

**ITEM 12. STREET EVENTS – TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES – NEW YEARS
EVE 2015**

TRIM RECORD NO: 2015/606016

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the temporary road closures for the annual Sydney New Year's Eve celebrations from Thursday 31 December 2015 to Friday 1 January 2016, subject to the following conditions:

- (A) The Applicant must comply with the temporary road closure conditions as stipulated in Schedule B of this agenda.
- (B) The Applicant must contact the Police Planning Unit to discuss deployment of user pay 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 Traffic Management Plan and Traffic Control Plans are agreed to 'in principle' and must be finalised through the Premiers and Cabinet's NSW Events Operations Group Working Group.

DECISION

BACKGROUND

The City's annual New Year's Eve (NYE) event to celebrate end of 2015 and the start of 2016 requires significant road closures to manage crowds around the Sydney Harbour Foreshore.

The temporary road closures commence with the bump-in of equipment at 4am in Macquarie Street on 31 December 2015 with further road closures implemented at 12pm, 4pm and 6pm in The Rocks, Pyrmont Point and Potts Point.

Other temporary road closures will be implemented outside the City of Sydney area such as North Sydney and Balmain.

The Premiers and Cabinet's NSW Events Operations Group with representatives from the NSW Police, Transport for NSW, Transport Management Centre, Sydney Buses, Councils, Sydney Buses, Emergency Services, Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney Ferries and Railcorp meet to determine arrangements for NYE.

COMMENTS

The NYE 2015 is an annual event that requires the road closures of City streets and traffic detours around the event. Details on the date and times of the road closures are as follows:

Sydney CBD Road Closures

From 5am 31st December 2015 to 4am 1st January 2016

- Art Gallery Rd between Hospital Rd and Mrs Macquarie's Rd;
- George St between Hickson Rd and Lower Fort St;
- Mrs Macquarie's Rd from Art Gallery Rd;
- Upper Fort St from Watson Rd; and
- Watson Rd between Argyle St and Upper Fort St.

From 10am 31st December 2015 to 4am 1st January 2016

- Albert St between Phillip St and Macquarie St; and
- Macquarie St between Bridge St and Sydney Opera House.

From 2pm 31st December 2015 to 4am 1st January 2016

- Alfred St between George St and Loftus St;
- Alfred St between Young St and Phillip St;
- *Argyle St between George St and Harrington St;
- Dalley St between George St and Pitt St (eastbound);
- Essex St between Harrington St and George St;
- George St between Hickson Rd and Grosvenor St;
- *Hickson Rd between George St and Pottinger St;
- Loftus St between Bridge St and Alfred St (northbound);
- Lower Fort St Closed North of George St;
- Pitt St between Bridge St and Alfred St (southbound);
- Phillip St between Bridge St and Alfred;
- Reiby Pl between Loftus St and Pitt St (westbound);
- Underwood St between Dalley St and Pitt St; and
- Young St between Bridge St and Alfred St.

**Managed access between 2pm and 6pm to The Rocks area via Hickson Rd. No access via George St.*

From 3pm 31st December 2015 to 4am 1st January 2016

- Bridge St between Phillip St and Macquarie St; and
- Macquarie St between Bent St and Bridge St.

From 4pm 31st December 2015 to 4am 1st January 2016

- College St between Park St and Prince Albert Rd (northbound).

From 7pm 31st December 2015 to 4am 1st January 2016

- Argyle St between Lower Fort St and Harrington St (eastbound);
- Bathurst St between Harbour St and Pitt St;
- Bent St between Macquarie St and Gresham St;
- Bettington St between Merriman St and Dalgety Rd;
- Bligh St between Bent St and Hunter St;
- Bond St between Pitt St and George St;
- Boomerang Pl between William St and Yurong Parkway (northbound);
- Bridge St between George St and Phillip St;
- Castlereagh St between Bathurst St and Hunter St.

