## NOTICE OF MEETING



# EXTRAORDINARY ILOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

An Extraordinary Local Traffic Committee Meeting of Byron Shire Council will be held as follows:

**Venue Electronic Meeting** 

Pate Friday, 6 December 2019

Time 9:00am

Committee Ian Shanahan – Roads and Maritime Services

Members Snr Constable Chris Davis – Police

Cr Basil Cameron Tamara Smith MP

## **BYRON SHIRE COUNCIL**

## EXTRAORDINARY ILOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

## **BUSINESS OF MEETING**

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## **REGULATORY MATTERS**

Report No. 6.1 Events- Bangalow Christmas Eve 2019 - Byron St Road Closure 12019/2015

**SUMMARY** 

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Council has received an application from the Bangalow Chamber of Commerce for closure of Byron Street, Bangalow, for the Bangalow Christmas Eve Carnival 2019 to be held Tuesday 24 December 2019.

Council is requested to endorse the temporary traffic management and regulatory changes within the Traffic Control Plans, as relates to the Bangalow Christmas Eve Carnival to be held on Tuesday 24 December 2019, subject to specified conditions, as per approvals in previous years.

#### 15 **REPORT**

The Bangalow Christmas Eve Carnival is an annual community event with performers, food vendors and carnival rides. It is anticipated that there will be approximately 2,000 attendees.

- 20 It is proposed that Byron Street will be closed between 3:30pm and 10:00pm on Tuesday 24 December 2019. There will be detours in place to allow traffic to continue to flow. Traffic will be directed through Deacon Street, which will facilitate two-way traffic flow. These measures are identical to traffic control measures adopted in 2018.
- Parking will be available at the Bangalow Showgrounds, which will allow pedestrians to have access to the carnival without the need to cross a trafficable road.

It is requested that Council endorse the event, subject to Local Traffic Committee recommendations. It is noted that the following recommendations were stated in the 2018 LTC report and are again recommended within the 2019 LTC report.



#### General LTC recommendations:

a) separate approvals by NSW Police and RMS being obtained, noting that the traffic control plan is partially located on a state road;

- b) implementation of the approved Traffic Management Plan and Traffic Control Plan, including the use of signed detours, as designed and implemented by those with appropriate accreditation:
- 5 c) that the impact of the event be advertised via a notice in the local weekly paper a minimum of one week prior to the operational impacts taking effect, noting it must include the event name, specifics of any traffic impacts or road closures and times, alternative route arrangements, event organiser, a personal contact name and a telephone number for all event related enquiries or complaints;
  - d) the event be notified on Council's webpage;
  - e) the event organiser:

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- i) undertake consultation with community and affected businesses including adequate response/action to any raised concerns;
  - ii) undertake consultation with emergency services and address any identified issues;
  - iii) holding \$20m public liability insurance cover which is valid for the event;
    - iv) paying Council's Road Event Application Fee prior to the event.

#### 25 STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS

## Community Strategic Plan and Operational Plan

CSP Objective	L2	CSP Strategy	L3	DP Action	L4	OP Activity
Community Objective 1: We have infrastructure, transport and services which meet our expectations	1.6	Manage traffic and parking in an efficient manner	1.6.4	Improve effectiveness of Local Traffic Committee	1.6.4.1	Continued reporting of traffic matters through the Local Traffic Committee

#### Consultation and Engagement

- A condition of the endorsement of this event is that appropriate consultation is undertaken, including:
  - Advertising the impact of the event in the local newspaper and on the Council website.
  - Informing community and business that are directly impacted.
  - Liaising with bus and taxi operators.
  - Consulting with emergency services.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. That Council approve the Bangalow Christmas Eve Carnival 2019 to be held Tuesday 24 December 2019, that includes the temporary road closure below:
  - a) Byron Street, Bangalow between Ashton Street and Granuaille, between 3:30pm and 10:00pm.

- 2. That the approval provided in Part 1 is subject to:
- a) A Traffic Management Plan and Traffic Control Plans be developed and implemented by those with appropriate RMS accreditation;
- b) Separate approvals by NSW Police and RMS being obtained, noting that the traffic control plan is partially located on a state road;
- c) That the impact of the event be advertised via a notice in the local weekly paper a minimum of one week prior to the operational impacts taking effect, noting it must include the event name, specifics of any traffic impacts or road closures and times, alternative route arrangements, event organiser, a personal contact name and a telephone number for all event related enquiries or complaints;
  - d) The event organiser provide event detail so it can be notified on Council's webpage;

## 3. The event organiser:

- a) undertake consultation with community and affected businesses including adequate response/action to any raised concerns;
  - b) undertake consultation with emergency services and address any identified issues;
  - c) hold \$20m public liability insurance cover which is valid for the event;
  - d) pay Council's Road Event Application Fee prior to the event.

