Berry Bypass (Dissection)
Kangaroo Valley Road Interchange
Victoria Street & Mark Radium Park
17-Apr-12
The Concerned

- Berry Public School P&C
- The Arbour
- The Grange
- BUPA
- Other community members
Key Problems Raised

- Unsafe / obstructed pedestrian passage across the highway
- No noise pollution or safety barriers
- Reduced amenity and utility of Mark Radium Park
- Removal of historic trees that define the southern entrance to the “Town Of Trees”
- No alternate access across the highway
- Poor school and community road safety on Victoria Street
A Simpler, Safer Solution

Upgrade of Mark Radium Park facilities, e.g. exercise / play equipment for the local community

A pedestrian / cycle overpass between Huntingdale Park and Mark Radium Park

Complete pathway the full length of Victoria St

A pedestrian / cycle / road overpass joining North Street

Merge Queen St (one way) directly onto the highway southbound, retaining trees

Cul-de-sac the western end of Victoria Street and direct traffic onto Queen Street (60% less utilised)

Installation of Pedestrian crossings along Queen Street (& at school)
Support To Date

• More than 105 (out of 153) community complaints to the RMS in Dec-11 were in response to the safety and access problems identified

• At a meeting in Jan-12 between Gareth Ward, RMS, Shoalhaven City Council and The Concerned it was agreed that:

  “The design of the bypass should support the function of the park, not vice versa. This is an opportunity to create a usable space for locals”

• The following Motion was adopted by Shoalhaven City Council in Mar-12:

  “That in the interests of pedestrian safety and residential amenity, Shoalhaven City Council supports Berry families in the negotiations with the RMS for the closure of Victoria Street toward the Princes Highway end at such time that Berry is bypassed”
Greater Community Benefits

• Greatly improved safety for all community pedestrians using Victoria Street, Mark Radium Park and crossing the highway
• Greatly improved amenity and utility of Mark Radium Park, retaining the iconic Duck Pond; A recreation hub for the elderly, young families and the growing Huntingdale Park population
• Retention of historic trees that define the southern entrance to the “Town Of Trees”
• Ongoing maintenance of the Mark Radium Park grounds by The Arbour residents
• Travellers are encouraged towards the commercial centre of town, reinforcing the role of Queen St as the shopping and business precinct
• All “Victoria St” issues addressed, as documented in the Berry Bypass Alignment Issues Report Jan-12