

**Item 16.****Parking - No Parking - Smith Lane, Newtown**

TRIM Container No.: 2023/214274

**Recommendations**

It is recommended that the Committee endorse the allocation of parking on the eastern side of Smith Lane, Newtown between the points 12.5 metres and 18.5 metres (one car space) north of Whitehorse Street as: "No Parking".

**Voting Members for this Item**

<b>Voting Members</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>Object</b>
City of Sydney	[Insert]	[Insert]
Transport for NSW	[Insert]	[Insert]
NSW Police – Inner West PAC	[Insert]	[Insert]
Representative for the Member for Newtown	[Insert]	[Insert]

**Advice**

Advice will be updated after the meeting.

**Background**

A resident of King Street, Newtown has requested consideration of "No Parking" in Smith Lane, Newtown to improve access to rear-lane off street parking.

**Comments**

The kerb space on the eastern side of Smith Lane, Newtown, north of Whitehorse Street, where the changes are proposed, is currently unrestricted for parking.

Smith Lane is approximately 5 metres wide and provides rear-lane property access to houses fronting King Street.

The NSW Road Rules 2014 prohibit drivers from parking at any time across a driveway, or in any other way which blocks access to a driveway. In narrow streets like Smith Lane, car parking opposite driveways obstruct or prevent vehicles from entering or exiting these driveways. Section 6 of the Roads Act 1993 gives adjoining land owners a right of vehicles access to the public road.

On-site inspection shows there is a need to provide a "No Parking" restriction to maintain rear-lane property access.

### **Consultation**

The City consulted local residents and businesses in the area. There were 44 letters sent out with nil responses supporting the proposal and one response opposing the proposal due to loss of parking.

### **Financial**

Funds are available in the current budget.

**VICKI CALLEJA, ENGINEERING TRAFFIC OFFICER**