

Local Transport Forum Minutes

3 December 2025

MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY, 3 DECEMBER 2025 AT 10.00AM

Please note: These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next Council meeting. Decisions recorded in the draft minutes are subject to the Council's Code of Meeting Practice in relation to rescinding decisions.

Please note: Consultation with relevant bus companies will occur before any further consideration of matters discussed.

Present

Councillor Hall (Chairperson); A/Sgt Shannon Hudson (NSW Police); Bel Hanson (On Behalf of Janelle Saffin MP) and Ms Caleisse Dunston (Transport for NSW).

In Attendance

Ms Nolan, Manager Roads Planning; Ms Keneally, Director Roads & Infrastructure; Mr Clough, Director Waste & Resilience and Ms Underhill, Executive Assistant.

Apologies

Nil.

Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of 16 July 2025 were confirmed.

(Member Dunston/Member Hanson)

Disclosure of Interest

Councillor Hall declared that she is a bus operator and that her son currently attends the school referenced in Item 4.1, but will no longer attend this school in the new year.

Action Items

Item 4.1 Request for School Zone Extension and No Left Turn

- Confirm installation of "No Stopping" sign raised in a previous meeting.
- TfNSW to conduct a review of School Zone extents and trees and vegetation on Dibbs Street and adjoining streets. Solar-powered school signs may pose placement challenges.

Item 4.2 Request for Bus Zone Relocation at Corndale Public School

- Council to contact the school to advise there is currently a funding application

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in place with TfNSW and note that the group discussed the matter and will await further input from TfNSW in consultation with bus operators.

Item 4.3 Request for Relocation of Lismore Transit Centre

- Council to provide a response to Janelle Saffin's office noting the item was reviewed by the Local Traffic Forum (LTF) and the matter has been referred to appropriate staff for further investigation, in consultation with relevant bus companies.

Other Business

Speed Humps & Convex Mirrors

- TfNSW to provide their standard position on speed humps and convex mirrors.

Ballina Road Bus Shelter in front of Arcadia Motel

- Complete concept plan for Ballina Road Bus Shelter including TfNSW pedestrian safety fencing. Once completed, send to TfNSW for review and approval. The high cost of compliant pedestrian safety fencing was discussed and future installation would be subject to available funding.
- Keep the community informed on the progression of the project.

4.1 Request for School Zone Extension and Left Turn Only

A community member raised concern regarding the school zone extension on and around Dibbs Street and left turn only at the intersection of Ballina Road and Nielson Street.

School Zone Extension

- The group discussed whether the "No Stopping" sign from the previous meeting has been installed.
- Members noted ongoing issues with school parking and suggested possible extensions of restrictions halfway up Bright Street, with an inlet at Music Street similar to Jacaranda. Avondale may also need consideration if extensions proceed.
- TfNSW representative advised that tree placement on Dibbs Street could affect solar-powered school signs, which may require careful positioning.
- Additional safety measures such as "School Zone Ahead" signs were suggested.
- The group noted that the extension could be considered, pending TfNSW approval, community consultation and funding.
- Consultation with bus operators will occur before any further consideration

Request for Left Turn Only at the intersection of Nielson Street and Ballina Road

- Available accident history at the location of Ballina Road and Nielson Street does not support a change in its current status.
- Nearby Dibbs Street intersection was identified as requiring urgent attention and is currently with TfNSW.

4.2 Request for Bus Zone Relocation at Corndale Public School

A request has been received from a local school staff regarding relocation of Bus Zone at Corndale Public School.

- An application has been submitted to the Country Passenger Transport

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Infrastructure Grants Scheme (CPTIGS) for this location.

- Letter of support has been provided by CCC Bus Services
- The group noted that extension could be considered, pending consultation and funding.

4.3 Request for Relocation of Lismore Transit Centre

Janelle Saffin had a meeting with Northern Rivers Buslines regarding the Lismore Transit Centre.

- Matter to be referred to appropriate Council staff for further investigation, in consultation with bus companies.

4.4 Request for Road Closure on Molesworth Street from August 2026 to November 2027

A Traffic Guidance Scheme has been prepared to manage the closure on Molesworth Street during the restoration and upgrade to the existing pump station.

- Two options were discussed:
 - Full road closure for pump relocation.
 - No road closure, which would double construction time and increase disruption to businesses and the community.
- New pump footprint will be significantly larger than the current one.
- The group discussed that a full road closure may be acceptable, subject to further review and stakeholder engagement.

4.5 Minutes of the Local Traffic Internal Working Group - 24 November 2025

Minutes of the Local Traffic Internal Working Group on 24 November 2025 to be noted by the forum.

- Minutes of the Local Traffic Internal Working Group were noted by the group.

Closure

This concluded the business and the meeting terminated at 11:30am.