Report No. 6.2 Byron Youth Activity Centre - Parking Regulation

**File No:** 12019/2016

#### **SUMMARY**

5 Council has received a request from the Byron Youth Activity Centre (YAC) to regulate parking within the southern part of Gilmore Crescent, Byron Bay.

This is in response to a growing concern with anti-social behaviour in close proximity to the YAC.

#### 10 REPORT

Council has been working with the Byron Youth Activity Centre, Department of Planning Industry and Environment – Crown Lands and local Police in response to a number of public safety concerns arising from the parking of vehicles inside the Sandhills Reserve.

- The area shown below in Figure 1 is now persistently being used for illegal 'vanpacking' and attracting a variety of anti-social behaviours in close proximity to the YAC and the young people who use that centre. Recently, the YAC has experienced a number of incidents of vandalism and damage to their facility.
- Visits by Council staff and compliance teams have confirm the southern part of Gilmore Crescent, in particular, feels unsafe due to the number cars and people and type of people parked in the vicinity immediately adjacent to the YAC and is a risk factor for the youth attending the YAC.
- As a result, Council staff would like to modify the existing parking scheme within Gilmore Crescent as a step towards improving the culture and safety of the area through enabling safer and easier parking management. Additional works are expected to be required, such as installing bollards in key locations. However, this is considered a second step and not a regulatory matter to be included in this report.

#### 30 Existing Parking Scheme

Figure 2 and 3 below shows the existing parking scheme that was support by LTC in 2016 (refer I2016/278) and adopted by Council. A Restricted Parking Area was adopted over the car park area immediately to the south of the Child Centre. The RPA incorporates the area covered by the Blue Line and Green Line.

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This Restricted Parking Area is anecdotally working well with people generally obeying the signage. Sealed, line marked and angled parking existing along the western side of Gilmore Crescent. No Parking and No Parking between 1am-6am signs are installed along the eastern edge of Gilmore Crescent and there is very sandy informal angled parking located at the south eastern end of Gilmore Crescent.

## **Proposed Parking Scheme**

Figure 4 below shows the proposed modifications to the parking scheme in the vicinity of the YAC. These modifications will need to be done with the concurrence of Crown Lands.

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In summary, it is proposed to do the following:

- Expand the Restricted Parking Area to include the car parking area adjacent to the YAC,
- Introduce a No Parking Area 7pm-7am over the Restricted Parking Area,
- Introduce Yellow No Stopping lines in key locations to prevent parking along the eastern side of the road and the dead end,
- Introduce Bollards at a future stage along the eastern edge to physically prevent parking subject to funding and detail design. This part of the modifications is not a regulatory matter and does not need to go through LTC. These works are just shown to provide the whole project context.

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## Compliance

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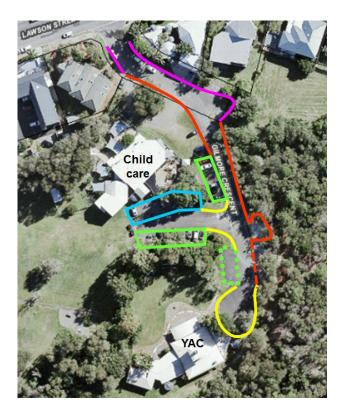
It is recognised the above proposed modifications can only be effective subject to their enforcement. However, these changes are regarded as a necessary first step towards improving the safety and culture of the area and enabling Council officers and Police to regulate the area effectively.

It is anticipated that after the above changes are implemented (excluding the bollards) Council Staff with Police may undertake a short term blitz of the area for a couple weeks to remove the existing problem and begin a new safer culture for the area.

Feedback provided to Council is that the parking regulation that applies in the Sandhills Carpark is sufficient to encourage appropriate car parking and discourage anti-social behaviours.



Figure 1 – Parking area Gilmore Crescent under consideration



#### Pink line

Pay parking Mon-Sun 9am-6pm, at other times no changes to existing signage/regulation

#### Red solid line

No Parking (applies at all times)

#### Red dashed line

No Parking 1am - 6am

#### Yellow line

No Stopping to apply at all times unless currently signed otherwise, e.g. permissive parking

#### Blue line

Existing Loading Zone removed; and except mobility permit park (which remains unchanged), 15-minute time limit apply Monday to Friday 8am-10am and 3pm-6pm and no time limit outside these times except No Parking 1am-6am

#### Green solid line

No Parking - Mon-Fri 6am-6pm Permit Holders Excepted and No Parking 1am-6am

#### Green dashed line

No Parking - 6am-6pm Permit Holders Excepted and No Parking 1am-6am

Figure 2 – Existing parking scheme approved in 2016 (I2016/278)



Figure 3 – Approved Restricted Parking Area.



