



# Community & Environment Committee

**Agenda:** *Community & Environment Committee*

**Date:** *Monday 27 April 2009*

**Time:** *6.00pm*

## **Outline of Meeting Protocol & Procedure:**

- The Chairperson will call the Meeting to order and ask the Committee/Staff to present apologies or late correspondence.
- The Chairperson will commence the Order of Business as shown in the Index to the Agenda.
- At the beginning of each item the Chairperson will ask whether a member(s) of the public wish to address the Committee.
- If person(s) wish to address the Committee, they are allowed four (4) minutes in which to do so. Please direct comments to the issues at hand.
- If there are persons representing both sides of a matter (eg applicant/objector), the person(s) against the recommendation speak first.
- At the conclusion of the allotted four (4) minutes, the speaker resumes his/her seat and takes no further part in the debate unless specifically called to do so by the Chairperson.
- If there is more than one (1) person wishing to address the Committee from the same side of the debate, the Chairperson will request that where possible a spokesperson be nominated to represent the parties.
- The Chairperson has the discretion whether to continue to accept speakers from the floor.
- After considering any submissions the Committee will debate the matter (if necessary), and arrive at a recommendation (R items which proceed to Full Council) or a resolution (D items for which the Committee has delegated authority).

## **Delegated Authority (“D” Items):**

- Community Services and Programmes.
- Health.
- Liquor Licences.
- Fire Protection Orders.
- Residential Parking Schemes (surveillance and administration).
- Traffic Management (Traffic Committee Recommendations).
- Waverley/Woollahra Process Plant.
- To require such investigations, reports or actions as considered necessary in respect of matters contained within the Business Agendas (and as may be limited by specific Council resolution).
- Confirmation of the Minutes of its Meeting.
- Any other matter falling within the responsibility of the Community and Environment Committee and not restricted by the Local Government Act or required to be a Recommendation to Full Council as listed below.
- Library Services
- Licensing.
- Regulatory.
- Waste Minimisation

## **Recommendation only to the Full Council (“R” Items):**

- Such matters as are specified in Section 377 of the Local Government Act and within the ambit of the Committee considerations.
- Matters which involve broad strategic or policy initiatives within responsibilities of the Committee.
- Matters requiring the expenditure of moneys and in respect of which no Council vote has been made.
- Matters delegated to the Council by the Traffic Authority of NSW.
- Matters not within the specified functions of the Committee, or which are not the subject of a Business Agenda (current or past).
- Matters reserved by individual Councillors, in accordance with any Council policy on "safeguards".
- Parks and Reserve Plans of Management (Strategies, Policies and Objectives)
- Residential Parking Schemes - Provision and Policies

**Committee Membership:**

7 Councillors

**Quorum:**

The quorum for a Committee meeting is 4 Councillors.

# WOOLLAHRA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

## Notice of Meeting

23 April 2009

To: His Worship The Mayor, Councillor Andrew Petrie ex-officio  
Councillors Peter Cavanagh (Chair)  
Anthony Boskovitz  
Susan Jarnason  
Greg Medcraft  
Ian Plater  
Isabelle Shapiro  
Susan Wynne (Deputy)

Dear Councillors

### **Community & Environment Committee Meeting – 27 April 2009**

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993, I request your attendance at a Meeting of the Council's **Community and Environment Committee** to be held in the **Council Chambers, 536 New South Head Road, Double Bay, on Monday 27 April 2009 at 6.00pm.**

Gary James  
General Manager

# **Additional Information Relating to Committee Matters**

**Site Inspection**

**Other Matters**

## Meeting Agenda

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**Item No:** D1 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 6 April 2009**  
**Author:** Les Windle, Manager - Governance  
**File No:** See Council Minutes  
**Reason for Report:** The Minutes of the Meeting of Monday 6 April 2009 were previously circulated. In accordance with the guidelines for Committees' operations it is now necessary that those Minutes be formally taken as read and confirmed.

**Recommendation:**

That the Minutes of the Community and Environment Committee Meeting of 6 April 2009 be taken as read and confirmed.

Les Windle  
Manager - Governance

**Item No:** D2 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Woollahra Traffic Committee Minutes 7 April 2009**  
**Author:** Warwick Hatton –Engineering Services  
**File No:** 595.G 2009  
**Reason for Report:** For the Committee to consider the recommendations of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee.

**Recommendation:**

THAT the Recommendations Y1-Y12 contained in the minutes of the Woollahra Traffic Committee, and as signed by the members of the Committee, held on Tuesday 7 April 2009 be adopted.

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**Warwick Hatton**  
**Director - Technical Services**

# Woollahra Local Traffic Committee Minutes

The meeting of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee was held in the Council Committee Room, Double Bay, on Tuesday 7 April 2009 at 10.00am.

## 1. Attendances

### Committee Members:

Present:	Mr Warwick Hatton (Chairman)	(Woollahra Municipal Council)
	Mr Kyle Wells	(Roads and Traffic Authority)
	Const Louise Tsolakis	(Rose Bay Police - Traffic)
	Ms Robyn Attuell	(Clover Moore MP Representative)
Staff:	Mr Frank Rotta	(Woollahra Municipal Council)
	Mr Daniel Pearse	(Woollahra Municipal Council)
	Ms Armodee Reece	(Woollahra Municipal Council)
Observer:	Mr E Graham	(State Transit Authority)
Apologies:	Mr Navin Prasad	(Roads and Traffic Authority)
	Mr John Giblin	(Peter Debnam MP Representative)

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## 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of Meeting No.02/09 held in Council Chambers, Double Bay, on Tuesday 3 March 2009 were confirmed by Ms R Attuell.

The minutes of Extraordinary Meeting No.02a/09 held by phone and email on Tuesday 17 March 2009 were confirmed by Mr K Wells.

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## 3. Matters Arising from Minutes of Previous Meetings

Nil

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## 4. Local Traffic Committee recommendations not adopted or amended by Woollahra Council Community & Environment Committee

Nil

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## 5. Extraordinary Meetings

Meeting No.02a/09 held by email and phone on Tuesday 17 March, 2009.



## 6. Late Correspondence

Nil

## 7. Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Item No:** Y1 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** Parking Restrictions Changes

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer, Daniel Pearse – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** (Refer to Table 1)

**Reason for Report:** Various parking restriction changes throughout the Woollahra Council area.

### **Item Y1-1: Bayview Hill Road & Tivoli Avenue, Rose Bay – Parking restrictions**

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

#### **Recommendation:**

1. That the existing “No Parking 8.15am-9.15am, 2.30pm-4.30pm School Days Only” in Bayview Hill Road and Tivoli Avenue, Rose Bay fronting Kambala School, be altered to “No Parking 8.15am-8.45am, 2.30pm-4.30pm School Days Only”.

### **Item Y1-2: Cambridge Avenue, Vaucluse – Relocation of Give Way linemarking**

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

#### **Recommendation:**

1. That the existing Giveaway linemarking in Cambridge Avenue, Vaucluse be relocated to align with the eastern edge of the kerb extensions in Old South Head Road.
2. That the chevron sign located on the kerb extension on the northern side of Cambridge Avenue at its intersection with Old South Head Road be removed.

### **Item Y1-3: Bellevue Road, Bellevue Hill – Relocation of Mail Zone**

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

#### **Recommendation:**

1. That a 7.5 metre Mail Zone be installed on the northern side of Bellevue Road, Bellevue Hill just north of the No Stopping restrictions at the Victoria Road intersection.
2. That 26.5 metres of “1P 8.00am-6.00pm, Mon-Fri, PHE. Area Bell 1” be installed on the northern side of Bellevue Road, Bellevue Hill just north of the Mail Zone referred to in Recommendation 1. above.
3. That 17 metres of “1P 8.30am-6.00pm, Mon-Fri, 8.30am- 12.30pm Sat” be installed on the northern side of Bellevue Road, Bellevue Hill just north of the Residents Permit parking referred to in Recommendation 2. above.

