
**TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
HELD IN MURRAY ROOM, GRIFFITH ON
TUESDAY, 11 MARCH 2025 COMMENCING AT 10:51 AM**

PRESENT

Councillor Anne Napoli (Chair), Jason Hinson (Police Representative), Glenn Smith (Police Representative), Greg Minehan (Transport for NSW Representative, via Teams)

STAFF

Development & Traffic Coordinator, Greg Balind, Development & Traffic Engineer, Ronelle Green and Minute Secretary, Melanie Hebrok

1 APOLOGIES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Greg Minehan and Jason Hinson that apologies be received from Director of Infrastructure & Operations, Phil King and Engineering Design & Approvals Manager, Jason Carrozza.

Absent: Michael Rowley (Member for Murray Representative)

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Glenn Smith and Greg Minehan that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 11 February 2025, having first been circulated amongst all members, be confirmed.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Traffic Management – ‘Vintage Festival’ Event 2025

Mr Balind notified the Committee that the Vintage Festival 2025 is not going ahead. Mr Minehan asked that the organiser be reminded to withdraw their ROL application.

3.2 Outstanding Action Report – Speed Zone Reviews

Mr Minehan advised that approval has been given by the Regional Director for Murrumbidgee Avenue / Beaumont Road and a work instruction will come to Council by the end of the week for a quote for installation of the zone. Mr Minehan added that there have been Statewide changes with regards to priority of speed zone assessments. That means timings for local assessments to be undertaken will be extended and therefore impact councils.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

CL01 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT - BIGGEST LAP MOTOR VEHICLE EVENT 2025

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Greg Minehan and Glenn Smith that the Traffic Committee:

- (a) Support the implementation of the Traffic Control Plan associated with the 2025 Biggest Lap event on 4 October 2025;
- (b) Note the Traffic Management Plan as submitted;
- (c) Condition approval of the implementation of the traffic control plan on the submission of a valid Certificate of Currency no later than 28 days prior to the event date.

Mr Minehan noted that a Road Occupancy Licence application will need to be submitted for the event.

CL02 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT - SIKH GAMES 2025

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Greg Minehan and Jason Hinson that the Traffic Committee raise the report from the table.

Mr Balind presented the Traffic Control Plans prepared for the 2025 Sikh Games to be held on 7 and 8 June 2025. He advised that a valid Certificate of Currency remains outstanding.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Greg Minehan and Glenn Smith that the Traffic Committee:

- (b) Support the implementation of the Traffic Control Plans relevant to the 2025 Sikh Games.
- (c) Note the Special Event Transport Management Plan.
- (d) Condition the support of the implementation of the Traffic Control Plans at the site on the receipt by Council of a valid Certificate of Currency insurance policy by the close of Council business on 9 May 2025.

CL03 SAFETY CONCERNS - CORNER FARRONATO ROAD AND MACKAY AVENUE

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Greg Minehan and Jason Hinson that the report be raised from the table.

Mr Minehan discussed the issue with the intersection in question being used to perform U-turns on Mackay Avenue to access Liberty Service Station. As there is no centre median strip at the Farronato Road turn off, a 'No-U-turn' sign cannot be placed at this intersection. The Committee questioned whether moving 'No-U-turn' signs further along Mackay Avenue would just transfer the problem to a busier area? A roundabout would be an efficient solution however there are no works currently scheduled on Mackay Avenue by TfNSW and no funding available.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Greg Minehan and Jason Hinson that the Traffic Committee monitor the intersection of Mackay Avenue and Farronato Road and report back at a future meeting if necessary.

6 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

The Committee discussed and updated the Outstanding Action Report.

Removal of Bus Zones in Speirs Street and Accessible Parking

Mr Balind advised that Council staff, Mayor Curran and Councillor Napoli have met with East Griffith Public School to discuss the issue. Staff have assessed the area and concluded that disabled parking spaces in Speirs Street could not be implemented without major works including moving kerb and guttering and associated drainage being required. The school will be advised that as a result, it is recommended that any accessible parking will need to be installed on site. This will also ensure that the school will get exclusive use of the parking spaces.

Intersection Hillside Drive / Slopes Road

Mr Minehan advised the area has been inspected and the review is next on the list after Murrumbidgee Avenue is installed.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Greg Minehan and Jason Hinson that the report be noted.

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Speirs Street Bus Zone Removal

Mr Minehan advised that a 16 Cities meeting was held last week with Griffith Buslines and a formal notification for a service alteration after the removal of the bus zone in Speirs Street will be sent to Buslines shortly. Mr Balind added the request for removal of the two bus zones was sent to the relevant TfNSW department by local bus operators on 2 November 2024. He added that information from bus operators indicated zero passengers had used the Speirs Street service since inception 18 months ago. Due to the buses using a 'hail and ride' system – both the eastern and western bus zones would be removed in the next week.

7.2 Griffith Biggest Lap Outstanding Documents

Sergeant Hinson asked that a Schedule 1 Form be sent to Police for the event.

7.3 North Griffith Public School Pickup

Councillor Napoli informed the Committee that she has recently witnessed unsafe driving and parking behaviour on Kooba Street during school pickup time at North Griffith School. Could something be done to deter unsafe behaviour? Mr Balind to talk to Compliance about their patrolling schedule. Councillor Napoli asked that an email be sent to the school to include reminders about safe driving and parking to be included in the school newsletter.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Traffic Committee is to be held on Tuesday, 8 April 2025 at 10:30 am.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 11:15am.