

**Item 33.****Traffic Treatment - Pedestrian and Cycle Crossing - Huntley Street, Alexandria**

TRIM Container No.: 2020/254219

**Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the installation of an at-grade pedestrian and cycle crossing in Huntley Street, Alexandria, between the points 96.5 metres and 102.1 metres east of Burrows Road.

**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 – South Sydney PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Heffron	[Insert]	[Insert]

**Advice**

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

**Background**

The City received a petition with 142 signatures requesting a pedestrian crossing across Huntley Street, Alexandria. The proposed crossing would improve accessibility for pedestrians travelling to and from nearby child care centres and would provide a continuous and safe link for pedestrians and bicycle riders along Sheas Creek.

## Comments

The proposed at-grade pedestrian and cycle crossing would connect the new shared paths, along Sheas Creek (ie Alexandria Canal), and provide a continuous link from the northern and southern sides of Huntley Street. The proposal will help improve general safety in the area as part of the City's commitment to calm traffic and improve residential amenity.

Footpath widening is proposed as part of the at-grade pedestrian crossing on Huntley Street, along the northern and southern sides of Sheas Creek to reduce the distance pedestrians and bicycle riders are required to travel to cross the street.

The proposed crossing is not raised because it will be located on top of the bridge over Sheas Creek. Heavy vehicles travelling along Huntley Street use this bridge so the additional impact of such vehicles on a raised threshold on top of the bridge may cause structural issues.

To meet the TfNSW warrants for a pedestrian crossing, the proposed location must record pedestrian and traffic flows of equal to or greater than, 30 pedestrians (P) and 500 vehicles (V) per hour for three one-hour periods in a day, and where  $P \times V$  is also greater than or equal to 60,000.

The TfNSW reduced pedestrian crossing warrant is for volumes greater than 200 vehicles and 30 pedestrians per hour for two one-hour periods on a typical day, and where the proposed crossing is to be used by a high proportion of children or elderly pedestrians.

Pedestrian and vehicle counts have been carried out at this location as follows:-

Time	Vehicles (V)	Pedestrians (P)	$P \times V (>60,000)$
8:30am-9:30am	1029	39	40,131
12:45pm-1:45pm	837	51	42,687
5:15pm-6:15pm	1049	30	31,470

Given the pedestrian and vehicle volumes are above the warrants and the close proximity of childcare centres to the location, TfNSW raised no objection to the proposed crossing.

## Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 95 letters sent out with seven responses supporting the proposal and no responses opposing the proposal.

The responses supporting the proposal noted that the crossing would make it easier and safer for pedestrians to cross Huntley Street, particularly when travelling with children.

## Financial

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

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