

TOWN OF COTTESLOE



BIKE PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**MAYOR'S PARLOUR, COTTESLOE CIVIC CENTRE
109 BROOME STREET, COTTESLOE
4.00PM, TUESDAY, 8 MAY 2018**

7 June 2018

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1. DECLARATION OF MEETING OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Cr Sadler declared the meeting open at 4.04pm and welcomed the community representatives to the Committee.

2. APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDING MEMBER AND DEPUTY MEMBER

Cr Sadler called for nominations for the appointment of the Presiding Member.

Cr Sadler nominated for Presiding Member. Cr Young seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations, Cr Sadler was declared elected.

Cr Sadler called for nominations for the appointment of the Deputy Presiding Member.

Mr Powell nominated for Deputy Presiding Member. Cr Young seconded the nomination. There being no further nominations, Mr Powell was declared elected.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS OF THE LANDS

Cr Sadler acknowledged the traditional owners of the lands.

4. ATTENDANCE**Committee Members Present**

Cr Helen Sadler	Elected Member
Cr Lorraine Young	Deputy Member
Mr Mark Powell	Community Representative
Mr James Atkinson	Community Representative

In Attendance

Cr Rob Thomas	Elected Member	entered 4.10pm
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Officers Present

Mr Mat Humfrey	Chief Executive Officer	entered 4.50pm
Mrs Denise Tyler-Hare	Manager of Projects	
Ms Elizabeth Nicholls	Senior Administration Officer	

Apologies

Cr Sally Pyvis	Elected Member
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5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Cr Sadler requested that amendments be made to the Bike Planning Committee minutes held 13 February 2018.

This included:

- Altering a statement included in Item 8.6 – Bike Racks at John Street Café to accurately reflect her statement that she '*queried if this was the correct use of the bike infrastructure budget*'.

- Changing Item 8.10 – Grant Street Cycling Accident 13 December 2017 from ‘deferred’ to ‘tabled’.

Moved Cr Young, seconded Cr Sadler

The Minutes of the meeting of the Bike Planning Committee minutes held 13 February 2018 be confirmed, subject to the above amendments.

Carried 4/0

6. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Mr Atkinson informed the Committee should his work have a funding or financial interest he will advise the Committee.

7. OFFICER REPORTS

7.1 TOWN OF COTTESLOE BIKE PLAN – TENDER (CONFIDENTIAL)

File Ref: SUB/2612
Attachments: Tender Submissions Evaluation Table (CONFIDENTIAL)
Responsible Officer: Mat Humfrey, Chief Executive Officer
Author: Denise Tyler-Hare, Project Manager
Proposed Meeting Date: 8 May 2018
Author Disclosure of Interest: Nil

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved Cr Sadler, seconded Mr Atkinson

That the Bike Planning Committee recommend that Council DEFER acceptance of the Town of Cottesloe Bike Plan tender pending a consultant being invited to submit his CV to be reviewed by staff as a Pro Bono consultant to review the tenders received reviewing:

1. Relevant experience
2. Technical skills
3. Resources

Carried 4/0

7.2 MARINE PARADE BLISTER ISLAND - DESIGN

File Ref:	SUB/2521
Attachments:	Concept Plans Draft Community Consultation Letter Email from City of Nedlands Wombat Crossing Wearne Masterplan
Responsible Officer:	Mat Humfrey, Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Denise Tyler-Hare, Project Manager
Proposed Meeting Date:	8 May 2018
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

SUMMARY

The Committee is requested to endorse the proposed blister island design at Marine Parade/Gibney Street.

BACKGROUND

At the February 2018 Committee meeting, the Committee discussed options for the blister island at length. The following is a summary of the conversations held:

Mrs Tyler-Hare advised the Committee that comments have been received. Mr Woodhouse indicated that a plateau is not a preferred option as it is a danger to pedestrians as there is uncertainty between traffic and pedestrians. Mrs Tyler-Hare suggested that footpaths could be graded down so it is flush. Cr Pyvis raised concerns that this would allow traffic to speed through the area. Cr Sadler commented that pedestrians should be prioritised and they shouldn't be at the same level as cars.

Mrs Tyler-Hare queried the use of a zebra crossing. Mr Humfrey indicated that this does not meet Main Roads Western Australia requirements and that there are concerns for line of sight.

Cr Young noted that the noise made by vehicles needs to be considered. Mr Humfrey indicated that people would slow down and then accelerate creating additional noise.

Cr Boulter suggested approaching Main Roads Western Australian for comments. Cr Young suggested looking at the Wearne Masterplan. Cr Sadler raised concerns regarding the on/off road cyclist ramps as they create too many pedestrian conflicts.

Cr Sadler's attached email dated 5 January 2018 was noted. Point four to install an ACROD bay will be provided to the Disability Services Advisory Committee for comment.

Cr Boulter asked if there would be additional lighting installed at the proposed blister island. Mrs Tyler-Hare referenced point 1 on the plan which shows this already being included.

Mrs Tyler-Hare advised the Committee that the requested changes would be provided to the Town of Nedlands and the updated document will be provided to the Bike Planning Committee for further consideration.

Cr Boulter thanked Cr Sadler and Cr Pyvis.

