

Curlewis St Streetscape Upgrade - REF Exhibition Feedback

No.	Date	Method	Verbatim comments
1	07/04/2023	Email	Strongly support. I endorse Council's proposal, as they have taken the community's input into account. I appreciate the added greenery and foliage, as well as the expanded walkways and separate cycling paths. Although it would be preferable to avoid any shared spaces between pedestrians and cyclists, I recognize that there may be limitations at present. If this initiative proves to be highly successful, I hope that Council will contemplate reallocating car space to provide more room for walking and cycling in the future
2	09/04/2023	Email	<p>I maintain my opposition to this streetscape upgrade</p> <p>In particular, the intent appears to stimulate bike traffic.</p> <p>I note in the SIDRA of the traffic survey at Old South Head Road ... there are less than 50 bikes per day in each AM and PM period! I also note the traffic survey worsens congestion.</p> <p>It does not seem that there is benefit to this proposal.</p>
3	11/04/2023	Email	<p>As a life long resident of Sydney's eastern suburbs, and having lived and worked in Bondi, it amazes me at how things have changed but the attitudes haven't. Although, I must admit it is not a nimby thing, or any other terrible statements that can finger point. I have friends that live in other area's and this problem of making it work for everyone without attitude just doesn't exist. I would like to see my comments taken as constructive because I have to live and negotiate the area. I would like them to also be seen as realistic because we are talking about people and unfortunately human nature is not the easiest thing.</p> <p>I note that the reports are very in depth which is nice unless you are a layman like me. Then it gets difficult to read and absorb and also very time consuming. So I have done my best with the information provided and what I had the patience to read. Most of my comments come from using Curlewis St. Further I hope that any changes are done because the people making the final decisions have actually used the road and watched how it is used by all people.</p> <p>I do not oppose to any upgrade if it will take us forward and as a collective. We need to start living together as a community and not a them and us attitude. Unfortunately the cycle ways cause this. I have seen it at Bondi Junction where a pedestrian had the right of way to cross the street at a crossing and the cyclist just came blasting through and did not stop. Thankfully the old man was quite nimble and got out of the way in time. I can also imagine a car parked near a cycleway unable to see both ways into the cycleway and opens the door of their car into the cycleway. Lets hope the cyclist manages to avoid the door. Why can't we find a way to share the road with all wheeled users? Alot of cyclists don't use the cycleway anyway but don't abide by the road rules and they should for their safety. Can't we combine all road users to the road? I am sure the speed limit is 40kph and I only say this because you can't drive any faster anyway.</p> <p>Improvements to the area need to include better sight of vision for all road users and pedestrians. Trees need to be removed where needed and low lying branches to be removed. All greenscaping needs to be maintained otherwise you should just lay concrete. I can see that in the safety audit this is discussed. Any raised concrete dividers need to be painted and maintained so they are easily seen night and day. Bright yellow paint and reflective surfaces should be used. You can see from the amount of tyre marks, they are not easily seen. Improve the lighting in the area. Again big bushy trees may look okay but block the light in the evenings onto the street. This is also for safety of pedestrians who walk around the area. The road should also be improved. It is a hodgepodge of surfaces and pot holes with really bad road markings. But the road surface needs to be upgraded properly so that way it does not fall apart quickly.</p> <p>The big thing is that I can see from the report is that there are a number of developments for the strip which will bring more people. You can say what you like but more people means more cars. Nothing on these plans show an allowance for more cars. And during the warmer months the cars only increases. Cycleways do not decrease car usage. I was a cyclist but not anymore and for all the reasons I have put in this email.</p>
4	11/04/2023	Email	<p>Good morning,</p> <p>I am wanting to confirm that you have received the attached photos and video of the flooding that effects our business at 106 Curlewis Street, when it rains.</p> <p>Could you please also advise if we could obtain the plans for the new upgrade, as we would like to put forward an application to extend our outdoor footpath seating. We will need to know the new width of the footpath to then submit our proposal/application to council.</p> <p>I am also writing to express my concern of the construction that is proposed - taking up to 12 months on Curlewis Street. I am concerned of the damage that it will cause our business considering the major works that is required to be done for the new drainage system, directly in front of our business.</p> <p>Can you please provide more details such as the time that it will start and finish and if there will be any street parking at all during this time for our customers.</p>
5	01/05/2023	Email	See attached formal letter response in file '202305_BIKEast - Curlewis St Upgrade REF'
6	02/05/2023	Email	See attached formal letter response in file '230502 - Curlewis Street Bondi - REF Submission'
7	Apr 06, 2023, 01:27 PM	30614	<p>Brilliant. Love it. Please get on with it.</p> <p>Just one thought - the submission says 63 new trees will be planted. Are the tree plantings in accordance with the NSW Government's Street Tree Planting Design Manual? The manual notes that increasing the canopy cover towards 40% cannot be achieved in streets alone. Efforts are required across a range of public and private uses. The REF makes no mention of taking this document into account. Kind regards</p>

