Council approve the construction of a new combined raised pedestrian and cyclists crossing with associated signs and linemarking in Alfred Street, Granville at the M4 Cycleway as shown in Figure 5 of this report.
3. That recommendation 1-2 is subject to the detailed design of the combined raised pedestrian and cyclists crossing being approved by Transport for NSW (TfNSW) prior to the commencement of construction.

Comments:

Pam Kendrick, representative for the Parramatta Bicycle Committee & Bicycle NSW raised concerns with regards to the offset of the proposed crossing to the M4 shared path and asked whether the crossing could be aligned to the shared path. Furthermore, she asked if the cyclists crossing component and the zebra crossing component could be swapped to have a shorter path of travel for bicycles.

Richard Searle of City of Parramatta Council advised that the offset for the crossing was to ensure that cyclists would slow down before crossing the road and to increase their visual exposure time to approaching motorists. Behzad Saleh of City of Parramatta Council added that it is desirable to have the zebra crossing closer to the M4 shared path rather than the bicycle priority crossing to prevent pedestrians from blocking the cyclists path. Mark Crispin of City of Parramatta Council further added that pedestrians should be given priority of cyclists and that they should have the shorter path of travel. Furthermore, he advised that a similar arrangement has been installed in Cambridge Street, Harris Park and from his observations, cyclists were crossing the road within the area designated for them rather than

at the zebra crossing part.

Pam Kendrick noted the above information and also requested that consideration be given to installing a barrier to prevent mountain bikes from travelling over the kerbs and going straight through. Richard Searle advised that this will be considered during the detail design stage with consideration also given to sight lines. It was further noted that should cyclists still go straight through, it would be an illegal manoeuvre, and that if it was done it is expected that cyclists would perform this manoeuvre with caution given that they have to give way to traffic at this location.

Recommendation from Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That Council approve the construction of a new combined raised pedestrian and cyclists crossing with associated signs and linemarking in Good Street, Granville at the M4 Cycleway as shown in Figure 3 of this report.
2. That Council approve the construction of a new combined raised pedestrian and cyclists crossing with associated signs and linemarking in Alfred Street, Granville at the M4 Cycleway as shown in Figure 5 of this report.
3. That recommendation 1-2 is subject to the detailed design of the combined raised pedestrian and cyclists crossing being approved by Transport for NSW (TfNSW) prior to the commencement of construction.

Unanimous support

ITEM 2302 A2 INTERSECTION OF RAYMOND STREET AND HIGH STREET, PARRAMATTA & GRANVILLE – INSTALLATION OF A RAISED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AND SPEED CUSHIONS

Ward: Rosehill

State Electorate: Parramatta

Recommendation to Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That a raised pedestrian crossing with associated signs and pavement markings be installed in High Street north of Raymond Street, Parramatta as shown in the attached sketch.
2. That speed cushions (1.6m to 1.9m wide x 2m long) with associated '25km/h' and 'Speed Hump' signs be installed on the westbound, eastbound, and northbound approaches to the roundabout at the intersection of Raymond Street and High Street, Parramatta & Granville as shown in the attached sketch.
3. That detailed design plans for the raised pedestrian crossing in High Street north of Raymond Street as referred to in recommendation 1 above be submitted to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) for approval prior to commencement of construction.

Comments:

Pam Kendrick asked if PS-2 Bicycle Logos could be added on Raymond Street east of High Street. Randil Pohorambage of City of Parramatta Council advised that there is an existing shared path on Raymond Street. Accordingly, it is expected that cyclists would use the shared path rather than ride on the road.

Recommendation from Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That a raised pedestrian crossing with associated signs and pavement markings be installed in High Street north of Raymond Street, Parramatta as shown in the attached sketch.

2. That speed cushions (1.6m to 1.9m wide x 2m long) with associated '25km/h' and 'Speed Hump' signs be installed on the westbound, eastbound, and northbound approaches to the roundabout at the intersection of Raymond Street and High Street, Parramatta & Granville as shown in the attached sketch.
3. That detailed design plans for the raised pedestrian crossing in High Street north of Raymond Street as referred to in recommendation 1 above be submitted to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) for approval prior to commencement of construction.