- Cross City Tunnel off ramp to Bathurst St between Cross City Tunnel and Bathurst St (westbound);
- College St between Prince Albert Rd and Park St (southbound);
- Cumberland St between Lower Fort St and Essex St;
- Dalgety Rd between Windmill St and Towns Pl;
- Day St between Harbour St and Bathurst St;
- Elizabeth St between Park St and Hunter St;
- Essex St between Harrington St and Cumberland St (westbound);
- George St between Goulburn St and Grosvenor St;
- Gloucester St between Grosvenor St and Cahill Expressway Overpass;
- Grosvenor St between George St and York St;
- Gresham St between Bridge St and Spring St;
- Harbour St between Pier St and Bathurst St (northbound);
- Harrington St between Essex St and Argyle St;
- Hunter St between Macquarie St and George St;
- Kent St between Liverpool St and Bathurst St;
- King St between York St and Phillip St;
- Liverpool St between Elizabeth St and Harbour St (westbound);
- Loftus St between Bent St and Bridge St;
- Lower Fort St between Windmill St and George St;
- Macquarie St between Prince Albert Rd and Bent St;
- Margaret St between Wynyard Ln and George St;
- Margaret St between York St and Wynyard Ln (eastbound);
- Market St between York St and Elizabeth St;
- Merriman St from Bettington St;
- O'Connell St between Hunter St and Bent St (southbound);
- Park St between George St and Elizabeth St;
- Park St between College St and Elizabeth St (westbound);
- Phillip St between Hunter St and Bridge St;
- Phillip St between King St and Hunter St;
- Phillip Ln between Bent St and Macquarie St (northbound);
- Pier St Onramp from Darling Dr to Harbour St (eastbound);
- Pitt St between Bridge St and Bathurst St (southbound);
- Prince Albert Rd between Macquarie St and Hospital Rd;
- Rodens Ln closed north from Bettington St;
- Shakespeare Pl between Macquarie St and Hospital Rd;
- Spring St between Gresham St and Pitt St;
- St James Rd between Elizabeth St and Macquarie St;
- *St Marys Rd between Cathedral St and Prince Albert Rd;
- Sussex St between Market St and Liverpool St (southbound);
- Towns Pl between Dalgety Rd and Hickson Rd;
- Young St between Bridge St and Bent St; and
- Yurong Pkwy between Boomerang Pl and Sir John Young Cres Northbound.

**Access to Sydney Hospital excepted*

From 11pm 31st December 2015 to 4am 1st January 2016

- Erskine St between Clarence St and York St;
- Erskine St between Kent and Clarence St (eastbound);
- George St between Pitt St and Valentine St (northbound);
- George St between Ultimo Rd and Hay St (northbound);
- Margaret St between Kent St and York St (eastbound);
- Rawson Pl between Pitt St and George St (westbound);

- York St between Margaret St and King St (southbound);

Sydney Harbour Bridge/Cahill Expressway

11am 31 December 2015 to 4am 1 January 2016

- Cahill Expressway between Domain Tunnel and Sydney Harbour Bridge; and
- Conservatorium Rd between Cahill Expressway and Macquarie St.

1pm 31 December 2015 to 9am 1 January 2016

- High St On-ramp to Cahill Expressway (southbound);
- Mount St On-ramp to Cahill Expressway (southbound); and
- Sydney Harbour Bridge Lane 7 & 8 (Cahill Expressway) (southbound).

11pm 31 December 2015 to 1am 1 January 2016

- Sydney Harbour Bridge All lanes on the bridge deck.

Pymont

From 6pm 31st December 2015 to 4am 1st January 2016

- Resident access only Darling Island Rd between Pirrama Rd and Trouton Pl (northbound).

From 7pm 31st December 2015 to 4am 1st January 2016

- Harris St between Bowman St and Pirrama Rd;
- Murray St between Pirrama Rd and Darling Drive;
- Pirrama Rd between Harris St and Murray St; and
- Point St between John St and Bowman St.

Anzac Bridge & Western Distributor

8:30pm to 9:30pm 31 December 2015 and 11:30pm 31 December 2015 to 1am 1 January 2016

- Anzac Bridge between Victoria Rd and Western Distributor (eastbound);
- Victoria Rd between The Crescent and Anzac Bridge (eastbound); and
- Western Distributor between Anzac Bridge and Harris St (eastbound).

Special Event Clearways restriction on streets

The RMS will be installing Special Event Clearways and these will operate at various times from 31 December 2015 to 1 January 2016.

