

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

WEDNESDAY 20 JULY 2022

MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC ENGINEERING ADVISORY GROUP MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY 20 JULY 2022 AT 1.30PM. MEETING HELD IN PERSON AT COUNCIL'S ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 126 CHURCH STREET, PARRAMATTA OR OPTIONAL ATTENDANCE VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

The Traffic Engineering Advisory Group Chairperson Councillor Paul Noack declared the meeting open at 1:42pm.

PRESENT:	
NAME:	REPRESENTATIVE OF
Paul Noack	Councillor and Chairperson
Sarah Thompson	Representative for Geoff Lee MP
Henry Green	Councillor
Kellie Darley	Councillor
Sergeant Jack Makhoul	Parramatta PAC
Sergeant Leonie Abberfield	Ryde Police Area Command (PAC)
Nazli Tzannes	Transport for NSW (TfNSW)
Richard Searle	Traffic & Transport Manager, CoPC
Saniya Sharmeen	Traffic & Transport Team Leader, CoPC
Randil Pohorambage	Traffic & Transport Engineer, CoPC
Zulfiqar Ali	Traffic & Transport Engineer, CoPC
Nathan McLauchlan	Traffic & Transport Engineer, CoPC
Behzad Saleh	Senior Traffic & Transport Engineer, CoPC – Minute Secretary
Coen O'Shannessy	Student Project Officer, CoPC

APOLOGIES:	
NAME:	REPRESENTATIVE OF
Senior Constable Raymond Yeung	Auburn PAC
Sandy Leung	Traffic & Transport Investigations Engineer, CoPC

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 25 MAY 2022:

Councillor Noack noted that he had raised a request in the previous meeting regarding Item 2205 B1 – Hill Road, Wentworth Point – Update on the proposed improvements on Hill Road, which was missing from the minutes. The request was for a schedule of works for the Traffic Control Signals at the intersection of Hill Road and Bennelong Parkway be provided.

With the above point noted, the report of the Traffic Engineering Advisory Group meeting held on 25 May 2022 is to be taken as read and confirmed as a true record of the meeting.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Nil.

SECTION B ITEMS:

ITEM 2207 B1 - INTERSECTION OF CHURCH STREET, ALBERT STREET AND PENNANT HILLS ROAD, NORTH PARRAMATTA – PETITION TO REVIEW AND EXTEND THE 40KM/H SCHOOL ZONE AT PARRAMATTA NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Ward: Parramatta and Dundas

State Electorate: Parramatta

Recommendation to Traffic Engineering Advisory Group:

To note that Council wrote to the Minister for Metropolitan Roads requesting that Transport for NSW investigate the extension of the 40km/h school zone at Parramatta North Public School. On 11 July 2022, received a response advising that Transport for NSW will undertake a review of the existing speed limits and school zone length surrounding Parramatta North Public School.

Recommendation from Traffic Engineering Advisory Group:

To note that Council wrote to the Minister for Metropolitan Roads requesting that Transport for NSW investigate the extension of the 40km/h school zone at Parramatta North Public School. On 11 July 2022, received a response advising that Transport for NSW will undertake a review of the existing speed limits and school zone length surrounding Parramatta North Public School.

Unanimous support

ITEM 2207 B2 - HILL ROAD, WENTWORTH POINT – UPDATE ON THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS ON HILL ROAD, WENTWORTH POINT

Ward: Rosehill

State Electorate: Auburn

Recommendation to Traffic Engineering Advisory Group:

That Council note the updates regarding the proposed improvements on Hill Road, Wentworth Point.

Comments:

Councillor Noack requested that the following question be taken on notice: whether it was possible for the construction of the traffic signals at the intersection of Hill Road and Bennelong Parkway to commence by November 2022. If it was not possible to commence construction at that time, can an explanation be provided as to why that is.

Councillor Noack further stated that \$8.5 million from the Federal Government will be

available for the construction of the signals and other works in Hill Road. Mr Richard Searle of City of Parramatta Council advised that a confirmation in writing from the Federal Government is required before Council can act on that.

Recommendation from Traffic Engineering Advisory Group:

1. That Council note the updates regarding the proposed improvements on Hill Road, Wentworth Point.
2. That a schedule of works and information on commencement of construction for the traffic signals at the intersection of Hill Road and Bennelong Parkway, Wentworth Point be provided to Councillor Noack.

Unanimous support

ITEM 2207 B3 - PROJECTS RECENTLY COMPLETED, PROJECTS CURRENTLY FUNDED AND PROJECTS LIST FOR CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE FUNDING

Ward: All

State Electorate: All

Recommendation to Traffic Engineering Advisory Group:

1. That Council note that six traffic projects have been completed by Council since the last Traffic Engineering Advisory Group meeting held in May 2022.
2. That the information regarding progress on 2021/22 funded projects be received and noted.
3. That the Projects Lists for proposed traffic works be received and noted.

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3. That the Projects Lists for proposed traffic works be received and noted.

Unanimous support

BUSINESS ITEMS:

ITEM 2207 B4 – ON STREET PARKING IN THE PARRAMATTA CBD

Ward: Parramatta

State Electorate: Parramatta

Comments:

Councillor Green asked about a previous item he had raised regarding on-street parking in Macquarie Street, Parramatta outside the Jessie Centre where the possibility of additional on-street parking spaces was to be investigated. Ms Saniya Sharmeen of City of Parramatta Council advised that an item had been included for approval by the Parramatta Traffic Committee items considered under Delegated Authority at the end of June 2022 (ref. DI 310 06). This item seeks to install additional on-street parking on the north side of Macquarie

Street between O'Connell Street and Marsden Street and it is anticipated that the signs will be installed within 4 weeks subject to approval.

Councillor Green further enquired about the possibility of installing 1/2P across the CBD due to the misuse of the existing parking spaces by vehicles displaying the Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) Permits. Richard Searle noted that there was a report by Council's Regulatory Services which was considered by Council at its meeting on 14 June 2022 where Council resolved in part:

- b) That Council provide in principal support for the conversion of current signposted one hour timed parking to 30 minute timed parking in Parramatta CBD.
- c) That Council note the proposed changes to timed parking in the CBD will be reviewed by Council's Traffic Committee and come back to Council for approval.

For this item, community consultation will need to be undertaken prior to the matter being referred to the Parramatta Traffic Committee for approval as it represents significant changes to on-street parking.

Recommendation from the Traffic Engineering Advisory Group:

That Council receive and note the information regarding on-street parking within the Parramatta CBD.

Unanimous support

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 1:52pm.