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## REPORT TO THE KENSINGTON PRECINCT REGARDING TRAFFIC ISSUES IN HEFFRON

Greetings and my appreciation to your committee for giving me the opportunity to report to you about some of the traffic issues in Heffron.

On 9 October I met with representatives of the Kensington Precinct in my electorate office to discuss local traffic matters, particularly the Kensington LATM and the RTA's plans for road works in Randwick and South Sydney LGAs.

I understand from that meeting that Kensington Precinct had some concerns about whether or not the Kensington LATM would be put on public display.

As you would appreciate, Council's decisions are a matter entirely for Council. However, I have made representations both in conversation and formally in writing to the Mayor of Randwick regarding this issue.

Regarding the RTA, you may be aware that the State Government has put in place an 8 year program in place to upgrade and improve the road network along the corridor between South Sydney and Randwick.

These road network improvements will provide opportunities to upgrade the intersections of South Dowling St. and Cleveland St., O'Dea Ave. and Lachlan St., as well as investigate changes to the intersection of Gardeners Road and Southern Cross Drive and at Link Road and the Eastern Distributor.

An excess of \$80 million has been allocated over the next 8 years. The first priority will be the extension of the southern arterial route (Botany Road and Wyndham Street) and the upgrade of the Green Square intersection.

These are complex projects that will have to be undertaken with community consultation. I have already gained in principle support from the Minister for Road's office to provide a briefing from the RTA to representatives from Kensington Precinct. As discussed at my meeting with Precinct representatives, we also agreed that Randwick Council should be part of that briefing. Consequent conversations with the Mayor, Dominic Sullivan, indicate that he also supports that suggestion.

I believe such a briefing will provide a useful opportunity to discuss with the RTA many of the suggestions the Kensington Precinct has made in terms of traffic measures.

I am now organising a time for this briefing to take place. My office will liase with the Precinct and the Mayor to find a date that is suitable for all parties.

My apologies I could not attend tonight's meeting. However, thank you again for taking the time to be concerned about these issues and your efforts to improve our local area.





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Traffic continues to increase in local streets!

Concerned residents are encouraged to attend the next Precinct meeting for Kensington / Kingsford on:

Monday, November 10, 2003 at 7.30pm

Venue: Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School Hall, cnr Grosvenor Street and Kensington Road. Kensington.

Items to be discussed:

- ? Annual General Meeting. Election of Officers.
- ? Report by Kristina Keneally, MP.
- ? Traffic Report (Summary presentation of Kensington Local Area Traffic Management Study commissioned by Randwick Council.
- ? Resident feedback on Traffic Report
- ? Other Matters.\*

\* If there are any other Community matters which residents would like to discuss, please notify the Chairman before the start of the meeting.

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Traffic Management Proposal

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