

Item 46.**Parking - No Stopping - Buckland Lane, Alexandria**

TRIM Container No.: 2021/424712

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the installation of "No Stopping" on the northern side of Buckland Lane, Alexandria between points 10.0 metres and 18.0 metres (two car spaces) east of Mitchell Road.

Voting Members for this Item

Voting Members	Support	Object
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Transport for NSW	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – South Sydney PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Heffron	[Insert]	[Insert]

Advice

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

Background

In August 2020, the City constructed a continuous footpath treatment on Buckland Lane just east of Mitchell Road as part of the Alexandria Local Area Traffic Management Plan.

Buckland Lane has two-way traffic flow and the continuous footpath treatment has narrowed the entry of Buckland Lane at Mitchell Road so that vehicles have difficulty passing vehicles travelling in the opposite direction at the entry to the lane.

Comments

Buckland Lane is two-way traffic flow, 5 metres wide, connects Mitchell Road to Phillips Street and provides access to garages in the lane.

Vehicles parked on the northern side of Buckland Lane reduce the through two-way traffic to a single lane approximately 2.8 metres wide.

Access and safety will be improved by removal of 2 car parking spaces on the western side of Buckland Lane, east of Mitchell Road.

Consultation

The City consulted residents and businesses in the area. There were 68 letters sent out with 2 responses supporting the proposal and 3 responses opposing the proposal.

The responses against the proposal mentioned the following:

- Parking is at a premium in Alexandria especially with two schools, commercial businesses and residents competing for limited parking spots in the daytime.
- Cars parked on Buckland Lane already slow traffic from speeding in the laneway.
- The recent closure of Anderson Street has increased traffic both ways on Buckland Lane. They suggested more speed humps are needed and a 10km/h speed limit in the lane as an alternative.

The responses supporting the proposal mentioned:

- Cars parked at the entry to the lane at Mitchell Road cause confusion and safety issues with cars reversing on the continuous footpath and conflicting with pedestrians.
- The parked vehicles on the lane, especially at the entry with Mitchell Road, obstruct vehicle access and compromise safety as vehicles need to reverse to allow another vehicles to pass.

The City noted that the recent construction of the footpath widening on Mitchell Road with a raised marked pedestrian crossing made it possible to provide additional parking on Mitchell Road (approximately 5 car spaces) for the local community.

Financial

Funds are available in the current budget.

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