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Traffic Facilities Committee Meeting

Wednesday 16 March 2022 10.30am Foyer Room Yass Valley Council 209 Comur Street, Yass

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Close of Meeting Time

Acknowledgement of Country

- 1.0 Present
- 2.0 Apologies
- 3.0 Declaration of Interest
- 4.0 Public Participation
- 5.0 Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 3rd November 2021 be endorsed.

- 6.0 Matters Arising From Minutes
- 7.0 Matters for Information

8. MATTERS CONSIDERED BETWEEN MEETINGS

8.1 2022 TOUR DE CURE SIGNATURE TOUR ON ROAD - CHARITY BICYCLE RIDE

SUMMARY

To consider a request to have a bicycle charity ride on roads within Yass Valley.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

REPORT

Council has received a request from the organizer of the Tour de Cure Signature Tour on road charity bicycle ride to approve the events' use of roads within Yass Valley Council.

The Tour de Cure is a 1305km ride- 9 stage/day ride now split into 2 tours (Tour A & Tour B), to manage under the Omicron Covid Wave.

Tour A: departing Geelong on Friday 11th March 2022 and arrives in Canberra Saturday 19th March 2022.

Tour B: departing Geelong on Saturday 12th March 2022 and arrives in Canberra Sunday 20th March 2022.

Tour A & Tour B will follow the same route to Wangaratta (Days 1-4), then there a 2 days deviation (Days 4 & 5) for each tour. Then the same route again from Albury to Canberra (days 6-9). The stages for the event are:

Stage 1: Geelong – Ballarat – Ride: 135km, Challenge: 130km Stage 2: Ballarat – Bendigo – Ride: 140km, Challenge: 159km

Stage 3: Bendigo – Wangaratta – Ride: 142km, Challenge: 219km

Stage 4: Tour B Wangaratta – Albury – Ride: 117km, Challenge: 168km

(Stage 4: Tour A Mark Beretta's CH7 2 x pelotons travelling Wangaratta – Beechworth: Ride 97km, Challenge 160km)

Stage 5: Tour B Albury – Albury – Ride: 131km, Challenge: 137km

(Stage 5: Tour A Mark Beretta's Ch7 2 x pelotons travelling Beechworth – Albury: Ride 130km, Challenge 153km)

Stage 6: Albury – Wagga - Ride: 142km, Challenge: 142km

Stage 7: Wagga – Young – Ride: 160km, Challenge: 160km

Stage 8: Young – Goulburn – Ride: 133km, Challenge: 181km

Stage 9: Goulburn – Canberra – Ride: 137km, Challenge: 137km

The event will be utilising Yass Valley Council's roads as part of Stage 9. Tour A riders will leave Gunning on Saturday 19th March 2002 enter Yass Valley LGA via Sutton/Gundaroo Road before leaving the Yass Valley LGA at the Federal Highway to travel to Canberra.

Tour B riders take the same route however leaving Gunning on Sunday 20th March 2022.

This request was referred to TfNSW and NSW Police and the following approval was subsequently issued.

That the 2022 Tour De Cure Signature Tour on road charity bicycle ride be approved subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The organiser is to supply Council with a copy of the current Public Liability Insurance for the event with a minimum \$20,000,000 indemnity
- 2. The event organiser develop and implement a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) and associated Traffic Guidance Scheme (TSG);
- 3. The event organiser is responsible for directly notifying all residents that may be affected by the approved events as soon as possible;
- 4. Event marshals, event participants etc. will at all times obey the provisions of NSW Transport Legislation;
- 5. The event organiser is to arrange the supply and installation/removal of appropriate signs etc. identified in the TMP and associated TGS. All personnel involved must be appropriate accredited;
- 6. The event organiser is to ensure any local traffic, emergency services vehicles etc can safely and efficiently access/egress any property impacted by the TMP and associated TGS;
- 7. Event organisers, event marshals, volunteers, event participants etc. are to take all possible actions to minimise the effect of the event on the non-event community, throughout the event;
- 8. The event organiser must comply with all approval conditions issued by the NSW Police;
- 9. The event organiser must comply with any COVID-19 restrictions current at the time of the event including compliance with Restrictions on Gathering and Movement Public Health Orders, which may require developing and complying with a COVID-19 safety Plan.
- 10. Event organisers shall comply with the above conditions and the undertakings in its submission. Failure to comply will immediately void this approval.

