

## **AGENDA**

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### **Assets and Infrastructure Committee**

**Monday, 08 April 2024**

**7:00 PM**

**Waratah Room**

**Georges River Civic Centre**

**Hurstville**



## **OATH OF OFFICE OR AFFIRMATION OF OFFICE**

All Georges River Councillors are reminded of their Oath of Office or Affirmation of Office made at the time of their swearing into the role of Councillor.

All Councillors are to undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of the people of the Georges River Council area and are to act faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in them under the *Local Government Act 1993* or any other Act to the best of their ability and judgement.

## **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

All Georges River Councillors are reminded of their obligation to declare any conflict of interest (perceived or otherwise) in a matter being considered by Council or at any meeting of Council.

## **ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING**

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

#### **OPENING**

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Council acknowledges the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation, who are the Traditional Custodians of all lands, waters and sky in the Georges River area. I pay my respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live, work and meet on these lands.

#### **APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

#### **REQUEST TO JOIN VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK**

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## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**Item:** **ASS007-24 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 11 March 2024**

**Author:** Executive Services Officer

**Directorate:** Office of the General Manager

**Matter Type:** Previous Minutes

ASS007-24

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 11 March 2024, be confirmed.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

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UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

## MINUTES

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### Assets and Infrastructure Committee

Monday, 11 March 2024

7:00 PM

Waratah Room

Georges River Civic Centre

Hurstville

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES



GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL

## **PRESENT**

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Councillor Lou Konjarski (Chairperson), The Mayor, Councillor Sam Elmir, Councillor Nancy Liu, Councillor Natalie Mort, Councillor Nick Smerdely, Councillor Sam Stratikopoulos and Councillor Colleen Symington.

### **COUNCIL STAFF**

Manager City Operational Services – Hans Kludass, Manager Premium Facilities – Luke Coleman, Acting Manager Strategic Placemaking – Henry Huynh, EA to the Director, Assets and infrastructure – Rachelle McGrath (minutes) Acting Executive Services Officer – Nickie Paraskevopoulos and Team Leader Technical Business Support - Earl Santos.

## **OPENING**

The Chairperson, Councillor Konjarski, opened the meeting at 7.00pm.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Chairperson, Councillor Konjarski acknowledged the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation, who are the Traditional Custodians of all lands, waters and sky in the Georges River area. I pay my respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live, work and meet on these lands.

## **REQUEST TO ATTEND VIA AUDIO VISUAL LINK**

There were no requests to attend via Audio Visual Link.

## **APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**MOTION:** Councillor Symington, Councillor Smerdely

That an apology be accepted for Councillor Ficarra.

## **Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Chairperson Konjarski, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

## **NOTICE OF WEBCASTING**

The Chairperson, Councillor Konjarski advised staff and the public that the meeting is being recorded for minute-taking purposes and is also webcast live on Council's website, in accordance with section 5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice. This recording will be made available on Council's Website.

## **CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE**

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## **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest made.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

There were no registered speakers.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**ASS003-24 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 12 February 2024**  
(Report by Executive Assistant to Director Business and Corporate Services)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Symington

That the Minutes of the Assets and Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on 12 February 2024, be confirmed.

### **Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Chairperson Konjarski, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ASS004-24 Landowner's Consent - Hurstville Golf Course Clubhouse Development Application Modification**  
(Report by Director, Assets and Infrastructure)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Mort, Mayor, Councillor Elmir

1. That Council authorise the General Manager to sign a letter of landowner's consent to enable a modification to the existing Development Consent relating to DA2020/0115 to expand the use of the Hurstville Golf Course Clubhouse to include a range of community events and functions.
2. That the options for Operating Models relating to the use of the Hurstville Golf Course Clubhouse first-floor club room space be presented in a further report to Council for consideration and approval.
3. That the future operating model includes managing the Hurstville Golf Course Clubhouse as a community space that is available to all members of the community to book via Council's website on the 'Hire a Venue' page, under similar Terms and Conditions as Council's other community centre venues.

