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Road: Florence Street, Hunter Lane, Hunter Street Suburb: Hornsby
Location: Hornsby East CBD
File Ref: F2004/09779 LTC No: 33/2020
Electorate: Hornsby
Google Maps: <https://goo.gl/maps/hFNRJHtbRSya9go3A>
Subject: Proposed trial temporary changes to parking for ‘Streets as Shared Spaces’
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REFERRAL OF TRAFFIC MATTER FOR COMMENT OR OBJECTION, IF ANY

SUMMARY

This report details the traffic implications of proposed trial temporary changes to parking regulations in Florence Street, Hunter Lane and Hunter Street, Hornsby, and trial temporary extension of an existing shared zone in Hunter Lane for the ‘Streets as Shared Spaces’ program.

SUMMARY continued

Through the Streets as Shared Spaces program, the NSW Government has awarded grants to councils for temporary activation projects that support the community during COVID-19 and also test ideas for more permanent improvements to local streets, paths and public spaces.

This \$15 million program launched in 2020, and was a pilot to enable improvements across NSW during COVID-19 and into the future which:

- support essential workers to travel to work, and people working from home
- contribute to NSW economic recovery in our local centres by creating vibrant streets and additional safe space to support local business
- activate high streets to create better quality public space
- support physical distancing requirements and encourage safe social connection
- support the well-being of local communities and their ability to exercise
- attract people back into public spaces in a safe way, when appropriate to do so

SUBJECT

As part of the NSW Government [Streets and Shared Spaces grants](#), Council is intending to implement trial temporary changes to traffic conditions in Florence Street (west) and Hunter Lane, Hornsby. This location forms part of Hornsby Mall, and Hunter Lane is the main pedestrian route for people visiting the Hornsby Central Library.

The intent of this trial is to enhance the pedestrian experience in this area, prioritising pedestrians over vehicles as they move through and visit this central precinct.

Pre-COVID-19 traffic data indicates that Florence Street and Hunter Lane carry 41 vehicles per hour during the lunch time peak, however recent observations are that this has been further reduced. Both streets are subject to one-way traffic flow and a 10 km/h 'Shared Zone' which currently terminates near the library building in Hunter Lane.

The proposed temporary changes are:

- Removal of 'Loading Zone' from Florence Street (northern side).
- Installation of 'No Stopping' Zone in Florence Street (both sides).
- Installation of 'Loading Zone' in Hunter Lane (eastern side) to replace existing 'No Parking' zone.
- Installation of 'Loading Zone' in Hunter Street (western side) to replace existing 1\4P.
- Installation of 'Local Traffic Only' sign at George Street / Florence Street intersection.
- Extension of '10 km/h Shared Zone' in Hunter Lane to the intersection with Burdett Street. (subject to RMS speed management approval).
- Installation of painted road mural in Hunter Lane - subject to confirmation of funding.
- Installation of 'parklet' trading area in Florence Street (northern side).

CONSULTATION

Under the amended COVID-19 delegation - Roads Act 1993; 'Special COVID-19 traffic regulation delegation to councils' Council intends to trial these changes for a period of six months, commencing in late November / early December 2020.

In accordance with the delegation, prior public consultation is not required, however Council must provide public notice of the proposal for at least 7 days as follows:

- Notify stakeholders in writing of these changes 10-14 days prior to commencement and through signage on site
- Maintain a webpage with details of the trial and invite the community to provide feedback on the changes through the provision of an online feedback form
- Review and assess any feedback received during the trial

CONCLUSION

The proposed trial temporary parking changes to accommodate the 'Streets as Shared Spaces' program are considered appropriate given the existing low traffic movements in Florence Street and Hunter Lane and availability of alternative 'Loading Zones' throughout Hornsby east CBD.

RECOMMENDATION THAT

The following proposed trial temporary changes in Florence Street, Hunter Lane and Hunter Street, Hornsby be approved:

1. Removal of 'Loading Zone' from Florence Street (northern side).
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Note for voting Local Traffic Committee members.

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If you have any feedback on this project, please advise me no later than COB Friday 6 November, 2020.

In the interim, please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information or clarification.

Please send your response via return email for the item, or email trafficbranch@hornsby.nsw.gov.au.

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