



MINUTES

Traffic Advisory Local (TALC)

held at

Council Administration Centre
Committee Room
180 Mort Street, Lithgow

on

Thursday 6 October 2022

at 11:00 AM

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The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 11:04 am.

1. Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to begin this meeting by acknowledging the Traditional Owners of this land on which we meet today. I would also like to pay respect to Elders both past, present and emerging.

2. Present

Cr Stephen Lesslie (Chair)
Leading Senior Constable Jo Woodhouse - NSW Police
Wayde Hazelton - Transport for NSW

Officers:

Jonathon Edgecombe - Director Infrastructure Services (Council)
Leanne Kearney - Assets and Infrastructure Planning Manager (Council / Minutes)

3. Apologies

Sgt Col Sheil - NSW Police
Kaitlin Cibulka - Council

4. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the TALC committee meeting held on Thursday 11th August 2022, were presented to Council at the ordinary meeting held on Monday 22nd August where the recommendations were resolved and endorsed.

It should be noted that the following changes were received from Wayde Hazelton after the minutes were adopted.

- 1. Present – ‘Tom Ford’ should be Thomas Worley
- 6.4 Ian Holt Dr, Recommendation 1. – “...exiting Road 2 and provide right of way to motorists utilising Road 1...” Due to right of way not existing in the NSW road rules the reference to ‘right of way’ should be changed to “priority”
- Recommendation 3. – Administrative change from the term ‘giveaway’ to “Give Way”.

The minutes of the TALC Committee Meeting held on Thursday 11th August were presented to the Council on Monday 22nd August 2022.

ACTION

THAT the Minutes of the meeting of be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED: Cr S Lesslie

SECONDED: J Woodhouse

5. Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

6. Staff Reports

6.1. Bus Stop - Portland / Sunny Corner Road, Portland

The Committee discussed a number of proposals and determined that the access road to the Portland Cemetery seemed like the most appropriate location to install an informal bus stop with a bus shelter to cater for both school and community use. This would require the Portland Cemetery Access Road to operate as a one way road and require a right turn lane to be installed on Portland / Sunny Corner Road to safely cater for the vehicle movements.

The Committee suggested that Council Officers liaise with Lithgow Buslines and other private bus companies to determine if this proposal is feasible, and report back to the next meeting.

The Committee were also unable to determine an appropriate location for a bus shelter to be installed in Lime Street without the input from Lithgow Buslines and private bus companies (including the Scot School and Meadow Flat Public School who pick up and drop off students in Portland).

The Committee suggested that Council Officers liaise with Lithgow Buslines and other private bus companies to determine and appropriate location for a bus shelter to be installed in Lime Street, and report back to the next meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT

1. Council Officers liaise with Lithgow Buslines and other private school bus companies to determine if the use of Portland Cemetery Access Road is feasible as a bus stop with a shelter, and report back to the next meeting; and
2. Council Officers liaise with Lithgow Buslines and other private bus companies to determine and appropriate location for a bus shelter to be installed in Lime Street, and report back to the next meeting.

MOVED: Cr S Lesslie

SECONDED: J Woodhouse

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.2. Signage and Linemarking Request - Sandalwood Drive / Eucalypt Place, South Bowenfels

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council install a Give Way sign and linemarking defining priority in favour of vehicles on Eucalypt Place at the intersection of Sandalwood Drive and Eucalypt Place, South Bowenfels.

MOVED: Cr S Lesslie

SECONDED: J Woodhouse

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.3. Zoo2Zoo Road Event - Lithgow LGA

Mr Wayde Hazelton advised that the item had been recently discussed at the Blue Mountains Council TALC, where the organisers updated the participant numbers, advising the event now only hosting approximately 20 riders in total.

The Committee noted that some roads within the Lithgow LGA (as well as other LGA's) are not in optimum condition due to recent and ongoing weather events, and the organisers should be aware of these road conditions prior to utilising the proposed roads and take any precautions necessary to minimise incidents and risks to participants.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT

1. the Committee note the bicycle road event travelling through the Lithgow LGA on Friday, 14th October 2022 for the annual Zoo2Zoo event; and
2. the organisers be made aware of adverse and unexpected deteriorating road conditions prior to utilising the proposed roads, and take any precautions necessary to minimise incidents and risks to participants.

