

MINUTES OF SMART TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 2 JULY 2025

- Present: Councillor S Ngai (Chairperson) (Roseville Ward)
Councillor M Devlin (Deputy Chair) (Comenarra Ward)
Bryn Vanderfield, Community Member
David Thomson, Bike North representative
Jacqui Turner, Community Member
Kay Tennant, Community Member
Prachi Kulkarni, Community Member
Ruby Campbell, Community Member
Rod Sharples, Community Member
Peter Thompson, Community Member
Tara Russell, Community Member
Tim Cassidy, reps. pedestrians' interests c/o Walk Sydney
- Staff Present: Strategic Traffic Engineer, Joseph Piccoli
Manager Urban Planning, Antony Fabbro
- Others Present: The Mayor, Councillor C Kay (St Ives Ward)
- Apologies: Christopher Jones, Manager Governance & Corporate Strategy

The Meeting commenced at 6:30 PM

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interest was declared.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

This being the first meeting of the Committee, there were no previous matters arising.

NOTING OF MINUTES

There were no previous minutes to note.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Welcome and Introductions

File: S02696

Vide: GB.1

Each member introduced themselves and briefly talked about why they nominated to be a member of the Committee and what they hoped to achieve through the Committee.

Code of Conduct

File: S02696

Vide: GB.2

Manager Governance & Corporate Strategy gave an apology before the meeting and was not in attendance. It was agreed that the overview of the provisions of the Ku-ring-gai Council Code of Conduct would be postponed to the next meeting.

The Committee resolved:

That the Code of Conduct overview be given at the next meeting of the Smart Transport Advisory Committee.

Car Share

File: S02696

Vide: GB.3

The Strategic Traffic Engineer gave a brief overview car share and the status of current operations in the LGA.

The discussion started around the purpose of car share and what type of trip purpose it is trying to address, and it was agreed that car share would not necessarily be suitable in Ku-ring-gai for first/last mile trips between homes and the station, but for supplementary travel needs that public transport, walking, cycling and other modes of travel cannot provide, and would therefore be more suitable around train stations and other areas of higher density housing. It was suggested that staff could consult with surrounding councils to understand their level of uptake of car share.

The committee also sought clarification on the strategic driver for car share implementation, and the Strategic Traffic Engineer and Manager Urban and Heritage Planning advised that a task in Council's Delivery Plan and Operational

Plan is to implement appropriate recommendations from the Ku-ring-gai Integrated Transport Strategy (ITS), and action F3 of the ITS recommends the provision of dedicated parking spaces for car share vehicles. With higher density development along the north shore rail line and St Ives continuing and now with the TODs and Council's adopted alternative scenario, the Strategic Traffic Engineer advised that demand for car share would increase, and through implementation of fixed space car share operation, Council has an opportunity to provide alternative options to private car ownership and travel.

The committee made the observation that car share is currently unregulated in the LGA, but it will play a role in providing travel choices, although there was some uncertainty on the future of car share if and when autonomous vehicles become more dominant.

The recommendation was discussed with reference to the definition of high density, and for clarity, the committee agreed that the words "high density" in the recommendation be replaced with R4 [zoning].

RECOMMENDATION

- A. That the controls for on-site car share provision in R4 and mixed-use residential development be revised in the next update of the Ku-ring-gai DCP.
- B. That expressions of interest/request for proposals from car share providers be sought for fixed space car share operation in the LGA.

Public Domain Initiatives

File: S02696

Vide: GB.4

The Strategic Traffic Engineer gave a brief overview future housing growth and its relationship with the Public Domain Plans for the centres. Following this, he gave a high-level overview of the process by which public domain plans are implemented and indicated that, as a minimum, the committee's input could be sought during public exhibition of concept plans. He gave a presentation showing the progress of current streetscape upgrade projects in Gordon, Turramurra and Lindfield inspired by the Public Domain Plan, as well as potential future streetscape upgrade projects in retail areas of Roseville, Pymble, Turramurra and St Ives.

There was general discussion around the role of the committee in providing advice on Public Domain Plans, with active transport, outdoor dining and health/wellbeing being amongst the areas of advice/input.

RECOMMENDATION

That future concept designs for Public Domain projects be referred to the Smart Transport Advisory Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was discussion around meeting frequency the ability for the committee to consider matters. The Chairperson suggested meetings could be held every 2 months rather than 3. It was agreed that more 2 meetings could be scheduled in 2025 (1 in September and 1 in November). It was agreed staff would circulate a survey to the members seeking feedback on member availability for dates in suitable dates in September and November, as well as feedback on topics of priority, to guide future agenda planning.

The Meeting closed at 8:10PM