

# Project Reference Group – Traffic Safety



Time: 1:10pm	Location: Staff Common Room BBHS
Date: Monday 30th July 2018	Minutes: J. Booth (SASS BBHS)
Chair: Janine Marcus (Principal BBHS)	
Attending: Bruce Paskin (Parent), Tim Bleakley (St Finbarrs), Evan Elford (BSC), Jason Baker (BSC), Michael Bell (SINSW AMU), Cate Coorey (BSC)	Apologies: Peter Silberberg (BBHS P&C President)

## Acknowledgement of Country

## Business Arising (What needs to be done, what has been done)

Discussion from the two Traffic Safety Meetings held at BBHS (Wednesday 20 June 2018, Wednesday 25 July 2018):

1. Create a Project Reference Group – first meeting to be held at BBHS on Monday 30 July 1 pm 2018
2. The Project Reference Group to review and agree upon Staged Plans to be presented to Byron Bay Council meeting.
3. Michael Bell (Department of Education) to check approval of DoE land use.
4. Staged Plans to be presented to Byron Bay Council meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2018. Selected members of Project Reference Group to attend Council Meeting.

## Agenda – Minutes

Agenda Item 1 – Evan Elford (Team Leader Infrastructure Planning – Byron Shire Council) presents Staged plans

Agenda Item 2 – Michael Bell (Department of Education) update of land use

Agenda Item 3 – Feedback from Stakeholders regarding Staged Plans

Welcome by Janine Marcus.

Evan Elford and Jason Baker have been working on Stage 1 plans. This plan was presented on screen.

The last meeting looked at acceptance of the plan 5 concept.

Development of stage 1 to be implemented.

Discussion points around the plan:

- Explains zone, bus bay, parking bays and median strip.
- Pedestrian walkway, fencing, linking pathways.
- How to lessen the impact on BBHS side.
- Question was raised - who owns land at end of bay? Report to come.
- Later in discussion it was noted that the DET didn't acquire that portion of land – it is dedicated as a road reserve. The land has reverted to Crown land. Need to resolve land tenure for that parcel.
- Introduce a U turn lane to circulate traffic.
- Implications if lights or roundabout planned where path is located.
- Bus bay to be stand alone until roundabout or lights resolved.
- Lights shielded crossing points. Question: Would lights be cheaper and could it happen sooner?
- Access from main road discussed. At present, no provision to circulate at this point creating traffic back onto main road.
- Idea – boardwalk to negotiate tree root systems.
- Temporary parking.
- Whole of cycleway from Suffolk Park to Green Garage planning and how it incorporates into discussions.
- Crossing points – pedestrian, cycleway and traffic. All dependent on roundabout or lights.
- Barriers to keep people on the designated tracks.
- Pathways to be bitumen with pathways through trees. Choose a line of least resistance.
- Need agreement on DET lands. In Principle boundary adjustment.
- RMS provides fund for school crossings – Bangalow is an example.
- There is no study to show lights are the best outcome. Lights impact all along the road. RMS will decide on how the whole flow of the road network will operate.
- From a funding perspective, it was suggested that the plans isolate the roundabout, Stage 1 and modification of entrance
- Suggestion to colour code the Stage 1 plan to show existing and planned changes.
- A suggestion to use solar lighting and remove current street pole.

#### Funding discussion:

- Opportunity for immediate application for funding and improvements.
- It was explained that RMS rely on data and a ranking is given which relates to funding.
- Approaching Minister for funding with a definite plan.
- Main road study is still months away so unable to decide on lights or roundabout.
- Need to formalise pathways and a costing formulated.
- Try and fund the whole of Stage 1. If there is a funding shortage, use the isolations as a backstop.
- There is no budgetary allocation for this at all. Some costings to come into the report.
- Report to support this plan and recommendation that Council support it.
- RMS safer roads program recommended. Road safety evaluations to help with funding.
- RMS road safety report and evaluation will cost – external consultant – independent.

#### Suggestions:

- Recommended to start lobbying.
- Good idea to get P&C and perhaps 2 people to represent the school to go to the Council meeting to speak
- Report to be on Council agenda. Needs to be registered into Council meeting, authorised, then goes into agenda for meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Once the report is out to councillors, it becomes a public document. Then you can read the report and comment.
- Letter from schools to go into the report, supporting realignment of the road and ultimate dedication of land to facilitate the changes.
- Recommend Council support it to fund the project.
- Need parent body and schools to be behind it.
- Janine Marcus will send letters of support and email Council so that it will be entered into the record system. Copy Evan Elford on emails and he can use as part of the report.
- It was decided to use C06, Drawing No. 2644-CP06 Issue A.

The PRG is not yet formulated. This group came along as a result of the last meeting.

There has been no stakeholder feedback.

Next follow up will be after the Council meeting. Emailing is sufficient for now.

Janine Marcus thanked all participants.

Meeting closed at 2.15 pm

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