

Item 47.**Traffic Treatment - Raised Pedestrian Crossing - Defries Avenue, Zetland****TRIM Container No.: 2018/597343****Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the installation of the following in Defries Avenue, Zetland;

- (A) A raised pedestrian crossing just south of Hutchinson Walk;
- (B) Increase the width of the footpath by 2.1 metres in the following locations:
 - On the western side, between the points 0 metres and 15.4 metres south of Hutchinson Walk;
 - On the eastern side, between the points 0 metres and 15.7 metres south of Hutchinson Walk;
 - On the western side, between the points 0 metres and 10 metres north of Hutchinson Walk; and
 - On the eastern side, between the points 0 metres and 12.7 metres north of the Hutchinson Walk;
- (C) The reallocation of parking on the western side, between the points 11.1 metres and 15.4 metres south of Hutchinson Walk, as "No Stopping";
- (D) The reallocation of parking on the western side, between the points 19.5 metres and 34.6 metres (three car spaces) south of Hutchinson Walk, as "4P 8am-6pm Mon-Fri"
- (E) The reallocation of parking on the eastern side, between the points 10.7 metres and 15.7 metres south of Hutchinson Walk, as "No Stopping";
- (F) The reallocation of parking on the eastern side, between the points 15.7 metres and 21.6 metres (one car space) south of Hutchinson Walk, as "Taxi Zone";
- (G) The reallocation of parking on the eastern side, between the points 21.6 metres and 28.3 metres (one car space) south of Hutchinson Walk, as "P15 Minutes";
- (H) The reallocation of parking on the western side, between the points 5.4 metres and 10 metres north of Hutchinson Walk, as "No Stopping";
- (I) The reallocation of parking on the eastern side, between the points 3.7 metres and 12.7 metres north of Hutchinson Walk, as "No Stopping".

Voting Members for this Item

Voting Members	Support	Object
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Roads and Maritime Services	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – Redfern PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Heffron	[Insert]	[Insert]

Decision

Decisions will be updated after the meeting.

Background

The City has long advocated for a 40km/h speed limit in our local government area to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists and we are taking measures to reduce the speed of vehicles for the benefit of pedestrians.

In February 2018, after extensive negotiation, the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) agreed 'in principle' to install a 40km/h Local Traffic Area (LTA) speed limit in Waterloo. However, the city needs to implement a number of speed reduction treatments in Waterloo to slow down traffic and improve pedestrian access.

As part of these works, the City is proposing the provision of a raised pedestrian crossing across Defries Avenue, Zetland, just south of Hutchinson Walk, to improve safety and accessibility for local residents and slow down traffic.

Comments

This proposed footpath widening and raised pedestrian crossing would help to improve general safety in the area by reducing the speed of traffic travelling along Defries Avenue. This treatment is part of the requirements to establish a 40km/h Local Traffic Area (LTA) speed limit in Waterloo and is part of the City's commitment to calm traffic and improve residential amenity.

The proposed footway widening on Defries Avenue north of Hutchinson Walk would reduce the distance a pedestrian needs to cross the road and reduce vehicle speeds through the intersection.

To maintain visibility at the pedestrian crossing No Stopping restrictions will need to be increased at the crossing, resulting in the loss of approximately four parking spaces. The existing taxi zone and 15-minute parking spaces on the eastern side of Defries Avenue are proposed to be relocated, further south, to minimise the impact of the loss of parking.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 707 letters sent out with four responses supporting the proposal and one response opposing the proposal.

The responses supporting the proposal noted that the crossing would reduce vehicle speeds and improve pedestrian safety and amenity in the area.

The response opposing the proposal requested traffic signals be provided at the intersection of Defries Avenue and Hutchison Walk. However, the approval of the installation of traffic signals is the responsibility of Roads and Maritime Services (RMS). RMS have not supported the installation of traffic signals at this location at present.

Financial

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

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