Unanimous support

ITEM 2302 A3 JOHN IAN WING PARADE AT LOUISE SAUVAGE PATHWAY, SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK – INSTALLATION OF RAISED COMBINED PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLIST CROSSING

Ward: Rosehill

State Electorate: Parramatta

Recommendation to Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That a raised combined pedestrian and cyclist crossing with associated signs and pavement markings be installed in John Ian Wing Parade at Louise Sauvage Pathway, Sydney Olympic Park as shown in the attached sketch.
2. That detailed design plans for the raised combined pedestrian and cyclist crossing as referred in recommendation 1 above be submitted to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) for approval prior to commencement of construction.

Comments:

Pam Kendrick requested that a barrier be installed to prevent cyclists from travelling straight through due to the offset of the proposed crossing to Louise Sauvage Pathway. Behzad Saleh advised that this will not be possible as the Sydney Olympic Park Authority requires access to the pathway for their service vehicles.

Recommendation from Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That a raised combined pedestrian and cyclist crossing with associated signs and pavement markings be installed in John Ian Wing Parade at Louise Sauvage Pathway, Sydney Olympic Park as shown in the attached sketch.
2. That detailed design plans for the raised combined pedestrian and cyclist crossing as referred in recommendation 1 above be submitted to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) for approval prior to commencement of construction.

Unanimous support

ITEM 2302 A4 BULLI ROAD AND BINALONG ROAD, TOONGABBIE – INSTALLATION OF SPEED CUSHIONS

Ward: Parramatta

State Electorate: Winston Hills

Recommendation to Parramatta Traffic Committee:

That the installation of speed cushions on all approaches to the roundabout at the intersection of Bulli Road and Binalong Road, Toongabbie as shown on the plan attached to the report be approved.

Comments:

Nazli Tzannes noted that the dimensions for the speed cushions and spacing between them were difficult to see on the plans within the report. Accordingly, she requested that clear plans or the CAD Drawing file be provided to TfNSW for further review. She further inquired as to why some speed cushions were narrower than others.

Richard Searle advised that the aim of the proposal is to ensure that vehicles slow down for the roundabout. This can be achieved by them mounting the larger sized speed cushions or by controlling the deflection angle of the vehicle on its approach to the roundabout. With regards to the latter, a smaller sized speed cushion can be installed next to a larger sized one, where vehicles can straddle through the device without mounting it or by mounting it slightly. However, should the vehicle straddle through the device, they would have a larger deflection angle to the roundabout which would achieve the desired traffic calming effect.

Pam Kendrick advised that Bulli Road is a bicycle route and Binalong Road has marked on-road cycle lanes. Accordingly, the approaches of both roads are to have PS-2 bicycle logos.

Recommendation from Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That the installation of speed cushions on all approaches to the roundabout at the intersection of Bulli Road and Binalong Road, Toongabbie as shown on the plan attached to the report be approved.
2. That PS-2 Bicycle Pavement Markings be installed on all approaches to the proposed speed cushions in Binalong Road and Bulli Road.
3. That the detailed design plans for the proposed speed cushions as referred to in recommendations 1-2 be provided to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) for review prior to installation.

Unanimous support

ITEM 2302 A5 VICTORIA STREET AT BRIDGE STREET, EPPING – INSTALLATION OF RAISED COMBINED PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLIST CROSSING

Ward: Epping

State Electorate: Epping

Recommendation to Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That a raised combined pedestrian and cyclist crossing with associated signs and pavement markings be installed in Victoria Street south of Bridge Street, Epping as shown in the attached sketch.
2. That the existing 'Stop' restriction with associated 'Stop (TF)' line and 'Stop' sign be replaced with a 'Give Way' restriction with associated 'Give Way (TB)' line and 'Give Way' sign as shown in the attached sketch.
3. That detailed design plans for the raised combined pedestrian and cyclist crossing as referred in recommendation 1 above be submitted to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) for approval prior to commencement of construction.

Comments:

Pam Kendrick advised that the plans showed the direction of travel along the cyclists' priority crossing incorrectly. This is to be addressed prior to detailed designs plans being submitted to Transport for NSW.

