
NOTICE OF MEETING

You are advised of the following meeting:

Ryde Traffic Committee Meeting

Thursday, 24 August 2023

**Meeting Room Landmark, Level 1, North Ryde Office
&
MS Teams**

MEMBERS

City of Ryde (Chair) Senior Coordinator Traffic Operations (for Mgr. Traffic Services)
Transport for New South Wales..... Network & Safety Officer, Central River City
NSW Police ForceRyde Local Area Command
Member for RydeThe Hon. Jordan Lane MP
Member for Lane CoveThe Hon. A Roberts MP

ADVISORS

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MEETING CONVENOR

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APOLOGIES

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

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ITEM (B) - VIMIERA ROAD, MARSFIELD - AT- GRADE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

ITEM (C) - FONTENOY ROAD, MACQUARIE PARK - KEEP CLEAR PAVEMENT MARKINGS

ITEM (D) - MORRISON ROAD, GLADESVILLE - COMBINED PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLIST CROSSING

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GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM (A) TWIN ROAD, NORTH RYDE

SUBJECT: CHANGING GIVE WAY TO STOP CONTROL

ELECTORATE: RYDE
WARD: EAST
ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED
OFFICER: I SHAIK

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

PROPOSAL

Council is proposing to replace the existing “GIVE WAY” priority control with a “STOP” priority control for eastbound and southbound vehicles on Twin Road at its intersection with Goulding Road, North Ryde. **Figure 1** shows the location of the proposed changes.

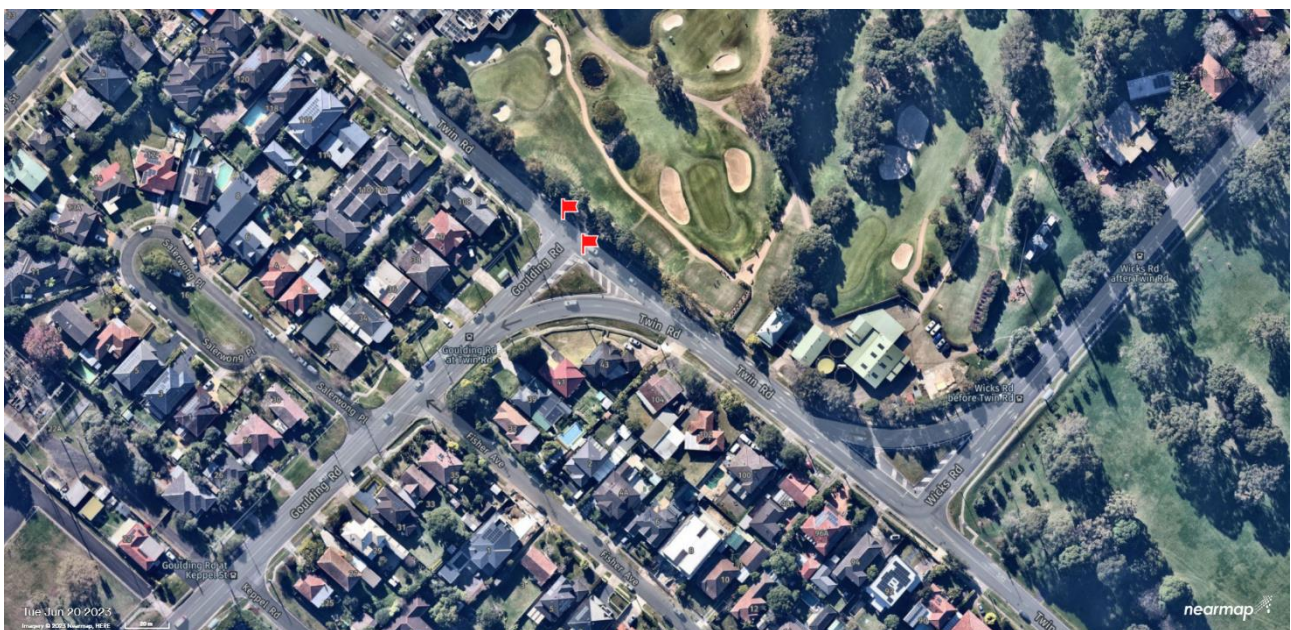


Figure 1: Location Map

DISCUSSION

Council has received multiple reports of near misses at the intersection of Twin Road and Goulding Road. Currently this intersection is governed under “GIVE WAY” signage control with Goulding Road forming the priority route.

Council’s traffic engineers have undertaken an investigation at this intersection and propose to replace the existing “GIVE WAY” signs with “STOP” signs at this intersection. **Figures 2 and 3** show the existing and proposed intersection arrangement respectively. This measure is expected to encourage drivers on Twin Road to slow down on approach to its intersection with Goulding Road which will improve traffic safety at this location during weekday peak periods.

