

ITEM (A): MEADOWBANK EDUCATION EMPLOYMENT PRECINCT (MEEP)
SUBJECT: MELLOR STREET, WEST RYDE - PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

ELECTORATE: RYDE
WARD: CENTRAL
ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED

Traffic Committee Members are required to advise whether they have any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest with regards to the item discussed below.

PROPOSAL

The new Meadowbank Education and Employment Precinct (MEEP) was opened in April 2022. To improve the pedestrian walking route, an additional pedestrian (zebra) crossing is being proposed by NSW Department of Education/School Infrastructure NSW on Mellor Street, West Ryde north of Macpherson Street, Meadowbank. This crossing will provide connectivity to the pedestrian crossing on Macpherson Street improving the walking route to the school for students and parents from the north direction.

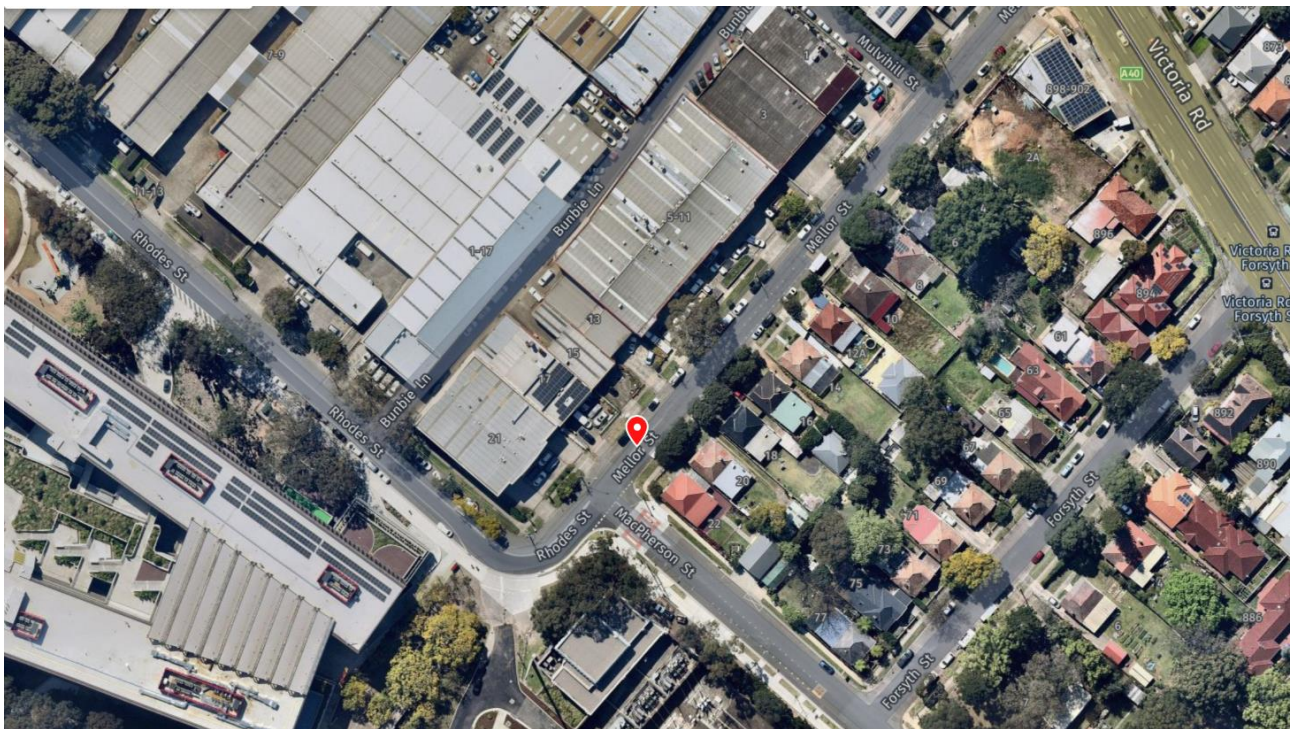


Figure 1: Location Plan

DISCUSSION

The provision of a pedestrian (zebra) crossing across Mellor Street will provide connectivity to the crossing at Macpherson Street and improve the pedestrian route to the school for students and parents travelling from the north direction.