### **Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Chairperson Konjarski, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**ASS005-24 Report of the Floodplain Risk Management Committee Meeting Held 20 February 2024**  
(Report by Manager Strategic Placemaking)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Symington, Mayor, Councillor Elmir

That the recommendations contained within the Minutes of the Floodplain Risk Management

Committee Meeting held on 20 February 2024 be adopted by Council.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Chairperson Konjarski, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**ASS006-24 Report of the Georges River Local Traffic Committee Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2024**  
(Report by Coordinator Traffic and Transport)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Smerdely

That the recommendations contained within the minutes of the Georges River Local Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2024 be adopted by Council.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Mayor, Councillor Elmir, Chairperson Konjarski, Councillor Ficarra, Councillor Liu, Councillor Mort, Councillor Smerdely, Councillor Stratikopoulos, Councillor Symington

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**CONCLUSION**

The Meeting was closed at 7.06pm

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Chairperson



**COMMITTEE REPORTS****Item:** ASS008-24 Olds Park Field Three Perimeter Fence**Author:** Acting Manager Strategic Placemaking**Directorate:** Assets and Infrastructure**Matter Type:** Committee Reports

&lt;Summary Section&gt;

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- (a) That Council receive and note the request for a perimeter fence around Olds Park Field Three.
- (b) That Council declines the request for the installation of a perimeter fence around Olds Park Field Three for the reasons outlined in this report.
- (c) That Council officers investigate and identify an engineering solution for the drain, if required, that is currently located around Olds Park Field Three to reduce any safety risk.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1. The purpose of this report is to advise Council of requests made to install a perimeter fence around Olds Park Field Three. The requests were identified as part of the community consultation process for the Olds Park Master Plan.
2. Reasons provided by Penshurst West Football Club and Football St George to support the installation of a perimeter fence include to increase safety for players, spectators and the community whilst mitigating risks regarding injuries, to accommodate the expanding participation and diverse demographics, to provide a secure viewing area, and to manage the spectators.
3. Council officers have identified several issues associated with the installation of a perimeter fence including a significant reduction in the size of the playing field, increased maintenance requirements, an adverse effect on the activities of other users of the field, and the creation of a new hazard for players.
4. The installation of a perimeter fence would result in an increase in the annual operating and maintenance costs associated with mowing activities and ongoing replacement at this field. Additional financial and resourcing implications are also associated with the perimeter fence that are outlined in this report.

**BACKGROUND**

5. Olds Park is located at 624 Forest Road, Penshurst and is a significant sporting and recreational open space. The park offers a wide range of functions and uses including a combination of organised sporting facilities, recreational assets, and community facilities.
6. The current users of Olds Park Field Three are Penshurst West Football Club (PWFC), St Georges Little Athletics Club, and a number of local schools.
7. Council currently maintains 62 sports fields across the Georges River Council LGA on a weekly basis, with a team of sports turf specialists and horticulturalists.
8. As part of the amendment to the Olds Park Master Plan, community consultation was undertaken to garner information and needs from the community users of the park. Key

stakeholders participated in a consultation session on 8 August 2023 with further written submissions during the public exhibition period of 25 October to 24 November 2023.

9. During the community consultation process, Council received correspondence on 22 November 2023 from PWFC, with support from Football St George (FSG) and Football NSW, indicating their request for a perimeter fence at Olds Park Field Three, which is the clubs home ground.
10. The General Manager responded to the stakeholder submission in writing on 19 December 2023 outlining some of the identified issues associated with the installation of a perimeter fence around Olds Park Field Three.
11. The installation of a fence is not identified in the current Master Plan for Olds Park due to the interaction of the various users, however it is also not prohibited for inclusion.
12. Council acknowledges the value of community engagement and consultation in delivering community assets.