9.0 ITEMS DELEGATED TO COUNCIL

9.1 SAFETY CONCERNS 40 BROWNE STREET - YASS

SUMMARY

To consider a request in relation to safety concerns at 40 Browne Street Yass.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee consider the proposal to install 'No Stopping' either side of the shared driveway servicing 40 Browne Street Yass.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Any of Council's cost to the installation of signs will be funded from existing operational budgets.

POLICY & LEGISLATION

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REPORT

Council has received a request from the owner of 40 Browne Street for assistance to address a safety concerns. Refer attached redacted email.

40 Browne Street is adjacent to Luff Motors (refer following plan) and street parking is highly utilized. The owner of 40 Browne Street has raised concerns about safely see vehicles in the trafficable lanes as they are driving out of their property.



Sent: Tuesday, 1 February 2022 4:03 PM To: Meryl Hinge <MJHinge@yass.nsw.gov.au> Subject: 40 Brown Street - traffic safety concerns

Hi Meryl,

I've had a complaint from at 40 Brown Street

He is very concerned that he is unable to see cars when reversing out of his drive way and is afraid that either him or his son are going to have an accident.

Brown Street is regularly very congested with cars parking all the way along the street on both sides restricting visibility. The majority of the parked vehicles appear to be from Luff Motors.

I had a look at different intervals throughout the day both Friday and today and all the cars appear to be legally parked and fine from a compliance prospective.

I believe concerns are valid so I am wondering if this is something you assess as Road safety officer?

Appreciate your thoughts.

9.2 REMOVAL OF TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES IN SOUTH STREET MURRUMBATEMAN

SUMMARY

To consider a request to remove the traffic calming devices in South Street Murrumbateman.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee give in principle support to remove the traffic calming devices in South Street Murrumbateman subject to public feedback.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Any of Council's cost to the installation of signs will be funded from existing operational budgets.

REPORT

Council's maintenance area has identified that the traffic calming devices installed in South Street Murrumbateman require replacement. Refer photos below.





Subject to public feedback it is proposed that the existing traffic calming devices in South Street be removed.

9.3 ROAD CLOSURES ANZAC DAY 2022 - YASS

SUMMARY

To approve road closures associated with Anzac Day 2022 in Yass.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the Yass 2022 Anzac Day Road closures and associated traffic management be support;
- 2. That Council arrange public notification of the road closures and write advice the NSW Ambulance Services and NSW Fire and Rescue.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Any of Council's cost to the installation of signs will be funded from existing operational budgets.

REPORT

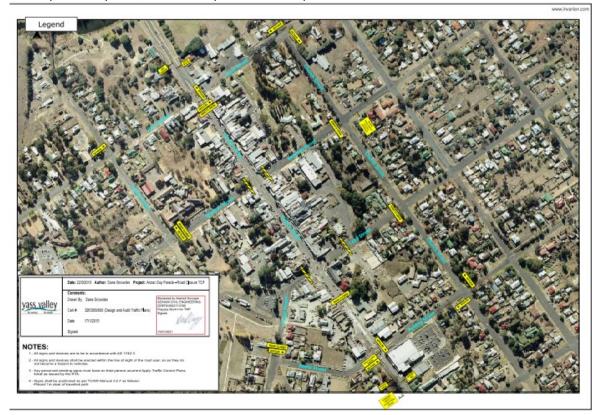
Council has received confirmation from the Returned Service League Yass Sub-Branch to undertake road closures associated with the 2022 Anzac Day Ceremony.

The event will be subject to all COVID requirements in place at the time of the event.

The road closures will be undertaken as per the previous events and the following traffic control plan The first road closure for the Dawn Service is along Comur Street, between the intersections of Meehan and Rossi Street between the times of 5:30am to 7:30am.

The second road closure for the march is as per the attached traffic control plan between the times of 10:00am to 12:30pm.

In line with previous years, Council will provide the required the traffic control for the road closure.



