



MINUTES of

URALLA LOCAL TRANSPORT FORUM

Held on 5 August 2025 at 10:00 AM

Attendance at Meeting:

Committee Members:

Jason West
Sean Herrett
David Mailler

TfNSW
TfNSW
Councillor

Staff:

David Counsell
Sylvia Baxter

Manager Civil Infrastructure
Executive Support Infrastructure & Development

Apologies:

Bob Barwell
Connor Williams
Myles McLindin

Local Member's Representative
Uralla Police
Group Manager Infrastructure Services

Observers:

Lone Petrov

Councillor

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1 OPENING & WELCOME

The Chair declared the meeting opened at 10:04am.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chair read the acknowledgement of country.

3 APOLOGIES & APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS /COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Bob Barwell
Connor Williams
Myles McLindin

4 DISCLOSURE & DECLARATION OF INTEREST/S

The Chair advised there were no disclosures.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the minutes of the Uralla Local Traffic Committee held 5 June 2025, as a true and correct record.

6 TABLING OF PETITONS

Nil.

7 LATE REPORT/S

The Chair advised there were no late, urgent and supplementary items or reports of business.

- TfNSW has issued new authorisation and delegations to councils, superseding existing delegations, commencing 1 August 2025.
One of the key changes from the 2011 Delegation to Councils is Local Traffic Committee (LTC) is renamed Local Transport Forum (LTF).
The Guide and Factsheet for implementing the TfNSW 2025 Instrument has been emailed out of session to the Uralla Local Transport Forum.
- Christmas Street Fair – to be held 21 November – brief rundown on what is happening – relevant documents will be forwarded 'Out of Session' for Forum's information and endorsement once ROL is received by Council.
- 40k zone – Big Ridge Road – Work zone can be set up as Temporary Traffic Work Zone treatment rather than permanent speed zoning.

- Footbridge at Bundarra – children need to cross the road – Bundarra Community s355 Committee will send a request to ULTF requesting installation of pedestrian crossing.

8 REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

8.1 HEAVY VEHICLE TRAFFIC REVIEW - ROWAN AVENUE URALLA

FORUM DECISION:

That the Uralla Local Transport Forum recommend the installation of a 15 tonne G.V.M. load limit for the full length of Rowan Avenue between Bridge Street and Duke Street.

Rowan Avenue links Highway to Thunderbolts Way – it is a local residential street, lots of trucks are using it as a link to avoid intersection at Highway and Salisbury Street. Shouldn't be using residential street because the Highway intersection is more time consuming.

A number of residents that operate heavy vehicles also live along Rowan Avenue – need to communicate to residents and bus drivers of load limit reduction.

Need to be clear load limit is between Bridge Street/Highway and Duke Street/Thunderbolts Way. Council's water infrastructure has been impacted by heavy vehicle use and has recently been improved so important to avoid further damage to road and water infrastructure along Rowan Avenue.

TfNSW all for it.

ACTION:

Council to install load limit signs.

8.2 REQUEST FOR SAUMAREZ PONDS SPEED LIMITS REDUCTION - RECEIVED 1 JULY 2025

FORUM DECISION:

That the Uralla Local Transport Forum refer this request to Transport NSW as the state authority for speed zoning to assess the suggested speed zone reduction.

Conducted site inspection with TfNSW yesterday.

Drive to Conditions – is standard on unsealed/dirt roads.

This can be signposted – reduce speed to conditions.

Discussed how recommended speeds are determined – factor of consideration include road alignment and super-elevation, roadside development and accesses.

G9-318-1n - Reduce Speed To Conditions sign is not delegated to council to install and is only installed by TfNSW. Suggestion to consider using W5-19 Gravel Road sign or W2-211-5n Gravel Road Reduce Speed sign for unsealed roads. TfNSW will undertake speed zone reviews on other suggested sealed roads as per Agenda items to determine appropriate speed zones.

ACTION:

Has been inspected.

With TfNSW to assess.

8.3 NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY NO STOPPING

FORUM DECISION:

That the Uralla Local Transport Forum recommend the installation of No Stopping signs adjacent to the eastern side of the New England Highway on the southern approaches to Uralla between the 50km/h speed zone and Rowan Avenue.

Suggestion that signage should be on both sides of road – eastern and western sides of Highway.
Major consideration is the close proximity to the 100k zone.

Forum decided to put the No Stopping Zone commencing from 50 metres south of Rowan Avenue to a point 200 metres south of Rowan Avenue.

Council will request Transport to NSW to install the signage adjacent to the Highway.

ACTION:

Council to request TfNSW to install the signage adjacent to the Highway.

9. PREVIOUS MINUTES

Speed zone requests being looked at by Transport for NSW:

- Barleyfields Road - TfNSW - have visited – TfNSW will do a video run to capture use and will look at extending 50km/h zone.
It is confirmed that the minimum length of an 80 km/h zone must be 2km in length and that this condition does not apply to any 50km/h zone. There is no required length stated in the SZ standard for a 50km/h zone. TfNSW will investigate into the possible extension of the existing 50km/h zone further north to include existing residential properties whilst maintaining the required length for the existing 80km/h zone.
- Warwick Street – TfNSW suggest consideration of centreline barrier line mark to enhance the intersection and give warning of intersection ahead.
TfNSW recommendation to install Give way signs and line marking at the intersection. Advance intersection warning signs such as W2-3 T– Junction symbolic signs including W8-5 Distance plate (x) m signs can also be installed in advance of the intersection (duplicate for each side of road).
- Kingstown Road (near cemetery) – TfNSW reviewing speed zone – reduce to 80 from 100.
- Gostwyck Road – TfNSW reviewing speed limits and signage.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

- Issue of disability access on Bridge Street, ramp, no rails, etc, was raised.
Bridge Street redevelopment should include better disabled access.
Council is looking at better disabled parking etc. Old pram ramps also need replacing and are being looked at as part of PAMP.
- TfNSW have advised Council that speed zone requests are not an Agenda item and should only be discussed in general or other business as this item cannot be voted upon. Alternatively, any speed zone related requests can be discussed after the meeting. This should apply to any future speed zone requests that Council should receive.

11. CONCLUSION OF MEETING

The meeting was closed at 11:20pm.

Next meeting: TBA

CONFIRMED