
**Port Stephens
Local Traffic Committee Minutes**

**Meeting held in the Port Stephens Council Committee room and via Zoom on
Tuesday 2nd July 2024 at 9:30am**

Present:

Senior Constable Josh Tyacke - NSW Police, Mark Morrison – Transport for NSW, Cr Giacomo Arnott, Anthony Biscan – Port Stephens Coaches, William Ridley - CDC Hunter Valley Buses, Andrew Behrens, John Maretich, Joe Gleeson (Chairperson) - Port Stephens Council

Apologies:

Cr Leah Anderson, Kate Washington MP, Tim Crakanthorp MP, Mayor Ryan Palmer, Dave Davies - Busways

A. Listed matters

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| 17_07/24 | Closebourne Way, Raymond Terrace – Request for parking restrictions |
| 18_07/24 | Tarean Road, Karuah – Request for parking restrictions |
| 19_07/24 | Robinson Street, Anna Bay – Birubi Shuttle bus |
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A. Listed matters

Item: 17_07/24

Closebourne Way, Raymond Terrace – Request for parking restrictions

Requested by: A resident

File: 388390

Background:

A local resident has contacted Council with concerns regarding the intersection of Closebourne Way and Mount Hall Road. When coming out of the estate, cars parking adjacent to the intersection make it difficult to see oncoming cars on Mount Hall Road. Construction of Irrawang High School's additions are causing more traffic to park near the school, and is causing safety concerns.

Comment:

It was noted that there are currently no signposted restrictions on Mount Hall Road side of the intersection. 'No Stopping' could assist to ensure that sight distance was available for vehicles turning right from Closebourne Way.

It was also suggested to add continuity line so that drivers can safely move forward to see oncoming traffic.

Legislation, Standards, Guidelines and Delegation:

NSW Road Rules – Rule 167 – No stopping signs

RMS signs database – R5-400

Traffic control devices installed under Part 5.3 Div. 2 Road Transport Act 2013

Discussion:

Cr Arnott requested that this item be deferred to allow for consultation with affected residents and the school.

Committee's recommendation:

Install 'No Stopping' and linemarking, at the intersection of Closebourne Way and Mount Hall Road, subject to the requested consultation, as shown on the attached sketch, Annexure A.

Engagement level

Level 1 – Inform

Action: Provide stakeholders with information to assist understanding of the changes and the Local Traffic Committee recommendation once endorsed

Support for the recommendation:

1	Unanimous	✓
2	Majority	
3	Split Vote	
4	Minority Support	
5	Unanimous decline	



Item: 18_07/24

Tarean Road, Karuah – Request for parking restrictions

Requested by: Port Stephens Council

File:

Background:

Council is seeking to provide parking for RV's (recreational vehicles) on Tarean Road, Karuah. This was identified as an action of the Karuah Place Plan. Although originally intended for Memorial Park, it has now been changed to the Karuah Centre.

This project involves creating an overnight parking area for RVs. It is intended to boost tourism, generate economic activity and improve liveability in the town.

Legislation, Standards, Guidelines and Delegation:

NSW Road Rules – Rule 205A – Parking outside times indicated

Traffic control devices installed under Part 5.3 Div. 2 Road Transport Act 2013

Committee's recommendation:

Adjust line marking and install 'P - RV only, 5pm-8am, Mon-Sun' parking signage, west of the Karuah Centre entrance, as shown on the attached sketch, Annexure A.

Engagement level

Level 1 – Inform

Action: Provide stakeholders with information to assist understanding of the changes and the Local Traffic Committee recommendation once endorsed

Support for the recommendation:

1	Unanimous	✓
2	Majority	
3	Split Vote	
4	Minority Support	
5	Unanimous decline	

Item: 19 07/24

Robinson Street, Anna Bay – Birubi shuttle bus

Requested by: PSC

File:

Background:

Council is proposing to implement a shuttle bus service at Anna Bay to transport tourists from select locations within Anna Bay to Robinson Reserve carpark.

The shuttle will operate between select locations within Anna Bay where commuters can safely park their vehicles for extended periods and hop on a shuttle bus to the beach.

The purpose of the service is to allow people to visit Birubi Beach and Robinson Reserve safely and conveniently and without the concern of getting caught up in the traffic congestion on James Paterson Street.

The shuttle Bus will run between the hours of 10am to 5pm during peak holiday periods of the year.

Legislation, Standards, Guidelines and Delegation:

NSW Road Rules – Rule 183 – Stopping in a bus zone

TfNSW signs database – R5-20

Traffic control devices installed under Part 5.3 Div. 2 Road Transport Act 2013

Discussion:

The following comments were received from Busways:

- It is highly possible that coaches visiting the area may choose to park at this proposed bus zone (even though parking is not permitted in a bus zone)
- It may be worth considering a particularly short bus zone to suit your minibus – but that would prohibit the parking of 12.5m, 13.3m and 14.5m coaches
- I'm not sure whether the *Minibus Zone* signage is gazetted in the NSW regs of the ARR's but I have seen them around – this could also be a possibility

Committee's recommendation:

Install bus zone signage in Robinson Street, Anna Bay, as shown on the attached sketch, Annexure A.