### **Current strategies that determine future works for open space**

13. The Georges River Open Space, Recreation and Community Facilities Strategy ensures that the Georges River community has adequate access to the facilities and open spaces. This strategy, in relation to open space and recreational facilities, examines the current and future demand across the LGA, key gaps and needs, and opportunities to better meet community needs.
14. The Draft Georges River Community Infrastructure Needs Assessment and Acquisition Areas Strategy (CINAAAS) provides high-level direction for the provision of community centres, libraries, open space, sport and recreation facilities, athletics, and aquatic facilities across the LGA. The CINAAAS weighs up both population pressures and distribution patterns to understand areas of greatest need more holistically. The draft CINAAAS is being considered at the 8 April 2024, Community and Culture Committee meeting for adoption.
15. The fence requested for Olds Park Field Three, or its proposed benefits, have not been identified in either of the strategies.

### **Identified reasons to install the perimeter fence**

16. Council has reviewed the correspondence received from PWFC, FSG and Football NSW and collated the reasons identified to support the installation of a fence. Namely to:
  - (a) Provide a safe and suitable facility for all participants, both male and female;
  - (b) Accommodate the expanding participation and diverse demographics;
  - (c) Meet the current and future demands of PWFC and the local football community;
  - (d) Increase safety for players, spectators and the community whilst mitigating risks regarding injuries and the perception by Council regarding inappropriate unsporting like conduct;
  - (e) Create a clear boundary between the playing area and spectator zones, preventing any accidental intrusion onto the field during matches;
  - (f) Provide a secure viewing area and manage the spectators, reducing the risk of overcrowding near the field and minimising the potential for accidents; and
  - (g) Provide an added layer of security for Referees and officials, reducing the possibility of conflicts and ensuring a safe environment.
17. An onsite meeting was undertaken on 8 February 2024 with Director of Assets and Infrastructure and Director of Community and Culture, PWFC and FSD to ascertain the safety element of the request. At this meeting PWFC and FSG articulated their particular

concerns regarding the concrete drainage channel around the southwestern, southeastern, and northwestern sides of the field. Their concerns related to the proximity of the drainage channel to the edge of the field and the potential for this hazard to cause injury to players.

18. Director of Assets and Infrastructure organised further advice from Councils' insurer, Statewide Mutual Pty Ltd, to identify if installing a perimeter fence would mitigate the risk identified by PWFC and FSG.
19. All other reasons noted for the perimeter fence also have consequent issues identified, which are outlined below. There is no overwhelming benefit or evidence to support the other reasons for the installation of a perimeter fence.

### **Identified issues with installing a perimeter fence**

20. Nine of Councils sports fields currently have perimeter fencing; this includes six synthetic fields and three turf wicket ovals. Installing a fence around one of Council's turf fields creates a precedence for all other fields across the LGA. It is not operationally or financially viable for Council to provide fencing at all of its' sports fields. Installing a perimeter fence at Olds Park Field Three could cause perceived inequity for other sporting groups.
21. The existing football field is approximately 97m long and 58m wide. The Football NSW Stadium Technical Requirements – 2023 provides guidelines that all fields used in Football NSW competitions should conform to.
22. For '11 a side' football:
  - i. FIFA recommendations for field dimensions in professional football are 105m in length and 68m in width. Clubs are encouraged where possible to mark their fields in accordance with this standard.
  - ii. The minimum dimensions required for '11 a side' football is 100m in length and 64m in width.
  - iii. There must be buffer zones between the Field of Play line marking and any advertising boards or perimeter fence. The minimum distance for a buffer zone from the touch line or goal line is 3 metres.
23. The existing football field is smaller than required field size in accordance with the Football NSW guidelines. The installation of a perimeter fence could further reduce the size of the field given the site constraints, including the existing concrete drainage channel and sloping grounds, and the requirement for buffer zones. The allowable field size marked in accordance with Football NSW Stadium Technical Requirements will be approximately 55m wide by 94m long.
24. Due to the current identified deficit of open space in the Georges River LGA, it is important that Council makes decisions that supports both active and passive recreation within its parks and sporting fields, developing multiple use recreation hubs. Installing a perimeter fence for PWFC could hinder the activities of other uses at the field including St Georges Little Athletics Club, schools and passive recreators.
25. Increased weekly maintenance would be required by Council ground staff. Currently, a ride-on mower is used to maintain the grass on a weekly basis. A ride-on mower cannot be used to properly maintain grass adjacent to the perimeter fence. Instead, the use of a hand-held line trimmer would be required to maintain the grass on either side of the fence along its entire perimeter, resulting in additional staff-hours required for maintenance. It is estimated that this would add 3 hours to the scheduled maintenance for 2 grounds staff.

