

6. COLOMBO STREET PARKING CHANGES OUTSIDE SMITHS CITY AND SOUTH CITY

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The purpose of this report is to ask the Council to support alterations to the parking outside both Smiths City and South City in Colombo Street.

Parking was altered outside these two businesses as part of the implementation of the bus priority changes along Colombo Street in March of this year. Since that time, the changes made have caused some difficulty for Smiths City from an operational perspective and they have requested that these minor amendments be made to ease their difficulties. South City have been consulted and are happy with the proposed changes outside their premises.

The proposal is to reinstate P10 parking outside Smith's City from Dundas Street, extending 29m south on Colombo Street. This parking will be in the area currently marked as a bus lane, but will be restricted to 8.30am to 3.00pm to avoid times when traffic congestion will require buses to use the bus lane. This P10 parking will allow tradesmen to collect materials during the day when the bus lane is not used by buses due to the light traffic flows.

Outside No. 558-550 Colombo Street there is a P5 loading zone. It is proposed that this loading zone be relocated to the opposite side of the road outside South City and that P60 parking be reinstated where the loading zone is currently situated. This will provide four additional car parks in this vicinity. The area outside South City that will become the new P5 loading zone is currently used as a small section of the bus stop and taxi stand area. This installation of the loading zone will have no effect on the operation of either the bus stops or the taxi stands.

- Recommendation:**
1. That the parking of vehicles be restricted to 10 minutes between the hours of 8.30am and 3.00pm Monday - Saturday on the east side of Colombo Street, commencing at its intersection with Dundas Street and extending south for a distance of 23m.
 2. That the loading zone with a time limit of 5 minutes on the east side of Colombo Street, commencing at a point 60m from Dundas Street and extending in a northerly direction for 22m, be removed.
 3. That the parking of vehicles be restricted to 60 minutes on the east side of Colombo Street, commencing at a point 60m from Dundas street and extending in a northerly direction for 22m.
 4. That a loading zone with a time limit of 5 minutes be created on the west side of Colombo Street, commencing at a point 155m from St Asaph Street and extending in a southerly direction for a distance of 12m.