The streets that will have clearways include the following:

Sydney CBD

- Argyle St between George St and Harrington St;
- Albert St between Phillip St and Macquarie St;
- Alfred St between George St and Phillip St ;
- Bathurst St between Harbour St and Elizabeth St;
- Bent St between Gresham St and Macquarie St;
- Blight St between Bent St and Hunter St;
- Bridge St between George St and Macquarie St;
- Broadway between George St and City Rd;
- Carrington St between Wynyard St and Margaret St;
- Castlereagh St between Hunter St and Liverpool St;
- Clarence St between Druitt St and Kent St On-ramp to Sydney Harbour Bridge;

- College St between Prince Albert Rd and Oxford St;
- Druitt Pl between Sussex St and George St;
- Elizabeth St between Wentworth Ave and Hunter St;
- Erskine St between Kent St and York St;
- Gresham St between Bridge St and Bent St;
- Grosvenor St between York St and George St;
- George St between Lower Fort St and Broadway;
- Goulburn St between Wentworth Ave and Harbour St;
- Harbour St between Liverpool St and Goulburn St;
- Harrington St between Grosvenor St and Argyle St;
- Hickson Rd between Napoleon St and George St;
- Hunter St between George St and Macquarie St;
- Jamison St between George St and Clarence St;
- King St between Sussex St and Phillip St;
- Kent St between Liverpool St and King St;
- Liverpool St between Elizabeth St and College St;
- Loftus St between Bent St and Alfred St;
- Macquarie St between Sydney Opera House and Prince Albert Rd;
- Market St between Elizabeth St and Sussex St;
- Margaret St between Kent St and George St;
- O'Connell St between Bent St and Hunter St;
- Park St between College St and George St;
- Pier St between Harris St and Harbour St;
- Phillip St between Hunter St and Alfred St;
- Phillip St between King St and Hunter St;
- Pitt St between Alfred St and King St;
- Pitt St between Eddy Ave and Park St;
- Prince Albert Rd between Macquarie St and Hospital Rd;
- Shakespeare Pl between Hospital Rd and Macquarie St;
- Spring St between Pitt St and Gresham St;
- St Marys Rd between Yurong Parkway and Prince Albert Rd;
- St James Rd between Macquarie St and Elizabeth St;
- Sussex St between Napoleon St and Erskine St;
- Wentworth Avenue between Elizabeth St and Liverpool St;
- York St between Grosvenor St and Market St; and
- Young St between Bridge St and Alfred St.

Pymont/Ultimo

- Allen St between western Distributor and Harris St;
- Darling Dr between Pier St and Murray St;
- Fig St between Wattle St and Harris St;
- Fig St between Jones St and Harris St;
- Harris St between Fig St and Pymont Bridge Rd;
- Harris St between Fig St and Broadway;
- Murray St between Darling Dr and Pirrama Rd;
- Pirrama Rd between Murray St and Harris St;
- Pymont Br Rd between Wentworth Park Rd and Wattle St;
- Pymont St between Union St and Pymont Bridge Rd;
- Regent St between Broadway and Lee St;
- Ultimo Rd between Darling Dr and Harris St; and
- William Henry St between Wattle St and Harris St.

In section of the Special Event Clearways there are exemption for Buses, Taxis and Police parking to manage transport operations on the night.

The CBD and South East Light Rail construction works on George Street between King Street and Park Street/Druitt Street by ALTRAC will have construction sites and compound area reduced in size and made safe.

This ALTRAC work will be undertaken prior to 10am on 31 December 2015 to provide pedestrian access and ensure George Street is available for crowds leave the 9pm and 12 midnight fireworks.

CONSULTATION

The New Year's Eve event is advertised in the metropolitan newspapers, on radio, on television, on the City's and RMS's websites and information is distributed to the community via email and letters.

FINANCIAL

All costs associated with the road closures and event is available in the City's budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Street Events – Temporary Road Closures – New Year's Eve 2015

