

Item 22.**Traffic Treatment - Little Regent Street, Chippendale**

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Recommendations

It is recommended that the Forum review the following traffic treatments in Little Regent Street Chippendale south of George Street:

- (A) Installation of new larger "No Entry" signs.
- (B) Installation of new "Through" arrow line marking.
- (C) Installation of new Chevron line markings.
- (D) Installation of a new "Give Way" intersection reinforced with signs and line markings on Little Regent Street and the Porte Cochere to the Mercure Sydney Hotel.
- (E) Refresh the "Right Turn" arrow and double BB line markings at the right turn from Little Regent Street to the Porte Cochere to the Mercure Hotel Sydney.

Forum Members for this Item

City of Sydney
Transport for NSW
NSW Police – Sydney City PAC
Representative for the Member for Newtown

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

Little Regent Street operates as a two-way road between Lee Street and the Porte Cochere at the Mercure Sydney Hotel, while the section between George Street and the Porte Cochere operates as a one-way road southbound. Site observations have identified multiple instances of non-compliance with the one-way restriction, with drivers travelling towards George Street against the one-way direction. This non-compliance presents a safety risk by increasing the likelihood of conflicts with oncoming vehicles.

Therefore, the City is proposing larger signs and installing new and repainting existing line markings to improve road safety in Little Regent Street near its intersection with George Street.

Comments

A site inspection identified multiple instances of non-compliance with the one-way southbound restriction on Little Regent Street, between George Street and the Porte Cochere at the Mercure Sydney Hotel. Drivers travelling northbound were observed disregarding the restriction and proceeding against the designated traffic flow towards George Street.

This behaviour presents a significant road safety risk. Vehicles turning left from George Street into Little Regent Street are not anticipating oncoming traffic from the opposite direction, increasing the likelihood of head-on collisions. Additionally, the unexpected vehicle movements create hazards for pedestrians and cyclists in the area, further elevating overall safety concerns.

To improve road safety at the intersection of Little Regent Street and George Street and the Porte Cochere, the following traffic treatments are proposed;

To further support the existing one-way traffic arrangement and improve road safety, the following additional traffic treatment measures are proposed:

- Installation of new larger "No Entry" signs.
- Installation of new "Through" arrow line marking.
- Installation of new Chevron line markings.
- Installation of a new "Give Way" intersection reinforced with signs and line markings on Little Regent Street and the Porte Cochere to the Mercure Sydney Hotel.

The proposed traffic treatment measures are intended to reinforce the existing one-way traffic arrangement in Little Regent Street, improve driver awareness and compliance, and enhance overall road safety.

Consultation

The City notified local residents and businesses in the area. There were 109 letters sent out with no responses supporting or opposing the proposal.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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