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Road:	Myra Street	Suburb:	Wahroonga
Location:	Waitara Public School		
File Ref:	F2005/00166	LTC No:	23/2020
Electorate:	Ku-ring-gai	UBD Ref:	
Google Map:	<a href="https://goo.gl/maps/GHKRMFsyDpu7nT9V8">https://goo.gl/maps/GHKRMFsyDpu7nT9V8</a>		
Subject:	Proposed changes to parking restrictions		
Date of Circulation:	4 September 2020		

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REFERRAL OF TRAFFIC MATTER FOR COMMENT OR OBJECTION, IF ANY

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### **SUMMARY**

This report details the traffic and parking implications for the installation of a 'No Parking' zone within the school zone in Myra Street, Wahroonga, to accommodate drop off and pickup near the recently constructed pedestrian crossing at the front of Waitara Public School.

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Council has received a request from Waitara Public School to install a 'No Parking' zone in place of the existing '15 minute parking' near the school's entrance in Myra Street. The former 'No Parking' zone was removed to accommodate the installation of a new raised Pedestrian Crossing in Myra Street as part of the Department of Education's development of Waitara Public School. (report No LTC 07/2020)

Site observations confirmed that the existing '15 minute parking' zone is causing congestion due to cars stopping to reverse into the parking spaces, stopping through traffic and while parents and children are moving around other parked cars within the zone. The change is aimed at addressing a request from the school to run an organised set-down and pick-up program for parents and carers. The set-down and pick-up program will be supervised by the school and will allow parents and carers a safe location to drop-off and pick-up students directly outside the school gate. The proposal has been developed following discussions with the school's principal. It is also proposed that the existing 'No Stopping' zone in Myra Street on the departure side of the signalised intersection with Edgeworth David Avenue be extended by 10m to prevent queuing into the intersection.

**The Proposal:**

1. Replace existing '15-minute parking', (8:00am to 9:30am and 2:30pm to 4:00pm, School Days) zone in Myra Street with 57 metre 'No Parking' zone (8:30am to 9:30am and 2:30pm to 3:30pm, School Days).
2. Extend existing 'No Stopping' zone on the departure side of signalised intersection in Myra Street from 20 metres to 30 metres.
3. Adjust existing 'No Stopping' zone on the approach to the new Pedestrian Crossing to 20 metres.

A concept plan of the proposed changes to parking restrictions is attached.

The existing parking restrictions at the front of Waitara Public School (eastern side of Myra Street) currently consist of a 20 metre 'No Stopping' zone after the signalised intersection followed by a 60 metre '15-minute parking' (8:00am to 9:30am and 2:30pm to 4:00pm, School Days) zone. This is followed by a 27 metre 'No Stopping' zone on approach to the new raised Pedestrian Crossing. The installation of the new 'No Parking' zone will provide a safe and efficient drop-off zone with an existing footpath connecting the area directly to the school gate. Existing unrestricted parking will remain available further to the south along Myra Street and within the surrounding school zone to accommodate parents and carers who need to park and walk into the school.

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## **CONSULTATION**

The proposal has been developed in close consultation with the school principal and the school community including site meetings.

The Principal requested “*Would we be able to have the ‘No Parking’ signs start at 8.30am in the morning. That way we could have students dropped off at Before and After School Care and parents be able to stop to sign their children in. We will then come out at 8.45 to manage the kiss and drop zone. In the afternoon 2.30-3.30 would be fine. That would then allow parents to park to pick up their Kids at BASC*”.

Further consultation is not required as the proposed parking restrictions are directly along school’s frontage.

## **CONCLUSION**

The suggestions and issues raised by the school have been addressed in the report. The changes to the parking restrictions in Myra Street will include an initial 3-month trial of the ‘No Parking’ zone (8:30am to 9:30am and 2:30pm to 3:30pm, School Days). It is understood these times are not standard school zone hours of operation. The continuation of this zone will be subject to ongoing monitoring and Council will reserve the right to change the times on the signs or remove the zone only if parking issues or extensive queueing becomes an issue affecting other road users.

## **RECOMMENDATION THAT**

1. Existing ‘15-minute parking’, (8:00am to 9:30am and 2:30pm to 4:00pm, School Days) zone in Myra Street be replaced with a with 57 metre ‘No Parking’ zone (8:30am to 9:30am and 2:30pm to 3:30pm, School Days).
  2. Supplementary plates worded “School Drop off and Pick up Zone” be installed at the top of the new ‘No Parking’ zone signs.
  3. Existing ‘No Stopping’ zone on the departure side of the signalised intersection on Myra Street be increased from 20 metres to 30 metres.
  4. Existing ‘No Stopping’ zone on the approach to the new pedestrian crossing in Myra Street be reduced to 20 metres.
  5. The operation of the ‘No Parking’ zone be subject to the school organising formal pickup activity and monitoring by Council staff for at least 3 months.
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**Note for voting Local Traffic Committee members.**

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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



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Comments Close Date: Friday 18 September, 2020, at 5:00pm