ITEM 6. STREET EVENT – TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES – HILL CLIMB 2014

TRIM RECORD NO: 2014/316373

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the temporary road closures of Watson Road and Upper Fort Street, Millers Point on Sunday 19 October 2014 from 4pm to 8pm subject to the following conditions:

- (A) The Applicant must comply with the temporary road closures conditions as stipulated in Schedule B of this Agenda.
- (B) The Applicant must contact the Sydney City Police to discuss deployment of userpay police for the event.
- (C) The Applicant must contact the City's Venue Management Unit to discuss the event.
- (D) The Applicant must provide a telephone number of the supervisor responsible for the proposed event and include contact details in the notification letters to be distributed to affected stakeholders.
- (E) The Applicant must consult with Sydney Observatory, Fort Street Primary School, National Trust Centre, RMS Sydney Harbour Bridge on the event and access.
- (F) The Applicant to look at managing the cyclists between the Sydney Harbour Bridge cycleway and Upper Fort Street ramp back to Kent Street and to Argyle Street

DECISION

BACKGROUND

The Department Pty Limited has applied for the temporary road closures of Watson Road and Upper Fort Street, Millers Point (Observatory Hill) for the Hill Climb 2014 on Sunday 19 October 2014 from 4pm to 8pm.

COMMENTS

The Hill Climb is part of Sydney Rides Festival 2014 and is an event that requires the temporary closures of City streets and traffic detours around the event.

This event is to bring competitive cycling back to Sydney in a small, achievable and safe way. Sydney has not seen a pseudo-competitive cycling event (race) within the Council borders since 1996.

The event of approximately 100-500 participants is a controlled, sanctioned 'race' up Watson Rd and Upper Fort Road. Riders would be divided up into small 'heat' fields and leave the starting line in intervals, racing to get the best (lowest) time up the hill. Finalists would then race to win the division (again, small fields to keep the event as safe as possible). Entries would be open to anyone - and participation encouraged (ie. anybody

can come and have a go), protected by the comprehensive insurance of and overseen/sanctioned by Cycling Australia (the sports' peak body), police and qualified traffic controllers.

The course would be protected by barriers, etc. as required by Cycling Australia (who would need to approve/sanction the course), Police, traffic control plans, etc.

Colour commentators and DJs would entertain the riders and crowd while a small 'village' would be created at the top of the hill with drinks, snacks, and various activations to maximise the experience for all.

The event organiser needs to look at managing the cyclists between the Sydney Harbour Bridge cycleway and Upper Fort Street ramp back to Kent Street and to Argyle Street. This may require additional traffic control plans.

Road Closures – Sunday 19 October 2014, 4pm – 8pm

Watson Road and Upper Fort Street, Millers Point

There are currently no other approved temporary road closures proposed to take place on the same day.

CONSULTATION

The Applicant will be required to notify affected stakeholders as stipulated in Schedule B.

FINANCIAL

All costs associated with the proposed closures will be borne by the Applicant.

ATTACHMENTS

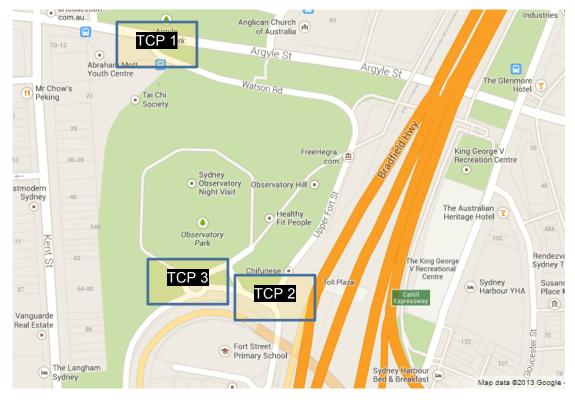
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OVERVIEW OF EVENT AREA and TCP's

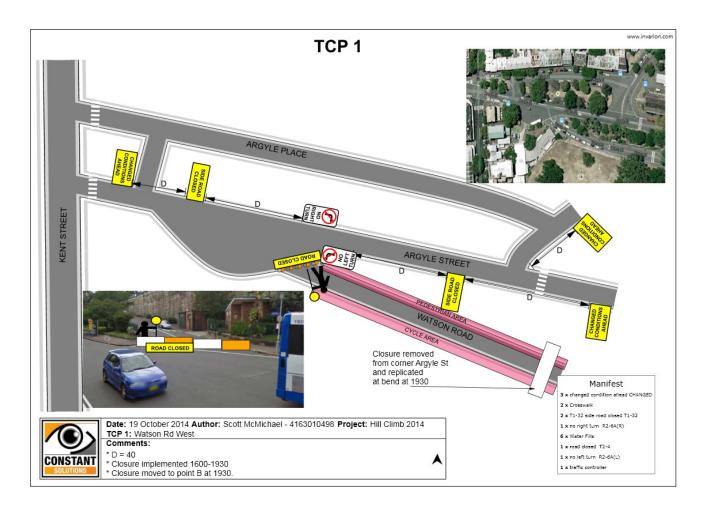


Google Satellite Map – Event Area



Google Maps with TCP's

Appendix 2 – Traffic Control Plans



TCP 1 NOTES

- Closure implemented at 16:00.
- Pedestrians to be directed along northern side of Watson Road. Southern side of Watson Road is competitor bike marshalling area only. No Pedestrian Access.
- > Recreational cyclists to be directed to walk on northern side of Watson Road.
- ➢ No vehicular access from 15:45.
- Upon completion of event at 19:30 closure at corner of Argyle to be removed and implemented at calming device on Upper Fort St for bump out.