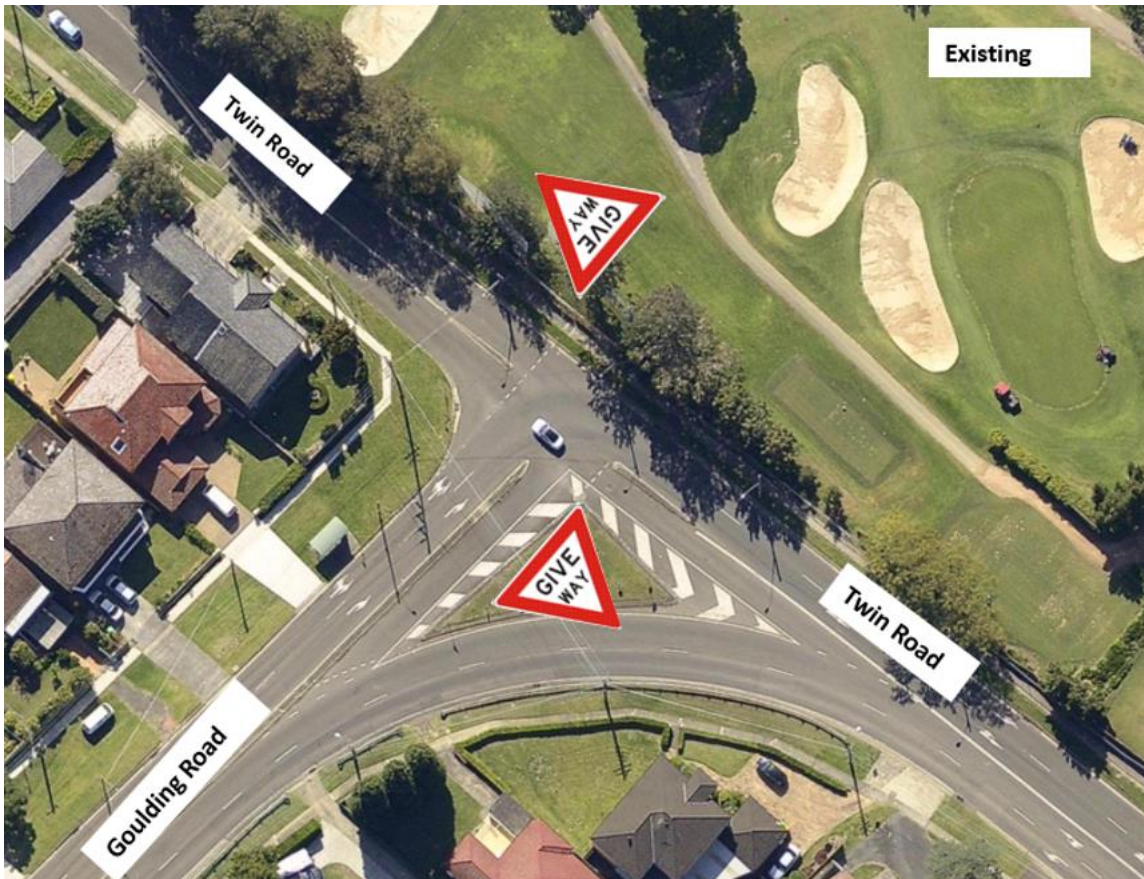


Figure 2: Existing intersection arrangement

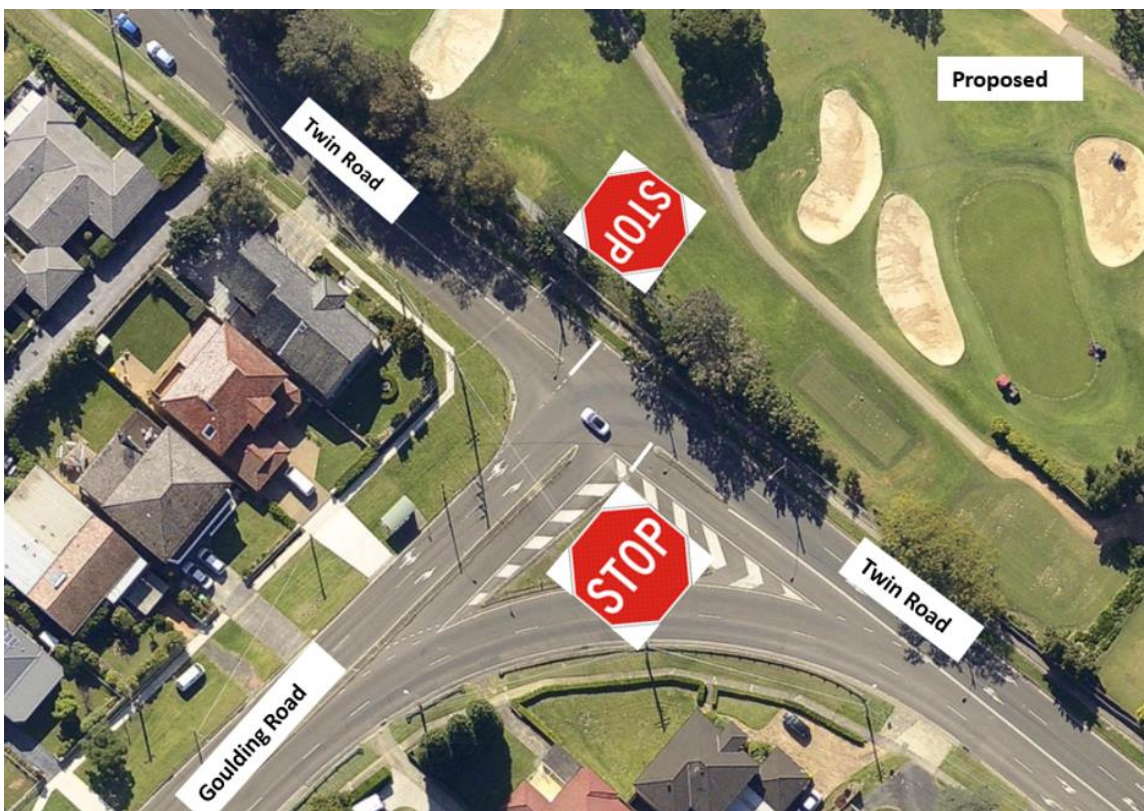


Figure 3: Proposed intersection arrangement

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

The proposed changes will have no impact on surrounding businesses or residents. As such, community consultation was not considered to be required.

RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

- a) The existing “GIVE WAY” priority control be replaced with “STOP” priority control for eastbound and southbound vehicles on Twin Road at its intersection with Goulding Road, North Ryde.

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| ITEM (B) | VIMIERA ROAD, MARSFIELD |
| SUBJECT: | AT- GRADE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING |
| ELECTORATE: | RYDE |
| WARD: | WEST |
| ROAD CLASS: | NON-CLASSIFIED |
| OFFICER: | I SHAIK |

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

PROPOSAL

Council is proposing to convert an existing pedestrian refuge into an at-grade pedestrian crossing on Vimiera Road, Marsfield near Vimiera Retirement Village. **Figure 1** shows the location for the proposed pedestrian crossing.



Figure 1: Location Plan

DISCUSSION

The proposed pedestrian crossing location is in the immediate vicinity of Epping Boys High School and Vimiera Retirement Village. Recent observations undertaken by Council's traffic engineers have identified a number of students are not using existing crossing facilities (e.g. pedestrian signals at Epping Road/Vimiera Road intersection, mid-block pedestrian refuge) to cross Vimiera Road. This is a safety concern considering the moderately high traffic volumes along Vimiera Road during weekday peak periods (including school zone periods), which is commensurate with the collector function of the road within Council's Road hierarchy.

During school pick-up/drop-off periods, it has been observed that there is a lack of frequent gaps in the traffic flow on Vimiera Road, which affects the safety of students crossing this public road. Students have also been observed to jaywalk due to their preference to not wait to cross at the traffic signals at the intersection of Epping Road and Vimiera Road.

Council has also received feedback from representatives of Epping Boys High School, parents and the NSW Police, concerning pedestrian safety on Vimiera Road.

Based on investigations by Council's Traffic Engineers, it is proposed that consideration be given to upgrading the existing pedestrian refuge on Vimiera Road adjacent to Vimiera Retirement Village to an at-grade pedestrian crossing. This measure will provide priority for pedestrians over vehicular traffic. Further, it will encourage drivers to slow down on approach to the pedestrian crossing. These outcomes are expected to improve safety for vulnerable road users such as school students and the elderly, when crossing Vimiera Road.

Figure 2 illustrates the extent of the works.

