

Item 29.**Car Share - Wilson Street, Newtown**

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Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the reallocation of parking on the northern side of Wilson Street, Newtown between the points 10 metres and 15 metres (one car space) east of Brown Street, as "No Parking Authorised Car Share Vehicles Excepted Bay 874".

Voting Members for this Item

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

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

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 Popcar for a car share space in Wilson Street, east of Brown Street.

Comments

The kerb space on the northern side of Wilson Street, Newtown, east of Brown Street, is currently signposted as "P Motor Bikes Only".

The car share space will be installed and managed in accordance with the Roads and Maritime Service's Technical Direction 2018/001 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.

Consultation

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 98 letters sent out with no responses supporting the proposal and 17 responses opposing the proposal due to loss of motorbike parking area.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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