



LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

11th July 2007

SUBJECT TO ADOPTION BY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 11th JULY 2007, IN THE ELBOW STREET MEETING ROOM AT THE CIVIC CENTRE KEMPSEY WHICH COMMENCED AT 1.00PM.

PRESENT:

1.1 Attendance of Formal Members

Name	Agency	Key	Representative
Mayor Betty Green	Council	p	
Terry Orvard	RTA	p	
Sgt Paul Dilley	Police	A	S/C John Hay
Andrew Stoner	Member for Oxley	A	Rod Dale

Key: A = Absent With Apology
P = Present

1.2 Attendance of Advisors

Name	Agency	Position
Tom Vermeulen	Council	Director Shire Services
Mark Thompson	Council	Road Safety Officer

1.3 PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of 5th February 2007, were referred to Council's meeting on 12th February 2007, and adopted.

RESOLVED

That the information be noted.

THIS IS PAGE 1 OF THE MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11TH JULY 2007, AND SUBMITTED TO THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE KEMPSEY SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, 14TH AUGUST 2007.

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2. LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

SUMMARY OF PENDING MATTERS

5/02/2007	4.3 Speed zone-Kinchela Cr Rd	326	Letter RTA review	completed
5/02/2007	4.7 Opening Tighes Lane	Tighes	refer SSP committee	Mayor follow up with PACT
5/02/2007	5.1 Lord/ Hill St signage	R Dale	RTA review	completed
5/02/2007	5.2 Mini motorcycles	R Dale	Media campaign	completed
5/02/2007	5.3 Smith St holiday traffic	Police	RTA review	completed
5/02/2007	5.4 LTC delegations	RTA	Review format	completed
14/12/2006	V.I.C. Entry Sth Kempsey	RTA	RTA letter received	further letter to be sent RTA result of Traffic Study

3. LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

FORMAL ITEMS

3.1 KEMPSEY RSPCA PARK TO PUB CHARITY WALK FILE 24 (318836) EVENT CLASS 3 *

Committee Advice:

It is a majority minority vote that the Committee

and advise as follows:

That approval be granted to the Kempsey RSPCA to hold a charity walk on Sunday, 19th August 2007, subject to:

- i) Police concurrence;***
- ii) Appropriate insurance cover;***
- iii) Submission of Traffic Control Plans;***
- iv) Provision of two support vehicles with appropriate flashing lights and warning signs to both precede and follow up the walk.***

Voting Record:

Council	F	RTA	F	Police	F	Member for Oxley	F
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3.2 NORTH COAST TRUCKING ASSOC. - STREET PARADE
FILE 24 (319951)
CLASS 2 EVENT

Committee Advice:

It is a

<u>unanimous</u>	majority	split	minority
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 vote that the Committee

<u>support</u>	decline to support
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 and advise as follows:

That approval be granted to the North Coast Trucking Association to hold a Street Parade on Saturday, 20th October 2007, subject to:

- i) Police concurrence;***
- ii) Appropriate insurance cover.***
- iii) Submission of Traffic Control Plans***

Voting Record:

Council	F	RTA	F	Police	F	Member for Oxley	F
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3.3 2007 TRIAL BAY TRIATHLON
FILE 56 (318198)
CLASS 2 EVENT

Committee Advice:

It is a

<u>unanimous</u>	majority	split	minority
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 vote that the Committee

<u>support</u>	decline to support
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 and advise as follow:

That approval be granted to the Trial Bay Triathlon Committee to stage the Trial Bay Triathlon on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th February 2008 subject to:

- i) Police concurrence;***
- ii) Appropriate insurance***
- iii) Any amendments to Traffic Control Plans be submitted to Council and Police***

Voting Record:

Council	F	RTA	F	Police	F	Member for Oxley	F
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**3.4 KEMPSEY COUNTRY MUSIC FESTIVAL
FILE
CLASS 1 EVENT**

Background

The proposed route is to marshal participants in Tozer Street, adjacent to Council Civic Centre, proceed East along Elbow Street, continue across the railway line into Belgrave Street, turn left into **Smith Street at Traffic Lights**, turn left into Forth Street proceed to Services Club Park where the parade will disperse.

Several organisations have previously requested the closure of Smith Street (Pacific Highway) to hold their annual events. The RTA control the traffic movements in Smith Street and is unlikely to allow the closure for this parade.

Limited details as to the makeup of the parade are available and additional details will need to be supplied in a Traffic Management Plan before approval should be granted.