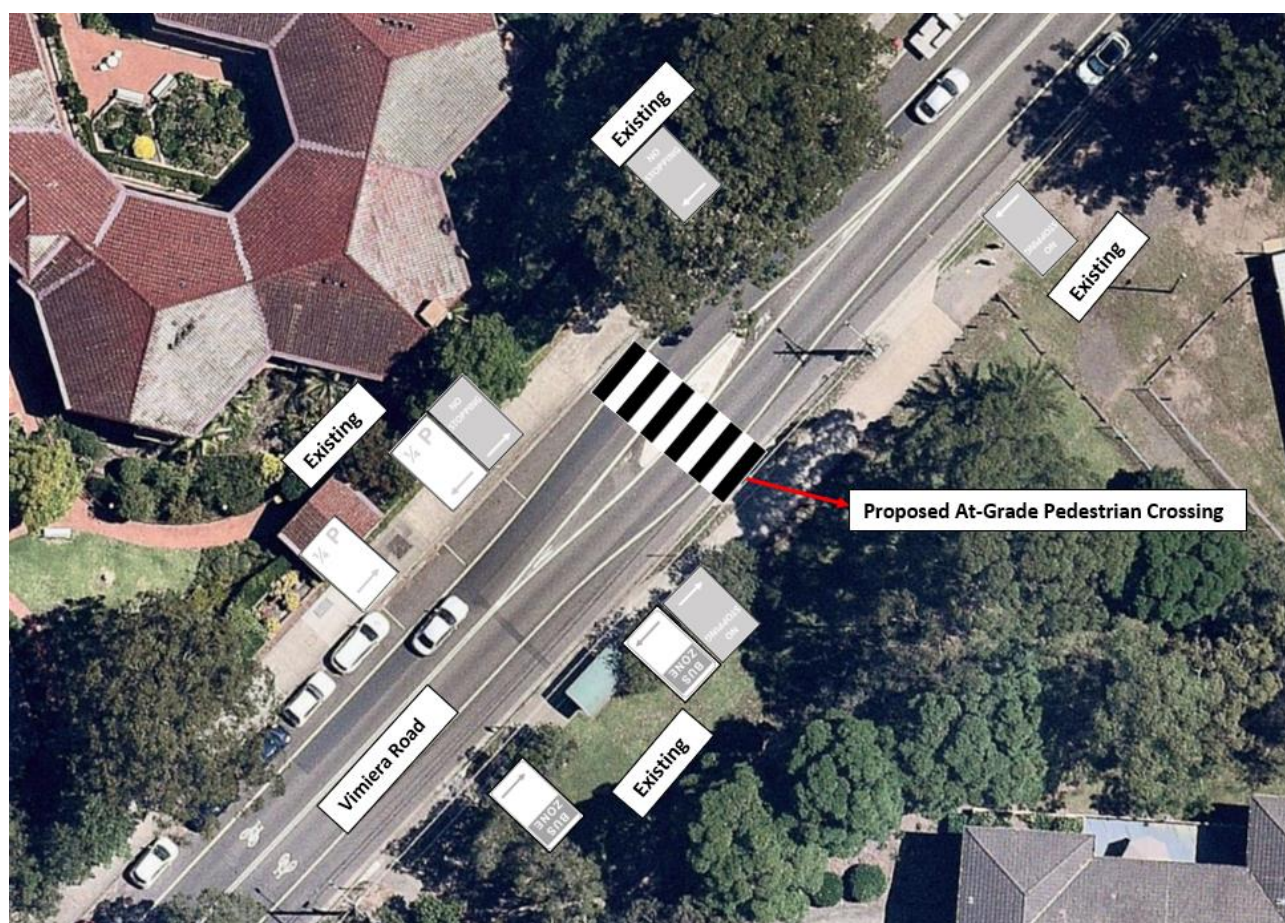


Figure 2 – Proposed pedestrian crossing at the existing pedestrian refuge.

CONSULTATION

Community consultation was not considered at this stage because the current proposal is seeking in principle approval for upgrading the existing crossing facility. Should there be a loss of any on-street parking, residents will be consulted during the detailed design stage.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends:

- a) Approval in principle for the upgrade of the existing pedestrian refuge on Vimiera Road adjacent to Vimiera Retirement Village to an at-grade pedestrian crossing.
- b) That Council proceeds with the detailed design in accordance with the TfNSW Technical Directions/ relevant standards and further community consultation, subject to availability of funds.

ITEM (C) FONTENROY ROAD, MACQUARIE PARK

SUBJECT: KEEP CLEAR PAVEMENT MARKINGS

ELECTORATE: RYDE
WARD: CENTRAL
ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED
OFFICER: I SHAIK

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

PROPOSAL

Council is proposing to install “KEEP CLEAR” pavement markings on the eastbound carriageway on Fontenroy Road where it intersects with Tuckwell Park carpark, Macquarie Park. **Figure 1** shows the location of the proposed markings.



Figure 1: Location plan

DISCUSSION

Site observations have found the eastbound queuing on Fontenroy Road, during peak periods, extend past the driveways servicing Tuckwell Park carpark. This has led to these driveways being blocked which affects the efficiency in which vehicles enter or exit from the carpark servicing Tuckwell Park. Further, vehicular accessibility to and from the residential complex directly opposite Tuckwell Park is affected by queuing within Fontenroy Road during peak periods.

In order to improve safety and efficiency in which vehicles can enter/egress Tuckwell Park carpark and nearby major developments, it is proposed that “KEEP CLEAR” markings be installed on the eastbound through travel lane (including shoulder) on Fontenroy Road as

shown in **Figure 2**. It is noted that Transport for NSW's Delineation Guidelines (Section 9 Messages on Pavement (Including Bus Lane Markings) permits 'KEEP CLEAR' pavement markings to be installed at "Carpark entrances which are frequently blocked by traffic queues."



Figure 2: Proposed keep clear markings

CONSULTATION

Council has received requests from local residents for "KEEP CLEAR" markings to be provided at the location depicted in **Figure 2**.

RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

- a) "KEEP CLEAR" pavement markings be installed on the eastbound carriageway on Fontenoy Road where it intersects with Tuckwell Park carpark, Macquarie Park.

ITEM (D) MORRISON ROAD, GLADESVILLE

SUBJECT: COMBINED AT-GRADE PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLIST CROSSING

ELECTORATE: LANE COVE
WARD: CENTRAL
ROAD CLASS: NON-CLASSIFIED
OFFICER: S ALI

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

PROPOSAL

Council is proposing to convert the existing refuge island to a combined pedestrian and cyclist crossing on Morrison Road in the immediate vicinity of Tyagarah Road, Gladesville. **Figure 1** shows the location of the pedestrian crossing.



Figure 1: Location Plan

DISCUSSION

There is an existing refuge island on Morrison Road that facilitates pedestrians and cyclists crossing to and from the Bremner Park. During peak hours and when there are sporting events in the park, pedestrians cannot find appropriate gaps to safely cross at this location. To improve the pedestrians and cyclists' safety and connectivity in the area, Council is proposing to convert the existing refuge island to a combined at-grade pedestrians and cyclists crossing. The proposed crossing facility also forms part of the

proposed cycleway route (Regional Route 04) and connects to the existing shared path through Bremner Park.

Transport for NSW Technical Directions requires statutory No Stopping parking restrictions on the approach and departure sides of the crossing. In this regard, the proposed pedestrian crossing will result in the loss of one (1) on-street parking space on the southern side of Morrison Road.

Please refer to concept design in **Figure 2**. The detailed design and construction of the facility is subject to the funding allocation.