9.4 ROAD CLOSURES ANZAC DAY 2022 - BINALONG

SUMMARY

To approve road closures associated with Anzac Day 2022 in Binalong.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the Binalong 2022 Anzac Day Road closures and associated traffic management be support;
- 2. That Council arrange public notification of the road closures and write advice the NSW Ambulance Services and NSW Fire and Rescue.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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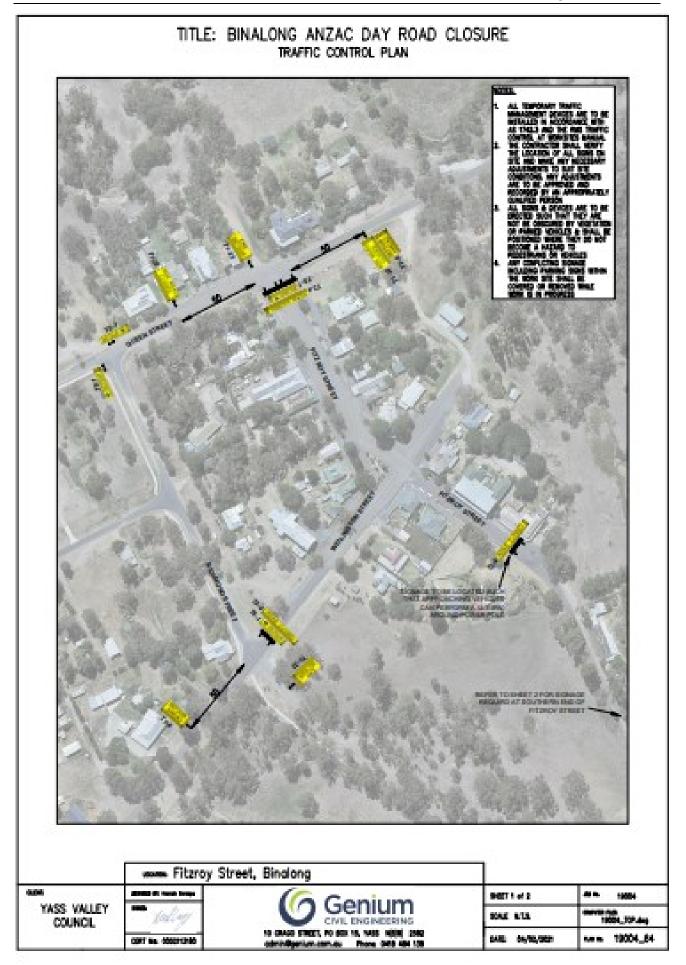
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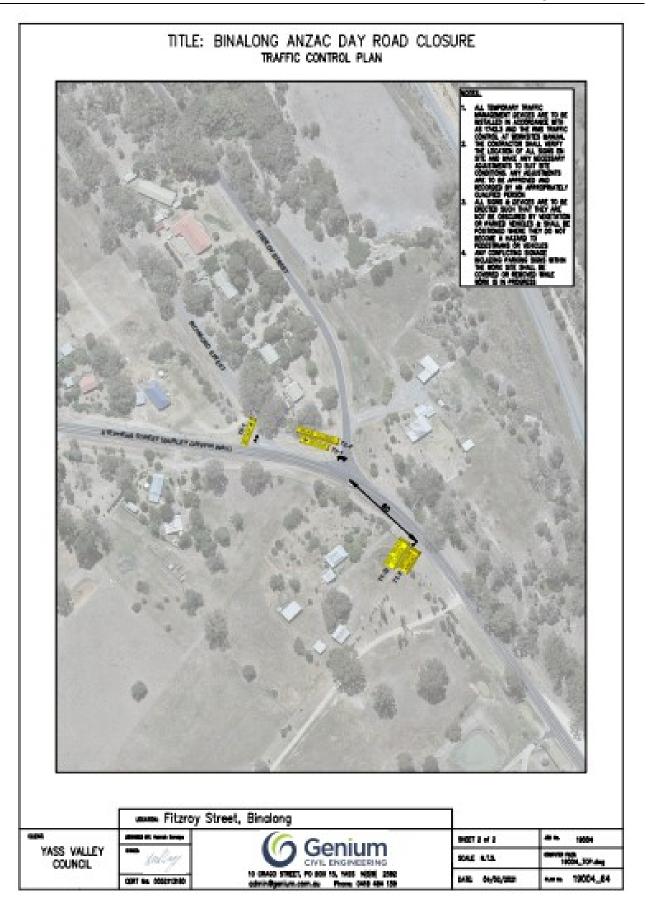
Council has received confirmation to undertake road closures associated with the 2022 Anzac Day Ceremony in Binalong.

