

**Item 33.****Traffic Treatment - Continuous Footpath Treatment - Brennan, Loveridge Streets and Power Avenue, Alexandria**

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**Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the installation of continuous footpath treatments and footpath widening at the following locations in Alexandria:

- (A) Brennan and Loveridge Streets, just south of Power Avenue; and
- (B) Power Avenue, just west of Wyndham Street.

**Voting Members for this Item**

<b>Voting Members</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Object</b>
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Roads and Maritime Services	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – South Sydney PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Heffron	[Insert]	[Insert]

**Advice**

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

**Background**

In April 2018, the City developed a Local Area Traffic Management (LATM) plan for Alexandria, Erskineville and St Peters to mitigate the flow of increased traffic from the

WestConnex St Peters interchange. The LATM plan proposed a suite of treatment options including road closures and streetscape improvements to protect local amenity.

The City is now progressing on the approval of several of these treatments, including the introduction of continuous footpath treatments (CFT) across Brennan and Loveridge Streets, just south of Power Avenue, and Power Avenue, just west of Wyndham Street.

## **Comments**

Power Avenue runs along the southern side of Alexandria Park and is one of the walking routes to Alexandria Park Community School.

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 pedestrians or other road users on the road related area. The introduction of the three CFT's provide a consistent treatment that reinforces the road rules and highlight pedestrians in the area.

To reduce the crossing distance across these CFT's, it is also proposed to install footpath widening in Brennan, Loveridge Streets and Power Avenue.

The CFTs will not impact vehicular access to the local area, however, it will require the removal of one on-street parking space in Loveridge Street.

The Roads and Maritime Services have reviewed the treatments proposed in the Alexandria LATM plan and have provided in-principle support for these CFT's.

## **Consultation**

In April 2018, the City consulted the community on the Alexandria Local Area Traffic Management Plan. The City received 731 submissions to the plan, of which 662 expressed concerns about the impact of WestConnex and 513 agreed with the overall plan.

The City recently renotified the local residents and businesses in the area about these proposed CFTs. There were 391 letters sent out with two responses supporting the proposal and one response opposing the proposal.

The responses opposing the proposal expressed concerns about delivery vehicle access to their building. The CFTs do not impact vehicle access and only provide pedestrian priority along a well-established walking path. The City places a high priority on pedestrian safety and accessibility and is keen, wherever possible, to implement traffic measures that encourage walking, rather than creating conditions that encourage people to drive.

## **Financial**

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

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