



# Minutes

Traffic Advisory Local Committee  
18<sup>th</sup> May 2017



**ITEM 1: PRESENT AND APOLOGIES**

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**PRESENT:** Glenn Crawford (NSW Police), Prue Britt (RMS - voting), David Vant (RMS - non-voting), Mayor Stephen Lesslie (Council)

**APOLOGIES:** Michelle McGrath (Representative – Local Member)

**OFFICERS:** Elias Shirt, Jonathon Edgecombe, Iain Stewart

**DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:** Nil

**ITEM 2: LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE**

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The Roads and Maritime Service (RMS) is legislated as the organization responsible for the control of traffic on all roads in New South Wales. Traffic is controlled by the installation of prescribed traffic control devices, such as regulatory signs, or traffic control facilities, such as medians.

The RMS has delegated certain aspects of the control of traffic on regional and local roads to the Councils of Local Government areas.

The RMS document “Delegation to Councils for the Regulation of Traffic” provides the policy and framework for Councils to exercise the traffic functions delegated to them by the RMS.

A report is attached summarising Council’s legislated and delegated powers regarding traffic management on local roads and how to exercise these powers.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** Council

1. Notes the review of the committee terms of reference.

**For:** All voting members.

**Against:** Nil.

**ITEM 3: PEDESTRIAN REFUGE – BARTON AVENUE WALLERAWANG**

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The small community of Wallerawang in the Lithgow LGA is bisected by the arterial road Barton Avenue with minimal formal locations for pedestrians to cross. This separates a significant residential area from the Main Street of town. In addition the route for children to walk to the local primary school from this residential area requires them to cross Barton Avenue.

To improve the connectivity of the community and to promote active transport as a safe option for all residents it is Council's intention to construct a pedestrian refuge on Barton Avenue.

A detailed description of the proposal is included in the attachments.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** Council

1. Constructs a pedestrian refuge at the location detailed in this report
2. Installs Pedestrian and Refuge Island signage in advance of the refuge
3. Installs Parking restriction signage in the vicinity of the refuge
4. Removes a portion of Armco railing at the refuge location
5. Constructs a concrete path connecting the existing footpath to the crossing
6. Conduct appropriate education program to inform public on appropriate use of the facility
7. Check and if required, modify existing lighting to comply with Australian Standards
8. Modification of the No Stopping signage as per discussion.

**For:** All voting members.

**Against:** Nil.

**ITEM 4: WOLGAN/NEWNES - SINGLE LANE BRIDGE SIGNAGE**

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At the entrance to the Newnes/Wolgan camping area on Wolgan Road there is a single lane bridge that is 4.5m wide. Currently there is no signage in advance of the bridge warning of the reduced width of road or to control traffic using the bridge.

AS1742.2 states that a 'narrow bridge' sign (W4-1) shall be used in conjunction with a ONE LANE sign (W8-16) when the carriageway of a bridge is less than 5.0m. Additionally a GIVEWAY sign (R) and a NO OVERTAKING OR PASSING sign ( ) shall be installed, one on each approach, to control the flow of traffic over the bridge.

As the carriageway on the bridge is less than 5m wide it is Council's intention to install the required signage on the approaches to the bridge. A signage layout plan and a review of relevant technical information are included in the attachments.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** Council

1. Installs the required signage as per the attached signage plan
2. Modify the plans to include D4-3(L) & (R) signage as per Fig. 4.11 of AS 1742.2 - 2009