The event will be subject to all COVID requirements in place at the time of the event.

The road closures will be undertaken as per the previous events and the following traffic control plan between the times of 9:00am to 11:30am.

In line with previous years, Council will provide the required the traffic control for the road closure.





9.5 ROAD CLOSURES ANZAC DAY 2022 - SUTTON

SUMMARY

To approve road closures associated with Anzac Day 2022 in Sutton.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the Sutton 2022 Anzac Day Road closures and associated traffic management be support;
- 2. That Council arrange public notification of the road closures and write advice the NSW Ambulance Services and NSW Fire and Rescue.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Any of Council's cost to the installation of signs will be funded from existing operational budgets.

REPORT

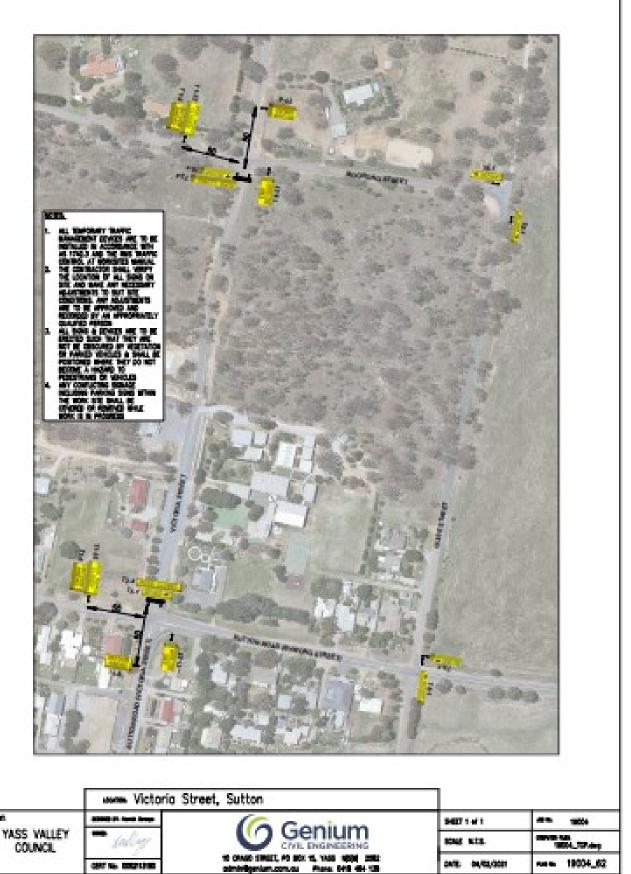
Council has received confirmation to undertake road closures associated with the 2022 Anzac Day Ceremony in Sutton.

The event will be subject to all COVID requirements in place at the time of the event.

The road closures will be undertaken as per the previous events and the following traffic control plan

between the times of 5:30am to 7:00am.

In line with previous years, Council will provide the required the traffic control for the road closure.



TITLE: SUTTON ANZAC DAY ROAD CLOSURE TRAFFIC CONTROL PLAN

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9.6 ROAD CLOSURES ANZAC DAY 2022 - GUNDAROO

SUMMARY

To approve road closures associated with Anzac Day 2022 in Gundaroo.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That the Gundaroo 2022 Anzac Day Road closures and associated traffic management be support;
- 2. That Council arrange public notification of the road closures and write advice the NSW Ambulance Services and NSW Fire and Rescue

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Any of Council's cost to the installation of signs will be funded from existing operational budgets.

