

HORNSBY SHIRE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

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Road:	Railway Parade and The Esplanade
Suburb:	Thornleigh
Location:	Thornleigh Train Station
File Ref:	F2006/00899 - Traffic - Railway Parade - Thornleigh
	F2004/09908 - Traffic - The Esplanade - Thornleigh
LTC No:	25/2022
	23/2022
Electorate:	Ku-ring-gai
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REFERRAL OF TRAFFIC MATTER FOR COMMENT OR OBJECTION, IF ANY

SUMMARY

This report details the traffic and parking implications for TfNSW access upgrades at Thornleigh Train Station including a new pedestrian crossing, angle parking and parking restrictions in Railway Parade and The Esplanade.

SUBJECT

Upgrade works are proposed in the immediate vicinity of the Thornleigh Train Station in order to accommodate access to the platforms for people with disabilities. These upgrades include installation of station lifts, accessible parking space and pedestrian crossing opportunities on Railway Parade.

A new raised pedestrian crossing will be installed at the intersection of Station Street and Railway Parade. The crossing location is on property owned by TfNSW (part of Station Street). As such, <u>the pedestrian crossing proposal</u> falls outside the jurisdiction of the Local Traffic Committee and is referred for information only.

Key features of the proposal are:

- 3 new lifts to provide access to the station platforms.
- weather protection screens and canopies at the lift entries.
- improved access to the waiting rooms.
- a new family accessible toilet and unisex ambulant toilet.
- upgrades to the bus stop and seating on The Esplanade.
- new accessible pedestrian pathways throughout the station and entrances.
- upgrades to the existing accessible parking spaces in the commuter car park.
- a new accessible parking space and kiss and ride area on Railway Parade.
- new bicycle parking hoops.
- new canopy coverage over the Boarding Assistance Zone on Platform 3.
- improvements to CCTV, lighting and wayfinder signage.
- electrical upgrades to accommodate new infrastructure.
- modifications to existing stairs.
- new stairs on Railway Parade walkway connecting to the existing station footbridge.

Traffic matters for consideration by the Hornsby Local Traffic Committee:

- New accessible parking space (Disabled Parking) and kiss and ride area (No Parking) in Railway Parade.
- Turn around area in Railway Parade.
- Kerb blister in Railway Parade.
- Angle parking spaces in Railway Parade.
- Relocation of Bus Stop in The Esplanade.
- Kiss and ride area (No Parking) in The Esplanade.

Copies of design drawings and signage plans are attached.

CONSULTATION

Community consultation was undertaken by Transport for NSW between October 2020 and November 2022. Community updates were sent to affected residents, retailers and community groups. During this consultation, community members were provided with an opportunity to raise feedback for the Proposal, which was considered in the further development of the early concept design. The *Thornleigh Station Upgrade (Review of Environmental Factors) REF* was placed on public display from Monday 8 February 2021 to Monday 22 February 2021 on the TfNSW corporate website and TfNSW Have Your Say website.

A total of 52 submissions were received via letter, email, and online submissions including the posted comments on the project website and Facebook. Community submissions are addressed in Table 1, while submissions received from Hornsby Shire Council and Hornsby Shire Historical Society are addressed in Table 2. Submissions included feedback on a range of issues in relation to the Proposed Activity.

The key issues raised in submissions were:

- support for the Proposed Activity
- requests for opportunities to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility at the station, including extension of the existing Pennant Hills Road overbridge
- requests to improve traffic and existing parking facilities, or provide more parking spaces
- requests for consideration of urban design, landscaping and visual amenity improvements
- requests for consideration of improvements to local bus services and facilities
- queries in relation to biodiversity impacts
- requests for additional consideration of impacts on local heritage
- queries in relation to project timing
- requests that the Proposed Activity does not preclude future expansion of the rail corridor.

A copy of the determination report including tabulated repones to submissions is attached.

CONCLUSION

The access and road safety improvements at Thornleigh Train Station in Railway Parade and The Esplanade, Thornleigh are considered appropriate and will benefit the commuters and visitors to Thornleigh.

RECOMMENDATION THAT

 The road works and regulatory signage in Railway Parade and The Esplanade at Thornleigh Train Station be approved as per Plan No 150337-THR-CI-DRG-02165 and The Esplanade - Signage Plan LTC 25/2022.

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 <u>trafficbranch@hornsby.nsw.gov.au</u> 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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