15. WASHINGTON RESERVE CAR PARK

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The purpose of this report is to seek approval from the Board to impose a time limit parking restriction in the new Washington Reserve car park.

BACKGROUND

Work on Stage 2 of the Washington Reserve skate park is nearly completed with the street-skating area already proving very popular. The small car park required to service the park is well under construction and a restriction limiting the time cars may be parked in the car park is considered necessary in order to discourage commuters from using the car park.

RELEVANT CURRENT POLICY

Under the delegated authority of the Council, the Board is empowered to approve the imposition of time limit parking restrictions on parks/reserves and roads.

A DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSAL

Because of the proximity of Washington Reserve to the polytechnic and the central business district, there is a risk that the new car park in Washington Reserve will be used for all day parking unless a time limit is placed on parking there. This was apparent in Washington Way itself until time restricted parking was approved on this road. The need for restricted parking in the park is particularly relevant during week days between the hours of 8.00 am and 6.00 pm, and it is therefore recommended that a time limit of 120 minutes be implemented within Washington Reserve.

Staff

Recommendation: That pursuant to part 1, clause 4, of the Christchurch Traffic and Parking Bylaw 1991, the Board resolve that the parking of motor vehicles in the Washington Reserve car park be limited to a maximum period of 120 minutes between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm Monday to Friday, with effect from 1 August 2003.

Chairperson'sRecommendation:That the recommendation be adopted.