### **Item Y1-4: Northland Road, Bellevue Hill – Provision of parking bay**

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

#### **Recommendation:**

1. That the owner of No.38A Northland Road be advised that there are objections on traffic grounds to the provision of a parking bay on the northern side of Northland Road just east of the property at No. 38A Northland Road, on the basis that the provision of the proposed parking bay may lead to the unsafe protrusion of vehicles into the carriageway.

**Item Y1-5: Holdsworth Street, Woollahra – Provision of 50kph signposting**

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

1. That the installation of intermediate signage reinforcing the 50kph zones is not supported by the RTA as a matter of policy and therefore 50kph speed signs not be installed in Holdsworth Street, Woollahra adjacent to the child care centre.

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**Item No:** Y2 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Paddington 40k Zone – Alterations (Cascade Street)**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 1166.G

**Reason for Report:** Consideration of alterations to Cascade Street as a consequence of the community consultation..

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

- A. That the proposal to install the Watts profile speed hump and a raised threshold on the pedestrian crossing in the locations detailed in the Amended Action Plan and Annexure 2 of this report be approved.
- B. That the residents of Cascade Street between Hargrave Street and Glenmore Road be advised of the revised plans for Cascade Street.
- C. That an application be made to the RTA for funding for this speed hump and raised pedestrian crossing on a 50:50 basis with Council funding its share of the project from existing budget allocation in the 2008-09 Traffic Capital Works Program.

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**Item No:** Y3 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Village Lower Road, Vacluse – Traffic Calming**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 474.

**Reason for Report:** Results of traffic calming in Village Lower Road and surrounding streets

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

- A. That a 75 mm high recycled rubber speed hump be installed across Village Lower Road opposite the boundary between Nos. 8-10 Village Lower Road, Vacluse.
- B. That the residents of Village Lower Road be notified of this proposal prior to the matter being considered by the Community & Environment Committee on 27 April, 2009.

**Item No:** Y4 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for consideration.

**Subject:** **Epping Road, Double Bay – Traffic Calming**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** T155

**Reason for Report:** Resident requests to address speeding of vehicles in Epping Road.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

- A. That all residents of Epping Road be invited to comment on the proposal to introduce speed humps in Epping Road, Double Bay (as detailed in Annexure 1 of this report) and that the results of this consultation be referred to the June, 2009 meeting of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.

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**Item No:** Y5 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Kiaora Road/Bellevue Road/Cross Street/ New South Head Road Intersection, Double Bay – Traffic Management**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** T264 / T34 / T121 / T329.

**Reason for Report:** Response to a Council Resolution

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

- A. That the contents of this report be noted.

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**Item No:** Y6 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Barcom Avenue / Boundary Street Intersection, Paddington – Channelisation For Traffic Flows & Safety**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 21. / T51.

**Reason for Report:** Request by St Vincent’s Hospital for channelisation to improve safety at Carpark entrance.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

Note: This location must be referred to Kings Cross Police for consideration.

**Recommendation:**

- A. That the alterations to the traffic facilities at the Barcom Avenue / Boundary Street intersection including the driveway to No.196-200 Boundary Street, Paddington as detailed on the plans prepared by TEF Consulting as shown in Annexure 1 be approved subject to:

- i. The radii on the kerb blisters in Boundary Street and Barcom Avenue being increased to facilitate the parking of vehicles adjacent to the blisters in both of these streets.
- ii. The kerb blister on the southern side of Barcom Avenue west of the vehicular access to No. 196-200 Boundary Street be adjusted to allow unimpeded vehicular access for vehicles entering the development site
- iii. Signage being installed on the kerb blister in Boundary Street to advise southbound motorists of the left turn ban into No.196-200 Boundary Street, Paddington.
- iv. Approval of the works by Sydney City Council and St Vincent's Hospital.
- v. All works being undertaken as one project, including works on the Woollahra Council side, the Sydney City Council side and the St Vincent's Hospital site.
- vi. All works being carried out at no cost to Woollahra Council.

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**Item No:** Y7 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for consideration.

**Subject:** No. 873 New South Head Road, Rose Bay – Works Zone

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 407.G Pt12

**Reason for Report:** Request for a Works Zone

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

That approval be granted for a Works Zone to be temporarily installed for No.873 New South Head Road, Rose Bay. The proposed Works Zone is to be located on the eastern side of New South Head Road from the No Stopping sign at the northern end of the site for a distance of 16 metres in a southerly direction and is subject to the following conditions:

- i. Any directive provided by the NSW Police Department is to be complied with.
- ii. RTA approval for a Road Occupancy Licence being obtained for this site prior to the Works Zone being installed and renewed to run concurrently with the duration of the Works Zone.
- iii. The Works Zone is to operate between the hours of 7.00am-4.00pm Mon-Fri and 7.00am-1.00pm Sat for a period of 52 weeks from mid April, 2009 (to be calculated from sign installation date).
- iv. Suitable traffic control measures are to be put in place to manage truck movements to and from the construction site, and if necessary to and from the adjacent street system, in accordance with the RTA's Traffic Control at Works Sites manual.
- v. Existing "unrestricted" parking is to be maintained outside of the Works Zone hours of operation.
- vi. The applicant must ensure that the traffic lanes, footpaths and driveways, adjacent to the Works Zone, remain free of obstruction at all times during the construction.
- vii. The applicant must inform Council's Traffic Engineer when the project is completed and the Works Zone can be removed.

- viii. This Works Zone is in an area zoned as Residential(a). The fee payable shall be in accordance with Council's adopted fees and charges applying to the period for which the approval is given, and must be paid prior to the Works Zone being installed. Should the Works Zone be required for a shorter period, application may be made for a pro-rata refund.
- ix. Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in the cancellation of the Works Zone at Council's discretion.
- x. Should the Works Zone be required for a period longer than the approved period, permission from the Director of Technical Services is required to extend the Works Zone.
- xi. Should the Works Zone be required for additional hours of operation on any particular day, any amendment will require the approval of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.

That the applicant notifies all residents and businesses whose property frontage is within 50 metres of the Works Zone.

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**Item No:** Y8 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for consideration.  
**Subject:** No. 500-502 Glenmore Road (Reddy Street), Edgecliff – Works Zone  
**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer  
**File No:** 407.G Pt12  
**Reason for Report:** Request for a Works Zone

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

- A. That approval be granted for a Works Zone to be temporarily installed for No.500-502 Glenmore Road, Edgecliff. The proposed Works Zone is to be located on the southern side of Reddy Street from the statutory No Stopping restrictions at the north-eastern end of the intersection with Glenmore Road for a distance of 6 metres in a westerly direction and is subject to the following conditions:
  - i. Any directive provided by the NSW Police Department is to be complied with.
  - ii. The Works Zone is to operate between the hours of 7.00am-4.00pm Mon-Fri and 7.00am-1.00pm Sat for a period of 26 weeks from mid April, 2009 (to be calculated from sign installation date).
  - iii. Suitable traffic control measures are to be put in place to manage truck movements to and from the construction site, and if necessary to and from the adjacent street system, in accordance with the RTA's Traffic Control at Works Sites manual.
  - iv. Existing "unrestricted" parking is to be maintained outside of the Works Zone hours of operation.
  - v. The applicant must ensure that the traffic lanes, footpaths and driveways, adjacent to the Works Zone, remain free of obstruction at all times during the construction.
  - vi. The applicant must inform Council's Traffic Engineer when the project is completed and the Works Zone can be removed.

- vii. This Works Zone is in an area zoned Business Special 3 (b). The fee payable shall be in accordance with Council's adopted fees and charges applying to the period for which the approval is given, and must be paid prior to the Works Zone being installed. Should the Works Zone be required for a shorter period, application may be made for a pro-rata refund.
  - viii. Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in the cancellation of the Works Zone at Council's discretion.
  - ix. Should the Works Zone be required for a period longer than the approved period, permission from the Director of Technical Services is required to extend the Works Zone.
  - x. Should the Works Zone be required for additional hours of operation on any particular day, any amendment will require the approval of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.
- B. That the applicant notifies all residents and businesses whose property frontage is within 50 metres of the Works Zone.

