ITEM 31. PARKING – PERMIT PARKING – COPELAND AVENUE NEWTOWN

TRIM RECORD NO: 2017/494843

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation of parking on southern side of Copeland Avenue, Newtown between the points 10 metres and 34 metres (4 car spaces) and between 39.4 metres and 127 metres (13 car spaces) west of Burren Street, as "2P 8am-10pm, Permit Holders Excepted Area 22".

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

The Newtown, Darlington, Erskineville and Camperdown Pedestrian, Cycling and Traffic Calming (PCTC) Plan adopted by Council in 2010 includes a proposal to install a separated cycleway on Wilson and Burren Streets, Newtown, between Ivy Street and Leamington Lane.

To mitigate the concerns about the loss of parking as a result of the cycleway, residents of Copeland Avenue, Newtown have requested the consideration of "2P 8am-10pm, Permit Holders Excepted Area 22" on the southern side of the street.

COMMENTS

The kerb space on the southern side of Copeland Avenue, Newtown between Burren and Watkin Streets is currently unrestricted.

The installation of permit parking in Copeland Avenue would provide 17 new permit parking spaces in lieu of the unrestricted parking. This would partly mitigate some of the loss to parking resulting from the Wilson and Burren Streets cycleway. Additional parking is also to be provided in other streets surrounding the cycleway resulting in a net gain of 10 parking spaces for the cycleway project.

The proposed permit parking would limit any vehicle which does not have a permit to two hours of parking from 8am to 10pm where the signs are installed.

Residents with an Area 22 parking permit will be exempt from the two-hour time limit.

A two-hour parking limit is preferred for streets in the inner residential areas as it better balances the long-stay parking needs of permit holders with the needs of all households to use parking for visitors, family, carers and tradespeople.

CONSULTATION

During consultation on the proposed cycleway in Wilson and Burren Streets, concerns were raised in relation to parking loss. The City then consulted on an amended proposal for permit parking on Copeland Avenue as well as parking proposals for other streets surrounding the cycleway. There were 4,000 letters sent out with seven responses supporting and seven responses opposing the proposal.

Submissions supporting the proposal noted that the changes would provide more parking availability in the area.

Submissions opposing the proposal noted that the changes would attract more traffic to the area. Also it was noted that permit parking in Copeland Avenue could cause parking issues in adjacent streets.

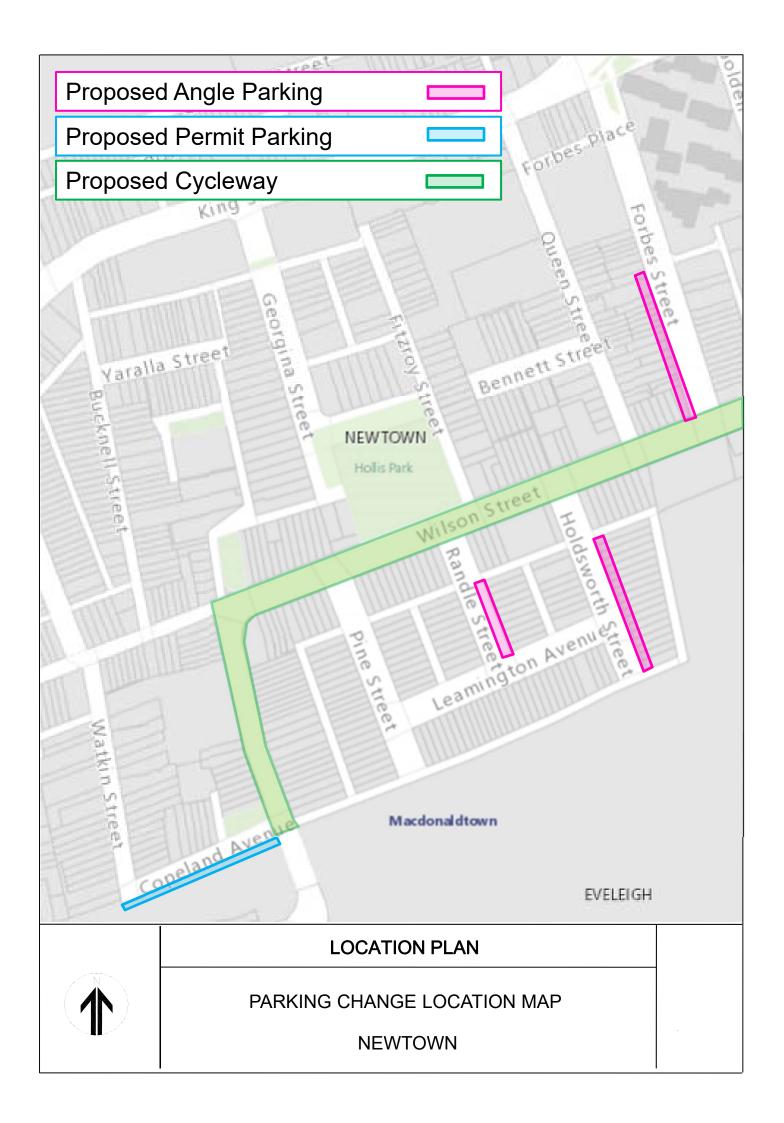
Given that the proposed parking changes offset the loss of parking resulting from the proposed cycleway on Wilson and Burren Streets, the City proposes to proceed with the proposal.

FINANCIAL

Funds are available in the City Projects Capital Works Budget.

Parking - Permit Parking - Copeland Avenue Newtown

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PROPUSAL – PARKING CHANGES COPELAND AVENUE NEWTOWN



2P 8am - 10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 22 (existing) 2P 8am - 10pm Permit Holders Excepted Area 22 (proposed)

Unrestricted Parking (existing)