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Road: Waitara Avenue
Suburb: Waitara
Location: in front of 18 Waitara Avenue
File Ref: F2005/01158-002
LTC No: 10/2025
Electorate: WAHROONGA
Google Map: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/hLsRjA6R5AbJQvbu6>
Subject: Proposed Changes to Parking Restrictions - 'Motor Bikes Only'
Date of Circulation: Wednesday, 28 May 2025

REFERRAL OF TRAFFIC MATTER FOR COMMENT OR OBJECTION, IF ANY

SUMMARY

This report details the traffic and parking implications, design and outcome of public consultation for the proposed changes to parking restrictions in Waitara Avenue, Waitara.

SUBJECT

Council has received a request from residents of 18 Waitara Avenue to improve sight lines at a driveway to the Kokoda Senior Living Residences. Council has investigated the Development Consent for the site, confirming the development was approved by the New South Wales Land and Environment Court (LEC). The parking near the driveway, and safety around the site, were assessed during the Development Application process by an independent Traffic Consultant and found to be appropriate. The current arrangements in place have been approved by the LEC. In granting the approval, the LEC was satisfied that the development satisfied all standards. The LEC approval and related information are available at:

www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/146949/DA-1016-2018-Land-and-Environment-Court-Final-Orders-18-Waitara-Avenue-Waitara.PDF

As an alternative to removal of parking, the residents have suggested to convert two car spaces adjacent to their southern driveway to 'Motor Bikes Only' parking to improve sight lines at a driveway. This proposal will result in the substitution of two on-street parking spaces for cars, with four motor bike parking spaces. The provision of motor bike spaces would improve sight distance for motorists exiting the driveway. Waitara Avenue is a local road where a mix of parallel parking and angle parking exists. This layout has proved safe and effective over the years.

Key points about the proposal:

- Removal of one (1) angle parking space adjacent to the exit driveway of 18 Waitara Avenue.
- Removal of one (1) parallel parking space adjacent to the exit driveway of 18 Waitara Avenue.
- Installation of 'Motor Bikes Only' parking spaces adjacent to the exit driveway of 18 Waitara Avenue.

CONSULTATION

From 10 to 24 April 2025, Council invited comments on the proposal from residents and occupiers in Waitara Avenue. 170 letters were delivered to nearby apartments and occupiers. The proposal was also exhibited on Council's 'Have Your Say' website for the 14 days. Notifications were sent to regulatory authorities.

A total of sixty-four (64) submissions were received from residents and the community during the exhibition period.

A table summarising the responses is provided below:

Support	Support with other suggestions	Object	Other issues
42	18	2	2

CONCLUSION

The proposal has the general support of the community. The 'Motor Bikes Only' spaces will be signposted and delineated as per the attached plan. Following installation, Council will monitor the location to ensure that vehicles are adhering to the new regulations.

A number of the submissions suggested removal of parking near the driveway. This has been assessed earlier during the Development Application process, and by Council, in accordance with Council's "Parking Restrictions Near Driveways And Laneways" Policy, and found to be not warranted. Some submissions suggested that angle parking is unsafe and that parallel parking should be implemented. Angle parking has proven to operate safely at other locations in Hornsby Shire, which experience much higher traffic volumes, such as in Peats Ferry Road near Hornsby Shire Council offices, Hornsby Court House and Hornsby Police Station. Traffic volumes in Waitara Avenue are less than 10% of that experienced in Peats Ferry Road. There are no traffic engineering reasons to remove parking, or to convert it to parallel parking, in a low traffic volume / low speed environment such as Waitara Avenue.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of the proposal - LTC 10/2025
2. Public Consultation Summary and Responses by Council

RECOMMENDATION THAT

1. Two (2) unrestricted parking spaces along eastern side of Waitara Avenue, adjacent to the exit driveway of 18 Waitara Avenue be converted to 'Motor Bikes Only' spaces.

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



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Comments Close Date:

Thursday, 12 June 2025, at 5:00pm