Committee Advice:

It is a

unanimous	majority	split	minority
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 vote that the Committee

support	decline to support
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 and advise as follows:

1. ***That approval be declined to the Country Music Festival Committee to conduct a street parade on the proposed route through Smith Street, Kempsey on Saturday 8th September 2007.***
2. ***That approval be granted to the Country Music Festival Committee to conduct a street parade on Saturday the 8th September 2007 subject to:***
 - i) ***The route being amended for the parade to proceed left from Belgrave Street into Stuart Street then disperse in Services Club Park.***
 - ii) ***Police concurrence;***
 - iii) ***Appropriate insurance.***
 - iv) ***An appropriate Traffic Management Plan and Traffic Control Plans being submitted***

Voting Record:

Council	F	RTA	F	Police	F	Member for Oxley	F
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**3.5 NAIDOC WEEK COMMITTEE. - STREET PARADE
FILE (Item emailed to LTC members on 2/7/07 for comment)
CLASS 4 EVENT ***

That approval be granted to the Naidoc Week Committee to stage the Naidoc Week Street Parade on Monday 9th July 2007 subject to:

- i) Police concurrence;*
- ii) Appropriate insurance;*
- iii) Traffic Management Plans and Traffic Control Plans be submitted.*

**3.6 SOUTH WEST ROCKS SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB – CARPARK CLOSURE
FILE 56 (349800)**

Committee Advice:

It is a

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 vote that the Committee

support	decline to support
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 and advise as follows:

That approval be granted to the South West Rocks Surf Lifesaving Club to stage the NSW and Australian IRB Championships on Friday 6th July 2007 and Saturday 7th July 2007 and from Friday 27th July 2007 to Sunday 29th July 2007 respectively, subject to:

- iv) Police concurrence;*
- v) Appropriate insurance.*

Voting Record:

Council	F	RTA	F	Police	F	Member for Oxley	F
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**3.7 RIVER STREET CUTTING- REQUEST ONE WAY STREET
(NORTHSIDE) FILE: R RIVER ST**

Initial concerns were raised by several residents fronting the service road. A letter with the proposed changes and outlining the processes was sent out to all residents in this area on 18/2/07.

A follow up telephone call was made on the 19/3/07 and finally a door knock was carried out on 30/5/07. All residents responded positively to the proposed changes. No response was received from the Aboriginal Housing Office who own 295 River Street, however the tenants were also contacted and had no objection to the proposal.

Residents along this service road are concerned by the number of vehicles that travel at an inappropriate speed entering the service road from the east. Children play in close proximity to the road and concerns have been raised for the safety of these children.

There will be no significant impact on road users other than those residents who support this action.

Issues:

- Road width is 3.0 with .5 shoulders not wide enough for two cars to pass each other
- Motor vehicles entering service road with below acceptance sight distance
- Motor vehicles entering service road at unacceptable speeds to local residents
- Local residents have requested that the service road be made one directional
- Very low traffic volumes

Committee Advice:

It is a

unanimous	majority	split	Minority
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 vote that the Committee

support	decline to support
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 and advise as follows:

The service road on the north side of River Street, between Gordon Lane and Forest Lane, be converted to a one-way traffic flow permitting west to east movements only.

Voting Record:

Council	F	RTA	F	Police	F	Member for Oxley	F
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3.8 SOUTH WEST ROCKS/JERSEYVILLE-SPEED ZONE REVIEW

RTA advised that they have reviewed the speed zone along Gregory Street/South West Rocks Road, between Arakoon Road and Jerseyville Bridge, at South West Rocks. It is proposed that the current 70km/h will be reduced to a 50km/h zone. Council will likely receive a warrant in the near future to implement this change.

