

Public Consultation Package - Proposed Marked Pedestrian Crossing - Tecoma Drive, Glenorie - To The Resident and Glenorie Public School - 13 Letters - 29 November to 14 December 2023

F2005/00948: TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT - PLANNING - Traffic - Tecoma Drive - Glenorie

SUBMISSION METHOD	SUBMISSION TRIM NUMBER	ROLE	SUBMISSION	COUNCIL RESPONSE	SUPPORT	SUPPORT WITH OTHER SUGGESTION	OBJECT
EMAIL	D0877444	REFERRAL COMMENTS - TfNSW	Thank you for your email regarding the proposed pedestrian crossing upgrade near Glenorie Public School. TfNSW has reviewed the proposed changes and has no objections or concerns regarding these.	Comment noted	1		
EMAIL	D0877452	REFERRAL COMMENTS - Hills Police	Thank you.	Comment noted	1		
EMAIL	D08778254	REFERRAL COMMENTS - Ausgrid	Ausgrid has no objections to the proposal. Council may wish to consider the need for AS1158 pedestrian crossing lighting at the site.	Comment noted	1		
FEEDBACK FORM	D08779567	RATEPAYER GLENORIE	Whilst it is welcome to see some very modest improvements to amenity in Glenorie, it is disappointing that it has taken HSC over 50 years to make any attempt to improve conditions for pedestrians in the residential or rural areas in Glenorie. It is hard to understand why there are NO footpaths or cycle paths in any part of this area, particularly when significant funds from the recently approved Special Rates Variation will be spent specifically and exclusively on footpaths and cycleways in suburbs to the east of Galston Gorge. The proposed modifications to the pedestrian crossing will still end at a grass verge on the eastern side of Tecoma Drive which has always been difficult for parents with prams and strollers to negotiate, as a result most will continue to walk on the road. Surely in 2023 this will be seen as an unnecessary safety hazard.	The footpath will provide connection across the road between the approved childcare centre and the other side of the road. Continuation of the path along Tecoma Drive will be considered in Council's future footpath program which prioritises locations near schools.		1	
FEEDBACK FORM	D08780975	The School Crossing Supervisor	Great upgrade. Thank you. Hopefully it will make my job easier. I am the School crossing supervisor	Comment noted	1		
FEEDBACK FORM	D08781640	RATEPAYER GLENORIE	Great idea! Thank you. Long overdue it would be nice to see kerb and gutter along old northern road from the school up to Timaru street.	Comment noted. Provision of kerb and gutter along Old Northern Road is a matter for Transport for NSW. Council will pass the comments on to TfNSW.		1	
EMAIL	D08787102	RATEPAYER GLENORIE - Tecoma	Dear Sir - I am writing in response to the proposed changes in Tecoma Drive, Glenorie to "provide a safe crossing location for pedestrians, especially school children." Firstly, I fully support the need for a crossing for school children but I don't understand the need to change the current arrangements. The crossing, with a dedicated crossing supervisor, has been in place and functioning efficiently before and after school for many years. Secondly ,what is the need for "the replacement of existing Part-time No Stopping restrictions in Tecoma Drive with full-time No Stopping "? The school and more particularly the newly- installed long day care, for which I assume these changes are being made, are not open after 6.30 p.m. on weekdays and are closed on weekends. The changes will impact residents in the evening and on weekends. Visitors to my home, including my three children, will not be able to park on the street outside my property in 16 Tecoma Drive at these times. Finally, if Hornsby Council was really cations near schools.ety of our children, consideration should be given to the removal of the massive gum tree outside my property that children walk under every school day to get to and from the crossing. This tree regularly drops limbs. It has damaged my vehicle and a few years ago it dropped a limb on power lines which sparked and took out power to hundreds of homes. I contacted the Council, in writing, regarding this hazard, to no avail. Additionally, I find the notion of installing "footpath connections" to be puzzling. I partitioned the Council over 25 years ago, on behalf of the Glenorie Pre-school Committee, to install footpaths throughout Glenorie. Seeing mothers pushing prams and walking young children on the street because of a lack of footpaths was just an accident waiting to happen. I was told by Council representatives that "it wasn't on the five year plan". Apparently it hasn't been on the 25 year plan either! The only footpath that exists in the Hornsby sub-division is a slab of concrete at the back entrance to the school. Residents on The Hills Council side of Glenorie, however, enjoy footpaths throughout their subdivision. What a difference one street, Old Northern Road, can make in the decision-making of two Councils. Having taught primary school children for 34 years, seven of which were spent at Glenorie Public School, and having lived in our home in Glenorie for 37 years, I am heavily invested in the safety of children and families in this community. I don't believe that changes to the signage will make it any safer but removing the tree and installing footpaths probably will. I ask that the Hornsby Local Traffic Committee re-consider the proposal and recognise the need to implement my suggestions to make our community safer. I look forward to your response.	The Australian Standards require that all marked crossings must be signposted with full time "No Stopping" restrictions. It is not possible to have a marked crossing with part time parking restrictions. Parking on local roads near educational institutions is generally managed to ensure safe operation of pedestrian facilities, bus zones and pick-up / drop-off zones. As the Hornsby Shire population increases, changes to the local road network, including parking regulations are unavoidable. Residents have access to off-street parking in accordance with Development Control Plan. On-street parking in Tecoma is generally available at other locations away from the school crossing. The issue of gum tree removal has been referred to Council Parks team for further investigation. The footpath will provide connection across the road between the approved child care centre and the other side of the road. Continuation of the path along Tecoma Drive will be considered in Council's future footpath program which prioritises locations near schools.			1
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