Subsequent to this, the following actions and outcomes have been undertaken and arisen:

1. The Wearne Masterplan has been reviewed, and there are no vehicle access points at the proposed blister island location;
2. The following changes were requested to the City of Nedlands:
 - a. Remove the pram ramps and include a raised plateau across the road.
 - b. Confirm that this can allow cycling without age bikes to get across safely.
 - c. Remove the off-road cyclist option.
 - d. Include two trees at either end of the blister island.
3. The City of Nedlands have advised the following:
 - a. They have checked the Main Roads standard drawing for a flat top plateau and note 4 of the drawing states that Main Roads does not support road humps as pedestrian crossings unless they are wombat crossings. The City is in agreement with Main Roads' position on this as we believe that the piano markings on its own create confusion between pedestrians and vehicles as to who has priority.
 - b. Additionally, the City of Nedlands does not support:
 - i. The removal of the off-road cyclists option – The blister island will create a squeeze point for on-road cyclists which is a hazard.
 - ii. The addition of trees in the blister island – Trees can be both a road side hazard and an obstruction to clear sight lines. The required clear zone for the crossing location is 5m (see MRWA Supplement to Austroads Guide to Road Design-Part 6 Clause 4). Issues surrounding trees being road side hazards and potentially creating sight line issues are also highlighted in the Austroads Guide to Road Design Parts 6A (Table 4.3) and 6B (Cl. 3.4.4).

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Strategic Community Plan 2013 to 2023

Priority Area One Protecting and enhancing the wellbeing of residents and visitors.

Priority Area Three Enhancing beach access and the foreshore.

Priority Area Five Providing sustainable infrastructure and community amenities.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The updated Bike Plan will need to comply with the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan Policy

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

Local Government Regulations 1996

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There is \$70,000 in the 2017/2018 Budget for road construction – new upgrades to Marine Parade. There are no budget amendments anticipated from the officer's recommendation.

STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

There are no perceived staffing implications arising from the officer's recommendation.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no perceived sustainability implications arising from the officer's recommendation.

CONSULTATION

Bike Planning Committee
Town of Cottesloe Staff

STAFF COMMENT

The City of Nedlands does not support a raised plateau without line markings, such as those found on the attached wombat crossing. If a wombat crossing was to be installed, it would address the Committee's concerns with providing an at-grade crossing, and a sufficient width for cycling without age crossings.

The Town agrees with the City of Nedlands that trees may cause sight distance obstructions, and recommend not planting trees at this stage. This could always be revisited in the future, once the blister island is installed and in operation.

The issue at hand comes down to two competing objectives; the ability to provide a safe crossing Wearne citizens, and the ability to allow cyclists to continue to use Marine Parade as they would normally.

A possible compromise is to install green cycle lanes on road, to provide cyclists with a safe option, and change the footpaths so that they grade down at a very small slope to match the road level. This provides the Wearne citizens an at-grade crossing, with a refuge in the middle, providing them with improved safety in crossing.

However, leaving out a wombat crossing means cyclists are not impeded by this, but still have a safe route through the blister island. An alternative concept is attached pertaining to this compromise, which shows the blister island being 2.5m wide. This could be increased to 3.2m, by slightly realigning the footpath to be flush with the Wearne boundary by 300mm, and reducing the footpath width at this location from 2.2m to 1.8m.

The Town has spent a considerable amount of time on this project, and would like to see it finalised, with a compromise that meets both user group's needs, as well as the general traffic.

VOTING

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommend to Council to ENDORSE the proposed alternative Marine Parade/Gibney Street blister island plan, subject to widening of the blister island from 2.5m to 3.2m.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved Cr Sadler, Seconded Cr Young

That the Committee recommend that Council ENDORSE the proposed plan provided by Mr Powell.

Carried 4/0

Rationale

The committee considered the safety requirements and recommendations of Main Roads, The City of Nedlands Engineering Department and the needs of pedestrians, bike riders and vehicles. Mark Powell presented a graphic that incorporated these elements.

8. OTHER BUSINESS**8.1 Bike Paths**

The Committee noted the feedback that was received regarding the Local Bike Plan Review.

8.2 Bike Advocacy Group

The Committee noted the email received from Cr Sadler on 20 March 2018.

8.3 Pedestrian Crossing – Grant Street and Marine Parade

The Committee noted the suggestion that Officers advise the Committee on the viability of including a pedestrian crossing south of the roundabout at the intersection of Grant Street and Marine Parade.

It was suggested that the long term design principles be considered.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS**9.1 Emails received from Cr Sadler and Mr Powell**

The Committee noted the email Mr Powell sent on 7 May 2018 – Reduction of speed limits in Cottesloe (Marine Parade and Town Centre).

The Committee noted the email Cr Sadler sent on 6 May 2018 – Foreshore Masterplan Workshop.

Mr Powell advised that Marine Parade is a critical area for cyclists. He indicated that his preference for the area would be a separate pedestrian promenade and cycle path. Alternatively, traffic should be slowed and a wide shared path for cyclists and pedestrians be created. The shared path would need to be wider than a Principal Shared Path. Mr Atkinson agreed with Mr Powell's suggestions.

10. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 5 June 2018

11. MEETING CLOSURE

Cr Sadler declared the meeting closed at 5.37pm.