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1 Introduction

Transport Modellers Alliance (TMA) was commissioned by Lane Cove Council (LCC) to undertake investigations of various masterplan configurations within the St Leonards South Strategy Area. This technical note outlines the results of increasing the master plan development scenario from the originally proposed 2000 dwellings to up to 5000 dwellings (as proposed by the Woods Bagot development proposal). The modelling assessments were undertaken for both the AM and PM peak periods for the development scenarios detailed in Table 1.

TABLE 1 MODEL SCENARIC) TESTS
St Leonards South Development Scenario	Description
Future Base (FB): East of rail	Includes LCC approved developments East of railway line (ie, 2009 LEP land use plus planning proposals + 520 Pacific Hwy + 500 Pacific Hwy + Winton).
Council Masterplan (MP): To Berry Rd East	As Future Base with original proposed masterplan development growth (2000 dwellings) on the Western side of Railway Line between Duntroon Avenue and Berry Rd East.
Woods Bagot (WB): to Greenwich Rd	As Future Base with Woods Bagot proposed masterplan development growth (5000 dwellings) on the Western side of Railway Line between Duntroon Avenue and Greenwich Rd.
3200 dwellings (3200): Public proposal to Park Rd East	As Future Base with 3200 dwellings masterplan development growth on the Western side of Railway Line between Duntroon Av and Park Rd East.
3000 dwellings proposed masterplan (3000)	As Future Base with 3000 dwellings masterplan development growth on the Western side of Railway Line between Duntroon Av and Park Rd East.
Public proposal to Park Rd East	
2800 dwellings proposed masterplan (2800)	As Future Base with 2800 dwellings masterplan development growth on the Western side of Railway Line between Duntroon Av and Park Rd East.
Public proposal to Park Rd East	

Table 1 includes the details of the masterplan area coverage and net dwelling number increases associated with each scenario.

1.1 DEVELOPMENT SCENARIOS

Since August 2014, a total of four masterplan development scenarios have been proposed that outline different residential dwelling numbers and access points to the St Leonards South Strategy Area. In

order to assess their likely impacts they have been compared to the Future Base¹ scenario that represents a do minimum scenario that includes already committed developments within the Lane Cove LGA and adjacent council areas affecting St Leonards. The masterplan scenarios include:

- Original Masterplan (Sept 2014): Duntroon Av to Greenwich Rd 2200 new dwellings: Not proceeded with.
- Council Masterplan: Duntroon Av to Berry Rd 2000 dwellings
- Woods Bagot this largely retains the existing road network west of the railway line and increases the Council masterplan proposal from 2000 to 5000 dwellings
- Public proposal extends the Council masterplan site to western side of original masterplan site (ie, to Park Road instead of Berry from Duntroon Avenue) and incrementally increases dwelling numbers from 2800-3200.

1.2 FUTURE ROAD NETWORK ASSUMPTIONS

A future assessment year of 2021 has been assumed for traffic growth purposes¹ and while road networks have generally been kept consistent between development scenarios tests a number of network assumptions changes have been assumed and are detailed in Table 2.

The differences in network assumptions between scenarios is a result of different approaches being taken to managing the access points to the new masterplan area and different internal configurations of road networks within the masterplan area. Note, that as the Original Master scenario has now not been progressed, the road network changes associated with it have also not been implemented in the other scenario assessments.

TABLE 2 ROAD NETWORK ASSUMPTIONS												
Location	Description of Change	Scenarios										
Oxley Street	Removal of parking and revised signal times at Pacific Highway	All										
West of Nicholson Street	2-way link between Lithgow and Christie St	All										
Pacific Highway at Lithgow Street	Bus stop relocation - subject to North Sydney Council approval	All										
River Road at Lithgow Street	New connection between Lithgow/River, subject to North Sydney Council approval	All										
Pacific Highway	Signal optimisation along Pacific Highway	All										
Greenwich Road	Access to western half of masterplan site	Original Masterplan										
River Road/ Canberra Avenue	Introduction of through movement from Russell St to Canberra Ave - this is not feasible anymore	Original Masterplan										
West of Marshall Avenue	Western extension of Marshall Av between Berry and Park	proposed masterplan (2800) proposed masterplan (3000) proposed masterplan (3200)										

¹ Refer to "St Leonards South Strategy, 2021 LEP Development - Model Development Report", Appendix B, TMA (June 2014) for detailed assumptions around Future Base background growth and assumed levels of development.

1.3 DISTRIBUTION OF DEVELOPMENT

The distribution of development varies across the masterplan proposals as a result of varying dwelling densities across the site. This together with the different internal road network within the masterplan area results in a different traffic assignment across the study network under the various proposals.

Figure 1 shows the upgraded access at Greenwich Road and Canberra Avenue under the Original masterplan proposal with these intersections together with Berry Street forming the three main accesses to the site. This has been superseded by the exhibitied plan covering only Duntroon Av to Berry Rd (east side). The Public Proposal masterplan indicates accesses as existing with the addition of Park Rd (east side) and a westbound extension of Marshall Avenue that connects Park Road, Berry Lane and Berry Road with the latter forming the main access to Pacific Highway.

The Woods Bagot masterplan assumes no road network changes over the "do minimum changes" network previously described in Table 2.



2 Demand Development

2.1 MASTERPLAN AREAS FOR DEVELOPMENT

A simple method of demand growth was applied across all development scenarios that resulted in net increases of dwellings with their associated traffic generations being applied to the Council Masterplan distribution.

The growth factor increases were applied across the entire St Leonards South study area (shown by red and blue shaded areas in Figure 2) for the Woods Bagot masterplan proposal and only the red shaded area for the Council Preferred masterplan proposal.



2.2 DISTRIBUTION OF NEW TRIPS

The distribution of new trips associated with the proposed masterplan areas was based on the previously calculated distribution from the Council masterplan proposal and this was calculated simply by subtracting the Future Base demands matrix from the Council masterplan demand matrix. This resulted in a new matrix that represents the Council masterplan trips that were then growthed according to the factors described in section 2.3. In calculating the distribution matrices for each of the proposed masterplan developments only the appropriate zones within each of the St Leonards South Strategy Areas (illustrated in Figure 2) were utilised. For the Public Proposal - masterplan this involved the identification all the zones west of Park Road and moving the development distribution associated with these zones to the zones east of Park Road. The St Leonards South Strategy Area (east) was further divided into three regions as illustrated in Figure 1 for the Council Preferred masterplan.

2.3 APPLIED GROWTH

The increase / decrease in traffic volumes in the model zones that corresponded to trips beginning or ending in the development area were then multiplied by a factor representing the proportional increase in residential dwellings over and above that considered in the Council masterplan proposal. The growth factors applied were:

- Original Masterplan to Greenwich (2200) = not assessed
- Council exhibited Masterplan to Berry (east) (2000) growth factor = 1.0
- Woods Bagot growth factor = 2.5

- Public proposal (2800) growth factor = 1.4
- Public proposal (3000) growth factor = 1.5
- Public proposal (3200) growth factor = 1.6

These growth factors were then applied to the distribution matrices described in section 2.2 to arrive at new development matrices for assessment purposes.