It is noted that before a location can be considered for the installation of a pedestrian crossing it should consider the likely vehicular traffic and pedestrian demand at the crossing location. Transport for NSW's supplement to Austroads Guide to Traffic Management Part 10: Traffic Control and Communication Devices states the following minimum vehicular traffic and pedestrian demand that would warrant a pedestrian crossing:

"If the crossing is used predominantly by school children, is not suitable site for a children's crossing and in two counts of one hour duration immediately before and after school hours:-

(a) $P \geq 30$ AND

(b) $V \geq 200$ "

The school development will accommodate an ultimate student population of 2,620 students, which is expected to generate traffic and pedestrian demands Mellor Street that exceed the warrant volumes mentioned above.

The proposed location of the pedestrian crossing on Mellor Street aligns with the other pedestrian infrastructure works that are to be delivered as part of the MEEP Schools project previously endorsed by Ryde Traffic Committee at the April 2021 meeting. It will provide a desired pedestrian route facilitating safe and efficient pedestrian connectivity to the school site for students walking to the school from the north. This will also ensure the active transport mode targets established within the school travel plan to encourage more students to walk to the school can be realised.

The signage and linemarking arrangements and width of the proposed pedestrian crossing shown on Figure 2 comply with relevant sections of Transport for NSW's technical directions (i.e. Stopping and Parking Restrictions at Intersections and Crossings (TDT2002/12c)), NSW Road Rules Act and AS1742.2. It is noted that the required "NO STOPPING" restrictions on the approach and departure side of the pedestrian crossing will result in the loss of four (4) on-street parking spaces on Mellor Street.

