

Advice of Local Pedestrian, Cycling and Traffic Calming Committee

20 November 2025

Item 29

Traffic Treatment - Removal of Central Median - Elizabeth Street, Redfern

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Recommendation

It is recommended that the Forum review the removal of the central median in Elizabeth Street, Redfern between Phillip and Redfern Streets.

Advice

The Forum raised no issues with this Item.

Background

Elizabeth Street, Redfern between Phillip and Redfern Streets has experienced increasing pavement deterioration due to poor subgrade conditions and inadequate surface drainage. Compounding this issue is the roots of mature trees that have protruded onto the kerb and gutter alignment. This has resulted in damage to the kerb and gutter creating uneven surfaces along carriageway and adjacent footpaths. The damage has affected drainage in the area leading to frequent ponding during rainfall events.

The standing water poses safety risks to both motorists and pedestrians, increasing the likelihood of loss of control incidents. To address the damage to the kerb and gutter and improve surface drainage along Elizabeth Street between Redfern and Phillip Streets, it is proposed to remove the existing central median. The proposal would improve surface runoff and reduce flooding and enhance road safety for all users by minimising water ponding and improving pavement conditions.