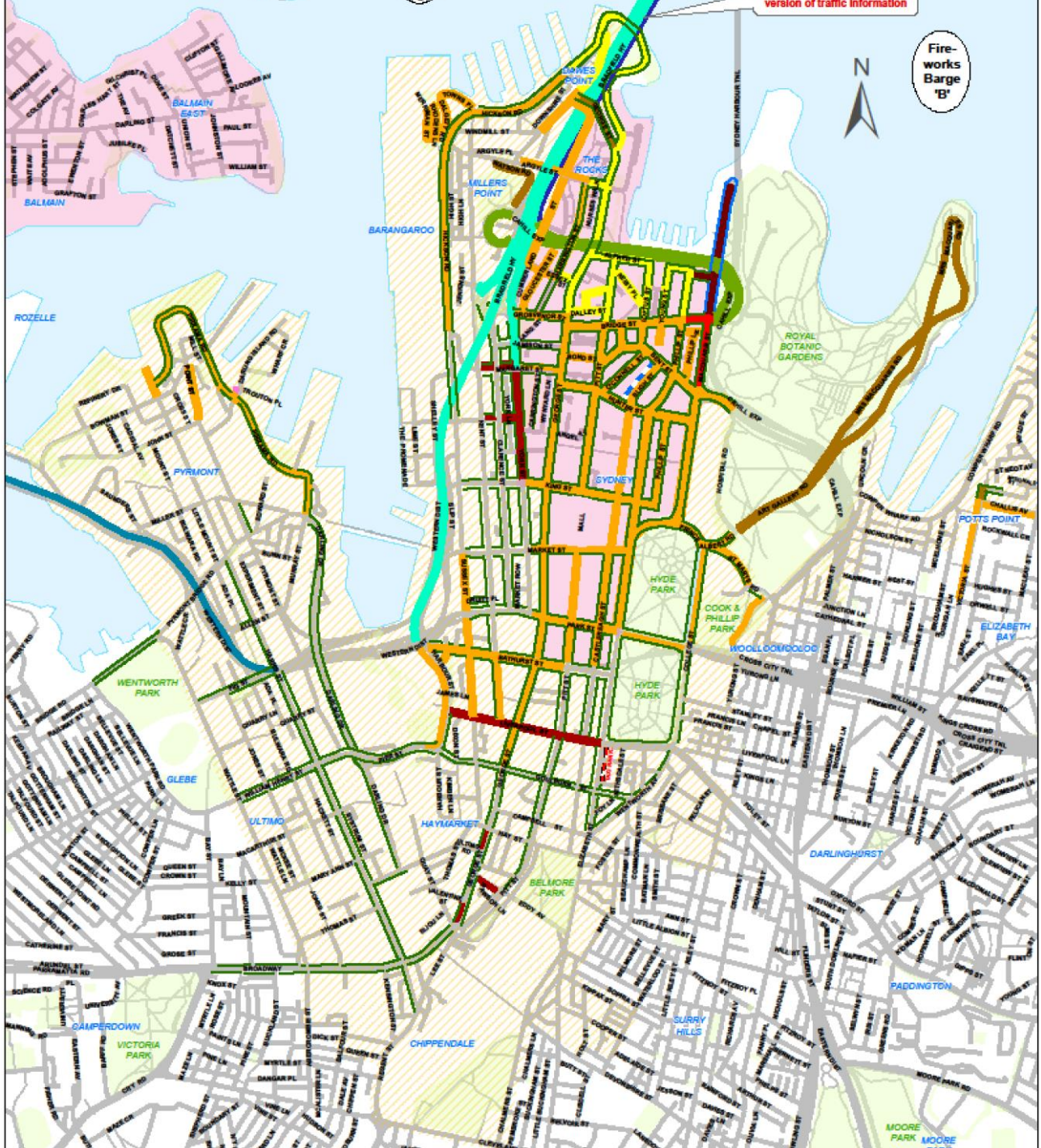
Col Warne, Traffic Project Manager

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Fireworks Barge 'C'

For details on Sydney Harbour Bridge Road, Pedestrian and Cycleway Closures - See text version of traffic information

Fireworks Barge 'B'



Sydney CBD & Ultimo/Pyrmont Road Closures, & Special Event Clearways for New Year's Eve 2015/2016

- Restrictions**
- Temporary Parking for Residents
 - No On-Street Parking Zone
 - Restricted On-Street Parking Zone
- Special Event Clearway Times**
- 2am 31 Dec to 4am 1 Jan
 - 6am 31 Dec to 4am 1 Jan
 - 6am 31 Dec to 3am 1 Jan - Taxi Rank

- Road Closures**
- 5am 31 December to 4am 1 January
 - 10am 31 December to 4am 1 January
 - 11am 31 December to 4am 1 January
 - 1pm 31 December to 9am 1 January
 - 2pm 31 December to 4am 1 January
 - 3pm 31 December to 4am 1 January
 - 4pm 31 December to 4am 1 January
 - 6pm 31 December to 4am 1 January
 - 7pm 31 December to 4am 1 January
 - 11pm 31 December to 1am 1 January
 - 11pm 31 December to 4am 1 January
 - 8:30pm - 9:30pm 31 December then 11:30pm 31 December to 1am 1 January

Road closure locations and times are subject to change by Police.

Special Event Clearways (SEC) = No Stopping, attracts a fine in excess of \$290.00 and the vehicle will be towed away.

For further information ring 132 701.



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