26. The installation of a perimeter fence would create an enclosed area that may be attractive to dog owners as an off-leash park that would potentially impact ongoing waste removal and misuse would be difficult to enforce.
27. The installation of a perimeter fence at Olds Park Field Three is currently not included in Georges River Councils 2024/25 Capital Works Program. If this project was to proceed, resourcing constraints would require a project of similar scale and complexity to be removed from the Capital Works Program.
28. Concerns were raised by PWFC and FSG regarding the safety issues associated with the concrete drainage channel around the field and the and the potential for hazard to cause injury to players. The installation of a perimeter fence would create a new hazard for players.

### **Further information for consideration**

29. Further advice was sought from Councils' insurer, Statewide Mutual Pty Ltd, to identify if installing a perimeter fence would mitigate the risk identified by PWFC and FSG. Statewide Mutual Pty Ltd provided additional information for Council to consider, including, but not limited to:
  - The installation of a fence would replace the existing 'known and obvious' hazard, the concrete drainage channel, with a new hazard.
  - The proposed perimeter fence installation along with the requirements for buffer zones would likely result in a significant reduction of the field playing size.
  - There is a lack of injury statistics regarding incidents with players and the concrete drainage channel.
  - The installation of a perimeter fence could impact other users of the field both during and post construction.
  - Council would need to consider ensuring the buffer zone requirements of Football NSW Stadium Technical Requirements were adhered to in order to mitigate potential further public and player safety risk.
30. Council notes that one of the submitted benefits of the installation of a fence would reduce antisocial behaviour. Georges River Council currently encourages clubs and sporting groups to utilise the NSW Government and NSW Office of Sport's Shoosh for Kids campaign resources which supports social cohesion and positive spectator behaviour. The campaign has five key themes of:
  - Overarching – Think before you speak.
  - General Participation – Keep it positive. Keep it fun.
  - Volunteer appreciation – Remember, volunteers run kids sport.
  - Respecting the officials – Respect the referee.
  - Supporting the coaches – Let coaches do the coaching.
31. Council also encourages all sporting groups to utilise the Georges River Council Social Justice Charter which aims to create a stronger sense of community and improve liveability of the Georges River LGA. It aims to drive social change and improve the lives of our community by building a culture of access and participation, respect, empowerment, and equity.
32. Council notes that concerns raised by PWFC and FSG regarding the safety issues associated with the concrete drainage channel around the field. Council officers will therefore investigate and identify an appropriate engineering solution to ensure the safety of players whilst considering the limitations of field size.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

33. Penshurst West FC have proposed that all costs associated with the installation of a perimeter fence would be borne by the Club via grants and raised sponsorship funds. As mentioned above, the staffing resources required to manage the project must also be considered and would require the removal of a project of similar scale and complexity from the Capital Works Program.
34. Councils Draft Asset Management Plan for Open Space has identified that there is a currently shortfall in funding, both for renewals and operational maintenance, required to maintain our current levels of service for open space assets. The installation of a perimeter fence would result in an additional open space asset that would further contribute to this shortfall in funding.
35. The installation of a perimeter fence would add approximately \$5,000 per annum to Council's operating costs due to depreciation, assuming a 20-year useful life.
36. An additional annual operating cost of approximately \$16,000 for the increased maintenance would be required by Premium Facilities. This includes the additional staff-hours required to use a hand-held line trimmer around the fence, and the additional costs for maintenance of the fence itself.
37. Total additional operational budget of \$21,000 per annum would be required for Olds Park from 2024/25 onwards.

