

# TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE MURRAY ROOM, GRIFFITH ON 14 APRIL 2015 COMMENCING AT 10.30 AM

### **PRESENT**

Councillor Simon Croce (Chair), Constable Ben Rice (Police), Michael Buckley (RMS)

### **STAFF**

Engineering Design & Approvals Manager, Joe Rizzo; Traffic Engineer, Mathew Vitucci; Road Safety Officer, Greg Balind; Minute Secretary,

### **1 APOLOGIES**

RECOMMENDED on the motion of RMS and Constable Rice that apologies be received from Councillor Doug Curran.

Absent: John Bonetti

# **2** CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 February 2015, having first been circulated amongst members, be confirmed.

#### 3 BUSINESS ARISING

#### 3.1 Doms Motors Traffic Management Plan

Mr Rizzo provided a brief update on the current loading arrangements at Dom's Motors and advised that the loading/unloading of vehicles had now become a compliance matter as the proposed onsite loading areas were being utilised for the display of vehicles. Mr Balind advised that he had witnessed loading/unloading occurring on Lenehan Road and that he would advise Council's Planning & Environmental Compliance Officer.

### 3.2 TASAC Signage Removal

RMS enquired into the status of the TASAC Signage required to be removed. Mr Balind advised that Council required payment from the RMS or Destination NSW for costs associated with removing the signage prior to proceeding with the work. Cr Croce advised that Council did not agree with the removal of the signage and were reluctant to perform the work. Council are to provide the RMS with a costing of the proposed works.

#### 3.3 Pedestrian Incident – McDonalds

Mr Balind advised that he and Mr Vitucci had met with the owner of McDonald's, Mr Darren Savage, regarding the sight distance at the exit from the restaurant. Mr Savage advised that he would not support a stop sign or speed humps but was happy for warning signage to be erected provided Council cover the cost.

#### 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

# 5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

#### CL05 DA 365/2009 - PROPOSED NO STOPPING ZONE ON MURRAY ROAD

Mr Vitucci explained that the no stopping zone proposed in the clause was a requirement of the development consent for the TreeTops olive processing operation at the old Golden Circle/Elders site on Murray Road. The restriction is required to ensure heavy vehicles accessing the site do not stack along Murray Road.

As part of their initial application the applicant requested Council consider installing a No Stopping restriction along the opposite side of the road however this was not deemed necessary. The situation will be monitored and if a problem arises then the area will be revisited.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Constable Rice and RMS the installation of a No Stopping zone along the eastern side of Murray Road for the full frontage of Farm 666 Murray Road (TreeTops Plantation).

## **CL06 OVERMASS & OVERSIZE HEAVY VEHICLE STRATEGY**

Mr Vitucci gave brief overview of the Strategy and its purpose. The strategy was originally requested by Mr Bonetti and Cr Curran.

The Committee note the strategy.

# **6 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT**

The Traffic Committee Action Report was reviewed and updated.

### **7 GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### 7.1 Leo Franco Motors – Traffic Management Plan

Mr Rizzo informed the Committee that due to the recent review of the loading and unloading arrangements around Dom's Motors Council was reviewing the arrangements around all car dealerships. Council have already commenced the process with Leo Franco Motors and are assisting with the development of a traffic management plan. The TMP for Leo Franco Motors will be presented to the Committee for comment prior to approval.

## 7.2 Griffin Avenue Parking Arrangements

Mr Balind informed the Committee that Council staff are investigating the parking arrangements along Griffin Avenue between Benerembah Street and Benerembah Lane, this will include the access arrangements along the southern service lane/cul-de-sac. A report will be presented to the next meeting regarding the outcomes of Council's investigation.

# 7.3 Griffith City Council Road Closures

RMS informed the Committee that the RMS had received requests for the approval of two road closures submitted by Griffith City Council, these were partial closures along Watkins Avenue. Council staff clarified the reason behind the road closures.

# 7.4 Banna Avenue HML B-Double Access Approval

Mr Vespucci informed the Committee that HML B-Double access had recently been approved along Banna Avenue between Jondaryan Avenue and Benerembah Street without consultation with either Council or the Regional RMS. Council have written to the RMS looking to have the approval rescinded and an explanation of how this occurred.

# 7.5 Willandra Avenue Bridge – Technical Assessment

Mr Vitucci informed the Committee that Freight Link was looking to have the Willandra Avenue bridge at Kookora Street assessed regarding its suitability for Higher Mass Limit (HML) approved vehicles.

# 7.6 Speed Zone Confirmation

Constable Rice requested clarification on the speed zones of Jones Road, Lakes Road and Slopes Road. Council staff to investigate and ensure appropriate signage is in place.

## **8 NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Traffic Committee is to be held on 12 May 2015 at 10.30 am.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 11:00am.

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