

**ITEM 41. TRAFFIC TREATMENT – CONTINUOUS FOOTPATH TREATMENTS  
– CHALMERS STREET AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF RUTLAND  
AND BELVOIR STREETS SURRY HILLS**

**TRIM RECORD NO: 2017/261199**

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the installation of continuous footpath treatments in Chalmers Street, Surry Hills at the intersections with Rutland and Belvoir Streets.

**VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM**

<b><i>Voting Members</i></b>	<b><i>Support</i></b>	<b><i>Object</i></b>
City of Sydney		
Roads and Maritime Services		
NSW Police – Surry Hills LAC		
Representative for the Member for Sydney		

**DECISION**

**BACKGROUND**

The City proposes to introduce continuous footpath treatments in Chalmers Street, Surry Hills at the intersections with Rutland and Belvoir Streets, to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility, slow vehicle speeds and enhance the residential amenity.

**COMMENTS**

The RMS Technical Direction for Continuous Footpath Treatments (TDT 2013/05) states that continuous footpath treatments are only applicable for intersections carrying no more than 45 vehicles per hour and the driveway layback is no wider than seven metres.

Traffic counts commissioned for seven days from 19 July 2017 to 25 July 2017, in Rutland and Belvoir Streets, recorded a maximum peak-hour volume of 160 and 110 vehicles respectively. Although the peak is slightly higher than the RMS warrant, the proposal is recommended to proceed given that Chalmers Street lies on a well-used pedestrian desire line to Prince Alfred Park and Central Railway Station.

In addition, the crossing width proposed for the continuous footpath treatments are below the RMS warrant – the City proposes to reduce the kerb-to-kerb crossing width of Rutland and Belvoir Streets at the intersections with Chalmers Street, from the existing 8.8 metres and 8.5 metres widths respectively to approximately 7 metres.

The new continuous footpath treatment **will not** impact on-street parking or traffic flows in the local area.

Under the road rules, a footpath is a road related area. When entering, or crossing, a road related area from a road, drivers must give way to any pedestrian or other road users on the road related area. The introduction of a continuous footpath treatment reinforces the road rules.

### **CONSULTATION**

The City notified local residents and businesses in the area. There were 323 letters sent out with no responses supporting or opposing the proposal.

### **FINANCIAL**

Appropriate funding for the proposal will be secured once greater certainty on the construction timeline is reached.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Traffic Treatment – Continuous Footpath Treatments – Rutland and Belvoir Streets Surry Hills

Claudia Calabro, Traffic Works Coordinator

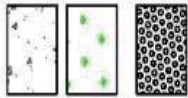


LOCALITY PLAN

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**LEGEND**



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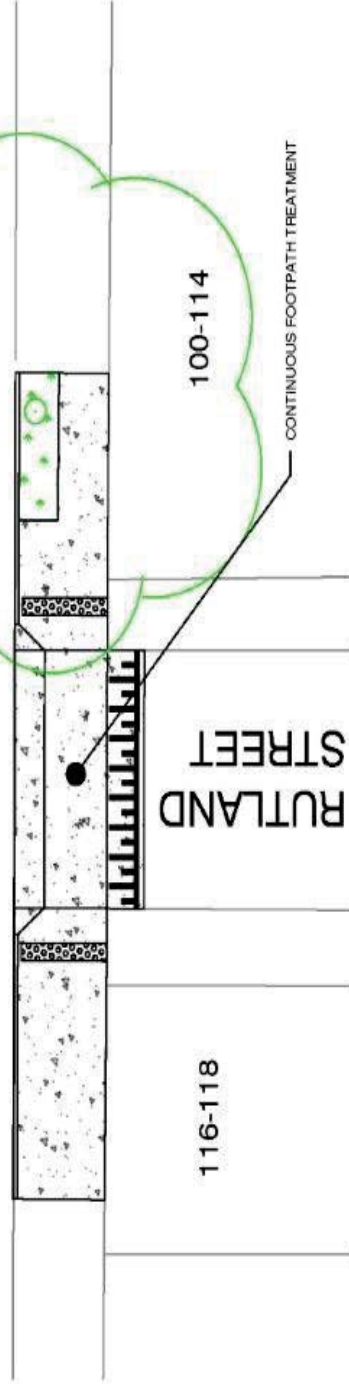
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EXAMPLE CONTINUOUS FOOTPATH TREATMENT