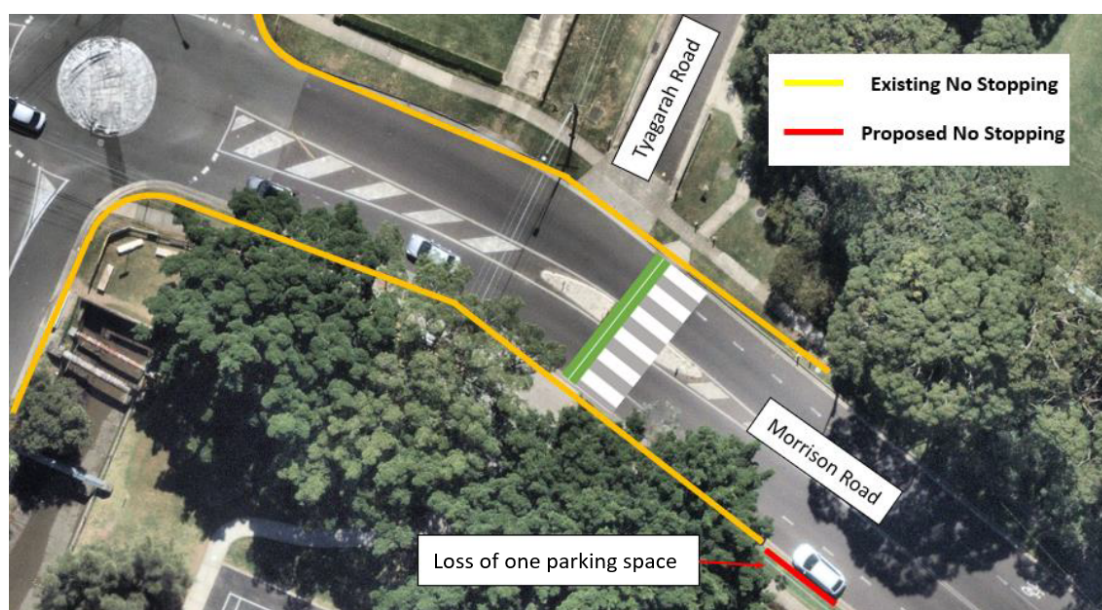


Figure 2 – Concept design of combined at-grade pedestrian crossing on Morrison Road, Gladesville.

CONSULTATION

Consultation letters were distributed to the following properties shown in **Figure 3** below, allowing two (2) weeks for feedback. A total of fifteen (5) letters were distributed and one (1) objection was received. The objection raised by the resident was concerned about the loss of on-street parking at their property frontage. However, the resident agreed that a pedestrian crossing is required on Morrison Road to improve the safety for cyclists and pedestrians crossing this road. The resident's feedback above will be considered in the detailed design stage.

