



DRAFT MINUTES

Traffic Advisory Local (TALC)

held at

Council Administration Centre
Committee Room
180 Mort Street, Lithgow

on

Thursday 7 November 2019

at 11:00 am

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The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 10:57 am.

1. Present

Councillor D Goodwin

Colin Sheils -	Lithgow Police
Jackie Barry -	RMS
Michelle McGrath -	Lithgow Buslines
Damien Sims -	Asset Inspection Officer
Leanne Kearney -	Asset & Infrastructure Planning Manager
Eli Shirt -	Project Engineer
Jonathon Edgecombe	Director Infrastructure Services
Kaitlin Cibulka	Minutes

2. Apologies

Councillor Stephen Lesslie

3. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the TALC Committee Meeting held on the 3rd October 2019 were presented to the Council on Monday 28th October 2019.

ACTION

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

MOVED: C Sheils

SECONDED: J Barry

4. Declaration of Interest

Nil

5. Presentations

Nil

6. Staff Reports

6.1. Letter from Resident - Traffic Signage & Lighting - Hungry Jacks Development

The committee reviewed the residents letter of concern and maps of the 'no stopping' area in Stewart Street (Opposite Hungry Jacks) that runs the full length of the development. It was noted that there were 4 properties that are directly affected by the no stopping signage installed as part of the development consent conditions.

Members discussed various options to enable safe vehicle and traffic movements within this area such as reducing the size of the current no stopping zone from Caroline Avenue to the first driveway on Stewart Street.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council administration investigate the area in relation to reducing the no stopping zone on Stewart Street with a common sense approach and report back to TALC to endorse a recommendation to Council.

MOVED: C Sheils

SECONDED: M McGrath

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.2. Installation of Traffic Mirror - Sodwalls/ Jerrys Meadow Road

Residents and local RFS crew have contacted Clr D Goodwin in relation to vehicles (particular long vehicles) turning out from Jerry's Meadow Road & Sodwalls Road.

The committee review photos and street views of the area.

J Barry raised concerns that the traffic mirrors can distort view and are only recommended for low speed areas as they give false sense of security and believes that this is not an appropriate option for this area. Also as it is a traffic control device - RMS would need to approve signage that goes with the mirror installation.

The committee discussion an option of moving the road access with in the road reserve for better vision but noted that there is a power pole that could cause some issues if road access moved. Many short term options were discussed such as additional / advanced intersection warning signage and possible speed reduction along Sodwalls Road near the vicinity of the intersection. It was noted that a request for a speed zone reduction would need to be lodged with RMS with details from a traffic counter / crash data to assist with the review.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council

1. Investigate and install advance warning & finger board signage for the area of the intersection Sodwalls Rd & Jerry's Meadow Road).
2. Council lodge a request to RMS to review the speed zone along the Sodwalls Road.

MOVED: J Barry

SECONDED: C Sheils

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.3. Parking - Western Side of Barton Avenue , Wallerawang

The Committee members agreed that this item was resolved at a previous meeting of TALC and appropriate action was taken at the time. No further action or resolution of Council required.

6.4. Event - Tour de Cure Charity Ride - 8th to 10th March 2020

C Sheils advised that the Local Police have reviewed and submitted changes in relation to the application in particular riders in the event using Mount Victoria Pass and also noting a couple of turning mistakes in TCP in the Lithgow LGA.

The committee to review TCP/ TMP any changes to be forwarded administration within the next week.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve the Tour De Cure bike riding event on the Lithgow Council managed roads as per the attached Traffic Management Plan.

MOVED: J Barry

SECONDED: C Sheils

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.5. McKanes Bridge Refurbishment - Community Consultation Results

J Edgcombe provided a brief overview of the report on McKanes Falls Bridge. With the installation of the new bridge the weight restriction will come up 42.5 tonne GVM(imposed by Transport NSW). Administration are suggesting to also impose a length restriction on the road of 12.5 metres (School Buses fit under this and would be still allowed to access and service the area) to limit much large vehicle using this narrow and winding road. It was noted that Traffic Counters could determine the traffic profile of this stretch of road.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council Install vehicle length limiting signage, restricting access to general access vehicles 12.5m and under, once the refurbishment of the McKanes Bridge on McKanes Falls Road is complete

MOVED: J Barry

SECONDED: M McGrath

CARRIED: Unanimously

7. General Business

Lithgow Skate Park

Clr D Goodwin raised a concern in relation to Pedestrian Safety at the Skate Park in Lithgow, where high volume of pedestrian activity mainly children crossing the road from the parking area to the park itself with no warning signage or pedestrian safety measures.

Possible installation of pedestrian refuge/ crossing. Committee noted the area speed limit of 50km/h and is on straight road. It was noted that sight distance is also good. Installation of Traffic Calming measures such as ripple strips and chicaning and warning signage would be appropriate in the area. Footpath signage for pedestrians to be aware of traffic. Council administration to investigate appropriate options for the area and report back to next meeting. It was also requested that Wallerawang Skate Park area investigated during this process.

Wolgan & Williwa Street

C Sheils requested that Council investigate installing extra signage (ie stop & give-way) and repaint thermo stop lines marking at Wolgan & Williwa Street intersection at Portland It was also noted that no signage at the Cullen Street intersection and line markings require to be renewed.

Barracks Place

Clr D Goodwin raised residents' concerns in and along Barracks Place Lithgow with relation to the Residential parking only signage. L Kearney advised that this signage was to deter employees of a nearby business parking in this area all day and blocking access to residents and their visitors. It was noted that a letter will be sent to residents of barracks place to reiterate the rules of resident only parking to clarify the matter.

Main Street Parking

The Director of Infrastructure Services addressed the concerns raised about disabled parking access along Main Street Lithgow to be reviewed under a strategic plan under future stages of the Main Street Revitalisation.

Martini Parade - Bus Shelter/ Stop

It was raised that the signage at the Bus Stop on Martini Parade is too close to the traffic lights/ intersection for bus to stop. It was suggested that the bus stop sign move up the street on the other side of the no stopping signage currently there. Long term the current shelter could be demolished and refurbished further up the street. It was also noted that Council could investigate installing a footpath along the same side (from Thales to traffic lights).

Speed Limit Reduction Request

Council is in receipt of a request from a local resident to reduce the Speed Limit along Pipers Flat road to 80km p/h. Council to review and lodge a request with RMS to review speed limit in the area. It was also raised of reducing the speed limit near the Portland Tip. J Barry recommended to lodge Traffic Counter data with request to RMS .

8. Meeting Close

Next Meeting: Thursday 5th March 2020 at 11:00am in the Committee Room

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 11:50 am.