

PRESENT: Cr Carlton Kopke (Chairperson), Mr Richard Drooger (TfNSW), Senior Constable Kelvin Kilsby* (NSW Police) and Mr Mal Unicomb (Local State Member Representative).

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms Nicole Benson (A/Director Technical Services), Mr Rejoice De Vera (Manager Projects) and Mrs Tracy Cain (Minutes).

* Attendance via Zoom video conference.

APOLOGIES: Mr Zachary Estens (Asset & Design Technical Officer).

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1/2324 RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting held on 25 May 2023 be confirmed.

Unanimous

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The following matters were noted as outstanding:

- Black Stump Way – Council request to NHVR that any road in the Warrumbungle Shire that is a 25 metre B Double Route be converted to a 26 metre B Double Route. *Matter to be followed up with Council's Director Technical Services.*
- Audit of 'No Parking' Signs in Coonabarabran CBD – 'No Parking' signs to be replaced and installed as per audit. *Update on the status of audit to be distributed via email.*
- Replacement of rail line at Mary Jane Cain Bridge, Coonabarabran – *matter with TfNSW.*
- Installation of 'No Parking' signs on laneway off Little Timor Street, Coonabarabran – *part laneway owned by property owners. Council seeking legal advice on caveat / easement.*
- Installation of bollards in Wellington Street, Baradine – *property owners advised of 50% contribution towards project. Baradine Hotel has accepted proposal. Awaiting quotation from local fabricator.*
- Installation of Coolah Tops National Park signage on Coolah Creek Road and State Forest Road – *quotation provided for Council to install signage and awaiting confirmation from NPWS.*
- Installation of clear zone in Crane Street, Coonabarabran adjacent to bus depot – Option 1 to be implemented. *Project plan to be prepared and programmed. There is currently no budget approved by Council for these works.*
- Essex Street and Charles Street Intersection, Coonabarabran – replacement of 'One Way' sign with 'Right Turn Only' sign and removal of 'One Way' sign on Charles Street. *Charles Street 'One Way' sign removed and awaiting delivery of 'Right Turn Only' sign.*
- Binnaway community events sign at the intersection of Renshaw Street and Bullinda Street – *Binnaway Progress Association to be advised of refusal.*
- Reduction of speed limit on Timor Road from Timor Rock to Siding Spring Observatory Road intersection – *matter referred to TfNSW.*
- Signs and markings for caravans and oversize vehicles in Coolah – *customer to be advised and request for tourist signs to be referred to Council's EDTC.*

- Heavy vehicle turning area on Oxley Highway just past the Newell Highway. TfNSW Maintenance Manager has scoped and scheduled the backfill works. No timeframe available.

AGENDA ITEMS

a) Options for Dalgarno Street and Namoi Street Intersection, Coonabarabran
2/2324 RECOMMENDED that:

- A slip lane be installed at the intersection of Dalgarno Street and Namoi Street, Coonabarabran adjacent to St Lawrence's Primary School.
- Line marking of the slip lane be included in Council's line marking schedule for future maintenance.

Unanimous

b) 'No Stopping' Signs at Coolah Post Office Driveway Access – 45 Binnia Street
3/2324 RECOMMENDED that 'No Stopping' signs be installed in accordance with Standards either side of the Coolah Post Office driveway access at 45 Binnia Street.

Unanimous

c) Driveway Access Markings for Mendooran Post Office and Community Facilities – Bandulla Street
4/2324 RECOMMENDED that 'No Stopping' signs be installed in accordance with Standards either side of the Mendooran Post Office and Community Centre driveway accesses in Bandulla Street.

Unanimous

d) Pedestrian Crossing at Coolah Central School – Binnia Street
It was determined that further observations be undertaken by TfNSW to determine the need, location, traffic flow/volume and appropriate infrastructure for the installation of a school crossing at Coolah Central School in Binnia Street. Matter to be brought back to the Traffic Advisory Committee for further consideration once the information is available.

e) Pedestrian Crossing at Dunedoo Central School – Merrygoen Street and Cobbora Street
It was determined that further observations be undertaken by TfNSW to determine the need, location, traffic flow/volume and appropriate infrastructure for the installation of a school crossing at Dunedoo Central School in Merrygoen Street and Cobbora Street. Matter to be brought back to the Traffic Advisory Committee for further consideration once the information is available.

f) Mendooran Tourist Direction Signs
Council to confer with TfNSW on the exact locations for installation of toilet service signs (white on blue), including the distance if appropriate, in Mendooran.

g) No Parking at the Intersection of Little Timor Street and Robertson Street, Coonabarabran
5/2324 RECOMMENDED that 'No Stopping' signs be installed at Little Timor Street and Robertson Street, Coonabarabran in accordance with Standards and at a minimum of 10 metres either side of the intersection.

Unanimous

h) No Parking Adjacent to Yuluwirri Kids on the Newell Highway, Coonabarabran
Upon assessment the Committee determined that it was not necessary to install 'No Stopping' signs either side of the Newell Highway at the intersection of Bandulla Street, Coonabarabran adjacent to Yuluwirri Kids Childcare Centre. The Local Police and Council will undertake further monitoring of the area to ensure that there are no safety issues.

GENERAL BUSINESS

The following items were discussed without resolution:

- Heavy vehicle turning area on Oxley Highway – TfNSW Area Maintenance Manager has scoped and scheduled the backfill works. Council has also been advised. Unfortunately, there is no timeframe available for the commencement / completion of works.
- TfNSW to undertake a blanket circulation of the Traffic Manual to all Local Traffic Advisory Committees.
- Council has recently made some changes to its organisational structure and in particular the responsibilities of roadside signage. Staff details to be provided to TfNSW.
- Reference made to a community request for the installation of blisters in Bandulla Street (Castlereagh Highway), Mendooran to assist people with mobility issues / aids traversing the road. Council advise that the trees recently removed in the main street will be replaced and may assist as a refuge. A mud map of the replacement trees is available. Council to consider installing the speed trailer in Bandulla Street to obtain relevant traffic data. Matter to be considered at the August Traffic Advisory Committee meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.39am.

The next meeting will be held in the Gallery Meeting Room, Coonabarabran on Thursday, 24 August 2023 commencing at 10.00am.

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CHAIRPERSON