## RISK IMPLICATIONS

38. There are possible reputational risks to Council if a perimeter fence at Olds Park Field Three is installed. These include:
  - i. The precedent of installing a perimeter fence at a turf sports field, which if requested at all other turf sports fields, would be operationally and financially unsustainable.
  - ii. Community members perception that the once passive recreational space is now not public open space but sectioned off for sports use only.
  - iii. Sporting groups and other user groups perception that the field is no longer multi-use, but for football use only.
39. Council needs to ensure that all community facilities are safe and as such, needs to ensure an appropriate risk assessment is undertaken for the existing concrete drainage channel and a subsequent engineering solution is implemented, if required.

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

40. As part of the amendment to the Olds Park Master Plan, community consultation was undertaken to garner information and needs from the community users of the park. Through that consultation, the initial request for a perimeter fence around Olds Park Field Three was identified.
41. No further community consultation is required.

## FILE REFERENCE

D24/80418

## ATTACHMENTS

Nil

ASS008-24

**Item:** **ASS009-24 Report of the Georges River Local Traffic Committee Advisory Committee Meeting held on 2 April 2024**

**Author:** Coordinator Traffic and Transport

**Directorate:** Assets and Infrastructure

**Matter Type:** Committee Reports

<Summary Section>

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the recommendations contained within the minutes of the Georges River Local Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 2 April 2024 be adopted by Council.

ASS009-24

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1. The recommendations contained within the Minutes of the Georges River Local Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 2 April 2024 are submitted to the Assets and Infrastructure Committee for consideration and to Council for adoption.

**BACKGROUND**

2. The Georges River Local Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting of 2 April 2024 was held in person.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3. Within budget allocation.
  - a) TfNSW Traffic Facilities Grant      \$420,000.00
  - Balance to date
  - b) TfNSW Traffic Facilities Grant      \$96,300.00

**FILE REFERENCE**

D24/85816

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment [↓](#)1 Unconfirmed Minutes Georges River Local Traffic Committee - 02 April 2024



## MINUTES

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### Georges River Local Traffic Advisory Committee

Tuesday, 02 April 2024

10:00 AM

Dragon Room  
Council Chambers  
16 MacMahon St  
Hurstville





**PRESENT**

Clr N Smerdely (Chairperson)  
Mr M Coure (MP State Member for Oatley)  
Mr L Crompton (Representing Mr C Minns, MP State Member for Kogarah)  
Mr S Kshitij (Transport for NSW)  
Mr R Primerano (U-GO Mobility Bus Company)  
Mr G Wong (St George Cabs)

**GEORGES RIVER COUNCIL STAFF**

Mr James Magee (Acting Manager Strategic Placemaking)  
Mr H Huynh (Coordinator Traffic and Transport)  
Mr M Mahmud (Senior Traffic and Transport Engineer)  
Mr F Rios (Traffic Engineer)  
Ms M Saini (Graduate Engineer – Traffic and Transport)  
Mr H Bongers (Coordinator Parking and Rangers)  
Ms M Severino (Executive Services Officer)  
Ms Ni Paraskevopoulos (Acting Executive Services Officer)  
Ms S Liu (Personal Assistant Manager Strategic Placemaking – Minutes)  
Mr M Tadros (IMT Services – Technical)

**ABSENT**

Mr A Pritchard (Transit Systems)  
Mr G Perivolarellis (Representing Mr S Kamper, MP State Member for Rockdale)  
Senior Constable M Chaplin (St George Local Area Command)  
Sergeant A Neale (St George Local Area Command)

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**VOTING MEMBERS**

Clr N Smerdely (Chairperson)  
Mr M Coure (MP State Member for Oatley)  
Mr L Crompton (Representing Mr C Minns, MP State Member for Kogarah)  
Mr G Perivolarellis (Representing Mr S Kamper, MP State Member for Rockdale)  
Mr S Kshitij (Transport for NSW)  
Senior Constable M Chaplin (St George Local Area Command)

**NON-VOTING MEMBERS**

Mr A Pritchard (Transit Systems)  
Mr R Primerano (U-GO Mobility Bus Company)  
Mr G Wong (St George Cabs)

## **OPENING**

The Chair, Councillor Smerdely, opened the meeting at 10:03am.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Chair, Councillor Smerdely acknowledged the Bidjigal people of the Eora Nation, who are the Traditional Custodians of all lands, waters and sky in the Georges River area. I pay my respect to Elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live, work and meet on these lands.

