



LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

28th November 2006

SUBJECT TO ADOPTION BY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY, 28th NOVEMBER 2006, IN THE COMMITTEE MEETING ROOM AT THE CIVIC CENTRE KEMPSEY WHICH COMMENCED AT 9.30AM.

PRESENT:

Mayor Betty Green, Senior Constable John Hay – Kempsey Police, Rod Dale – Andrew Stoner’s Representative, Mark Thompson - Road Safety Officer, Neil Thomson - Acting Manager Engineering Strategy, Bill Butler - RTA.

1 APOLOGIES:

Nil.

2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

Adoption by Council at its meeting on 14 November 2006 of the minutes of the Local Traffic Committee held on 24 October 2006.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

**3.1 Development Application for discussion
Proposed Aged Care Facility
Lot 14 DP 1069003 at Macleay Street, Frederickton**

The above matter was deferred over from the previous meeting of LTC.

NOTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

The RTA will liaise with Sustainable Development Services to look at preferred options for entry and egress to the site.

Public bus zone and pedestrian access across Macleay Street to be discussed.

Council has been reviewing a Development Application for a Proposed Aged Care Facility on the southern side of Macleay Street, Frederickton, involving:

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Stage 1 - 130 bed residential care facility

Stage 2 - 44 self contained dwellings

A copy of the proposed traffic study and layout of the intersection of the development and William Street with Macleay Street (Pacific Highway) was tabled at the meeting.

After much discussion, an onsite inspection of the meeting was held to address the proposed traffic arrangements.

All members of the LTC except the Police, who have expressed concerns regarding right turn movements out of both the complex and William Street, have agreed to the proposed layout as shown in the traffic study.

RECOMMENDATION

That the proposed entrance to the development and traffic arrangements in Macleay St (Pacific Highway), as detailed in the traffic study, be adopted.

4 GENERAL BUSINESS

SOUTH KEMPSEY PARK - ENTRY AND EGRESS TO REST AREA Ref 102 (334881)

Concerns have been raised regarding the safety of the entry and egress to South Kempsey Park particularly for vehicles travelling southbound.

The park is a RTA rest area and is used as driver reviver stop during holiday peak times. The area also houses tourism facilities such as the Tourist Information Centre and Macleay River Historical Society. Both of these organisations have expressed their concerns.

NOTE:

Traffic Study should address the proposed "Wattuma" Tourist attraction and cover Crescent Head Road to Middleton Street.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the RTA be requested to carry out a traffic study of the intersection of South Kempsey Rest Stop with the Pacific Highway and review the existing traffic arrangements.

4.2 HEAVY VEHICLE PARKING- NICHOLSON STREET KEMPSEY FILE 102

Complaints have been received in relation to the use and condition of Nicholson Street at South Kempsey by heavy vehicles, particularly at night. The road is being used by B-doubles in a loop (Yarravel, Macquarie, Nicholson) and then gain entry back onto the highway, after they have rested. The noise of the trucks in the early hours of the morning is a major concern to residents.

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Metrocount monitors were installed in Nicholson Street, on the 3rd November 2006 and recorded data to the 14th November 2006.

Nicholson Street is not a B-Double route and these vehicles should not be leaving the highway. The data indicated that streets in the vicinity of Nicholson Street are being used by truck drivers as rest areas.

Nicholson Street is currently undergoing rehabilitation work at a cost of \$115,000.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That following consultation with the residents, timed 'No Stopping' signs be erected in Nicholson Street.
2. That Police be requested to take enforcement action.

4.3 ROAD SAFETY OFFICER REPORT

Reporting on the activities of Council's Road Safety Officer.

	Issue/ Strategy	Activities	Action	Status
Oct/Sept 2006	2006/2007 Drink Drive	Alternate Transport Nightrider Program New years Eve	Meetings held to discuss alternate transport for Crescent Head, Stuarts Point and South West Rocks Alcolisers and promotional material distributed.	Quotations sought from bus company and security Ongoing
Oct/Nov 2006	Strategic Plan	Development of Kempsey Council Road Safety Strategic Plan 2006-2010	Draft plan	Presented to Strategic Group meeting
Oct/Nov 2006	Engineering	Correspondence and reports	Bus shelters	Sites identified. Negotiations with suppliers underway
Oct/Nov	Youth	Safe Driver Training	90 students participated in program	Ongoing

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5 OTHER BUSINESS

**5.1 ANZAC DAY MARCH-
FILE 324 (328206)**

To streamline future Anzac Day Marches.

RECOMMENDATION

That approval be granted to the all RSL clubs to conduct their ANZAC Day Street Marches throughout the Kempsey Shire on 25th April 2007, subject to:

- i) Satisfactory completion and submission of Council's Event Management documentation.**
- ii) A Road Occupancy licence being obtained from the RTA if the march is to take place on the Pacific Highway.**
- iii) Police concurrence.**
- (iv) Same route taken as the previous year.**

**5.2 SOUTH PACIFIC CAMPOREE - KEMPSEY CHECK POINT
FILE 97 (336605)**

The Seventh Day Adventist Church is conducting the South Pacific Camporee from the 8-13 January, 2007 at their Grassy Head facilities.

The organisation expects 6,500 participants and they propose to regulate the registration of participants by creating a checkpoint in Kempsey and Macksville. This initiative will help avoid traffic congestion in Stuarts Point and Grassy Head.

The Kempsey checkpoint will be on Verge Street Oval with access from Sydney Street. The checkpoint will operate on Monday 8 January 2007 from 9am to 5pm and Tuesday 9 January 2007 from 5am to 2pm.

RECOMMENDATION

That approval be granted to South Pacific Camporee to conduct their checkpoint area on Verge Street Oval using Sydney Street parking area on 8-9 January 2007, subject to:

- i) Satisfactory completion and submission of Council's Event Management documentation and the appropriate insurance**

ii) Police concurrence.

**5.3 PRE LODGEMENT OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION –
ADDITIONS TO DEVELOPMENT, PACIFIC STREET, CRESCENT
HEAD
FILE LA9608 (336642)**

The proposal is deemed to be a major project under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Major Projects) and as such requires approval by the Department of Planning. The Traffic Committee has been requested by Hopkins Consultants to review the plan in regards to access and traffic.

The existing entrance will be relocated approximately 17 metres east of the current entrance.

The footpath is built along the fence line of the existing development and there is potential hazard from the entry and egress point in regards to motor vehicles line of site exiting from the property.

RECOMMENDATION

That line of sight for motor vehicles exiting the complex be reviewed in regards to fencing, to facilitate safe pedestrian movements along the Pacific Street footpath.

6 NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting will be advised at a later date.