REPORT

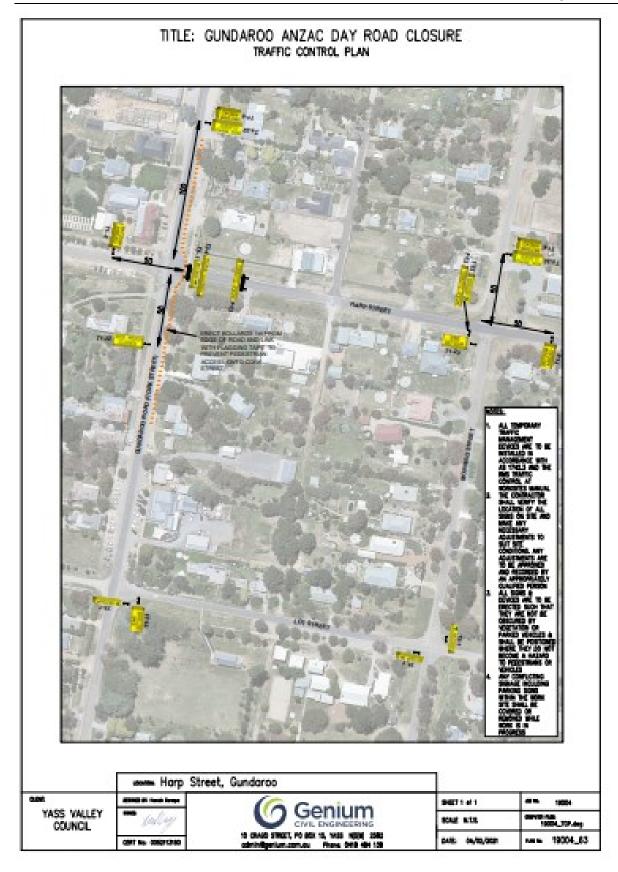
Council has received confirmation to undertake road closures associated with the 2022 Anzac Day Ceremony in Gundaroo.

The event will be subject to all COVID requirements in place at the time of the event.

The road closures will be undertaken as per the previous events and the following traffic control plan

between the times of 5:15am to 7:00am.

In line with previous years, Council will provide the required the traffic control for the road closure.



9.7 DRAGON DREAM EVENT 2022

SUMMARY

To consider information supplied by the event organisers for Dragon Dreaming 2022.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee consider and provide comment on the proposed 2022 Dragon Dreaming Festival.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

NIL

REPORT

The Dragon Dreaming festival is an annual music, arts and lifestyle festival held on Cooradigbee Homestead Wee Jasper.

The 2022 festival is planned for 31 March 2022 to 4 April 2022.

The festival has a current Council DA approval. One of the consent conditions is that the organizer must annually supply a traffic management plan for the Committee to consider. See attached.

It is noted that the event totally undertaken on private land and the event organizer have a User Charge Agreement with NSW Police. The event is not expected to cause any disruption on the public road network. Council has received updated copies of insurance etc.

Dragon Dreaming Festival Traffic Management Plan

This document provides relevant information not already covered in the body of the Development Application Supporting Statement. For details such as event descriptions, contact details and other relevant matters please refer to the body of this document.

1 Traffic Risk Management

There are inherent risks associated with any gathering of people. These risks include the dangers presented by the presence of vehicles in a close vicinity to pedestrians and the influx and egress of people associated with temporary events. Organisers plan to reduce the likelihood of danger to event patrons and staff by implementing a number of traffic controls within the boundaries of the event site:

- Vehicle traffic is restricted to identified areas of the event site.
- Patrons are advised that if they choose to move their vehicle during the event they
 may not be able to return it to the same spot.
- Overflow parking areas are identified and are removed from pedestrian areas of the event.
- Event staff working in areas of vehicle traffic (including the festival gate and parking areas) are required to wear high visibility vests at all times.
- Event staff working in areas of vehicle traffic are assigned a role as part of their team to ensure minimum confusion when dealing with vehicles.
- A lighting tower is positioned permanently at the festival entry gate and at high traffic areas. These are used during darkness to provide a large amount of light. Due to the large amount of light provided by these industrial items, the risk of staff not being seen by a driver due to poor visibility is removed.

2 Emergency Services

Event organisers are aware of the serious nature of emergency response. All traffic management processes will take into account appropriate 24 hour access for emergency vehicles. All access roads have a minimum of 4 metres clearance and as the event is located outdoors height restrictions are not applicable.

