RELEVANT INFORMATION FOR COUNCIL

FILE: X000616 **DATE:** 8 December 2016

TO: Lord Mayor and Councillors

FROM: Amit Chanan, Director City Projects & Property

THROUGH: Monica Barone, Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT: Information Relevant To Item 7.2 – Green Square to Randwick Cycleway -

Scope - At Council - 12 December 2016

Recommendation

That the Lord Mayor and Councillors note the information contained in this memo.

Background

At the meeting of the Environment Committee held on 5 December 2016, further information was requested about the following aspects of the public consultation for the Green Square to Randwick cycle link:

- the tweets posted by the City;
- a copy of the consultation letter; and
- who the 23 submissions were from.

Tweets posted by the City

The project was the subject of tweets from SydneyCycleways, SydneyYourSay (x2) and CityofSydney Twitter handles. The CityofSydney tweet was a retweet of a SydneyCycleways post. Tweets are captured in screenshots in Attachment A.

Consultation letter

A copy of the consultation letter sent to 1,500 local residents and businesses is at Attachment B.

Submissions

A total of 23 submissions were received, 19 through SydneyYourSay.com.au and four by email. All were from private individuals except for one submission from the bicycle user group BIKEast.

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Attachments

Attachment A – Screenshots of four tweets

Attachment B – Letter to residents September 2016

Approved

Kim Woodbury, Acting Chief Executive Officer

ATTACHMENT A

SCREENSHOTS OF FOUR TWEETS

Attachment A - Screenshots of four tweets



We'd love you to have your say on the #GreenSquare to Randwick cycle connection. Hurry, today's the last day! ow.ly/7gjo305ezRT



https://twitter.com/SydneyCycleway/status/787818096463667200

Retweet by CoS account



Interested in #cycling connecting Randwick & #greensquare? Learn about our plans & comment: sydneyyoursay.com.au/greensquare-c ...



https://twitter.com/SydneyYourSay/status/784166214993981440

Have your say on the #greensquare to #randwick cycle link: ow.ly/FY72304RvYG



https://twitter.com/SydneyYourSay/status/783464447817814016

ATTACHMENT B

LETTER TO RESIDENTS SEPTEMBER 2016

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27 September 2016

Work on new and upgraded streets in Zetland

The City of Sydney is upgrading streets in Zetland to improve safety, increase walking and cycling connections, and manage flood risks in this fast-growing suburb.

These works are part of our program to deliver a network of new and upgraded streets that will connect people to and from the new Green Square town centre and to wider Sydney.

We invite you to view the plans at <u>sydneyyoursay.com.au</u> or come to an information day on Saturday 8 October to hear more about our work in the area.

Joynton Avenue works

We will raise the level of the road on Joynton Avenue by up to 1.7 metres to minimise the risk of flash flooding. This work is alongside the new Green Square stormwater drain project by Sydney Water and the City of Sydney. The new street level will also allow for future light rail to Green Square.

A new tree-lined boulevard, Zetland Avenue, will connect Joynton Avenue to the new Gunyama Park Aquatic and Recreation Centre. This new street will feature wide footpaths and continuous off-road bike paths.

Joynton Avenue will have new traffic signals at Elizabeth Street and Zetland Avenue, and a signalised pedestrian and bike crossing between Zetland Avenue and Hansard Street.

We expect to start construction in 2017 and finish in late 2018, depending on the weather. Improving safety at Elizabeth Street intersection is a priority, so the new traffic signals are fast-tracked for early delivery and we expect to complete these by early 2017.

Replacing street trees on Joynton Avenue

To complete these works, we need to remove 33 street trees along this section of Joynton Avenue. We have worked hard to minimise the loss of any trees. Most of these trees are lemon-scented gums. These will be replaced with lemon-scented gums.

The Joynton Avenue corridor will also include new large-sized Port Jackson fig trees, complementing the fig trees in the northern section of Joynton Avenue.

South Sydney Hospital heritage wall

The heritage boundary wall on Joynton Avenue at the former South Sydney Hospital site will be raised early next year ahead of the rest of the street works in the second half of 2017.



The works will be undertaken in two stages:

- Stage 1 will include removing the sandstone capping, raising brick courses and a mass concrete retaining structure on the inside of the wall.
- Stage 2 will include reinstating the sandstone capping in late 2017 or early 2018.

Elizabeth Street raised pedestrian crossing

In August, the City started work on a raised pedestrian crossing on Elizabeth Street. This crossing will improve safety and access between the Victoria Park residential precinct, bus stops on Elizabeth Street and Green Square station. The crossing will be open for use by October 2016.

New cycling and walking connections

The Green Square town centre will feature a network of new streets and cycleways for residents and visitors to walk or ride easily and safely through the area.

We're building more bike routes in Green Square than in any other part of Sydney, with links from four directions leading to the town centre.

The proposed Green Square to Randwick link will create more bike riding and walking opportunities for people of all ages and abilities as part of the Randwick to Marrickville regional bike route. It will also provide more space for people walking and riding bikes on Joynton Avenue and Epsom Road.

More information

We invite you to an information day at Mary O'Brien Reserve, Joynton Avenue (corner Tilford Street) in Zetland on **Saturday 8 October** from 10am to 1pm, where you can see the proposals, ask questions and give feedback to City staff.

You can also view the plans and give feedback at sydneyyoursay.com.au by 17 October 2016.

Printed copies will also be on exhibition, Monday to Friday from 8am to 6pm at:

- One Stop Shop, Level 2, Town Hall House, 456 Kent Street, Sydney
- Green Square Neighbourhood Service Centre, 100 Joynton Avenue, Zetland

For more information about this project, please contact Adam McInnes on 02 9265 9333 or email amcinnes@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely,

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