## **APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Mr G Perivolarellis (Representing Mr S Kamper, MP State Member for Rockdale)

Senior Constable M Chaplin (St George Local Area Command)

Sergeant A Neale (St George Local Area Command)

**Motion:** Member Coure, Member Crompton

### **Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

## **NOTICE OF WEBCASTING**

The Chair, Councillor Smerdely advised staff and the public that the meeting is being recorded for minute-taking purposes and is also webcast live on Council's website, in accordance with section 5 of Council's Code of Meeting Practice. This recording will be made available on Council's Website.

## **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest made.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**TAC023-24 Confirmation of the Minutes of the Georges River Local Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2024**  
(Report by Executive Services Officer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Coure, Member Crompton

That the Minutes of the Georges River Local Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5 March 2024, be confirmed.

### **Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

The Chair, Councillor Smerdely, asked the Coordinator Traffic and Transport if any representations had been received from the public that the items should not be discussed in closed session.

The Coordinator Traffic and Transport replied that no representations had been received and there were no members in the public gallery.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Coure, Member Crompton

That the meeting move to a Closed Session.

Time: 10:06am

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely  
On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION TO ALLOW FOR SPEAKER (UNREGISTERED)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Coure, Member Crompton

That a speaker be allowed to address the meeting TAC019-24 Hudson Street, Hurstville - Proposed 'No Parking' restrictions

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely  
On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

The Chair, Councillor Smerdely, asked the Coordinator Traffic and Transport if any representations had been received from the public that the items should not be discussed in closed session.

The Coordinator Traffic and Transport replied that no representations had been received and there were no members in the public gallery.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Crompton, Member Coure

That the meeting move to a Closed Session.

Time: 10:16am

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**TAC016-24 Salisbury Street, South Hurstville - Proposed 'No Stopping' restrictions**  
(Report by Coordinator Traffic and Transport)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Crompton, Member Coure

That regulatory 10m 'No Stopping' restrictions be installed on Salisbury Street, South Hurstville, as per the plan in the report.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**TAC017-24 Denison Street and Dudley Street, Penshurst - Proposed 'No Stopping' Restrictions**  
(Report by Senior Traffic and Transport Engineer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Coure, Member Crompton

(a) That 'No Stopping' restrictions be installed at the intersection of Denison Street and Dudley Street, Penshurst, as per the plan in the report.

(b) That additional yellow edge line marking be installed should there be continued concerns with vehicles parking within the 'No Stopping' area.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**TAC018-24 Proposed 'No Stopping' restrictions and line marking - Jubilee Avenue, Beverley Park**  
(Report by Graduate Engineer - Traffic and Transport)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Crompton, Member Coure

(a) That 'No Stopping' restrictions be installed on Jubilee Avenue, Beverley Park, as per the plan in the report.

(b) That driveway delineation line marking is installed on Jubilee Avenue, Beverley Park, as per the plan in the report.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**TAC019-24 Hudson Street, Hurstville - Proposed 'No Parking' restrictions**  
(Report by Traffic Engineer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Crompton, Member Coure

- (a) That 'No Parking' restrictions be installed in the cul-de-sac at the northern end of Hudson Street, Hurstville.
- (b) That the current 'No Parking, 5am – 2pm Friday' signage, as per the previously approved report (TAC096-23), be removed.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**TAC020-24 Proposed extension to timed '1P' parking restrictions - Tooronga Terrace, Beverly Hills**

(Report by Graduate Engineer - Traffic and Transport)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Crompton, Member Coure

That existing 1-hour parking restrictions are extended from '1P, 8:30am to 6:00pm Monday to Friday, 8:30am to 12:30pm Saturday', to '1P, 8:00am to 8:00pm Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 7:00pm Saturday to Sunday' on the northern and southern side of Tooronga Terrace, Beverly Hills, as per the plan in the report.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**TAC021-24 Railway Parade, Allawah - Proposed 'Disabled Parking' Zone**