Figure 4 – Proposed modifications to Parking Scheme STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS

## 5 Community Strategic Plan and Operational Plan

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## Consultation and Engagement

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- A condition of the endorsement of this event is that appropriate consultation is undertaken, including:
  - Advertising the impact of the event in the local newspaper and on the Council website.
  - Informing community and business that are directly impacted.
  - Liaising with bus and taxi operators.
  - Consulting with emergency services.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. That Council support the proposed modifications to the Byron Bay Parking Scheme in the area immediately adjacent to the Youth Activity Centre (YAC) and Sandhills Child Care Centre. These modifications are to be in accordance with Figure 4, as shown in the body of this report. These modifications are to include:
  - a. Expand the Restricted Parking Area to include the car parking area adjacent to the YAC,
  - b. Introduce a No Parking Area 7pm-7am over the Restricted Parking Area,
  - c. Introduce Yellow No Stopping lines in key locations to prevent parking along the eastern side of the road and the dead end,
- 2. That the approval provided in Part 1 is subject to Crown Land approval.

Report No. 6.3 Seven Mile Beach Road - No Parking Area Amendments

File No: 12019/2018

#### **Summary:**

5 The purpose of this report is to gain LTC support to modify the "No Parking Area" currently approved over Seven Mile Beach Road. Council and LTC recently approved No Parking 1am-5am (I2019/1515). Staff are requesting the signage be changed to "No Parking 8pm to 5am".

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#### **Background**

At the 19th November LTC meeting, LTC supported the introduction of a No Parking Area 1am -5am over Seven Mile Beach Road. The introduction of a No Parking Area was to better manage illegal camping that is on the rise within this remote area of Byron Shire.

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- It has since been considered not realistically feasible to enforce No Parking between 1am-5am. This is due to the limited ability of Council staff, National Parks and Wildlife Patrol Officers and police to attend to this remote area of the shire between 1am-5am.
- 20 As a result and following continued community concerns over an extended period of time including raising the issues again at the 28 November 2019 Council meeting, Councillors directed Staff to seek LTC support to modify recently approved Parking restrictions to No Parking 8pm - 5am for the full length of Seven Mile Beach Road. The evening time of 8pm has been proposed as it typically reflects sundown during summer months. It is considered not likely that a person would have a reasonable reason to be parked on Seven Mile Beach Road after 8pm, unless they intend 25 to camp illegally.

Signage would like the following:

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Amending the signage as proposed would not impact any other matter previously supported by LTC and Council, such as the Restricted Parking Area.

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council's decision to approve a the establishment of No Parking Area 8pm – 5am over the full length of Seven Mile Beach Road is supported by LTC.

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Report No. 6.4 Mobility Parking - 108 Jonson Street, Byron Bay

**File No:** 12019/2037

## Summary

5 This report seeks LTC and Council support to install mobility parking spaces in front of Mercato shopping complex, 108 Jonson Street, Byron Bay.

## **Background**

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Residents have contacted Council on a number of occasions requesting mobility parking be provided in close proximity to the shopping complex.

Council has been investigating this for the last couple of months and have identified 2 options. The general location of the 2 options is shown below in Figure 1 and Figure 2.

For more detailed concept design view of the 2 options refer to attachment 1 and 2.



Figure 1 – Locality View

Figure 2 – Options for Mobility Spaces

#### Option 1

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Option 1 provides two new accessibility spaces at the northern end of Mercato, adjacent to the Mercato car park driveway entrance.

25 It does not result in the loss of pay parking spaces but is expected to result in the loss of 3-4 motor bike spaces, leaving 3 motor cycle spaces.



Figure 3 - Close up of Option 1 location

## Option 2

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Option 2 provides 2 accessible spaces at the southern end of Mercato, adjacent to a driveway entrance to Holiday Village Backpackers and Apartments. This location will result in the loss of all three 2P pay parking spaces in front of Mercato.



Figure 4 – Close up of Option 2 location.