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**Item No:** Y9 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for consideration.

**Subject:** **No. 20 Glendon Road, Double Bay – Works Zone**

**Author:** Daniel Pearse – Traffic and Development Engineer

**File No:** 407.G Pt12

**Reason for Report:** Request for a Works Zone

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

- A. That approval be granted for a Works Zone to be temporarily installed for No.20 Glendon Road, Double Bay. The proposed Works Zone is to be located on the western side of Glendon Road, commencing from the southern side of the driveway crossover servicing No.20 Glendon Road and extending 7.9 metres in a northerly direction to the southern side of the driveway servicing No.18 Glendon Road. The Work Zone is subject to the following conditions:
- i. Any directive provided by the NSW Police Department is to be complied with.
  - ii. The Works Zone is to operate between the hours of 7.00am-4.00pm Mon-Fri and 7.00am-1.00pm Sat for a period of 45 weeks from mid April, 2009 (to be calculated from sign installation date).
  - iii. Suitable traffic control measures are to be put in place to manage truck movements to and from the construction site, and if necessary to and from the adjacent street system, in accordance with the RTA's Traffic Control at Works Sites manual.
  - iv. Existing 'unrestricted' parking restrictions are to be maintained outside of the Works Zone hours of operation.
  - v. The applicant must ensure that the traffic lanes, footpaths and driveways, adjacent to the Works Zone, remain free of obstruction at all times during the construction.

- vi. The applicant must inform Council's Traffic Engineer when the project is completed and the Works Zone can be removed.
  - vii. This Works Zone is in an area zoned as Residential 2(a). The fee payable shall be in accordance with Council's adopted fees and charges applying to the period for which the approval is given, and must be paid prior to the Works Zone being installed. Should the Works Zone be required for a shorter period, application may be made for a pro-rata refund.
  - viii. Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in the cancellation of the Works Zone at Council's discretion.
  - ix. Should the Works Zone be required for a period longer than the approved period, permission from the Director of Technical Services is required to extend the Works Zone.
  - x. Should the Works Zone be required for additional hours of operation on any particular day, any amendment will require the approval of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.
- B. That the applicant notifies all residents and businesses whose property frontage is within 50 metres of the Works Zone.

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**Item No:** Y10 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for consideration.

**Subject:** No. 2 Riddell Street, Bellevue Hill – Works Zone

**Author:** Daniel Pearse – Traffic and Development Engineer

**File No:** 407.G Pt12

**Reason for Report:** Request for a Works Zone

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

- A. That approval be granted for a Works Zone to be temporarily installed for No.2 Riddell Street, Bellevue Hill. The proposed Works Zone is to be located on the western side of Riddell Street, from the electricity pole adjoining the driveway servicing 29 Lennox Street, in a southerly direction for a distance of 5.6 metres and is subject to the following conditions:
- i. Any directive provided by the NSW Police Department is to be complied with.
  - ii. The Works Zone is to operate between the hours of 7.00am-4.00pm Mon-Fri and 7.00am-1.00pm Sat for a period of 52 weeks from mid April, 2009 (to be calculated from sign installation date).
  - iii. Suitable traffic control measures are to be put in place to manage truck movements to and from the construction site, and if necessary to and from the adjacent street system, in accordance with the RTA's Traffic Control at Works Sites manual.
  - iv. Existing 'unrestricted' parking restrictions are to be maintained outside of the Works Zone hours of operation.

- v. The applicant must ensure that the traffic lanes, footpaths and driveways, adjacent to the Works Zone, remain free of obstruction at all times during the construction.
  - vi. The applicant must inform Council's Traffic Engineer when the project is completed and the Works Zone can be removed.
  - vii. This Works Zone is in an area zoned as Residential 2(a). The fee payable shall be in accordance with Council's adopted fees and charges applying to the period for which the approval is given, and must be paid prior to the Works Zone being installed. Should the Works Zone be required for a shorter period, application may be made for a pro-rata refund.
  - viii. Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in the cancellation of the Works Zone at Council's discretion.
  - ix. Should the Works Zone be required for a period longer than the approved period, permission from the Director of Technical Services is required to extend the Works Zone.
  - x. Should the Works Zone be required for additional hours of operation on any particular day, any amendment will require the approval of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.
- B. That the applicant ensure that no damage occurs to the street tree located in the carriageway at this location.
- C. That the applicant notifies all residents and businesses whose property frontage is within 50 metres of the Works Zone.

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**Item No:** Y11 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for consideration.

**Subject:** No. 1A Wolseley Crescent, Point Piper – Works Zone

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 407.G Pt12

**Reason for Report:** Request for a Works Zone

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

- A. That approval be granted for a Works Zone to be temporarily installed for No.1A Wolseley Crescent, Point Piper. The proposed Works Zone is to be located on the western side of Wolseley Crescent for a distance of 12 metres directly opposite 1A Wolseley Crescent and is subject to the following conditions:
- i. Any directive provided by the NSW Police Department is to be complied with.
  - ii. The Works Zone is to operate between the hours of 7.00am-4.00pm Mon-Fri and 7.00am-1.00pm Sat for a period of 52 weeks from mid April, 2009 (to be calculated from sign installation date).



- iii. Suitable traffic control measures are to be put in place to manage truck movements to and from the construction site, and if necessary to and from the adjacent street system, in accordance with the RTA's Traffic Control at Works Sites manual.
  - iv. The applicant must provide a Traffic Control Plan prepared by an RTA accredited Traffic Control Consultant to cover all construction vehicle related movements to and from the site and the treatment of pedestrians while there movements are in progress. All traffic controllers used shall also be RTA accredited.
  - v. Existing "unrestricted" parking is to be maintained outside of the Works Zone hours of operation.
  - vi. The applicant must ensure that the traffic lanes, footpaths and driveways, adjacent to the Works Zone, remain free of obstruction at all times during the construction.
  - vii. Should the residents / visitors of properties to the north of No.1A Wolseley Crescent need to enter or leave Wolseley Crescent, the applicant must ensure that there is a clear traffic lane available for this manoeuvre to proceed.
  - viii. The applicant must inform Council's Traffic Engineer when the project is completed and the Works Zone can be removed.
  - ix. This Works Zone is in an area zoned as Residential(a). The fee payable shall be in accordance with Council's adopted fees and charges applying to the period for which the approval is given, and must be paid prior to the Works Zone being installed. Should the Works Zone be required for a shorter period, application may be made for a pro-rata refund.
  - x. Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in the cancellation of the Works Zone at Council's discretion.
  - xi. Should the Works Zone be required for a period longer than the approved period, permission from the Director of Technical Services is required to extend the Works Zone.
  - xii. Should the Works Zone be required for additional hours of operation on any particular day, any amendment will require the approval of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.
- B. That the applicant notifies all residents and businesses whose property frontage is within 50 metres of the Works Zone.