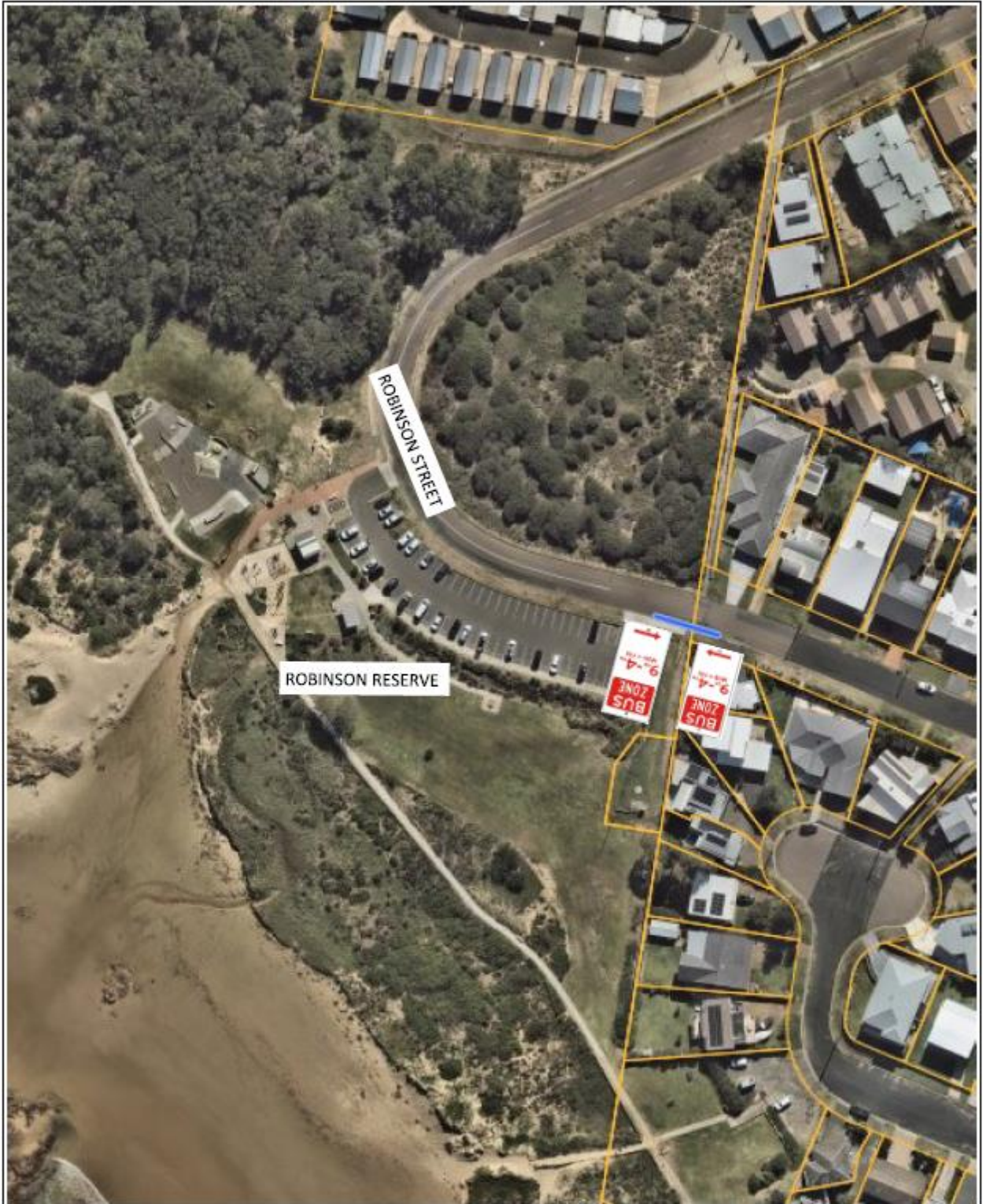
Engagement level

Level 1 – Inform

Action: Provide stakeholders with information to assist understanding of the changes and the Local Traffic Committee recommendation once endorsed

Support for the recommendation:

1	Unanimous	✓
2	Majority	
3	Split Vote	
4	Minority Support	
5	Unanimous decline	



Item: 20_07/24

Newton Parade, Williamtown – Installation of parking restrictions

Requested by: Port Stephens Council

File:

Background:

A new industrial development at Williamtown requires parking restrictions on the newly built roads to prevent airport related parking and to maintain safe access to the development.

Legislation, Standards, Guidelines and Delegation:

NSW Road Rules – Rule 167 – No stopping signs, Rule 179 – Stopping in a loading zone
RMS signs database – R5-400, R5-23

Traffic control devices installed under Part 5.3 Div. 2 Road Transport Act 2013

Discussion:

It was discussed that the submitted plan requires changes and will be distributed once the changes have been made

Committee's recommendation:

Install 'No Stopping' 'Loading Zone' restrictions in Newton Parade, Williamtown, as shown on the attached sketch, Annexure A.

Engagement level

Level 1 – Inform

Action: Provide stakeholders with information to assist understanding of the changes and the Local Traffic Committee recommendation once endorsed

Support for the recommendation:

1	Unanimous	✓
2	Majority	
3	Split Vote	
4	Minority Support	
5	Unanimous decline	