3 Model Assessment Results

After initial observation and preliminary investigation of the results it was apparent that the AM peak represents the critical period on the network as well as for residential vehicle trips leaving the masterplan area. For this reason, only the AM peak has been assessed under all development scenarios previously described in Table 1. The PM peak has also been assessed for all scenarios except for the Public Proposal - masterplan 2800 dwellings scenario as it was felt that these results would not be required given Council's preference for further examination of road network improvements to improve operation of the 3200 dwelling scenario.

3.1 NETWORK STATISTICS

A good way of comparing scenarios and assessing the future road network's ability to cater for these increased demands is to consider the total vehicle hours travelled across the network as this most succinctly captures effects of local congestion as well as any widespread issues that result.

Figure 3 illustrates how each of the scenarios compare against the Future Base model (that represents no masterplan development but broader background growth to 2021 and committed developments east of the railway line).



It is apparent from Figure 3 that the introduction of the Woods Bagot masterplan would see substantial increases in network wide vehicle travel time over both the Future Base and Council Masterplan. This is to be expected as the Future Base Model indicates that the network is approaching capacity by 2021 and therefore any additional traffic over and above these levels will have significant impacts on broader network operation.

The future network has more capacity to deal with increased residential development as is illustrated by the lower overall vehicle hours on the network as well as the significant increases in vehicle hours associated with the incremental increases in development. Table 3 provides more detail of the vehicle hours on the network and shows that Woods Bagot proposal represents a 71% increase in vehicle hours travelled over the Future Base in the AM peak and 25% in the PM peak. In addition some 360 vehicles will not be able to enter the network during the AM peak due to downstream congestion.

TA	TABLE 3 NETWORK STATISTICS - SCENARIOS													
	Description	Mean Speed (kph)	VKT	VHT	Unreleased Vehicles									
AM	Future Base	21.4	19117.0	896.7	57									
	Masterplan	17.8	19463.2	1094.6	132									
	Woods Bagot	12.8	19661.4	1536.3	360									
	3200 Dwellings	13.9	19007.2	1384.5	180									
	3000 Dwellings	14.8	19401.1	1316.4	159									
	2800 Dwellings	15.8	19335.4	1233.4	142									
PM	Future Base	20.3	19219.8	950.4	63									
	Masterplan	18.6	19719.7	1066.4	45									
	Woods Bagot	16.6	19655.0	1185.0	194									
	3200 Dwellings	18.9	19439.4	1030.4	100									
	3000 Dwellings	19.8	19416.1	983.3	76									
	2800 dwellings	19.8	19434.3	980.7	90									

These statistics improve when only 3200 dwellings are considered with a 54% increase in vehicle hours travelled over the Future Base in the AM peak and 8% in the PM peak.

Clearly given the substantial increase in vehicle hours in the AM peak even with the 3200 dwelling masterplan proposal there would be a need to undertake additional road network improvements to further reduce the increases in travel time across the network.

3.2 TRAVEL TIMES

3.2.1 AM Peak

Another useful metric for assessing congested networks is the travel times required to traverse the main routes within study area however some care is required in interpreting these results as it does not include the time taken for vehicles waiting to get onto the study network (from unreleased queues described in section 3.1).

Figure 4 shows the peak direction cumulative travel times of vehicles on Pacific Highway during the AM peak. It is apparent from this figure that any development of the masterplan area will impact this section of Pacific Highway eastbound travel times by around 25-30%.

The small difference between the various masterplan scenarios is due to the Berry Road egress operating with similar phase times and this figure not accounting for additional time required to enter the study network from the external queues described previously.



The counter-peak direction on Pacific Highway during the AM peak shows little difference between scenarios as illustrated in Figure 5. Woods Bagot proposal experiences westbound travel time increases of around 10% over both the Future Base and other masterplan scenarios.



The other alternate east-west route for masterplan traffic is River Road and this travel time traversal route is shown in Figure 6 for the AM peak direction. It is apparent from this figure that the most significant delays occur at the Pacific Highway intersection under the Woods Bagot proposal as this is the steepest part of the line (the other masterplan scenarios also experience their highest delays here).

It is apparent from Figure 6 that the level of development on the masterplan site has a step-change effect on travel times on this route as it shows that the Council Masterplan can be accommodated since the travel times match the Future Base and when the masterplan scenario proposals increase

dwelling numbers to 2800-3200 then travel times increase by approximately 15%. Another stepchange occurs when the dwelling numbers increase to 5000 with a corresponding 33% increase over the Future Base/Council masterplan results.



Figure 7 shows westbound traversal times on River Road during the AM peak are broadly similar under each scenario with increases in development generally increasing travel times. The 3200 dwelling proposed masterplan experiences queue-spill back from the right hand turn provided at Duntroon Avenue explaining why this line is significantly above the other scenarios.



3.2.2 PM Peak

Figure 8 shows the peak direction cumulative travel times of vehicles on Pacific Highway during the PM peak. It is apparent from this figure that any development of the masterplan area will impact this section of Pacific Highway westbound travel times by up to 10% under the Woods Bagot proposal.



The counter-peak direction on Pacific Highway during the PM peak (shown in Figure 9) indicates no clear pattern of how eastbound travel times are impacted by the scale of the masterplan development scenario. This suggests that this direction of travel is not critical to scenario assessment.



The alternative east-west traversal route through the study area on River Road shows that the westbound direction during the PM peak shows a consistent degradation in travel times (by up to 17%) as masterplan development increases. The two locations that cause the most delay to traffic on this route is shown in the graph by the steepest line gradients at Pacific Highway and Greenwich Road.

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There is no discernible difference in eastbound travel times on River Road during the PM peak except for the Woods Bagot proposal that experiences a 12% increase over the other scenarios as can be seen in Figure 11.



3.3 LEVEL OF SERVICE

Intersection Level of Service (LoS) is a broadly recognised method of assessing intersection operation against defined performed criteria from A (little or no delay) to F (oversaturated, congested conditions). At signalised intersections the LoS criteria relate to the average intersection delay (expressed as seconds per vehicle) while at priority intersections and roundabouts, the LoS is based on the delay for the worst movement. Table 4 provides a summary of the LoS criteria applied.

TABLE 4 RM	AS LEVELS OF S	SERVICE (LOS)	
Level of service	Average delay (seconds per vehicle)	Traffic signals, Roundabout	Priority Intersection ('Stop' and 'Give Way')
А	Less than 14	Good operation	Good operation
В	15 to 28	Good with acceptable delays and spare capacity	Acceptable delays and spare capacity
С	29 to 42	Satisfactory	Satisfactory, but accident study required
D	43 to 56	Operating near capacity	Near capacity and accident study required
E	57 to 70	At capacity. At signals, incidents will cause excessive delays. Roundabouts require other control mode	At capacity, requires other control mode
F	Greater than 71	Unsatisfactory with excessive queuing	Unsatisfactory with excessive queuing; requires other control mode

Source: RTA Guide to Traffic Generating Developments (2002)

It can be seen from Table 5 that both the Pacific Highway/Reserve Road/Berry Road and River Road/Lithgow Street intersections experience a consistent operation of LoS F across all scenarios. The Pacific Highway/Falcon Street/Shirley Street intersection also operates at LoS F except under the Council Masterplan scenario where it is anticipated to operate at LoS E.