**Item No:** Y12 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for consideration.

**Subject:** **No. 10-12 John Street, Woollahra – Works Zone**

**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer

**File No:** 407.G Pt12

**Reason for Report:** Request for a Works Zone

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

**Recommendation:**

- A. That approval be granted for a Works Zone to be temporarily installed for No.10-12 John Street, Woollahra. The proposed Works Zone is to be located on the northern side of John Street in close proximity to the property frontage from the ELP in front of No.10 John Street for a distance of 6 metres in an easterly direction subject to the following conditions:
- i. Any directive provided by the NSW Police Department is to be complied with.
  - ii. The Works Zone is to operate between the hours of 7.00am-4.00pm Mon-Fri and 7.00am-1.00pm Sat for a period of 24 weeks from mid April, 2009 (to be calculated from sign installation date).
  - iii. Suitable traffic control measures are to be put in place to manage truck movements to and from the construction site, and if necessary to and from the adjacent street system, in accordance with the RTA's Traffic Control at Works Sites manual.
  - iv. Existing parking restrictions (2HR 8.00am-11.00pm Mon-Sat ARVE Pgtn4) is to be maintained outside of the Works Zone hours of operation.
  - v. The applicant must ensure that the traffic lanes, footpaths and driveways, adjacent to the Works Zone, remain free of obstruction at all times during the construction.
  - vi. The applicant must inform Council's Traffic Engineer when the project is completed and the Works Zone can be removed.
  - vii. This Works Zone is in an area zoned as Residential (a). The fee payable shall be in accordance with Council's adopted fees and charges applying to the period for which the approval is given, and must be paid prior to the Works Zone being installed. Should the Works Zone be required for a shorter period, application may be made for a pro-rata refund.
  - viii. Failure to comply with any of these conditions may result in the cancellation of the Works Zone at Council's discretion.
  - ix. Should the Works Zone be required for a period longer than the approved period, permission from the Director of Technical Services is required to extend the Works Zone.
  - x. Should the Works Zone be required for additional hours of operation on any particular day, any amendment will require the approval of the Woollahra Traffic Committee.

- B. That the applicant notifies all residents and businesses whose property frontage is within 50 metres of the Works Zone.
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**8. Late Items**

Nil

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There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 11.45am.

**Warwick Hatton**  
**Chair**

**Item No:** D3 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Woollahra Traffic Committee Minutes  
Extraordinary Meeting 03a/09 held on 20 APRIL 2009**  
**Author:** Warwick Hatton –Engineering Services  
**File No:** 595.G 2009  
**Reason for Report:** For the Committee to consider the recommendations of the Woollahra  
Local Traffic Committee.

**Recommendation:**

THAT the Recommendation Y13 contained in the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the  
Woollahra Traffic Committee held by email on Monday 20 April 2009 be adopted.

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**Warwick Hatton**  
**Director - Technical Services**

# Woollahra Local Traffic Committee Minutes

An extraordinary meeting of the Woollahra Local Traffic Committee (Meeting No.03a/09) was held by email on Monday 20 April 2009.

## 9. Attendances

### Committee Members:

Present: Mr Warwick Hatton (Chairman) (Woollahra Municipal Council)  
Mr Kyle Wells (Roads and Traffic Authority)  
Const L Tsolakis (Rose Bay Police)  
Mr J Giblin (Peter Debnam MP Representative)

Observer: Mr E Graham (State Transit Authority)

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## 10. Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Item No:** Y13 Traffic Matters on Local Roads – Recommendation to C&E for Consideration

**Subject:** **Double Bay – “No High Rise In Double Bay” Street March**

**Author:** Daniel Pearse – Traffic and Development Engineer

**File No:** 16.G Pt6

**Reason for Report:** Request by the community group, “No High Rise in Double Bay” for the implementation of temporary traffic control measures in order to conduct a street march through the Double Bay area.

**Committee Vote:** Unanimous Support

### **Recommendation:**

- A. That approval be granted for the conduct of a street march on the route as specified in the approved Traffic Management Plan occurring between the hours of 10:30am and 12:00pm on Sunday the 3 May, 2009 subject to the following conditions;
- i. Due to the proximity of sections of the march to the intersections of New South Head Road with Cross Street and Knox Street and the part road closures along other sections of the route, Council must submit the Traffic Management Plan to the Roads and Traffic Authority's Traffic Management Centre and receive approval from the TMC prior to Council's approval for the street march being actioned.
  - ii. The applicant shall obtain the written approval from the NSW Police Department (Rose Bay Police Station) for permission to hold a Public Assembly (Schedule 1 Form – Notice of Intention to hold a Public assembly). If security personnel are used, NSW Police should be advised of all of the relevant details.
  - iii. The applicant shall comply with all directives of the NSW Police Department and Council's Rangers, either provided on the day or beforehand.

- iv. The applicant shall be responsible for informing all residents/ business owners immediately affected by the implementation of the approved Traffic Management Plan, temporary road and lane closures within Double Bay implemented as a result of the event via a letterbox drop at least 7 days before the event.
  - v. The event organisers shall ensure the supply and erection of all barriers and traffic signs necessary for implementation of the approved Traffic Management Plan and shall be responsible for the removal of any barriers and signs immediately after completion of the event. Traffic control signs must be in accordance with the requirements of AS 1742.3. All traffic control signs must be located in accordance with the requirements of the RTA's document, "Traffic Control at Work Sites" manual.
  - vi. The event organisers shall ensure all traffic control personal utilised during the event must be RTA accredited Traffic controllers.
  - vii. Vehicles having legitimate business within the closed section of roadway shall be allowed access.
  - viii. The applicant shall be responsible for informing all Emergency Services of the proposed road closure.
  - ix. A clear passageway of 4 metres wide shall be ensured within the sections of full road closure to permit emergency access.
  - x. The applicant shall be responsible for the cost of repairing any damage caused to Council Infrastructure as a result of the event and/ or the implementation of the Traffic Management Plan.
- B. That temporary traffic control measures must be implemented during the street march in accordance with the approved Traffic Management Plan which is comprised of the documents "TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PROTOCOL FOR 'NO HIGH RISE FOR DOUBLE BAY' NSW" dated 19<sup>th</sup> April 2009 and the TCP Plans – Stages 1 to 6 (subject to the following amendments) prepared by AAA Traffic Control Pty Ltd. The TCP Plans must be revised to address the following items;
- STAGE 1: Appropriate traffic control measures are to be implemented to ensure motorists from Short Street do not enter the east bound lane of Knox Street. Advance warning signs to be located at the western entry to Short Street to cover this situation.
  - STAGE 2: Advance warning signs are to be located on Bellevue Road, west bound approaching to Cross Street (roadway not shown on TCP Stage 2).
  - STAGE 3: Traffic Control Personnel and signage to indicate to west bound traffic entering William Street from New South Head Road that they can detour via Cross Lane.
  - STAGE 4: Refer to above point.
  - STAGE 6: Traffic Control Personnel and signage to indicate to west bound traffic entering Cross Street from New South Head Road that they can detour road closure via Knox Lane.
- C. That the applicant provide Council with evidence of \$10,000,000 public liability insurance to cover any claims made against Council as a result of this activity.

- D. That should the march not proceed on 3 May, 2009 for any reason, the march can proceed on an alternate Sunday at the same times subject to the same conditions referred to in A, B and C above.

**Warwick Hatton**  
**Chair**

**Item No:** D4 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Public Art Advisory Committee Minutes**  
**Author:** Jo Jansyn, Cultural Development Coordinator  
**File No:** 1160.G Public Art  
**Reason for Report:** To table the minutes of the Public Art Advisory Committee meeting held on 8 April 2009.

**Recommendation:**

- A. That the minutes of the Public Art Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday 8 April 2009 be noted and endorsed.
- B. That a student Concept Design Project, hosted by University of New South Wales between July and October 2009, proceed for the Babies Memorial at the Royal Hospital for Women Park in Paddington.

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**Background:**

This report outlines the meeting held by the Public Art Advisory Committee (PAAC) on 8 April 2009. The main items for discussion were updates on the progress of the Double Bay Public Art Project (Eastern Gateway), a Double Bay Partnership artistic project and a Concept Design Project Proposal received from the University of New South Wales (UNSW) for the Babies Memorial at the Royal Hospital for Women Park in Paddington.

**Double Bay Public Art Project (Eastern Gateway)**

The Commissioning Agreement with the successful artist Bronwyn Berman has been finalised for the Double Bay Public Art Project. The current target date for installation of the artwork is mid June 2009. The Public Art Advisory Committee supports any opportunity for a Western Gateway installation, based on the same process as the Eastern Gateway. This will be referred back to the Public Art Advisory Committee if an opportunity is approved and funding identified.

**Double Bay Partnership**

The Double Bay Partnership are currently drafting guidelines for an artistic project, to be held as part of a larger activity and conducted in the Double Bay retail centre by the Double Bay Partnership. The Public Art Advisory Committee agreed to support the artistic component of the project by providing expert advice wherever appropriate.

