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Road: New Line Road Suburb: Cherrybrook

Location: Near the intersection with Cedarwood Drive

File Ref: F2004/09785-02 LTC No: 15/2021

Electorate: Epping

Google Map: https://goo.gl/maps/f57Nyax2gvinXWaBA

Subject: Proposed Bus Stop Relocation and Consolidation of Bus Stops

Date of Circulation: 7 July 2021

REFERRAL OF TRAFFIC MATTER FOR COMMENT OR OBJECTION, IF ANY

SUMMARY

This report details the traffic implications of the proposed bus stop relocation and consolidation on bus stops on New Line Road, Cherrybrook, near the intersection with Cedarwood Drive. (Transit Stop Number 2126123 and Transit Stop Number 2126155)

SUBJECT

Council has received a request from ComfortDelgro Corporation (CDC) bus company to make changes to existing bus stops and associated 'Bus Zone' signs in New Line Road, Cherrybrook, near the intersection with Cedarwood Drive.

CDC bus company has undertaken a safety and operational assessment of the existing bus stop located after the intersection with Cedarwood Drive opposite the West Pennant Hills Sports Club. This assessment has identified a number of issues with this stop.

In particular, the presence of a kerb extension at the pedestrian refuge located on the immediate approach to the stop provides inadequate draw-in distance to the stop, which when coupled with a narrow shoulder, results in the rear of stopped buses often protruding into the traffic lane and obstructing passing traffic. These issues are especially a concern given the relatively high volume of traffic using New Line Road and the high frequency of bus services using this stop, including Sydney Olympic Park Special Event Buses.

This also means that buses are often unable to pull-in completely parallel with the kerb with the front of the bus in-line with the Bus Stop sign. CDC has undertaken a detailed Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) assessment of the stop and found that compliance could be achieved at its existing location.

To address the issues identified by CDC it is proposed that:

- 1. The existing 'Bus Zone' and bus stop outside no. 110-112 New Line Road be removed. This area will be returned to unrestricted parking.
- 2. The existing 'Bus Zone' outside no. 96 New Line Road be removed. This area will be converted to a 'No Stopping' zone to maintain traffic flow and sight lines near the existing pedestrian refuge.
- New full-time 'Bus Zone', 30 metres in length, be installed in New Line Road, north of the intersection with Cedarwood Drive (along side boundary of No 70 Cedarwood Drive)
- 4. Existing 'No Stopping' in New Line Road north of Cedarwood Drive will remain unchanged.

CONSULTATION

CDC has undertaken community consultation with nearby residents and occupiers. Stakeholders were invited to make comments on the proposal from 19 April to 7 May 2021. CDC has not received any feedback regarding this proposal.

CONCLUSION

The proposed changes to bus stops in New Line Road, Cherrybrook will result in fewer but better located bus stops along the existing route. Consolidation of existing bus stops will also improve bus operating times.

ATTACHMENTS

 Submission to the Local Traffic Committee for ComfortDelgro Corporation (CDC) bus company (7 pages).

RECOMMENDATION THAT

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Note for voting Local Traffic Committee members.

Under Transport for NSW 'Delegation of Functions to Regulate Traffic' (operation of local traffic committees) you are required to comment or indicate your acceptance or objection to the recommendation of this report. Your response must be submitted in writing within 14 days of the date of this notice. Please send your response via return email for the item, or email trafficbranch@hornsby.nsw.gov.au. For further information please contact Radek Zarzycki on 9847 6524. Upon receipt of your comments the matter will be referred to Council for action.

Radek Zarzycki Chairman

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<u>Issued Date</u>: Wednesday, 7 July 2021

Comments Close Date: Thursday, 22 July 2021, at 5:00pm