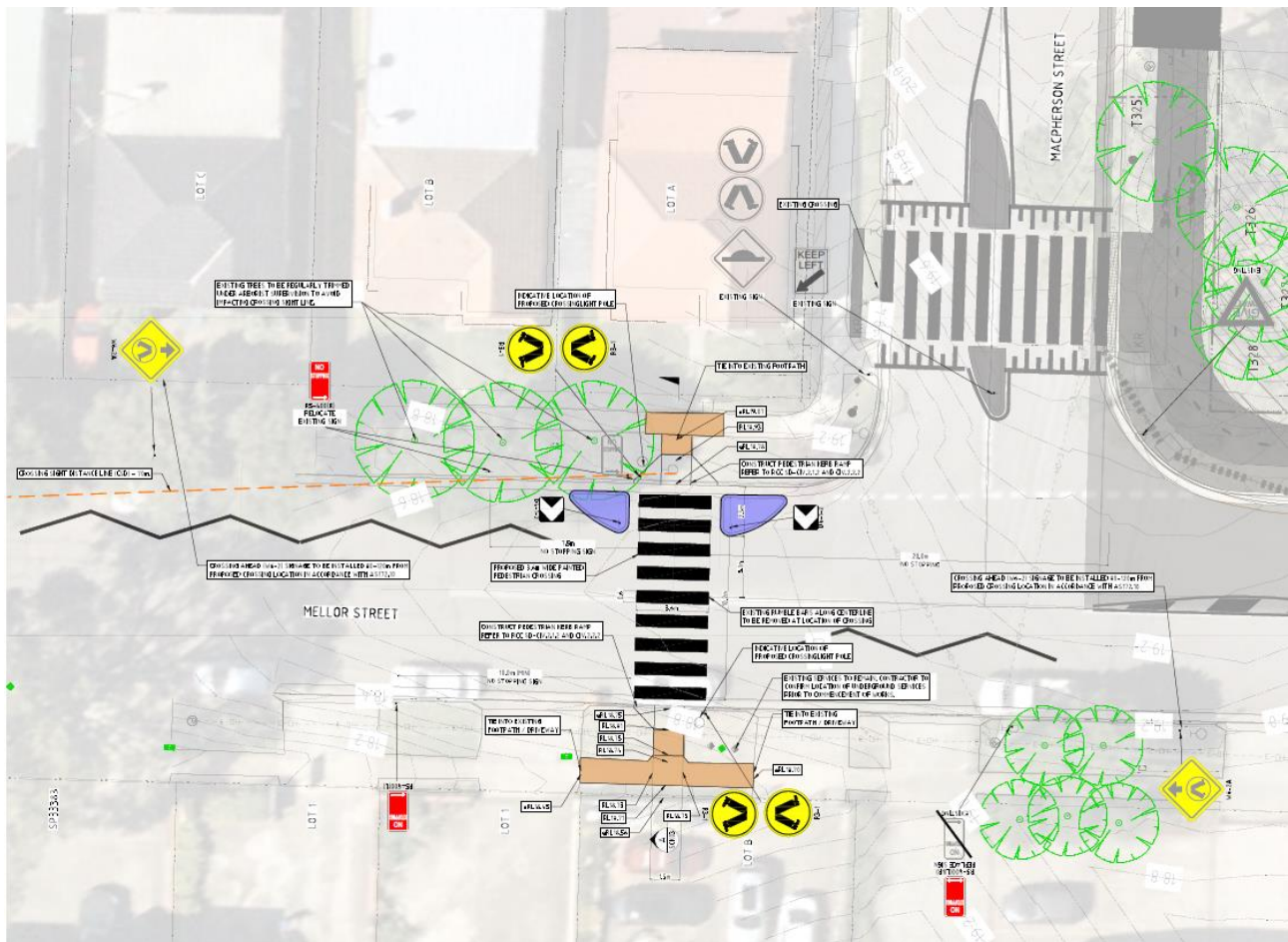


Figure 2: Mellor Street pedestrian crossing north of Macpherson Street, West Ryde.

CONSULTATION/NOTIFICATION

As the pedestrian crossing is part of the MEEP School project, the responsibility to notify affected residents and/or business owners lies with School Infrastructure NSW. The project manager (Colliers) working on behalf of School Infrastructure NSW will be carrying out the stakeholder and community consultation.

RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends:

- That an at grade pedestrian (zebra) crossing be installed on Mellor Street, West Ryde, north of Macpherson Street, Meadowbank. The installation of this pedestrian facility will be undertaken by the applicant (NSW Department of Education/School Infrastructure NSW), at no cost to Council.

ITEM (B): PRINCES STREET, RYDE
SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF 'NO STOPPING' ZONE
ELECTORATE: RYDE
WARD: CENTRAL
ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED

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PROPOSAL

Council proposes to extend the existing 'No Stopping' zone by 5 metres on the eastern side of Princes Street opposite 55 Princes Street, Ryde.



Figure 1: Location Plan

DISCUSSION

The sightlines for motorists travelling southbound are restricted at this location due to the road geometry and parked vehicles. To improve road safety, removing parking will improve the sightlines, and motorists will have more reaction time to avoid any incidents associated with parked vehicles at this location.

To address this safety concern, Council proposes to extend the existing 'No Stopping' zone by 5 metres on the eastern side of Princes Street opposite 55 Princes Street, Ryde.



Figure 2: Proposal to extend the existing 'No Stopping' zone opposite 55 Princes Street, Ryde.



Figure 3: Street view at 55 Princes Street, Ryde.

CONSULTATION

As indicated in Figure 4, Council consulted with the following properties seeking their feedback on the proposal.

A total of six (6) properties were consulted and no objections were received.