In addition to these identified intersections that operate at or beyond their capacity, due to the way Paramics software (used to undertake the modelling assessments) collects delay statistics the peak direction delays (ie eastbound during the AM peak) at Christie Street and Herbert Street intersections with Pacific Highway are likely to be under-represented and can also be considered as operating at LoS F.

The Woods Bagot proposal can also be shown to cause the River Road/ Shirley Road intersection to exceed capacity.

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TABLE 5 INTERSECTION LEVEL OF SERVICE (AM PEAK)																			
Interrection	Ammraach			Dela	ıy (s)					Vehi	cles					Level of	Service	2	
Intersection	Approach	FB	MP	WB	3200	3000	2800	FB	MP	WB	3200	3000	2800	FB	MP	WB	3200	3000	2800
	Reserve Rd	56.2	55.78	79.0	70.4	79.3	76.4	82	89	78	87	87	96	D	D	F	E F	E F	F
	Pacific Hwy [E]	98.1	95.82	99.7	111.2	102.6	108.7	1689	1597	1663	1704	1673	1616	F	F	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hwy/Reserve Rd/Berry Rd	Berry Rd	55.0	68.13	124.4	165.7	144.3	106.2	125	193	279	217	234	243	D	E	F	F	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [W]	112.5	162.9	183.8	173.4	192.0	165.6	1965	1859	1730	1734	1714	1749	F	F	F	F	F	F
	Intersection	103.1	126.8	139.9	142.2	146.0	134.6	3861	3738	3750	3742	3708	3704	E F	F	F	F	F	F
	Herbert St	139.3	110.4	153.9	144.8	132.4	150.0	618	673	602	692	681	617	E.	F	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hwy/Herbert St	Pacific Hwy [E]	62.8	59.98	66.7	59.3	58.6	65.1	2112	2031	2135	2118	2098	2062	E	E	E	E	E	E
···· µ · ····	Pacific Hwy [W]	31.9	38.68	41.1	42.2	42.2	37.9	1940	1910	1888	1867	1863	1913	С	С	С	C	С	C
	Intersection	60.1	58.52	67.6	65.2	62.8	65.1	4670	4614	4625	4677	4642	4592	E	E	E	E	E	E
	Christie St [N]	80.5	106	106.5	115.4	88.1	110.0	499	493	559	527	543	499	E E	E -	F	F	E F	F
Pacific Hwy/Christie St	Pacific Hwy [E]	15.8	14.11	22.2	13.8	13.1	17.1	1995	1949	1966	1994	1956	1938	В	В	В	А	A	В
··· · " · · · · · ·	Pacific Hwy [W]	15.8	17.71	16.3	17.1	15.9	16.1	2249	2249	2128	2180	2167	2154	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Intersection	22.6	25.49	29.6	26.7	23.1	26.7	4743	4691	4653	4701	4666	4591	В	В	С	В	В	В
	Pacific Hwy [N]	35.3	35.61	33.6	34.0	32.7	33.5	1759	1750	1581	1660	1651	1674	С	С	С	C	С	C
Pacific Hwy/Albany St	Albany St	68.7	69.6	90.7	65.4	65.0	74.8	610	622	620	605	607	587	E	E	F	E	E	F
	Pacific Hwy [S]	28.3	24.84	41.5	26.9	25.9	28.1	1593	1557	1568	1596	1562	1536	В	В	С	В	В	В
	Intersection	37.6	36.72	46.3	36.0	35.0	37.7	3962	3929	3769	3861	3820	3797	С	С	D	С	С	C
	Pacific Hwy [N]	18.6	18.25	16.8	17.8	17.5	17.6	1387	1420	1302	1379	1371	1349	В	В	В	В	В	В
Pacific Hwy/Oxley St	Oxley St [E]	44.2	40.09	43.4	43.1	42.9	41.3	114	126	124	107	106	128	D	С	D	D	С	C
	Pacific Hwy [S]	21.5	21.51	33.1	21.6	21.6	20.9	1373	1334	1378	1374	1335	1310	В	В	C	В	В	В
	Oxley St [W]	67.8	71.07	69.7	65.4	65.3	67.6	430	463	445	428	434	427	E	F	E	E	E	E
	Intersection	27.1	27.69	32.0	26.4	26.4	26.5	3304	3343	3249	3288	3246	3214	В	В	С	В	В	В
	Pacific Hwy [N]	13.4	14.2	13.3	13.2	13.0	13.1	1446	1511	1403	1457	1451	1426	A	В	A	A	A	A
	Hume St [E]	54.0	56.71	62.8	57.8	63.1	54.9	188	203	221	253	251	219	D	D	E	E	E	D
Pacific Hwy/Hume St	Pacific Hwy [S]	18.6	19.1	23.1	19.9	19.5	19.0	1257	1194	1283	1229	1182	1179	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Hume St [W]	56.4	58.74	53.8	51.3	52.4	49.0	142	156	130	132	136	165	D	E	D	D	D	D
	Intersection	20.1	21.2	22.8	21.2	21.5	20.5	3033	3064	3037	3071	3020	2989	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Pacific Hwy [N]	49.2	54.21	46.9	52.7	52.3	50.2	1413	1469	1374	1441	1428	1379	D	D	D	D	D	D
	Falcon St	171.2	95.34	183.2	142.4	174.9	140.2	879	845	897	905	898	849	F	F	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hwy/Falcon St/Shirley Rd	Pacific Hwy [S]	29.3	30.3	30.9	30.7	30.0	29.3	876	827	828	806	809	834	С	C	С	С	С	C
	Shirley Rd	92.9	93.35	150.1	102.5	115.8	106.0	457	501	545	525	513	495	_	-	-	F	-	F
	Intersection	79.5	63.71	92.3	77.1	86.4	74.5	3625	3642	3644	3677	3648	3557	F	E	F	F	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [N]	26.7	27.93	22.6	25.2	25.4	23.1	1253	1336	1283	1295	1283	1246	В	В	В	В	В	В
Pacific Hwy/Alexander St	Alexander St	46.6	46.03	44.4	45.3	44.4	46.9	356	364	345	365	360	344	D	D	D	D	D	D
	Pacific Hwy [S]	33.0	31.89	34.9	31.9	31.8	32.3	1124	1057	1097	1024	1025	1043	C	C	C	C	((C
	Intersection	31.9	31.84	30.3	30.5	30.4	29.8	2/33	2/5/	2/25	2684	2008	2633	<u> </u>	L F	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	L F	<u>ر</u>
	Shirley Rd [N]	59.4	58.85	84.5	/8.6	60.0	59.1	455	447	407	439	4//	463	E	E	F	-	E	E
River Rd/Shirley Rd	Shirley Rd [S]	47.4	44.15	89.5	57.9	53.0	45.1	202	190	208	218	219	203	0		-	E	D	D
	River Rd	54.8	55.49	64.5	58.2	56.0	52.5	894	944	968	966	942	953	0	D	E	E	D	D
	Lith gover St	107.0	210 7	/3.0	294.0	124.4	55.4	1551	1581	1583	1023	1038	1019	0	0		E	U	U
	Litingow St	107.8	218.7	21.6	384.0	154.1	12.0	17	15	15	1/	18	16				P	F D	F
River Rd/Lithgow St R	River Kd [E]	10.3	9.255	21.0	25.7	15.3	14.0	1066	1007	1152	1094	1072	1000	A	A D	В	В	В	A
	River Ka [vv]	13.8	15.32	19.6	19.0	10.3	14.8	1000	109/	1152	1084	1073	1090	A	в	в	в	в	в
	intersection	101.8	218.7	631.3	384.0	134.1	74.9	1643	1664	1691	1615	1656	1653						