(Report by Senior Traffic and Transport Engineer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Crompton, Member Coure

That a 6m 'Disabled Parking' zone be installed on the southern side of Railway Parade, Allawah adjacent to Allawah Station, as shown on the plan in the report.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**TAC022-24 6 The Crescent, Kingsgrove - Proposed "Works Zone"**

(Report by Traffic Engineer)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Crompton, Member Coure

- (a) That a 26m "Works Zone, 7am – 5pm Mon – Sat" fronting No. 6 The Crescent, Kingsgrove, north of Vanessa Street, be installed for a duration of 12 weeks commencing in mid-April 2024, as shown on the proposed plan.
- (b) That unrestricted parking to be returned following the conclusion of the "Works Zone".

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

### **CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS (CLOSED SESSION)**

Councillor Nick Smerdely asked the Coordinator Traffic and Transport if any representations had been received from the public that the item should not be discussed in closed session.

The Coordinator Traffic and Transport replied that no representations had been received to the item in closed session.

Councillor Nick Smerdely asked if there were any members of the public gallery who would like to speak on the reasons Council proposes to consider the items in closed session.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That in accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 4 of the Local Government Act 1993, the following matters be considered in closed meeting at which the press and public are excluded.

#### **CON011A-24 Greek Orthodox Easter Event - Kogarah** (Report by Coordinator Traffic and Transport)

*THAT in accordance with the provisions of Part 1 of Chapter 4 of the Local Government Act 1993, the matters dealt with in this report be considered in closed Council Meeting at which the press and public are excluded. In accordance with Section 10A(2) (f) it is considered the matter affects the security of council, councillors, council staff or council property.*

*THAT in accordance with Section 10D it is considered that if the matter were discussed in an open Council Meeting, it would on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it affects the security of council, councillors, council staff or council property.*

That in accordance with the provisions of Section 11(2) of the Act, the reports and correspondence relating to these matters be withheld from the press and public.

### **CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **CON011A-24 Greek Orthodox Easter Event - Kogarah** (Report by Coordinator Traffic and Transport)

### **RECOMMENDATION:** Member Crompton, Member Coure

- (a) That the request to temporarily close Belgrave Street, Kogarah, between Post Office Lane and Kensington Street, from 6.00pm to 11.00pm Friday 3 May 2024, and from 9.00pm Saturday 4 May 2024 to 1.00am Sunday 5 May 2024, be approved.
- (b) That the temporary rolling road closure commences from 8.30pm Friday 3 May 2024 starting outside the front of the Church, then left onto Belgrave Street, left onto Kensington Street, left onto Montgomery Street, left onto Railway Parade, left onto Belgrave Street before concluding in front of the Church at approximately 8.45pm.
- (c) That access to Wicks Lane between Post Office Lane and Kensington Street is restricted to residents only and car park users during the event periods.
- (d) That the event is categorised as a 'Class 3' Event.

### **Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was

CARRIED.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

### Talbot St & Hardwick St, Riverwood

**HH:** Councillor Konjarski has received a letter from a constituent relating to motorists utilising local streets in Riverwood as a short cut to avoid the main road. Local streets including Talbot Street and Hardwick Street are impacted by motorists speeding. (HH reads out letter).

**MC:** This is a major concern that my office has also received that there is an increase in vehicle movements along Talbot Street & Hardwick St, the shopping precinct, Peakhurst Park, etc.

**HH:** Council will conduct traffic counts within these local streets to determine if traffic calming devices are warranted.

### Peakhurst Shops, including Lawrence, Jacques, Trafalgar St – Traffic Study

**MC:** The traffic study was approved previously for the 2023-2024 Financial Year. When will this commence?

**HH:** The traffic study is currently on hold while the Peakhurst Park Master Plan is prepared. Once the plan has been finalised, Traffic and Transport will undertake the investigation. The investigation will likely occur within the next few months, pending the completion of the master plan.

