Improving safety at the Existing Pedestrian Crossing in Kintore St, Dulwich Hill (near Blackwood Ave)

Council is proposing to modify existing pedestrian crossing in Kintore Street (near Blackwood Avenue) to improve safety for school children by reconstructing the approach ramps to reduce ramp grades and improve accessibility. Also, we are proposing to improve a sight distance issue for children while crossing. The project is located at the intersection of Kintore Street and Blackwood Avenue, Dulwich Hill.

The proposed works include:

- **In Kntore Street**:
  - Removing the existing approach crossing ramps on both sides of the crossing and constructing new flatter approach ramps to make it more accessible for pedestrians and children;
  - Reconstruct footpaths (in concrete) leading to the existing pedestrian crossing;
  - Trim the existing tree in front of No.35 to improve site distance;
  - Replace the existing streetlight in front of No.33 (and located near the existing pedestrian crossing) with a new floodlight to ensure the required lighting levels are provided for pedestrian crossing;
  - Relay some grass verge with new grass (where shown on attached plans);
  - Relocate 1 existing NO STOPPPING sign (as shown on attached plans).

- **In Blackwood Ave**:
  - Extend the concrete footpath out into the road pavement and construct new kerb ramp to improve safety for pedestrians at this location;
  - Provide new LED streetlight to existing power pole on approach to the intersection with Kintore Street (refer to attached plan).

- **In General**:
  - Repaint existing line markings and provide some new line markings (as shown on the plan);
  - Reshape existing garden beds as needed (subject to detail design);
  - Provide new signage where shown on the attached plan;
  - Replace some plantings with new plantings (subject to detail design).

For more details please refer to the enclosed plans which highlights the proposed scope of works to be undertaken.

**Parking changes:**

To improve site distances and therefore safety for pedestrians, this proposal will result in the LOSS of ONE (1) existing on-street parking space in Kintore Street (in front of No. 35).

**Council Tree:**

To improve site distances and therefore safety for pedestrians, Council proposes to prune low level branches of the existing street tree, located outside No. 35 Kintore Street.
Street lighting changes:

As part of the work and to improve safety, Council proposes to replace the existing streetlight located on the power pole outside No.33 Kintgore Street with a new Floodlight (with light directed towards the new pedestrian crossing) to ensure the required minimum lighting levels are provided for the pedestrian crossing.

In addition, Council proposes to provide a new 17W LED street light to the existing power pole in Blackwood Avenue (School side) to improve lighting on approach to the Kintore Street intersection.

Have your say

Should you wish to provide any comments on the plan, please send the response by one of the following methods:

Email: Mohammed.Haque@innerwest.nsw.gov.au
Mail: Inner West Council, PO Box 14, Petersham NSW 2049
In person: Customer Service Centre, 2-14 Fisher Street, Petersham NSW

Please quote Council’s reference Mohammed Haque in all correspondence to ensure your comments are received by the correct Council Officer. Comments close 5pm on Wednesday 5 August 2020.

What happens next?

Council has not yet made any commitment to change the traffic arrangements in the street. A report, together with the community’s comments and this proposal, will be considered by Council’s Local Traffic Committee at its meeting on Monday, 7 September 2020. The Committee will make recommendations for Council to consider at the Council meeting on Tuesday, 29 September 2020. Council will notify everyone who provided comments of the final decision.

The LTC meeting agenda will be available to view on Council’s website in the week before the meeting at www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/council/meetings/committees/local-traffic-committee. Members of the public may register to speak at this meeting. If you wish to do so, please contact Council’s Administration Assistant–Infrastructure Services on (02) 9335 2213 to advise of your attendance.

When is the work planned?

These works are expected to be undertaken during the 2020/2021 financial year, subject to the outcome of this community engagement, final approvals and budget allocations. However, a firm construction date is not yet available, and residents will be notified further of the actual construction date before any work starts in the street.

Further information

For specific enquiries about this project please contact me on 02 9392 5639 or alternatively email me your responses to Mohammed.Haque@innerwest.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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