CHALMERS

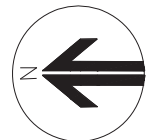
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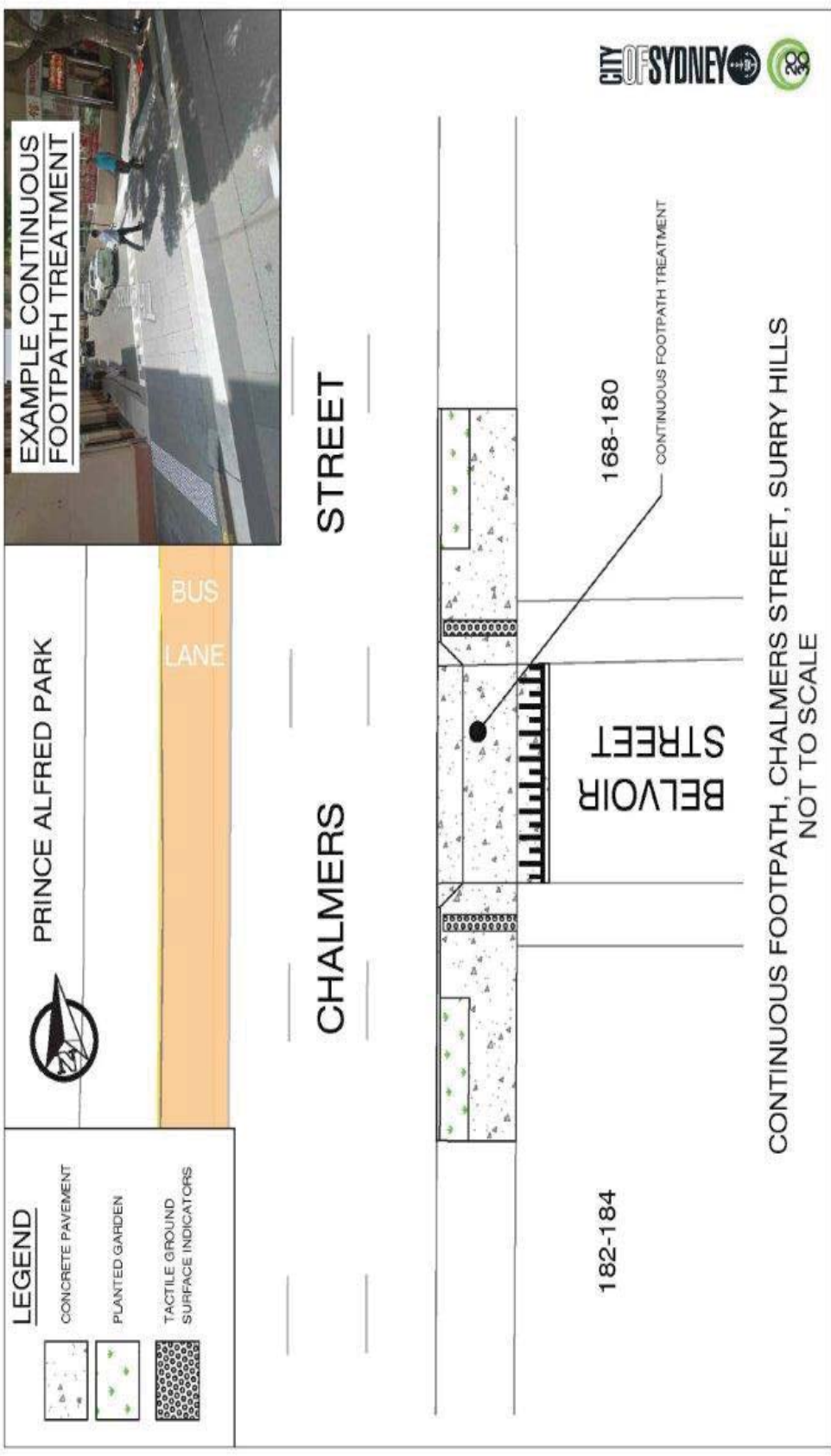
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