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Dear Mr [REDACTED]

Thank you for your recent email, which was forwarded to Council from the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) outlining your request for pedestrian crossings on Ocean View Drive, Wamberal.

Council has been aware of the need for pedestrian facilities across Ocean View Drive, Wamberal for many years and to that end has provided five (5) pedestrian refuges in the most appropriate locations along this road.

For your information, marked pedestrian crossings are considered using a formula that uses both the number of vehicles and the number of pedestrians in any three one hour periods in a day to see if a pedestrian crossing is warranted. The relatively low pedestrian volumes at these locations showed that marked pedestrian crossings were not warranted and the pedestrian refuges were the most appropriate facility.

Past experience has shown that at marked pedestrian crossings with low pedestrian movements, driver complacency leads to increased crashes when a pedestrian uses the crossing. In these locations, a pedestrian refuge is the most appropriate facility allowing pedestrians to cross the road in two stages.

Unfortunately, due to the various beach accesses along the road, there is no distinct pedestrian desire line that can be identified that would provide the required number of pedestrians to warrant a pedestrian crossing in lieu of a refuge.

Should you have any further enquiries regarding this matter please contact me on the above telephone number during business hours.

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]

Road Safety and Traffic Coordinator