

Item 34.**Traffic Treatment - Turn Restrictions - Amy and Devine Streets, Erskineville**

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Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee review the following Turn Restrictions in Amy and Devine Streets, Erskineville:

- (A) “No Left Turn Vehicles Over 6m Long” for eastbound vehicles on Devine Street turning left onto Amy Street.
- (B) “No Right Turn Vehicles Over 6m Long” for southbound vehicles on Amy Street turning right onto Devine Street

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

Devine and Amy Streets are two-way local roads with a speed limit of 40 km/h. A Telstra utility pit is located on the eastern and western corner of the intersection of Devine and Amy Streets. Left and right turning large vehicles at the intersection frequently encroach onto the footpath, resulting in repeated damage to the Telstra pits.

To mitigate further damage, Telstra has recently installed a protective horse-shoe shaped barriers on the western corner to prevent large vehicles from driving over the pit.

A site investigation has revealed that the recently installed barriers is obstructing pedestrian access on the footpath. As a result, pedestrians are forced to walk on the road, which poses a significant safety risk due to potential conflicts with oncoming traffic.

Comments**Turn Restrictions**

To maintain pedestrian access along the footpath and prevent damage to the Telstra pits, the City is proposing to install the following restrictions at the intersection:

- “No Left Turn Vehicles Over 6m Long” for eastbound vehicles on Devine Street turning left onto Amy Street.
- “No Right Turn Vehicles Over 6m Long” for southbound vehicles on Amy Street turning right onto Devine Street.

Kerb ramps are proposed for pedestrian access across Amy Street to assist pedestrians with prams and in wheelchairs.

Traffic surveys showed very low volume of heavy vehicle traffic. Over a 12 hour vehicle survey on a Wednesday, only 2 heavy vehicles were captured to turn left from Devine Street into Amy Street.

Given the low volume of heavy vehicles in the area, reassigned traffic can be accommodated via Rochford Street as an alternative route. As such, no additional mitigation measures are required to address the traffic impacts of the proposal. Furthermore, Devine and Amy Streets are designated local roads, with parking on both sides of the street with narrow travel widths. As such, the streets are not intended for heavy vehicle access. In the event of an emergency, authorised emergency vehicles will still be able to access Devine and Amy Streets.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 104 letters sent out with 4 responses supporting the proposal and no responses opposing the proposal.

Financial

Appropriate funding for the proposal will be secured once greater certainty on the construction timeline is reached.

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