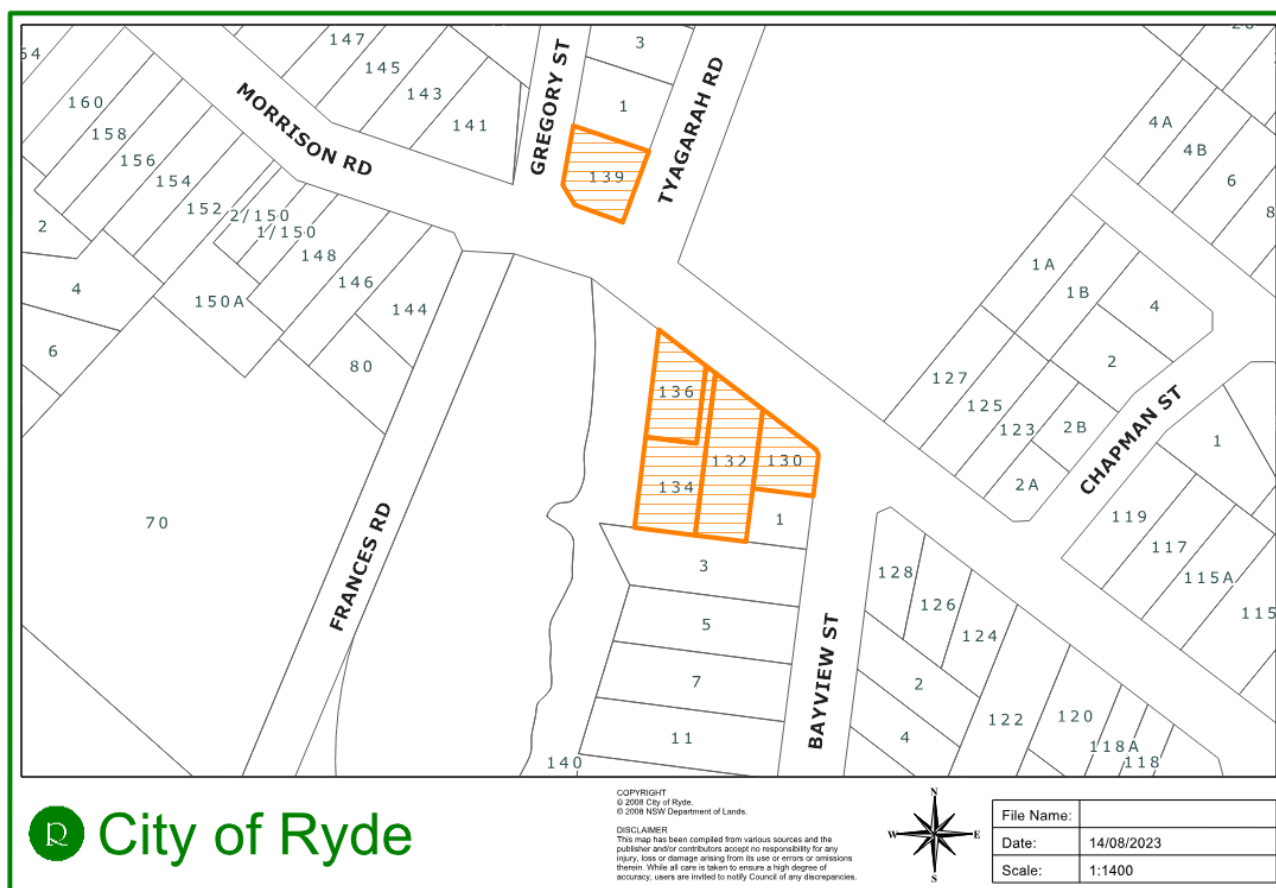


Figure 3: Distribution map for community consultation.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that: -

- The existing refuge island be converted to a combined at-grade pedestrians and cyclists crossing (subject to availability of funds) on Morrison Road in the immediate vicinity of Tyagarah Road (Bremner Park), Gladesville.
- The pedestrian crossing be designed and installed in accordance with the TfNSW Technical Directions and other relevant standards.

ITEM (E): REGIONAL BICYCLE ROUTE (RR04) (NORTH RYDE TO PUTNEY)

SUBJECT: CYCLEWAY DESIGN

ELECTORATE: RYDE AND LANE COVE

WARD: CENTRAL AND EAST

ROAD CLASS: CLASSIFIED AND UNCLASSIFIED

OFFICER: S ALI

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

PROPOSAL

Council is proposing to deliver the cycleway route connecting Chatswood and Burwood which forms regional route 04 of the adopted City of Ryde 2022-2030 Bicycle Strategy and Action Plan. **Figure 1** shows the location of the proposed routes.

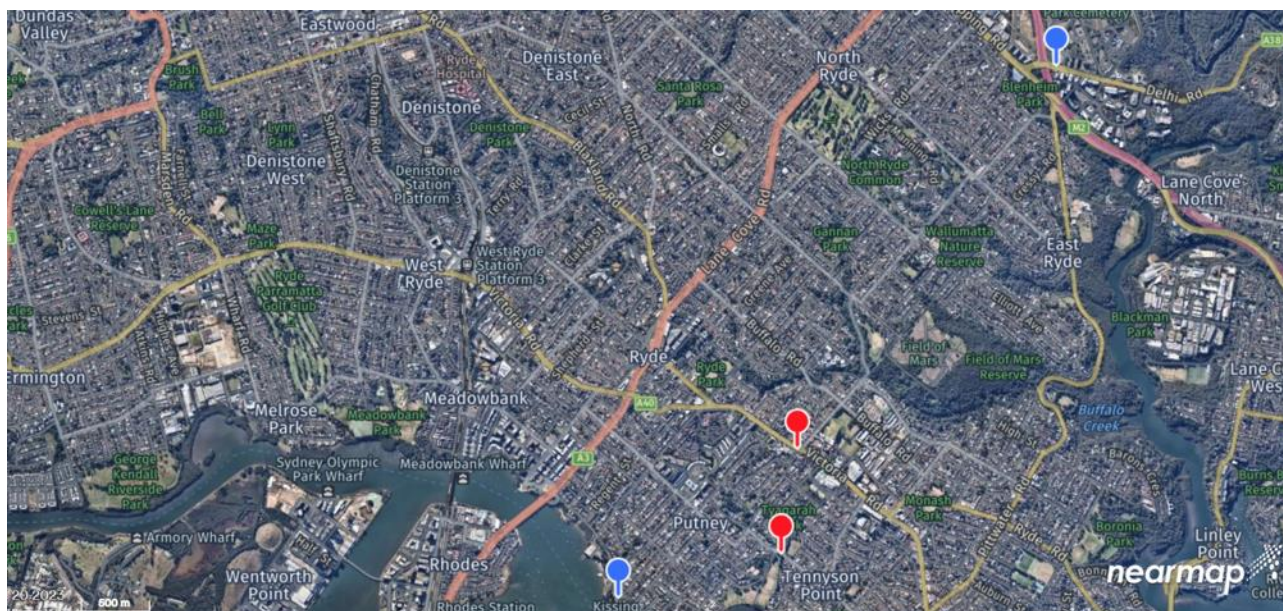


Figure 1: Location Map

DISCUSSION

The 2022-2030 Ryde Bicycle Strategy and Action Plan proposes a progressive upgrade of bicycle facilities to meet the active transport and recreational needs of Ryde community. In order to develop this network and meet the objectives of the NSW Government's Active Transport Strategy, Council is prioritising the development of RR04 and Orbital cycleway links to create a core network of high-quality cycling facilities.

The proposed cycleway routes encompass the following local, regional and State Roads: -

Regional Route 04 connects North Ryde to Putney via Delhi Road, Epping Road, Blenheim Road, Coxs Road, Badajoz Road, Twin Road, Pidding Road, Robinson Street, Providence Road, Charles Street and Delange Street.