In preparing this supporting statement, Organisers have reviewed Section 22 of the Summary Offences Act 1988 which defines a public assembly as: "an assembly held in a public place, and includes a procession so held." Advice previously received from the Yass Valley Council is that Dragon Dreaming Festival is not considered a public assembly under the definition provided by the NSW Road and Traffic Authority's Guide to Special Events. As such, Police approval is not required to hold the event and the Schedule 1 form Notice of Intention to Hold a Public Assembly is not needed. As in previous years, Organisers will contact NSW Ambulance and the NSW Rural Fire Service at both a local and State level to discuss the event. Organisers have been successful in working closely with local emergency services and will continue to do so in the planning and implementation phases of the event. Emergency services will be provided with a copy of the site map and GPS coordinates of the site prior to the event. In conjunction with our contracted event medical providers, a detailed plan will be provided to NSW Ambulance and appropriate contact procedures will be in place prior to the events commencement. Organisers continue to work with the Yass Valley Council and all interested parties to develop a comprehensive communication plan.

Organisers will work with the Wee Jasper Rural Fire Service to once again have a fire truck and staff on site during the event. This provides professional support, immediate response and an opportunity to raise awareness and funds for this important emergency service.

In addition to this, given the remote location of the event and related effect on emergency response times, Organisers have committed to 'user pays' ambulance and police onsite to reduce response times.

3 Traffic and Transport Management

In consultation with Wee Jasper residents, Organisers have determined that the influx of vehicles to the Wee Jasper area will not have an impact beyond that experienced on a typical long weekend. The first event at this location resulted in minimal traffic impact with residents informing organisers that there were no concerns with influx or egress of traffic. From 2014 onwards the event has had a greater impact on traffic in the Wee Jasper area due to factors outside of the organiser's control. The additional traffic delay is attributable solely to the significant NSW Police operations held in Wee Jasper over the course of the festival weekend.

Organisers have categorised vehicle activity into two categories, the first is infrastructure traffic and the second is patron traffic. These are addressed below.

3.1 Infrastructure Traffic

During the setup and pack down periods of the event, there will be a small amount of heavy vehicle activity on the RMS classified Wee Jasper Rd. Organisers have determined a staggered infrastructure delivery plan to further reduce possible impact to residents of the Wee Jasper area. The vehicles included in the Infrastructure category are:

3.1.1 Generator Delivery

Power on site is provided through the use of generators. These are delivered utilising nonarticulated flatbed trucks. The trucks used for delivery of the generators are 11 metres in length with a maximum tray weight of 10 tonne. Generators will be delivered to site on in the week before the event and will leave the week following the event.

3.1.2 Site material vehicle

Organisers utilise two 3 tonne trucks hired through a professional vehicle hire company. These vehicles (such as the Isuzu 3t container truck) are approximately 4.2m in length and 2.1m in width and do not require heavy vehicle licenses to operate. These vehicles will be used at various times during the setup and pack down period of the event.

3.2 Patron Traffic

3.2.1 Arrival

Organisers expect a minimal increase in traffic from the Tuesday before the event as we expect some patrons to arrive in the area prior to the event to explore the many recreational opportunities in the Wee Jasper area. The the start of influx of patron traffic (1000 patrons) will begin during the morning of the Thursday the 31st of March 2022. The main influx of patrons will be on Friday the 1st of April 2022 with the peak flow expected between 12:00pm and 8:00pm. Traditionally, event patrons camp on site with the majority of patrons using tents. Organisers expect a minimal number of caravan/camper trailers and very few if any small-medium bus/van vehicles. Organisers have not arranged for any commercial coaches or large multiple passenger vehicles to be accessing the site and do not expect this to happen at any point during the event.

Following on from the 2018 event, the Wee Jasper and Yass branches of the RFS both raised concerns relating to emergency vehicle access to the event site during the peak arrival hours on the Friday of the event. Specifically, the RSF branches identified that where there were cattle grids located within 1km of the festival site, patrons cueing across these grids restricted access for RFS vehicles. The organisers have also identified that there is a short stretch outside the entry gate to the festival that drops off on one side, and does not allow emergency vehicle access if cars are queued across this section.

To address these concerns, the organisers propose to implement "Keep clear" zones across these access points, and to place qualified traffic officers at each cattle grid with stop slow signs during peak traffic hours, to coordinate the flow of traffic across these areas using walkie talkies in order to ensure that these sections of road are never queued across. This method is proposed to also be employed at areas of concern within the property boundary, where there is no shoulder on either side of the main road.