MOVED: Cr S Lesslie

SECONDED: J Woodhouse

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.4. West Street / First Street and West Street / Third Street, Lithgow Intersections - Linemarking and Signage Proposal

The Committee discussed a number of proposed improved solutions, and determined that the closure of the western section of West Street (still enabling driveway access) would assist in alleviating confusion.

The Committee further determined that painted linemarking at the eastern intersection of West Street and First Street to make the intersection closely resemble a T intersection would also prevent vehicles cutting the corner and increasing the potential for incidents.

In relation to proposed works at the intersection of Third Street and West Street, the Committee suggested that the impacted residents be consulted to determine the most appropriate solution and treatment options for the intersection.

The Committee requested that consultation of the proposed changes be undertaken with all residents of First Street, Second Street, Third Street, Fourth Street, East Street and West Street prior to finalisation of any proposed works.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council undertake consultation with all residents of First Street, Second Street, Third Street, Fourth Street, East Street and West Street in relation to the proposal to

1. Close the western section of West Street to vehicular traffic;
2. Formalising the eastern intersection of First Street and West Street with linemarking to resemble a T intersection; and
3. Liaise with impacted residents to determine the most appropriate solution and treatment options for the intersection of Thirst Street and West Street, Lithgow.

MOVED: Cr S Lesslie

SECONDED: J Woodhouse

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.5. Request for Disabled Parking Spaces - Lithgow and Portland

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council install signage, line marking and connecting footpath infrastructure for the installation of disabled parking spaces adjacent to St Paul's Anglican Churches in Lithgow (Roy Street) and Portland (Williwa Street).

MOVED: Cr S Lesslie

SECONDED: J Woodhouse

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.6. Great Western Highway, Lithgow - No Stopping Zone Request

It was noted the map in the agenda displayed No Parking symbols, which should have been shown as No Stopping Symbols.

The Committee discussed the possibility of installing No Stopping signage on the shoulder of the Great Western Highway adjacent to all other service lanes within the urban area between Main Street / Caroline Avenue and Rabaul Street / James O'Donnell Drive. The Committee determined that excessive signage was not warranted due to the cost of installation, cost of ongoing maintenance, and no reported issues in other locations.

The Committee determined that a No Stopping zone needs to be installed for the entire length of the road shoulder of the westbound lane of the Great Western Highway, Lithgow between Tweed Road and Caroline Avenue to ensure sight distance is maintained for vehicles existing the service lane.

Mr Wayne Hazelton advised that Transport for NSW may be able to assist with the cost of installing the No Stopping zone signage, and Council will make an application for assistance.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT

1. a "No Stopping" zone be established on the shoulder of the west bound lane of the Great Western Highway, Lithgow between Tweed Road and Caroline Avenue, for the entire length of the service lane.
2. Council make an application to TfNSW for financial assistance for the cost of installing the No Stopping signage at this location.

MOVED: Cr S Lesslie

SECONDED: W Hazelton

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.7. Alpine Classic Road Event - 19th November 2022

The Committee noted that some roads within the Lithgow LGA (as well as other LGA's) are not in optimum condition due to recent and ongoing weather events, and the organisers should be aware of these road conditions prior to utilising the proposed roads, and take any precautions necessary to minimise incidents and risks to participants.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT

1. Permission be granted to Classic Rally Car Inc to conduct the 2022 Alpine Classic road event on local roads in the Lithgow Local Government on 19th November 2022; and
2. The organisers be made aware of adverse and unexpected deteriorating road conditions prior to utilising the proposed roads, and take any precautions necessary to minimise incidents and risks to participants.

MOVED: Cr S Lesslie

SECONDED: J Woodhouse

CARRIED: Unanimously

7. General Business

Nil

8. Meeting Close

Next Meeting: Thursday 3rd November 2022 at 11:00am in the Committee Room

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 12:07pm.