

**Minutes of Transport Strategic Reference Group
Held in Council Chambers, Petersham Service Centre on 3 May, 2017**

The meeting commenced at 6.05pm

Members:

Mrs Robyn Bantoft
Mr Mark Clancy
Mr Alan Finlay
Mr Colin Jones
Mr Rob Lake
Mr Bob Moore
Mrs Vera Nadile
Mr Ian Phillips
Ms Kylie Segaert
Mr Neil Tonkin

Other Attendees:

Mr Wal Petschler	Group Manager, Roads & Stormwater
Mr John Stephens	Traffic Manager, Leichhardt Service Centre
Mr George Tsaprounis	Coordinator, Traffic Engineering Services, Petersham Service Centre
Mr Ken Welsh	Strategic Transport Planner, Leichhardt Service Centre
Mr Simon Lowe	Strategic Transport Planner, Petersham Service Centre

LRAC Members:

No attendees

1. Welcome

The Traffic Manager welcomed the members and as there were some members new to the meeting, invited everyone to introduce themselves.

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:

Mrs Fiona Campbell
Ms Finola Carey-Border
Mr Kevin Eadie
Mr Bill Holliday
Mr Lyall Kennedy

Officers:

Mr Peter Gainsford Deputy General Manager, Assets and Environment

LRAC:

Jeanette Wang

4a. Disclosures of Interest:

Nil.

4b. Election of Chairperson:

Mr Alan Finlay was elected Chair.

5. Reports**Item 1 – Community Strategic Plan (CSP)**

The members were given a presentation that included:

- High-level demographic profile of the Inner West.
- Overview of the CSP – what it is; the process for developing it; and the four key questions it addresses.
- How the SRG can contribute to the CSP by:
 - Answering questions raised in the Issues Paper and/or participating in a conversation relevant to the area of interest or expertise of the SRG (next 3 meetings)
 - Commenting on the Draft CSP at review stage (from August 2017 approximately)
- Transport mode data on how we get to work
- An overview slide of all the current proposed major transport projects within the Sydney metropolitan area
- The Way Forward i.e. :
 - Adapt Integrated Transport Plan
 - Overall Road Hierarchy
 - LAIS near WestConnex Portals
 - Review and combine bike plans and PAMPs
 - Parking Strategy
 - Wayfinding Strategy

The Committee members requested that Council Officers follow up with TfNSW regarding if the number of people travelling along major roads has changed over the years in the Inner West Council area.

The members then participated in a workshop to address the four key questions for the community:

- Where are we now?
- Where do we want to be in 10 years' time?
- How will we get there?
- How will we know we've arrived?

In summary, the members provided the following feedback to the stocktake question, “**Where are we now?**”

- Car Dependency
- Growing population (IWC)

- Good demographic mix
- Lack of mode shift
- Increase in the price of property – Land tax
- Very expensive to live in Inner West
- 7 day congestion
- Bus usage increase
- Poor frequency of public transport
- Lack of public transport on weekends
- Need to address all trips 24x7
- A lot of variables in Transport Environment
- Noisy, polluted, unattractive - street environment
- Pockets of greatness – King Street, Newtown
- High degree of traffic on secondary roads
- Balance essential trips
- Increase of white van deliveries (online shopping)
- Want to live in the Inner West
- Increase in unaffordability of housing
- Lot of retail and industry in Inner West
- Provide free Wi-Fi on mainstreets
- Most people work in city - small commute – focus on short trips
- Lots of cross-LGA travel, not just CBD-centric
- Disconnected bike/pedestrian network

Members were asked to provide a transport related '*Headline*' which could appear in the paper in ten years' time with the following headlines provided:

- IWC achieves transport connections and cycleways within 200m of home
- A fresh lifestyle alternative
- No trips more than ½ in Inner West Council;
- Inner West is the most liveable LGA in Sydney;
- Inner West – Sydney's freshest beating heart that you can't get enough of;
- 12 Month review of 20 minute city shows improved health outcomes;
- INNER WEST has transport's BEST;
- Inner West, the new Central Station;
- IWC bans carparking on most streets;
- IWC – achieving health and sustainable targets through 7 day active city plan; and

- Inner West has the highest rate of car sharing, carpooling plus free bike use for local trips.

The next question the members addressed was **Where do we want to be in 10 years' time?** and their responses are shown in the following Table, including their preferred 3 responses.

Responses to the question “Where do you want to be in 10 years' time?”	Allocated votes	Ranking
• No more than 10% children travelling to local school by car (90% children using sustainable modes of transport)	11	1
• Encourage local employment for locals opportunities	1	
• Identify and cater for essential parking	3	
• Better Integration workplace and childcare	3	
• Better integration preschool to year 12	1	
• DCP to set max rather than min parking levels	3	
• All developments have green travel plans	5	2
• Extra (spare) capacity on transport networks	3	
• Autonomous vehicles – need to be well prepared	1	
• No Shared Paths (appropriate wayfinding)	4	3
• Travelling on Transport is desirable	3	

Taking the 3 top goal responses, the members then considered the remaining 2 key questions "**how will we get there?**" and "**how will we know we've arrived?**". A summary of the responses to the goals is provided below.

1. No more than 10% children travelling to local school by car (90% children using sustainable modes of transport)

How will we get there?

- Develop IWC Integrated Transport Plan;
- Walking/riding school bus;
- Providing School buses (St Fiacres, Leichhardt had a school bus). Schools well served by public transport;
- Designing bike friendly roads; and
- Public education campaign / support of school administration.

How will we know we've arrived?

- Monitoring Childhood obesity;
- Satisfaction survey;
- Road Safety Improvement – 'Vision Zero' within school precincts; and

- Feedback from teachers.

2. All developments to have Green Travel Plans

How will we get there?

- Need to have travel plans included in the new IWC DCP as a condition of consent for new developments;
- Case studies to be used;
- Incentives for existing and future developments; and
- Integrated relationship with travel generators, e.g. Universities.

How will we know we've arrived?

- Monitoring DAs;
- Achieving their targets;
- Kept up to date; and
- Renewable in 3 years – efficiency dividend.

3. No Shared Paths (appropriate wayfinding) – Define and Adhere to only implementing best practice pedestrian and cycling infrastructure

How will we get there?

- Comprehensive active transport plan;
- Applying R.U.H (identifying most vulnerable users) and working down from there;
- Signage, wayfinding, logos and enforcement for cycling;
- Providing dedicated cycleways; and
- Ensuring new developments coordinate plans with local active transport connectivity.

How will we know we've arrived?

- No shared paths;
- People feeling safe enough to travel on the road; and
- Aspirational mode share to match world best practice.

Recommendation:

That the above member responses to the four key questions raised in the draft Community Strategic Plan be considered and included as part of Council's community engagement process.

6. Presentations

a. Community Strategic Plan

A detailed presentation was given to the members prior to workshopping the four key questions as detailed in section 5 above.

b. Parramatta Road GETS Project

This presentation was deferred to the next meeting due to time constraints.

7. General Business - Nil

The meeting concluded at 8.00pm.