The Orbital connects Victoria Road to Parry Street via Cressy Road, Potts Street, Tyagarah Street and Tyagarah Road. A copy of the detailed concept designs are provided for reference.

The purpose of these routes is to improve the cycleway connectivity and provide safer active transport infrastructure for all users. Once completed, these routes will achieve the following goals:

1. Upgrade the existing infrastructure and complete the missing links.
2. Connect with any existing facilities, and the adjustments to any temporary measures implemented for the connection of the previous paths.
3. Provide most direct routes to the town centres.
4. Provide separated cycleways for cyclists where possible.
5. RR04 cycleway route serves the southern and northern parts of the LGA.
6. RR04 Orbital further improves north-south cycleway connectivity.

Figures 2 and 3 show the details of the proposed infrastructure treatments.

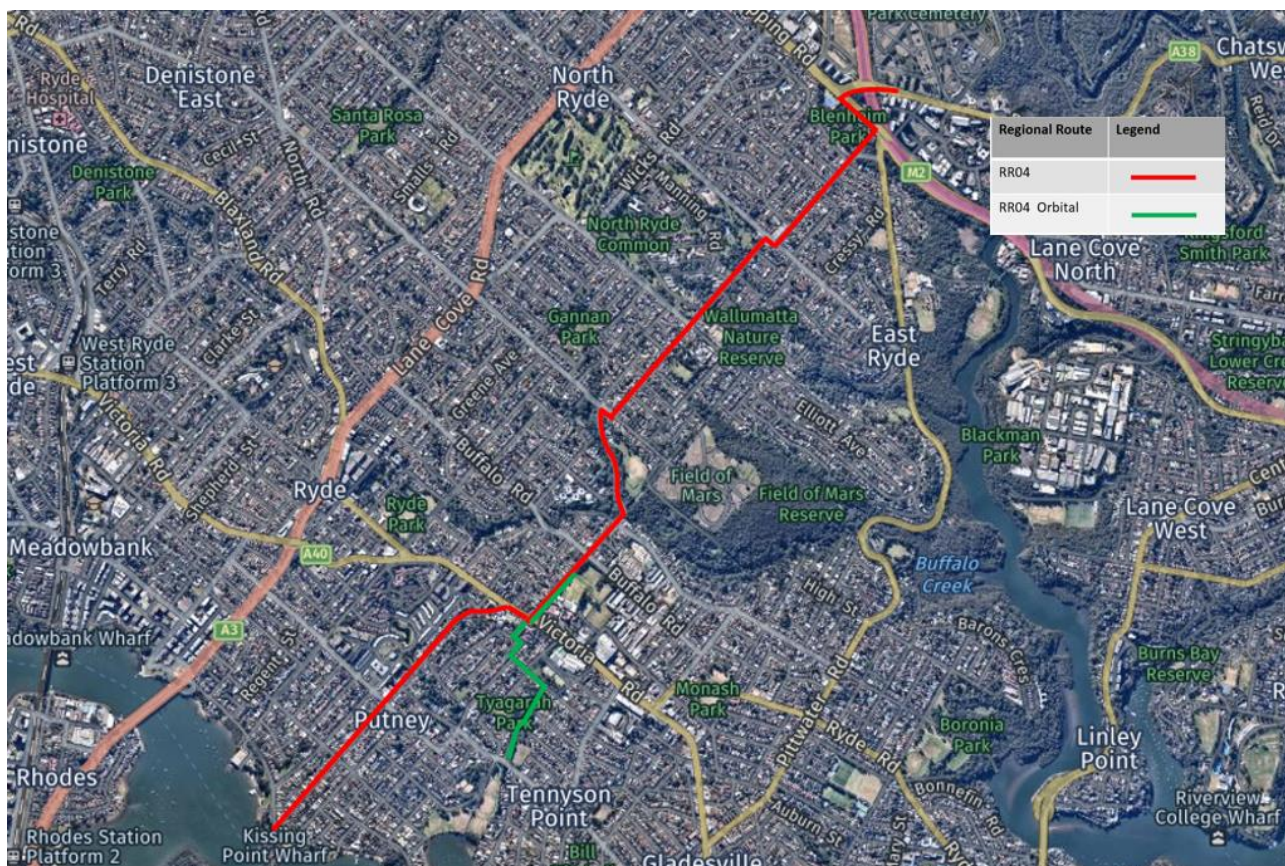


Figure 2 – Concept plan - RR04 and RR04 Orbital

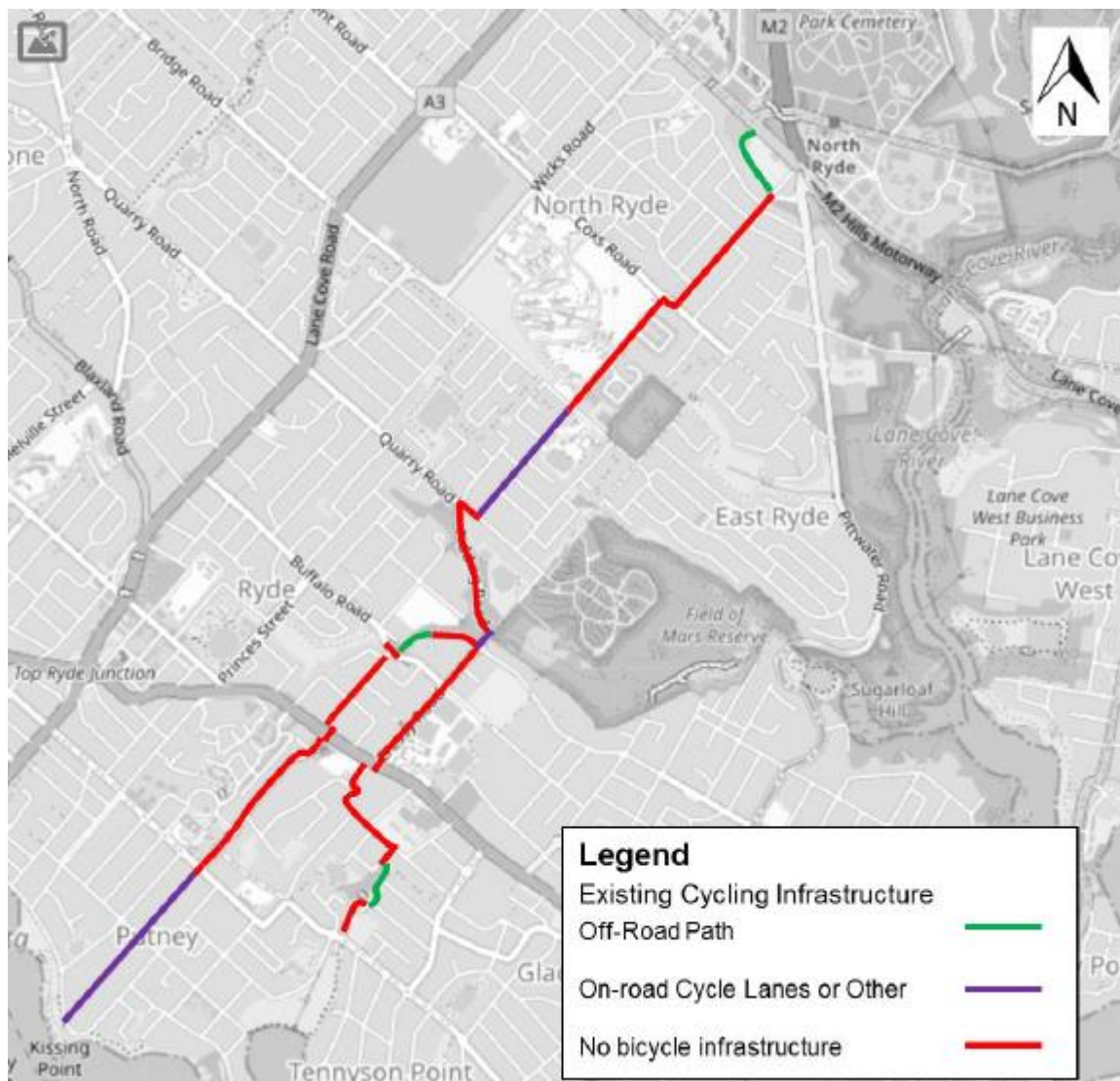


Figure 3 - Missing links

FUNDING

No funding is available for this project at this stage. Council will seek funding opportunities through external grant programs such as the Australian Government funding Programs.

CONSULTATION

Community consultation was carried out as part of the Bicycle Strategy and Action Plan 2022-2030 update. All the affected residents, businesses and other stakeholders were consulted by Council. No adverse objections were received. As part of the construction process, residents will be notified again for their feedback.

RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

- a) The Cycleway Regional Route (RR04) and Cycleway Orbital be approved in principle.
- b) The proposed RR04 and Orbital be designed as per Australian Standards and Transport for NSW Cycleway Design Toolbox.

