

# HORNSBY SHIRE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

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Road:	Arcadia Road
Suburb:	Galston
Location:	north of Martin Road
File Ref:	F2014/00129: Traffic - Arcadia Road - Galston
LTC No:	15/2024
Electorate:	HORNSBY
Google Map:	https://maps.app.goo.gl/RYJmFsCg7BLWoK568
Subject:	Proposed Pedestrian Crossing
Date of Circulation:	Monday, 15 April 2024

# REFERRAL OF TRAFFIC MATTER FOR COMMENT OR OBJECTION, IF ANY

## **SUMMARY**

This report details the traffic implications of the proposed Pedestrian Crossing in Arcadia Road, Galston, near 30A Arcadia Road.

## **SUBJECT**

#### The Proposal

Council is proposing to install a full-time marked pedestrian crossing at the existing "Pedestrian Refuge" in Arcadia Road. This upgrade will improve drivers' awareness of the crossing and improve safety of pedestrians. It is also proposed to relocate the bus stop closer to the new crossing.

Key features of the proposal are:

- Installation of painted 'Zebra' marked crossing lines and pedestrian crossing signs.
- Relocation of the existing bus stop in Arcadia Road from No 28 to No 32/34 Arcadia Road.
- Construction of path from the new bus stop to connect with the new marked pedestrian crossing.

A plan of the proposal is attached.

### Pedestrian Crossing Warrants - New crossing guidelines

In the past, the installation of marked pedestrian crossings on local roads was controlled by a Transport for NSW (TfNSW) crossing warrant system. TfNSW has now recognised that the warrants were difficult to achieve on local roads. In September 2022, TfNSW released new Pedestrian Crossing Guidelines. As an alternative to the TfNSW warrants, councils may use the following pedestrian demand calculation:

- In each of two separate one-hour periods in a typical day, the pedestrian flow per hour (P) crossing the road is, or is expected to be, equal to or greater than 20.
- Children and elderly or mobility impaired pedestrians count as two pedestrians.

Site observation of the pedestrian movements in Arcadia Road indicate that pedestrian demands at the subject location are higher than the requirements above.

#### **CONSULTATION**

Public Consultation was conducted from 9 to 23 February 2024.

Council invited comments on the initial proposal from Galston Public School, residents and tenants.

Over 100 letters were issued (some mailed out via Australia Post, some hand delivered).

Emails were sent to Galston Public School Principal, transport providers and authorities.

The proposal was also placed on Council's website for the 14 days.

During the consultation period, twelve (12) submissions were received by Council. A *Public Consultation Summary* of the submissions and Council responses are attached to this report.

Copies of the submissions are available upon request.

A table summarising the responses is provided below:

Support	with suggestions	Object
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# CONCLUSION

Council has taken the bus operator's suggestion to make the new bus zone as a full-time bus zone. Council will investigate the lighting levels in Arcadia Road near the crossing and upgrade street lighting if required.

The proposed crossing is located within a 40km/h School Zone. Council will collect traffic data at the location to assist NSW Police with targeted speed enforcement. Council in partnership with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) is undertaking a study of Galston speed limits. The submissions have been provided to consultants undertaking the study.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Plan of the proposal LTC 15/2024.
- 2. Public Consultation Summary.

## **RECOMMENDATION THAT**

- 1. Marked Pedestrian Crossing and associated signs be approved for construction in Arcadia Road, Galston as detailed in this report and attached plans.
- 2. Street Lighting to be upgraded to appropriate level associated with pedestrian crossing.
- 3. Relocation of the existing bus stop in Arcadia Road from No 28 to No 32/34 Arcadia Road be approved. A full-time bus zone will be installed for the bus stop approximately 25 metres in length.

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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>: Monday, 15 April 2024 <u>Comments Close Date</u>: Tuesday, 30 April 2024, at 5:00pm