The PM Peak like the AM peak has both the Pacific Highway/Reserve Road/Berry Road and River Road/Lithgow Street intersections experiencing excessive delays with LoS F operation across all scenarios.

In addition to these identified intersections that operate at or beyond their capacity, due to the way Paramics software (used to undertake the modelling assessments) collects delay statistics the peak direction delays (ie westbound in the PM peak) at Christie Street and Herbert Street intersections with Pacific Highway are likely to be under-represented and can also be considered as operating at LoS F.

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Intersection	Approach	FB	MP	WB	3200	3000	FB	MP	WB	3200	3000	FB	MP	WB	3200	3000
	Reserve Rd	75.4	96.85	73.9	69.8	69.8	224	198	209	205	207	F	F	F	E	Е
	Pacific Hwy [E]	94.7	99.25	103.5	97.2	97.2	1718	1807	1970	1883	1886	F	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hwy/Reserve Rd/Berry Rd	Berry Rd	95.0	83.2	118.4	145.3	145.3	154	144	175	152	150	F	F	F	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [W]	125.2	146.1	127.1	131.1	131.1	1412	1439	1402	1376	1415	F	F	F	F	F
	Intersection	105.8	117.3	111.4	110.5	110.7	3508	3588	3756	3616	3658	E F	E F	F	F	F
	Herbert St	40.2	59.75	90.6	54.5	54.5	887	963	978	947	958	С	E	F	D	D
Pacific Hww/Herbert St	Pacific Hwy [E]	58.8	60.23	64.1	58.6	58.6	1925	1946	2035	1996	2015	E	E	E	E	E
r achie nwy/nerbere se	Pacific Hwy [W]	51.9	53.37	53.3	59.5	59.5	1513	1470	1491	1524	1555	D	D	D	E	Е
	Intersection	52.6	57.82	66.3	58.1	58.1	4325	4379	4504	4467	4528	D	E	E	E	Е
	Christie St [N]	58.0	61.43	105.4	61.9	61.9	411	474	493	486	485	E	E	F	E	E
Pacific Hwy/Christie St	Pacific Hwy [E]	16.8	17.92	20.7	16.4	16.4	1904	1888	1911	1937	1941	В	В	В	В	В
	Pacific Hwy [W]	15.5	15.62	15.8	16.5	16.5	2019	1981	1922	2000	2039	В	В	В	В	В
	Intersection	20.1	21.62	28.1	21.4	21.4	4334	4343	4326	4423	4465	В	В	В	В	В
	Pacific Hwy [N]	30.5	27.19	26.5	27.7	27.7	1548	1426	1426	1438	1487	С	В	В	В	В
Pacific Hwy/Albany St	Albany St	67.3	72.73	61.3	57.6	57.6	603	589	532	535	544	E	F	E	E	E
,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	Pacific Hwy [S]	19.5	23.07	31.9	21.7	21.7	1511	1547	1540	1579	1579	В	В	С	В	В
	Intersection	32.0	32.93	34.2	29.5	29.6	3662	3562	3498	3552	3610	С	С	С	С	С
	Pacific Hwy [N]	14.6	14.09	13.1	13.7	13.7	1244	1163	1198	1178	1221	В	В	A	A	A
	Oxley St [E]	43.7	39.61	40.6	45.1	45.1	142	144	138	142	144	D	С	С	D	D
Pacific Hwy/Oxley St	Pacific Hwy [S]	14.2	16.5	15.8	14.0	14.0	1381	1476	1455	1425	1441	В	В	В	В	В
	Oxley St [W]	119.7	76.52	80.2	81.9	81.9	513	458	505	517	515	F	F	F	F	F
	Intersection	32.2	25.14	25.8	26.0	25.8	3280	3241	3296	3262	3321	C	В	В	В	В
	Pacific Hwy [N]	17.5	12.62	13.6	12.9	12.9	1320	1208	1251	1250	1297	В	A	A	A	A
	Hume St [E]	78.6	68.67	80.9	69.6	69.6	275	291	282	285	267	F	E	F	E	E
Pacific Hwy/Hume St	Pacific Hwy [S]	18.8	19.75	19.8	18.9	18.9	1170	1278	1259	1213	1245	В	В	В	В	В
	Hume St [W]	52.2	54.9	55.2	52.7	52.7	164	166	205	161	176	D	D	D	D	D
	Intersection	25.7	23.64	25.4	23.2	22.8	2929	2943	2997	2909	2985	B	В	B	В	В
	Pacific Hwy [N]	63.4	56.51	62.3	55.6	55.6	1269	1164	1236	1241	1297	E	D	E	D	D
Desifie the strategy of the idea of	Falcon St	85.0	103.5	116.0	100.1	100.1	892	910	948	967	958	-	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hwy/Falcon St/Shirley Rd	Pacific Hwy [S]	68.9	67.63	74.3	72.4	72.4	1003	1112	1062	1052	1096	E	E	F	F	F
	Shirley Rd	116.8	110	141.5	135.8	135.8	672	708	657	716	677		F	F	F	F
	Intersection	79.2	80.39	91.9	85.3	84.2	3836	3894	3903	3976	4028	-	F	F	F	-
	Pacific Hwy [N]	15.6	15.71	18.3	15.4	15.4	1102	1054	1026	1074	1076	В	В	В	В	В
Pacific Hwy/Alexander St	Alexander St	87.1	126.5	127.5	100.0	12.4	239	246	251	249	1270	<u> </u>	-	F	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [5]	83.3	50.74	87.0	100.0	106.0	1250	1384	1305	1317	13/9	- F	E	-	-	-
		27.5	37.49	20.2	00.0	00.0	2597	2084	2562	2040	2/09	D		E	E	E
	Shirley Rd [N]	27.5	27.48 E2.46	28.3	27.7	21.7	/ 50	/82	440	635 427	829	Б	В	Б	Б	Б
River Rd/Shirley Rd	Shirley Ru [S]	22.1	24.42	102.4	46.7	46.7	419	421	622	437	427	E		r c	E	E
	Intersection	32.4	34.4Z	57.7	40.7	40.7	1950	10/2	1990	1009	10//	<u> </u>			0	0
	Lithgow St	26.7	26.61	81.2	36 5	36.5	112	160	126	112	105	P				
	River Rd [E]	5.7	5 552	6.7	6.4	6.4	019	109	07/	1010	000	Δ				<u> </u>
River Rd/Lithgow St	River Rd [\\/]	9.6	9 622	18 5	10.4	10.4	650	607	670	72/	60/	A	Δ	R	A	A
	Intersection	26.7	36.61	91 2	10.5	26.5	1690	1916	1720	19/6	1709	B	B		6	<u> </u>
	mersection	20.7	20.01	91.2	20.2	-30.5	1009	1010	1/29	1040	1/30	D	D		C	L