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| ITEM (F) | ROAD SAFETY UPDATE |
| SUBJECT: | ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMS |
| ELECTORATE: | RYDE / LANE COVE |
| WARD: | ALL |
| OFFICER: | L PEARS |

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TRANSPORT FOR NEW SOUTH WALES (TfNSW) FUNDED PROGRAMS

Council is still waiting for confirmation of funding and programs for the 2023-2024 financial year.

Council's Road Safety Officer is participating in the *bstreetsmart* event this month. The event, held at Qudos Stadium, is an initiative of the Westmead Trauma Unit which aims to reduce the fatality and injury rates of young people by promoting safe behaviour as drivers, riders and passengers. The event is offered to high schools for students in years 10, 11 and 12.



COUNCIL FUNDED PROGRAMS

Police/Council Road Safety Awareness Program



Council and Police held a road safety information stall at the Macquarie University Kickstart week 17-25 July (mid-year student orientation) targeting young drivers and international students. A key focus was on the new rules for overseas licence holders and distributing associated licencing and road rule information.

The next joint event will be at Top Ryde City shopping centre during the September school holidays with Highway Patrol and members of the Ryde Police Area Command. This event will focus on engaging families and providing general road safety information.

Road Rules Awareness Week

Council is supporting Road Rules Awareness Week with a social media campaign reminding people of often misunderstood road rules.

Upcoming workshops

The next Safer Driving for Seniors workshop will be held on 12 September.

A pedestrian safety presentation for seniors will be delivered at a Falls Prevention Group on 24 August.

RECOMMENDATION

The Ryde Traffic Committee recommends that:

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