**Babies Memorial at Royal Hospital for Women Park**

In early April 2009, a Concept Design Project Proposal was submitted to the Public Art Advisory Committee from UNSW. The proposal was compiled by Russell Rodrigo, Lecturer with the Interior Architecture Program at UNSW and outlines stages for the Concept Design of the Babies Memorial to be undertaken as a student project and run between July to October 2009. Please see Attachment 1 of Annexure 1 for the Concept Design Project Proposal.

Council adopted the Royal Hospital for Women Park Plan of Management on 14 March 2005, which coincided with the completion of the park landscape works.



As outlined in the Royal Hospital for Women Park Plan of Management (pg 9), the Park was:

*designed to display innovative and best practise method of meaningful interpretation of the site and its history that will make it a unique cultural facility.*

The Plan of Management indicates a number of design features including (pg 9):

*a sensitive memorial to babies and children who died at the Royal Hospital for Women will be erected in the park, consistent with the 1996 Deed of Agreement.*

To date, a concept design process has not yet commenced for the proposed memorial to babies, however has been budgeted for in the 2009/10 draft budget. Engaging with UNSW in the proposed Concept Design Project for the memorial design would allow students to gain valuable experience in a tangible project.

The Public Art Advisory Committee unanimously agreed to recommend to Council that the UNSW Concept Design Project proceeds as per the submitted proposal.

### **Chalk Art Walk**

The Public Art Advisory Committee were in support of and agreed to undertake further research into the staging of a chalk art walk at Rose Bay Promenade.

### **Conclusion**

The meeting of the Public Art Advisory Committee on 8 April discussed the progress of the Double Bay Public Art Project (Eastern Gateway) , a Double Bay Partnership artistic project and a Concept Design Project Proposal received from the University of New South Wales for the Babies Memorial at the Royal Hospital for Women Park in Paddington. The Public Art Advisory Committee agreed unanimously to recommend to Council that the Concept Design Project, undertaken by students of UNSW, proceed in the 2009/10 financial year.

Jo Jansyn  
Cultural Development Coordinator

Kylie Walshe  
Director – Community Services

### **ANNEXURES:**

1. Minutes of the Public Art Advisory Committee meeting, Wednesday 8 April.

**Item No:** D5 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Paddington Traffic Working Party meeting held  
2 April 2009**  
**Author:** Warwick Hatton, Director – Technical Services  
**File No:** 445.G PT7  
**Reason for Report:** To update Council on the issues being currently considered by the  
Paddington Traffic Working Party.

**Recommendation:**

That the Minutes of the Paddington Traffic Working Party meeting held on Thursday, 2 April 2009  
be received and noted.

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Frank Rotta  
Traffic Engineer – Traffic & Transport

Warwick Hatton  
Director – Technical Services

**ANNEXURES:**

A. Paddington Traffic Working Party Minutes 2 April 2009.

# Paddington Traffic Working Party Minutes

Thursday, 2 April 2009

## Present:

Cr S Jarnason (Chairperson)	Woollahra Municipal Council
Mr W Hatton	Woollahra Municipal Council
Mr A Opera	Woollahra Municipal Council
Mr F Rotta	Woollahra Municipal Council
Mr D Pearse	Woollahra Municipal Council
Mr B Morrison	The Paddington Society
Ms R Attuell	Clover Moore MP representative
Mr R Rosardi	STA – State Transit Authority
Mr I Broddenhurst	STA – State Transit Authority

## Apologies

Mr A Boss	BIKEast representative
Ms T Nardone	Clover Moore MP representative
Mr N Prasad	RTA – Roads & Traffic Authority

## Paddington PAMP

Concept designs for a number of the projects outlined in the Paddington Pamp Action Plan were considered:

Comber Street (at Oxford Street) Proposed kerb extensions – separate from existing kerb for drainage & proposed pedestrian crossing.

- The Paddington Society representative opposes kerb blisters that are not integral with the kerb and gutter as they present a pedestrian trip hazard.
- STA representative was not supportive of having a raised threshold as this would impose on the operation of the bus lane.
- A number of options were discussed at the meeting, namely:
  1. Implement as proposed in the plans with the kerb blister squared off and shortened to allow for RTA's Technical Directive to be implemented by using No Stopping in place of the reverse curves on the departure side of the blister.
  2. Apply a painted/ textured marking on the road pavement to improve the situation for pedestrians.
  3. Provide a raised threshold on road pavement to improve the situation for pedestrians.
  4. Integrate the kerb blister into the kerb and gutter and check drainage to ensure that this can be achieved.

- The 4<sup>th</sup> option was the favoured option and the Paddington Society representative requested that the design be presented back to the PTWP prior to implementation. He was advised that when this design was considered by the Woollahra Traffic Committee, the members of the PTWP would be sent a copy of the design for comment.

It is recommended that option 4 involving an integral kerb blister be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for consideration and that a copy of the proposal be forwarded to the members of the PTWP for comment.

Note: There was full support from the Committee for the above.

Jersey Road (west of Moncur Street) Proposed kerb extensions on both sides and installation of a pedestrian crossing.

- The original recommendations did not include a formal pedestrian crossing. All members agreed that a pedestrian crossing would be beneficial at this location and that Council should pursue the RTA's support for the pedestrian crossing through the Traffic Committee.
- The Paddington Society representative indicated that the northern section of this intersection should be landscaped to incorporate the new path at this location.

It is recommended that the proposal for integral kerb blisters and landscaping, and a marked pedestrian crossing be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for consideration.

Note: There was full support from the Committee for the above.

Elizabeth Street (south of Windsor Street) Proposed kerb extensions and pedestrian crossing.

- The Paddington Society questioned whether facilities at this location are warranted. Council officers advised that this location was identified in the PAMP study and the study had previously been accepted by the PTWP and adopted by Council.
- Paddington Society indicated they would prefer it if kerb extensions were able to be attached to the footpath without causing a problem for drainage, traffic etc. Would also like to see the kerb extension "squared off" to be more in keeping with the surrounding area.
- As integral kerb extensions are not possible at this location it was agreed that the kerb blisters would be squared off and shortened to allow for RTA's Technical directive to be implemented by using No Stopping in place of the reverse curves on the outside ends of the blisters.
- A kerb blister to protect pedestrians from vehicles turning left from Windsor Street into Elizabeth Street, would be necessary on the south eastern corner of this intersection and that this blister should be similar to the existing blister that was recently constructed in Windsor Street.

It is recommended that the proposal to install shortened and squared-up separate islands on the approach and departure side of the south-east corner, and a separate island on the south-east corner between the two pedestrian crossings be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for consideration.

Note: There was full support from the Committee for the above.

Cambridge street (north of Gurner Street) Proposed kerb extensions / reconstruction of kerb extension and pram ramp.

- Paddington Society would like to see the same principles as Elizabeth Street applied (squaring off and shortening of kerb extensions to allow for RTA's Technical directive to be implemented by using No Stopping in place of the reverse curves on the departure side of the blister)
- Suggested an edgeline be added for the left turn from Cambridge in lieu of the kerb extension into Gurner street

It is recommended that the proposal to install shortened and squared-up separate islands on the approach and departure side of the south-west corner, and a shortened and squared-up separate island on the approach side of the south-east corner, and an edgeline on the departure side of the south-east corner be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for consideration.

Note: There was full support from the Committee for the above.

Liverpool Street (south of Glenmore Road) Proposed kerb extension and pedestrian crossing.