3.4 EGRESS TIMES FROM THE MASTERPLAN SITE

Another method of understanding the relative performance of each scenario is to consider the amount of time it takes to egress the site in the morning as this is what masterplan area residents will experience as a consequence of network congestion.

Table 7 provides an overview of the key egress routes from the masterplan site (under each scenario expressed in both minutes of travel time to progress) onto Pacific Highway as well as the number of signal cycles drivers will be forced to wait before finding their way onto Pacific Highway.

It is apparent from the table that both the Greenwich Road (northbound) movement onto Pacific Highway and the Berry Road (northbound) movement onto Pacific Highway experience similar levels of delay with the exception of the Future Base and Public Proposal (3000) masterplan proposal with Berry Street egress having considerably less delay than Greenwich Road.

TABLE 7 PACIFIC HIGHWAY ACCESS TIMES												
	Future Base	Masterplan	Woods Bagot	Council Preferred 3200	Council Preferred 3000							
		Time to	Exit (minute	5)								
Greenwich Rd to Pacific Highway	2.35	2.46	5.18	3.95	3.53							
Berry Rd to Pacific Highway	1.11	2.32	5.66	6.6	3.43							
Oxley St to Pacific Highway	0.98	0.95	1.4	1.1	0.9							
Shirley Rd to Pacific Highway	1.69	1.79	2.47	2.09	1.93							
		No of Signa	Cycles to E	xit								
Greenwich Rd to Pacific Highway	2	2	3	2	2							
Berry Rd to Pacific Highway	1	2	3	3	2							
Oxley St to Pacific Highway	1	1	1	1	1							
Shirley Rd to Pacific Highway	1	1	2	1	1							

Table 7 shows that under the Woods Bagot proposal the traffic would experience up to three signal cycles before being able to egress from either Greenwich Road or Berry Road onto Pacific Highway. Due to the additional traffic utilising the Berry Road egress as a result of the proposed Marshall Street extension west to Park Road, the Council Preferred (3200) scenario also requires up to three signal cycles to egress.

3.5 CONCLUSIONS FOR MINIMUM ROAD UPGRADES

It is apparent from the review of the model results that the do minimum future road network may require further enhancements if anything more than the Council exhibited Masterplan or Future Base scenarios are to be accommodated in St Leonards.

As the key intersections that dictate the study area network capacity lie outside the Lane Cove Council area the authority to approve intersection upgrades and signal operations lies with both North Sydney Council and Roads and Maritime Services.

4 Road Network Upgrades

In addition to those future (do minimum) road network assumptions in Table 2, a number of additional upgrades could be implemented to further enhance network operations and return network performance back towards that which may be experienced under the Council Masterplan.

Given the general levels of congestion and the ability of traffic in the modelling software to re-route to find the most efficient travel paths through the network (much like the real-world), localised improvements do not always have the expected benefits with knock-on secondary impacts also revealed by this form of modelling assessment.

The Council Preferred (3200) masterplan scenario has been used to assess these network upgrades and assessments have been undertaken during the AM and PM peak periods. Two packages of works have been identified that further enhance network operations, these are summarised in Table 8 and illustrated in Figure 12.

T	TABLE 8 ROAD NETWORK UPGRADE PACKAGES											
#	Description	Network Upgrades 1 (NU1)	Network Upgrades 2 (NU2)									
1	Signal timing changes at Shirley/Falcon/Pacific Hwy intersection.	\checkmark										
2	Removal of parking eastbound on River Rd between Christie and Lamont.	\checkmark	\checkmark									
3	Signal phasing changes and introduction of double-right turn from Berry Street at the Berry/Reserve/ Pacific Hwy intersection.	\checkmark	\checkmark									
4	Additional lane added (by re-allocating one of the two exit lanes) on Falcon Street approach at Shirley/Falcon/Pacific Hwy intersection.		\checkmark									
5	Lane re-allocation on Shirley Rd approach to the Shirley/Falcon/Pacific Hwy intersection from shared through/right to dedicated right turn.		\checkmark									

The location of these individual network upgrades is illustrated in Figure 12.



The results from each of these proposed network upgrade packages as applied to the Council Preferred (3200) masterplan scenario, are compared to the Future Base, Council masterplan and 3200 Do Minimum road network upgrade scenarios and are presented in the following sections.

4.1 NETWORK STATISTICS

Figure 13 shows the effects of both network upgrades packages (NU1 and NU2) against the do minimum network upgrades previously assed for the Council Masterplan (3200) scenario. During the AM pea it is possible to reduce network-wide travel times by 10% and 12% under either the network upgrade 1 or 2 packages respectively.

During the PM network wide travel times are anticipated to improve by 6.5% and 5% under implementation of either network upgrade package 1 or 2 respectively.



Table 9 shows the network statistics with network upgrades package 1 (NU1) and package 2 (NU2) implemented.

TA	BLE 9 NETW	ORK STATI	STICS -	UPGRA	DES
	Description	Mean Speed (kph)	VKT	VHT	Unreleased Vehicles
AM	Future Base	21.4	19117.0	896.7	57
	Masterplan	17.8	19463.2	1094.6	132
	Woods Bagot	12.8	19661.4	1536.3	360
	3200 Dwellings	13.9	19007.2	1384.5	180
	3200_NU1	15.8	19600.5	1241.5	181
	3200_NU2	15.8	19595.7	1218.0	179
PM	Future Base	20.3	19219.8	950.4	63
	Masterplan	18.6	19719.7	1066.4	45
	Woods Bagot	16.6	19655.0	1185.0	194
	3200 Dwellings	18.9	19439.4	1030.4	100
	3200_NU1	20.1	19548.7	964.3	45
	3200_NU2	21.1	19530.5	982.0	54

The table above shows mean speeds can be improved by 14% in the AM peak and 6-12% in the PM peak. When compared to Table 3, the vehicle hours travelled and mean speeds experienced across the network under the network upgrades with 3200 Dwellings are comparable to the do minimum network with 2800 Dwellings. Even with network upgrade packages implemented there will remain around 180 vehicles unable to enter the study network due to downstream congestion in the AM peak.