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#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

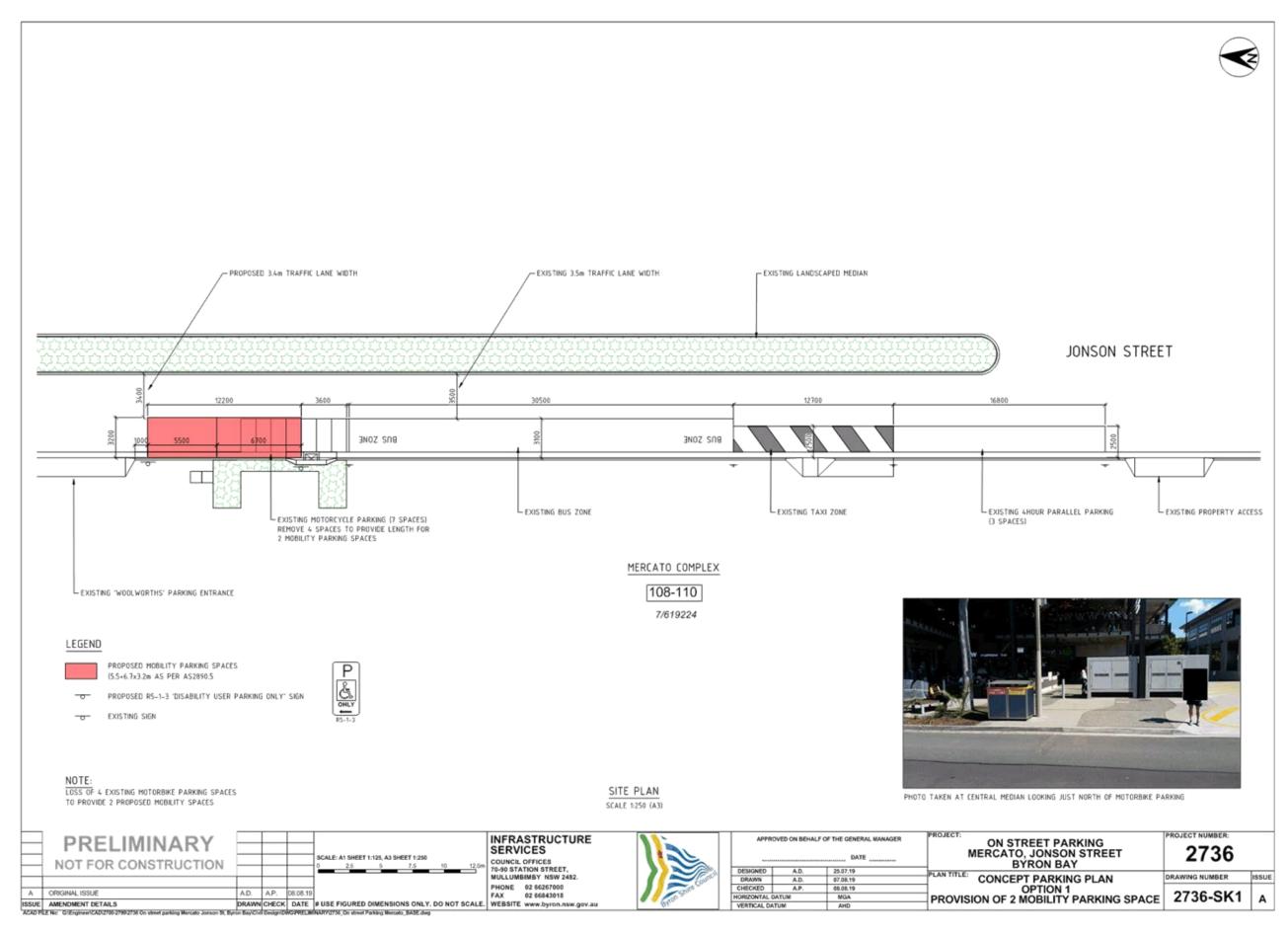
#### **That Council:**

- 1. Approves the installation of up to 2 accessible on-street car spaces in front of 108 Jonson Street, Byron Bay.
- 2. Approves the adoption of either Option 1 (E2019/88797) or Option 2 (E2019/89041) subject to the installation of appropriate regulatory signs and line markings and accessibility spaces in accordance with Australian Standards.

#### 5 Attachments:

- 1 OPTION 1 On street Parking Mercato, E2019/88797, page 15 ...
- 2 OPTION 2 (B) On street Parking Mercator, E2019/89041, E2019/89041, page 16.

<u>REGULATORY MATTERS</u> <u>6.4 - ATTACHMENT 1</u>



<u>REGULATORY MATTERS</u> <u>6.4 - ATTACHMENT 2</u>

