



MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GRIFFITH ON 8 JULY 2014 COMMENCING AT 10.34 AM

PRESENT

Councillor Doug Curran (Chair), Sergeant Tim Lockwood (Police), Michael Buckley (RMS), John Bonetti (representing Adrian Piccoli)

STAFF PRESENT

Engineering Design and Approvals Manager, Graham Gordon; Traffic Engineer, William Wood; Road Safety Officer, Greg Balind; Minute Secretary, Jenny O'Donnell-Priest

CL01 APOLOGIES

No apologies were received.

CL02 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of John Bonetti and RMS representative that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 June 2014, having first been circulated amongst members, be confirmed.

CL03 BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 St Patrick's School Bus Zone

The Committee discussed progression of this item. Mr Gordon advised that the trial ended 27 June 2014 and is being assessed.

3.2 Intersection of Mirrool Branch Canal Road and Kidman Way

Mr Balind advised that he had been in contact with Mrs Nugan and that Council authorised tree planting with provision for trees to be trimmed. Designs have been submitted to RMS for the intersection.

3.3 Traffic Management Plan Relating to 1 Banna Ave, Griffith (Doms Motors)

Further to previous recommendation by the Traffic Committee that investigations be conducted into the parking of heavy vehicles servicing the said business, enquiries have been made but no further information has been received to date.

3.4 Request for Signage

Council staff have advised an applicant for directional signage off Kidman Way that their proposal would not be recommended as it is not compliant with Tourism Attraction Signposting Assessment Committee standards.

3.5 Sacred Heart Parish Request

Mr Balind informed the Committee that the Parish had been informed of Council's response. Councillor Curran advised that a question relating to this had been put to a recent Ordinary Meeting of Council and the matter had been addressed.

3.6 Pick up and Drop off at Schools

Mr Balind reported that there are new RMS guidelines for Safety Around Schools and this has been sent to local schools.

3.7 East Griffith Parking

Mr Balind advised he had liaised with RMS representative. The ramp has been redesigned and costing sought. The redesign proposal has been forwarded to RMS. Councillor Curran advised that a survey of business owners is being conducted at the moment.

CL04 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

NON PECUNIARY INTEREST

Cr Curran - CL08 - Traffic Management Plans - 2014 Citrus Sculpture Display
Reason: Councillor Curran is a member of the Festival of Gardens Committee
Make a declaration, stay in the meeting and participate in the debate and vote.

Greg Balind - CL06 - Installation of No Stopping Zones - Yoolooma Street and Macarthur Street Intersection
Reason: Mr Balind lives in the vicinity.
Make a declaration, stay in the meeting and participate in discussion.

CL05 ACTION REPORT

The Traffic Committee Action Report was reviewed and updated.

CL06 INSTALLATION OF NO STOPPING ZONES - YOOLOOMA STREET AND MACARTHUR STREET INTERSECTION

Mr Balind advised that several complaints have been received in relation to the illegal parking of vehicles in the restriction zone. The recommended course of action would be to erect No Stopping signage and refer to Compliance Department to enforce compliance/action.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of RMS representative and police representative that:

(a) No Stopping zone/signs (8am - 9:30am and 2:30pm - 4:00pm school days only) be installed on Macarthur Street (southern side) at a location 15 metres to the east and 15 metres to the west of Yoolooma Street.

(b) No Stopping zone/signs (8am - 9:30am and 2:30pm - 4:00pm school days only) be installed on the eastern and western side of Yoolooma Street at a location 10 metres to the south of Macarthur Street as per the attached plan.

CL07 INSTALLATION OF NO STOPPING ZONES IN LINE WITH THE PEDESTRIAN ACCESS MOBILITY PLAN - COLLINA

The Traffic Committee discussed shared pedestrian/cycleways and the requirement to install parking restrictions adjacent to kerb ramps. Councillor Curran requested that local residents be advised that the proposed centre median is to be installed. Mr Gordon stated that tenants and landlords will be advised via a letter.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of RMS representative and police representative that:

(a) the installation of a 28 metre No Stopping zone on the northern and southern side of Sanders Street to the west of Clifton Boulevard (as per design 1 attached)

(b) the installation of a 37 metre No Stopping zone on the northern side of Clifton Boulevard adjacent to the intersection of Hillam Drive (as per design 2 attached)

(c) the installation of 45 metre No Stopping zone on the corner of Clifton Boulevard and Doolan Crescent (north - as per attached design 3 attached).

CL08 TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT PLANS - 2014 CITRUS SCULPTURE DISPLAY - BANNA AVENUE

The Committee discussed the Transport Management Plan (TMP) submitted for the 2014 Citrus Sculpture display. Mr Balind stated that the only change to TMP as per recommendation (a) was that a temporary speed reduction zone be established for the period. RMS representative raised concern regarding possible pedestrian conflict due to the locality and increasing size of the display. RMS representative requested fencing to be installed for the duration of the display but the Committee believed this would take away from the aesthetic appeal of the display. The Committee discussed that consideration be given to another locality as the pedestrian conflict risk is increasing with growth of the event.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of John Bonetti and RMS representative that:

(a) the Traffic Committee note the submitted Traffic Management Plan for the Festival of Gardens event

(b) Councillor Curran consult with the Festival of Gardens Committee on the issues raised in regards to improving safety for the event.

CL08 GENERAL BUSINESS

8.1 Speed Zone Reviews

The RMS representative reported that the following speed zones were being reviewed:

- Walla Avenue (request for 60km/hr)
- McCarthy Road (request for 60km/hr - to be clarified)

- Sidlow Road (passed Stafford Road) 80km/hr down to 50km/hr.
- Wakaden Street extending out to Calabria Road (RMS to come back with recommendations)
- Calabria Road reduction request.

8.2 Holt Road, Overs Road, Watkins Ave, Oakes Road

Mr Balind advised that Councillor Zappacosta has forwarded a request for speed zone reviews of Holt Road, Oakes Road, Overs Road and Watkins Ave. Mr Balind advised that he would send a submission to RMS to review these roads with intent to uniform speed zone.

8.3 Inland Tourism Awards

Mr Balind advised that a request has been received from the Visitor's Centre to block off a part of Banna Lane on 26 July 2014. The Inland Tourism Awards Dinner will be held on that evening and the organising committee would like to utilise the area for the safe movement of guests from the Crystal Arcade to the Ex-servicemen's Club Ballroom.

8.4 Banna Ave - Private Vehicle Sales

Sgt Lockwood advised that drivers were being booked for double parking along the Banna Ave locality where private vehicles were parked for sale. The parking issue was noted as an ongoing item that is still being investigated.

CL09 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Traffic Committee is to be held on 12 August 2014 at 10.30 am in the Murray Room, Griffith City Council.

There being no further business the meeting closed the time being 11.49 am.