4.2 TRAVEL TIMES

The proposed network upgrades when implemented are likely to improve the River Road peak direction of travel in the AM peak as illustrated in Figure 14.



It can be seen that the 3200_NU2 (package 2) are not anticipated to offer as much benefit as the package 1 upgrades as increased delays extend back from Rocklands Road. The situation is different for the Pacific Highway eastbound travel times during the AM peak as can be seen in Figure 15.



During the PM peak the westbound direction of travel (which is the peak direction of travel) is likely to be improved significantly with the introduction of either network upgrades package 1 or 2, as demonstrated by Figure 16.



The westbound travel times on the River Road traversal route are improved by the introduction of either of the network upgrade packages as shown in Figure 17.



4.3 LEVEL OF SERVICE

The Level of Services (LoS) improvements that can be realised from each of the network upgrade packages are detailed in Table 10 for 'NU1' and 'NU2' representing package 1 and package 2 upgrades respectively.

TABLE 10 LEVEL OF SERVICE WITH UPGRADES (AM PEAK)																			
laste see ations	Arranaah			Dela	ıy (s)					Vehi	cles					Level of	Service	9	
Intersection	Approach	FB	MP	WB	3200	NU1	NU2	FB	MP	WB	3200	NU1	NU2	FB	MP	WB	3200	NU1	NU2
	Reserve Rd	56.2	55.78	79.0	70.4	101.4	87.8	82	89	78	87	83	95	D	D	F	F	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [E]	98.1	95.82	99.7	111.2	105.8	116.4	1689	1597	1663	1704	1736	1628	F	F	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hwy/Reserve Rd/Berry Rd	Berry Rd	55.0	68.13	124.4	165.7	147.9	129.1	125	193	279	217	245	247	D	E	F	F	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [W]	112.5	162.9	183.8	173.4	172.7	159.8	1965	1859	1730	1734	1808	1787	F	E -	F	F	F	F
	Intersection	103.1	126.8	139.9	142.2	139.6	137.2	3861	3738	3750	3742	3872	3757	F	E -	F	E E	F	F
	Herbert St	139.3	110.4	153.9	144.8	136.6	148.6	618	673	602	692	642	589	F	F	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hww/Herbert St	Pacific Hwy [E]	62.8	59.98	66.7	59.3	63.8	63.3	2112	2031	2135	2118	2184	2111	E	E	E	E	E	E
Pacific flwy/fierbeit St	Pacific Hwy [W]	31.9	38.68	41.1	42.2	41.3	41.2	1940	1910	1888	1867	1930	1924	С	С	С	С	С	С
	Intersection	60.1	58.52	67.6	65.2	64.5	65.0	4670	4614	4625	4677	4756	4624	E	E	Е	E	E	E
	Christie St [N]	80.5	106	106.5	115.4	88.1	118.1	499	493	559	527	570	508	F	F	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hww/Christie St	Pacific Hwy [E]	15.8	14.11	22.2	13.8	15.8	20.1	1995	1949	1966	1994	2009	1991	В	В	В	А	В	В
Pacific flwy/clifistie St	Pacific Hwy [W]	15.8	17.71	16.3	17.1	15.5	16.2	2249	2249	2128	2180	2187	2145	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Intersection	22.6	25.49	29.6	26.7	24.3	29.0	4743	4691	4653	4701	4766	4644	В	В	С	В	В	С
	Pacific Hwy [N]	35.3	35.61	33.6	34.0	34.5	35.7	1759	1750	1581	1660	1673	1649	С	С	С	С	С	С
Pacific Hun/Albany St	Albany St	68.7	69.6	90.7	65.4	69.0	70.9	610	622	620	605	618	608	E	E	F	E	E	F
Facilie Hwy/Albally St	Pacific Hwy [S]	28.3	24.84	41.5	26.9	31.7	33.7	1593	1557	1568	1596	1599	1591	В	В	С	В	С	С
	Intersection	37.6	36.72	46.3	36.0	38.8	40.5	3962	3929	3769	3861	3890	3848	С	С	D	С	С	С
	Pacific Hwy [N]	18.6	18.25	16.8	17.8	20.3	17.5	1387	1420	1302	1379	1361	1325	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Oxley St [E]	44.2	40.09	43.4	43.1	42.8	43.4	114	126	124	107	137	105	D	С	D	D	С	D
Pacific Hwy/Oxley St	Pacific Hwy [S]	21.5	21.51	33.1	21.6	25.2	22.4	1373	1334	1378	1374	1380	1344	В	В	С	В	В	В
	Oxley St [W]	67.8	71.07	69.7	65.4	66.2	66.9	430	463	445	428	446	473	E	F	E	E	E	E
	Intersection	27.1	27.69	32.0	26.4	29.5	27.5	3304	3343	3249	3288	3324	3247	В	В	С	В	С	В
	Pacific Hwy [N]	13.4	14.2	13.3	13.2	23.6	13.8	1446	1511	1403	1457	1427	1389	Α	В	А	А	В	А
	Hume St [E]	54.0	56.71	62.8	57.8	79.8	52.8	188	203	221	253	188	228	D	D	E	E	F	D
Pacific Hwy/Hume St	Pacific Hwy [S]	18.6	19.1	23.1	19.9	16.6	16.9	1257	1194	1283	1229	1258	1219	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Hume St [W]	56.4	58.74	53.8	51.3	56.8	56.8	142	156	130	132	169	133	D	E	D	D	D	D
	Intersection	20.1	21.2	22.8	21.2	26.0	20.0	3033	3064	3037	3071	3042	2969	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Pacific Hwy [N]	49.2	54.21	46.9	52.7	71.6	64.7	1413	1469	1374	1441	1353	1354	D	D	D	D	F	E
	Falcon St	171.2	95.34	183.2	142.4	175.0	124.5	879	845	897	905	893	882	F	E -	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hwy/Falcon St/Shirley Rd	Pacific Hwy [S]	29.3	30.3	30.9	30.7	35.7	33.8	876	827	828	806	831	880	С	С	С	С	С	С
	Shirley Rd	92.9	93.35	150.1	102.5	77.0	96.4	457	501	545	525	574	545	F	F	F	F	F	F
	Intersection	79.5	63.71	92.3	77.1	89.6	76.4	3625	3642	3644	3677	3651	3661	F	E	F	E F	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [N]	26.7	27.93	22.6	25.2	26.5	32.0	1253	1336	1283	1295	1291	1254	В	В	В	В	В	С
Pacific Hwy/Alexander St	Alexander St	46.6	46.03	44.4	45.3	39.3	45.5	356	364	345	365	360	370	D	D	D	D	С	D
,	Pacific Hwy [S]	33.0	31.89	34.9	31.9	32.3	31.6	1124	1057	1097	1024	1035	1125	С	С	C	C	С	C
	Intersection	31.9	31.84	30.3	30.5	30.4	33.7	2733	2757	2725	2684	2686	2749	С	С	С	С	С	С
	Shirley Rd [N]	59.4	58.85	84.5	78.6	68.0	50.8	455	447	407	439	430	512	E	E	F	F	E	D
River Rd/Shirley Rd	Shirley Rd [S]	47.4	44.15	89.5	57.9	62.3	64.6	202	190	208	218	207	215	D	D	F	E	E	E
River Ra/Shirley Ra	River Rd	54.8	55.49	64.5	58.2	43.8	45.9	894	944	968	966	1025	982	D	D	E	E	D	D
	Intersection	55.2	55.08	73.0	63.7	52.4	49.7	1551	1581	1583	1623	1662	1709	D	D	F	E	D	D
	Lithgow St	107.8	218.7	631.3	384.0	63.1	85.1	17	15	15	17	31	21	F	F	F	F	E	F
River Rd/Lithgow St Ri	River Rd [E]	10.3	9.255	21.6	25.7	7.2	11.7	560	552	524	514	535	601	Α	Α	В	В	Α	Α
	River Rd [W]	13.8	15.32	19.6	19.0	10.0	10.4	1066	1097	1152	1084	1151	1116	A	В	В	В	А	A
	Intersection	107.8	218.7	631.3	384.0	63.1	85.1	1643	1664	1691	1615	1717	1738	F	F	F	F	E	F