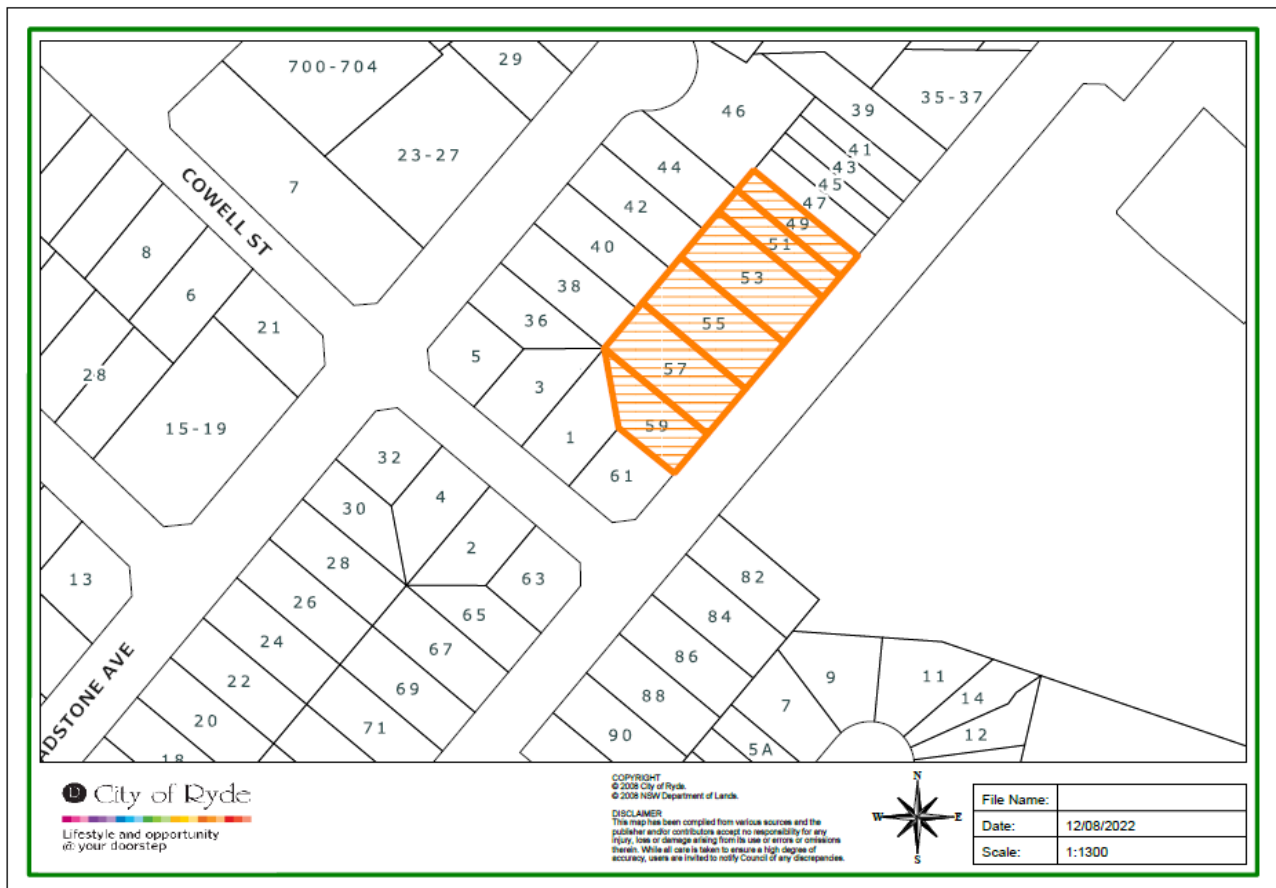


Figure 4: Consultation area

RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

- The existing 'No Stopping' zone be extended by 5 metres on the eastern side of Princes Street opposite 55 Princes Street, Ryde.

ITEM (C): **ROAD SAFETY UPDATE**
SUBJECT: **ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMS**

ELECTORATE: RYDE / LANE COVE
WARD: ALL

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TRANSPORT FOR NEW SOUTH WALES (TfNSW) FUNDED PROGRAMS

The next Child Car Seat Checking Day will be held on 20 October at Blenheim Park, North Ryde.

COUNCIL FUNDED PROGRAMS

Police/Council Road Safety Awareness Program

Council is partnering with Ryde Police Area Command to deliver road safety information at Macquarie University and local TAFEs. The next event will be a stall at Macquarie University on 6 October with Highway Patrol and the Eastwood Gladesville Liquor Accord 'Mobile Education Resource Centre' (MERC).

2023 Road Safety Calendar

The annual road safety calendar is now available at libraries, Customer Service, Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre and various other locations throughout the City of Ryde.

Granny Smith Festival Stall

Council's Transport team will join Rangers and members of the Ryde Police Area Command at the Granny Smith Festival on 15 October. The joint stall will promote road safety and an awareness of parking rules, with information available in various languages and interpreters available for people to ask questions of staff and the police. The Eastwood Gladesville Liquor Accord 'Mobile Education Resource Centre' will also be on-site with activities including a distracted driving simulator for ages 15 years and over. In addition, a new bike parking area will be available to encourage people to ride to the festival. New bike maps and cycling information will be available. with free tyre repair kits and other cycling giveaways for anyone who rides to the festival.

RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

- a) The Road Safety report be received and noted.