Recommendation from Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That a raised combined pedestrian and cyclist crossing with associated signs and pavement markings be installed in Victoria Street south of Bridge Street, Epping as shown in the attached sketch.

2. That the existing 'Stop' restriction with associated 'Stop (TF)' line and 'Stop' sign be replaced with a 'Give Way' restriction with associated 'Give Way (TB)' line and 'Give Way' sign as shown in the attached sketch.
3. That detailed design plans for the raised combined pedestrian and cyclist crossing as referred in recommendation 1 above be submitted to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) for approval prior to commencement of construction.

Unanimous support

ITEM 2302 A6 ALBION STREET, HARRIS PARK – INSTALLATION OF SPEED HUMPS

Ward: Rosehill

State Electorate: Parramatta

Recommendation to Parramatta Traffic Committee:

That the installation of three (3) Watts profile speed humps in Albion Street, Harris Park as shown in the plan attached to the report be approved.

Recommendation from Parramatta Traffic Committee:

That the installation of three (3) Watts profile speed humps in Albion Street, Harris Park as shown in the plan attached to the report be approved.

ITEM 2302 A7 BENNELONG PARKWAY AT THE PIAZZA, WENTWORTH POINT – INSTALLATION OF A BLISTER ISLAND AND CHANGES TO LINEMARKING

Ward: Rosehill

State Electorate: Auburn

Recommendation to Parramatta Traffic Committee:

That the existing pavement markings be altered, and rubber blister island with Chevron Alignment Marker' sign be installed on Bennelong Parkway west of The Piazza, Wentworth Point to provide deflection on the eastbound approach of the roundabout as shown on the plan attached to the report.

Comments:

Sarah Thompson, the representative for Geoff Lee MP, raised concerns that the proposed treatment may not be effective in slowing traffic as she believed the issue was regarding the design of the roundabout itself.

Richard Searle advised that the proposed rubber blister island is designed to create a deflection angle for southbound motorists. This island will prevent motorists from driving through the roundabout in a straight trajectory, thereby, triggering motorists to slow down on the approach.

Sergeant Jack Makhoul asked if speed cushions could be installed on this approach similar to what is being proposed at other locations. Richard Searle advised that Council had previously consulted with the community regarding a proposal to install speed cushions on the eastbound approach of Bennelong Parkway. However, the community raised concerns with this proposal and Council has since revised the proposal to now install the blister island.

Recommendation from Parramatta Traffic Committee:

That the existing pavement markings be altered, and rubber blister island with Chevron Alignment Marker' sign be installed on Bennelong Parkway west of The Piazza, Wentworth Point to provide deflection on the eastbound approach of the roundabout as shown on the plan attached to the report.

Unanimous support

ITEM 2302 A8 SLOUGH AVENUE, SILVERWATER – PROPOSED SPEED HUMPS AND ANGLE PARKING

Ward: Rosehill

State Electorate: Auburn

Recommendation to Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That Council construct two speed humps in Slough Avenue, Silverwater at the northern and southern ends of Newington Reserve as shown in the plan attached to this report.
2. That Council construct angle parking including two disabled parking spaces on the eastern side of Slough Avenue, Silverwater along the frontage of Newington Reserve as shown in the plan attached to this report.
3. That recommendations 1-2 be completed as part of the project to upgrade Newington Reserve.

Recommendation from Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That Council construct two speed humps in Slough Avenue, Silverwater at the northern and southern ends of Newington Reserve as shown in the plan attached to this report.
2. That Council construct angle parking including two disabled parking spaces on the eastern side of Slough Avenue, Silverwater along the frontage of Newington Reserve as shown in the plan attached to this report.
3. That recommendations 1-2 be completed as part of the project to upgrade Newington Reserve.

