

Item 34.**Traffic Treatment - Continuous Footpath Treatment - Buckland Lane, Alexandria**

TRIM Container No.: 2019/486118

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the installation of a continuous footpath treatment across Buckland Lane, Alexandria, just east of Mitchell Road.

Voting Members for this Item

Voting Members	Support	Object
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 a continuous footpath treatment (CFT) across Buckland Lane, Alexandria, just east of Mitchell Road.

Comments

Mitchell Road is adjacent to the Central Intensive English High School; is on the walking route to Australian Technology Park; and is part of the 308 bus route between Marrickville Metro and Central Station.

Under the NSW Road Rules, a footpath is a road related area and when entering, or crossing, a road related area from a road, drivers must give way to any pedestrians or other road users. The introduction of the CFT at this location, would give priority to people walking to school, the bus stops, or Australia Technology Park and highlight pedestrians in the area.

The proposed CFT will not impact vehicular access or on-street parking.

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

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 the proposed CFT in Buckland Lane. There were 87 letters sent out with no response supporting and one response opposing the proposal.

The response opposing the proposal did not think the treatment is necessary.

Financial

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

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