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REPORT:

Councillors will be well aware of the significant peak hour traffic issues that occur throughout the Richmond and North Richmond areas on a regular basis. Early morning traffic queues extend to Colo High School and in the evening it is not uncommon to have traffic backed up well into Richmond for an extended period. These problems exacerbate the already lengthy travel times that residents must endure to get to and from work, which in turn impacts on the quality of life for themselves and their families.

It would appear that the major cause of the traffic problems within the Richmond and North Richmond area is the capacity of the intersection of Bells Line of Road and Grose Vale/Terrace Roads combined with motorists driving a "rat run" through Crowleys and Yarramundi Lanes and Old Kurrajong Road. When traffic on Kurrajong Road slows due to increased volumes, vehicles traveling on Old Kurrajong Road are being allowed into the flow, which further impacts on motorists traveling on the main road system through Richmond.

I have been continually requesting the RTA, through the Local Traffic Committee, to investigate the intersection of Kurrajong and Old Kurrajong Roads with a view to improving traffic conditions, however I now believe it is time that all the traffic issues within the Richmond and North Richmond areas should be reviewed and strategies developed to improve the problems currently being experienced in peak periods.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minister for Roads be requested to undertake a review of the traffic issues throughout the Richmond and North Richmond areas with a view to identifying strategies to alleviate the significant delays being experienced by motorists during peak traffic periods, and the three Local State Members of Parliament be asked to support Council's endeavors in this regard.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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