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Road: Various Roads and Reserves
Suburb: Brooklyn
Location: Brooklyn area
File Ref: F2004/08721-004 - Traffic Management - Brooklyn - Includes Access Road at Kangaroo Point
F2019/00117 - Place Management - Brooklyn
LTC No: 27/2023
Electorate: HORNSBY
Google Map: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/yNfF14wnysYdyeJk9>
Subject: Brooklyn Car Parking Management - Proposed parking signage (Stage 2)
Date of Circulation: Friday, 20 October 2023

REFERRAL OF TRAFFIC MATTER FOR COMMENT OR OBJECTION, IF ANY

SUMMARY

This report details traffic and parking implications for proposed regulatory signage for time-limited parking in Brooklyn streets and reserves. This report is a continuation (Stage 2) of Brooklyn Car Parking Management - Proposed parking signage considered by report LTC 22/2023 (D08726797 - 8 September 2023).

SUBJECT

At the April 2023 General Meeting, Council considered General Manager's Report No. GM1/23 on "*Brooklyn car parking management - feedback from public exhibition*" and resolved (in part) to adopt the proposed car parking management staged roll out schedule, including trailer removal process from Brooklyn. Specifically, the adopted staged rollout plan identified the following in relation to time-limited parking and trailer parking:

1. Council introduces time-limited parking restrictions on Karoola Street at Upper McKell Park, Dangar Road Parking Area and Dangar Road at Lower McKell Park to improve turn-over rate of vehicles.
2. Council is to permit car without trailer to park at some areas within Parsley Bay Reserve.
3. Council is to install a No Stopping area at the slip road behind Hawkesbury River Marina to improve road safety.

Visitor numbers in Brooklyn have been growing for a number of years. Several community groups and many residents in Brooklyn have expressed concerns for visitor parking demand and suggested to improve turn-over rate at some locations in Brooklyn, including McKell Park and Parsley Bay. Council has land management responsibilities in McKell Park and Parsley Bay that require it to facilitate access for visitors to the reserves for the purposes of public recreation. Visitor demand for car parking is managed in the short-medium term by the introduction of timed parking and in the longer term, through smart parking solutions/paid parking.

Parking implications

In 2020 Council adopted the Car Parking Management Study. The study included a detailed investigation of parking in Brooklyn which found that there are 52 time-restricted and 580 unrestricted parking bays located within the Brooklyn Town Centre. Peak occupancy on-street is 71% on a Thursday at 2PM, and 77% on a Sunday with peak demand occurring from 12PM to 3PM. Peak Occupancy off-street is 100% on a Thursday from 12PM to 2PM and 96% on a Sunday with Peak demand occurring from 10AM to 12PM. The unrestricted areas of on-street parking generate an average turnover of 2.3 cars during the survey on Sunday. The average length of stay on-street on a Sunday is 5 hours for on-street parking.

Council is to introduce time-limited parking restrictions on Karoola Street at Upper McKell Park, Dangar Road Parking Area and Dangar Road at Lower McKell Park. These areas are at a very high parking demand and it is difficult for visitors to find available parking space. Council will not introduce time-limited parking restrictions in Parsley Bay at this stage and will keep monitoring parking occupancy within Parsley Bay in the following months.

As part of Council's investigation of the existing signs, it was found that there are time-limited parking restriction signs with outdated wording "Monday-Sunday, including Public Holidays". A review of the current NSW Road Rules 318 (3), has confirmed that words "Monday-Sunday, including Public Holidays" are not required for including restrictions on Public Holidays. For consistency of information of road signs, it is proposed to replace existing signs removing "Monday-Sunday, including Public Holidays". 16 existing signs in total on Brooklyn Road, Bridge Street and Dangar Road will be updated.

Council's Ranger Services team regularly receives reports from residents/visitors that vehicles are parked too close to Dangar Road at the slip road behind Hawkesbury River Marina. To address this issue, it is proposed to install "No Stopping" signs (15 metres) at this location to improve road safety.

SUBJECT continued**Proposed parking restrictions**

Following detailed investigations, a proposal was developed for the following parking restrictions:

1. Karoola Street, at Upper McKell Park - Installation of "4P 8:30am-6pm" signs along the northern side, 97 metres long. Installation of "Disabled Parking Only" space near the cu-de-sec, 7.8 metres long along with an access ramp and road delineation in accordance with *AS 2890.5-2020 Parking Facilities - On-street parking*.
2. Dangar Road Parking Area - Installation of "4P 6am-6pm" signs, including entry signs.
Existing disabled parking spaces are to be retained.
3. Dangar Road, south of Dangar Road Parking Area on southern side - installation of "P30minutes, 6am-6pm, Car Only Parking" signs on three 90-degree angled parking spaces.
Existing disabled parking space is to be retained.
4. Dangar Road, at Lower McKell Park – installation of "4P 6am-6pm," signs along northern side, these signs will affect forty-five 90-degree angled parking spaces. Installation of "P30minutes,6am-6pm, Car Only Parking" signs on three 90-degree angled parking spaces.
Existing disabled parking spaces are to be retained.
5. Parsley Bay - Installation of "Parsley Bay Reserve Area 2", "Parsley Bay Reserve Area 3" and "Parsley Bay Reserve Area 4" signs. Installation of two entry signs at the entry of Parsley Bay. Installation of "P30minutes,6am-6pm, Car Only Parking" signs on three 90-degree angled parking spaces adjacent to amenities. Installation of "car only parking" signs along the southern side of George Street, 46 metres long.
Existing disabled parking spaces are to be retained.
6. Slip Road behind Hawkesbury River Marina - Installation of "No Stopping" signs 15 metres long near to the intersection.
7. Removal of redundant wording: "Monday-Sunday, including Public Holidays" on all existing signage.

CONSULTATION

The proposed changes to parking in Brooklyn were placed on public exhibition for nine weeks throughout September and October 2022. It should be noted that the community dedicated significant time, effort and resources into preparing their submissions and in some cases conducted their own surveys and undertook consultation with their stakeholders. 504 submissions were received - 38 written submissions were received on the proposed changes and 466 online surveys were completed on Council's Your Say Hornsby webpage. Council staff also met with nine individuals, at their request, during the exhibition period, and attended fortnightly meetings with the Brooklyn Hawkesbury Parking Collaboration. The summary of results of public exhibition is attached.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Plans of proposed parking restrictions (5 pages)
- B. Summary of results of public exhibition - "Brooklyn Car Parking Management Survey Results - January 2023"

CONCLUSION

The time-limited parking signage will result in improved turn-over rate on approximately 100 parking spaces for visitors and residents of Brooklyn. Introducing more timed-limited parking spaces is suggested and supported by the Brooklyn Community Association. Based on wider community benefit, this signage is recommended to proceed.

RECOMMENDATION THAT

The following parking restrictions be approved:

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Note for voting Local Traffic Committee members.

Under Transport for NSW 'Delegation of Functions to Regulate Traffic' (operation of local traffic committees) you are required to comment or indicate your acceptance or objection to the recommendation of this report.

Your response must be submitted in writing within 14 days of the date of this notice.

Please send your response via return email for the item, or email trafficbranch@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

For further information please contact Radek Zarzycki on 9847 6524.

Upon receipt of your comments the matter will be referred to Council for action.

Radek Zarzycki
Chairman



Issued Date: Friday, 20 October 2023

Comments Close Date: Friday, 3 November 2023 at 5:00pm