- Design intended to replicate the design already implemented in Windsor Street at its intersection with Elizabeth Street – it was agreed that Windsor Street is a good model
- Paddington Society would like to see the same principles as Elizabeth Street applied (squaring off and shortening of kerb extensions to allow for RTA's Technical directive to be implemented by using No Stopping in place of the reverse curves on the departure side of the blister)
- Council officers queried whether this location would meet RTA warrants for a pedestrian crossing – this issue needs to be explored and determined – it was agreed that this is an important location for a pedestrian crossing as it is on a main pedestrian route from Oxford Street to Fiveways.
- Pram ramps will need to be adjusted to front the pedestrian crossing
- It was suggested that if a pedestrian crossing could not be provided at this location, then the option of a pedestrian refuge would have to be explored – Clover Moore's office indicated that would be opposed to the refuge on the basis of the large loss of parking

It is recommended that the proposal to install a shortened and squared-up separate island on the approach side of the south-west corner and a marked pedestrian crossing be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for consideration.

Note: There was full support from the Committee for the above.

Neild Avenue / Boundary Street Proposed pedestrian crossings / pram ramps.

- It was noted that most of the devices required are already installed at this location (e.g. raised threshold in Neild Avenue that can be turned into a pedestrian crossing)
- The members considered that the new northern Neild Avenue pedestrian crossing should be moved closer to Lawson Street so that it would be closer to the pedestrian desire line.
- Existing pedestrian crossings around this intersection are already heavily utilized – likely to meet RTA warrants at this location
- Existing thresholds require pram ramps.

It is recommended that the proposal to install new pedestrian crossings and pram ramps on the northern Neild Avenue leg and on the western Boundary Street leg be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for consideration.

Note: There was full support from the Committee for the above.

Jersey Road (west of Caledonia Street) Council reconstruction of Jersey Road designed to incorporate PAMP access recommendations.

- The RTA has provided comments in relation to sight distance at this location that need to be reviewed.
- Recommended changes summarized:

It is recommended that the proposal be modified by deleting the pedestrian refuge, widening of the blister on the western side, shortening and squaring-up all blisters, redesign of the landscaping on the eastern side and the introduction of a marked pedestrian crossing, and that the proposal be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for consideration.

Note: There was full support from the Committee for the above.

Cascade Street / Glenmore Road / Hampden Street Proposed kerb extension and pedestrian refuge and concrete median.

- There are already 2 pedestrian crossings in place on the northern and western legs of this intersection.
- There were no objections to the pedestrian refuge on the existing pedestrian crossing across the western leg of this intersection.
- It was considered that the pedestrian refuge in Hampden Street on the eastern leg of the intersection should not proceed and a kerb extension be constructed on the northern side of Hampden Street just east of Cascade Street. This would have the dual effect of improving safety for pedestrians as well as improving sight distance for south bound vehicles at this location.
- It was also suggested that a Stop sign be put in Hampden Street (make a three-way Stop sign) – this could be installed after the intersection is altered and trialled.

It is recommended that the proposal be modified by deleting the pedestrian refuge and constructing a kerb extension on the northern side of Hampden Street be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for consideration, and that the installation of a Stop sign on Hampden Street be considered further following completion of the abovementioned works.

Note: There was full support from the Committee for the above.

West Street (south of Boundary Street) Proposed kerb extension and pram ramp.

- After considering whether or not this facility was warranted it was agreed that the PAMP study had targeted this location and the plan has been adopted by Council and this facility should proceed.
- The parking lane should be increased in depth to 2.5 metres.
- Council officers to determine whether or not a tree might be planted at this location.

It is recommended that the proposal involving an integral kerb blister on the western corner be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for consideration, and that the planting of a tree in this location be considered by Council.

Note: There was full support from the Committee for the above.

West Street (north of Oxford Street) Proposed kerb extension.

- Same issues raised about this location as Comber Street (at Oxford Street) – same issues applies
- Recommended that this location and Comber Street (at Oxford Street) be looked at together

It is recommended that the proposal involving an integral kerb blister on the western corner be referred to the Woollahra Traffic Committee for consideration.

Note: There was full support from the Committee for the above.

**Cascade Street – Gas pipe damage from Jemena works**

Extensive damage following Jemena works – is this to be repaired?

Council staff advised that Jemena were carrying out the works with temporary patches while they proceed with the pipeline installation and they will then come back and do proper restorations. This will allow the road to settle before the restoration is done. Staff also noted that wherever possible, other streetscape works are being brought forward in Council's program to "fix" areas of works.

**Next Meeting**

Next meeting to be held as required.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 11.20pm.

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**Item No:** D6 Delegated to Council  
**Subject:** Boat ad Trailer Parking o Public Roads  
**Author:** Frank Rotta – Traffic Engineer  
**File No:** 255.G  
**Reason for Report:** To respond to a Council Resolution

**Recommendation:**

- A. That Council make representations to the LGSA, SSROC, the Minister for Roads and the Premier of NSW to set up a taskforce with a view to changing the NSW Road Rules in a manner which would allow councils to regulate the use of their local roads with respect to boats and trailers.

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**Background**

There have been a number of questions without notice, councillor requests and public complaints over recent months in respect of the parking of boats and trailers on public roads. These complaints relate to the number, size and appearance of boats/trailers, the long term over-use of public on-street parking for these boats/trailers, and in some cases the traffic hazards which large boats/trailers present to motorists and pedestrians.

Woollahra Municipality is a harbour-side council and therefore a considerable number of private boat owners reside within the municipality. Also, as Woollahra is the only southern harbour-side council east of the CBD with a public boat ramp the area attracts a large number of non-resident boat owners.

Problems are also being experienced due to the parking of advertising trailers on main arterial routes throughout the municipality. This practice is seen by commercial organisations as a cheap way of advertising their products and services, but removes parking spaces in areas of high demand.

This problem has become widespread with the major areas of concern for both boats and advertising trailers being on New South Head Road through Rose Bay and on Old South Head Road alongside Christensen Park, and for boat trailers in the Darling Point Peninsula (in particular New Beach Road), in Kiaora Road, Double Bay, and in the vicinity of Lyne Park boat ramp.

This is not a new problem, and in fact is a problem over which Woollahra and other Councils have struggled unsuccessfully for many years to resolve.

## Issues

Current legislation does not permit the exclusion of registered boats/trailers from legal parking spaces on any public roads. To overcome the inadequacy of legislation therefore, Woollahra Council several years ago introduced resident parking schemes in O'Sullivan Road and Newcastle Street, Rose Bay, to force non-resident owners to move their boats and trailers which were "permanently" parked in these streets. By introducing 1P resident parking for two hours on one day each week and by deeming residents' boats and trailers to be resident vehicles (with RTA approval), this strategy succeeded in moving non-resident boats/trailers out of O'Sullivan Road and Newcastle Street.

There are however a number of disadvantages in using a resident parking scheme to resolve the problem of long-stay boats and trailers on public roads, namely:

1. Residents are also disadvantaged. They must pay for permits and their eligibility for permits for motorised vehicles is reduced as only a maximum of two permits (overall) can be issued per residence.
2. Tradesmen and visitors to residences within the area are not exempt under the Guidelines.
3. Signage is unsightly.
4. The basic strategy is flawed as owners of non-resident boats/trailers simply relocate to another street in the same neighbourhood (e.g. from Newcastle Street to Norwich Road and Wilberforce Avenue).

Instead of introducing residents parking, Council has recently introduced 4P 6.00am – 12 noon, Monday-Friday parking on the northern side of New South Head Road, Rose Bay, so as to prevent permanent parking of advertising trailers in this location. While this has been effective in removing the trailers from this location this strategy is similarly flawed as the problem has re-appeared in nearby locations. One of the trailers which previously parked in New South Head Road is now parked in Wunulla Road outside the Rose Bay Police Station.

There are a number of councils which have similar problems to those being experienced in the Woollahra Municipality and those councils have for some time been trying to get the NSW Government to alter legislation with respect the parking of boats and trailers.



At the 2008 Local Government & Shires Association of NSW (LGSA) Annual Conference, North Sydney Council put forward Motion No. 159 requesting that the State Government change Road Rule 200 to allow councils to regulate on-street parking of trailers. The conference referred the motion to the LGSA Executive for consideration. Listed below is a copy of Motion No. 159, a note to the Executive from North Sydney Council and the Executive's response to North Sydney Council.