It can be seen from Table 10 that substantial delay improvements are possible at the River Road/Lithgow Street intersection and also more moderate improvements at the River Road/Shirley Road intersection. The other intersections show little difference with some slightly better and others slightly worse

In addition to these identified intersections that operate at or beyond their capacity, due to the way Paramics software (used to undertake the modelling assessments) collects delay statistics the peak direction delays (ie eastbound during the AM peak) at Christie Street and Herbert Street intersections with Pacific Highway are likely to be under-represented and can also be considered as operating at LoS F.

During the PM peak the River Road/Shirley Street intersection is adversely impacted by downstream queues extending from the Pacific Highway intersection with Shirley Road as a results of reduced capacity provided under the network package 2 (NU2) at Shirley Street. This is reflected in the LoS statistics provided in Table 11.

In addition to these identified intersections that operate at or beyond their capacity, due to the way Paramics software (used to undertake the modelling assessments) collects delay statistics the peak

direction delays (ie westbound in the PM peak) at Christie Street and Herbert Street intersections with Pacific Highway are likely to be under-represented and can also be considered as operating at LoS F.

TABLE TT LEVEL OF SERVICE WITH UPGRADES (PM PEAK)																			
				Dela	ay (s)					Vehi	cles					Level of	Service	2	
Intersection	Approach	FB	MP	WB	3200	NU1	NU2	FB	MP	WB	3200	NU1	NU2	FB	MP	WB	3200	NU1	NU2
	Reserve Rd	75.4	96.85	73.9	69.8	162.1	193.1	224	198	209	205	184	172	F	F	F	E	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [E]	94.7	99.25	103.5	97.2	114.4	82.2	1718	1807	1970	1883	1925	1928	F	F	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hwy/Reserve Rd/Berry Rd	Berry Rd	95.0	83.2	118.4	145.3	79.1	75.4	154	144	175	152	138	151	F	F	F	F	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [W]	125.2	146.1	127.1	131.1	116.9	130.7	1412	1439	1402	1376	1434	1401	F	F	F	F	F	F
	Intersection	105.8	117.3	111.4	110.5	116.4	105.8	3508	3588	3756	3616	3681	3652	F	F	F	F	F	F
	Herbert St	40.2	59.75	90.6	54.5	87.7	72.0	887	963	978	947	940	976	С	E	F	D	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [E]	58.8	60.23	64.1	58.6	63.1	61.8	1925	1946	2035	1996	2077	2029	E	E	E	E	E	E
Pacific Hwy/Herbert St	Pacific Hwy [W]	51.9	53.37	53.3	59.5	54.1	51.8	1513	1470	1491	1524	1539	1512	D	D	D	E	D	D
	Intersection	52.6	57.82	66.3	58.1	65.1	60.6	4325	4379	4504	4467	4556	4517	D	Е	E	E	E	E
	Christie St [N]	58.0	61.43	105.4	61.9	83.3	101.4	411	474	493	486	530	471	E	Ε	F	E	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [E]	16.8	17.92	20.7	16.4	20.2	21.3	1904	1888	1911	1937	1969	1948	В	В	В	В	В	В
Pacific Hwy/Christie St	Pacific Hwy [W]	15.5	15.62	15.8	16.5	15.4	16.8	2019	1981	1922	2000	1979	2032	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Intersection	20.1	21.62	28.1	21.4	25.6	27.7	4334	4343	4326	4423	4478	4451	В	В	В	в	В	В
	Pacific Hwy [N]	30.5	27.19	26.5	27.7	25.9	28.6	1548	1426	1426	1438	1488	1501	С	В	В	В	В	В
	Albany St	67.3	72.73	61.3	57.6	66.7	61.3	603	589	532	535	575	573	E	F	E	E	E	E
Pacific Hwy/Albany St	, Pacific Hwy [S]	19.5	23.07	31.9	21.7	27.4	25.4	1511	1547	1540	1579	1592	1551	В	В	С	В	В	В
	Intersection	32.0	32.93	34.2	29.5	32.9	32.4	3662	3562	3498	3552	3655	3625	с	с	С	с	С	С
	Pacific Hwy [N]	14.6	14.09	13.1	13.7	13.3	19.0	1244	1163	1198	1178	1227	1256	В	В	Α	А	Α	В
	Oxley St [E]	43.7	39.61	40.6	45.1	38.7	39.2	142	144	138	142	135	148	D	С	с	D	С	С
Pacific Hwy/Oxley St	Pacific Hwy [S]	14.2	16.5	15.8	14.0	15.4	14.3	1381	1476	1455	1425	1467	1461	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Oxley St [W]	119.7	76.52	80.2	81.9	82.5	136.1	513	458	505	517	498	498	F	F	F	F	F	F
	Intersection	32.2	25.14	25.8	26.0	25.6	35.2	3280	3241	3296	3262	3327	3363	С	В	В	В	В	С
	Pacific Hwy [N]	17.5	12.62	13.6	12.9	15.6	26.2	1320	1208	1251	1250	1276	1315	В	Α	А	А	В	В
	Hume St [F]	78.6	68.67	80.9	69.6	64.0	77.7	275	291	282	285	273	285	F	E	F	E	E	F
Pacific Hwy/Hume St	Pacific Hwy [S]	18.8	19.75	19.8	18.9	19.5	18.2	1170	1278	1259	1213	1263	1272	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Hume St [W]	52.2	54.9	55.2	52.7	55.0	62.4	164	166	205	161	170	159	D	D	D	D	D	E
	Intersection	25.7	23.64	25.4	23.2	23.9	29.6	2929	2943	2997	2909	2982	3031	В	В	В	В	В	с
	Pacific Hwy [N]	63.4	56.51	62.3	55.6	65.3	68.6	1269	1164	1236	1241	1239	1278	E	D	E	D	E	E
	Falcon St	85.0	103.5	116.0	100.1	92.6	112.7	892	910	948	967	949	899	F	F	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hwy/Falcon St/Shirley Rd	Pacific Hwy [S]	68.9	67.63	74.3	72.4	60.3	43.9	1003	1112	1062	1052	1097	1163	E	E	F	F	E	D
	Shirley Rd	116.8	110	141.5	135.8	143.0	107.7	672	708	657	716	662	675	F	F	F	F	F	F
	Intersection	79.2	80.39	91.9	85.3	83.5	77.9	3836	3894	3903	3976	3947	4015	F	F	F	F	F	F
	Pacific Hwy [N]	15.6	15.71	18.3	15.4	16.0	20.2	1102	1054	1026	1074	1096	1066	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Alexander St	87.1	126.5	127.5	72.4	87.8	84.3	239	246	251	249	233	259	F	F	F	F	F	F
Pacific Hwy/Alexander St	Pacific Hwy [S]	83.3	66.74	87.6	106.0	70.8	31.5	1256	1384	1305	1317	1334	1406	F	E	F	F	F	С
	Intersection	54.9	52.18	64.0	66.0	49.7	32.1	2597	2684	2582	2640	2663	2731	D	D	E	E	D	С
	Shirley Rd [N]	27.5	27.48	28.3	27.7	27.5	27.9	756	782	817	835	827	850	В	В	В	В	В	В
	Shirley Rd [S]	59.7	53.46	102.4	60.8	62.4	110.3	419	421	440	437	421	437	E	D	F	E	E	F
River Rd/Shirley Rd	River Rd	32.4	34.42	57.7	46.7	35.7	72.7	684	740	632	726	644	675	С	С	E	D	С	F
	Intersection	36.6	35.75	55.4	41.8	38.1	61.7	1859	1943	1889	1998	1892	1962	С	с	D	с	С	E
	Lithgow St	26.7	26.61	81.3	36.5	17.8	76.5	112	169	126	112	134	105	В	В	F	С	В	F
	River Rd [E]	5.7	5.552	6.7	6.4	5.1	5.9	918	950	974	1010	996	1012	А	Α	А	А	А	A
River Rd/Lithgow St	River Rd [W]	9.6	9.632	18.5	10.3	9.4	12.5	659	697	629	724	637	676	А	Α	В	Α	Α	A
	Intersection	26.7	26.61	81.3	36.5	17.8	76.5	1689	1816	1729	1846	1767	1793	В	В	F	С	В	F

