

LATE ITEMS

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L.1 <u>Curve Realignment - Links Avenue</u>

Introduction

Council has received reports of three motor vehicle accidents in Links Avenue over the period of a year. The reports identify vehicles are leaving the road to the extent they are causing property damage to residential houses. This report seeks endorsement for proposed remediation works around the curve.

Information

Links Avenue is a collector road with a posted limit of 50km/h. It has a pavement of variable width and variable formation. This segment has kerb and gutter on the inner radius and a grass verge on the outer radius.

Signage in the area is Slippery When Wet, Reduce Speed and 50km/h. Speed compliance is an issue at the location and the road geometry can be improved.

A proposed design is attached for the information of the Committee. This design includes No Parking signage on the inner curve, relocated the centreline, undertake shape correction, edge line marking, ancillary signage and install a centre median.

The relocated centre line and central median has been trialled for a period of several months. The outcomes of this trial are considered successful. The trial has been conducted under a temporary 40 km/hr speed zone. The 50km/h will need to be reinstated once the remediation works are completed.

For the permanent treatment there are two options for the median design. The first option is to use a concrete back to back mountable kerb. This profile would be approximately 700mm wide and 150mm tall. The second option is to use a commercial rubber median that is approximately 250mm wide and 100mm tall. Investigations are continuing, however at this point it time the second option is preferred having regard to site constraints and reduced impacts to any vehicles striking the infrastructure in an accident.

Raised Reflective Pavement Markers are proposed to be installed in accordance with the Australian Standard.

The No Parking zones are required to accommodate the lateral shift of the centreline. Regardless of the reduced width, the curve was not an appropriate place for parking. No stopping is not suitable as waste management collection will be impeded.

The recommendation to this report seeks endorsement to the design, including approval to install the No Parking zones.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee endorse the design attached to this report for remediation works at Links Ave, including approval for the installation of the No Parking zone.

Attachment(s)

1. Proposed design - Links Avenue, East Ballina