3.2.2 Departure

The festival concludes at approximately 7:30pm on the Monday evening of the event. Organisers expect a steady small flow of traffic leaving the event during daylight hours on this day, with this increasing between the hours of 4:00pm and 8:00pm. As with previous years, in recognition of the importance of patron safety, organisers will encourage people who are not suitable to drive to stay at the site on Monday night. This encouragement allows people to determine sensibly if they are able to drive and does not pressure people who may be feeling unable to leave the event which would place them at risk of serious injury and increasing risk to community members.

In accordance with this procedure organisers expect a moderate amount of vehicle traffic exiting the area on Tuesday 5th April.

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In accordance with this procedure organisers expect a moderate amount of vehicle traffic exiting the area on Tuesday 5th April. the festival, a designated overflow parking area will be made available in the area identified on the site map at the end of this document.

3.7 Road works within the private property boundaries

In consultation with the land owners organisers have reviewed the necessary road works required to ensure safe entry and egress of all festival equipment, staff, patrons and services. Organisers are advised by the property owners that any works required will be undertaken as part of the contract of land use and will not require additional submissions or approval. The works required are marked on the site map for information of the Council.

4 Additional Considerations

There are a number of requirements in the template provided through the Roads and Maritime Services Guide to Traffic and Transport Management for Special Events that are not applicable or that are covered elsewhere in this document. Organisers have summarised these below.

4.1 Trusts, Authorities and Government Enterprises

The event does not use any facilities or properties managed by a trust, authority, or Government enterprise, this section does not apply to our event and consent from such agencies is not required.

4.2 Public Transport – Managing Impact

Public transport is not available for Dragon Dreaming Festival and patrons are made aware of this on our website and Facebook page prior to the event. There are no public transport means in the event area that will be affected by the event.

4.3 Reopening Roads After Moving Events

Not applicable.

4.4 Traffic Management Requirements Unique to This Event

Dragon Dreaming does not have any unique traffic management requirements. The event does not require the alteration of any existing traffic conditions, flow or practice.

4.5 Contingency Plans

Organisers have developed a Disaster Response plan.

4.6 Heavy Vehicle Impacts

There are no perceived impacts on heavy vehicles in the area. As noted in the minimising community impact section of this plan, event traffic does not significantly differ to current traffic in the area.

4.7 Special Event Clearways

Not applicable.

4.8 Advertise Traffic Management Arrangements

The event does not require any road closures and does not have a significant impact on existing traffic arrangements for the local community. Taking this into account organisers have determined that advertising of the event traffic management plan does not serve a valid purpose.

4.9 Special Event Warning Signs

As stated at section 3.2.1, the organisers propose to introduce traffic wardens trained in the operation of a stop slow sign during the peak arrival hours on the Friday of the event. This is to ensure that at all times, there is emergency vehicle access to the event site, should it be required.

Given that the event is held at the end of a no through road, and that the local residents of Wee Jasper are well aware of the event, the organisers consider that special event warning signage is unlikely to be necessary, as in previous years. However, the organisers are happy to procure this signage if it is required, given the proposed introduction of traffic wardens on Caves Road.

4.10 Permanent Variable Message Signs

Not applicable.

4.11 Portable Variable Message Signs

Stop slow signs, as stated at 3.2.1 and 4.9 above.

5 Minimising Impact on Non-Event Community

Organisers are committed to working with the Wee Jasper community to implement this event in a safe and successful manner. The event will bring a number of benefits to the region and surrounding area but also pose a number of risks. Organisers recognise that one of these risks is the increased traffic flow in the region due to the event. In consultation with members of the community, Organisers have determined traffic levels experienced in the area will be no different to traffic experienced on a normal long weekend in the area.

Organisers also note that Wee Jasper Road is used by heavy vehicles regularly including but not limited to the transport of livestock, farming material and other agricultural equipment. Organisers do not propose any different use of the road to what might be considered normal by residents of the Wee Jasper area. Organisers recognise the recent difficulties residents have had with a commercial quarry utilising the road on a regular basis. In recognition of this fact, Organisers have kept heavy vehicles involved in the event to a minimum and have made other arrangements to bring the majority of site materials through the use of light trucks and passenger vehicles.



