



INNER WEST COUNCIL

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HAVE YOUR SAY - NEWTOWN PRECINCT Improving Traffic and Managing Traffic in Newtown Frequently Asked Questions

The information below should answer some questions you may have with the proposed measures planned for the area.

Please note that the treatments proposed are subject to Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) review and approval. The establishment of Shared Zones and changes to the speed limit can only be authorised by the RMS.

What is a Shared Zone and what is a Continuous Footpath Treatment?

A shared zone is a road or road related area where space is shared between pedestrians and vehicles. Pedestrian priority takes precedence over ease of vehicle movement and under the NSW Road Rules a 10km/h speed limit applies. Main features of a shared zone will be:

- Driveway profile entry into side street with 10km/h and 'give way to pedestrians' signs
- Raised road environment without kerb and gutter
- Different road pavement to indicate a change to the road environment
- Speed cushions to enforce vehicle speed limit
- Tactile markers for safety
- Parking permitted in marked bays

The proposed shared zone in Newtown ranges between 30m and 100m in length. An example of a shared zone is shown in the photos below:



A Continuous Footpath Treatment is a raised path along a main road spanning across the side street, and under the road rules a vehicle must give way to pedestrians or any other road users on the footpath. Whilst similar in features to a shared zone, a continuous footpath treatment would be shorter in length, being between 6 and 8m in length.

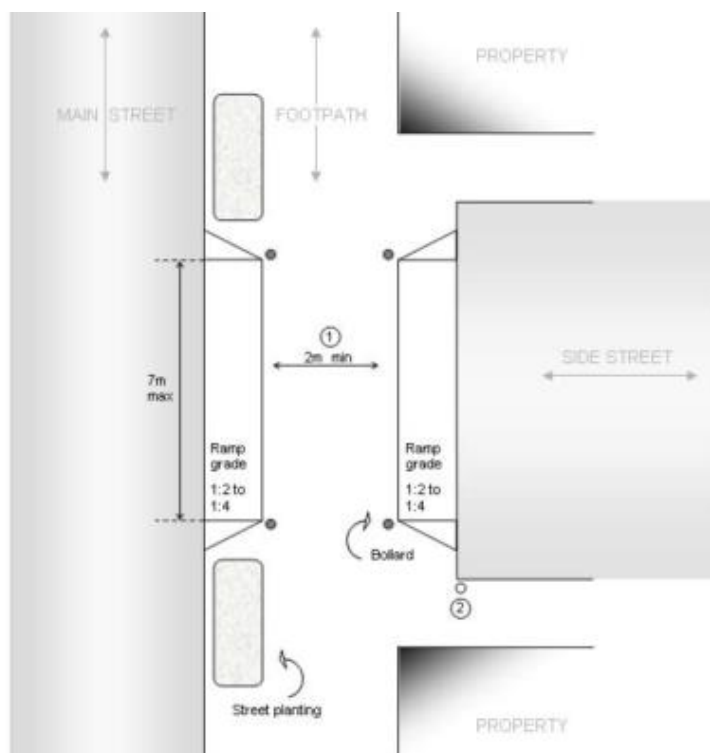
Example continuous footpath: (source Roads and Maritime Services TDT2016/001)

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Can cyclists ride in a shared zone?

Cyclists are permitted to ride in a shared zone, however they are limited to the same 10km/h speed limit and are required to give way to pedestrians where required.

Will this proposal result in loss of on-street parking?

Council will endeavour to minimise the loss of legal on-street parking spaces, and preserve existing parking controls. Parking will be permitted in a shared zone in areas where marked. Areas currently marked as 'No Parking' will be retained.

Will there be some vegetation, street trees, bike parking and street furniture?

Council will explore opportunities for these during the delivery and detailed design stage of the project. At the time Council will seek opinions from the community regarding these details.

Is there provision for mobility and vision impaired?

The design will incorporate needs of mobility and vision impaired, and will look to install tactile markers and other enhancements as required. Council will explore opportunities for these during the delivery and detailed design stage of the project. At that time Council will seek opinions from the community regarding these details.

For further information

To access the draft traffic report and for further information, please visit Council's YourSay website <https://yoursay.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/newtown-improving-safety-and-traffic>

Please contact Council's Traffic and Parking Planner Mr Sunny Jo on 9392 5965 during business hours. Alternatively you may email Council on council@innerwest.nsw.gov.au