**MC:** The area is quite dangerous, especially with buses movements. To U-Go Mobility, is there an option to reroute buses somewhere else as Trafalgar Street is quite congested with angled parking. Bus coming through and kids everywhere, parents driving in and out. If we can escalate that will be great. We will send another letter to Council regarding this.

**RP:** Please provide U-Go Mobility further information and we will look into it.

### Forest Rd, Lugarno

**MC:** Has this traffic study started already?

**HH:** The consultants are to commence in the next few weeks.

### Mortdale B Streets and Roberts Ave, Mortdale

**MC:** Ongoing issue, received correspondence from Councillors and resident. They were concerned about the proposed roundabout. Where are we up to in terms of determining a final location?

**HH:** The proposed locations submitted was at the intersection of Beatty Street and Roberts Avenue. Final detailed plans will be completed following confirmation from TfNSW Blackspot program.

**MC:** TfNSW, what are we doing in terms of following this up?

**KS:** Nominations from Council are being looked at by internal Review Committee which is a different department.

**MC:** Are you able to provide feedback regarding this for next Traffic Committee Meeting?

**KS:** Unfortunately, I cannot provide feedback and can only provide an update on the status or progress of application as the decision is made by the Minister's Office.

### Mortdale Fire Station, Mortdale

**MC:** Well done on the line marking updates. The update has improved parking in the area which looks good.

### George St, Forest Rd Intersection

**MC:** Met with Clr N Smerdely on site. Is this to replace the other set of traffic lights?

**HH:** No it is not. TfNSW has responded to Council's letter and unfortunately they have determined that signals are not warranted. Council will need to conduct further investigation next financial year to determine possible solutions that includes 'No Right Turn' provisions.

**MC:** I will need to get back to residents on this.

**HH:** Please provide a letter to Council, we will provide you a formal update.

River Rd, Oatley Rd

**MC:** Has this traffic study been completed?

**HH:** The combined traffic study involving Roberts Avenue includes River Road. The study will be completed at the same time.

**MC:** Can I write to Oatley residents about this? Around Oatley station, to include River Rd and Oatley Pde and underpass. When will this will start?

**HH:** I will confirm with dates, please send through a formal request.

Stanley St, Peakhurst

**MC:** Clr L Konjarski raised this matter at the last traffic committee, is there any further update?

**HH:** Council officers are currently investigating with an aim to have a report to the next Traffic Committee Meeting. The delay is due to further request for short term parking by the Coffee shop within the same complex.

**MC:** The location includes a disable parking space?

**HH:** Yes, accessible parking space, short term parking space, 'No Parking' space and potential traffic calming devices.

**MC:** What about the speed humps on approach to the bend?

**HH:** All will be included within the investigation.

George St, Inverness St, Penshurst

**Chair NS:** I had a meeting with a resident about a bus parking on George Street creating a blind spot..

**HB:** This has been investigated previously and buses are parking between 15-20 past the intersection. Per the legislation, Council cannot infringe buses parking in local streets. Occurring in other LGAs as well.

Treacy St, Near The Avenue, Hurstville

**Chair N Smerdely:** The road condition on Treacy street is bumpy and has lots of pot holes. Is there potential to get this re-sheeted?

**JM:** Treacy St was originally included in the 23/24 Re-sheeting Program, however, Council is currently waiting for a Development to finish before we re-sheet. Once the development has been completed, Council can work on re-sheeting the road.

Cromdale St, Mortdale

**MC:** Someone ran down 1 or 2 ducks across the street. I will put this in writing for Council.

## **OPEN SESSION**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Coure, Member Crompton

That the meeting revert to Open Session, the time being 10:55am.



**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**CONFIRMATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Member Crompton, Member Coure

That the recommendations from the Closed Session be confirmed as recommendations of the Committee.

**Record of Voting**

For the Motion: Member Coure, Member Crompton, Member Kshitij, Chair Smerdely

On being PUT to the meeting, voting on this Motion was UNANIMOUS. The Motion was CARRIED.

**CONCLUSION**

The Meeting was closed at 10:56am.

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Chairperson

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