

**Minutes of Transport Strategic Reference Group  
Held in Ngara Room, Petersham Service Centre on 15 February, 2017**

The meeting commenced at 6.10pm

**Members:**

Ms Finola Border  
Mrs Fiona Campbell  
Mr Mark Clancy  
Mr Alan Finlay  
Mr Bill Holliday  
Mr Colin Jones  
Mr Lyall Kennedy  
Mr Bob Moore  
Mrs Vera Nadile  
Ms Kylie Segaert  
Mr Neil Tonkin

**Other Attendees:**

Mr Peter Gainsford	Deputy General Manager, Assets and Environment
Mr Wal Petschler	Group Manager, Roads & Stormwater
Mr John Stephens	Traffic Manager, Leichhardt Service Centre
Mr George Tsaprounis	Coordinator, Traffic Engineering Services, Marrickville Service Centre
Mr Ken Welsh	Strategic Transport Planner, Leichhardt Service Centre
Mr Simon Lowe	Strategic Transport Planner, Petersham Service Centre
Ms Gabby Higgins	Community Development Officer Ageing, Disability and Social Inclusion
Mr Glenn Redmayne	Strategic Community Project Officer, Access and Inclusion

**LRAC Members:**

John Stamolis  
Jeanette Wang

**1. Welcome**

Members participated in a group photograph prior to the commencement of the meeting.

**2. Acknowledgement of Country**

*"I acknowledge the Gadigal and Wangal people of the Eora nation on whose country we are meeting today and their elders past and present"*

**3. Apologies:**

**Members:**

Mr Rob Lake  
Mr Ian Phillips  
Mrs Robyn Bantoft  
Mr Kevin Eadie

**LRAC:**

Vera-Ann Hannaford  
Frank Breen

**4. Disclosures of Interest:**

Fiona Campbell declared that she was a Council Officer at the City of Sydney Council.

**5. Election of Chairperson:**

Nominations were called for a Chairperson and Lyall Kennedy self-nominated and was accepted. Ms Finola Border offered to chair the next meeting and was accepted. The Group agreed to rotate the role of Chair for the Transport Strategic Reference Group (TSRG).

**6. Items for consideration****Item 1 – Draft Terms of Reference**

There was a discussion as to the scope of the TSRG in relation to the Traffic Committee. It was agreed by the Group members to delete the following sentence from the draft terms of reference:

*“The scope of the Transport SRG does not include local traffic matters which must be by legislation and delegation from the RMS be referred to the Local Traffic Committee.”*

There was a discussion on the wording of the sentence under Media in section "4.Meeting principles" and whether TSRG members can speak to the media on behalf of TSRG. The Group agreed to accept the sentence wording at the present time.

**Recommendation:**

That the Terms of Reference be accepted with the deletion of the following sentence from the Draft Terms of Reference: *“The scope of the Transport SRG does not include local traffic matters which must be by legislation and delegation from the RMS be referred to the Local Traffic Committee.”*

**Item 2 – Draft Inclusion Action Plan**

Gabby Higgins and Glenn Redmayne gave a presentation of the "Draft Inclusion Action Plan for People with a Disability 2017-2021". The members were advised that a Community workshop is to be held around mid-March, 2017. Service Providers will be visited and asked to provide feedback.

The members were also advised that there will be post implementation reviews. An annual report will need to be submitted to the State Government and in turn a report will be submitted from the State Government to the Federal Government. Accountability and the reporting structure is also written in Council's Delivery Plan and there is an advocacy component.

Email comments from member Rob Lake (works in the aged and disability sector) were read out regarding Section 4 of the Plan:

- Section 4.4.1 - the need for inclusion of buses, both boarding, distribution of low floor/low floor wheelchair accessible buses between peak, commuter and off peak services, passenger needs and routes.
- Section 4.4.3 - During any strategic parking review, consult with people with disability on use, location and supply of mobility parking spaces
- Section 4.4.4 – Continue to improve the accessibility of bus stops through implementing the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport (DSAPT) and checking designs against the DSAPT guidelines. There also needs to be reference to information. Sydney Buses has made a decision to rely on apps for real time timetable information rather than at stops as CityRail and light rail do. This is a barrier for those without smart phones and data plans.

The email also discusses the need to formally reference NDIS in the action plan and that the NSW disability actions are framed by the Accessible Transport Action Plan, managed by Transport for

NSW. Copies of Mr Lake's emails were forwarded to the Group Manager, Community Services and Culture for consideration as part of the public exhibition period of the Draft Inclusion Action Plan.

**Recommendation:**

That the Transport Strategic Reference Group note the report, provide feedback on the draft IAP during the public exhibition period and refer to it in addressing its work.

**Item 3 – Draft Statement of Vision and Priorities**

The members discussed the "Draft Statement of Vision and Priorities" and agreed with 'The Vision' and also recommended the inclusion of the word '*diverse*' after the word 'inclusive' in 'The Vision' statement.

The members also suggested some changes to Priority 2 – Transport. These were:

- New dot point - Encourage Active Transport
- Add Safety and Transport Information to dot point 'Improving accessibility and connectivity' so it reads 'Improving accessibility, safety, connectivity and transport information.'

Also, a 'transport hierarchy mode' should be considered where pedestrians are listed as a first priority, followed by other users, with the motor vehicle being listed as a last priority.

The members were advised that they would have further opportunity for input into the Community Strategic Plan (CSP) and that this document would assist informing the future CSP and provide Council with high level guidance in the interim period.

There was a discussion on whether the order of the Priorities could be changed. Members were advised that the Priorities were a reflection of community workshops and input, and they were only interim until the CSP was developed and adopted by Council.

**Recommendation:**

That the Transport Strategic Reference Group engage with the community consultation process for the development of the Inner West Community Strategic Plan.

**Item 4 – Draft Schedule of Meeting Dates**

With the exception of the draft meeting date proposed for 27th April, which will be moved to the following Wednesday, 3rd May, 2017, the members agreed with the draft meeting dates and that the remainder of the meetings would be held at the Petersham Service Centre.

**Recommendation:**

THAT future 2017 meetings of the Group be held on the following dates below and be held at the Petersham Service Centre:

- Wednesday, 3rd May
- Wednesday, 5th July
- Wednesday, 13th September
- Wednesday, 22nd November

**7. Presentation – Integrated Transport Plan**

Council's Strategic Transport Planner, Leichhardt Service Centre made a presentation regarding Council's Integrated Transport Plan prepared for the former Leichhardt Council. Mr Welsh advised that a Plan for the Inner West Council area would now need to be developed.

**8. Council Organisational structure**

The members were presented with the new organisational structure and were given a brief outline by the Deputy General Manager, Assets and Environment on the various roles and the benefits of the structure.

**9. General Business**

The members discussed their involvement under the proposed community engagement with the Community Strategic Plan and to include as an item for the next meeting agenda.

**The meeting concluded at 8.30pm.**