Background Information

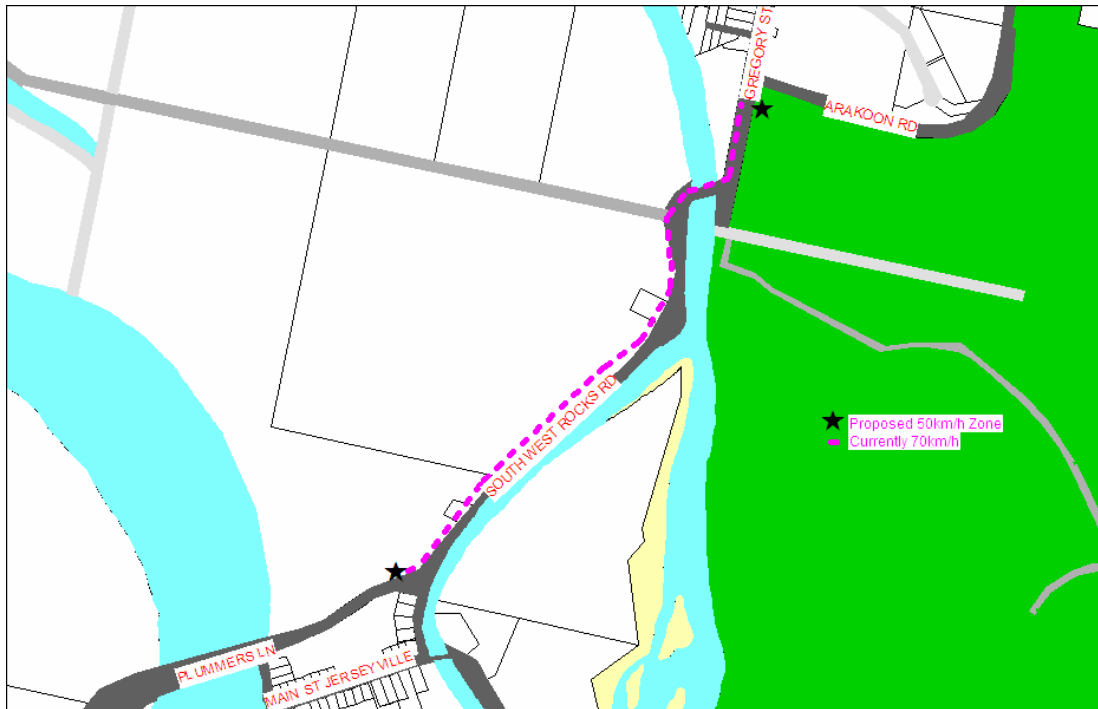
The RTA carried out a speed zone review from the Jerseyville Bridge, at Plumers Lane which included Gregory Street through to the Landsborough Street intersection at South West Rocks. As part of this review a warrant to change the speed zone was issued for the section 50m north of Arakoon Road to the intersection of South West Rocks Road and Plumers Lane. This area was recently changed from a 60km/h to 70km/h zone as part of an overall speed zone strategy.

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A complaint was received from a resident in Boyters Lane and the RTA reviewed their decision. A warrant will now be issued for the 70km/h zone to be reduced to 50km/h. The area affected is 1.2km in length.

MAP OF THE AREA AFFECTED



Committee Advice:

Members of Local Traffic Committee expressed concerns over the proposed changes to the speed zone in this area, as the changes appear to contravene the current RTA speed zone guidelines. The Committee decided to refer the matter to Council as an item for discussion.

5 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th September 2007 at 1pm

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL FROM THE MINUTES

1. That Council adopts the advice of the Local Traffic Committee in respect to items 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, and 3.7

2. That Council write to the RTA expressing concerns that the proposed changes to the speed zone along the South West Rocks Road between Plummers Lane and Arakoon Road appear to contravene the current RTA speed zone guidelines, and that the RTA be requested to review their decision.

4. LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

INFORMAL ITEMS

**4.1 SMITH STREET- TRAFFIC MOVEMENTS (U-TURNS)
FILE: 102 (345277)**

Correspondence was received requesting that the Traffic Committee discuss the issue of cars making U-turns at the junction of Geoffrey Debenham St and Smith Street, Kempsey.

Issues:

- Raised in correspondence that this is an unsafe practice

Options:

- Await RTA advice

Committee Informal Advice:

The Committee noted the following:

Police were more concerned with southbound traffic attempting a u-turn manoeuvre as there is no separate lane for this move to occur.

The RTA will review this concern.

**4.2 COLES DEVELOPMENT SITE
CONSENT T6-06-163**

Advice was sought whether the LTC would likely approve a total road closure for Lower Belgrave Street during the construction period of the complex being approx. 50 weeks.

The advice was sought on behalf of construction companies to assist them in the preparation of a construction tender.

Committee Advice:

Given the limited information and details supplied, the committee could not support the total road closure of Lower Belgrave Street.

**4.3 ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL KEMPSEY
RTA CORRESPONENCE FROM SCHOOL**

St Josephs School contacted the RTA in relation to providing a School Crossing and 40km School Zone in Sea Street, West Kempsey. RTA representative advised that the request does not meet RTA warrants and the School will be notified.

RTA suggested that the provision of pedestrian warning signs in this area be investigated and that the need for additional traffic facilities in this area be reviewed in Councils PAMP.