ITEM 53. PARKING - NO STOPPING - MITCHELL LANE ALEXANDRIA

TRIM RECORD NO: 2015/476626

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation of parking on the western side of Mitchell Lane, Alexandria, between the points 0 metres and 28.3 meters (five car spaces) north of Copeland Street as "No Stopping".

DECISION

BACKGROUND

A resident of Mitchell Road has requested consideration to remove parking in Mitchell Lane to ensure unobstructed access to rear lane off-street parking.

COMMENTS

Parking on the western side of Mitchell Lane, between Copeland Street and Copeland Lane, is a mixture of unrestricted parking and "No Stopping".

Mitchell Lane is approximately five metres wide and provides rear-lane property access to houses fronting Mitchell Road.

Under existing conditions, when a vehicle parks in Mitchell Lane two-way traffic flow is reduced to a single lane. This restricts rear-lane property access for houses fronting Mitchell Road.

Rule 198 of NSW Road Rules 2008 prohibits drivers from parking in a way that obstructs access to any driveway at any time. In narrow streets like Mitchell Lane, vehicles parking opposite driveways obstructs or prevents vehicles from entering or exiting these driveways. Section 6 of the Roads Act 1993 gives adjoining land owners a right of vehicle access to the public road.

On-site inspection shows there is a need to provide a "No Stopping" restriction to maintain rear-lane property access.

CONSULTATION

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 54 letters sent out with two responses supporting the proposal and no responses opposing the proposal.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

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Van Le, Traffic Manager – North

