

9. HEREFORD STREET – PARKING RESTRICTION

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The purpose of this report is to seek the Committee's approval to the installation of a parking restriction in Hereford Street between Colombo and Manchester Streets.

BACKGROUND

Christchurch Community House, which houses 26 community groups, is at present located at the corner of Cashel Street and Liverpool Street. The lease on these premises expires shortly and they are relocating to what was the "Westpac" Bank building in Hereford Street. This building has been bought by the Community Trust and the 26 community groups of the Christchurch Community House will be housed in this building.

DISCUSSION

At the site in Cashel Street there is off- street parking, two disabled parks in Liverpool Street and a P5 loading area outside the building. The two disabled parks are metered parks and serve not only the clients to the Community House but also the other community facilities in Cashel Street. The P5 loading zone was a bus stop that served the routes to the eastern suburbs and with the rerouting of these buses, the stop was changed to a loading zone, thus providing a pick up and drop off zone for the Community House.

The new site in Hereford Street has two parks in the Westpac Lane that are difficult to access and a P5 loading zone goods vehicles only outside the building in Hereford Street. Opposite the site there are two P5 loading zones, one of which is goods vehicles only.

One of the groups based at the Community House is the Disabled Persons Assembly and they have requested that the parking on Hereford Street be altered to accommodate their clients and other disabled persons who may use the facilities at Community House.

CONCLUSION

As Hereford Street is a very busy area of the City it is not possible to provide the same amount of on-street parking facilities as the Community House has had access to at the Cashel Street site. However, some parking facilities could be provided.

By changing the P5 loading zone goods vehicles only to a P5 loading zone at any time will provide a pick up and drop off zone for clients to the Community House. (See plan attached).

The parking spaces to the west of the loading zone are metered and the alteration of one of these spaces to a disabled metered park would provide a longer term park for a disabled client to the community groups.

Staff

- Recommendation:**
1. That the loading zone for goods vehicles only with a time limit of 5 minutes on the north side of Hereford Street commencing at a point 90 metres from its intersection with Colombo Street and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 11 metres be revoked.
 2. That a loading zone with a time limit of 5 minutes at anytime be created on the north side of Hereford Street commencing at a point 90 metres from its intersection with Colombo Street and extending in a easterly direction for a distance of 11 metres.
 3. That the P60 metered park on the north side of Hereford Street commencing at a point 84 metres from its intersection with Colombo Street and extending in an easterly direction for a distance of 6 metres be created as a park for those vehicles displaying a mobility sticker.

Chairman's

Recommendation: That the above recommendations be adopted.