

**Item 34.****Traffic Treatment - Landscaped Raised Median Island and Footpath Widening - Bunn Street, Pyrmont**

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**Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the following in Bunn Street, Pyrmont:

- (A) A landscaped raised median island, between the points 5 metres and 63 metres, west of Hardwood Street;
- (B) Footpath widening on the northern side of Bunn Street, between the points 0 metres and 10 metres, east and west of Pyrmont Street; and
- (C) Footpath widening on the southern side of Bunn Street, between the points 0 metres and 11.6 metres, west of Pyrmont Street.

**Voting Members for this Item**

<b>Voting Members</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Object</b>
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Transport for NSW	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – Sydney City PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]

**Advice**

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

## Background

The City's Sustainable Sydney 2030 vision includes commitments to increase tree canopy cover by 50% by 2030, to green our City and improve the amenity of our streets. In 2011, Council adopted the City's Street Tree Master Plan which identifies a range of in-road tree planting sites such as Bunn Street, Pyrmont.

Planting at this site is also supported by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment as part of their grant funding program to increase tree canopy cover in Sydney. A raised median island with in-road tree planting will increase tree canopy in the street.

To help improve general safety in the area as part of the City's commitment to calm traffic and improve the local amenity, it is proposed to install a landscaped raised median island in Bunn Street, between Hardwood and Pyrmont Streets, and footpath widening in Bunn Street at Pyrmont Street.

## Comments

Bunn Street, between Hardwood and Pyrmont Streets, is 12.8 metres wide with one traffic lane and one parking lane in each direction. The street provides local access to properties within Pyrmont.

To calm traffic and increase tree canopy cover, it is proposed to install a landscaped raised median island in Bunn Street, between Hardwood and Pyrmont Streets. The proposed median island would be two metres wide and retain a 3.2 metre wide travel lane and 2.2 metre wide parking lane. The median will provide space to plant six trees which will provide shade to cool the street, improve the amenity in the street and contribute towards the City's Sustainable Sydney targets.

To further improve general safety in the area, it is proposed to widen the footpath on the northern side of Bunn Street, east and west of Pyrmont Street, and on the southern side of Bunn Street, west of Pyrmont Street. The footpath widening will reduce the distance a pedestrian needs to cross the street and reduce vehicle speeds adjacent to the proposed footpath widening.

The landscaped raised median and footpath widening would not affect parking, sight lines, or traffic flow.

## Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 964 letters sent out with 19 responses supporting the proposal and four responses opposing the proposal.

The responses supporting the proposal noted that the changes would improve pedestrian safety and amenity. The responses opposing the proposal suggested that the expenditure is provided to other streets in Pyrmont which will be investigated as part of future capital works programs.

## Financial

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

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