**For:** All voting members.

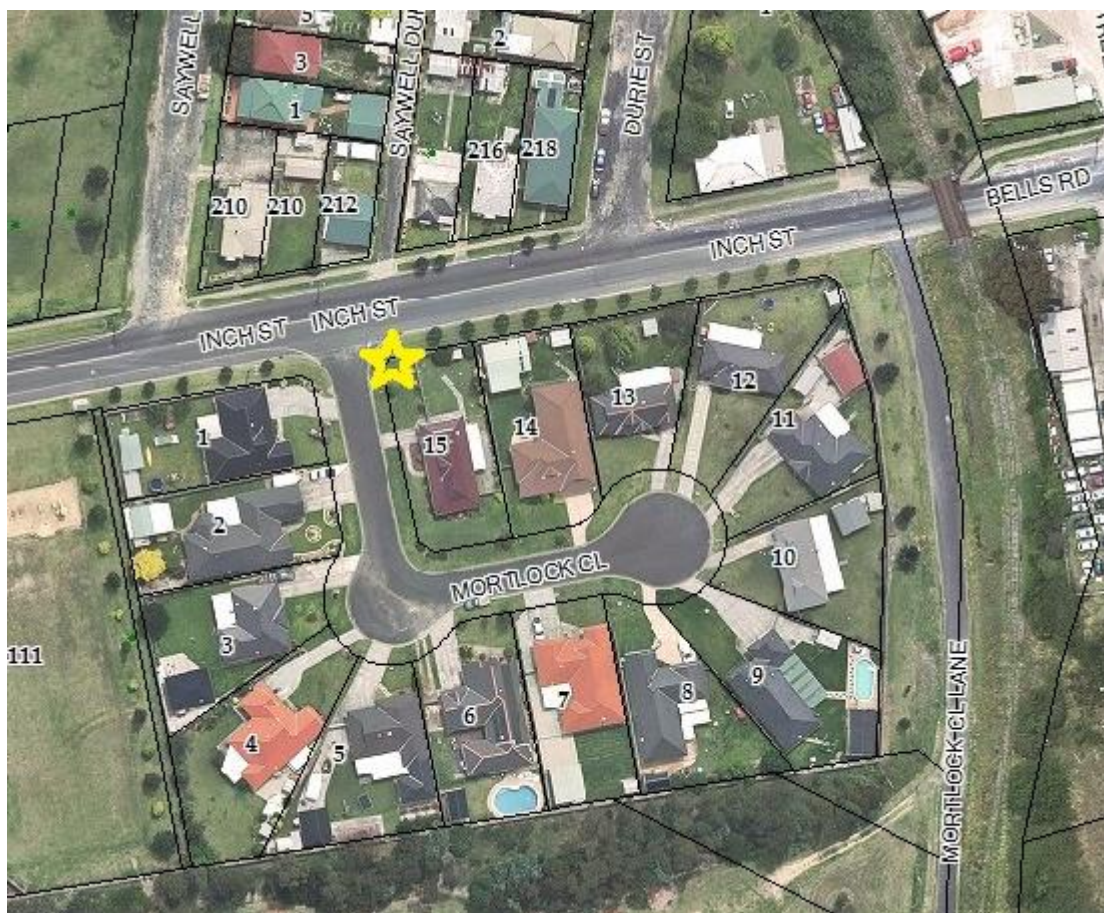
**Against:** Nil.

**ITEM 5: MORTLOCK CLOSE – NO THROUGH ROAD**

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A member of the community has raised a concern about heavy vehicles mistakenly turning into Mortlock Close, Lithgow. To prevent this issue Council wishes to install a No-Through Road sign at the Mortlock Close/Inch St intersection. The sign will be put on the existing sign post beneath the Mortlock Close Street sign.

The proposed sign (G9-18) is delegated to Council for authorisation in the RMS sign database.



**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** Council

1. Installs the required signage as per the attached signage plan
2. Investigate and action the opportunity of installing advanced warning signage which notifies heavy vehicles of the 3.8m height restriction at the intersection of Inch Street and Bells Road.

**For:** All voting members.

**Against:** Nil.

**ITEM 6: GENERAL BUSINESS**

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**1. McKanes Falls Road Bridge Load Limit**

Issue: Council raised the concerns of local residents not being able to access their properties on McKanes Falls Road due to the newly installed “Road closed for vehicles over 4.5t”.

Discussion: The committee discussed the appropriateness of the existing signage. Changing the signage at the entrances to McKanes Falls Road to a load limit would allow vehicles over 4.5t to use the road if their destination is prior to the bridge. The road closure for heavy vehicles would be strictly maintained on the bridge. In addition an advanced sign warning of the bridge closure could be installed at the entrances to McKanes Falls Road.

Outcome: Council to consult with Daniel Weber (RMS Project Manager) with the intention of redesigning the signage in this area.

**2. Browns Gap Road – Line marking.**

Issue: NSW Police and Mayor commented on the requirement for line marking to be installed ASAP on the new works completed on Browns Gap Road.

Outcome: This work is going to tender shortly and is to be completed prior to the end of financial year.

**3. Bender/Rushworth Walk**

Issue: RMS raised the upcoming “Bender/Rushworth Walk” as a Class 2 event which would require consultation with the TALC Committee

Outcome: Council to send out by email information regarding the Bender/Rushworth Walk for consideration by the TALC Committee.

**Date of Next Meeting:** TBA based on future requirement.

**Closed:** 12:01PM