9.8 2022 SUTTON PUBLIC SCHOOL – CROSS COUNTRY

SUMMARY

To provide the Committee details of the proposed 2022 Sutton Public School – Cross Country event to be held on either Thursday 1 April or Friday 2nd April 2022.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee consider the request to hold the 2022 Sutton Cross Country event.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil - all costs associated with the road closures were funded within existing Operational budgets.

REPORT

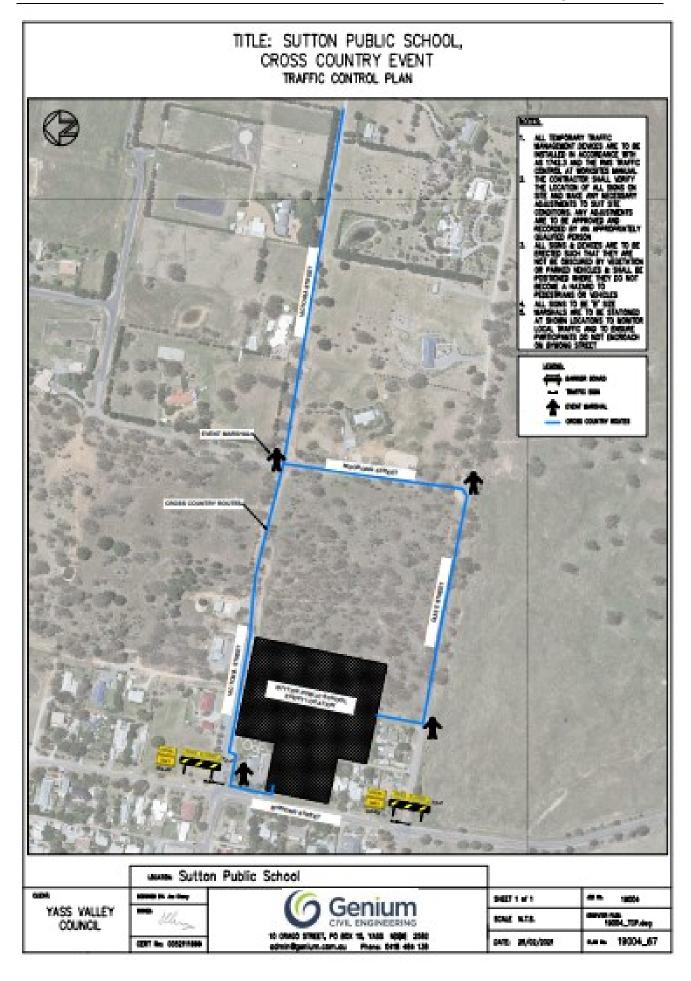
Council received a request from the Sutton Public School for approval and support to undertake a cross country event in the local roads around the school.

This event has occurred annual for a number of years, with Council providing support through the provision of traffic management. See attached TCP.

Assuming there are no objections to the event the following approval is proposed

That the 2022 Sutton Public School and District Cross Country events to be held at Sutton be approved subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The organiser is to supply Council with a copy of the current Public Liability Insurance for the event with a minimum \$20,000,000 indemnity
- 2. The event organiser implement the Traffic Control Plan (attached); To be arranged by Council
- **3.** The event organiser is responsible for directly notifying all residents that may be affected by the approved events as soon as possible;
- **4.** Event marshals, event participants etc. will at all times obey the provisions of NSW Transport Legislation;
- 5. The event organiser is to arrange the supply and installation/removal of appropriate signs etc. identified in the TCP. All personnel involved must be appropriate accredited; To be arranged by Council
- 6. The event organiser is to ensure any local traffic, emergency services vehicles etc can safely and efficiently access/egress any property impacted by the TCP;
- 7. Event organisers, event marshals, volunteers, event participants etc. are to take all possible actions to minimise the effect of the event on the non-event community, throughout the event;
- **8.** Event organisers shall comply with the above conditions and the undertakings in its submission. Failure to comply will immediately void this approval;
- 9. The event organiser must comply with any COVID-19 restrictions current at the time of the event.



10. COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

SUMMARY

To provide each Committee member an opportunity to provide the Committee with an update on traffic matters as it relates to their area of responsibility.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

NIL

REPORT

The following updates be provided as provided from:

- NSW Police;
- TfNSW;
- Council;
- Office of Local Member.

Meeting Closed:

NEXT MEETING-

4th May 2022