8	Apr 06, 2023, 01:40 PM	30615	I support the addition of bike paths along the proposed route.
9	Apr 06, 2023, 01:43 PM	30616	Approve of this plan, provides a much-needed bike path through Bondi beach which will help so many people feel comfortable when biking around Bondi. We still need a bike lane going from the beach to Bondi Junction as it is currently very unsafe trying to exit the suburb in that direction, but this is a great step in helping expand the cycling infrastructure - encouraging more people to travel via bike.
10	Apr 06, 2023, 02:31 PM	30618	I'm very much in favour of what you propose. However, I have a couple of suggestions based on examination of the drawings and pictures that have been provided. Firstly, I'd like to see the bicycle way more clearly demarcated and separated from the traffic, and, secondly, I'd like to see a lot more trees and vegetation, I think the current proposal is a bit light in this respect.
11	Apr 06, 2023, 03:07 PM	30619	Love this initiative. I ride to/from work from North Bondi to Surry Hills most days and make use of the Bondi Junction upgrades. Extending this to Bondi is crucial.
12	Apr 06, 2023, 03:21 PM	30620	Look fantastic! Can't wait to see this come to fruition. Please please please do O'Brien St and Hall Streets next!
13	Apr 06, 2023, 04:45 PM	30621	<p>My one concern is that, since light signals at that dangerous intersection are not being considered, the pedestrian crossing be high enough as to have some waking up, even deterrent, impact on drivers on Curlewis Street driving toward or away from the beach.</p> <p>Just this morning, as I was in the middle of that pedestrian crossing, crossing one way while two women were already crossing on it in the opposite direction, the driver of a Mercedes convertible drove right between us across the pedestrian crossing without stopping for us.</p> <p>The environment in which this crossing exists, one short block from the beach, is one which I think tends to cause drivers to lose focus on pedestrians and pedestrian crossings, making this intersection intrinsically perilous, a hazard for pedestrians; and no one seems to want to recognise it by installing proper light signals.</p> <p>Sincerely, [REDACTED]</p>
14	Apr 07, 2023, 11:24 AM	30622	My concern as a resident of Curlewis St is the length of time the project will take, very long if it is like the Glenayr Ave project which has gone on for months and still is not completed. Why are such projects outsourced and why can't Council set parameters for the timing of works and completion?
15	Apr 09, 2023, 10:10 PM	30627	Could timelines please be provided to Curlewis St residents. The Glenayr st upgrade took a great deal of time. I also worry about the traffic control - Glenayr was very slow at moving traffic. My carport is at the back of a building on Curlewis st- if I am needed to find alternative parking-will the council be providing me with enough warning in the event that the driveway on curlewis st is not accessible? In which case-I will need to apply for a parking permit and find parking close by
16	Apr 11, 2023, 11:22 PM	30631	The more cycle lanes the better, thanks!
17	Apr 12, 2023, 10:30 AM	30632	I love the proposed new bike lane, crossings and pathways. It will make accessing the shops by foot and or with a pram much more pleasant and safe. When i do cycle to the beach or for lunch this path will make the ride much safer. it will also allow my future toddlers to safely cycle to school. Currently Waverly rangers and council DO NOTHING TO STOP CARS PARKING ACROSS THEIR DRIVEWAYS! it makes it hard or impossible to pass, walking or with a pram. this is illegal and rangers need to stop turning a blind eye. Residents need to use their garage for cars not storage lockers or have less vehicles
18	Apr 12, 2023, 10:17 PM	30633	I strongly support upgrades to walking and cycling infrastructure in Bondi Beach. The upgrades will greatly benefit safety and amenity for locals and visitors, and will boost our economy as well.
19	Apr 13, 2023, 12:56 PM	30634	I fully support the new updated design as endorsed by Council in March 2023, thanks !
20	Apr 14, 2023, 06:22 PM	30636	This would be great and much needed. Please go ahead :)
21	Apr 18, 2023, 10:16 AM	30643	This is excellent. Please proceed with this upgrade!
22	Apr 18, 2023, 10:55 AM	30645	<p>Hi Re- the Curlewis st. upgrade , as a cyclist / commuter with a shopfront business, I would like to discuss getting bike racks around , close to my business. I am also happy to help with positive promotion of the cycle lanes.</p> <p>Also , I planted local Australian native trees in the patch next to my business which are now established.</p> <p>I would like these kept / included in the upgrade</p> <p>I can be contacted on [REDACTED]</p>
23	Apr 22, 2023, 08:22 PM	30665	Removal of the left turn slip lane at Old South Head Road and controlling left turns with lights is going to cause further backlog on an already congested road during peak times. Option 2 would have been the better option. Noone is going to using public space at that intersection, it is just too busy.
24	Apr 23, 2023, 07:59 AM	30666	Propose to include a community garden or a community composting area.
25	Apr 25, 2023, 10:03 PM	30687	I strongly support the proposal as well as the updated design lodged by Council. Whilst there are some minor issues which are outlined both by the submitted road safety audit and my own comments on the original submission, the proposal will be a significant benefit overall and is worthy of support. Further, Council will need to ensure that it is willing to enforce parking laws along Curlewis Street which I foresee will be an ongoing battle that will eventually end up in the media.
26	Apr 26, 2023, 08:39 AM	30688	the construction of the new cycleway, safer footpaths and crossings will encourage more people to walk and ride to the beach and the shops. surly removing vehicles pollution, vehicle damage to roads and the constant maintenance and vehicle noise pollution will be of huge benefit to Bondi. not to mention turning Bondi into a beautiful suburb to walk and ride around rather than a car park for the beach

27	Apr 26, 2023, 12:19 PM	30690	I am fully supportive of the Curlewis St upgrade and welcome the separated bike lane
28	Apr 30, 2023, 03:18 PM	30704	I strongly support the Curlewis Street Cycleway going ahead and support the findings of the REF. The Curlewis Street cycleway will reduce traffic and give people a safe way to ride to the beach. I would ask that, in addition to the cycleway, a safe indoor bike parking facility is built at Bondi Beach or inside the pavilion courtyard, similar to Transport NSW bike cages you see at train stations.
29	May 02, 2023, 02:01 PM	30720	Cycle lanes are climate action. I am supportive of this project.