***“Motion No. 159 - North Sydney \*Amend Australian Road Rule 200***

*That the Local Government Association makes representation to the State Government to amend Australian Road Rule 200 such that the local authority can regulate parking restrictions, relating to non-motorised vehicles (i.e. registered boats or trailers), in built-up areas to suit local conditions, e.g. may only park in unrestricted zones in a built-up area for no more than 24 hours regardless of its weight or length.*

***Attached Note from North Sydney Council to LGSA Executive:***

*Currently it is only an offence to park a boat or trailer for greater than an hour in a built-up area if the object is a heavy vehicle (GVM of 4.5 tonnes or more) or long vehicle (a vehicle that, together with any load or projection, is 7.5 metres long or longer).*

*The demand for parking in inner urban dense residential areas such as North Sydney is extremely high. Boats and trailers in these areas take up the very scarce parking resource, often for weeks or months on end, without moving. Residents find this frustrating, as they are already competing with commuters and visitors to the area for the limited supply of parking spaces.*

*The installation of parking restrictions tends to move the boats or trailers just around the corner, therefore just moving the problem to another street.*

***Executive Response to North Sydney Council:***

*This is existing Local Government Association policy or subject to ongoing work and appropriate representations.”*

This motion stems from a similar problem to that being experienced in Woollahra, in that the provision of signposting is ineffective as it only moves the problem to the next available unrestricted area. The Executive response to North Sydney Council indicates that the problem is recognised by the LGSA but that it cannot be adequately addressed on a local level and requires changes to legislation by the NSW State Government to enable councils to deal with such issues.

It is noted that this problem is one for councils located in the Sydney area only as it is unlikely to be an issue in rural areas of NSW. Other major centres such as Newcastle and Wollongong may however also be experiencing similar problems.

It is considered that Council should write to the LGSA, the Southern Sydney Region of Councils (SSROC), the Minister for Roads and the Premier providing a copy of this report and requesting that a task-force be established to examine the changing of the NSW Road Rules in a manner which would allow councils to regulate the use of their local roads with respect to boats and trailers.

Frank Rotta  
Traffic Engineer – Engineering Services

Warwick Hatton  
Director Technical Services

**Item No:** D7 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Petition Entitled “Cuts to Bus Service 324 and 325”**  
**Author:** Alan Opera – Manager Engineering Services  
**File No:** 884.G 2008 / 255.G Workshop Pt2 / 261.G Pt6  
**Reason for Report:** Report in relation to a petition presented to Council

**Recommendation:**

- A. That Council write to Sydney Buses requesting an increase in services on routes 324 and 325 and improved connections between routes 324 and 386 at Vaocluse.

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**Background:**

On 3 November 2008, a petition was presented to Council signed by 208 residents. The Petition was in the terms:

*“We oppose the proposed cuts to the bus services presently servicing buses 324 and 325.”*

Following receipt of this petition Sydney Buses was questioned as to the veracity of the petitioners’ claim that services on routes 324 and 325 would be cut. In December 2008 Council received verbal advice that Sydney Buses was not proposing any changes to these two routes. In a letter dated 13 February 2009 further confirmed this verbal advice stating:

*“During 2008, Sydney Buses did not signalise any proposed cuts to the routes 324 & 325. Any information in circulation with regard to frequency reductions on these routes during last year is not sanctioned and is misleading.”*

Although this advice is welcomed, consideration should be given to not only retaining the existing level of service but also to improve the level of service. During the Bus Services Review conducted in 2008 by the Ministry of Transport, Council conducted a survey of Woollahra residents and the following summarises the comments received:

- Services need to be planned - Bus 324 reaches Vaocluse at 9:13 but the 386 bus to Bondi Junction leaves at 9:12
- The route 325 service has a degree of unreliability.
- Both the 324 and 325 are too infrequent - and then often 3 will come at once
- Respondents would like to see improved service on routes 386, 324, 325
- 79.2% of responses indicated demand for increased bus services on all routes.

**Conclusion:**

Sydney Buses has advised that they do not intend to reduce the 324 and 325 services and therefore no further action is required in relation to the received petition. However, as Council's survey results show that there are areas in which these services can be improved for our residents, it is recommended that Council reply to the Sydney Buses asking them to increase services on these routes and improve the connections between the 324 and 386 bus routes.

Alan Opera  
**Manager Engineering Services**

Warwick Hatton  
**Director Technical Services**

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**ANNEXURES:**

Nil

**Item No:** D8 Delegated to Committee  
**Subject:** **Library Quarterly Report 1 January 2009 to 31 March 2009**  
**Author:** Vicki Munro, Manager, Library and Information Services  
**File No:** 48.G / 48.G (Strategic)  
**Reason for Report:** To review the operations of Woollahra Library and Information Service for the quarter, 1 January to 31 March 2009.

**Recommendation:**

- A. That the report of the library service for the quarter 1 January to 31 March 2009 be received and noted.

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This report reviews Woollahra Library and Information Service's activities and projects for the quarter 1 January to 31 March 2009, including detailed statistical analysis, as well as progress in implementing the Library Strategic Plan, *The Way Forward*.

1.0 Library Usage

To gain a better understanding of the Library usage, this report compares statistics from 1 January 2009 to March 2009 with the same quarter for the previous year – 1 January to 31 March 2008. See Annexure 1 for all statistical figures.

Significant points to note include:

**1.1 Lending Services**

- As at 31 March 2009, there were 15,281 active members of the Library Service. Active membership is defined as borrowers who have used the service within a two year period. This represents a 5% decrease from the 16,094 active members in the same quarter last year.

New memberships increased by 7% across all service points for this quarter. This represents 1,069 new members. The most significant increases were new memberships registered at Double Bay. A contributing factor for attracting new members has been the installation of wireless internet.

As outlined in the Library Strategic Plan, the Library will be undertaking a targeted membership drive in 2009. The general library benchmark for borrowers to population is 49%. The percentage of borrowers to population currently sits at 30.46% based on the Woollahra LGA population of 50,161 (2006 ABS census).

- The total circulation across all Library service points for this quarter was 96,981 issues. This represents a small decrease of 1% over the same quarter last year (98,237). This decrease is largely due to a change in the loan period for DVDs from one week to three weeks resulting in fewer renewals. The change was implemented from 1 January 2009 due to borrower requests for standardisation of loan periods and has been enthusiastically welcomed by the members.
- This change in loan period for DVDs has affected the circulation statistics for the Audiovisual material, which recorded decreases at Double Bay and Paddington. The Toy collection continues to decrease in usage. A review of this collection will be undertaken by the Resource Management team by June 2009. In regards to the periodical collection, its circulation continued to increase by 10% this quarter from 5,141 to 5,663.

- During the quarter, there was an average of 44.09 loans per hour which has remained constant from the previous quarter. A total of 60,344 people visited Double Bay and Paddington Libraries. It should be noted that parking restrictions continues to be an issue for library users, with the impact of the recent roadworks on Victoria Rd, Bellevue Hill causing particular difficulties for users accessing Double Bay Central Library.
- It is pleasing to report that since the installation of WiFi at Double Bay and Paddington Libraries in December 2008, its popularity continues to grow with a total of 1,347 sessions recorded this quarter. The service is available from 7am to 7pm and is free to use.

## 1.2 Reference and Information Services

- The number of reference enquiries received this quarter has fallen by 27% to 7,235 in comparison to the same period last year. However it represents a 6% increase over the last quarter (from 6,827 Oct-Dec 08/09 to 7,235 Jan –Mar 08/09). These figures could be due to library borrowers being better educated in using our resources to resolve any reference enquiries.
- The Local History enquiries also had a small decline of 3% from 668 in 2007/08 to 650 this quarter.

During this quarter the Local History Centre completed the third and final stage of the Women in Woollahra project, an oral history and biographical project. The third stage subjects were Thistle Harris Stead and Patricia Thompson and their biographies were placed on Council's Local History webpage along with images and sound bites from the oral history recordings.