Unanimous support

ITEM 2302 A9 DUNLOP STREET, FIRST AVENUE, RYDE STREET – PROPOSED SHARED PATHS, KERB BUILD OUT, AND RAISED PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLIST CROSSINGS

Ward: Epping

State Electorate: Epping

Recommendation to Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That Council approve the construction of a separated shared path and footpath on the northern verge of Dunlop Street between Hermington Street and Neil Street, and the eastern verge of First Avenue between Dunlop Street and Grimes Lane, Epping as shown on the plan attached to the report.
2. That Council approve the construction of a shared path on the northern verge of Dunlop Street between Neil Street and Ryde Street, and western verge of Ryde Street between Wyralla Avenue and Dunlop Street, Epping as shown on the plan attached to the report.
3. That Council approve the construction of a raised pedestrian and cyclist crossings of Neil Street and Park Street at Dunlop Street, and Dunlop Street at First Avenue, Epping as shown on the plan attached to the report.
4. That Council approve the construction of a kerb buildout on the western side of Ryde Street at Wyralla Avenue, Epping as shown on the plan attached to the report.
5. That recommendations 1 to 4 are subject to the funding being secured.

Comments:

Nazli Tzannes requested that the detail design plans of the proposal be submitted to TfNSW for review and approval prior to the commencement of construction.

Pamela Kendrick advised that 'Beware Pedestrians' signs were proposed to be installed at various locations and asked if 'Beware Cyclists' signs could also be installed. Richard Searle advised that Council generally does not install either 'Beware Pedestrians' or 'Beware Cyclists' signs as other signs such as 'School Zone' signs serve that purpose. He advised that Council staff will review this matter.

Recommendation from Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That Council approve the construction of a separated shared path and footpath on the northern verge of Dunlop Street between Hermington Street and Neil Street, and the eastern verge of First Avenue between Dunlop Street and Grimes Lane, Epping as shown on the plan attached to the report.
2. That Council approve the construction of a shared path on the northern verge of Dunlop Street between Neil Street and Ryde Street, and western verge of Ryde Street between Wyralla Avenue and Dunlop Street, Epping as shown on the plan attached to the report.
3. That Council approve the construction of a raised pedestrian and cyclist crossings of Neil Street and Park Street at Dunlop Street, and Dunlop Street at First Avenue, Epping as shown on the plan attached to the report.
4. That Council approve the construction of a kerb buildout on the western side of Ryde Street at Wyralla Avenue, Epping as shown on the plan attached to the report.
5. That recommendations 1 to 4 are subject to the funding being secured.
6. That recommendations 1 to 4 are subject to the detail design of the proposal being submitted to Transport for NSW for approval prior to commencement of construction.

Unanimous support

ITEM 2302 A10 ASQUITH STREET, BEACONSFIELD STREET AND STUBBS STREET, SILVERWATER – INSTALLATION OF MEDIAN ISLANDS AND SPEED CUSHIONS

Ward: Rosehill

State Electorate: Auburn

Recommendation to Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That Council install speed cushions and construct median islands in Asquith Street, Silverwater with associated signs and linemarking on both its approaches to Stubbs Street as shown in the plan attached to this report.
2. That Council install speed cushions and construct median islands in Asquith Street, Silverwater with associated signs and linemarking on both its approaches to Melton Street North as shown in the plan attached to this report.
3. That Council install speed cushions with associated signs and linemarking on all approaches to the existing roundabout at the intersection of Beaconsfield Street and Stubbs Street as shown in the plan attached to this report.

Comments:

Pamela Kendrick requested PS-2 cyclists pavement markings be installed in Stubbs Street on the approaches to the roundabout at the intersection with Beaconsfield Street and on the approaches to Asquith Street.

Recommendation from Parramatta Traffic Committee:

1. That Council install speed cushions and construct median islands in Asquith Street, Silverwater with associated signs and linemarking on both its approaches to Stubbs Street as shown in the plan attached to this report.
2. That Council install speed cushions and construct median islands in Asquith Street, Silverwater with associated signs and linemarking on both its approaches to Melton Street North as shown in the plan attached to this report.
3. That Council install speed cushions with associated signs and linemarking on all approaches to the existing roundabout at the intersection of Beaconsfield Street and Stubbs Street as shown in the plan attached to this report.
4. That Council install PS-2 Cyclists Pavement Markings in Stubbs Street at the approaches to the intersections with Beaconsfield Street and with Asquith Street.

Unanimous support

BUSINESS ITEMS:

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 2:12pm.