

Item 12**Supplementary Answers to Previous Questions**

Supplementary Answers to Questions on Notice are as follows:

Question on Notice – Council 10 December 2018**Campbell Road Alexandria**

7. By Councillor Scott

Question

Residents of Campbell Road, Alexandria, are experiencing significant disruption due to Westconnex construction, which is compounding pre-existing local concerns given their proximity to Sydney Park.

Could Councillors please be advised:

1. What steps can be taken by the Council to increase the safety of residents on Campbell Road, Alexandria, including the investigation of increased lighting in the relevant section of Sydney Park?
2. What repairs can the City undertake to the gate at the entrance to Campbell Road, Alexandria?
3. Are there other options the Council can provide to the residents as mitigation against the loss of parking due to Westconnex construction?

Answer by the Lord Mayor

1. The City has investigated options to improve lighting on Campbell Road in the vicinity of Harber Street and Barwon Park Road. The lighting at this location is owned and operated by Ausgrid. The City requested Ausgrid as a priority to enhance street and pedestrian lighting along Harber Street to improve safety and amenity, and is expecting completion of works by January 2019. The footpath of Campbell Road is currently controlled by the RMS as part of the WestConnex St Peters Interchange. The City is not able to implement any safety improvements on Campbell Road.
2. The City does not control any gate at the entrance to Campbell Road, Alexandria. Ownership is currently being investigated and staff will report back the findings via CEO Update.
3. Campbell Road has permanently become part of the WestConnex St Peters Interchange and, as such, RMS control kerb side parking along Campbell Road.

Most of the properties along Campbell Road have rear access to off-street parking via the private laneway behind their homes. This private laneway (controlled by the City) also provides some additional parking spaces.

Parking options considered previously are:

- Residents have previously asked the City to consider building a car park at the rear of their properties within Sydney Park. Unfortunately, this section of Sydney Park is not suitable. Under the Sydney Park Plan of Management, it is categorised as land that helps to encourage plant growth, and is next to a 'no mow' zone that allows the grass to grow long enough to provide a vital green habitat for native fauna and improve biodiversity in the area. A car park would be incompatible with this purpose. A parking area would also require extensive excavation, levelling and paving to be safe for vehicles and pedestrians.
- Residents have also previously asked the City to consider allowing residents to be allowed parking permits and to park within nearby Harber Street. However, Harber Street has limited capacity, with spaces primarily designed to accommodate park visitors, and is likely to experience increased demand. The City has no plans to change the parking restrictions in this street, with the parking spaces to remain as '4P 8.30am- 5.30pm, Mon-Fri', with two designated disability parking spaces. This provides parking turnover for visitors to the area. In any case, given that the properties along Campbell Road have off-street parking, they would not be eligible for resident parking permits.

Supplementary Answer

At the Council meeting of 10 December 2018, information was sought regarding Campbell Road, Alexandria.

At that time the City had requested Ausgrid to enhance street and pedestrian lighting along Harber Street to improve safety and amenity. These works are now complete.

A further commitment was made to provide a CEO Update regarding the ownership of the gate at the entrance to Campbell Road, Alexandria. City staff have confirmed the gate is not owned by the City and it does form part of works associated with the Westconnex project.