The project was celebrated at the International Women's Day function held on Thursday 5 March 2009.

- The online database usage within the Library has continued to increase this quarter with 30% more searches over the same period last year. This represents an increase from 2,980 searches to 3,785 searches this quarter. This can be attributed to improved knowledge and confidence with these resources. However there was a small reduction in the number of searches conducted remotely (at home).

As reported previously, a review of online resources will be conducted in 2009. Unfortunately this review has yet to be undertaken due to a delay in the release of the State Library's NSW.net review, which is a major supplier of our Library's electronic resources.

- The Library introduced an online homework tutor program called YourTutor in 2007. YourTutor connects students via the Internet to qualified, expert tutors for individual conversations about homework, assignments, exam preparation and study questions. It is pleasing that there continues to be an increase in the number of student sessions over the 2008/09 year.

## 1.3 Library Programs

- The Library service completed a review of its Storytime program in December 2008 and as a result a new age-specific Children's Program was formulated and implemented from 28 January 2009. The program now consists of:

- weekly Rhyme Time for 0-2 year olds at the Double Bay Central Library and Paddington Library;
- weekly Preschool Storytime sessions for 3-5 year olds were re-established at both Double Bay and Paddington Libraries with an extension to the Watsons Bay Library; and
- monthly Book Club for the 8 years and over began at Double Bay Library.

As a result of the new program and associated promotion, attendance has increased markedly across across all service points. In comparison to the same quarter in 2007/08, there were 52 sessions with 480 children attending, whereas this quarter 60 sessions were held with 1,029 children attending.

Within these results was a 122% increase in attendance at Double Bay from 147 children attending 17 sessions to 345 children attending 18 sessions; a 149% increase at Paddington with 442 children attending 20 sessions this quarter in comparison to 231 children attending 26 sessions last year; and Watsons Bay welcomed 92 children during the quarter for the branch's first 9 preschool Storytime sessions.

Storytime at Holdsworth Community Centre and Service recorded a small increase in attendance of 2% from 102 children attending 9 sessions to 150 children attending 13 sessions.

- During the quarter, the Children's team facilitated its annual Summer Reading Club – a program designed to encourage children to read over the summer. Using the theme “Get in the Game”, 104 children registered and in excess of 600 books were read throughout the LGA. Games hours were held in conjunction with the Club at all service points and attracted 52 children.

To celebrate the end of the Summer Reading Club, a Mad Hatters Tea Party was held on Thursday 22 January 2009. The party included readings from *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, afternoon tea, mad hat making and croquet. 42 children and 20 adults attended the party. Prizes were presented to children by the Mayor, Councillor Andrew Petrie for the best book review and for most books read.

All Libraries participated in Harbour Week and Harmony Day. During Harbour Week (7-15 March 2009) John Williamson-Noble, the author of the hugely popular *Fergus the Ferry*, kindly read his books to an appreciative audience of Woollahra Preschool and storytime regulars. During the week of Harmony Day, 21 March 2009, staff from Community Services demonstrated various multicultural activities from Scottish Dancing to Tai Chi.

Youth Week (28 March to 4 April) was celebrated with a retrospective display of past winners and entries of the Woollahra Council Youth Photographic Award.

- The Home Library Service continues to provide material to 188 individual borrowers and 5 institutions. Five volunteers currently assist in the provision of this service. Circulation within the Home Library Service has decreased 18% from 4,924 to 4,046 issues this quarter. It is believed that the decrease could be due to the rollout of new software for the Audio-Navigator collection in January 2009. Previously statistics were kept manually, the new software will allow for improved reporting functionality.
- The Library Service launched the Writers & Readers 2009 program with Bryce Courtenay on 12 March 2009. He spoke to Irina Dunn on his books “Fishing for Stars” and “The Persimmon Tree”. 78 people attended.

Other key events held during the quarter included :

- Library Lovers Day held on Saturday 14 February 2009 where the Library was decorated in pink and red; a morning tea was provided by Library Friends; free reservation vouchers and 65 “blind date” books were given away. The *I Love My Library* competition ran at all service points and 135 entries were received. An adult and a children’s prize was awarded in each branch.
- The 20th Anniversary Time Warp Poets’ Picnic was held on Tuesday 24 February 2009 and featured four readers from the original Poets’ Picnic held in 1990 for the International Year of Literacy: Blanche d’Alpuget, Peter Coleman, Bryce Courtenay and Tony Whitlam (representing his mother Margaret). Five other well known poets and students from four local high schools also read. 350 people attended the Poet’s Picnic this year.
- The monthly Tea Topics series for 2009 commenced on Friday 27 March 2009 with Warren Fahey talking about “Tucker Tracks”. The event attracted 20 people, who enjoyed a nostalgic look at the curious history and folklore of food in Australia.



The Poets and Readers for the 2009 Poets Picnic  
2.0 Library Strategic Plan – Progress update



The crowd at Poets Picnic

The Library Strategic Plan “The Way Forward” was adopted by Council on 17 December 2007. Progress on the key strategies is as follows:

- **Library Restructure:**

The Library introduced its new structure on 14 July 2008, to support the implementation of the Library Strategic Plan. A six monthly review was conducted with key staff to determine if any changes were required. Apart from some fine tuning of job descriptions, the structure was reinstated.

- **Building:**

Council approved the Development application on Watsons Bay Tea Gardens on 23 February 2009. The Watsons Bay Library will now relocate to the Tea Gardens building. Tender documents are currently being finalised and will be advertised in early May 2009.

Planning for the renovation of the entrance, front desk area and audio visual area at Double Bay Central Library has continued and it is anticipated to undertake this work by December 2009.

- **Collection:**

Using the Local Government Procurement contract, the Library has received its first deliveries of shelf ready books from James Bennett Book Suppliers. The books have been selected, catalogued and processed by the supplier resulting in items being quickly delivered and distributed to all Library Service points. As this is a new system, it has required some finetuning and work is underway on expanding the procurement to other collections e.g. Large Print.

- **Process Improvements:**  
Children's Storytime Review completed in December 2009. New children's program implemented in January 2009.

A review of the reservations process has commenced and will be finalised by May 2009.

Home Library Review continues to be actioned with consultation with the State Library of New South Wales in relation to best practice for this service.

- **Technology**  
Introduction of WiFi at Double Bay and Paddington Libraries from 17 December 2008 has resulted in increasing usage and membership to the Library service.

The Library initiated a Twitter account on 5 March 2009. Twitter is an online social networking communication tool that allows for the quick and simple updates of programmes and events.

A draft tender document has been prepared calling for a Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) system. It may be possible to undertake this project on a regional basis / or at least in consultation with Waverley Library.

The Library's Information Technology Plan is currently being drafted. It is anticipated that it will be completed by May 2009.

### 3.0 Community Information

#### **3.1 Projects**

- The new 2009 Library children's program was launched in January and this was promoted through flyers, posters and the What's On calendar.
- An educational anti car theft campaign commenced in February to the community.

#### **3.2 Community Information Database**

- A new-look LINCS was launched in February along with associated website updates and renaming to the Community Information Database. A demonstration was conducted with Customer Service in February which is a likely contributor to the increased searches.
- LINCS searches continue to grow exponentially on previous months. This quarter showed a fourfold increase from 250 searches last quarter to 1,253 searches this quarter. This is likely to be a result of the increased promotion of LINCS.

#### **3.3 New Resident's Kits**

- A total of 36 new residents' kits were requested this quarter representing a drop of 44% on last quarter. The cause is unclear, but will be monitored in future reports.



**Conclusion:**

The Library and Information Service, including Community Information, has had a wonderful start to the new year with successful implementation of the new Children's program, the fast and efficient delivery of new books through the new procurement model and the introduction of new technology initiatives. 2009 looks like an exciting year.

Vicki Munro  
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**ANNEXURES:**

Annexure 1: Library Statistics for Quarter 3 January - March 2009

**POLITICAL DONATIONS DECISION MAKING FLOWCHART  
FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCILLORS**

