

HORNSBY SHIRE

LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE



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Road: Old Berowra Road **Suburb:** Hornsby
Location: South of Clarinda Street
File Ref: F2005/01156 **LTC No:** 20/2018
Electorate: Hornsby **UBD Ref:** 133 H11
Subject: Proposed Installation of Pedestrian Refuge Island
Date of Circulation: 24 August 2018

REFERRAL OF TRAFFIC MATTER FOR COMMENT OR OBJECTION, IF ANY

SUMMARY

This report details the traffic and parking implications and outcome of public consultation for proposed pedestrian refuge islands in Old Berowra Road, south of Clarinda Street in Hornsby.

SUBJECT

The Asquith Community Centre will be demolished and reconstructed in addition to a car park, public playground and associated landscaping works. The redevelopment of Asquith Community Centre was considered and approved by Council as DA/1097/2016.

The Notice of Determination condition number 16 stated that *“A preliminary design for a pedestrian refuge island in Old Berowra Road is to be provided to Council. The preliminary design will then be used for public consultation purposes, and pursuant to appropriate amendments will be considered by the Hornsby Local Traffic Committee (HLTC).”*

A design for a pedestrian refuge island has been developed.

The pedestrian refuge will allow pedestrians to cross the road in two stages reducing the exposure to traffic. The island will also reduce traffic speeds at the intersection.

Key features of the proposal are:

1. Installation of two concrete islands in Old Berowra Road to form a pedestrian refuge.
2. Reconstruction of adjoining path and kerb ramps at the intersection.
3. Installation of ‘No Stopping’ restrictions to ensure visibility between pedestrians and vehicles at the intersection.
4. Installation of warning signs and delineation of roadway.

A plan of the proposed pedestrian refuge is attached.

The proposed pedestrian refuge and associated parking restrictions will result in the loss of approximately 10 on-street parking spaces. Whilst Council supports retaining parking where possible the ‘No Stopping’ restrictions are required by traffic engineering guidelines to ensure the safety of pedestrians crossing the road at this location. Site observations indicate that the displaced cars can be accommodated further north along Old Berowra Road.

In addition to the above, it will be beneficial to provide 20 metres of No Parking Zone on the eastern side of Old Berowra Road, north of the No Stopping Zone, to allow passenger set down and pick up for functions and sports events.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

In May 2018 Council invited comments on the proposal from residents and park hirers. Letters were sent to regulatory authorities and transport providers. The proposal was also placed on exhibition for 14 days on Council’s website.

No written responses were received from residents and park hirers.

CONCLUSION

Provision of the pedestrian refuge island at this location will improve safety of pedestrians and encourage walking trips.

RECOMMENDATION THAT

1. The proposed pedestrian refuge islands in Old Berowra Road, Hornsby south of Clarinda Street be approved for construction in accordance with plan No.100105 - 281.8 with the addition of approximately 20 metres of No Parking Zone on the eastern side of Old Berowra Road, north of the No Stopping Zone.
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Note for voting Local Traffic Committee members.

Under the RMS' '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 6616. Upon receipt of your comments the matter will be referred to Council for action.

Radek Zarzycki
Acting Chairman



Date: 24 August 2018