

Item 38.**Traffic Treatment - Streetscape Improvements - St Johns Road, Glebe****TRIM Container No.: X003011.005****Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the following traffic treatments and parking changes in St Johns Road, Glebe between Glebe Point Road and Ross Street:

- (A) Installation of continuous footpath treatment and footpath widenings at the intersection of St Johns Road, Glebe and Forest Street;
- (B) Installation of continuous footpath treatment and footpath widenings at the intersection of St Johns Road, Glebe and Lodge Street;
- (C) Installation of continuous footpath treatment and footpath widenings at the intersection of St Johns Road, Glebe and Mount Vernon Lane;
- (D) Installation of continuous footpath treatment and footpath widenings at the intersection of St Johns Road, Glebe and Westmoreland Street;
- (E) Installation of continuous footpath treatment and footpath widenings at the intersection of St Johns Road, Glebe and Westmoreland Lane;
- (F) Installation of continuous footpath treatment and footpath widenings at the intersection of St Johns Road, Glebe and Derwent Street;
- (G) Installation of continuous footpath treatment and footpath widenings at the intersection of St Johns Road, Glebe and Derwent Lane;
- (H) Installation of continuous footpath treatment at the intersection of St Johns Road, Glebe and Purvis Street;
- (I) Reallocation of parking on the southern side of St Johns Road, Glebe between the points 8 metres and 18 metres east of Lodge Street as "No Stopping";
- (J) Reallocation of parking on the eastern side of Lodge Street, Glebe between the points 12 metres and 18 metres (one parking space) as "No Parking NSW Health Vehicles Excepted".

Voting Members for this Item

Voting Members	Support	Object
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Transport for NSW	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – Leichhardt PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Balmain	[Insert]	[Insert]

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

The Glebe and Forest Lodge Pedestrian, Cycling and Traffic Calming (PCTC) plan adopted by Council includes various proposals to address residents' safety and amenity concerns for their neighbourhood.

As part of the City's commitment to calm traffic and improve residential amenity, the City has developed a streetscape improvement plan for St Johns Road, Glebe between Glebe Point Road and Ross Street.

Comments**Continuous Footpath Treatment and Footway Widening**

The proposed continuous footpath treatment and footway widenings at intersections along St Johns Road, Glebe between Glebe Point Road and Ross Street would reduce the distance a pedestrian needs to cross the road, provide priority for pedestrians, reduce vehicle speeds through the intersections and enhance the streetscape.

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 pedestrian or other road users on the road related area. The introduction of a continuous footpath treatment reinforces the road rules.

Parking

Parking changes are proposed on St Johns Road between Mount Vernon and Lodge Streets along the southern side of the raised pedestrian crossing to comply with the statutory "No Stopping" distance at pedestrian crossings.

The kerb space on the southern side of St Johns Road between Mount Vernon and Lodge Streets where the parking changes are proposed is currently signposted as "No Parking Council Vehicles Excepted" and "No Parking NSW Health Vehicles Excepted".

The City has advised that parking for Council vehicles is no longer needed and that the parking for NSW Health vehicles is required to allow NSW Health to provide health services to the local community at the Glebe Town Hall. As such, it is proposed to relocate the one "No Parking NSW Health Vehicles Excepted" parking space to the eastern side of Lodge Street south of St Johns Road where the current parking restriction is "1P 8am-10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area G". The proposal will result in the loss of one permit parking space.

Raised Pedestrian Crossing - at St Johns Road, west of Mount Vernon Street

The streetscape improvements include upgrading the current at-grade marked pedestrian crossing on St Johns Road between Mount Vernon and Lodge Streets to a raised marked pedestrian crossing.

This proposal will be deferred to the next available Committee meeting to allow for further investigations to be completed.

Continuous Footpath Treatment, Footpath Widening and In-lane Bus Zone - Mount Vernon Street

The streetscape improvements at Mount Vernon Street include a continuous footpath treatment, footpath widening and an in-lane bus zone.

These proposals will be deferred to the next available Committee meeting to allow for further investigations to be completed.

Consultation

In September 2021, the City consulted local residents and businesses in the area on the original proposal. There were 604 letters sent out with one response supporting and eight responses opposing the original proposal. Four responses provided feedback on the original proposal but neither supported nor opposed the proposal.

The submissions that objected to the original proposal were concerned about the loss of on-street parking spaces. The proposal included relocating the parking for Council and NSW Health vehicles in front of Glebe Town Hall to Lodge Street and relocating the bus zone on Mount Vernon Street approximately 10 metres south to accommodate the streetscape improvements at the intersection with St Johns Road. The proposal resulted in the loss of four permit parking spaces – two spaces in Lodge Street and two spaces in Mount Vernon Street.

The City incorporated the feedback received and developed a revised proposal that includes relocating the NSW Health Vehicle parking to Lodge Street resulting in the loss of one permit parking space. The Council Vehicle parking space is no longer required.

The revised proposal also includes an in-lane bus zone which results in no loss of parking in Mount Vernon Street. As such, the revised streetscape proposal for St Johns Road results in

the overall loss of one permit parking space. Despite the parking loss, the proposal will significantly improve pedestrian safety and accessibility, calm traffic and enrich the streetscape.

The streetscape improvements in Mount Vernon Street will be deferred to the next available Committee meeting to allow for further investigations to be completed.

Financial

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

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