## ITEM 42. TRAFFIC TREATMENT – CONTINUOUS FOOTPATH TREATMENT – RAGLAN STREET DARLINGTON

## TRIM RECORD NO: 2017/301471

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the installation of a continuous footpath treatment in Raglan Street, Darlington, just north of the intersection with Abercrombie Street.

## VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

Voting Members	Support	Object
City of Sydney		
Roads and Maritime Services		
NSW Police – Newtown LAC		
Representative for the Member for Newtown		

## DECISION

#### BACKGROUND

The City proposes to introduce a continuous footpath treatment in Raglan Street, Darlington, just north of the intersection with Abercrombie Street, to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility, slow vehicle speeds and enhance the streetscape.

## 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 25 November 2016 to 1 December 2016 in Raglan Street, just north of the intersection with Abercrombie Street, recorded a maximum peak-hour volume of 65 vehicles.

Although the peak-hour volume is slightly higher than the RMS warrant, the proposal is recommended to proceed given that Abercrombie Street lies on a well-used pedestrian desire line between Redfern Railway Station and the University of Sydney and Darlington Public School.

In addition, the crossing width proposed for the continuous footpath treatment is below the RMS warrant – with the addition of kerb extensions, the City proposes to reduce the kerb-to-kerb crossing width of Raglan Street, just north of the intersection with Abercrombie Street, from the existing 13.2 metres 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 consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 87 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 Treatment – Raglan Street Darlington

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