ITEM 58. PARKING - KING STREET BETWEEN WHATELEY LANE AND CHURCH STREET NEWTOWN

TRIM RECORD NO: 2016/592822

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee note the reallocation of parking on the southern side of King Street, Newtown as follows:

- (A) between the points 61.3 metres and 82.5 metres, east of Erskineville Road, as "Clearway 3pm-7pm Mon-Fri" and "Taxi Zone Other Times", (3 car spaces); and
- (B) between the points 82.5 metres and 102.4 metres, east of Erskineville Road, as "Clearway 3pm-7pm Mon-Fri", "Taxi Zone 7pm-6am Fri-Sat", "Loading Zone 8.30am-3pm Mon-Fri", and "4P Ticket 7pm-12am Sun-Thurs, 8am-7pm, Sat Sun & Public Holidays, ¼ P Free" (3 car spaces).

VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM

Voting Members	Support	Object
City of Sydney		
Roads and Maritime Services		
NSW Police – Newtown LAC		
Representative for the Member for Newtown		

DECISION

BACKGROUND

In early 2015, there were three (3) sites selected on King Street, Newtown to provide short lengths of late night Taxi Zones to improve access to taxis at night.

The three sites are as follows:

- "Taxi Zone 6pm-6am" (2 car spaces) on the northern side of King Street, east of Egan Street;
- "Taxi Zone 7pm-6am" (3 car spaces) on the southern side of King Street, between Brown Street and Watkin Street; and
- "Taxi Zone 7pm-6am" (3 car spaces) on the southern side of King Street, between Whateley Lane and Church Street.

However, there is consistent illegal parking in the zones due to a number factors such as, the short length of taxi zones (12 to 18 metres in length) and multiple messages displayed on signs which caused poor parking compliance. Taxis cannot always access the spaces so there was no real transport benefit and therefore the signs needed to be reviewed.

COMMENTS

Transport for NSW (TfNSW) proposes that parking on the southern side of King Street, Newtown, between Whateley Lane and Church Street be reallocated to provide three full-

time taxi spaces (excluding Clearway times) and three part-time taxi spaces on Friday and Saturday nights to cater for the Newtown entertainment precinct.

The existing kerbside parking in this section of King Street is afternoon peak Clearway, Loading Zone, part-time Taxi Zone and 1P/3P/4P parking.

Police, NSW Taxi Council and the City of Sydney support the new full-time and part-time taxi zones to match.

King Street is a State Road under RMS control so that the approval and installation of these changes are their responsibility.

CONSULTATION

City of Sydney has consulted with local businesses in the area and there is general support for the change to the taxi arrangements.

NSW Taxi Council support the change to parking, as it will assist their operations and increase visibility of taxis in the area.

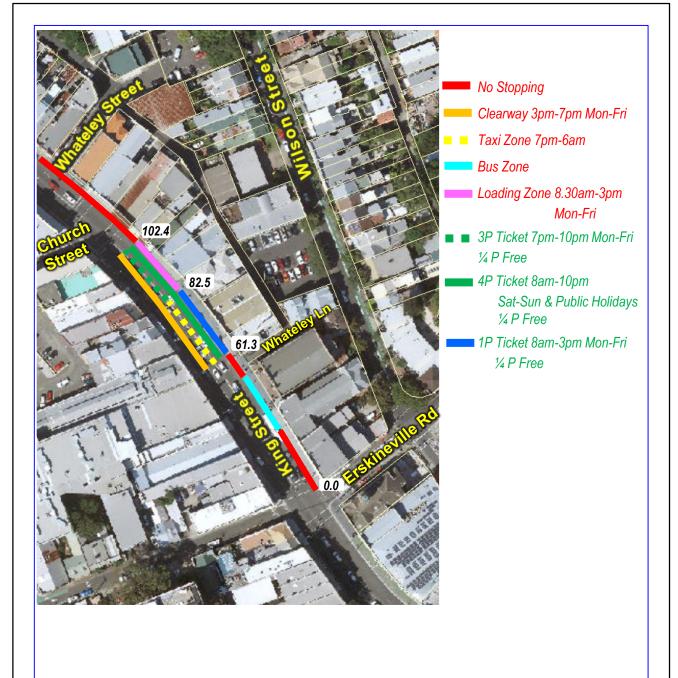
FINANCIAL

Funds are available in Transport for NSW current budget.

ATTACHMENTS

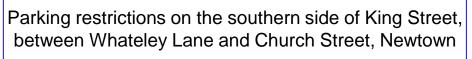
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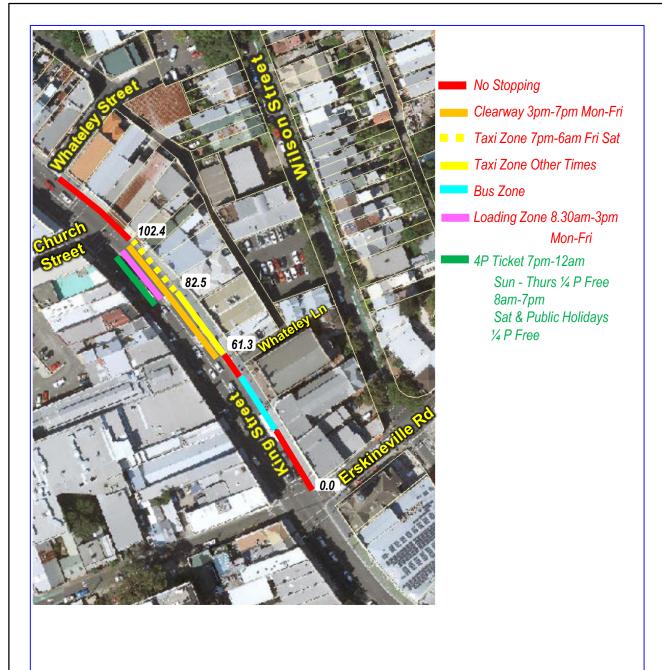
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