

**ITEM 39. CAR SHARE – BROWN STREET NEWTOWN**

**TRIM RECORD NO: 2017/446039**

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the southern side of Brown Street, Newtown between the points 18.6 metres and 22.6 metres (one car space) east of King Street, as “No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted” subject to the following:

- (A) The City will only install signage for the car share space when Car Next Door has a car to occupy the space.

**VOTING MEMBERS FOR THIS ITEM**

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

**DECISION**

**BACKGROUND**

The City is committed to providing dedicated parking for car sharing across the Local Government Area as part of a Council approved Car Share Policy. A submission has been received from Car Next Door for a car share space in Brown Street, Newtown, east of King Street.

**COMMENTS**

The kerb space on the southern side of Brown Street, Newtown, where the Car Share space is proposed, is currently signposted as “1/2P 8.30am-6pm, Mon-Fri; 8.30am-12.30pm, Sat”. The proposal will extend an existing car share bay to form a double pod.

The car share space will be installed and managed in accordance with the Roads and Maritime Service’s Technical Direction 2007/04 and the provisions of the Council-approved Car Share Policy.

Car sharing is popular in more than 600 cities worldwide, and research has shown substantial environmental benefits. Car sharing reduces total urban driving, reduces household vehicle holdings, and increases walking, cycling and public transport use.

On average, each car share vehicle in the City can replace up to 12 private vehicles that would otherwise compete for parking.

Within a 250 metre radius of this location, there are currently no spaces allocated for Car Next Door car share vehicles.

**CONSULTATION**

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 151 letters sent out with no responses supporting the proposal and two responses opposing the proposal.

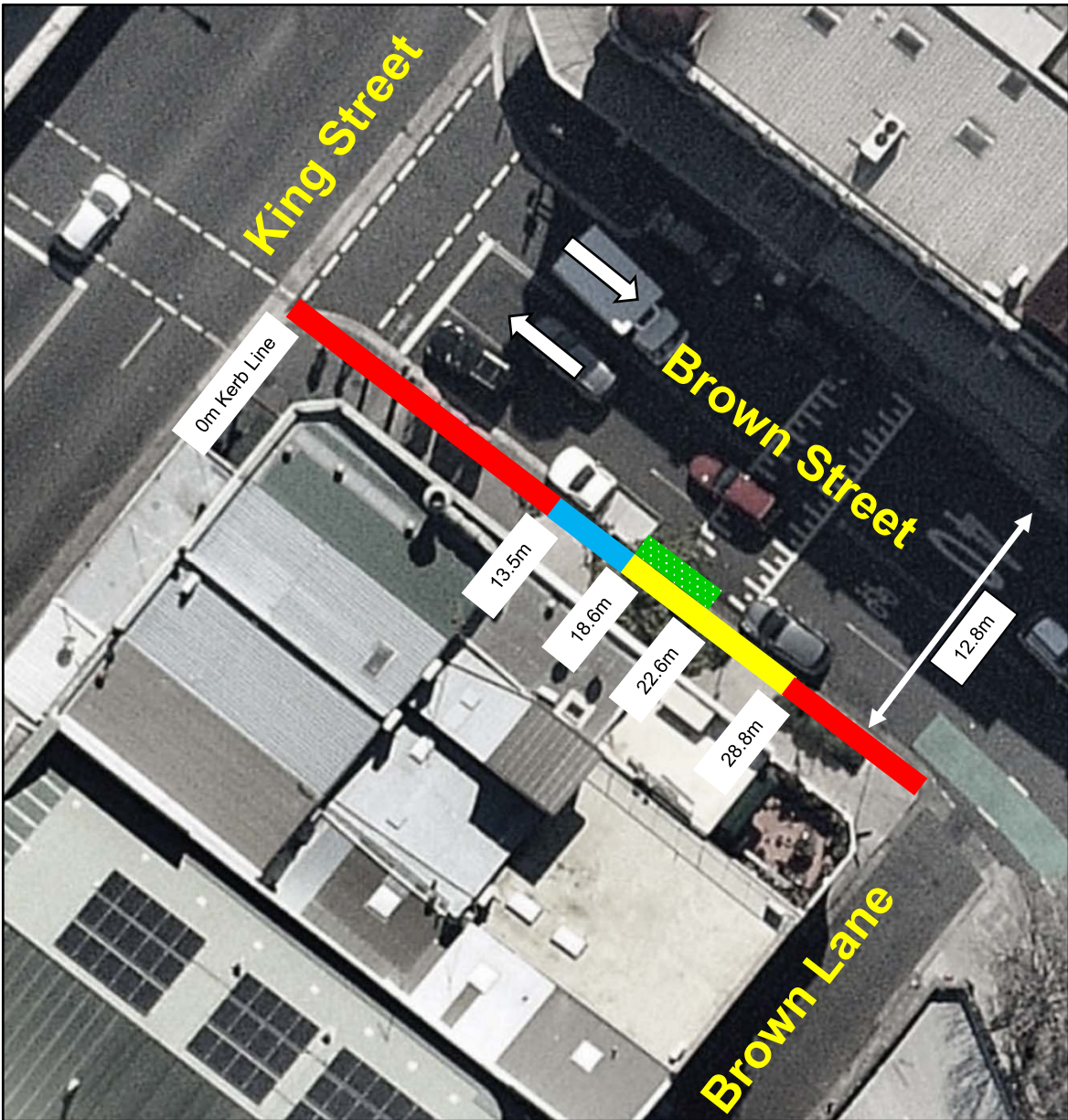
The submissions opposing the proposal noted that the changes would increase the demand for parking spaces in the area. However the existing car share spaces nearby have consistently high turnover usage and membership numbers in the surrounding area necessitate further capacity.

**FINANCIAL**

Funds are available in the current budget.

Car Share – Brown Street Newtown



Manbir Singh, Senior Traffic Engineer



**LEGEND**

- "No Stopping" (Existing)
- "1/2P 8.30am-6pm, Mon-Fri; 8.30am-12.30pm, Sat" (Existing)
- "No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Zone GG" (Existing)
- "No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Zone CND" (Proposed)

Image Source – Nearmap (22/8/2017)

	<p><b>PROPOSAL</b></p> <p><b>PROPOSED CAR SHARE SPACE BROWN STREET NEWTOWN</b></p>	
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