4.4 EGRESS TIMES FROM THE MASTERPLAN SITE

When considering the ability of traffic to enter Pacific Highway from the masterplan site the number of signal cycles required to wait before accessing the Pacific Highway is of value as this is what drivers will be ware of most when egressing the masterplan site.

Table 12 shows that the introduction of the double right turn movement from Berry Street under both network upgrade packages 1 and 2 has a dramatic effect on pacific highway access times but vehicle may still be required to wait two signal cycles before gaining access to Pacific Highway.

TABLE 12 PACIFIC HIGHWAY ACCESS TIMES WITH UPGRADES												
	Future Base	Masterplan	Woods Bagot	Council Preferred 3200	Council 3200 NU1	Council 3200 NU2						
			Time to	Exit (minutes)								
Greenwich Rd to Pacific Highway	2.35	2.46	5.18	3.95	3.51	2.75						
Berry Rd to Pacific Highway	1.11	2.32	5.66	6.6	2.91	2.36						
Oxley St to Pacific Highway	0.98	0.95	1.4	1.1	0.91	0.92						
Shirley Rd to Pacific Highway	1.69	1.79	2.47	2.09	1.28	1.61						
			No of Signal	Cycles to Exit								
Greenwich Rd to Pacific Highway	2	2	3	2	2	2						
Berry Rd to Pacific Highway	1	2	3	3	2	2						
Oxley St to Pacific Highway	1	1	1	1	1	1						
Shirley Rd to Pacific Highway	1	1	2	1	1	1						

5 Conclusions and Recommendations

5.1 CONCLUSIONS

Modelling assessments of the five masterplan scenarios indicate that the Woods Bagot proposal cannot be feasibly implemented without major network upgrades to the adjacent road network.

Delays under the Future Do Minimum road network assumptions with the Woods Bagot level of development will cause drivers to experience network-wide travel time increases (when compared to no development of the masterplan area) of 71% in the AM peak and 25% in the PM peak.

The implementation of the Council Preferred 3200 masterplan scenario will lead to network-wide travel time increases of 54% increase over the Future Base scenario in the AM peak and 8% in the PM peak.

Network upgrades that can be feasibly implemented (through consultation with Roads Maritime Services and North Sydney Council) that will improve masterplan traffic egress and network-wide performance include:

- 1. Removal of parking eastbound on River Road between Christie Street and Shirley Street to maintain a two lane approach to the Shirley Street/River Road intersection (over 230 metres).
- 2. Signal timing changes at Shirley Street /Falcon Street /Pacific Hwy intersection to better accommodate future demands.

3. Signal phasing changes and introduction of double-right turn from Berry Street at the Berry/Reserve/ Pacific Hwy intersection to better accommodate masterplan traffic egress demands.

The implementation of the above network upgrades are likely to improve operations such that mean network wide speeds are improved by 14% in the AM peak and 6% in the PM peak. This would make the Public Proposal for 3200 Dwellings perform at a similar level to the Public Proposal for 2800 with no network upgrades. The network upgrades above should be implemented in order given if staged approach to development of masterplan site is taken.

Even with these network upgrade packages implemented there will remain around 180 vehicles unable to enter the study network due to downstream congestion in the AM peak. The distribution of these queued vehicles will predominantly be from Pacific Highway (west), Herbert Street and Christie Street in the morning.

As there will be a gradual degradation in network performance largely as a result of increased traffic volumes on Pacific Highway that result from this development and others in the vicinity. Those intersections providing direct access to these developments have been shown to work adequately (except for Berry Road /Reserve Road/ Pacific Highway) however the key Pacific Highway intersections at Christie and Herbert Streets become congested and propagate queues along Pacific Highway causing some impediment to development and through traffic.

5.2 RECOMMENDATIONS

With the package 1 network upgrades implemented network performance (vehicle hours travelled) in the critical AM peak period for the Public Proposal (3200) scenario will still be 13% worse than under the Council masterplan for 2000 dwellings, this equates to a mean network speed drop from 17.8 kph to 15.8 kph it is recommended that:

- 1. Strict travel demand management policies are applied to those development applications within the 800 metre catchment of the (St Leonards and Wollstonecraft) railway stations that will ensure car trip rates are minimised.
- 2. A more broad-scale study (that includes adjacent LGAs and more radical network upgrade solutions) is undertaken in consultation with RMS.
- 3. The Public proposal is initially limited to 2000 dwellings in light of risks surrounding 3rd party approvals and sign off processes for recommended network upgrades.

Despite the more extensive network changes under network upgrades package 2, due to the adverse performance of the Shirley Road/Falcon Street/Pacific Highway intersection in the PM peak this proposal is not recommended for implementation.