

Item 27.**Parking - No Parking - Stewart Place, Paddington**

TRIM Container No.: 2018/405988

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking in Stewart Place, Paddington as follows:

- (A) Southern side, between the points 54.8 metres and 70.6 metres (two car spaces) south of Stewart Street, after the 90 degree bend, as “No Parking”.
- (B) Northern side, between the points 59.7 metres and 65.7 metres (one car space) and also points 66.7 metres and 72.2 metres (one car space) south of Stewart Street, after the 90 degree bend, as unrestricted for parking.

Voting Members for this Item

Voting Members	Support	Object
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Roads and Maritime Services	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – Surry Hills PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]

Decision

Decisions will be updated after the meeting.

Background

A resident of Stewart Place, Paddington has informed the City that drivers are parking facing against the direction of traffic and therefore being infringed.

The City has therefore reviewed the existing parking restrictions in Stewart Place to improve parking behaviour and ensure safety and access is maintained at all times.

Comments

The kerb space on the southern side of Stewart Place, Paddington, south of Stewart Street and east of the 90-degree bend in the lane, is mostly signposted with a combination of “No Stopping” and “No Parking” as it provides vehicular access to existing driveways towards a dead-end.

A small section of unrestricted kerb space also exists on the southern side of Stewart Place, where residents and visitors to the area have been parking facing against the direction of traffic.

Stewart Place is a very narrow dead-end lane (approximately 4.8 metres wide) and cannot accommodate a three-point turn, so when drivers leave the unrestricted parking spaces in the lane, they need to reverse past a 90-degree bend, creating unsafe conditions for pedestrians and other vehicles.

The City initially considered a proposal to remove the unrestricted parking to ensure safe access in the narrow lane at all times.

However, given that there is no history of crashes in Stewart Place, the City is now considering a proposal to relocate the existing unrestricted parking from the southern side of the lane to the northern side. This proposal would enable drivers to park facing the correct direction of traffic. This change would be subject to a 12 months trial to monitor safety and access within the lane.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area proposing the removal of all unrestricted parking in Stewart Place. There were 39 letters sent out with one response supporting the proposal and 10 responses opposing the proposal. Additionally, the City also received a petition with 87 signatures opposing the proposed parking changes.

The submissions opposing the proposal noted that there has been no history of safety issues in Stewart Place due to parking, and that illegal parking can be resolved by relocating the parking to the northern side of Stewart Place.

Given that the City’s amended proposal, to relocate the parking to the northern side of Stewart Place, would resolve the issues raised by the submissions, residents and businesses were subsequently notified of the amended proposal.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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